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*Dear Fellow Rotarians,*

On Sunday morning, 3 April, Rotarians from the Rotary Club of Johor Bahru, Puteri Lagoon and Johor Centennial gathered at PDG Ir John Cheah's Residence to launch the "Denggi Awareness Gotong-Royong" in Melodies Park, with Dato Shahrir Abdul Samad as the guest of honour,

Though some Rotarians dutifully conducted the rites for Cheng Beng ( All Souls Day ), other Rotarians continued with their motto of "Service Above Self" in doing their part for their community.

On another note, it was interesting to read International President, Ray Kilingsmith's editorial in volume 189 of January 2011, who asked this ques-

tion "Have we abandoned one of the original purposes of Rotary clubs by joining a club for business purposes?"

Although some Rptarians made clear decisions to discard personal business interests, Rotarians should be reminded that the secondary motto is "One Profits The Most Who Serves The Best" which started in 1911, at the same time as "Service Above Self."

Yours in Rotary

DR S SIVAMOORTHY  
PRESIDENT 2010 / 2011  
ROTARY CLUB OF JOHOR BAHRU

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### Today's Programme:

Speaker : Mr Christopher Parry

Talk : " Green People "

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### Last Week:

Speaker : Master Peter Lau

Talk : The Power of Feng Shui

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# Club Matters

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From the treasurer: TICKKIE BOTTLE:

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COLLECTION ON 29 March 2011

Tikkie Bottle : RM61.00  
 Happy Fund : RM -  
 Totaling : RM2851.00  
 (Tikkie Bottle)

**FROM THE ATTENDANCE CHAIRMAN FRANCIS LIP :-**

Membership	59
Excused	8
Effective	51
Present	36
Percentage	61%

**Absent Rotarians On 29 March 2011**

- 1 PP Jit Sehgal (Excused)
- 2 PP Lim Kay Hua (Excused)
- 3 PP Dato Francis Ng (Excused)
- 4 PP Dato Dr Singaraveloo (Excused)
- 5 PP Chang Teck Mark (Excused)
- 6 PP Dato Mokkam Singh (Excused)
- 7 PP Nari Gidwani (Excused)
- 8 PP Roland Choong (Excused)
- 9 PP Leslie Struys
- 10 PDG Lim Hock Teck
- 11 PP Dev Chellam
- 12 PP Dr Roland Lim
- 13 PP Tan Beng Sooi
- 14 PP Hj Mohd Noh Ibrahim
- 15 PP Ng Yew Mun
- 16 PP Yeo Ann Kiat
- 17 PP Mok Tai Dwan
- 18 Rtn Tan Chee Seng
- 19 Rtn Cheong Nai Cheong
- 20 Rtn Dr Lee Kim Tiong
- 21 Rtn Liang Teh Hai
- 22 PP Dr Ho Loon Shin
- 23 Rtn Chua Tze We

**Attend weekly club meetings. Enjoy club fellowship. Enrich your professional and personal knowledge. Meet other business leaders in your community.**

**COME ON LET'S CELEBRATE.....**

April	Birthdays	Wedding Anniversaries	Induction Anniversaries
PP Mohd Noh Ibrahim	2		
PP Chua Kean Num		15	
PP Dr K N Singh	23		2
PP Leslie Struys		15	
PP Lim Kay Hua			19
Rtn Liang Teh Hai		14	
PP Dato K Zaman Bukhari	7		
PP Nari Gidwani			2
PP Tan Beng Sooi			2
Rtn Cheong Nai Cheong	28		28

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 3rd RCJB Club Assembly at the Zon Regency Hotel on Tuesday 12 April 2011



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## Payment Of Dues:

I would like to thank the following members who have paid their dues:

1. Rtn Alan Cheng
2. PP Chia Hsien Wen
3. Rtn Chin Kuie Too
4. PP Francis Lip
5. PP Dr Ho Loo Shin
6. PP Dr K N Singh
7. Rtn Koh Jit Huat
8. Rtn Kwang Jia Shing
9. Rtn Dr Lee Kim Tiong
10. PP Leslie Struys
11. Rtn Liang Teh Hai
12. PDG Michael Graham Parry
13. PE Ng Swee Poh
14. PP Ooi Kao Yang
15. Rtn Michael Nordgren
16. PP Roland Choong
17. PP Dr Roland Lim
18. PP Dato Dr Singaraveloo
19. PP Tan Beng Sooi
20. Rtn Tan Chee Seng
21. PP S Balarajah
22. Rtn Dato Teo Shiok Fu
23. PP Tony Ong
24. Rtn Dr Vishwadeep Sandhu
25. Rtn Suki Dhillon

Members who have not paid your dues, kindly do so as soon as possible. Thank you for your co-operation.

Rtn Teoh Cheng Siang  
Treasurer

To All Members of Rotary Club of Johor Bahru,

Please be informed that 3rd RCJB Club Assembly will be held at Zon Regency Hotel at 5.30pm Tuesday, 12 April 2011.

Directors / Committee Chairman will be presenting their progressing status reports at the assembly.

Rtn. Kelvin Chua

Hon. Secretary

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The “gotong- royong” on 3rd April 2011 at 7.00am was held with the objective of ensuring that Johor Bahru will be free from the denggi problem

Rotarians from R.C Johor Bahru, R.C Putri Lagoon and the Interactors from SMK Pelangi were involved in the distribution of flyers to the residents to remind them of the importance of keeping the compounds of their houses clean, so that mosquitoes will not breed.

