



18 October 2003

Issue No. 14/03-04

THE WATERFRONT

Club website: www.kuchingcentralrotary.org

THIS IS THE WEEKLY NEWS BULLETIN OF THE *ROTARY CLUB OF KUCHING CENTRAL*, KUCHING, SARAWAK, MALAYSIA; ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 3310; CHARTERED ON 23RD DECEMBER 1986.

WEEKLY LUNCHEON MEETING AT 1PM EVERY SATURDAY (EXCEPT PUBLIC HOLIDAYS) AT THE RIVERSIDE MAJESTIC HOTEL, KUCHING, SARAWAK, MALAYSIA

DG DAVID TONG & FIRST LADY IRENE BID FAREWELL

District Governor David Tong and First Lady Irene bid farewell at 9.10 am on Sunday, 12 October 2003. They both enjoyed their visit to the Land of the Hornbill and the visits to the R.C. of Kuching South, Kuching Jaya, Petra Jaya and Kuching Central.



DG David and Irene conveyed their thanks to everyone at the club for the great hospitality, warmth and friendship showered on both of them during their visit to Kuching. The both appreciated the trouble and efforts that we have all taken to make their visit most meaningful. DG also was happy to note that the local press responded very well indeed to the coverage of his visit thus reflecting the excellent relationship the Rotary Clubs in Kuching have with the media. They also conveyed their thanks to all of us for the gifts which will find a place in their hearts and home. Both will return on 10 November to visit the R.C. of Kuching.

In summary, DG David Tong and Irene were satisfied with the visit to our club. DG also noted the high level of professionalism in the management of our club judging by the way President Sylvester document the club plans for the year which was submitted to DG. DG also commended that this is probably the only club in the District that encourages its members to be active members of other industries related associations.

INSIDE

- 1 Donation to Hun Nam Siang Tng
- 2 Induction of Steve Ng
- 3 Rotary family evening with DG & First Lady Irene
- 4 What's On in Rotary

DONATION OF ONE YEAR'S SUPPLY OF INSTANT OAT AND BISCUITS TO HUN NAM SIANG TNG (HOME FOR THE AGED)

The Rotary Club of Kuching Central has undertaken another community service project by visiting 'Hun Nam Siang Tng' (Home for the Aged) this morning. The visit was in conjunction with the donation of one year's supply of instant oat and biscuits for the 30 inmates and 9 volunteers who provide assistance for the operations of the center.

The instant oat and biscuits were handed over by President Sylvester Fong (representing the Rotary Club of Kuching Central) to Datuk Tay Chian Siong, President of Hu Nam Siang Tng in the presence of Pemanca Sim Kian Soon, the Secretary General of the association, witnessed by Governor David Tong of Rotary International District 3310.



President Sylvester handing over the oat to Datuk Tay Chian Siong witnessed by DG and Pemanca Sim (2nd from right) and AG John King.

Also present at the simple ceremony were First Lady Irene, spouse to Governor David Tong, committee members of Hun Nam Siang Tng, Rotary members and spouses as well as Assistant Governor for Group 10, IPP. John King.

"The Rotary Club of Kuching Central also offered the donation to other similar centers but in view of the fact that many of these centers already have their meals catered for the whole year by the government, these centers deemed it unnecessary to receive any more donation of food", said Past President Patrick Yu, the club's Community Service Director.

"The Rotary Club of Kuching Central always strives to do every little bit of contribution in 'Lending a Hand' to make our community a better place to live", said President Sylvester Fong.



The entourage who helped 'carry' the boxes of oats.



A group picture with DG & Irene and Presidents of all the 5 Rotary Clubs in Kuching at the Kuching Airport.



Presidents of the 5 Rotary Clubs in Kuching welcoming the DG at Kuching International Airport.



Steve Ng being congratulated by DG

INDUCTION OF STEVE NG WITNESSED BY DG DAVID TONG

For the very first time in the history of the club, we have the District Governor to witness the induction of a new member, Steve Ng, on 11 October 2003.



President Sylvester reading the charge for the induction.

Until recently Steve and his family resided in Vancouver BC,



Steve & Anriza after the induction. Also in the picture are DG David & Irene, President Sylvester & Agnes as well as Kho Ping, the proposer.

Canada. Steve grew up in Kuching and had his early schooling at St Josephs School and subsequently he left for Vancouver at the age of 15. His wife, Anriza, grew up in Manila Philippines and moved to Vancouver at the age of 19 with her family. Anriza and Steve met in 1986 and got married on April 3rd 1987. They have 3 children, Tony (13), Bianca (11) and Angelo (8).

Steve has since 1983 been in business focused mainly in the real estate & property investment sector in Vancouver.

STEVE, WELCOME TO THE ROTARY CLUB OF KUCHING CENTRAL!

A Rotary family evening with DG David Tong & First Lady Irene

It was held at the Merdeka Palace Hotel & Suite in the evening of 11 October 2003 on the poolside floor. A total of 70 Rotarians and their respective spouses and children attended the event. The night commenced with a welcoming speech by Organising Chairman, PP Abel Chieng followed by an address by President Sylvester and then a speech by DG David Tong.



There were lucky draws and as well as presentations of mementoes to DG David Tong and First Lady Irene. Also present was AG John King and his spouse Jenny. It was an evening that DG and First Lady enjoyed.



A gift to First Lady Irene



What a loving couple!



A memento to DG



The members singing their hearts out with DG & AG John King being inspired

A lucky draw from DG to Lucy Luk.



PP Andre being naughty with two past presidents while PP Able Chieng enjoyed his drink.



The three 'Charlie's Angels' from Kuching Central.

WHAT'S ON- IN THE ROTARY CALENDAR?

	WHAT	WHERE	WHEN	CONTACT
1	Avoidable Blindness Conference	Hyatt Hotel, Johor Bahru	18 Oct'03 9am	R.C. of Pasir Gudang
2	2003 Rotary Zonal Institute	Grand Copthorne Waterfront Hotel, Singapore	7-9 Nov 2003	PP. Polycarp Teo Sebom
3	Intercity Meeting	Grand Copthorne Waterfront Hotel, Singapore	9 Nov'03 @ 12-2pm	PP. Polycarp Teo Sebom
4	1 st Rotaract & Interact Conference	Suntec City Convention Hall, Singapore	9-11 Jan'04 9 Jan'04	PP. Bobby Chai
5	Golf Fellowship at District Conference	Singapore		Rtn. Thomas Ngu
6	District 3310 Conference	Suntec City Convention Hall, Singapore	10-11 Jan'04	Rtn. Thomas Ngu
7	2004 Rotary International Convention	Osaka, Japan	23-26 May 2004	PP. Polycarp Teo Sebom
8	2005 Rotary International Convention	Chicago, Illinois, USA	19-22 June 2005	TBA
9	2005 Rotary International Convention	Copenhagen, Denmark & Malmo, Sweden	11-14 June 2006	TBA

Notes: Events printed in italic bold are new events which have just been included in this issue. TBA= To Be Announced.

SISTER CLUBS:

1. R.C. OF MELAKA
2. R.C. OF QUEENSTOWN, SINGAPORE
3. R.C. OF CHIA YII WEST, TAIWAN