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

### **What Happened at our Meeting**

on

**23rd July, 2003**

Today is a very special day as Acting Pres. Rudy opened the meeting by announcing an unusually high attendance of 41 people, including 25 visiting Rotarians, 16 HKIE fellow Rotarians and 2 guests. Due to the long list of visiting Rotarians, VP Robert expressed warm welcome to Pres. Paul Brown of HK North East & Pres. Howard Lok of HK Harbor, their fellow members, and then kindly asked the two Presidents to introduce their own members. The full list is as follows:-

Visiting Rotarians from HK North East Pres. Paul Brown, Kevin Lam, IPP Sung Nee, Michael Yeung, Benny Ratnani, Kalid Razack, PP Philip Hsieh, PP Joseph Tan, Richard Ong, Martin Yeung, PP Didi Yip, Calbert Leung, Thomas Yuen, PC Mar, PDG Moses Cheng and Michael Chan.

Visiting Rotarians from HK Harbor Pres. Howard Lok, Polly Yeung, Yvonne Chan, PP Eddie Leung, Benny Tam, Samuel Chung, Giorgio Magistrelli, PP MK Cheng.

There is also one visiting Rotarian from Princeton Corridor, Tony Luce. As for guests, Rotarian Paul introduced his wife Elizabeth Law and PP Tajwar introduced his guest Rev. Ross Royden.

Sergeant-at-arms Andy then reported the impressive attendance and a total contribution of \$1,500.

As for the highlight of the meeting, Rotarian Paul introduced Ms. Christine Fang, who is the Chief Executive of HK Council of Social Services ("HKCSS"). HKCSS was founded in 1947 and has now evolved into an umbrella of non-governmental social services entities that offer voluntary welfare services and activities to communities in Hong Kong.

Christine's speech focuses primarily on 3 key areas:-

What has HK gone through in embattling against SARS? What kind of actions can general public adopt to save our community without relying on Government's initiatives? The poverty situation in Hong Kong. The following is a key summary of her speech:-

"Community Rebuilding After SARS"

The SARS crisis is a painful experience and lesson to the Hong Kong community. It has exposed our vulnerabilities and forced us to rethink our priorities and agenda for the future. Public attention has focused on economic recovery and improvements to our medical and public health system. What are our priorities in terms of protecting the vulnerables, enhancing community care and community cohesion? Can the strength of the civil society and cross-sectoral partnerships that have emerged in the SARS outbreak be continued? As a learning community, we need to reflect and learn from the pain and fear that have haunted us in the past months, in order to emerge stronger and wiser to face the future.

The Hong Kong Council of Social Service was founded in 1947, registered as society in 1949 and became a body corporate in 1951. The Council is an umbrella organization of over 290 non-governmental organizations (NGOs) that are providing 90% of the social welfare service of those who need them through their nearly 3,000 service units all over Hong Kong. The Council works in concert with voluntary welfare organizations, service clubs, community groups and individuals over the development and promotion of voluntary welfare activities and in meeting the overall social service needs of Hong Kong. Being the co-ordinator of the voluntary sector, enhanced by representation in numerous external policy-making and advisory committees, the Council has since become an influential force in forging a caring community for the needy.

The mission is to establish a welfare sector that is highly accountable, efficient, effective and responsive to social needs, and upholds the long-term development of our society and the well being of our citizens.

Hon Sec Eddy Wong was called upon to give a vote of thanks to our speaker. Then Acting Pres. Rudy closed the meeting by proposing toasts to the Rotary Clubs of HK NorthEast, HK Harbour & Princeton Corridor.

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### **Rotary Information**

#### **External Extension**

District 3450 is expecting to have two more provisional Rotary clubs from Mongolia in August 2003 as all the papers are now under process and all ready to join Rotary International as members. The two provisional Rotary clubs are as follows:

1. Rotary Club of Niisel, Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia  
(sponsored by the Rotary club of Mid-Level, Hong Kong)

meets regularly every Wednesday at 7 p.m. at Brau House, Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia with its charter president Md. Undarlaas B. and

2. Rotary Club of Zuunmod, Zuunmod City, Tuv Province, Mongolia, (sponsored by Rotary Club of Kingspark Hong Kong) meets regularly every Thursday at 6 p.m. Zuunmod English College, Zuunmod City, Mongolia with its charter president, Md. Battsetseg Sh.

Assistant Governor Gombo is appointed as district governor special representative to these two new clubs.

### Joke & Cartoon

An Indian and a priest are walking through the woods. The priest is teaching the Indian the English language, so he can be integrated into the "white man's society?"

As they walk along, the priest sees a tree and says to the Indian, Tree.

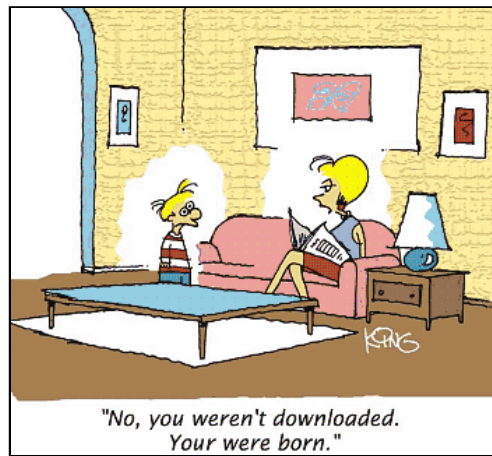
They continue walking along and come upon a bush, and the priest says to the Indian, Bush. They keep walking and eventually come out into a small clearing, where they come upon a man and a woman having sex. The priest is so upset that he's not sure what he should tell the Indian.

The only thing he can think of to say is, Man riding a bicycle.?

The Indian then pulls out his bow and arrow, aims and instantly kills the man.

The priest turns to the Indian and says, what'd you do that for??

The Indian replies, MY bicycle!?!?



### Photographs of our meeting on 23rd July, 2003



Our guest speaker was Ms. Christine Fang, Chief Executive of the Hong Kong Council of Social Services. She talked about "Community



Acting Pres. Rudy presenting Ms Fang our club banner as a memento of her visit to our club



(L to R) PDG Uncle Peter, Ms Fang, & Acting Pres. Rudy at the left head table.



(L to R) Hon. Sec. Eddy, Pres. Paul Brown (HKNE) & Pres. Howard Lok (HKH) at the right head table.



(L to R) Rtns Benny, Kevin, PDG Moses, PP Dr. Philip, Rtn Michael Chan & PP Joe Tan from HKNE.



(L to R) Rtms P.C. Mar, Calbert Leung, PP Didi Yip, Rtms Martin Yeung, Thomas Yuen, & Richard Ong, all from HKNE.



Rtms from HK Harbour are (L to R) PP Eddy, Rtms Benny, Polly, Hon Sec Yvonne, Rtn Giorgio, & PP M.K.



Our own members plus Paul's wife Elizabeth Law sitting between PP C.Y. & Paul, PP Stephen, Dr. Tony & Dr Stephen.



(L to R) Rtn H.K.Ng, IPP Sung Nee(HKNE) with PP Taj sitting next to the Pastor of his church the Rev. Ross Royden.



Photomerge of the group picture of our visiting Rotarians on 23rd July, 2003.

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