

Last week's Proceedings -

21st July, 2010

The meeting started at 1:05pm. President Heman welcomed back PP Henry, Rtn. Tony Loy from his Europe trip and Dir. Kevin Leung from his UK trip. President Heman announced that Rotarianne Emmy and Hon. Sec. Jonathan gave birth to their second baby boy, Brenden, 8-1/2 lbs.

President Heman gave a briefing on the Makati North visit by IPP Norman, PE Eric, PP John Kwok, and IPP Norman's guest Genness To. They all had a wonderful time at the Installation. Gift were presented and PE Eric received a luck draw gift - drawing from a still alive artist. A good golf game was played on the next day. Also there was a visit to a Primary School where they have a reading program and wanted to start off a feeding program (1 meal a day). The night before, PP Pabling hosted a welcoming dinner and thanks to the top up of contribution from Uncle John, A donation of Pesos 10,000 to their feeding program in which twenty students will be fed for five months.

President Heman reminded us that there would be a District Visit headed by DG Jason to the Rotary Club of Hong Kong Island East on 28th July, 2010. RI President Ray Klinginsmith will be visiting Hong Kong on 14th to 18th August. Area 3 will be hosting an Intercity Meeting in honour of him and the registration would be starting now. To conclude his announcement President Heman reminded all members to pay their membership dues.

SAA PP Rudy reported the red box donation of HK\$1,200.

Dir. Nancy introduced two of her guests: Connie Pan and Rtn. Johannes Weinmar from the Rotary Club of Vancouver China Town from Canada. President Heman and Rtn. Johannes exchanged the club banners.

There was no birthday member to be celebrated. Pres. Heman Lam then presented a gift to celebrate IPP Norman Lee's wedding anniversary.

PP Andy announced the DG Visit to Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia in August headed by DG Jason. The trip is taking place from 28th August, 2010 to 31st August, 2010. It is the best time of the year to visit the northern part of China since the weather is not as cold as in the winter time. PP Andy introduced our guest speakers: Maggie Lok and Winnie Yeung from the Neighbourhood Advice Action Council, NAAC.

Neightbourhood Advice-Action Council Presentation

Introduction of The Neighbourhood Advice-Action Council (NAAC)

Established in 1968 as a registered non-profit organization, there are nine departments with more than 90 service units which covered a wide range of services including Elderly, Rehabilitation, Children and Family, Community, Youth, Mainland, Medical, Education, and Social Enterprise as well.

NAAC has many years of operating experience of the social enterprise, including: Restaurants, Shops, Nail and Beauty Salon, Image Design and Hair Institute etc. Besides, in order to open up more job opportunities for the people with Autism, a new Laundry set up is going to be launched in year 2009 as well. NAAC believes that to assist the disadvantaged groups to develop their potential and cope with difficulties and hard time from the transition to the community, help them to achieve self-reliance, is the ultimate goal and will of social services. Therefore, over the years, NAAC has been actively establishing good partnership with the private sector, so as to help the vulnerable groups fighting for more opportunities.

And the development of social enterprises is one the most important development of NAAC in recent years. In view of the economy downturn, NAAC has taken a great step to break through from the traditional service models to active

develop of social capital by setting up and running different social enterprises, enable the organization be self-sufficient in providing on-going support for the disadvantaged groups. And in fact, these social enterprises are also exactly one of the best prospects for the graduates of CASEN.

Introduction of "College for Adults with Special Educational Needs"

Background

CASEN is one of the self-financing units under NAAC. The Neighbourhood Advice-Action Council firmly believes that rather than just simply provides the disabled some daily care or shelter centre services, indeed cultivation, opening up opportunities, enabling them to fully develop their potential and contribute to the society, these are far more helpful and meaningful for them to live their lives and living with dignity. As a result, in the spirit of this conviction, NAAC has established the first ever continuing education institute for disabled persons in HK in 2004 on a self-financing basis, with the main objective in providing them more choices and opportunities beyond the general services so that they can have more chances to be able to develop their potentials and fulfill their dreams.

