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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 -

22nd July, 2009

The meeting was started at 1:05pm and President Norman warmly greeted the speaker of the day, PDG Dr. Jason Yeung. He then extended his welcome to visiting guests Teresa Ho of Regal Hong Kong Hotel, who will be submitting her application in becoming member of our Club, as well as Mr. Benny Ratnani of RC of HK Northeast.

President Norman then made the following announcements:

1. On 7th August, there will be the Intercity Meeting being held at the Holiday Inn Golden Mile Hotel in honour of our RI President John Kenny who is visiting our District. One table has been reserved and so far 8 members have been registered. President Norman urged the early responds of all members so that seats may be reserved. There will be new member induction during the Meeting and hopefully we will have a new member being inducted during the event. For reservation, please contact Hon. Secretary Dr. Eric Chin.
2. On 8th August, at the Baptist University, the new board for our Rotaract Club of Lingnan University will be installed at the joint Rotaract Club Installation; he invited all members to participate in this event.
3. On 29th August, there will be Area 3 joint dinner meeting with DG Ada Cheng at Regal Hong Kong Hotel, please take note that our regular luncheon meeting on 26th August will be postponed.

Acting SAA PP Rudy reported the red box donation of HK\$900, and thanked all contributors.

PDG Uncle Peter proceeded to the podium and introduced our speaker - PDG Dr. Jason Yeung; though our speaker needs no further introduction, PDG Uncle Peter stressed that he would still present our speaker due to formality as well as for the sake of our newer members.

PDG Dr. Jason Yeung is a specialist in Paediatrics by profession. He is also an Exco member of the HK Paediatric Foundation. A senior assistant commissioner (Adm.) of HK St. John Ambulance Brigade and a member of the Gifted Education Foundation in Hong Kong.

Apart from the above mentioned services he has engaged, PDG Dr. Jason Yeung also served as one of the district governors of the RI District 3450 covering the areas of Hong Kong, Macao and Mongolia. He served in many RI appointed capacities and has been a successful District Conference Chairman of our district in 1994.

PDG Dr. Jason Yeung started by recalling last time he visited our Club and delivered his speech and at that time he was urging the involvement of our club in the District Project - Childhood Safety Prevention. He then passed on a photo that was taken at the 2nd District Conference held in 1962 and asked the participants to indicate the whereabouts of the two PDG's, both himself and Uncle Peter, in the photo.

He then draw our attention to how Paul Harris defined Community Services - "Community Service is an opportunity for every Rotarian to exemplify Service Above Self. It is the commitment and social responsibility of every Rotarian and every Rotary Club to improve the quality of life for those who live in the community and to serve the public interest."

PDG Dr. Jason Yeung revealed that our District is always indebted to PDG Uncle Peter for he was the person who supported ardently the purchase of the current Rotary Information Centre office in the 70's and early 80's, during which a number of the then PDG's, in particular Uncle Peter, had contributed to the purchase.

IPP Andy was thanked by our speaker for helping the arrangement of shelter boxes to Sichuan after the earthquake on 12th May 2008. Peter Clouding was the person who brought the shelter boxes to Sichuan who also set them up for the victims of the disaster. This has given a very good example of Community Services Projects in a disaster circumstances.

PDG Dr. Jason Yeung recollected some of the significant projects accomplished by Rotary Clubs, they are:

1. Establishment of New Life Half Way Home in Sham Shui Po in 1983-84 for the mentally -ill patients who completed their treatment so that they can adapt back to their normal daily life. This project was lead by 4 Rotary clubs and over 20 clubs participated.
2. Statue of Courtesy was erected in Nathan Road in 1988-89 by RC of Kowloon West and Preserve Planet Earth Statue in Central Park of Shatin in 1992-93 both of which promotes the image of Rotary.
3. Aids Sculpture erected in 1997-98 which was a joint effort with Lions and Jaycees aroused concerns over AIDS.

4. Map of Rotary Landmarks printed in 2005 was circulated to introduce Rotary landmarks to public and Rotarians alike.

5. Child Home Safety Project - Prevention of Accidents of Children in Home was a significant District project in 2008-09 (Fridge magnet was distributed), a fun day was organized at Olympic City on 4th April 2008 to draw the public's attention on this subject.

Our speaker concluded that most of the projects are tangible and some with permanent structures built. In motivating members to continue with community services, PDG Dr. Jason Yeung read a letter from Paul Harris to Paul circus 1943 as attached.

PP Dr. Hubert Chan officially thanked PDG Dr. Jason Yeung for speaking to us as well as lighting the Rotary path for us to follow in the footsteps of "service above self". He mentioned that for a person to do good, there are many reasons, such as actualization of self, reward, recognition, debt of deeds, etc; he remembered a very touching movie "7 pounds" where the leading role helped 7 people due to repay of debt and guilt. In reality, there are ample opportunities in helping the society through Rotary. He stressed that the reason is not important but the end result is, and most important of all, the recipients can benefit from the undertakings and the end result is that they enjoyed.

IPP Andy Wong shared his experience with the Childhood Home Safety Project as initiated by PDG Dr. Jason Yeung in educating not only the family, but also the domestic helpers in the importance of childhood safety as well as prevention means; as more often than not, it is the domestic helper who takes care of the children, and he hoped that the messages can extend to different types of language speakers.

