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LAST WEEK'S PROCEEDINGS - 15 August 2014



It is not every week that District 3450 is honoured with the presence of distinguished visitors from overseas. And on the weekend of August 13th-16th. It was with great pride that DG Belinda Yeung led our VIP team to give a warm welcome and guided tour of events in Macau and Hong Kong to RI President Gary Huang. And among the various activities, there was a distinct air of celebration on the evening of Friday August 15th, as district Rotarians from 3450 gathered at the Regal Airport Hotel for the Intercity Meeting in honour of this accomplished gentleman.

To look across the sea of faces gathered on that evening amidst a warm mood of togetherness, of common spirit and true friendship, one could witness many emotions, not least of which was the pride as we were able to meet and greet the first ever Chinese RI President.



Upon arrival President Gary was first ushered into a special VIP gathering of District Presidents and Past Presidents, a distinguished army of grey and red! From there the procession made its way to the

main event in the Ballroom where everyone was consequently seated and DG Belinda Yeung declared the meeting open with her initial remarks where she introduced President Gary to the eagerly awaiting audience.



As the wine flowed, so did the warm comments about this quite humble yet obviously influential and successful Rotarian.

Next was a welcome speech from PDG Ada Cheng, who talked about Gary's history as a Rotarian since 1976, his wealth of experience and his being very instrumental in membership development over the years. As he once declared in Taiwan, his philosophy is about "Finding solutions, not excuses".



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THE ROTARY CLUB OF HONG KONG ISLAND EAST

香港東區扶輪社週報

Club 16340 District 3450 Chartered on 06 April, 1954 by Charter President

PDG (Uncle) John Yuen



THE LAST LAUGH - On Love & Marriage

Here are a few short but goodies, courtesy of Uncle John. Enjoy!

Man outside phone booth: "Excuse me, you are holding on to the phone for half an hour and you haven't spoken a word."

Man inside the phone booth: "I am talking to my Wife."

A very intelligent girl was asked the meaning of marriage ...

She said: "Sacrificing the admiration of hundred guys, to face the criticism of one idiot."

The status of a Husband is just like a Split Aircon, No matter how loud he is outdoors, he is designed to remain silent indoors!

Listening to your Wife ... is like reading terms & conditions of a website.

You understand nothing but still click on "I AGREE".

The sweetest message ...

Husband to Wife : You should learn to embrace your mistakes ...

She hugged him tightly ...



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SPOTLIGHT ON - RI PRESIDENT GARY HUANG

GARY C.K. HUANG, TAIPEI, TAIWAN



President, Rotary International, 2014-15
 Trustee, The Rotary Foundation, 2004-06
 Vice President, Rotary International, 2001-02
 Director, Rotary International, 2000-01

Gary C.K. Huang was born in southern China and grew up in Taiwan. He is a graduate of Eastern Michigan University, U.S.A. and holds an MBA from the College of Insurance (New York).

He is currently Honorary Chairman of Taiwan Sok Shinkong Security Co., Ltd. He is a past president of the Malayan Overseas Insurance Co.

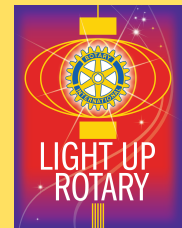
Gary has been awarded the National Civic Service Award by the Federation of Non-Profit Associations and the Outstanding Community Service Award by the Ministry of Interior, R.O.C. In 2001, he was named "Honorary Mayor" by the City of San Antonio during Rotary's convention.

A Rotarian since 1976, Gary is a member of the Rotary Club of Taipei, Taiwan. He has served RI as district governor, director and vice-president, Trustee of The Rotary Foundation, and as chairman and member of numerous international committees and task forces.

He has been instrumental in the area of membership development throughout Asia. As a Rotary Foundation Trustee, he set the goal of recruiting 100 new Foundation Major Donors in Taiwan to help celebrate Rotary's centennial, which resulted in 106 Major Donors in 2005 and another 103 Major Donors in 2006 contributing more than US\$2 million to the Foundation's Annual Programs Fund.

Gary has recounted his experience in business and his life within Rotary in a 2004 book entitled Finding Solutions, Not Excuses.

He is a recipient of the RI Presidential Citation and the Service Above Self Award, Rotary's highest honor. He also received the Rotary Foundation's Citation for Meritorious Service and Distinguished Service Award. Gary and his wife Corinna have one son and two daughters. They are all major donors to The Rotary Foundation.



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And then President Gary himself took to the stage to huge applause (he being the equivalent to a big star in the world of Rotary). He spoke of his mission and informed the audience that, as he travels the world, he encourages his audiences to "Speak some Taiwanese",

and he also spoke warmly of his feelings of nostalgia in visiting Macau and Hong Kong, remembering his days as the last District Governor of District 345 (Taiwan, Hong Kong and Macau) before District 3450 was established by DG Dr Raymond Wong. He also took the time to remember old friends and gave a special mention to our own Uncle John, who stood up to enthusiastic cheers and applause (naturally Table 21 was all proud smiles!).



President Gary's message for the evening was clear – keep growing, keep spreading the word! He asked us to make sure that we continue to build Rotary through good work. To let people know what Rotary is and what Rotary does. To give meaning to – Service Above Self. After which we were all encouraged to repeat and chat President Gary's rallying and heartfelt motto!

President Gary gave special mention to a number of special individuals during his speech, and invited onstage three new distinguished members of the Arch C. Klumph Society – those Rotarian leaders who have selflessly donated up to US\$250,000 and more to the Rotary Foundation.

- PDG David Harilela and Mrs Avisha Harilela of Rotary Club of Kowloon Golden Mile
- CP Patrick Poon and Mrs Wendy Poon of Rotary Club of Hong Kong Harbour
- PP Luis Lui of Rotary Club of Hou Kuong



After President Gary's rousing messages many Rotarians then joined him on stage for a series of group photographs in between which some delicious food was enjoyed by all.



And of course the evening was not all talk! The audience was treated to some lively and enjoyable entertainment including a singing group and performance by members of a young Chinese orchestra. It has to be noted that some Rotarians did rise to the occasion with some flashes of good movement on the dance floor, particularly during the 'Cha cha' stage. What a great and memorable evening.



Out & About

President Norman in Manila



On August 13th amidst the heavy down pouring of a Red rain storm in Hong Kong, HKIE President Norman and PE William departed for Manila and mercifully, despite the storm, their flight arrived on time. Thankfully also the weather in Manila was in contrast to HK and they landed to see a beautiful sunny day. PP Donnies greeted them at the airport and escorted them to the hotel. Pres. Norman and PE William then enjoyed an afternoon of swimming in the Peninsula hotel.

Then around 6:00PM, their official duties commenced as Rotary Club member Jackal and his wife arrived the hotel and joined them to attend the arranged party. The guests were warmly welcomed by the members of Makati North and Pres. George greeted them at the reception where the group joined a quick photo session, also exchanging gifts at photo backdrop.

Pres. Norman was also able to meet his old classmate, PP Vic Austria who was president during the 2009-10 Rotary year. They were also joined by a large group of delegates (23) from the Singapore Raffles City Rotary Club as well as the President from a Rotary club from Guam, USA.



Pres. Norman reports that he was sitting at a table with PDG Eduardo R. Alvarez and PDG Herman T. Gamboa. They both sent warm regards to PDG Uncle Peter. Photo on the right, Pres. Norman with wife Isa presented a gift to Uncle Peter from RI President Gary Huang.

