

The Weekly Bulletin Of The Rotary Club Of Pudu, R.L. District 1300, K.L. Malaysia



# BERITA pudu



" THE FUTURE OF ROTARY IS IN YOUR HANDS "   
 R.I. Theme for Rotary Year 2009/2010

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*Involved We Are, Committed We Must Be.*



*R.I. President John Kenny  
& R.I. First Lady June Kenny*

# With Compliments

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## Programme for Today

Speaker : Mr. William Du  
Subject : Raising Private Equity/ Venture Capital

### ON DUTY

Duty Table : Rtn Lee Su Zane  
Fellowship : Rtn Brenda Lee  
Finemaster : Rtn Sandy Soh  
Introduce : Rtn Sharon Lim  
Thanking : Rtn Leong Choy Ying

## Programme for 5<sup>th</sup> April 2010

Speaker : Mr. Lee Siew Sun  
Subject : Alternative Treatment For  
Cancer & Osteoarthritis

### ON DUTY

Duty Table : Rtn George Heng  
Fellowship : Rtn CT Heng  
Finemaster : PP KH Low  
Introduce : Rtn Loo Ming Chee  
Thanking : PP Quah Sek Cheng

## Birthdays & Wedding Anniversaries

**Birthdays** : PP Quah Sek Cheng (4<sup>th</sup> Apr)  
**Spouse's Birthday** : Ann Evelyn (22<sup>nd</sup> Mac)  
**Anniversaries** : Rtn Jeffrey Yap and Ann Catherine (30<sup>th</sup> Mac)

**THE PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE CLUB WOULD LIKE TO EXTEND THEIR DEEPEST CONDOLENCES AND SYMPATHIES TO PP TAI CHIN PEOW AND ANN IVY ON THE RECENT DEMISE OF THEIR BELOVED MOTHER IN LAW/MOTHER. ON THE 10TH MARCH 2010.**

## Your 22<sup>nd</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> March 2010 Diary Month of March is Dedicated to Literacy Month

Date	Day	Time	Meeting	Venue
22-3-10	Mon	12.45 pm	Weekly Meeting	Shangrila Hotel, KL
22-3-10	Mon	2.00 pm	Incoming Public Relations Com. Meeting	Shangrila Hotel, KL
24-3-10	Wed	7.00 pm	Incoming Club Admin. Service Com. Mtg.	Bangkok Connection, Jln Ampang, KL (Next to Ampang Park)
25-3-10	Thurs	6.30 pm	BOD Meeting	President Robin Tay's Office
26-3-10	Fri	7.00 pm	Installation Com. Meeting	Rtn Steven Oon's Residence
27-3-10	Sat	7.00 pm	GROUP 9 INTER CITY DINNER MEETING	Ecofarm Organic Shop, Organic Shop & Life Café, 125, Jalan Aminuddin Baki, Tmn. Tun Dr. Ismail, Kl
29-3-10	Mon		<b>MEETING CANCELLED</b>	
31-3-10	Wed	6.30 pm	District Conference Com. Meeting	PP K H Low's Office

## IMPORTANT EVENTS

EVENTS	DATE	VENUE
Spouses' night	April 10 - Saturday	Modestos Restaurant, Capital Square, KL
District Assembly	April 16 - 18	Sunway Resort Hotel
Charity Film Premier	May 22 - Saturday	Golden Screen
Awards' Night	June 5 - Saturday	TBA
Pudu Family Day	June 12-13	A'Famosa, Malacca
S'pore West Installation	June 23 - Wednesday	Singapore
Dhonburi Installation	June 30 - Wednesday	Bangkok
Club Installation	JULY 4 - Sunday	Shangri-La
Bangkok Rotary Institute	November 19 - 21	Bangkok
District Conference	December 10 - 12	Shangri-La

## AS WE APPROACH 1ST JULY

Incoming President Choy Ying is working extremely hard to get things going for the next Rotary Year. As all of us know, RY2010/11 does not exactly start on 1<sup>st</sup> July, the first day in the Rotary calendar. Due to the school calendar we have to start at least in the first quarter of the year as otherwise by December when the school period ends plans of the Interact clubs will only be half way done (when the RY is half way). So this March sees Choy Ying and her committees especially the New Gen committee running around to get things done.

