

What Happened at Our Meeting

on

4th August, 2004

President Rudy welcomed the Guests from our two sponsored Rotaractor Clubs, our service partners in the Rotary. Their presence in the meeting brought in a lot of young and cheerful faces and inevitably lowered our average member age significantly.

- * President Liu Ka-Yee (Kay) brought her 4 members from Rotaract Club of Lingnan University
- * President Max Lam brought his 7 members from Rotaract Club of Hong Kong Island East
- * There were two other guests attending Alfred Lee, Service Director from Interact Club of Raimondi College in HK and
- $Mr. \ CY \ Leung \ who \ happened \ to \ be \ Pres. \ Rudy's \ Poly U \ mentor \ programme \ student.$

We had three birthday boys, they were none other than PP John Kwok, Hon. Treasurer Laurence, and Rtn Kenny Chan. PP Hubert led us on the birthday song and warmly congratulated three of them on behalf of the members.

PE Robert reported the SAA collection was HK\$1,150.

There were a few announcements made:

* Interactor Alfred made a promotion on their Joint Interact Bazaar in August

* President Max of Rotaract Club of HKIE made an announcement of their 19th AGM on September 4 evening at the High Table of HK PolyU.

* Director Andy reported our Club had PDG Peter and President Rudy to lead 21 members from LNU Rotaract Club and Rotaract Club of HKIE to join the Asia Pacific Rotaract Conference (Aug 5-8) at the HK PolyU.

* PP John announced the Re-scheduled of our August 11 luncheon to August 9 (Monday) evening for the Inter-city Meeting / Rotary Foundation Night at New World Renaissance Hotel.

President Kay and her four LNU Rotaract Club members were excited about their trip to Zhaoqing City DaoTou School and shared their feelings and experienced about their summer teaching project between July 13 - 18, for English, Music, Drama, and Scientific Experiments. The young members showed us their photos in action and expressed their joy and grateful for this community project and being our Club's service partners.

You could see their young faces in our Group photo.

Finally, Pres. Rudy closed the meeting with a toast to Rotary International & the Rotaract Clubs of HKIE & Lingnan University & the Interact club.

Rotary Information

While District 3450 is holding its first Asia Pacific Regional Rotaract Conference in Hong Kong from 5th to 8th August 2004 at the PolyU, Hunghom, it considers appropriate to touch on a subject about Rotaract club for former RYLArians.

Inspired by the desire to share experience and grow together, a group of Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) programme alumni from District 9680 (Australis) started a new Rotaract club.

"We have about five members who haven't been in RYLA, and they are fitting in with everyone else with no problems" says Alix Cameron, a former RYLArian and charter president of the 37-member Rotaract Club of Crosslands, Sydney.

The club was chartered on 6 March 2004 at a ceremony attended by more than 150 guests. The club also used the event as its official kickoff of World Rotaract Week.

"Rotaract represents the youth of to-day and the leaders of to-morrow," said District Governor Danny Low, " The chartering of Crosslands Rotaract club is a great honour for this district and a great achievement for all concerned."

Presenting the club with a copy of Australia's national anthem, constitution, and flag, area Member of Parliament Alan Cadman said, "I'm really proud of what the charter members are doing, their motivation and energy are inspirational."

"After eight months of planning and preparations, we have large group of motivated, enthusiastic, committed young people who use their energy and initiative to achieve outstanding results for both themselves and their communities," Cameron said. "We're really keen to reach out as far as we can into the community, to get as many people involved as we can."

The club is already working with District 9680 and nonprofit organization Wesley Mission to implement Operation Hope, an effort aimed at helping troubled children. Members also will be swimmer to raise funds for a school for the deaf and blind; mobilizing for the Red Cross, St. John's Ambulance, and the Rural Fire Service, teaching science at a camp for deaf children and organizing a local film festival.

Internationally, the club has contacted Kirsty Sword Gusmao, first lady of the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste, to explore ways to support development efforts in the newly independent country.

District news

1. District Governor Alex Mak will officially visit our club on the 22nd (Wed) September, 2004. Official speaker is our District Governor and therefore NO outside speaker is necessary. AG Ada will provide us with the necessary arrangement.

2. Rotary Club of Hong Kong Bayview and Rotary Club of Bayview Sunshine Hong Kong will pay us a group visit on the 15th (Wed) September 2004. HK Island East members please ready to welcome these two clubs.

LADY ROTARIANS' CHALLENGE

OUR PDG DIPO SANI HAS DRAFTED OUT A CHALLENGE TO ALL OUR LADY ROTARIANS THIS YEAR. THE CHALLENGE IS TO RAISE THE STATUS OF THE LADY-ROTARIANS BY ASKING ALL ROTARIANS TO INCREASE THE NUMBERS UNDER THE LADY GET LADY PROGRAMME.

UNDER THIS PROGRAM, A LADY ROTARIAN WILL BE ELIGIBLE FOR THE FOLLOWING AWARDS IF SHE SUCCEEDS IN INDUCTING THE FOLLOWING NUMBER OF LADY ROTARIAN(S) DURING THE PERIOD FROM 1ST JULY 2004 TO 30TH MARCH 2005:-

- 1. A SILVER PIN FOR ONE LADY MEMBER;
- 2. A GOLD PIN FOR TWO LADY MEMBERS;
- 3. A DIAMOND PIN FOR THREE OR MORE LADY MEMBERS.

