



# Rotary crossroads

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# In Focus

## ALL ABOARD!

### - To Serve Humanity



By: PP Raymon Huang

All hands on deck indeed. For Captain Garry Taylor and his shipmates are assembled, ready to set sail into the new Rotary Year 2016/17. Come the installation Dinner on July 9, graced by none other than our Republic's President Dr Tony Tan and Mrs Tan, his formalisation as our Club President will take place.

President Garry – at this point of time, he is the de facto President of our Club – is not only all set to take the helm, he and his Board started work well before their official installation into office. He said, “I recognize that the success of the Club rests with the President and his Board.” A very good start.

As reported earlier (in the June article), he and his Board had already approved supporting two new programme initiatives of the Samaritans of Singapore, the country's only dedicated suicide prevention centre. They could well be the Club's Major Project for 2016/17. Members will of course be fully informed and consulted before a final decision is made. It is an excellent beginning, so early in the new Rotary Year.

Also in the pipeline are new initiatives within the Club – in the areas of administration and fellowship. Sounds interesting.

President Garry is grateful to IPP Alan for his insights into the role of the office of the President. He knows full well “there is much to be done. Rotary International President John Germ's theme of “ROTARY SERVING HUMANITY” will be his frontline banner.

The road ahead for any new President is always full of great expectations, dotted with some uncertainties; and not always easy to see or anticipate at the beginning of the journey. Along this Presidential road, there is always hope aplenty. And once you get going, there is no turning back. It is loaded with responsibilities. Happily, this load is shared with the Board, as well as the shopfloor members. But the main burden remains with the President. This is all part and parcel of the Presidential package.

But then Rotary is not all work and no play. We are all in it to enjoy Rotary while doing service aimed at “doing good in the world”. There is usually all that fun and fellowship as we “Serve Humanity”. Some of us who have travelled the Presidential road know and can testify to this. In his leadership role, President Garry, I am sure, will take pats on the back with humility and hard knocks on the shin steadfastly. He has assembled a team comprising a good mix of experienced old guards and eager-beaver young guns.

After the pomp and pageantry of the installation are over, and the joy and jubilation of the occasion have subsided, and the ticker tape released from the ceiling – he and his team will knuckle down to the serious business at hand, to ensure a sound and successful year for the Club. They have to lead by example.

The announcement of plans and projects is but the beginning of the hard work ahead. A noted business tycoon recently said, “I aspire to inspire before I expire.” Inspiring. But of course easier said than done. As they say, “the proof of the pudding is in the eating.” But these are early days for our new leaders. The savouring of the pudding is some distance away.



## In Focus

We congratulate President Garry, Club First Lady Grace, and his Board on their installation as our new leaders.

This is what President Garry has to say to all this. I quote:

“In Tai Chi, the end of one movement forms the start of the next, and so it is at an installation event, when the outgoing President passes the chain of office to the incoming President.

There is much to be done, and yet with clear objectives and the engagement of members, I truly believe that together we are capable of continuing to make a great and meaningful contribution to our community, of raising our Club to new heights, and of living the (RI) Presidential Theme, ‘ROTARY SERVING HUMANITY’”.

Indeed, as we anchors aweigh into a new sunrise, we do have great expectations, many a good hope, noble intentions, and fine plans to be of service to the needy in the world. The essence is to be **In** and **Involved** – within the Club, in the Community, and across the seas.

So – heave-ho! Let’s go!



### ROTARY CLUB OF SINGAPORE

#### Invitation to attend the INSTALLATION OF THE 82<sup>ND</sup> PRESIDENT

***Guest of Honour* Dr Tony Tan Keng Yam**  
**President of the Republic of Singapore**

**6.30PM / SATURDAY 9 JULY 2016 / ISLAND BALLROOM, SHANGRI-LA HOTEL**

**Dress Code Black Tie | SGD1,500 per table of 10 | SGD150 per pax**

**RSVP 5 June 2016 | Spouses and Guests Most Welcome**



# Mark Your Diary

## Birthday Celebrants

**RC sends Birthday greetings to celebrants this week:**

13<sup>th</sup> July – Reinhard Klemmer

15<sup>th</sup> July – S “Mali” Malaiappan

## This Meeting

**13th July 2016**

**Reception Desk duty:** Rtns Mark Wang, PE Keith Harrison

**Sunshine Box duty:** Rtns Stacy McCarthy, Louis Lim

**First Club Assembly for Rotary Year 2016/17 to be chaired by President Garry Taylor**

## Next Meeting

**20th July 2016**

**Reception Desk duty:** Rtns Dr Rudi Ackermann, Dr Rupesh Agrawal

**Sunshine Box duty:** Rtns Adnan Ansari, Amit Chatterjee

**Continuation of First Club Assembly for Rotary Year 2016/17**

## Anniversary Celebrants

**There are no Wedding Anniversary celebrants this week.**

## International Service Meeting

**International Service Committee Meeting will be held as follows:**

**Date:** Thursday, 21<sup>st</sup> July

**Time:** 7.15pm

**Venue:** Ruby Room, Level 3, Singapore Island Country Club (Thomson Location), Upper Thomson Road

**Hosts:** Rtns Mark Wang, Dr Rudi Ackermann, Rasik Singh Ahuja & Mamta Shahani

## Coming Rotary Events

### July

**7<sup>th</sup> July** – Welcome Reception at 7.00pm at Senior Police Officers Mess. Cost \$50 per Rotarian (Spouses are welcome at no charge)

**8<sup>th</sup> July** – Sister Club event (venue at the British Club)

**9<sup>th</sup> July** – Installation Dinner at the Shangri-La Hotel

### August

**Membership and Extension Month**

### September

**Basic Education and Literacy Month**

### October

**Economic and Community Development Month**

### November

**Rotary Foundation Month**

## Vocational Service Meeting

**Vocational Service Committee Meeting will be held as follows:**

**Date:** Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> July

**Time:** 7.30pm

**Venue:** Singapore Cricket Club, Gilmour Room, Connaught Drive, S179681

**Hosts:** Rtns Renate Noessler, Hassan Moosa, Rajkumar, Louis Lim

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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?

## 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.

**ROTARY  
SERVING  
HUMANITY**

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2016/2017

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