When you are reading this bulletin, the ILTMC, i.e. the **Interact Leadership Training and Motivational Camp** would have just completed in Port Dickson. This 3day-2night project was planned to train the incoming office bearers of the Interact clubs on how to manage their respective Interact clubs. It was also meant to train the participants to become leaders as well as to provide a platform for networking. A number of Teacher Advisers would have attended as would a number of Rotarians' families. Thus the objectives are many and there is no doubt that given the hard work put into it, they will be met. PP Gary Lim and President Choy Ying have put in much sweat. But it is a worthy project and benefit many youths, precisely about 200 of them.

After this project in March, the next one would be the **Rotarian Teacher Advisers Hi Tea**. New Gen Director Rtn Jeffrey Yap is making it a reality and date has been set in April. The Teacher Advisers are our valuable contacts in the schools and they are indeed Friends of Rotary. Thus it is only fitting that we at least sit down together with them at least once a year over an informal setting to talking about our main focus, the Interactors. Remember Interactors are teenagers and they are full of life, ideas, energy and curiosity. They need to be guided and together with the Teacher Advisers, the Rotarian Advisers will provide this guidance.

**Fund raising** would be the next target and this one is slated in May. VP CT Heng has decided on a matinee show and again a lot need to be done. Contacting the vendors, printing tickets, getting them endorsed by the authorities for tax exempt purpose, selling them and lot of other tasks need be done. And we would still be at least 2 months away from 1<sup>st</sup> July.

So folks, Lend a Hand when you are approached as "More Hands make light of work". **The Club is counting on YOU!!!**

My Dear Fellow Rotarians,

The definition of '**ROTARY**' in the Wikipedia means, **circular; describing a circle; moving in a circle; "the circular motion of the wheel."**

Around this time of the month, by now, the incoming President should have lined up all the Board Members, held numerous joint service avenue meetings with the outgoing Board, attended Pre-PETs, planning for fund-raising, and etc, etc. This is to ensure that the Club's leadership will be passed down like the circular motion of the wheel, with **consistency, continuity, and competency** intact.

Indeed, in Pudu Rotary Club, the month of March marks the beginning of the next Rotary Year. In Pudu especially, the Rotary year starts off with its first project, that is, the Fireside for Service to New Generation and the training of Group Discussion Leaders for its yearly Interact Leadership Training Seminar. This year, under the capable chairman, evergreen PP Gary Lim has excelled once again in organizing an 'exhaustive' motivational training camp in Port Dickson lasting for 3 days and 2 nights.

### **Why is this training so important for Pudu Rotarians? May I ask?**

As we all know that the youngsters are our future leaders, therefore, proper leadership should be instilled in them, besides motivation, aspiring speeches, leadership talks, interactive sessions; the youngsters are also exposed in learning these often forgotten **management and organizational skills**. These enhancement skills will empower them to lead a balanced daily life. Those skills such as; **How to do a budget before carrying out a project? How to carry out a successful fund raising? How to conduct and hold proper meetings?**, and many more are most invaluable to them in time to come.

For those Pudu Rotarians who had attended the ILTS yearly, agree with me that this project is most importantly needed for our own Rotarians who choose to take office whether present or future. Although we know it's our duty to teach and guide our future leaders, we ourselves very often don't '**Walk the Talk**' and '**Don't do what we preach**'.

For me, in my own opinion, I reflect myself like a mirror while in the process of each of the training sessions and by doing so, it helps me later but very often in my profession; to refresh my memories on what I am preaching. Graciously, I must admit, those invaluable moments have enriched and empowered my skills in most of my daily life in what the things I think, say and do. This is incredible as what Gandhi had once said, "**The present now is the future**".

**"The future of Rotary is in your hands and it will help to bridge continents to build better communities"**

Robin Tay Lian Kiat

President of Pudu Rotary Club, RY 2009/2010.

## "INVOLVED WE ARE, COMMITTED WE MUST BE"

### PROCEEDINGS ON MONDAY, 15<sup>th</sup> March 2010

**Guest Speaker** : PDG Dr. Paul Lee  
**Subject** : Reflections Of A Ri Trainer

#### VISITING ROTARIANS

Name	Club
PP Ken Woodgate	RC Tawa, New Zealand
PP Lynn Wong	RC Kelana Jaya
Rtn Elysia Teh	RC Lembah Damansara

#### GUESTS

Name	Host
Mark Hazelwood	Rtn James Prophett
Fong Kai Mun	PP Gary Lim
Fong Teng Fook	PP Gary Lim
Jitco Chin	RAC Pudu
Crystal	President Robin Tay

#### STATISTICS

Visiting Rotarians	:	3
Guests	:	5
Club Members	:	26
<b>Total Present</b>	:	<b>34</b>

#### COLLECTIONS

Birthdays / Anniversaries / Fines	:	RM 30.00
Paying Diners	:	RM 210.00
Raffles & Others	:	-
<b>Total</b>	:	<b>RM 240.00</b>

#### CLUB PROCEEDINGS

SAA Rtn Stanley Pereira called the meeting to order at 1.15 pm on behalf of President Robin Tay. He introduced all the visiting Rotarians and guests. He later led in the singing of the National Anthem and proposed the loyal toast.

