



FROM THE DESK OF THE DISTRICT GOVERNOR 9/2011-12

HELLO MY FELLOW ROTARIANS,

The day for the UN-Rotary Day Singapore is fast approaching but there has been a very little support by leaders of Rotary and Rotarians for our inaugural UN-Rotary Day.

Participation from the Board of Directors of the United Nations Association of Singapore and Members verses Participation from Rotary: 48 UNAS: 8 Rotary

I will be addressing diplomats, leaders from the United Nations Association of Singapore and other participants during this auspicious event and need the presence and support of the following Rotary leaders from our district especially those based in Singapore and Johore so that we can show our strength in numbers:

- Council of Past Governors
- DG Elect
- District Governor Nominee 2013-14
- Rotary International Serving officers 2011-12
- District Resource Group Coordinators
- Assistant Governors
- District Committees - Chairman, Advisors, members
- District Membership Development, Information and Retention Committee (This is a public engagement program)
- District public relations committee (This is a PR program)
- Presidents, IPPs, secretaries, chairs and Rotarians
- Ambassadorial Scholars
- Rotaractors and Presidents and chairs

Please register for this event before the closing date - Tuesday 1 November.

Below is some information on the event:

UN - ROTARY DAY SINGAPORE 2011

Towards the Millennium Development Goals.

The United Nations Association of Singapore (UNAS) and Rotary International District 3310 will be commemorating the **UN-Rotary Day** - a MDG partnership and networking dinner at the **Holiday Inn (The Atrium) Hotel, on the 4th November 2011** and would like to invite your participation in the event.

UN-Rotary Day is celebrated by hundreds of Rotarians at the UN headquarters at New York every year. In achieving the MDGs, Rotary projects are often parallel to UN efforts to reduce



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poverty, improve health, encourage literacy and promote ethical business conduct. UN and Rotary enjoy an ongoing collaboration to improve the health of children around the world under the Global Polio Eradication Initiative, one of the most successful private-public partnership in the world.

The evening dinner would be a formal event. **Your presence at this event is important as we will be playing host** to diplomats, professionals, members of various chambers of commerce, civil society leaders and youths.

Our GOH is His Excellency, Mr. Olivier Caron, the French Ambassador to Singapore.

PARTICIPATION FROM THE DIPLOMATIC COMMUNITY IN SINGAPORE:

French Embassy - H.E. Mr Olivier CARON (GOH) - Ambassador
Israeli Embassy - Mrs Michal Sarug- Kaduri and her spouse - Deputy Chief of Mission
Pakistani Embassy - Mrs Farhat Ayesha - Deputy High Commissioner/ First Secretary
Australian Embassy - Mr and Mrs Dion Hallpike - Second Secretary in Political and Economic Section
Indian Embassy - Mr G.T. Venkateshwar Rao - First Secretary (Economics)
Malaysian Embassy - Mr Nik Ady Arman Nik Mohd Kamil - Second Secretary
Thai Embassy - To be confirmed
Swiss Embassy - To be confirmed

Please be informed that we will be creating awareness for the flood in Thailand via a video screening which has been specially produced by the Rotary Club of Bangkok Ramkhamhaeng. They are currently communicating with the Thai Ambassador to return to Singapore and present this video to our diplomatic guests, Rotarians, members of UNAS, the media and our esteemed guests. As you know, hundreds of Thais have died during the flood and thousands have been and will be displaced in one of the worst flood that the country has ever experienced.

Many Thai Rotarians have been affected by the flood. Please read the update from them:
<http://www.rotaryclub3310.net/2011/10/news-from-rotarian-from-thailand-flood-relief/>

REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT:

Places are limited and pre-registration for this event is required by Tuesday, 1 Nov. We will not be able to cater for walk-in guests.

Please contact Assistant Governor Chew Ban Seng at bschew@gmail.com or Rotarian Rovena Plique at rovena.plique@yahoo.com for enquiry and registration.



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SPONSORSHIP:

This PR and advocacy event is run on the strength of volunteers (most of them non-Rotarians). We welcome any amount in sponsorship from individual members/ clubs to help defray the cost.

OBJECTIVES OF THE EVENT:

- To recollect the mission of UNAS and Rotary International. The UN-Rotary Day is celebrated every year in the UN's headquarters in New York.
- To create awareness for various social and environmental needs
- To build social capital, encourage volunteerism and philanthropy
- To solidify friendship, affirm commitments and unite the power of governments, corporations, foundations and civil society to serve humanity and accelerate progress on the MDGs in our region.

PROGRAM (will be updated soon)

<http://www.unas-sg.org/2011/10/un-rotary-day-to-be-held-with-rotary-singapore-on-4-nov-2011>

http://www.rotarydistrict3310.org.my/wp-content/uploads/2011/10/UNRotaryday2011_s.pdf

I look forward to your assistance in making this district event a success with strong support from all Rotarians.

Thanking you in anticipation.

Yours in Rotary

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