Residents and government agencies like MBBJ and Southern Waste were also involved in the gotong- royong.

Participants met at the residence of PDG Ir John Cheah for some coffee and nasi lemak and for a short briefing on what to do.

Y.B Dato Seri Utama Sharir Bin Abdul Samad was present at the event..

With the active participation of members present, they collectively showed the government and the community that Rotarians are caring and concerned over the denggi problem in the state..



## World Is On Our Hand



### Feng Shui

Master Peter Lai, gave a very intellectual talk on the topic of “feng shui.” Master Lai has an MBA in Global Management and is the the founder of Jorgers, which specializes in feng shui consultation and advice.

Master Lai has over 30 years of experience as a feng shui consultant and has studied feng shui under many masters. He has been a full-time feng shui consultant for the last 8 years.

Feng Shui is not what we think it commonly is. It is not legendry, cultural, lucky, trendy or even fishy...

Feng Shui is a science that was developed over 2000 to 5000 years ago in China. It is the science of harnessing the positive energies that surround us. It involves metaphysical science. Feng Shui is philosophical, astrological, cosmological, mathematical and geographical. It involves the use of the energy around us and the forces of nature. It is a complex knowledge that reveals how to balance energies.

The three major concepts of Feng Shui are: the flow of energy, the balance of Yin and Yang and the interaction of the 5 elements of wood, fire, earth, metal and water. Water gives life to wood, which when burnt ( fire ), turns into ashes, which goes back to the earth, which contains metals, which ,with heat

liquify..... and so the cycle continues.

Feng Shui uses numerology, which is similar to the Indian numerology.

With Ffng shui, you can build your goals, dreams, and wants. You decide on the “where” factors.....where to work.... where to sleep..... where to sit..... where to stay ..... where to eat..... where? where? where?

One may also enter the world of business with feng shui. For example in the printing of business cards; lour,logo.....wordings....your name should be above the name of your company, as you control your business and not vice-versa.

Several corporate organizations like The United Nations, Coca Cola, Microsoft, Shell Oil and others have applied and adopted the principles of feng shui to their advantage.





1911 – The Rotarian is born.

Early in 1911, Paul B Harris wrote an essay on “Rotarianism” which he thought might well be distributed to the handful of Rotarians in the United States. Secretary, Chesley R Perry, had the bright idea of publishing it in a periodical which might or might not continue. Before long, the National Rotarian Vol 1 No 1 journeyed forth with Paul Harris’ message together with news of club activities, personal items and editorials.

The underlying significance of the inauspicious event in 1911 is that a device was created which recognized the importance of the individual Rotarian irrespective of club, district national or geographic lines, for the official magazine goes from the center of the organization directly to the individual Rotarian.

We can say today of our magazine what someone said of Shakespeare, it “ needs not praise but comprehension only.”

## **The History of Rotary Malaysia**

The history of Rotary spread to Malaysia like most other regions, due to the influence and work of one of the early leaders and extensionists of Rotary, Jim Davidson.

Davidson of the Rotary Club of Calgary Canada, was appointed by Paul Harris to spread the word of Rotary as far as he could and he did just that.

If it was not for his tireless work in discussing the ideals of Rotary and what it might mean to the local populations, the introduction of Rotary to South East Asia, might have taken much longer.

In 1928, Davidson visited Burma ( now Myanmar ). He then entered Malaysia through treacherous roads and terrains, with his first port of call being Penang. His meetings there resulted in the formation of one of the

first of the seven clubs in the country. He then continued south towards Singapore.

He stopped in Ipoh, where his meetings met with similar success. In Port Klang, a new club was quickly formed. He met with the local residents of Kuala Lumpur, which as time went by, became the largest and most active club in the country. South from Kuala Lumpur, the next stop was Seremban.

Seremban became the 1st club in Malaysia to be chartered, due to a lucky timing with infrequent shipping to America and some efficient paper-handling by the local British residents. Some weeks later came Malacca (now Melaka) and lastly Singapore, which was at that time part of the Malayan Federation. In all cases the presence of the British was very strong.

Many had knowledge or experience of Rotary in Britain or America. And in most cases formed the nucleus of these new clubs. However, Davidson was aware of the dangers of large expatriate membership. Of itinerant foreigners and he insisted on a greater local representation. All original Certificates of Charter show a high proportion of local residents.

All these 7 clubs were formed within the period from September 1929 – September 1930. Davidson’s travels were less than 1 year, so we can assume that delays were caused more by infrequent shipping of documents than any other cause.

Malaysia is now divided into 2 districts; the north being allocated District 3300 and the south being District 3310, which includes Sabah, Sarawak, Singapore and Brunei.

## **AT RCJB Haemodialysis Centre**

On Saturday, 2 April 2011, a 43 year old female patient was interviewed by the Selection Committee and accepted for treatment at the centre. The Selection Committee comprised of Rtn Dr Lee Kim Tiong ( Chairman of the Selection Committee ), PE Ng Swee Poh ( Chairman of the Dialysis Centre ), PP Chua Kean Num, Mr Lim Eng Kim and Ms Lionel.

A new Staff Nurse in Charge at RCJB Haemodialysis Centre Staff Nurse Maznor, the new Staff Nurse in charge of nursing, joined RCJB haemodialysis centre, with effect from 4 April 2011. With her vast experience, and the dedication of the nursing staff, the centre hopes to provide better and improved services for its patients.