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Community Service Committee Report

By: Community Service Committee (CSC) Director, Rtn See Mee Lee



It is with pleasure to report that Rotary Club of Singapore successfully completed the first Community Service Committee (CSC) meeting on 6 July 2017, at the Mystical Café for All @ Association for People with Special Needs (APSN). The first CSC meeting well attended by 38 Rotarians, spouses & guests including 5 of the members from Rotary Satellite Club of Singapore Centennial.

Record of 45 CSC members as at 6 July 2017.

The first CSC meeting kicked start with vocational tour at APSN at their training facilities – kitchen for F&B, caterer, housekeeping mock room, packing station, training rooms, etc.

Before sharing the focus of the year 2017 – 2018, CSC review and rekindle prior year's good projects, including:

- ✓ River Safari Tour with Society for the Aged Sick – Nov'16
- ✓ Christmas event – Gift of Love Home
- ✓ Laughter Yoga (pilot project) – SE CDC and Lions Club
- ✓ Moti Melwani Award – S\$1,000 to excellent prospects
- ✓ Good Samaritan Award
- ✓ Assisi Hospice
- ✓ Club heal – HEALing Garden, project sponsored by RCS in 2016/2017

Focus of the year

1. Be focus to serve local community;
2. Family involvement
3. Embrace Festive event
4. Synergy – With International, Youth and Vocational Services
5. Collaboration – With other NGOs or Association
6. Other focuses

More than 20 projects comprises the prior years projects and focuses above were shared with CSC members. A vote of projects by all CSC members were taken at the end of meeting, to be concluded in next CSC meeting by CSC Sub-Committee discussion and finalisation the CSC projects to take on in 2017 – 2018.

A set of Books of Humour was presented to Mr Rick Lim, Deputy Centre Director, to be brought forward to the Board of APSN for the purpose of collaboration of co-fund raising.



Photo Album of the Community Service Committee Report

Photo taken on 1 July 2017, Mr Rick Lim the Deputy Centre Director of APSN with President Keith Harrison, First Lady Rachel and Rotarian See Mee Lee



Deputy Centre Director Rick Lim, explaining each staff role and function at the back end of the Mystical Café for All @ APSN

Meeting on 6 July 2017, begin with vocation tour at the APSN centre

Meeting and dinner were prepared and served by wonderful staff/beneficiaries, with their warmth, dedicated and committed spirit, we will be back...

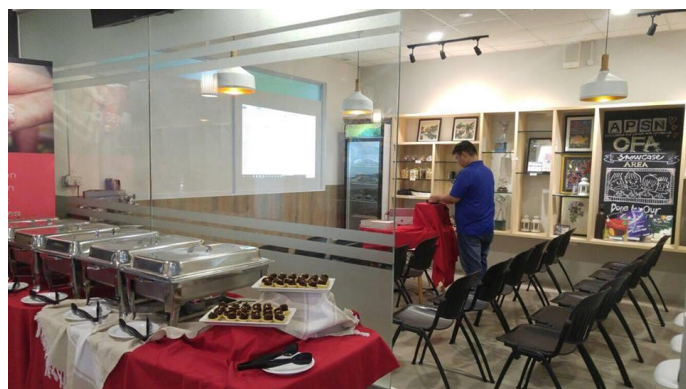


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Tour of APSN well attended by CSC members and lead and explained by Centre Deputy Director Rick Lim, started at 7pm to 7:15pm



Meeting commenced at 7:15pm

First CSC meeting of the year 2017/2018 well supported and attended by 38 Rotarians and guests.

