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## Last Week's Proceedings - 24th July, 2013

President (Pres.) Jonathan Lamport was on time to start the luncheon meeting.

Welcomed back was Rotarian (Rtn.) Alex Ling and Past Presient (PP) Andrew Chen. Pres. Jonathan introduced his guest of Dr. Ronnie Pao.

The speaker for the 24th July luncheon was Dr. Elizabeth Maylan LEE, who would talk about promotion of Business English teaching for the ethnic minorities in the Yunnan Province of the People's Republic of China.

Pres. Jonathan report that Joint Installation Ceremony of Rotaract Club of Hong Kong Island East (RAC HKIE), Lingnan University Students' Union (RAC LNU) and Hong Kong Community College Students' Union (RAC HKCC) held on 20 July 2013 (Last Saturday) have been completed, it was so exciting that three Rotaract clubs have the installation together and this is the first time in the history. We have a wonderful time together with over 100 students, myself, District Governor (DG) Eugene, PP Silva, Chief District Secretary (CDS) Eric, Director (Dir.)William Wong, Sergeant At Arm (SAA) Jonah Cheung, Rtn. Kevin and his son Alfred have participated the event, and installed all the new Presidents and board members.

The District Rotaract Installation 2013-2014 cum Awards Presentation Ceremony 2012-2013 will be held on 4th August 2013, from 13:00 - 17:00 at Charles K. Kao Auditorium, Hong Kong Science Park. The cost is HK\$ 120 per head, Pres. Jonathan encouraged members who are interested to join please enroll to Hon. Secretary Carl Yau.



### THE ROTARY CLUB OF HONG KONG ISLAND EAST LTD.

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Club 16340
District 3450
Chartered on 06 April, 1954 by Charter President
PDG (Uncle) John Yuen

DG visit to our Club will be held in the first week of August, Pres. Jonathan encouraged all members to join the luncheon to welcome our DG on the 7th August.

Our SAA Jonah Cheung was asked to report the Red Box collection today which was amounted to HKD 1,400 included a handsome contribution from PP Andrew Chen.

PP Heman had a pleasant duty to introduce the speaker.

Dr. Elizabeth Lee was born in Hong Kong and qualified for her pharmacy training from the University of Michigan (Ann Arbor) and her Doctorate in Pharmacy from the University of Idaho.

Upon her retirement, she and her husband (Mr. Kwok Leung-Lee), went to a rural village near Dali, Yunnan, (Dali being the ancient capital of the Bai ethnic group) to become the director for a multi-lingual education program for the rural pre-school children.

Dr. Lee also spearheaded political advocacy efforts for Mother Tongue Education with Yunnan Education Bureau with the "Zero Barrier Program" initiative. In 2010 Dr. Lee presented her project "multilingual education in Yunnan China" in the United Nation sponsored MDG (Millennium Development Goals) conference in Bangkok, Thailand.

For the luncheon speaking, Dr. Lee introduced her Business English training program for the ethnic minorities women (age group of 17-18), looking for a sponsorship of RMB 150,000 to fund the program for its training of 180 graduates.

Noah International Training Centre had named the program as 'Over the Barriers Movement', with co-operation with Yunnan Nationalities University:

- (1) This would be a vocational training to help the graduate (three levels, each with 8-week duration) to qualify for LCCI English certification. The training would involve contact hours, and practical training for business conversation and writings for taking phone calls, memo writing and meeting minutes etc.
- (2) There were many ethnic minorities in Yunnan, including Bai, Miao etc., accounting for more than 30% of the local population of 44 million people there. Other than the Business English teaching, the program would emphasize on the teaching of cultural values of their ethnic minority groups as well.

Dr. Lee looked for financial support for student scholarship, teaching help, and business skills sharing from the volunteers of Hong Kong community. PP Laurence thanked the speaker in our usual manners.

Next week's program: The RAC HKCC Rotaractors to share their project experience from their Zhaoqing Feng Kai school visit in early July. Report on Zhaoqing trip by Dir William Wong. We will have guests from RAC HKCC Director Simon Leung. Adviser Dr. Pam Kwok and Dr. Jandia Poon, and also RAC HKCC Pres Stella Mok. Also, Their Year-end report to be presented by RAC HKCC Immediate Past President Stephen Leung.

Pres. Jonathan made a toast to RI. coupled with HK Island East, meeting adjourned and the guests and members stayed for a group photo.

# EAUGH FOR THE WEEK

#### **Subject:** Arizona humor

Many times when I am troubled or confused, I find comfort in sitting in my back yard and having a vodka and cranberry along with a quiet conversation with Jesus.

This happened to me again after a particularly difficult day.

I said, "Jesus, why do I work so hard?"

And I heard the reply: "Men find many ways to demonstrate the love they have for their family. You work hard to have a peaceful, beautiful place for your friends and family to gather."

I said: "I thought that money was the root of all evil."

And the reply was: "No, the LOVE of money is the root of all evil.

Money is a tool; it can be used for good or bad."

I was starting to feel better, but I still had that one burning question, so I asked it. "Jesus," I said, "what is the meaning of life? Why am I here?"

He replied: "That is a question many men ask. The answer is in your heart and is different for everyone. I would love to chat with you some more, señor, but for now - I must finish your lawn."



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ROTARY CLUB OF HONG KONG ISLAND EAST MEETS EVERY WEDNESDAY, 12:30 p.m. at Regal Hong Kong Hotel, Causeway Bay, Hong Kong.

## 24 July 2013 - Luncheon Meeting Rotary Club of Hong Kong Island East



PP Uncle John Kwok, Guest speaker - Dr. Elizabeth Maylan Lee & Pres. Jonathan Lamport



Dir. William Wong, PP Heman Lam & PP Laurence Chan



Rtn. Kevin Leung, visiting guest Ronnie Pao & PP Andrew Chen



PP Tim Lui, PP Hubert Chan & Rtn. Freddy Wu



PP Henry Chan & Rtn. Alex Ling



SAA Jonah Cheung & Rtn. Peter Yeung



Pres. Jonathan Lamport chaired the meeting



PP Heman Lam introduced the speaker



Guest speaker - Dr. Elizabeth Lee talked about promotion of English teachers training for about 50 candidates in Kunming area



PP Laurence Chan made a vote of thanks on behalf of the Club to Dr. Elizabeth Lee



Pres. Jonathan Lamport thanked Dr. Elizabeth Lee with a photo in action



PP Uncle John Kwok, Dr. Elizabeth Lee & Rtn. Kevin Leung



Rtn. Freddy, visiting guest - Ronnie Pao, PP Andrew Chen PP Tim Lui & PP Hubert Chan



Rtn. Alex Ling, PP Henry Chan & Rtn. Peter Yeung



Group photo with members and guest speaker