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LAST WEEK'S PROCEEDINGS - 27 MAY 2015



This was a special meeting for a couple of reasons. One, because unusually we had more guests than our own members. Two, because many of them were young. We were very pleased to welcome members of the Rotaract Club of Lingnan University and Rotaract Club of Hong Kong Community College of the Hong

plans for the coming year and also share with us a review section.) of the activities in the past year.

President Norman declared the meeting open at 1:00 pm and handed over the chairmanship to PP Stephen Liu. PP Stephen invited DGN Eric chin to introduce all the guest and Rotaractors as follows:



Dr. Jandia Poon and Mr. Samson Chiu - Advisors to the For next week's programme, Rotaract Club of the Hong Kong Community College. the speaker will be Ms. President of Rotaract Club of the Lingnam University Mr. Chordio Chan Siu Ping, GM, Wu Man Ting, Titus together with other Board Members Head of Investment of the including IPP Hebe, Sec. Maggie and EVP Siewma. Bank of China. She will talk to President of Rotaract Club of Hong Kong Community us about "What to Invest". College Mr. Cheng Wai Kin, Neo together with other Hopefully we will be getting Board Members including Hazel, Chi Ming and Ken.

PP Stephen then made a special welcome back for our PP Uncle George who has just returned from a recent trip to Taiwan, after which acting SAA PP Andy reported that the Red Box collection for

today was \$500.



There was no birthday boy for our own members but there were celebrations each for one birthday boy and girl from the Rotaract Clubs and DGN Eric led the



birthday song for them and they cut the cake with smiling faces. A little extra surprise to reward them for making the trip to see us.

Then the Presidents and their Board Members came out to report on the activities

Kong Polytechnic University, who in the past years and their year plan for the coming year. were all visiting us to talk about their (Please see the details of their reports in the "Spotlight"

> The two Rotaract Clubs enjoy a membership of over 300, which is very encouraging to see so many young people engaged in Rotary activities.

> During the past year they had organized a lot of activities, including visits to Osaka and Taiwan for their International Services projects.

> As the reports were quite detailed, the meeting only ended a bit late at 2:20 pm., and all joined together in a toast before assembling for a group photo.

some pretty good tips!





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

SPOTLIGHT ON: ANNUAL REPORT FROM ROTARACT CLUB OF HONG KONG COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Last year we had a busy time and completed 15 projects!

For some of these, our BMs were in charge, for example, the English Tutorial Class, Su Orientation Week, International Services Trip to Taipei and the Joint-Rotaract Vocational Talk. We also supported events held by Mother club and also the District, such as APRRC, Overseas Trip to Zhaoqing, the Happy Run, Food Party and Leadership Training held by DGN Eric Chin.

As Rotoracters, we have plenty of fruitful memories to savour from last year. Rotary Club provides us with many opportunities to participate in different social activities including some of the charity events. Also the club provides us with lots of support and materials so that we could hold our own events successfully and serve the society well. We really are thankful for all that we have gained from our mother club. We would like to thank DGN Eric, PE William, Dir.Kevin and Joseph for the advice and support in the whole year, and some of our teammates would join com base in order to continue to serve the society.







ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1. The 4-Clan Meeting last week of 12 Clubs under the family tree of HKIE was a great success with nearly 150 people attending.
- 2. 24 June will be the last meeting for this Rotary year and 8 July will be the first meeting for the next Rotary year and it will be our club's installation. Please reserve the time to attend both meetings to support your Presidents.
- 3. Our sister club, RC of Penang will be celebrating their 85th anniversary on 9 October. PE William will lead a delegation to visit them. Also, PE William will visit our sister club in Philippines in July for their installation ceremony. Please register with PE William if anyone would like to join these delegations.
- District installation registration for early bird was submitted.
 We have 13 members registered so far. The deadline will be 31
 May and after this date, the regular fee will be \$1,288 per person.

CONGRATULATIONS

Our own Director Kevin is a selfless individual in every way. Always shying away from the limelight, he quietly but diligently goes about his Rotary work,

always there, always giving. So we can't think of a more worthy fellow Rotarian that it would give us greater pleasure in congratulating for receiving an RI 'Avenues of Service Citation for



Individual

Rotarians'. This is a much deserved award and we are truly proud that it should go to one of our members who truly deserves it.

