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LAST WEEK'S PROCEEDINGS - 30 July 2014



Last week our regular meeting was taken to new heights! Due to meeting room availability, a private room was set aside at Zeffrino on the 31st floor of the Regal Hotel, which provided a warm, cosy atmosphere for the



members.

President Norman kicked off the proceedings on time, and warmly greeted all those present, which included our guest speaker PDG Kenneth Wong from Rotary Club of Tai Po who was joining us to make a short presentation about organ donating in Hong Kong and tell us about the good work which has been achieved in this area.



President Norman also welcomed back IPP Jonathan, fresh back from his trip to France. And we were delighted to hear that he would be sharing his experiences with us soon, along with Rtn Teresa, who had been visiting the UK and Italy. We're sure they

had plenty of great food to eat along the way and look forward to hearing about it all.

There were no birthdays to celebrate this week and acting SAA PE William reported red box donations of HK\$1,200, and he thanked everyone for their contributions.

PP Heman then introduced our speaker PDG Kenneth Wong whom requested only to be presented as Past District Governor of 2012-13 and the Chairman of the District Committee for the promotion of Organ donation.

After his presentation, President Norman then presented a gift to our PDG Kenneth as a token of appreciation, followed by PP Hubert who thanked PDG

Kenneth, who also mentioned that the two were classmates 1996-97. An interesting sidenote! He mentioned about the sustainability of the District initiatives and wittily associated these with the concepts of Reduce, Recycle and Re-use.



President Norman also announced that next week would be a dinner meeting, the details for which would be given shortly.

Finally, President Norman then proposed a toast to RI coupled with Rotary Club of Tai Po and Hong Kong Island East. The meeting was adjourned on time and all participants were invited to a group photo.



THE ROTARY CLUB OF HONG KONG ISLAND EAST

香港東區扶輸社週報 Club 16340 District 3450 Chartered on 06 April, 1954 by Charter President PDG (Uncle) John Yuen

ANNOUNCEMENTS

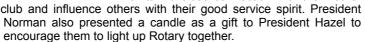


 On July 26th morning, PE William had represented RC of Hong Kong Island East to attend the "Symposium on City Mining" organized by Hong Kong Polytechnic University, which he did as part of the PPE initiatives.

-Also on July 26th, Rotaract Club of HKCC held their installation ceremony at the West Kowloon Campus. Pres. Norman accompanied by his wife

Isa, together with DGN Eric, PE William, and Rtn. Chris represented RC of HKIE to support the event. President Norman delivered a motivating speech to encourage President Hazel and her new board members to continue their good work, maintain a close connection with the mother







-It was also announced that DGN Eric has organized a Rotaract training seminar on Aug. 2, 2014. All three of our Rotaract clubs' officers will join. Anyone wishing to participate in the training was invited to contact DGN Eric. HS Avis and Rtn. Chris had agreed to be the trainers (see more on this elsewhere in this bulletin).

SPOTLIGHT ON - ORGAN DONATION



PDG Kenneth began by thanking for the opportunity to present an update of the development of District 3450 initiative in promoting organ donation in China. It is an important social issue to safe life, not only to the organ recipients but their family members. He also happily announced that he had a meeting with Department of Health of HKSAR Government in the morning, together with PP HW Fung of RC Metropolitan and PP Dr Kevin Ho of RC of Hong Kong Northwest, and the HKSAR Government supports our plan to promote Organ Donation to various Universities in Hong Kong.

The current District 3450 Organ Donation Facebook has around 20,000 fans and PDG Kenneth mentioned that it will be used not only to promote events on Organ Donation but also for other Rotary events. The upcoming would be City University Organ Donation drive with exhibition and education.

PDG Kenneth also mentioned the launch of Octopus card on 1 June 2013, and currently on sale in 6 outlets of Tom Lee, and that he urge us to promote the Organ Donation Octopus card to our family members and friends.

Promoting Organ Donation has never been easy in China. District 3450 has signed the Letter of Intent with Ministry of Health of The People's Republic of China on 26 December 2012 to promote Organ Donation in China. Through the Rotary network, Francis Demonico, President of internationally recognized The Transplantation Organization has also been involved in the process.

In October 15, 2012, DG Kenneth met Dr. Wang Haibo, Director of the Research Centre on the China Organ Transplant Response System (COTRS) in the University of Hong Kong. Dr. Wang, who is a Rotarian, also heads the Organ Allocation Centre in Shenzhen where his team conducts research and develops an organ allocation model for China with reference to the models and experience in other countries. Currently we are partnering with the First Affiliated Hospital of Sun Yat-sen University.

In summary, PDG Kenneth said that we are not promising a rosy picture, but rather trying to help pointing to the appropriate direction.



WE CONGRATULATE

It was with great pride that we received the good news recent that our own PE William Wong has been elected as Chairman of the Committee for SMEs of Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce. The SME Committee looks into issues, government policies and legislation having a bearing on the well-being of small and medium enterprises (SMEs). The Committee is a major voice in the Chamber promoting the development of SMEs as a major employer group and driving force of the local economy. We're confident that PE William will be doing a great job and we wish him every success.

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OUT & ABOUT



Last Saturday August 2nd, DGN Eric led a one-day Rotaract training seminar which was attended by Rotaract officers from all three of our Rotaract Clubs – HKCC, HKIE and LU. There was a great turnout of around 30 participants who were treated to a day of great instruction, meaningful insights and useful advice from training presenters DGN Eric, President Norman, PE William, HS Avis and Rtn Chris, with a light lunch in between.



This was the 5th year that DGN Eric has organized the training seminar as a way to help our RAC leaders build up team unity and sharpen their leadership skills. The training also helps them to know more about Rotary and build up loyalty to mother club to motivate their decision to pave the way from being U based to Com based members.



It was a great day, and here are some of the comments we received from the attendees:

"The training day built our confidence."

"I learnt a lot about Rotaract in the leadership training. Thankyou Eric for preparing such an informative activity."

"The leadership program inspired me a lot. It helped me know that everyone can be a leader. And we have to believe ourselves."

"I appreciated that I could join the leadership training. I learnt how to be a good leader."



"Actually it is an amazing programme! Thank you for every guest for giving so many touching speeches to us!"

"The training prepared by the advisors was very useful which taught me the ways to be a good leader"

"Leadership cannot be trained, but it can be influenced."



WHAT'S HAPPENING

During August 2014 President Norman will lead delegates from HKIE to visit RC of Makati North during their installation on August 13th. Those who are interested to join, please inform Pres. Norman directly.

RI President Gary Huang will visit HK and Macau from Aug. 13 to 16. An Intercity meeting has been organized on August 15th, 2014 to welcome our RI President. Therefore the board of RC of HKIE has approved to move our regular luncheon meeting from August 13th to join the Intercity dinner meeting on August 15th. All members are encouraged to join this unique opportunity to meet and mingle with our RI leaders.

Date: Aug. 15th, 2014, Friday

Time: 6:30PM

Venue: Regal Airport Hotel

Cost: HK\$650



THE LAST LAUGH

Fortune Telling

In a dark and hazy room, peering into a crystal ball, the fortune teller delivered grave news: "There's no easy way to tell you this, so I'll just be blunt. Prepare yourself to be a widow. Your husband will die a violent and horrible death this year." Visibly shaken, the young woman stared back at the old woman's lined face, then at the single flickering candle, then down at her shaking hands.

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She took a few deep breaths to compose herself. Her mind raced. A question forced it's way out... she simply had to know. She met the Fortune Teller's gaze, tried to steady her voice and asked, "Will I be acquitted?"

For some reason, wives tend to like this joke.



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