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LAST WEEK'S PROCEEDINGS - 17 DECEMBER 2014



Greetings and Happy New Year to all. Our last meeting for 2014 was on Wednesday December 17th, and it being Christmas, this was no ordinary meeting at all, with five Rotary clubs joining together to

celebrate this festive occasion with a joyous spirit at El Cid restaurant in Causeway Bay. A total of 108 guests from the five clubs, which were as follows;

- RC of HK Island East --- Pres. Norman Lee
- RC of Admiralty --- Pres. Keith Chow
- RC of Lan Kwai Fong --- Pres. Jacky Chu
- RC of Soho Hong Kong --- Pres. Edward Chan
- RC of Kowloon Central --- Pres. Tommy Ng

The evening kicked off at 7.45pm, and joining the celebration to represent RCHKIE were Pres. Norman, PE William, DGN Eric, Sec. Avis and her 2 children Matthew and Jocelyn, Tres. Jason, Dir. Kevin, Rtn. Chris and his wife Flora, IPP Jonathan, PP Uncle John, Rtn. Simon, Rtn. Freddy, Pres. Hazel of RAC of HKCC with 3 Rotaractors. We were also honoured with the presence of a visiting Rotarian from the USA, Rotarian Ian Richards of Rotary Club of Hollywood,



Florida (no not THAT Hollywood...) who is visiting Hong Kong for leisure, and attended with his wife Xiaoling and their friend Jenny, and joined in an official pennant exchange ceremony with President

Norman. In all, we had 21 members and guests in total...a good turnout.

It was a generous evening as well, with the Presidents of the Five clubs sponsoring all of the wines enjoyed on the night, and with the highlight of the evening being the traditional gifts exchange ceremony, not to mention a good and varied menu of dishes, which included an early sampling of festive turkey.



Our Rotaractors were also very active and engaged on the night, with President Hazel of RAC of HKCC getting out her guitar and serenading the guests with some lovely melodies, as well as raising funds by selling name card holders and cuff links, they accumulated over HK\$12,000 during the event to sponsor their coming International trip to Taiwan in January 2015.

Although this fantastic evening officially ended at 10.30pm, many guests stayed on for more singing and drinking until late. What a great night was had by all!



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

OUT & ABOUT



Visit to 林宝先生 (LAMPOR SCHOOL) 摆坝纪念小学

Report by PP Jonathan

This was a wonderful trip where we witnessed the happy tears from 102 primary school students in the China Guizhou province rural mountain area early this Month from the 1st to 3rd of Dec.

A group of warm hearted Rotarians from HKIE travelled all the way from Hong Kong to Guizhou province, and from Guiyang the provincial capital city taking a 2 to 3 hours road trip to the mountain rural area. The weather was cold but this could not dampen the exciting atmosphere among us, knowing that 102 students would soon be experiencing a lot of joy when receiving a truck full of gifts.

We left the hotel at 8:00 a.m., arriving at our school destination at 10:30am. The students greeted us, waving their



hands with big smiles yelling "huān yíng, huān yíng" (meaning of welcome, welcome) along the side of the road, and we were all so happy to see the wonderful reception.

After the greeting from the students, teachers and people from the local Education Department, we started to unload the truck, unloading all of the cartons and revealing all the beautiful school bags, stationery and colourful dawn jackets. The students stood still, anxiously looking at all of the gifts which they were

about to receive, and you could hear happy voices of "wah, woo, yae.." from the crowd.

In the blink of an eye, all of the gifts



had been presented, and the students and teachers were very happy, and so the performance from the students started with all students revealing happy tears and smiling like angels, singing loudly with happy voices, and we all enjoyed very much the purity of emotion from all the students and teachers.

An outdoor simple but very nice local style lunch was then served, with teachers and mothers of some of the students then singing a "mountain song of the

highlands" minority folk song behind all of us during lunch, which was their tradition of welcoming and thanking all of us. Some of the teachers with happy tears told us they are very happy seeing people from Hong Kong caring for the students who live in the mountain.

Happy moments always fly quickly, and it was late afternoon when we heard all

of the warm and cheerful voices saying goodbye many times before we then left the school and returned to the hotel.

Last but not least, I would like to say special thanks to DGN Eric, PE William, Dir Kevin, and Mr. Yu (Kevin's local friend) for accompanying

me for the whole trip. And the handsome donations from my relatives the Alderton family, Rotary Club of HK Island East and PP George Leung.