The finemaster for the day was PP Ng Sim Bee. He started his fine session by fining SAA Stanley for being nervous RM1.

Those members who just got back from Chiangmai were asked to pay RM5 each which included PP Sam, Richard and Gary and others who were late.

Members who were not attending the coming Club Assembly were each fined RM1. Those going for the ILTC in PD were each asked to pay RM2 fine.

Rtn Sharon Lim who came late and was now dressing well was fined RM2.

#### PRESIDENT'S ANNOUNCEMENT

Last Friday, 12th March 2010, the Pre PETS for Rotary Year 2010 started with a 'Kampung Theme' at Holiday Villa, Jln Ampang. Let's congratulate incoming DG Lim Kok Beng for successfully carried out this event under his Governorship.

Congratulations are also extended to incoming President Choy Ying for successfully completed her Pre PETS training.

Tomorrow, 16th March 2010, at the incoming Service to New Generations, Rtn Jeffery Yap's residence, we shall be having Rotary Year 2010/2011 first project. That is the Fireside for New Generations and training of Group Discussion Leaders for Interact Leadership Motivation Camp in Port Dickson. I appeal to all Pudu Rotarians, please attend this important

fireside and training conducted by Rotary International Trainer, PDG Dr. Paul Lee.

On the 27th March 2010, Group 9 Intercity Meeting at Ecogreen Organic Restaurant & Café. This restaurant is situated at Bagunan BAKTI Siti Hasmah, Taman Tun Dr. Ismail, K.L. Meeting time starts at 7.00 p.m. and the cost for Pudu Rotarians is RM 15 per pax.

Again, I appeal to all Pudu Rotarians to participate fully in this event as our Club has committed 20 paxs. Please support and I shall be going around getting your kind support.

This coming Thursday, 18th March 2010, we will be having our 4th Club Assembly at Royal Selangor Golf Club (RSGC) at 7.00 p.m. Please be informed that we are still short of numbers. According to our Past President Council Chairman, PP Ng Sim Bee, we have to commit 40 paxs to RSGC. So, fellow Pudu Rotarians, we need your support.

In view of the Group 9 Intercity Meeting, on the 29th March 2010, our weekly meeting is been cancelled. Please and kindly take note. Also, please note that on 22nd March 2010, our weekly meeting is back at Shangri-La Hotel, KL, at 12.45 p.m.

On the 10th April 2010, the Spouses' Night organised by IPP Michael Yeow. According to him there will be a short meeting after the weekly meeting. Please give him your support.

PP Ken Woodgate from New Zealand has been in Malaysia for the last 5 weeks. As you know his daughter is working in the New Zealand High Commission, Malaysia, he is here to visit her and her family. Tonight, he will be leaving and it gives us great pleasure to welcome him to the rostrum to listen to his experiences of Malaysia. We hope you will have a safe journey home and hope to see you soon.

Incoming President Choy Ying would like to take this opportunity to report to us on her first duty as President RY

2010/2011. She wants to report on the Interact Leadership Motivation Training Camp which will be held from the 19th to 20th March 2010 in Port Dickson. Please welcome incoming President.

On District Matters.

On 16th to 18th April 2010, 76th District Assembly at Sunway Lagoon Resort & Spa, Sunway. According to our Pudu's tradition, it is important for all the incoming Board of Directors to attend. As you know this Rotary Year, the District Governor for District 3300 is none other than our own Rotarian. Therefore, fellow Rotarians, our club hope to achieve 100% attendance. Please support our incoming DG.

Lastly, on 24th April 2010, RC Hong Kong Harbour will be holding a Charity Ball and Installation. According to Rtn Grace's email, she has invited all Pudu Rotarians to attend and at the same time, renew our Sister's Club relationship. For those who are keen, please contact International Service Director, Rtn Steven Oon.

### INTRODUCTION OF GUEST SPEAKER

DGE K B Lim introduced the guest speaker for the day who was none other than our very own member PDG Dr. Paul Lee who spoke on his recent trip to San Diego, USA as one of its trainers for the District Governors' Elect.