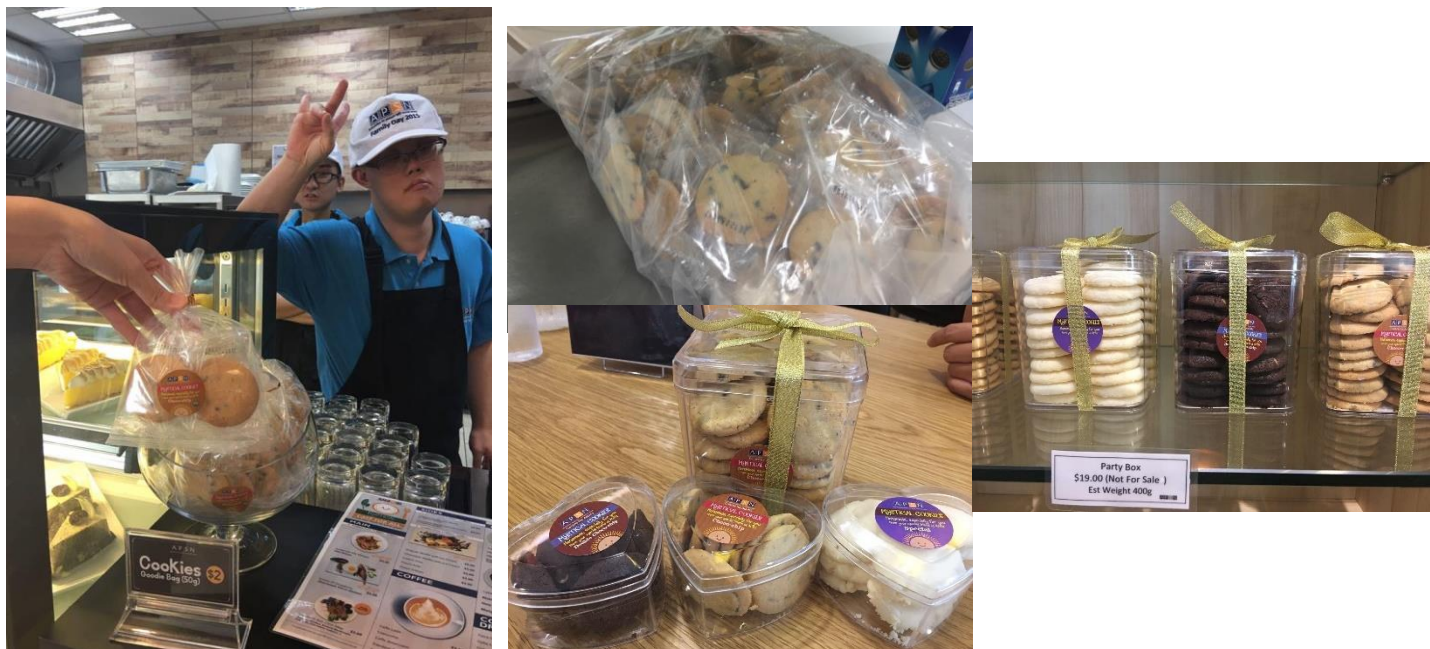


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Dinner served at 8:40pm



Bakery of Cookies - Double Choco Chip, Choco-Chip and Special



Meeting ended with birthday celebration for CSC members – July Babies

PP Philip Leong (absent due to celebration with family coincide with actual birthday falls on 6 July 2017), PP Dr Yap Lip Kee, Rotarian Yong Poh Shin and Hon Secretary Rtn Deepti Lalchandani.



Last Week

Last Week – Report on the Wednesday Meeting – 19 July 2017

OPENING REMARKS

The Meeting was opened by Sergeant-at-Arms Rtn Bertrand De Mil who invited President Keith to take the Chair.

President Keith welcomed members to the 3rd Rotary Meeting for the year and called on Rtn Deblina Chatterjee to extend the welcome to Guests and Visiting Rotarians.

WELCOME OF GUESTS & VISITING ROTARIANS

Guests

Speaker, Dr Anne-Marie Schleich
Ms Sylvia Chung
Ms Christina Natalie Loh
Mr Emmanuel Ng
Dr Hans Schniewind

Visiting Rotarians

Connie Ho – Shanghai, China
Koichi Kobayashi – Omiya, Japan
Winston Doong – Suan Chitlada Bangkok, Thailand



Rtn Deblina Chatterjee

TOAST

President Keith called on Rtn Jessica Lim who invited visiting Rotarian Koichi Kobayashi to say a few words about his club. Rtn Koichi advised that his club, Rotary Club of Omiya is in District 2770, which has 73 clubs and the Omiya club is the oldest in the District.

Rtn Jessica called on members to join her in raising a toast to Rotary Club of Omiya coupled with the toast to Rotary International.



From right: Pres Keith, Rtns Koichi and Jessica

EXCHANGE OF BANNERS



Pres Keith hands a Club banner to Rtn Winston Doong from RC Suan Chitlada, Bangkok



Exchange of banners between RCs Omiya & Singapore

Last Week

SISTER CLUBS' INSTALLATIONS

President Keith reported his attendance at sister club, Rotary Club of Vigan's installation held on 15 July, at which time Club banners were exchanged and sister club relationships were reaffirmed. He added that tree planting was also held to commemorate the event. President Keith advised that he visited the Global Grant project in Vigan which should be finalised this year. He added that a series of photos of the events would be presented at the next meeting.

Also highlighted were the coming installations of sister clubs – Cauayan on 5 August. President Keith noted that the Cauayan club sent a 16-strong delegation to the Club's installation. He added that Rotary Club of Kuala Lumpur DiRaja would be celebrating its 90th anniversary and installation on 12 August as well and called on members to reciprocate and participate in these events.

