

# Last week's Proceedings -

27th June, 2007

The meeting was started at 1:10pm by Pres. Paul.

Visiting Guest: This week we have the visiting Rotarian Nancy Yee from our sister club, the Rotary Club of Vancouver China Town, visiting us again and she was warmly welcomed by all of us after being introduced by Pres. Paul.

Pres. Paul also welcomed our Birthday Boy Rtn. Kishu Narain who has chosen PP David Li as the song leader to sing the birthday song for him. Rtn. Kishu received a round of warm blessings from our Rotarians after Pres. Paul presented him the birthday gift.

Pres. Paul passed around a souvenir received from the Hong Kong Sea School presented at the time we visited them together with our sister club, Kawasaki South, of Japan.

Then Pres. Paul presented a token of appreciation to our members who have achieved a 100% attendance through the year including make-up at other Rotary Clubs or through passing the Q & As section of our weekly bulletin. They are:

PDG Uncle Peter, PP John Kwok, IPP Eddy, PP David Li, Secretary Andy, Rtn. Norman, PP Stephen and PP Rudy.

They all received a big round of applause from our members.

Pres. Paul reminded us to enroll and attend the upcoming District Installation Night to be held on 6<sup>th</sup> of July 2007 at the Grand Hall of the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre starting at 6 p.m. which is regarded as one of regular meetings.

We have already booked two tables and expect more to come by asking our members to bring along their family members and friends to share the fellowship and achievements amongst ourselves and with those of other clubs in the District. The theme of the coming year is "Rotary Shares" after this year's theme of "Lead The Way".

Pres. Paul summarized the activities and projects of this year under the theme of "Lead The Way" as follows:

#### **BOAT TRIP ON 1 JULY 2006**

Boat Trip on 1 st July, 2006 joined the Canada National Day Regatta with 4 Boats and a total of over 70 participants including our team of Rotarians and family members consisted of 20 participants.

# VICTORIA PARK SCHOOL OF DEAF

VPSD Visit by members of RCHKIE on 12<sup>th</sup> July, 2006 and they were welcomed by Principal Lun. Attending members took pictures of VPSD premises for safe-keeping and sentimental reasons before the official closure of the School due to insufficient students.

## **INNER CITY MEETING 23 AUGUST 2006**

This was an excellent opportunity for the Rotarians of our District to meet face to face and to get better acquainted with the Rotary International Dignitary as well as our District Officers, Presidents-elect and fellow Rotarians. They have taken many Group Photos with RI President-elect Wilfrid Wilkinson.

#### JOINT LUNCHEON WITH 3 OTHER ROTARY CLUBS ON 27 SEPTEMBER 2006

Our Guest Speaker was The Hon. Alan K.K. Leong, SC, of the Legislative Council speaking to us about "What to Expect on the Policy Address". Participating Clubs included the RC of Shatin, RC of City Northwest, RC of Metropolitan HK and our Club with up to 60 members in total.

## Visit at "The Home of Loving Faithfulness"

Joint visit with RC of Hong Kong South on 18<sup>th</sup> November, 2006 to The Home of Loving Faithfulness at Sheung Shui, New Territories, Hong Kong. Participants included members of both Rotary Clubs and their family members consisting of over 30 participants.

RC HK Island East and RC HK South jointly organized and raised funds through their respective club community funds, application for District Simplified Grant and other means to meet the target amount for acquiring a replacement industrial class washing machine for the day-today heavy use in The Home of Loving Faithfulness.

HOLF effectively provides a home for life to severely mentally and physically handicapped children who were abandoned at birth or later as their families were unable to care for them.

#### CHINA LIGHT AND POWER VISIT

Joined the Association of Women Accountant's visit to China Light and Power in Tuen Mun on 9<sup>th</sup> December 2006 The visit was from 9:15 am till 1 pm. After their visit to Ash Lagoon via China Light and Power the bus returned to Tsuen Wan MTR station. HKIE hosted the lunch at Tsuen Wan Maxim Restaurant for a total of 25 persons including those from the Association of Women Accountant (10 persons) and the Rotaractors (9 persons) and Rotarians (6 persons) of our Club.

