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

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL NIGHT



Five Rotary clubs in Kuching, namely, the R.C. of Kuching, Kuching Central, Kuching Jaya, Kuching South and Petra Jaya are organizing a Rotary International Night on the evening of 10 March 2004 at

the Sarawak Tourism Complex (formerly known as the Old Court House).

Sarawak State Minister of Tourism, YB Dato Sri Abang Haji Abdul Rahman Zohari bin Tun Abang Haji Openg will be the guest of honour. He will be accompanied by his wife, YBhg. Datin Sri Dayang Hajah Jumani. Also expected to be present is District Governor David Tong and First Lady Irene. A courtesy call to the Minister was made on 5th February at his office together with Organising Chairman Josephine Liew, PP Dr. Lee Hua Seng (Advisor to the committee), Rtn Salleh Ali of Petra Jaya, Rtn Steven (from Kuching South) and PP Andre Suharto (from Kuching Central).



This will be the biggest Rotary International night event in Kuching thus far. A variety of international cuisines will be served together with cultural performances from various countries such as Indonesia (with the Balinese dance), China, Phillipines, Malaysia and Japan amongst others. Tickets are on sale at RM50 per person and guests are encouraged to wear their national dress or costume for the country they are from. The venue is a very appropriate venue that is promises tranquility and serene reminiscent of the colonial time as the place has been renovated and refurbished brilliantly. Thanks to the visionary Minister of Tourism.

In conjunction with the event, we will also be able to see the arrival of the Rotary Centennial bell that has been passed from clubs around the world. Please mark your calendar and join us.

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'CELEBRATE ROTARY,' PRESIDENT-ELECT ESTESS DECLARES IN NEW THEME

RI President-elect Glenn Estess Sr. unveiled the 2004-05 theme "Celebrate Rotary" at the International Assembly in Anaheim, California, USA, on 16 February. He explained to 529 incoming district governors gathered at this important training meeting that the new theme was inspired by the desire to celebrate in the Centennial year the ideals that Rotary's founders stood for and that over the years have influenced generations of Rotarians to do good throughout the world.

"We are now approaching the 100th anniversary of their action — a simple meeting between four businessmen," the RI president-elect remarked in the 20-minute address announcing the centennial year theme and program. "And when we celebrate all of the wonderful things that have happened as a result of that action, I will be asking all Rotarians to join me as we embrace our theme in 2004-05 and Celebrate Rotary."

In the address, President-elect Estess outlined the

2004-05 presidential emphases: water management, health concerns, literacy, and the family of Rotary. The emphases address major social or development issues facing billions of people on earth.

He also announced three major goals for the coming year: moving forward on PolioPlus; significantly increasing membership; and reaching US\$100 or more per Rotarian in giving — Every Rotarian, Every Year — to the Annual Programs Fund of the Rotary Foundation.

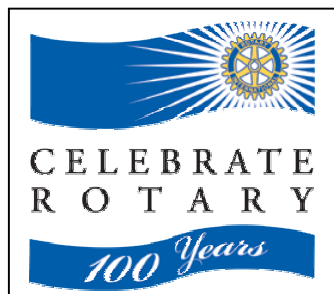
"I am asking each of you to be an instrument for peace and take the Every Rotarian, Every Year message to your heart and to your Rotary clubs," said the president-elect. "Every Rotarian, Every Year is based on the idea of taking a positive action."

All the three goals will be enhanced by the publicity and excitement generated by the centennial activities, especially twin clubs and centennial projects carried out by Rotary clubs, he said.

Later in the day, RI President Jonathan Majiyagbe elaborated on the 2004-05 presidential emphases by enumerating some of the related initiatives that Rotarians can adopt to celebrate 100 years of outstanding service.

"Our first hundred years will stand as an inspiring record of men and women of all races, religions, nationalities and political creeds who have made significant contributions to creating a more peaceful world," he said. "It will be your privilege to lead Rotarians into our next century — a century in which we will Lend a Hand and Celebrate Rotary with even greater fellowship and countless acts of service."

During their ongoing training at the Assembly, the 2004-05 class of district governors will listen to more addresses and participate in plenary and breakout sessions designed to prepare them for the historic mission of leading Rotary into a second century of service.



2004-2005 RI THEME

WHAT'S ON - IN THE ROTARY CALENDAR?

	WHAT	WHERE	WHEN	CONTACT
1	Dinner to welcome PDG Paul McKie	TBA	23 Feb'04	PP. Abel Chieng
2	Submission of District Awards (Category A-service avenues award)	Must be received by District Award Committee	1 Mar'04	Respective service directors
3	Rotary International Nite (in conjunction with the arrival of the Centennial Bell)	Sarawak Tourism Complex (Old court House)	Either 8-10 Mar'04@7.30 pm	PP. Polycarp Teo Sebom
4	17 th PAN BORNEO Meet	Shangrila Hotel, Kota Kinabalu	19-20 Mar'04	Rtn Thomas Ngu
5	District Team Training Seminar (DTTS) (organized by R.C. of Skudai)	Mutiara Hotel Johor Bahru	Mar'04	PP. Andre Suharto
6	Membership Development Seminar (organized by R.C. of Bugis Junction)	Singapore	20 Mar'04	Rtn Thomas Ngu
7	Intercity Meeting (organized by R.C. of Spore West)	Singapore	8 Apr'04	Rtn Thomas Ngu
8	Submission of District Award (category B-membership & attendance)	Must be received by District Award Committee	10 April'04	Rtn. Thomas Ngu
9	14 th District Assembly (Hosted by R.C. of Kota Melaka & Singapore)	Renaissance Melaka Hotel	22-25 April'04	Rtn. Thomas Ngu
10	International Avoidable Blindness Conference (Hosted by R.C. Singapore East)	Suntec City, Convention Hall, Singapore	1-2 May'04	PP. Polycarp Teo Sebom
11	Sales of Nasi Lemak	School of the Mentally Retarded	2 May'04	PP. Patrick Yu
12	2004 Rotary International Convention	Osaka, Japan	23-26 May 2004	PP. Polycarp Teo Sebom
13	2005 Rotary International Convention	Chicago, Illinois, USA	19-22 June 2005	TBA
14	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.

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