DGE K B Lim mentioned that the speaker is known to all members and he needed no formal introduction.

### SPEAKER'S TEXT

#### International Training Leader - reflections

Rotary International President Elect Ray Klinginsmith said "International Training Leader is the best job in Rotary! That is the description I use to describe the position of training leader at the international assemblies, and many former training leaders concur with my assessment." Appointment letter 7 July, 2009 more than 6 months before the Assembly. Came a myriad of correspondence.

#### Pre-Trip

- Purchase the airtickets
- Scrapbook
- Cultural Exhibition

#### The Flight

- 26 hours flight
- Upgraded ourselves to business class
- Reached the Manchester Grand Hyatt in San Diego past midnight
- Our room number earlier, checking in was a breeze.
- Small bottle mineral water from the hotel is USD4.50!
- Provided allowance for breakfast, dinner, incidental expenses like laundry including USD50.00 phone card each.

#### Pre-Training as Training Leaders

- Afternoon decorating the TL's Hospitality Suite
- Welcome Reception and dinner for the TLs.

- Met other 39 TLs who came from all parts of the Rotary world. From our region, 2 were from India (including Bharat), one from Taiwan, one from New Zealand and one Don Cox (who was RI President's rep to Joe's conference). Others came from Japan, Korea, Uganda, Gabon, France, Italy, Portugal, Poland, Austria, Germany, UK, Canada, Brazil, Columbia and Argentina. The rest were from US. 11 of the 40 were ladies. There was 10 second year TLs who were each assigned to lead one area like hospitality suite, gift exchange dinner, reception, scrapbook including been mentor to a few first year TLs. Our Moderator was Jose from Columbia, South America and Assistant Moderator (appointed by President Nominee Kalyan Banerjee) was Monty Audenart from Canada. The 2 Seminar Leaders' Trainers were Ann-Britt Asebol from Sweden and Larry Allan Lunsford from Kansas. The spouses' trainers were Myriam Salazar and Liz Audenart. At the dinner PE Ray gave us his first address and we met First Lady Judie.

#### The Training as Training Leaders

- 4 days
- Plenary sessions
- Followed by TLs' practice sessions.
- Seminar Leaders' Trainers demonstrated the TL
- 4.00 pm "summary of the day" plenary
- 5.30 to 6.30 pm - the hospitality suite.

TL evaluated by the moderators and fellow TLs.

Evaluation was really useful to correct some training techniques

Generally, the TLs were excellent.

#### The Training as Training Leaders' Spouses

- Lilian also received the same training
- Theirs were the round table discussions.
- Spouses also acted as flag bearers for the more than 120 countries

#### Future Vision Pilot Session

- Sunday 17 to Monday 18 - Future Vision Pilot Training.
- 100 pilot district's DGEs, DRFCs, RRFCS, RI Board, TRF Trustees and the RI Future Vision Plan Committee.

#### Training The District Governors Elect

- Monday 18 - International Assembly Opening Ceremony.
- Next 5 days training the DGEs.
- Daily plenary sessions - one hour each at 9.00 am and 2.00 pm.
- After each plenary session, the DGEs proceeded to the 30 workshop rooms.
- Talks at the plenary provided the information for each workshop session topic.
- 9 workshops - RI Theme, planning, TRF, leadership, vocational service, PR and youth.
- Every TL conducted 7 of the 9 workshops.
- DGEs in different rooms everyday to enable them to net-work
- 3 World Affairs Seminar for the spouses - the South Asian Seminar.

Punctuality was the hallmark of the assembly.

It was like clockwise precision.

Every event including evening events started and ended dot on time.

After each plenary session - 30 minutes tea break followed by workshops.

TLs leave the plenary session 10 minutes before ending  
Most of the days, I never even joined the tea break

A RI staff was stationed at every room whose role was to provide clarifications.

The DGEs were given priority seating in the centre

After each plenary session, all were to remain seated to allow the DGEs to leave the hall first.

### Group of SAAs

- Hotel rooms which were pre-allocated and couldn't be changed
- Seats for the DGEs at the plenary and workshops were the same.
- Anyone late or absent could be easily spotted out by the SAAs.
- SAAs by the way were all past RI directors and past governors.

### Role of Training Leader

- reading through and picking up vital quotes from the speeches
- preparing the flip charts
- TLs had to go to the workshop rooms and place their flip charts and other essentials before we go for breakfast or lunch!
- TLs were expected to be at the door of their rooms 15 minutes before time to welcome the DGEs.
- session begun with introduction of self, RI staff, general information etc.
- discouraged to give answers to questions asked or give our views.