PP David Li pointed out that for the disaster relief donations through Central Government of China actually take effect in the areas of concerns might take a lot of time and he asked if PDG Dr. Jason Yeung experience the same difficulties. PDG Jason replied that there have been good supports from Ministry of Civil Affairs and Ministry of Health, hence bypassing a lot of hurdles, however, if going through province, then might need to deal with local officials, hence, misunderstandings, red tapes, etc, which a lot of times used. As far as he knows, the mainland local officials welcome the building of schools, nurseries, orphanages, senior homes, and it would be easier for them to give assistance.

PP Henry Chan added that their organization met with Ministry of Civil Affairs few months ago and they are interested in the way they execute their humanitarian projects; they are also aware of the lack of training and the mentality of their local officials in how to receive help from outside sources, etc. The impression from the Ministry is very open and tried to get assistance so that they can better handle these cases. Currently they are going through process of revamp and as long as they are willing to learn, get help, they will catch up very quickly.

President Norman announced that the speaker next week would be Mr. Kevin Chiu, CEO of World Vision who would speak to us on a project of building water tanks for a school in Yunnan.

President Norman then made a toast to RI coupled with RC of Kowloon West, Hong Kong Northeast and Hong Kong Island East.

There being no other businesses, the luncheon meeting was adjourned at 2:02 pm.

Rotary Potpourri

100% Attendance for 2008-2009

During the Rotary year of 2008-2009 under the reign of President Andy Wong, the following ten (10) club members have achieved 100% attendance :

Heman Lam

Anthony Kwong

Rudy Law

David Li

Norman Lee

John Kwok

Laurence Chan

Andy Wong

Eric Chin &

Nancy Yee.

President Andy Wong presented the above members each with a Comfort Travel Pillow as an award for their fine achievement.

There should be more 100% attendance members as the attendance rules are so relaxed at the present time, such as attending board meetings, Interact or Rotaract meetings, joint meetings, club community project meetings and RI functions, etc. are counted as make-up attendance. Most of our members are not aware of the 100% attendance requirement.

Paul Harris letter

December 19, 1943

My dear Paul,

So you and I (2 Pauls) are walking down the Rotary path together. I trust that your eyes will prove brighter than mine and that you will discover beauties in the world in which we live to which I have been blind.

However, I have seen enough to satisfy my mind that we can find in the course of our journeys amost anything we look for. There are to be sure weeds in plenty but there are also beautiful flowers. He who looks for the ugly will surely find it, and he who looks for the finer qualities of men will be equally successful.

It's pretty much up to us to make our choice. If one seeks friendliness, and wants to make himself useful, I n\know of no place of greater promise than Rotary, and incidentally I might say that he who is friendly and useful, will realize his ahre of happiness.

Sincerely,

Paul Harris


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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:

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| <p>1. Pres. Norman welcome three guests today, who were they ?
Ans)</p> <p>2. Pres. Norman made three announcements; give the dates and a brief summary of these events. ?
Ans)</p> <p>3. Who was the SAA today and what was his collection for today ?
Ans)</p> <p>4. Who introduced the speaker for today and who was the speaker ?
Ans)</p> <p>5. The speaker referred to Paul Harris's definition of Community Service, how did he define Community Service ?
Ans)</p> <p>6. The speaker referred to the contribution of our PDG Peter for what he did on behalf of the District. What was that District project ?
Ans)</p> <p>7. The speaker referred to six significant projects by Rotary Clubs, briefly name them ?</p> |  |
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Joke

Subject: Pray for my hearing

Leroy and L'Quiesha go to the San Leon Primitive Baptist Church revival and listen to the preacher.

After a while the preacher asks anyone with needs to be prayed over to come forward to the front at the altar..

Leroy gets in line, and when it's his turn, the preacher asks: "Leroy, what do you want me to pray about for you?"

Leroy replies: "Preacher, I need you to pray for my hearing"

The preacher puts one finger in Leroy's ear, and he places the other hand on top of Leroy's head and prays and prays and prays. He prays a blue streak for Leroy. After a few minutes, the preacher removes his hands, stands back and asks, "Leroy, how is your hearing now?"

Leroy says, "I don't know, Reverend, it ain't till next Wednesday."

Photographs of our meeting

on

22nd July, 2009



(L to R) PDG Uncle Peter Hall & guest speaker, PDG Jason Yeung & Pres. Norman Lee



Hon. Sec. Eric Chin, Rtn. Benny Ratani from RC of HK Northeast & PP Uncle John Kwok



(L to R) Rtn. Peter Yeung, PP Hubert Chan, IPP Andy Wong & PP Stephen Liu



PP Henry Chan, PE Heman Lam, visiting guest Teresa Ho & PP David Li



PDG Uncle Peter introduced PDG Jason to our members as our speaker of the week



PDG Jason Yeung shared with us of some past Rotary District projects



PP Hubert Chan represented on behalf of the club to give a vote of thanks to PDG Jason Yeung



Pres. Norman Lee presented a photo in action for PDG Jason for this memory



Group photo with members, visiting Rotarians & guest

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