#### Joint Luncheon Meeting with other Rotary Clubs on 25th April 2007

A well turn up of over 40 Rotarians including the visiting Rotarians in our above mentioned Joint Meeting with RC of Shatin and RC of Metro HK. The Speaker was Mr. Anthony Wu, J.P. Chairman of the Hospital Authority gave us the topic of "Sharing and Vision" which was well received by the attending audience.

#### 3rd May Luncheon Meeting

A joint luncheon meeting of 4 Rotary Clubs, RC of Hong Kong Island East, RC of Hong Kong North, RC of HK City North and RC of Causeway Bay on 25<sup>th</sup> April, 2007 at the Renaissance Harbour View Hotel in Wanchai and the host club was the RC of Hong Kong North. RC of HK Island East had 10 members attended the joint meeting. The speaker was Ms. Connie Lau, the new Chief Executive of the Consumer Council, on "How to protect their right of consumers from the Mainland".

#### 30th May Luncheon Meeting

RC of Hong Kong Island East, RC of Hong Kong Northeast, RC of Happy Valley, RC of Hong Kong Bayview and RC of Bayview Sunshine together attended the joint luncheon meeting which was held on May 30<sup>th</sup> 2007 at Excelsior Hotel.

There were a total 73 participants attended the joint meeting.

The speaker was Mr. W.K. Lam, CEO of the Equestrian Events (Hong Kong) of the Games of the XXIX Olympic Company Limited.

Mr. W.K. Lam gave a talk on the progress of the Equestrian Event of Beijing Olympic Games, which will be held in Hong Kong in August 2008.

#### Kawasaki South Visit

International Services

RC of Kawasaki South visited our club on 13 <sup>th</sup> June 2007 and joined our regular luncheon on the same day RCHKIE arranged RC of Kawasaki South to visit Hong Kong Sea School at 8:30 am on 14 <sup>th</sup> June 2007. Pres. Paul, PDG Uncle Peter, PP Stephen and PE Laurence participated in this meaningful visit and enjoyed a splendid parade at the Hong Kong Sea School.

## INCORPORATION OF "ROTARY CLUB OF HONG KONG ISLAND EAST LIMITED"

The Company was incorporated on 18<sup>th</sup> June 2007 (Company No. 1142521) with the purposes of protecting our Club from unlimited liabilities and to introduce the possibility of tax exemption for the monetary contributions of our member in supporting the tax-exemptible charity services.

## WATER PROJECT IN SHAANIXI

Yaozhou District (東州區) and Yintai District (中台區) are located in the northern part of Shaanxi Province (域四省). Due to a lack of accessible clean water supply, around three million local people are suffering from shortage of drinking water. Local government tried to alleviate the problem. However, its effort was compromised by economic constraint. HKIE has taken on a project to construct 300 water cellars to enhance villagers' ability to resist drought and increase agricultural productivity and to provide safe portable water to 300 households (approximately 1,200 beneficiaries) in seven villages

#### **Hubei Project**

Due to the traditional concept that male gender is more important, many girls in rural China are deprived of their rights to receive education.

RC of HKIE worked with the Hebei Education Department to select 150 female needy students and has committed to meet their tuition expenses for the next 5 years.

After the above report of Pres. Paul PE Laurence rose to represent the members of the Club to thank Pres. Paul for his great leadership to "Lead The Way" in the past year in the above splendid endeavors of fellowship and community services. Though Pres. Paul humbly resisted the commendation and said these were all achieved with the support and coherent efforts of all our members he was warmly and collectively thanked by all attending members with a great round of applause.

Before announcing the Red Box collection, PDG Uncle also reminded us to recognize our major donor of the year, PP Hubert Chan, for his generous support to the R.I. Foundation and all members put their hands together for a vote of thanks to PP Hubert. Then PDG Uncle Peter reported the Red Box of the day being HKD 700 plus a deferred contribution from our Birthday Boy Kishu.

Pres. Paul adjourned the meeting at 2.05pm by proposing a toast to RI and coupled with Rotary Clubs of Vancouver Chinatown and Hong Kong Island East.

# **Rotary Information**

#### The 98th RI Convention

Continuing the report of the Salt Lake City RI Convention from the last week bulletin, there were about 16,500 attendees from 147 nations with two seatings every day from 17 to 20 June 2007, for the humanitarian service organization's annual convention, often described as a "Mini-United Nations" because of its internationality and diversity.