DISTRICT NEWS: THE ONE FINALISTS

This month on June 23rd the award ceremony for THE ONE, humanitarian award will take place. Over 40 entrants have submitted their stories to vie for selection on the shortlist of selfless individuals who will be considered for the award. As we prepare for the gala event to celebrate kindness and humanity in its purest forms, let's take a look at the 4 Finalists who will be there on the night.

Chung To Hong Kong



In the early nineties, botched blood transfusions led to thousands dying of AIDS in central China. Leaving behind their children. Without parents, without hope. Chung To became their hope.

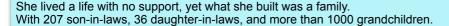
Witnessing the tragedy, he abandoned a successful career as an investment banker. Establishing the Chi Heng Foundation to help the children impacted by AIDS. Starting with one small village, he supported the development and education of 127 children. Today his sustainable programme has helped over 18,000 children.

More than 2100 children have graduated from university, and many others from different schools. The Chi Heng Foundation allows children to leave the stigma of AIDS behind, and look forward to a brighter future.

Sindhutai Sapkal India

Sindhutai Sapkal was born into struggle. Forced into marriage aged 10, to a man 20 years her senior. She was a mother of 3 by age 20. And was forced to flee from beatings and cruelty by turning to begging. Somehow she found the love, compassion and courage needed to become a savior to those she saw suffering as she had.

Working through these hardships to form a lifelong dedication to the destitute. She became a true mother to all she encountered, providing food, education, and a place to stay. She has nurtured over 1050 orphaned children.







Dr. Bharathi Jyaram Nigeria

In Nigeria, Dr. Bharathi Jyaram has been helping the poor for over 30 years. Treating all her patients free of charge to provide people with the help they need and deserve. Her spirit of universal love helps the community far beyond the boundaries of the hospital. She visits public schools and provides children with free medical checkups, to serve the most vulnerable of society.

She has organized a program which feeds 2500 people once a month. And even organizes medical camps to further maintain the health and lives of the people around her. Dr Bharathi is a pillar of strength to the weak and impoverished.

Dr. Burenjargal Bultuush Mongolia

When Dr. Burenjargal Bultuush watched her terminally-ill grandmother die a painful death, she was born again. From then on, devoting her life to those who suffer around her.

In 2003 she founded the Hope Hospice in Mongolia in order to provide specialized care for the terminally-ill. Working hard to make their last precious days on earth as comfortable as possible.

The Hope Hospice has treated over 4000 terminally ill patients, including some children. And has provided end-life nursing training to upwards of 80,000 family members.

She is also one of the first people in Mongolia to pursue a Masters degree in Palliative Care. To those she devotes her life to, she is a angel of mercy.



THE LAST LAUGH - PRIEST

A gambler was at the horse races playing the ponies and all but losing his shirt. He noticed a Priest step out onto the track and bless the forehead of one of the horses lining up for the 4th race.

Lo and behold, that horse - a very long shot - won the race.

Next race, as the horses lined up, the Priest stepped onto the track. Sure enough, he blessed one of the horses.

The gambler made a beeline for a betting window and placed a small bet on the horse. Again, even though it was another long shot, the horse won the race.

He collected his winnings and anxiously waited to see which horse the Priest would bless next. He bet big on it and it won.

As the races continued, the Priest kept blessing long shots and each one ended up winning. The gambler was elated.

He made a quick dash to the ATM, withdrew all his savings and waited for the Priest's blessing that would tell him which horse to bet on.

True to his pattern, the Priest stepped onto the track for the last race

and blessed the forehead of an old nag that was the longest shot of the day.

This time, the priest blessed the eyes, ears, and hooves of the old nag.

The gambler knew he had a winner and bet every cent he owned on the old nag.

He watched dumbfounded as the old nag came in last.

In a state of shock, he went to the track area where the Priest was.

Confronting him, he demanded, 'Father! What happened?

All day long you blessed horses and they all won.

Then in the last race the horse you blessed lost by a mile.

Now, thanks to you, I've lost every cent of my savings!'

The Priest nodded wisely and with sympathy.

'My Son,' he said, 'that's the problem with you Protestants, you can't tell the difference between a simple blessing and last rites.'



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