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香港東區扶輪社週報 THE ROTARY CLUB OF HONG KONG ISLAND EAST

## **Last week's Proceedings -**

**13th July, 2010**

The Joint meeting with RC HK City North started at 1:15pm at CCC Happy valley, and in the same time all members and guests stood up to begin singing the National anthem and Rotary song.

President Bill Tong from RC HK City North warmly greeted all attending members of Rotary Club of City North as well as guests, he then invited our President Heman introduced all attended members of Rotary Club of Hong Kong Island East. President Bill Tong then asked their PE Gary Yeung to introduce guest from Rotary Club of Peninsula South PP Angela Hui and guest from Osaka and warmly welcomed speaker of the day - Principal Henry Poon.

There was no birthday member to be celebrated.

After President Bill and their members made their reports, President Heman then made the following announcements:

(1) A delegation, comprises of Pres. Heman, IPP Norman, PE Dr. Eric Chin, PP John Kwok, and guest Genness To, will attend our sister club, RC of Makati North's Installation Ceremony in The Philippines on 14th July, they will also visit some of the project sites arranged by our sister club.

(2) Next week's regular Luncheon Meeting will be back to normal, i.e. Wednesday at 12:30pm Regal HK Hotel, we have invited officers from Neighbour Advice - Action Council to brief us on their latest projects to the community, details will be announced later,

(3) DG Jason will visit us on 28 July, please come and give our DG a warm welcome.

Rotary Club of HK City North Programme Chairman Arthur Wong then introduced guest speaker of the luncheon, Principal Henry Poon Chun-Kau of HKFYG Lee Shau Kee College.

Mr. Henry Poon has been a Principal since 1973 for 4 schools to include, S.K.H. Bishop Mok Sau Tseng Secondary School (1975-93), Tin Ka Ping Secondary School (1997-99), St. Paul's Co-educational College (1999-2004) and HKFYG Lee Shau Kee College" (2006 - present) and his topic for the luncheon is What's Wrong With Our Students

He noticed that there are at least 8 shortcomings observed from general youngsters in Hong Kong:

- 1) Not proficiency in both language (Chinese & English)
- 2) Self-center
- 3) Poor general knowledge
- 4) Clever but not wise, lack of global vision
- 5) Tends to be lazy, no direction or value, lack of personal goal
- 6) Reluctant to give, expect to take (Parents over protect them as a contributing factor)
- 7) Lack of Civic education
- 8) Poor self management skill and discipline

Mr. Poon mentioned, in order to improve the overall education in Hong Kong, the most important tasks are:

-recruit quality language teacher

-provide on the job training to the teacher

-parents to cultivate a reading culture at home instead of allowing a TV & computer culture

Mr. Poon also recommended a book Huagn, Mingle "Gang Hai". if we want to understand more on the topic.

The talk has stimulated many questions from the floor including our members PP Rudy and IPP Norman, these questions were answered satisfactorily.

RC of City North Past President Spencer thanked the speaker and RC of City North President Bill together with our President Heman handed club banners as gift to the speaker.

President Bill then made a toast to Rotary International, coupled with RC of Hong Kong Island East, RC of HK City North and RC of Peninsular South. There being no other business, the luncheon meeting was adjourned at 2:15 pm.

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## **Rotary Potpourri**

### **Rotary Club Membership Cards**

On 1st July each year, all of you will have received a new membership card from the Hon. Secretary with your name and membership number embossed thereon. These cards will enable you to visit Rotary clubs abroad. The attendance clerk will ask for the membership card for verification in some cases. The writer of this message had such experience when making up in Bangkok, Thailand, so the membership card was produced as proof. The important thing is that you must sign at the back of the said card when you receive it, otherwise it is not valid.

### **An Enjoyable 3 Days Club Visit to RC Makati North celebrating her Club Installation**

President Heman Lam led the delegation, consisting of PE Dr. Eric Chin, IPP Norman Lee, PP John Kwok and IPP Norman's colleague Genness To attended the 38th Induction Ceremony of Officers and Directors of our sister club: Rotary Club of Makati North (RC MN) and paid visits to the beneficiaries of their service projects from July 14 to July 16, 2010. Thanks for the typhoon just passed Manila, our flight to Manila departed and arrived on time in the morning on July 14.

The Induction ceremonies was held in The Peninsula Manila Hotel on July 14, 2010 evening. DG Ed Alvarez of District 3830 hosted the induction of Officers and Directors. He inducted the team led by Pres. Karl McLean and 11 Directors and Officers including IPP Vic Austria. Then DG Ed delivered an encouraging message to appraise the service projects done by RC MN, build up membership and meet the challenges of theme of this RI Year: Building Communities and Bridging Continents.

President Heman has exchanged gifts with President Karl McLean and the gift from our Club was a ship's steering wheel that symbolizes successful leadership to the new President

Entertainment program was also well fitted in the evening. A Professional singer and a dance performance by their Inner Wheel Club of Rotarianne brought relaxation and fun amongst guests and members. The highlight of the evening was the lucky draw and luck embraced our PE Dr. Eric who won a high valued painting by a Filipino famous artist Oscar Urdamenta. IPP Norman was also awarded a certificate of appreciation for our Club's support to the disaster relief project to victims of Typhoon Ondoy last year.

