

Last week's Proceedings -

16th July, 2008

President Andy kicked off the meeting at 1:00pm and asked PP John Kwok to officially introduce the visiting Rotarians being President Ken Tranbarger from Rotary Club of Torrey Pines, USA and Rotarian Benny Ratnani from Rotary Club of HK Northeast. Also PP Stephen Liu introduced his two student guests from Secondary Schools in Tin Shui Wai, Ms Sandy Yim & Mr Tsui Kin Lok, while Rtn. Nancy introduced her guest Mr. Gary Chiu to us and Rtn. Tony introduced his guest Dr. K.M. Tse to us. They all received a big round of applause from us.

SAA Gilbert Fung reported the red box donation of HK\$1,300 and thanked all the contributors.

President Andy also reported the highlights of the Board Meeting held on 10th July as follows:

- 1. The Board is looking for new auditors for our club because of conflict of interests as PP David Li being a member of Rotary Club of Hong Kong Island East Ltd. as well as the director of our current auditing firm Li, Tang, Chen & Co.
- 2. Our first long term goal has set up Thembership area with 2 net gain per year for the next 3 years. Subjects for discussion included the membership retention, improvement of communication & fellowship activities
- 3. A committee was formed for organizing the 55 year anniversary celebration. This committee is chaired by PE Norman Lee, with deputy chair, Nancy Yee.
- 4. The Board would like to establish a 55 year anniversary signature project, this signature project may either be one or two significant current projects or a combination of several projects together.
- 5. The Board has received Mr. Kevin Leung's membership application and has approved during the board meeting. He will be inducted in two weeks time if no objection received from members.

IPP Laurence then proceeded to report their visit to our sister club, the Rotary Club of Makati North in the Philippines which are as follows:

The delegation was led by President Andy with IPP Laurence and his wife Jennie, President-elect Norman and his wife Isa and PP John Kwok. They arrived on Saturday 12th July and left on Tuesday morning 15th July after a trip to the project site for the self-built community outside Manila, a few city tours and two rounds of golf and a couple of welcoming luncheon and dinner followed by the installation dinner.

The members and spouses of our Club were warmly received by the members of our sister club and President Andy has invited them to come to Hong Kong to join our 55th anniversary celebration and their President Klink has accepted our invitation too.

IPP Laurence has showed some pictures taken during the visit and some of them were posted in the photo section of this bulletin.

President Andy then further announced that he has received from our sister club in Makati North during their installation ceremony the followings:

- A Certificate of Appreciation for the Gawad (means Give) Kalinga (means Caring) Self-built Community project of Ave Maria (the village) in Tanay, Rizal (the province at the east of Manila)
- A Water color painting from Makati North for the club.

President Andy has also presented a gift to Makati North on behalf of our club.

After the reporting President Andy urged all members to attend the Luncheon Meeting on 30th July as it will be the visit of our District Governor Albert Wong; he requested all board members to come an hour early to meet with DG Albert for a pre-meeting.

President Andy also reminded all members about the Karaoke gathering on 18th July at CEO Neway in Causeway Bay starting at 7:00pm.

Next came the highlight of the meeting with Mr. Lee Kai Kwong, Principal of Choi Jun School (CJS), who was formally introduced by Hon. Sec. He man Lam. Mr. Lee gave us the progress and updates of the Swimming Training Program and also their new initiatives for their students - Pretty Bakery Project 俊美鬼. The highlights of his report were as follows:

CJS School Swimming Training (our Certificate of Merit for Best Community Service Award 07-08)

Period: 10th Sept 2007 to 30th June 2008

No. of Pupils: 40 (Boys and Girls)

Sponsorship from Rotary Club of HK Island East: HK\$58,000

Payment from parents: HK\$18,110

Expenditures:

Swimming Coach charges - \$53,720

Swimming pool charges - \$7,985

Transportation charges - \$8,400

Balance as at 14^{th} July 2008 = \$58,000 + \$18,110 - \$70,105 = \$6,005

Number of pupils took part in Swimming Gala organized by HKSAM (Hong Kong Sports Association for the Mentally Handicapped) in 2006-07 were

Number of pupils took part in Swimming Gala organized by HKSAM in 2007-08 were now 37.

