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LAST WEEK'S PROCEEDINGS - May 16, 2018

Meeting was called to order at 1:04pm.

There were 11 members and 1 guest. P. Stacy, PE Gilbert, Rtn Stephen, PP Rudy, Rtn Kevin, PP William, PP Andrew, Rtn. John Yao, Rtn. Tony, Rtn. Peter, Rtn Jason, Rtn Bernard with guest Apollo Lau.

P Stacy welcomed back Rtn. John Yao, who gave a brief sharing from his work at Hubei with their Chinese medical school and professors. PP George and Rtn. Peter also came back from Italy.

P. Stacy reported club activities. Final service project for happy lunch was on May 7 at Charlie Brown Cafe. Six Rotarians went and all had good time.





THE ONE HK gala dinner is on the same night. Jeff Rottmeyer is the finalist and we all hope he will win. The prize money can fund lessons for 15 more Down syndrome kids for 1 year or help 2 homeless to transition to financially independent.

Crystal Bus Fellowship dinner is scheduled on May 30th 2018. It will be a great evening fellowship with members from our sister club RC Niigata and visiting Rotarians from RC Bangkok South joining.

We had a happy celebration for our Birthday Boy Rtn. John Yao (A fine Rotarian! with us for more than 30 years!) PP Rudy was his Song Leader.

Speaker: Porcelain Art - Dr Corinna Siu

Dr. Corinna Siu is no stranger to Rotary, her husband KK Chan was a member of our daughter club

the Rotary Club of HK North. Dr. Corinna emphasised that although Porcelain painting is an exceptional heart and treasured skill, in her opinion it is not a way to make a living. Hence she uses her porcelain paintings as a way to give back to society by donating her artworks to charities for fund raising activities. Dr. Corinna also organises porcelain painting classes for students as young as 3 years old! Furthermore she organises porcelain painting classes for under-privileged children. Dr. Corinna in fact donated an art piece for HKIE's 60th Anniversary Dinner Raffle prizes.

Rtn. Tony thanked the speaker in our usual Rotary Manner. Bernard introduced next week's speaker Patrick Siu. Meeting adjourned at 2:00p.m.



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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

Spotlight On - THE ONE HK

We Found THE ONE!

I am so happy to write to you the good news that on Wednesday, May 16th 2018...at the ONE Gala Dinner...our nominee Jeff Rotmeyer won The ONE Award, with a cash prize of 200,000HKD!



Backtrack...let me tell you about the Development of this happy news!

What is THE ONE HK?

Description:

THE ONE Hong Kong Humanitarian Annual Award (hereafter "THE ONE HK") seeks to find and honor unsung heroes in Hong Kong who are doing good for and within the community. Recognition of the unsung hero aims to further his or her good work with a money reward and at the same time aims to boost the spirit and morale of people in Hong Kong to serve and to encourage more selfless good work. This is in line with the Rotary motto of "Service above Self".

What is ImpactHK?

Jeff Rotmeyer is the founder of 2 Charities: ImpactHK and Love 21 Foundation

The charity ImpactHK is really a wonderful movement that I truly invite all of us to get to know more and participate in.

ImpactHK focuses on helping the willing homeless to transition from homeless to financially independent through friendship, kindness, mentoring, financial support

What is Love21 Foundation?

Love21 Foundation is a Charity that focuses on enriching the lives of Down Syndrome people through engagement in sports and nutrition education.

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How are we HKIE involved?

Well, in November 2017, I (Stacy) saw a post on facebook written by Jeff. Jeff was raising money for his homeless friend David in Fortress Hill. Jeff managed to raise 50,000HKD - however in the end David wasn't ready to leave the streets and refused the 50,000HKD. And Jeff wrote an apology on the facebook group and refunded everyone their donation. I read that and thought to myself - wow. That's a very proper gesture!

So I contacted Jeff, and then the following week, Rotarian Stephen Leung and I met Jeff in the Starbucks in Alexandra House. We wanted to know about him and his charities, we wanted to assess him and see if he was legit and credible. Stephen and I were impressed and then we invited Jeff to come to speak at our club. Consequently we submitted his nomination to The ONE (approved by the Board). ImpactHK (the charity Jeff founded for the homeless in HK) has something called Kindness Walks.

During Kindness Walks, volunteers get together and give clothes/food/and friendship to the homeless in areas such as Sham Shui Po, Nam Cheong, Yau Ma Tei, Happy Valley, North Point. There are around 60 Kindness Walks a month now. I went on 3 Kindness Walks before I put forward the proposal to nominate Jeff to the Board. And around 2 months ago, PE Gilbert and I joined a Kindness Walk in Tai Kok Tsui area and we were handing out food under the bridgepass to people living under the bridges! There are actual make-shift homes under bridges!

So without our nomination, Jeff would not have had the chance to qualify or know about The ONE and...win! And!! As nominating club...we also win 5,000HKD prize money to be given to the charity we choose!



At the Gala that night were - IPDG Eric, PP Eddy and myself! It was really a wonderful night! And emotional too! Jeff and I had lots of tears of real pure happiness and shock!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

May 30th - Crystal Bus Adventure! PIC P Stacy - 350HKD for an evening of great fellowship and exploring HK!

June 2 - 3rd District Conference at Regal Hotel Airport

Out & About

Happy Anniversary to our Sister Club Rotary Club of Southsea Taipei!

A hearty congratulations and Happy Birthday to the Rotary Club of Southsea Taipei. PP William and PE Gilbert went to join the celebration. And PE Gilbert represented HKIE and gave a speech!











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