COMMUNITY SERVICE COMMITTEE (CSC) PROJECTS

President highlighted the following two CSC projects and called for members' support:

Vision For All

Date & Time: 29 July 2017 (Saturday) from 8am to 5pm

Venue: Singapore Christian Home (SCH), Rental Block 512 and 513 Wellington Circle

Beneficiaries : Total 200 (including 150 SCH patients and around 50 needy residents around SCH)

Partners: VIRAJ Healthcare Foundation (executing partner for planning and providing expert doctors and paramedical staff), Zeiss Singapore (providing diagnostic instruments and lenses for spectacles), Singapore Christian Home and Rotary Club of Singapore

Better Visions For All

Date & Time : 19 August 2017 (Saturday) from 9am to 12pm

Venue : Gideon Hall, Bethesda Cathedral, 30 Chai Chee Street Singapore 468979

Beneficiaries : 60-80 Seniors from BCCS

Partners: VIRAJ Healthcare Foundation (executing partner for planning and providing expert doctors and paramedical staff), Zeiss Singapore (providing diagnostic instruments and lenses for spectacles), Southeast CDC, Bethesda Cathedral Church and Rotary Club of Singapore

CSC is appealing for volunteers and contribution of \$1,500 per project for logistics, food & drink costs. For further information, please contact CSC Director Rtn See Mee Lee.

CLUB FELLOWSHIP EVENT – FORBIDDEN CITY MUSICAL

Membership Director Rtn Rajkumar Perumal Suppiah reminded members of the coming Club Fellowship Event and to book the specially discounted tickets for the musical "Forbidden City: Portrait of an Empress". He invited Mr. Emmanuel Ng from the Singapore Repertory Theatre say a few words about this highly successful and acclaimed musical. Mr Ng presented a short video clip complete with soundtrack of this very compelling production. Do book your tickets early for the show on Thursday, 24 August 2017 at 8pm.



L to R: Mr Emmanuel Ng & Rtn Raj



*On behalf of the Club, IPP Garry Taylor wished President Keith
"Happy Birthday" for 20 June*



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CLUB'S 100 PERCENTERS

President Keith was pleased to congratulate the following members who have achieved 100% attendance of weekly meetings for the last Rotary year:

PDG Dr Philbert Chin IPP Garry Taylor
PP Dr Oliver Hennedige PE Mark Wang
Rtn Uttam Kripalani

DISTRICT APPOINTMENTS

Further congratulations extended to the following members on their District appointments for the Rotary year:

Rtn Adnan Ansari	– Member, New Generations Youth Service Committee
PDG Dr Philbert Chin	– Council of District Governors, Chair- District Training Team, DISTAS District Trainer
PP Dr Shahul Hameed	- Rotary Foundation Committee – Grants Chair
Director Dr Hoh Sek Tien	– Interact Committee – Regional Chairs – Singapore
Rtn Suresh Keerthi	- Alumni Network Group (DANG) President, Alumni Team–Regional Chair - Singapore
Vice President James Lee	– Interact Committee Chair & Rotary Foundation Committee
PP Jimmy Ooi	– Muslims in Rotary Committee Regional Chair- Singapore, Interact Committee Advisor, Rotary Dengue Epidemic, Control Action Committee Regional Chair, 2017 Bangkok Multi-District Conference Member (Logistics)
PP Tapan Rao	- Disaster Relief Committee Regional Coordinator – Singapore
Director See Mee Lee	- International Service Committee, DANG Hon Treasurer, Rotary Foundation Committee Member, Rotary Peace Fellowship Member
PP Perlita Tiro	- Alumni Team Chair
PP Dr Yap Lip Kee	- Disaster Relief Committee Chair

INTERACT LEADERSHIP TRAINING CAMP (ILTC)

Rtn Adnan Ansari reminded members of the coming ILTC which would be held from **28 to 30 July at Temasek Polytechnic**, Global Connect Village, 43 Tampines Ave. 1, Singapore 529762 (Enter via West Gate), in partnership with Youth Corps Singapore and National Youth Council. He called on members to participate and show the Club's support to the Interactors.

NOTICE FOR NOMINATIONS FOR THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

President Keith called for nominations for the four elected members of the Nominating Committee, which should be received in writing by **19 August 2017**.



Speaker: Dr Anne-Marie Schleich, retired German Diplomat

Topic: *“Changing geopolitics in Oceania – A view towards ASEAN’s neighbouring region ”*

President Keith invited Rtn Dr Claus Dusemund to introduce the Guest Speaker, Dr Anne-Marie Schleich who has been a German diplomat since 1979. Most recently, she was the German Ambassador to New Zealand and seven Pacific Island States from 2012 to 2016. She was the German Consul-General in Melbourne, Australia from 2008 to 2012. Dr Schleich has also served in Singapore, Bangkok, Islamabad and London. From 1998 to 2001 she was a Foreign Policy Advisor for Asia, Africa and Latin America to the German Chancellor in Bonn and later Berlin. In 2001 she was appointed Head of the Directorate for International Environmental Policies at the German Foreign Office.