Base on the expenditure of the Swimming class this year, assuming inflation rate being 4%, the budget for the following year is \$73,000, and netting the payments from parents, which was \$18,000, sponsorship required for the year 2008-09 would be \$55,000.

Mr. Lee appealed to our Club to continue to sponsor \$50,000 for their swimming team in next academic year 08-09, noting that there is still surplus of \$6,005 from year 07-08, hence there should be enough fund covering their swimming team.

Pretty Bakery Project 優美點

The aims of the project are:

- 1. To train students to work independently
- 2. To train students to be skillful bakery worker
- 3. To broaden their view of job selection
- 4. To enhance better relationship with their family

It is the vision of the school that "Our students can make use of their abilities in making cookies or cakes to earn coupons. Then, they save up these coupons to exchange food or commodity for their family, to show their care for the family."

The mechanism was briefly described as follows:

- One coupon would be given to students who produced a dozen of oat-cookies, carrot raise cake, coconut tar or producing one New York Cheese Cake
- The coupons can be used to exchange commodities like table-salt, tooth-brush, 2-kg white rice.

Period of the project from 1 st Sept 2008 to 30 th June 2009 with Phase 1 training period from 1 st Sept 2008 to 30 th Nov 2008 and Phase 2, production period from 1 Dec 2008 to 30 th June 2009.

Target students would be 40 Secondary Students of CJS and 10 leavers of the school.

Amount of donation would be \$14,400, covering the cost of materials.

Mr. Lee also ensured that Quality Control would be done by himself, bakery instructor (who is paid by the school) and the teacher and they emphasize WORK SAFETY and FOOD SAFETY. More than ten parents are currently trained for more than 30 hours to make cakes and cookies who would be assistants to the project; the ingredients of the cookies will be printed on the food box. He is hopeful that the project will be sustainable for 3 years.

Rtn. Tony Loy formally thanked Mr. KK Lee for his informative update and progress of the Swimming Training Project as well as providing us with the information on their Bakery Project, and he extended the invitation to Mr. Lee to bring along the cookies made by his students for our members to

There being no other businesses, the luncheon meeting was adjourned at 2 pm after a toast to Rotary International, coupled with the Rotary Club of Torrey Pines, USA, Rotary Club of HK Northeast and Rotary Club of HK Island East. Every body was invited to take a group photo.

Rotary Potpourri

Rotary International Assignments

We are proud to announce the following Rotarians of District 3450 have received from RI the appointments for the year 2008-2009:

PDG Y.K. Cheng of R/C of HK Island East,

Rotary Extension for South East Asia

PDG Jason Yeung of R/C of Kowloon West

Membership and Public Relations

PDG Gloria Cheng of R/C of Queensway
Rotary Extension in P.R. of China and PolioPlus Advisory
PDG Raymond Wong of E-Club of 3450
Humanitarian Cadre Advisor
PDG Alex Mak of R/C of Kingspark HK
To be announced
PDG Peter Wan of the R/C of Tolo Harbour
Independent auditor for RI Board of Directors

Service Above Self Awards
Normally, there are 150 Service Above Self Awards each Rotary year. It was a special surprise for District 3450 to receive two Service Above Self Awards in the Rotary year 2007 -2008. The awardees were
PDG Johnson Chu
PP Edmond Chan
The recognitions were presented to both of them at the District Conference and District Assembly by D. G. Peter Wong respectively. Hearty congratulations!

You can submit an electronic makeup for this missed meeting by answering the following questions: 1. How many visiting Rotarians and guests we have today?
Answer:
2. What was the red box collection today?
Answer:
3. How many of our members and spouses have attended the installation ceremony of Makati North?
Answer:
4. What was presented to PP Hubert by President Andy during the meeting?
Answer:
5. What is our long-term goal decided in the last board meeting?
Answer:
6. Who is the potential member being proposed in the last board meeting?
Answer:
7. Who are the chair and duty chair of the organizing committee for our club's 55 th anniversary?
Answer:
8. Who was our speaker today?