Since Education and Manpower Bureau launched a new "334" education reform system in 2009, students have special learning needs must complete their schooling at the age of eighteen. The needs of further and continuing education services for the disabled students have a rapid increase. This brought us to rethink and review the value of CASEN and how to respond and cope with the growing demands.

Year 2009, in the act of CASEN's fifth anniversary, we went through a serious review with regard to the mode of operation, curriculum design, accreditation and so on. First of all, we have a re-engineering of the overall structure and disciplines, so that we can provide students with a more professional and high quality courses, and most importantly, is to further obtain the authorization and recognition from the society and to enhance employment opportunities for graduates.

Nine Faculties in "CASEN"

In the light of the characteristics and talents of people with disabilities, CASEN has newly reformed the institute into nine faculties to enhance students' competitiveness in the society and provide them a wide range of choices with different interest and background.

Faculty, Subject and Curriculum

Faculty of Human Science: Language, interpersonal relationships, social responsibility, etc.

Faculty of Performing Art: Music, dance, technical arts, drama, etc.

Faculty of Sport: Soccer, swimming, dragon boat, apparatus, etc.

Faculty of Visual Art: Painting, ceramics, floriculture, photography, etc.

F & B Faculty of Culinary Art: Cooking, Catering Service training, etc.

Faculty of "A-Tech" Health Science: Health Care Specialist Program

Faculty of Beauty & Image Design: Fashion & Image design, Hair design, Beauty and Facial, etc.

Faculty of Business & Administration: Office administration and practice, computer operation, etc.

Faculty of Extension Education: Integration courses, professional trainers training, etc.

Career & Employment

To ensure graduates' career paths and employment opportunities, CASEN is fully supported by their 90 service units and social enterprises under NAAC. Not only plenty of workplaces and job opportunities will be provided, but they will also take the lead to offer and employ the graduates for works, allowing them to apply what they learn, show and proof their abilities to the society.

CASEN & the Mainstream University

As in the past practice, CASEN will continue making efforts to keep close contacts and relations with the community, say to strive for mainstream universities, businesses, professional bodies and other supports. In the past five years, we have successfully linked the Hong Kong Polytechnic University, Hong Kong Baptist University, the Hong Kong Shue Yan University, the Hong Kong Dance Federation, and so on. They provide a full range of supports from service development, programme design and implementation, to prospects of the students. And with such strong support of these professional bodies, CASEN are more determined to fight for the land for disabled the opportunity to learn, so

that they no longer be any burden of the society but turned into one of the valuable social assets as an outcome.

Mission of CASEN

- * Become the first institute designed specifically for disabled persons, collection of education, enterprises and social welfare in HK.
- * Provide higher education opportunities and develop more employment opportunities for people with disabilities.

Vision of CASEN

- * Fight for equal access to education for people with disabilities
- * Establish a well structured education scheme and mechanism for the disabled to develop their full potential
- * Develop and Design a systematic programme and curriculum to display disabled abilities
- * Create a brand new alternative special education mode, enable the disabled to apply the theoretical to physical environment
- * In accordance with CASEN curriculum and students ability, develop different social enterprises to provide better prospect for graduates
- * Promote social concern and awareness towards the special education needs for the people with disabilities

Rtn. Johannes gave a brief introduction about the Rotary Club of China Town in Vancouver.

IPP Norman on the behalf of the members thanked our guest speakers. Gifts were presented to the guest speakers by President Heman. The meeting was adjourned at 1:56pm with a toast to RI coupled with the RC of Vancouver China Town and RC of HK Island East. A group photo was followed.

Rotary Potpourri

Service Above Self Awards

When I donned the Service Above Self award pin at my lapel, many of my fellow Rotarians started to ask questions, such as what does this pin represent, and how do you get it, etc.