Plenary session speeches were truly motivational.

Speakers personally hand picked by President Elect Ray

Participant carried a small simultaneous translation transistor

Simultaneous translation was excellent.

### Evening Events

- Closing buffet dinner at The Berkeley Ferryboat, Maritime Museum of San Diego
- Opening Ceremony Dinner
- International Fellowship Dinner and Dance
- International Festival Nights and the Closing Dinner.
- International Fellowship Dinner was truly colourful when delegates paraded in their national costumes.
- International Festival Night, we were entertained by performances from many countries. cultural exhibition where stalls were allocated to each region.
- TLs, RI PPs, Board members, TRF Trustees each host a table of DGEs.
- TLs had private Receptions with Trustees & Past Presidents, RI Board of Directors.
- Had the opportunity to spend intimate time with almost every RI leader

### The Training Preparation

- International Assembly as DGE in 1998 in Anaheim - OHP

- Our PDG David Ho was asked to try using the power point presentation.
- Told that we were to use only flip-charts to conduct the session.
- Spent a lot of time planning & writing on each flip chart for each session.
- Evening event ended at 8.00 pm, spent the rest of the night planning and preparing the flip charts and that often took me late into the nights.
- TL had an extra connecting room where we were to do our work, we had the luxury of quietness in this preparation.

### General

- Hardly any free time.
- Every day, it was plenary session, workshops, dinner, hospitality reception and ... preparing the flip charts for the next day/s.
- In between, I tried to spend some time visiting the various RI booths and the market place (booths selling RI materials).
- Only on the afternoon on the last day had I the luxury of time to comb all the booths and made some purchases of RI theme materials.

President Ray's official theme tie is not for sale.

given for every USD125 contribution to TRF.

I gave USD2,000 and got myself 12 theme ties and 4 theme scarf.

Unlucky that the weather was unusual for the whole second week

Only on the day of our departure was the weather sunnier.

visit the world famous San Diego zoo where our former Rotarain Gary McLeroy and his Ann Carol volunteered their time and thus got us free entry tickets.

Visited their lovely home which overlooks the whole of San Diego city, had dinner with them after which they sent us to the airport for our trip home.

Attended the meeting of Gary's club RC San Diego Sunrise at 7.30 am on Wednesday 20.

### Conclusion

- Attending an International Assembly is always special
- Only for DGEs and one cannot repeat that position.
- Appointed as International Training Leader is a great honour
- One of the highest appointment.
- President Elect Ray is a man of vision - very healthy and fit
- Leader who is prepared to listen and make changes.
- Provided the colour of his theme jacket way before the assembly.
- Not too secretive about his theme and logo.
- Now he will allow his governors to choose their RI President's Personal Reps

### THANKING OF GUEST SPEAKER

PP KU Rajah on behalf of the Club thanked the guest speaker PDG Dr. Paul Lee for his excellent presentation.

# Lunch on 15th March 2010 at Royal Selangor Club



PDG Dr Paul Lee sharing his experiences as a Rotary International Trainer.



President Robin seems relaxed these days!



Rtn James Prophett.... new but very much 'hands on'.



Attentive audience.



And what are our lady rotarians up to?



Rtn Asok & Rtn Heng...on duty.



On PRC's behalf.... thank you from PP KU

Sharing rotary is our visiting Rotarian.



IPP Michael Yeow..... is it about the Spouses' Night?



Incoming President Choy Ying practising..... at the Rostrum!





**District Secretary For Attendance 2009-10**

**ATTENDANCE REPORT**

Month	Number of Meetings Held	Membership			Provisional Attendance Current Mth %	Confirmed Attendance	
		1st July 09	Last Mth	Current Mth		Previous Mth %	Cumulative Ave %
July 2009	4	56			95.00%		95.00%
August 2009	4	56	56	60	95.74%	95.00%	95.37%
September 2009	3	56	60	60	91.84%	94.64%	93.83%
October 2009	4	56	60	61	92.77%	92.52%	93.73%
November 2009	5	56	61	59	93.62%	93.28%	93.81%
December 2009	4	56	59	59	94.15%	96.17%	94.29%
January 2010	4	56	59	61	91.61%	93.09%	93.76%
February 2010	2	56	61	61	87.76%	91.58%	93.00%
March 2010	0				0.00%	87.76%	82.67%
April 2010	0				0.00%	0.00%	74.40%
May 2010	0				0.00%	0.00%	67.64%
June 2010	0				0.00%	0.00%	62.00%
						0.00%	62.00%