I hope all members of HK Island East could consider joining our next trip, and I promise you will have an unforgettable meaningful experience.

Yours truly,
JONATHAN LAMPOR - December 2014



ROTARY NEWS - Our Top Five Stories of 2014



Victoria Alvarez and other youth exchange students during their trip to the West Coast of the United States.

By Rotary Voices staff

As the year draws to a close, we recap our top five stories of the year (based on number of views):

- During her Rotary Youth Exchange to the United States, Argentinian Victoria Alvarez met teenagers from all over the world and learned how to appreciate different points of view. [Alvarez shared how her Rotary Youth Exchange opened her eyes.](#)
- Chris Davidson, a member of the Rotary Club of Newport News, Virginia, joined 29 other Rotary members under the age of 40 during a Young Professionals Summit in Chicago to discuss how Rotary can better attract and engage young professionals. [Davidson shared what young professionals are looking for in Rotary.](#)
- Jurag Gago, a Rotary Youth Exchange student from Slovakia, fell in love with Chicago during his year in the United States, sponsored by the Rotary Club of Aurora Sunrise. Gago shared how [Rotary Youth Exchange exceeded his expectations.](#)
- Bill Wittich, past president of the Rotary Club of Laguna Sunrise, Elk Grove, California, USA, is the kind of guy who hangs out in the local Starbucks. Wittich discovered that the [best way to invite someone to join Rotary is to ask.](#)
- Ron Nethercutt, a member of the Rotary Club of Mabalacat, Pampanga, Philippines, shares his [reason for wearing a Rotary pin.](#) Nethercutt was attending a large chamber of commerce meeting in New Orleans when he was approached by a young lady who thanked him. When he asked why, she recounted how her Rotary scholarship allowed her to earn a master's degree in international banking and improve her life circumstances.

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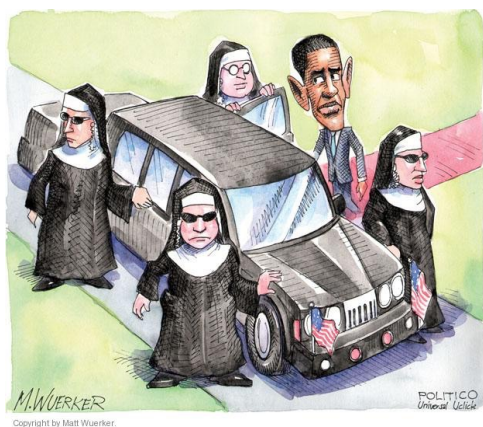
- The 55th anniversary party of RC of Kawasaki South will be on April 7th, 2015. All members who wish to join the trip to join the party please speak to President Norman.
- The final version of the RCHKIE 60th Anniversary party video is ready for viewing. The link to view is:
<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/pxsxkr8ox05ib1c/AADaQc2x-7wFUARcgKHhHDhZa?dl=0>
- President Norman reports that he and PE William had executed the first edit 2 months ago. Due to the music selection and the vendor's schedule, he had only managed to recently finish the final editing. The dropbox folder contains 2 files. One is in DVD format, you may view directly from your browser. The HD version need to be downloaded to your PC. The contents are the same.
- Please note that the next care visit (4th) will be scheduled on 10th Jan 2015(Sat), 9:30am -12:30pm. Details of the visit will be provided on the week of 5th Jan.
- The Rotary Leadership Institute Part 3 workshop will be held on Jan 17. Rtn Chris from HKIE will attend.

THE LAST LAUGH

Sister Mary Ann, who worked for a home health agency, was out making her rounds visiting homebound patients when she ran out of gas. As luck would have it, a Texaco Gasoline station was just a block away.

She walked to the station to borrow a gas can and buy some gas. The attendant told her that the only gas can he owned had been loaned out, but she could wait until it was returned. Since Sister Mary Ann was on the way to see a patient, she decided not to wait and walked back to her car.

She looked for something in her car that she could fill with gas and spotted the bedpan she was taking to the patient. Always resourceful, Sister Mary Ann carried the bedpan to the station, filled it with gasoline, and carried the full bedpan back to her car. As she was pouring the gas into her tank, two Baptists watched from across the street. One of them turned to the other and said "If it starts, I'm turning Catholic."



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