Submit	
Name: Email:	
Answer:	
12. Who have received the Service Above Self award from the RI this year?	
Answer:	
11. What appointment for 2008-2009 has been appointed by RI to our PDG YK?	
Answer:	
10. Which date is DG going to visit our club this month?	
Answer:	
9. What projects were presented by our speaker?	
Answer:	

An Arab had spent many days crossing the desert without finding a source of water. It got so bad that his camel died of thirst. He crawled through the sands, certain that he was breathing his last breath, when suddenly he saw a shiny object sticking out of the sand several yards ahead of him.

He crawled to the object, pulled it out of the sand, and discovered that he had a Manischewitz wine bottle. It appeared that there may be a drop or two left in the bottle, so he unscrewed the top, and out popped a genie. BUT this was no ordinary genie. This genie appeared to be a Hasidic Rabbi, complete with black alpaca coat, black hat, side curls, and tzitzies.

'Vell kid,' said the genie, 'you know how it voiks. You got three vishes.'

Tm not going to trust you,' says the Arab. Tm not going to trust a Jewish genie!'

'Vott'ya you got to lose? Looks at me - you're a gonner anyvay!'

The Arab thought about this for a minute, and decided that the genie was right. 'Okay, I wish I were in a lush oasis, with plentiful food and drink.'

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The Arab found himself in the most beautiful oasis he had ever seen and he was surrounded with jugs of wine and platters of delicacies.

'Okee-dokee kiddo, vat's your second vish?'

'My se cond wish is that I were rich be yond my wildest dre ams.'

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The Arab found himself surrounded by treasure chests filled with rare old coins and precious gems.

'Okay kid, you got just vone more vish. Better you should make it a good vone!'

After thinking for a few minutes, the Arab says, 'I wish that no matter where I go, beautiful women will always need and want me!'

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He was turned into a tampon.

THE MORAL OF THE STORY:

If you're an Arab doing business with a Jewish genie, there's going to be a string attached.

Photographs of our meeting on

16^{th} July, 2008



PDG Uncle Peter Hall, Principal Mr KK Lee & Pres. Andy Wong



Hon. Sec. Heman Lam, Pres. Ken Tranbarger from Rotary Club of Torrey Pines & Dir. PP John Kwok



(L to R) IPP Laurence, SAA Gilbert, PE Norman, PP Hubert, PP Tim, Rtn Kenny, PP Rudy & SAA Jackal



(L to R) Dir Nancy, visiting guests (Mr. Gary Chiu & Mr. KM Tse), Rtn Tony, visiting Rotarian Benny from RC HK Northeast, PP Stephen & two summer internship students



(L to R) Two summer internship students (Ms Sandy Yim & Mr Tsui Kin Lok) with PP Stephen



Hon. Sec. Heman Lam introduced the speaker Mr KK Lee



Principal K K Lee from Choi Jun Scho



Pres. Andy presented a banner and photo in action to Principal KK Lee





Pres. Andy presented a club banner to Pres. Ken of Rotary Club of Torrey Pines, USA for his second visit to our club.

Pres. Andy presented a T-shirt from the Shelterbox to PP Hubert to thank him for the generous donations to the World Vision HK s Sichuen Earthquake Relief Fund.



Group photo with members, visiting rotarians, visiting guests & the speaker.



On the way to project site outside Manila



More houses being built on project



Spring water well just finished



Rotariannes visiting the inhabitant home



A round of golf before the installation night



Greeted by the host at the installation night







(re-cap of our District 3450 Installation Ceremony)
Our members took the photo with DG Albert Wong and the first lady at the Installation Night 2008-2009 of District 3450 held in the Miramar Hotel in Tsimshatsui, Hong Kong



(re-cap of our District 3450 Installation Ceremony)
Group photo of the newly installed District Governor, District Officers and
the "Make Dreams Real" Presidents of our District 3450 (Pres. Andy at the top right corner)

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