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#### Last Meeting: Christmas Luncheon 2020

The meeting was called to order at 1:03 p.m. Those attending were: P Leo & Rotary-Ann Sally, DGN Norman & Rotary-Ann Isa, IPP Gilbert, PP Hubert, PP David, PP Eddy, PP Andy, PP William, PP Nancy, PP Stacy, PE Bernard, Rtn. Peter, Rtn. Tony, Rtn. Kevin, Rtn. Vagman

6 January 2021

Guests included: PP Henry from RC Taipo, Chris Wang, Bonnie Yeung

P Leo started the meeting and shared District and Club updates. We all sang a hearty Happy Birthday to our December Birthday boys. P Leo also introduced the two upcoming service projects: Blankets to the Homeless and the 2nd Community Fun Fair. Chris Wang spoke about the Homeless project and the arrangements, the plan is to distribute blankets in the Sham Shui Po area. PP Stacy spoke about the 2nd Community Fun Fair. It is an event that will be run under the social-distancing regulations. Mainly it is to host a space so that children can come collect their gifts and parents can collect food vouchers and other staple support.

Members showed up in Christmas colours: DGN Norman and Rotary-Ann Isa were incredibly festive in their red Santa hats :)

PP Stacy hosted our Christmas Party and there were games, trivia, and tons of laughter.

The games and winners were:

Round 1: How well do we know P Leo? *P Leo loves watching cooking shows and he also is a loving patient tutor to his children and…he collects porcelain!* Winners: DGN Norman and Rotary-Ann Isa

Round 2: Santa's Naughty List: Winner: PP David (it means he is the most innocent out of the bunch of us!)

Round 3: Guess the Emoji - Christmas Edition Winners: Chris Wang, PP Henry Wang, and PP David

At the end of the Guess the Emoji Round...the last emoji guess was: Santa Claus is Coming to Town....and that presented the most opportune moment for our Santa 2020-2021 to appear! And Santa is extremely talented on the piano too, so he led the Christmas Caroling. We sang Silent Night and Jingle Bells

We ended the meeting with well wishes across the zoom. Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays!

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



Community Service Projects: Blankets to the Homeless - December 22nd 2020 Reported by PP Stacy, Director of Community Service.



On December 22nd 2020, P Leo, PP Stacy, Rtn. Peter, and volunteers: Chris Wang, Bonnie Yeung and Jonah Leung gathered together to distribute blankets and meal vouchers to the homeless. This was in partnership with ImpactHK. PIC for this project were: PP Stacy and Chris Wang.

We handed out the blankets that PP Andy arranged. We walked around Jordan and Yau Ma Tei area to find homeless who need blankets. Chris was an excellent walk leader. He shared with us stories of the homeless people. When we reached a certain area in Jordan near a park... There was a homeless make-shift accommodation site, Chris knew 3 of the homeless people there and they were so happy to see him and we had a good chat with them.

We also handed our 7-11 charity coupons of bento food boxes. So we gave 5 to each homeless person. And in Yau Ma Tei, our last stop was a community hall that had at least 20 homeless congregating. They were very nice and grateful to receive our blankets, face masks and food coupons.

It was a 1 hour outing that had so many micro experiences and impact moments. Thank you to Peter for taking these photos for us.

There was one homeless man sitting in the Austin Tunnel. He was fervently reading his bible. When we offered him a blanket, masks and food charity coupons he politely declined and asked us to please give it to help other people. Then he put his head down to read his Bible (Chinese) again.

My estimate is that we helped around 40-50 homeless during our walk (because some didn't take blankets. Only the meal coupons). Chris hopes that we HKIE-ers enjoyed the walk and also hope that we found it interesting. Thank you for all your support. And we hope to organise more of these walks in the future. If you know any company who has items to donate to the homeless we will certainly help distribute! :) Community Service Projects: 2nd Community Fun Fair 2020 Reported by PP Stacy, Director of Community Service.



On December 26th 2020, our HKIE had two reasons to celebrate:

- 1. We hosted the 2nd Annual Community Fun Fair with Ultimate United.
- 2. It was our President Leo's birthday

How wonderful was it for P Leo to show up with his family: wife Sally and sons Andrew and Frederick so that they can serve the community on his birthday! Other Rotarians that helped out were: PIC PP Stacy, Rtn. Peter and Chris Wang. Also, Rtn.Jason and Rotary-Ann Sharon helped this event by arranging the Photo Booth equipment. Also a huge thank you to CityLab for sponsoring the venue - rent free for the whole day!