**Membership Report**

New Members Inducted this Month February 2010 = 2

Name	Gender	Tel. No.	Fax No.	E- mail Address
Doris Chiu	F			
Lawrance Annies	M	012-227 1055		lawrence.annies@gmail.com

Members Resigned this Month – February 2010

Name	Gender	Reason for Resignation
	M	
	M	

**Important: This form must be submitted within 7 days of the last club meeting of each month.**

**ON ROTARACT**

In March 1968, the Rotaract Club of North Charlotte, North Carolina, USA, planted a tree on its campus to commemorate receiving the first Rotaract charter. Rotaract clubs around the world celebrate World Rotaract Week, 8-14 March, honoring the chartering of the first club in North Carolina, USA.

Rotaract Club of Pudu received its Charter from Rotary International on 2nd March 1974 with 28 members.

During the week, Rotaract clubs are asked to partner with their sponsor Rotary clubs to complete a service project together, attend each other's meetings, and encourage a nearby Rotary club to sponsor a new Rotaract club in its area. **Did we, Rotaract Club of Pudu and Rotary Club of Pudu do anything about the World Rotaract Week?**

Rotaract enjoys a 42-year legacy. In the late 1960s, nothing the success of the recently formed Interact program, for youth ages 14-18, the RI Board realized the need to provide opportunities for service, activity, and fellowship to young adults no longer of Interact age. The name Rotaract (derived from "Rotary in Action") was selected to show the program's close affiliation with both Rotary and Interact clubs.

RI President Luther Hodges inaugurated Rotaract in 1968, with the Rotaract Club of North Charlotte becoming the first club. The club received its charter on 13 March and had 21 members.

Within a day of the first club's certification, the Rotaract Club of the University of La Salle was chartered in Tacubaya, Mexico. The Rotaract club of Secunderabad, India, was certified the following week.

Since the 1950s, many Rotary clubs had been starting unofficial clubs for young adults, fueling Rotaract's rapid growth in its first few years. Rotaract grew from 21 clubs in 1967-68 to 289 clubs a year later. There are now more than 8,000 Rotaract clubs in 167 countries and geographical areas.

Rotaract clubs were originally open to young men and women ages 17-24. Since 1971, young adults ages 18-30 have been welcomed.

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL NEWS

**World Water Summit for any Rotarians who have an interest .....**

Register early for the third annual World Water Summit

The Water and Sanitation Rotarian Action Group and the Rotary International Water Resource Group will host the third annual World Water Summit on 19 June at the Delta Centre-Ville Hotel in Montréal, Québec, Canada.

The summit, which will convene the day before the 2010 RI Convention, will provide in-depth views on current water

and sanitation challenges and solutions. During breakout sessions, experts in the field and experienced Rotarians will share their knowledge and offer advice.

Access to safe water and adequate sanitation is a critical building block in community development. More than 6,000 people die every day from water-related illnesses, and about 2.6 billion people lack access to adequate sanitation.

The daylong World Water Summit is open to all interested parties.

Register before 31 March to take advantage of the early-bird fee. For more info go to <http://www.regonline.com/builder/site/Default.aspx?eventid=798878>

Source: Rotary International News

**Chilean districts organize efforts to aid quake victims**

By Ryan Hyland

Rotary districts in Chile are organizing efforts to provide aid to tens of thousands left homeless by an 8.8 magnitude earthquake 27 February. Map by U.S. Geological Survey Rotary International on Facebook Rotary districts in Chile are organizing efforts to aid tens of thousands of homeless people in areas devastated by a powerful earthquake and tsunami that struck the country's Pacific coast on 27 February.

Chile's government, along with other international aid organizations, has supplied food and water to desperate survivors as the death toll has risen to nearly 800. Many coastal towns were destroyed, first by the 8.8 magnitude quake, then by surging tsunami waves.

Luis Veliz Severino, governor of District 4320, has allocated an initial US\$9,500 to relief efforts.

Four clubs in the hardest-hit areas of Bío-Bío and Maule have set up donation drives for clothes, shoes, and blankets.

A ShelterBox response team is en route to Chile's capital, Santiago, to deliver an initial shipment of 448 ShelterBox containers. The Rotary Club of Santiago will conduct an emergency meeting on 3 March with the ShelterBox team to decide where to distribute the containers.