To cut the story short, I reproduce an article from RI recently regarding the "Service Above Self Award Eligibility Requirement" as follows:

Each day, Rotarians around the world generously give their time and effort to serve others, often without recognition. Since 1992, the RI Service Above Self Sward has honored Rotarians who demonstrated exemplary humanitarian service and embody our motto of Service Above Self. The award recognizes Rotarians for their humanitarian service, rather than their service to Rotary, and offers a means of honoring those who night otherwise go unrecognized.

In November 2009, The Board amended the recipient award criteria to make all past RI directors, past RI presidents, and past Foundation Trustees ineligible for consideration. The Service Above Self Award nomination form includes detailed information about the selection criteria for award recipients.

The nomination form is available on the RI website, www.rotary.org/RIdocuments/en pdf/award sas.pdf.

The electronic form contains fields that will allow you to type directly in the space provided. Once the form has been saved, it can be sent via email, regular mail or fax to RI World Headquarters no later than 1 September 2010. Please send completed nomination forms to:

Programs & Presidential initiatives (PD210)\

Rotary International,

1560 Sheman Ave. Evanston, IL60201-3698, USA

Email: riawards@rotary.org Fax: (847) 556-2179

The RI Board will review nominations at its November 2010 meeting and may select up to 150 Rotarians to receive the award. If you have any questions, please contact RI's Programs and Presidential initiatives section by email at riawards@rotary.org.

Electronic Make-up Questions

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

| Name: |
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| Email: |
| 1. Who were welcomed back by Pres. Heman ? Ans) |
| 2. What is the new born baby's name of Hon. Sec. Jonathan ? Ans) |
| 3. Which area is hosting the Intercity Meeting from 14th to 18th August 2010 ? |
| 4. What is the purpose of the Intercity Meeting in August 2010 ? |
| 5.What was the Red Box collection ? Ans) |
| 6. Who were the guests introduced by Dir. Nancy and where they came from $$? |
| 7. Pres. Heman presented a gift to IPP Norman for what purpose ? Ans) |
| 8. Who were our speakers for the luncheon meeting today ? Ans) |
| Submit |
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Joke

Subject: Understanding Wives

A man was riding his Harley along a California beach when suddenly the sky clouded above his head. In a booming voice, the Lord said, "Because you have tried to be faithful to me in all ways, I will grant you one wish."

The biker pulled over and said, "Build a bridge to Hawaii so I can ride over anytime I want."

The Lord said, "Your request is materialistic. Think of the enormous challenges for that kind of undertaking; the supports required to reach the bottom of the Pacific and the concrete and steel it would take! I can do it, but it is hard for me to justify your desire for worldly things. Take a little more time and think of something that could possibly help mankind."

The biker thought about it for a long time. Finally, he said, "Lord, I wish that I, and all men, could understand our wives. I want to know how she feels inside, what she's thinking, why she cries, what she means when she says nothing's wrong, and how I can make a woman truly happy."

The Lord replied, "You want 2 lanes or 4 on that bridge?"

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Luncheon Meeting Photos on 21 July, 2010



PDG Uncle Peter Hall, Guest speaker Ms Winnie Yeung & Pres. Heman Lam



PE Dr. Eric Chin, IPP Norman Lee & Guest speaker Ms Maggie Lok



Rtn. William Wong & PP Rudy Law



Rtn. Kenny Chan & AG PP Henry Chan



Dir. Anthony Kwong & Dir. Teresa Ho



Visiting guest Connie, Rtn. Johannes Weinmar from RC of Vancouver China Town & Dir Nancy Yee





Dir Kevin Leung, Rtn Peter Yeung, Rtn Tony Loy & PP Andy Wong

Pres. Heman Lam exchanged banner with Rtn. Johannes Weimar from RC of Vancouver China Town



Pres. Heman Lam presented a gift to celebrate IPP Norman Lee's wedding anniversary



Guest speaker Winnie Yeung & Maggie Lok shared with us the work of The Neighbourhood Advice-Action Council



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