This year we had a different arrangement due to the social-distancing COVID regulations. Instead of hosting a dinner buffet, our club purchased and handed out 100 x 50HKD Park N Shop vouchers to the Ultimate United Families. The event ran from 11am - 7pm. In total over the 8 hour event, 88 children participated in 5 activities (photo booth taking, Christmas movie, making 3D Christmas cards and watching a magic show, and playing mini-foosball tournaments. There was so much happiness and laughter. I also feel that the parents were so grateful that their children had the blessing of receiving large colorful gift boxes!

Last year's event we had over 20 volunteers, this year we had less. This turned out to be a blessing in disguise because the teenagers of Ultimate United stepped up and helped to volunteer and run the event. Around 4 teenager girls were very hands on to help with the arts and crafts. And I had a 9-year old little boss manager running the shots at the Photo Booth area. The kids were so excited to participate as volunteers and in our debriefing after the event all of us grown ups remarked how proud we were of the children for being our floor managers!

### About Ultimate United Ultimate United is not a museum of perfect people. But a caring place for broken and afflicted.

Ultimate United was founded by Vijay Partap and Kitling in May 2012. The couple visited Saigon Street Playground in Yau Ma Tei for the first time, and met people with many different needs (Street kids, broken families, refugees, etc.). With the hope to pass God's love to the families around this park, the couple started their children street ministry in Saigon Street Playground every Friday and have not missed a single week. The Friday Night Kids Club is called Mission Bridge "Connecting Lives", with the aim to connect people and build a stronger and better society. In total, over 8 years Ultimate United has served over 400 children.

## **Kitling:**

We look after the street kids, low income and single parent families, we are doing the part of prevention work. If we don't reach those marginal kids in the community at a young age, soon they will become the trouble youth of the community. We help them in their academics as well as their interests and talents, most importantly we prioritise developing their self worth and teach them good values and beliefs.

We understand the root of the problems lies with their families. Hence, we take effort to reach out to the children' family: provide basic needs and care for the families, support the mothers by teaching them sewing and parenting skills. We also provide food and breads for them. We help the families who suffering from different needs by connecting to the right resources. E.g. Helping them to translate their construction license exam, finding lawyers for their immigration cases, finding jobs or opportunities, teaching / coaching on their parenting skills, providing short-term shelters when needed, helping to look after their kids when the parents are sick, offering free classes for the single mom in developing a healthier life style, and providing





























































# Announcements



Happy Birthday to our Splendid January Birthday Boys! January 2nd Rtn. Peter January 11th PDG YK January 14th HS Rico

# **Rotarian Code of Conduct**

As a Rotarian, I will:

1. Act with integrity and high ethical standards in my personal and professional life

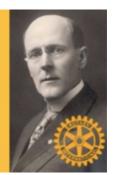
2. Deal fairly with others and treat them and their occupations with respect

3. Use my professional skills through Rotary to mentor young people, help those with special needs, and improve people's quality of life in my community and in the world

4. Avoid behavior that reflects adversely on Rotary or other Rotarians

5. Help maintain a harassment-free environment in Rotary meetings, events, and activities; report any suspected harassment; and help ensure non-retaliation to those individuals that report harassment Rotary changes us and those we serve. I believe we can change the world one life at a time.





## Welcome to our Members: Simon and Vagman!

This serves as a formal notification that we have received two applications from Simon Ng Kwok See, and Vagman Wai Boon Yat to join our Rotary Club of Hong Kong Island East.

Simon Ng is a returning member of HKIE. His classification will be Pharmacist. His proposer is P Leo.

Vagman Wai's job title is Director, Regulatory Affairs and Policy Compliance. His classification will be Compliance (Financial Services). His proposer is P Leo.

For further details please refer to the email notice that HS Rico sent out on November 23rd 2020.

Club postal address : P.O.Box 47064, Morrison Hill Post Office, Hong Kong	
Meeting Venue	: Regal HK Hotel, Causeway Bay, Hong Kong
Meeting Schedules	: Every 1st and 3rd Wednesday at 12:30 pm
Website	: http://hkie.rotary3450.org/