"The full extent of the damage in Chile is yet to be seen, but there will undoubtedly be a need for emergency shelter," says John Leach, head of operations for ShelterBox. "Our response team will work closely with Rotarians in Santiago to make sure the aid reaches the people who need it most."

Six Rotary Foundation Ambassadorial Scholars who were in affected areas have reported in safe.

RI President John Kenny offered condolences via e-mail to governors of districts 4320, 4340, 4350, and 4360 in Chile. He asks Rotarians to learn the latest on Rotary's relief efforts and how they can help as it becomes available at [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org).

Source: Rotary International News

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## President Kenny Visits Haiti

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### How Rotarians can best help Haiti

By Arnold R. Grahl

Almost two months after a powerful earthquake shook Haiti, signs of devastation are everywhere, underscoring the long road to recovery that lies ahead.

"What they are basically saying is, 'What we need is money,' so they can buy locally the implements that are needed to help the reconstruction," Kenny said.

More than 250,000 people are estimated to have died in the 12 January earthquake and aftershocks in Port-au-Prince, with another million homeless.

Kenny said he felt it was important to visit Haiti "to show that Rotarians worldwide care about the plight of their fellow human beings, many of whom have lost everything."

He found that the destruction was even greater than he had expected.

"When you see it on television, it's one thing," he said. "But to actually be there and see some of these buildings the way they are and to know that there are people underneath that rubble -- the sheer magnitude you can't quite capture in film."

Accompanying Kenny on his 23 February trip were Past RI Vice President Roberto Valentín; Rotarian Charles Adams, who is coordinating a disaster relief committee in the neighboring Dominican Republic; and Ramiro Sánchez Melo, governor of District 4060 (Dominican Republic).

Past RI Director Barry Rassin and Past District Governor Richard McCombe also made a trip to Port-au-Prince earlier in the month to meet with Rotary leaders involved in relief work. Both are involved with organizing the aid effort in District 7020, which covers Haiti along with 10 other Caribbean nations and areas.

In addition to money, the district is asking for large tents that can serve as classrooms, recreation areas, community centers, or therapy shelters.

Nearly all of the schools in the capital were destroyed by the earthquake.

Medical supplies and equipment, classroom materials, and agricultural tools are also needed. While food, water, and temporary shelter remain important, a report by District 7020 leaders notes that work needs to begin on sustainable housing to provide jobs, shelter, and an infrastructure to support residents. Relief workers are also being cautious about handing out free food and water because a substantial part of the economy is based on small farms and businesses, and street vendors who sell produce and other staples. Too many free items can put single-family businesses in trouble and trigger a downward economic spiral.

"The best form of aid that Rotarians can now give is cash to the Rotarians in District 7020 so that it can be used to

purchase supplies of food and materials locally, protecting the local economy," Kenny said.

The RI president added that Rotarians must now help in the medium- and long-term recovery, which Rotary is set up to do well.

Rotarian Claude Surena, head of the Haiti Task Force and president of the Haitian Medical Association, is representing District 7020 on the government's Post Disaster National Assistance Committee, focused on long-term recovery.

"The road to reconstruction will be a long one," Kenny said. "But I know that Rotarians will continue to play an effective part all the way."

For more information: Visit the District 7020 website <[http://www.clubrunner.ca/dprg/dxhome/\\_home.aspx?did=7020](http://www.clubrunner.ca/dprg/dxhome/_home.aspx?did=7020)>

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## More than 85 million children to be immunized

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More than 85 million children under age five will be immunized against polio in 19 countries across West and Central Africa in a massive example of cross-border cooperation aimed at stopping a yearlong polio epidemic.

Nine of the countries -- Burkina Faso, Cameroun, Chad, Guinea, Liberia, Mali, Mauritania, Senegal, and Sierra Leone -- are considered to have active outbreaks of polio (i.e., cases within the last six months).

The campaign kicked off on 6 March in these countries as well as in Benin, Cape Verde, Central African Republic, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea-Bissau, and Nigeria. Cote d'Ivoire, Niger, and Togo will join at a later date due to political transitions or elections.

This complex logistical operation is largely made possible by US\$30 million in funding released by Rotary International.

The chair of Rotary's Africa Regional PolioPlus Committee, Ambroise Tshimbalanga-Kasongo, said: "We at Rotary are proud to have provided the funding necessary for the March rounds, and we call on others to play their part in making Africa polio-free by providing funding necessary for more high-coverage campaigns."