She studied Political Science under a Fulbright scholarship from 1972 to 1973 at Mount Holyoke College, Massachusetts. She was later a Research Fellow in Political Science at Harvard University and the University of North Carolina. Dr Schleich holds a Masters degree and a Ph.D. in Political Science from the University of

Mannheim. She retired in July 2016 and now lives in Singapore with her Singapore husband.



*Guest Speaker,
Dr Anne-Marie Schleich*

Dr Schleich started the talk by providing some factual information on Oceania, which includes Australia, New Zealand and the island countries of the South Pacific. She noted that whilst this region was much less in the political and journalistic foreground, it has great strategic, political and economic interest to the two superpowers, USA and China as well as to Russia, Japan and some Middle Eastern countries. The South Pacific has historically been a microcosm of the balance of power in the larger Pacific region. Like their South East Asian counterparts, countries in the South Pacific region are also caught up in the rivalry between the dominant and aspiring global powers. She spoke on some of the security and economic trends among the two world powers as well as regional powers of Australia and New Zealand.



From left: Pres Keith, Dr Schleich & PP Mohan

Dr Schleich further highlighted some of the unprecedented challenges faced by the Pacific island countries such as the effects of climate change; exploitation of natural resources (overfishing) and dependence on unsustainable fossil fuel energy (diesel). She spoke of how these countries were taking steps to meet these challenges. Dr Schleich concluded her presentation with her viewpoints on the geopolitics of Oceania. (A copy of Dr Schleich’s presentation slides is available from the Secretariat.)

President Keith called on PP Paliath “Mohan” Mohandas who warmly thanked Dr Schleich for her excellent and comprehensive presentation of the topic.

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Birthday Celebrants

RC sends Birthday greetings to celebrants:

27 July – Dr Albert Wee
28 July – Renate Noessler
31 July – Hon Member PP Raymon Huang, VP James Lee & Ronil Sujan

Anniversary Celebrants

There are no Wedding Anniversary celebrants this week

Youth Service Meeting

Youth Service Committee Meeting will be held as follows:

Date: Thursday, 27 July

Time: 7.00pm

Venue: Love & Charity Room, Level 3, YWCA @ Fort Canning Lodge, 6 Fort Canning Road, S179494

Hosts: Director Dr Hoh Sek Tien & Adnan Ansari

This Meeting

26 July 2017

Reception Desk duty: Debasree Chakrabarti, Vivek Chhabra

Sunshine Box duty: Dr Irina Francken

Speaker: Our member, Rtn Anindya Dutta

Topic: "Cricket – A Gentleman's Game – A sport that brings together two billion people"

Next Meeting

2 August 2017

Reception Desk duty: PP Chiang Shih Fang, Joseph Chia

Sunshine Box duty: Uttam Kripalani, Louis Lim

Speaker: Mr Lim Chew Hwee, Head of Asian Equity Strategy, ABN AMRO

Topic: To be advised

Youth Service Meeting

Community Service Committee Meeting will be held as follows:

Date: Thursday, 3 August

Time: 7.30pm

Venue: To be advised

Hosts: To be advised

Coming Rotary Events

July

26 July – Installation of Hwa Chong Institution Interact Club

28-30 July – Interact Leadership Training Camp (ILTC) at Temasek Polytechnic

29 July – Vision For All – CSC project

August

Membership and New Club

Development Month

2 Aug – Installation Raffles Institution Interact Club

5 Aug – Installation of sister club, R C Cauayan

12 Aug – Installation of sister club, R C Kuala Lumpur DiRaja & vocational visit to Royal Selangor factory

19 Aug – Better Visions For All – CSC project

September

Basic Education and Literacy Month

20 Sep – DG Datuk Lee Chuen Wan's Official Visit

21 Sep – 2nd Club Assembly at Senior Police Officers' Mess

24 Sep – Zoo outing with Seniors from Bukit Gombak rental flats

October

Economic and Community

Development Month

6-8 Oct – Launch of Help the Children 2017 Project



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The Four-Way Test

Of the things we think, say or do:

- Is it the truth?
- Is it fair to all concerned?
- Will it build goodwill and better friendship?
- Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

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The Guide to Daily Living

Before doing the things we want to do, consider first, the Precepts of the guide. Ask ourselves these 4 questions and act upon them:

First: *Have I spent some time in self-examination?*

Second: *Have I spent quality time with my family?*

Third: *Have I given my best to my work?*

Fourth: *Have I given some time to someone near and far?*

The Guide, in fact, encompasses the 4 parts of the Object of Rotary.

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