During the second visit on July 15, 2010, a golf game was organized in Sun Valley Golf Club with PP Ed Mijares, PP Ric de la Torre, Rtn. Chito Frondoso, PP Klink Ang, PDG Ato Magadia and his son. Pres. Heman won the championship in the net score competition and everyone tossed for his success. We all enjoyed in the golf game.

Following the golf game, we attended a dinner hosted by PP Pabling & Maribel Calma at Manila Polo Club with representatives from RC of Raffles City (Singapore), RC Shan Alam (Malaysia) and RC Wack Wack (Philippines). During the reception, Pres. Heman learnt from Pres. Karl ( RC MN) the progress of a feeding program " Feed a Child, Build a Nation" for malnourished children in Makati Public primary school that the students could not afford a meal per day. President Heman and PP John initiated to sponsor Peso 10,000 which can support 20 students for meals for 5 months. Pres. Karl McLean of RC MN thanked the generous support to the two members.

One of the objectives of club visit was to understand the service projects done by our sister club, we had the opportunity to visit Paarlang Elementary School situated in a very poor area of Manila, their students were the beneficiaries of "Improve Eye Sight" program where free eyesight examinations were provided and if corrective eye glasses were required, one pair of spectacle will be provided for them. From the smiles of students with their eye glasses, we understood that they really enjoy reading once again hence improve their learning in schools. Then, we proceeded to the Brgy. Singkamas Reading Room; it is situated inside a community center within walking distance from Paarlang Elementary School. RC MN and her Inner Wheel Club set up the room, which is also a small library, with the object of providing the poor students from the school next door with good English books to read. There are also 10 computers providing learning opportunities through computer. We learnt that their members and spouses regularly attended the room and read books to the children there to encourage their learning and improve their literacy level.

The final itinerary for our group was that IPP Vic & Lot Austria hosted a "Philippines Styles Hot Pot" lunch for all visitors in Ping Yang restaurant where we enjoyed the local gourmet and fresh seafood in Manila. Afterwards, we were accompanied by IPP Vic, and Ms. Socorro, spouse of PP Joe Reano to the Manila Airport for return trip to HK. In conclusion, Pres. Heman and his team members all agreed that this was a meaningful visit fostering the friendship between our Club and RC of MN, enhancing the mutual understanding and pave the way for a better cooperation in future. Finally, all delegating members also appraised that the trip was enjoyable with FUN. Great Thanks to the warm hospitality offered by our sister club RC MN!

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## Electronic Make-up Questions

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

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

1. We have joint luncheon meeting with which Club today ?

Ans)

2. When and where was our joint luncheon meeting held ?

Ans)

3. Who was the Club President that we have joint luncheon meeting with ?

Ans)

4. Name three of our members visiting RC Makati North in the Philippines ?

Ans)

5. Who did we invite to speak to us on Wednesday 21st July 2010 ?

Ans)

6. When has DG Jason planned to visit our Club ?

Ans)

7. Who was our speaker for the joint luncheon meeting today ?

Ans)

8. What was the speaker's topic today ?

Ans)

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## Joke

**Subject: Funny - Enjoy**

I was in the restaurant yesterday when I suddenly realized I desperately needed to pass gas. The music was really, **really** loud, so I timed my gas with the beat of the music.

After a couple of songs, I started to feel better. I finished my coffee, and noticed that everybody was staring at me....

Then I suddenly remembered that I was listening to my iPod.

## Photographs of our meeting

on

13th July, 2010



The joint meeting began by the singing the National Anthem and the Rotary song



President Bill Tong of RC HK City North started the meeting by welcoming all



The guest speaker was Principal Henry Poon



Pres Heman and Pres. Bill Tong presenting their respective club banners to the speaker



(L to R) PDG Rene Magadia, IPP Norman, DG Eduardo Alvarez, PE Eric, PP John



Group photo of our friends including PP Alex Wong, PP Roger Nicandro, PP Gus Lagman



Dir. Bob Hecks presenting an award to IPP Norman



Pres. Karl McLean here receiving our gift from Pres. Heman with our members



PE Eric won the raffle draw this painting by a famous artist



We played a round of golf at the Sun Valley Golf course



Our Host for this evening was PP Pabling Calma



Group Photo of some of the participants with our host PP Pabling



(L to R) IPP Vic Austria with IPP Norman, Pres. Heman, PE Eric



Picture of the lovely Rotarians here with PP Porong and his Rtnanne Tina



A Group Photo of the entire party



We visited the Paarlang Elementary School for their Feeding Program. Here are the children that benefited from this program



Picture of our group with the Principal of the school and Pres. Mac McLean



In front of the Elementary School



Picture of our group in the reading room



We were shown their reading room in a separate building

We were treated to a delicious lunch of sea foods hot pot



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