More resources

- Follow the immunizations with an interactive Google map <<http://maps.google.com/maps/ms?ie=UTF8&hl=en&msa=0&msid=111706911275999519445.0004631fe8666a05acdea&z=4>>
- Watch a video of UNICEF Goodwill Ambassador and polio survivor Mia Farrow in Chad <<http://www.twitvid.com/EB2D9>>
- Learn more about Rotary's work in polio eradication <<http://www.rotary.org/en/ServiceAndFellowship/Polio/Pages/ridefault.aspx>>

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**Rotary Clubs around the Klang Valley Meeting Information**

DAYS	TIME	ROTARY CLUBS	VENUE
Monday	1245	RC Pudu	Shangri-La Hotel, KL
	1730	RC Cyberjaya	1st Floor, MSC Innovation Centre, Cyberjaya
	1830	RC Pantai Valley	Kuala Lumpur Golf & Country Club, Bukit Kiara, KL
	1900	RC Titivangsa	Royal Selangor Club, KL
	1930	RC Brickfields	Royal Selangor Club, KL
	2000	RC Senawang	Royal Sungei Ujong Club, Senawang, Seremban
Tuesday	1230	RC Cheras	Wenworth Hotel, Pudu
	1245	RC Petaling Jaya	Grand Dorsett Hotel, Subang Jaya
	1815	RC Bangsar	Royal Selangor Club, KL
	1830	RC Bandar Utama	Business Centre, One World Hotel, Bandar Utama, PJ
	1830	RC Metro KL	Banker's Club, Amoda Building, Jln. Imbi, KL
	1900	RC Kajang	Prescot Metro Inn, Kajang
	1930	RC Danau Desa	Wisma Belia, 1st Floor, Room 711, Jalan Syed Putra, KL
	1945	RC Port Klang	Royal Klang Club, Klang
	2000	RC USJ	Pahlawan Room, 5th floor, Summit Hotel, USJ
Wednesday	1230	RC Ampang	Novotel Hotel, No 2, Jln Kia Peng, KL
	1245	RC KL Di-Raja	Shangri-La Hotel, KL
	1245	RC Shah Alam	Kelab Shah Alam, Shah Alam
	1745	RC Subang	Holiday Villa Subang, Subang Jaya
	1830	RC KL North	Royal Selangor Club, KL
	1830	RC Sri Petaling	Sri Petaling Hotel, Sri Petaling, KL
	1930	RC Bandar Sunway	Sunway Lagoon Resort Hotel, Subang
	1930	RC Central Damansara	Royal Commonwealth Club, Damansara Heights, KL
	1930	RC Bukit Komanwel	Bukit Jalil Golf & Country Club
	2000	RC Kampung Baharu	Selesa Inn, No 285-287, Jln Tuanku Abdul Rahman, KL
	2000	RC Damansara West	Sri Damansara Club, Bandar Sri Damansara, KL
	2000	RC Sungei Way	Bukit Kiara Equestrian & Country Club, Bukit Kiara, KL
2015	RC Port Dickson	Royal Port Dickson Yatch Club, Port Dickson	
2030	RC Melawati	K Club, Taman Melawati, KL	
2030	RC Lembah Damansara	Tropicana Golf & Country Club, PJ	
Thursday	1245	RC Klang	Royal Klang Club, Klang
	1245	RC Gombak	Corus Hotel, Jln Ampang, KL
	1245	RC Seremban	Royal Bintang Hotel, Seremban
	1730	RC Damansara	Royal Selangor Club, KL
	1900	RC Sentul	PDRM Golf Club, Titivangsa, KL
	1900	RC Kelana Jaya	Bukit Kiara Equestrian & Country Resort, KL
	2000	RC Puchong	9, Jln BK 3/2, Bdr Kinrara, Puchong
Friday	1845	RC KL West	Royal Selangor Club, KL
	2030	RC Bernam Valley	2nd Flr, 19B, Jln Bdr Rawang 1, Rawang
Saturday	0730	RC Bukit Kiara Sunrise	Bukit Kiara Equestrian & Country Resort, KL
	0900	RC Lembah Damansara	Tropicana Golf & Country Resort, PJ

**Rotaract Club of Pudu meets on the 2nd & 4th Saturdays at Eurasian Club, Jalan Pudu**

**THE FOUR- WAY TEST**

**Of The Things We Think,  
Say, or Do.**

- 1. Is it the TRUTH?**
- 2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?**
- 3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?**
- 4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?**

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'The 4-Way Test' should be part of Vocational Service Ideal.  
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