It was convened for fellowship and to participate in a broad agenda of plenary sessions, workshops and demonstration focused on how Rotary clubs are helping to make the world a better place through volunteer service.

The convention drew to a close on 20<sup>th</sup> June 2007, capping off a four-day celebration of the many faces of Rotary service, from peacemaking to grassroots projects to international friendship.

Calling it the "single most important thing you can do to ensure Rotary's second century" incoming RI President Wilfrid J. Wilkinson sent RI Convention goers with a directive to "found new clubs where ver the soil is fertile,"

"Without new members, nothing else matters" he said during the closing plenary. "It will only take a few decades for Rotary to disappear. It is absolutely true as most of the clubs have been losing members by one way or the other. It is a trend in the community the world over.

Inside the Salt Palace Convention Centre, the House of friendship provided a forum for fellowships, action groups and project booth, while outside, the Rocky Mountains served as a scenic backdrop to the American western-themed convention that featured a rodeo, dances by Native Americans and lots of homegrown hospitality.

Trustee Chair Luis V. Giay joined RI President Bill Boyd to present the Polio Eradication Champion Award to William Gates Sr. one of the keynote speakers at the plenary session.

The first R1C onvention in Utah since 1919 was also the site of several other Rotary first: the Rotary Foundation's first-ever 100% Major Donor Club and the first Rotary World Peace symposium, held just before the convention. It was a glorious moment at the Convention when the Rotary Club of Kowloon East received such award from Luis Giay and the RI President Bill Boyd witnessed by the incoming district governor of district 3450 Peter Wong and its president M.S. Yau and others on the stage. Just to explain what is a Major Donor Club. All members of one Rotary club become a Major Donor who contributed US\$10,000.00 or more each member, will qualify that particular club a Major Donor Club. Rotary Club of Kowloon East has a membership of around 40 in total. We are proud of this club which makes history in The Rotary Foundation this year. Not only a Major Donor Club, R/C of Kowloon East is also the first club which achieved the world first 100 percent Paul Harris club, (every member of the club became a Paul Harris Fellow by donating US\$1,000.00 each to the Foundation.)

With the announcement of various entertainments, the RI Convention was closed in harmony. All participants brought back everlasting memories home and looking forward to our next convention in Los Angeles, U.S.A.

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# **Electronic Make-up Questions**

# You can submit an electronic makeup for this missed meeting by answering the following questions:

1. Who was our visiting Rotarian today and where is she from?
Answer:
2. Who was our Birthday Boy today?
Answer:
3. Who were the members with the 100% attendance recognized by Pres. Paul?
Answer:
4. How much we have collected for the Red Box?
Answer:
5. What was reminded by PDG Uncle before he announced the Red Box collection?
Answer:

6. How many attendees from how many nations were in the RI Convention in Salt Lake City?

Answer:
7. How much must you contribute in order to qualify as a Major Donor for the R.I. Foundation?
Answer:
8. Who was the Major Donor of our Club in this year?
Answer:
Name:Email:
Submit
Jokes

### Dynamite!!!!...

The body builder takes off his shirt and the blonde says, "What a great chest you have."

He tells her, "That's 100 lbs. of dynamite, baby."

He takes off his pants and the blonde says, "What massive calves you have." The body builder tells her, "That's 100 lbs. of dynamite, baby."

He then removes his underwear and the blonde goes running out of the apartment screaming in fear.

The body builder puts his clothes back on and chases after her. He catches up to her and asks why she ran out of the apartment like that.

The blonde replies, "I was afraid to be around all that dynamite when I saw how short the fuse was!"

# Photographs of our meeting on

27th June, 2007





Rtn Tony, PP David, PP Uncle John, PP Hubert, IPP Eddy & Rtn. Norman



Pres. Paul present the birthday gift to our birthday boy - Kishu



Pres. Paul received a gift from The Hong Kong Sea School.



Pres. Paul present a gift to PDG Uncle Peter as 100% presenter



PP Uncle John Kwok received a souvenir from Pres. Paul as a 100% presenter



IPP Eddy Wong received a souvenir from Pres. Paul as a 100% presenter



PP David Li received a souvenir from Pres. Paul as a 100% presenter



Hon. Sec. Andy Wong received a souvenir from Pres. Paul as a 100% presenter



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