

DISTRICT GOVERNOR NEWSLETTER JUNE 2009



Rotary International District 3310: Malaysia-Singapore-Brunei

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

FELLOWSHIP - ROTARY'S INDISPENSABLE VALUE

Fellowship Month falls in June, the last month of our Rotary Year 'Make Dreams Real'.

June also happens to be a month when quite a number of Rotary clubs are preparing for their installation and handing over of duties. For some, the installation is a serious and grand affair. The old guard takes this as an opportunity to show-case their projects of the year. The new guard cautiously reveals their plans and objectives for the incoming year, in line with the new RI theme. But whatever it is, it is a time for great fellowship among Rotarians, their spouses and the friends and families of Rotary.

Fellowship is Rotary's indispensable value. It is a fellowship among professionals, businessmen and community leaders – a fellowship founded on the 4-Way Test (and the Guide to Daily Living).

With Rotarians, fellowship helps to form a network of professionals with the necessary skills to provide services to the needy communities. Fellowship helps to bond friends and acquaintances, encouraging unity and cooperation. Through fellowship, Rotarians learn more about Rotary in meaningful occasions, like the 'fire-side meetings' and even at the weekly club meetings. Fellowship, when extended to friends and families, is a public relations tool to communicate better understanding and appreciation of Rotary. Fellowship is the essence of life itself for 'no man is an island'.

While there is everything good in fellowship, it should be emphasized here that in Rotary, fellowship alone is inadequate. Rotary began with fellowship and it has blossomed into service to the communities. Admittedly, a few Rotarians are so engrossed in promoting fellowship in Rotary (and fully practice it) that they 'forgot' about service, which is intrinsic in Rotary's mission and objects. They may be good in attending meetings and functions (especially if these are FOC), but when it comes to handling responsibilities, they disappear. We know them as RINOs and NATOs.

Rotary's motto of 'Service Above Self' is a constant reminder to us that while fellowship is great in Rotary, we are in Rotary to provide service also. We would like to see a combination of the two –Fellowship and Service – to make our stay in Rotary meaningful and fruitful.

I take this opportunity to thank all my Club Presidents for the wonderful fellowship we had during my official and unofficial visits. My wife and I enjoyed our visits because of the presence of Rotarians, friends and families of Rotary.

AND finally, may I say that I am proud and privileged to have served as your District Governor for this Rotary Year. I thank especially all the PDG Advisors, Assistant Governors, District Officers, Club Presidents and Fellow Rotarians. It has been a great year, not only in membership development, but also in contributions to The Rotary Foundation.

Together, we have established records we can be proud of.

I was only the 'driver of the bus', but many of you have contributed to ensure the 'bus' was comfortable, the journey was exciting and the whole experiences were as memorable as possible.

Thank you all so much and especially to all those who fulfilled over and above their membership development and Rotary Foundation contribution pledges in the true and wonderful spirit of Rotary.

All of you, Fellow Rotarians, did indeed **MAKE DREAMS REAL**

Yours in Rotary, Edward Sung Burongoh

"THEY WHO SERVE BEST, ENJOY ROTARY MOST"

Congratulations to the following Presidents and Clubs for their outstanding contributions to

The Rotary Foundation

for this Rotary Year 2008-09



THE **TOP 10** CLUBS IN **ANNUAL GIVING**(ANNUAL PROGRAMS FUND)



- 1. ROTARY CLUB OF QUEENSTOWN (USD 23,000)
 PRESIDENT KOH JUAY MENG
- 2. ROTARY CLUB OF JURONG TOWN (USD 20,200)
 PRESIDENT EDWARD LAM
- 3. ROTARY CLUB OF TAWAU TANJUNG (USD 18,800)
 PRESIDENT CHUA KIN LOONG
- 4. ROTARY CLUB OF KOTA KINABALU (USD 16,500)

 PRESIDENT WARRANCE CHAN
- 5. ROTARY CLUB OF SINGAPORE EAST (USD 14,500)
 PRESIDENT ERICH ERBER
- 6. ROTARY CLUB OF BANDAR SERI BEGAWAN (USD 13,000)

 PRESIDENT TIONG KEE HUAT
- 7. ROTARY CLUB OF TANJUNG ARU (USD 12,300)
 PRESIDENT BRENDON KEITH SOH
- 8. ROTARY CLUB OF GARDEN CITY (USD 12,000)
 PRESIDENT CHEW PHAK HENG
- 9. **ROTARY CLUB OF BELAIT (USD 11,600)** *PRESIDENT COSMAS NWANKWO*
- 10. **ROTARY CLUB OF TAWAU (USD 10,300)** *PRESIDENT VALERIE YU*



THE TOP THREE CLUBS IN TOTAL GIVING



- 1. ROTARY CLUB OF GARDEN CITY (USD 65,100)
 PRESIDENT CHEW PHAK HENG
- 2. ROTARY CLUB OF JURONG TOWN (USD 30,200) PRESIDENT EDWARD LAM
- 3. ROTARY CLUB OF QUEENSTOWN (USD 23,000)
 PRESIDENT KOH JUAY MENG



THE TOP THREE CLUBS IN ANNUAL GIVING PER CAPITA



- 1. ROTARY CLUB OF BELAIT (USD 1054.55)
 PRESIDENT COSMAS NWANKWO
- 2. ROTARY CLUB OF TAWAU TANJUNG (USD 671.43)

 PRESIDENT CHUA KIN LOONG
- 3. ROTARY CLUB OF BANDAR SERI BEGAWAN (USD 600)
 PRESIDENT TIONG KEE HUAT

District 3310's contributions to The Rotary Foundation as at May 31, 2009:

Permanent Fund:



Annual Programs Fund: USD204,413



Restricted Giving: USD113,510

USD29,500

Total Giving: USD347,423



APF per capita: USD120.95

APF Goal % achieved: 314.34%

The Board of Directors of Rotary International has presented the following clubs with 'Recognition of Membership Development Initiatives' for their 'innovative approach to membership growth and development during 2008-09 in RI District 3310':

- 1. Rotary Club of Sentosa, Singapore
- 2. Rotary Club of Pandan Valley, Singapore
- 3. Rotary Club of Bintulu Central, Sarawak, Malaysia



The Rotary International 'Best Cooperative Projects Award for outstanding achievement in successful cooperation with other organizations to promote humanitarian service' went to the following clubs:

- 1. Rotary Club of Suntec City and Rotary e-Club of 3310, Singapore
- 2. Rotary Club of Suntec City, Singapore
- 3. Rotary Club of Tawau, Sabah, Malaysia
- 4. Rotary Club of Kuching, Sarawak, Malaysia