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District Governor's Message

THERE IS NO GOODBYE IN ROTARY ... ONLY FAREWELL.

Dear friends in Rotary,

I wish to take this opportunity to thank all my fellow governors and all my colleagues who served with me in the district level for their untiring support and commitments which enabled our district to achieve what we planned to do and beyond. All of you have been wonderful and working with you all have been truly enjoyable.

May I thank all club presidents and their members and families for your participation in many district organized events, support for our membership and retention drive and contribution to Rotary Foundation and its activities. I wish all of you every success as you carry on with your effort to do more for your community.

Kalimah and I wish to thank all of you and your spouses profoundly for the excellent reception and fellowship accorded to both of us during our visits to your clubs. You have made us so welcomed and allowed us to have that close bonding with you and your families. I hope our relationship will continue for years to come.

As for Governor Lee Kong Hwee and First Lady Nana, the DGship journey is long and challenging yet enriching. Your motivation and desire to do more, to go the extra miles will come naturally, as you establish closer relationship and bonding with the people you work with and with the clubs and its members. Kalimah and I wish both of you every success. I am sure both of you are going to enjoy your Rotary year as we did.

A member of the E-Club of 3310 said to me "DG there is no goodbye in Rotary but only farewell". I am not too sure whether I heard him correctly but he continued to say "we shall meet again when and wherever Rotary takes us".

This whole year has given Kalimah and I the opportunity to come closer with the Rotary District of which we are part of. And, if there's one thing that Rotarians do best, it is to touch the lives of others. That is exactly what you all have done for both of us, especially with all the kindness and generosity extended to us throughout the year. We will always remember all of you.

Once again, we thank you all for making this year yet another great year for Rotary.

Our dear friends, with best wishes and take care.

"Reach Within to Embrace Humanity."

Hj. Zainie Abdul Aucasa.

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Editor's Corner

June marks the end of a 12 months journey as Chief Editor of the District Governor's newsletter. It has been an exciting time considering that I have never travelled this road before. Editing one-off magazines or even quarterly I am familiar with but a monthly magazine is an altogether different preposition.

The biggest difference lies in the scope of the sources for the magazine. Materials have to come from more than 14 zones comprising more than sixty clubs. Thankfully, email and the internet made fast communication possible. Facebook was also a big help, making it possible to extract photos that would otherwise have been unavailable.

The most difficult part of the exercise is the selection of photos if they were not pre-selected. Having chosen the photos, the captions present another problem. I was truly blessed because DG Haji Zainie, District First Lady Hajjah Kalimah and PP Philip Chong literarily have "photographic" memories. The task would have been impossible otherwise.

Putting together a 16 page magazine proved to be surprisingly difficult. I started thinking that there must be so much material throughout the whole district with all the differenct projects and activities that we will be spoilt for choice. It turned out to be quite the opposite. We always seems to be one or two pages short!

DG Haji Zainie has really been a'12 months DG'. As you would probably have noticed from the DG's newsletter, he seemed to be everywhere everyweek! Long after his official visits to the clubs, he and the District First Lady were still traveling on to clubs all over the district to witness inductions, launch projects and share fellowship. He persuaded Club Presidents and past Presidents to write down their experiences and have them published in the newsletter. Syabas, DG Haji Zainie and DFL Hajjah Kalimah.

Throughout the year, the Editorial Board have received complimentary messages from various Rotarians and we thank them for their encouragement. We especially thank PP Haji Andre Suharto for his very kind comments which we will reproduce here as a farewell gesture.

"Reach Within to Embrace Humanity"

PP Chio Cheng Leng Chief Editor

Dear PP Chio

Many thanks for the May issue of Governor Monthly Newsletter which is now in the process of being published on the district website.

I wish to convey my admirations, dedications and commitments that you and your editorial team have displayed the past 1 year.

Based on my active involvement in the district since 1998, this is perhaps the only year that the DG newsletter has been published regularly and with interesting contents. It is also the only year where the DG newsletter comes in so many pages!

I have always enjoyed reading the newsletter every time. Well done indeed. You and your team have inspired us all.

Kind regards Andre



THE CHARTER AND INSTALLATION NIGHT OF R C OF TANJONG PAGAR, 1ST JUNE 2012



Installing the Charter President Albert Wong.



President and First Lady



Renewal of Sisterhood Pack with RC Tangkak Ledang.



Happy Birthday DGE Kong Hwee!



Sumptious dinner with fellow Rotarians and friends.



One for the album-wishing RC Tanjong Pagar great years ahead.

VOCATIONAL SEMINAR, SINGAPORE 2ND JUNE 2012



DG Haji Zainie listening intently.





Many great speakers at the Vocational Seminar.



INSTALLATION NIGHT, R C OF SERANGOON GARDEN ORCHARD 2ND JUNE 2012



DG Hj. Zainie presenting the Changemaker Award to RC Serangoon Garden Orchards.



PE Richard delivering his Presidential speech.



Thank you so much for these gifts....



... and this too.



Presenting gift to Charter President for Serangoon Garden CP Jeffery Po.



A toast to Rotary International.

VOCATIONAL SERVICE SEMINAR, R C OF MUAR, 3RD JUNE 2012



Organizing Chairman President Dr. Senthil welcoming participants .



RC Muar is now a stronger and a more vibrant club said PDG Jayasingam.



PP Michael, District Vocational Committee Chair,



PDG Datuk Latif on Public Relations.



A view of the participants at the Seminar.



A group photo of the speakers and participants.