THE LADY ROTARIAN WHO SUCCESSFULLY INDUCTS THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF LADY ROTARIANS WILL GET A SUPER DIAMIND PIN INSTEAD.

ALL NEW LADY MEMBERS INTRODUCED BY A LADY ROTARIAN ARE, THEREFORE, URGED TO REGISTER THEIR NAMES WITH THE ROTARY INFORMATION CENTER SO THAT A MONTHLY UPDATE CAN BE MADE TO KEEP TRACK OF THE EXACT POSITION.

MEMBERS CHALLENGE FOR OUR CENTENNIAL PRESIDENTS

THE COUNCIL OF LEGISLATION HAS RECENTLY DECIDED THAT THE MINIMUM MEMBERSHIP IN A ROTARY CLUB SHOULD BE 20. AS A RESULT OF THIS, OUR CLUBS WITH A CURRENT MEMBERSHIP OF LESS THAN 20 HAS A CHALLENGE TO REACH THIS MINIMUM NUMBER WITHIN THIS YEAR, PREFERABLY BY 23RD FRBRUARY 2005 IN TIME TO CELEBRATE ROTARY'S 100TH BIRTHDAY

IN LINE WITH THE RI GOAL OF A SIGNIFICANT INCREASE IN ROTARY MEMBERSHIP THIS YEAR, THE DISTRICT HAS ALSO SET A GOAL TO HAVE 2,000 MEMBERS FOR OUR DISTRICT TO CELEBRATE ROTARY'S 100TH ANNIVERSARY ON 23RD FEBRUARY 2005.

IN ORDER TO MOTIVATE ROTARIANS TO SINGNIFICANTLY INCREASE THEIR MEMBERSHIP THIS YEAR, THE DISTRICT HAS SET ANOTHER CHALLENGE TO THE CENTENNIAL PRESIDENTS.

THE AWARDS FOR THIS CHALLENGE WILL BE IN THE FORM OF THREE RETURN AIR TICKETS FROM HONG KONG TO CHICAGO AND BACK FOR THE CENTENIAL ROTARY CONVENTION.

THE AWARDS WILL BE GIVEN TO THE FIRST THREE CLUBS WITH THE HIGHEST NETT GROWTH IN NUMBER OF MEMBERS DURING THE PERIOD FROM 1ST JULY 2004 TO 30TH MARCH 2005, ON THE CONDITION THAT NOT MORE THAN TWO CLUBS FROM ANY ONE AREA WILL GET THE AWARDS SIMULATANEOUSLY.

ONCE AGAIN, ALL NEW MEMBERS ARE URGED TO REGISTER WITH ROTARY INFORMATION CENTRE TO ENABLE A MONTHLY UPDATE OF THIS TO BE MADE.

THE DEADLINE FOR BOTH CHALLENGES IS 30TH MARCH 2005.

THE AWARDS FOR BOTH CHALLENGES ARE JOINTLY SPONSORED BY DG ALEX MAK AND PP ALBERT TSUI, OUR DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT CHAIR.

PDG Dipo Sani

Club News

Foundation as Paul Harris Fellows or multiple Paul Harris Fellows:

President Rudy Law 5-Star PHF Vice President Jason Chiu 2-Star PHF Hon. Treasurer Laurence Chan 2-Star PHF Director Andy Wong 1-Star PHF Director Eddy Wong PHF

The Paul Harris Fellow pins are due to arrive in due course. Any members who wish to be come a Paul Harris Fellow, Benefactor, or Major Donor may contact our club's Foundation Chairman, PDG Peter Hall anytime.

Joke

One day out in the Texas panhandle, a guy sees a sign in front of a house:

"Talking Dog for Sale."

He rings the bell. The owner answers, and tells him the dog is in the backyard.

The guy goes into the backyard and sees a black Lab just sitting there.

"You talk?" he asks.

"Yep," the Lab replies.

"So, what's your story?"

The Lab looks up and says, "Well, I discovered this gift when I was pretty young, and I wanted to help the government, so I told the CIA about my gift, and in no time they had me jetting from country to country, sitting in rooms with spies and world leaders, because no one figured a dog would be eavesdropping. I was one of their most valuable spies eight years running. "The jetting around really tired me out, and I knew I wasn't getting any younger and I wanted to settle down. So I signed up for a job at the airport to do some undercover security work, mostly wandering near suspicious characters and listening in. I uncovered some incredible dealings there and was awarded a batch of medals. Had a wife, a mess of puppies, and now...I'm just retired."

The guy is amazed. He goes back in and asks the owner what he wants for the dog.

"Ten dollars." The guy says,

"This dog is amazing. Why on earth are you selling him so cheap?"

"He's a liar. He didn't do any of that shit."

Photographs of Our Meeting on

4th August, 2004







Rtn Kenny sharing the table with Interactor & Rotaractor.



PP Taj sharing a table with more Rotar actors.

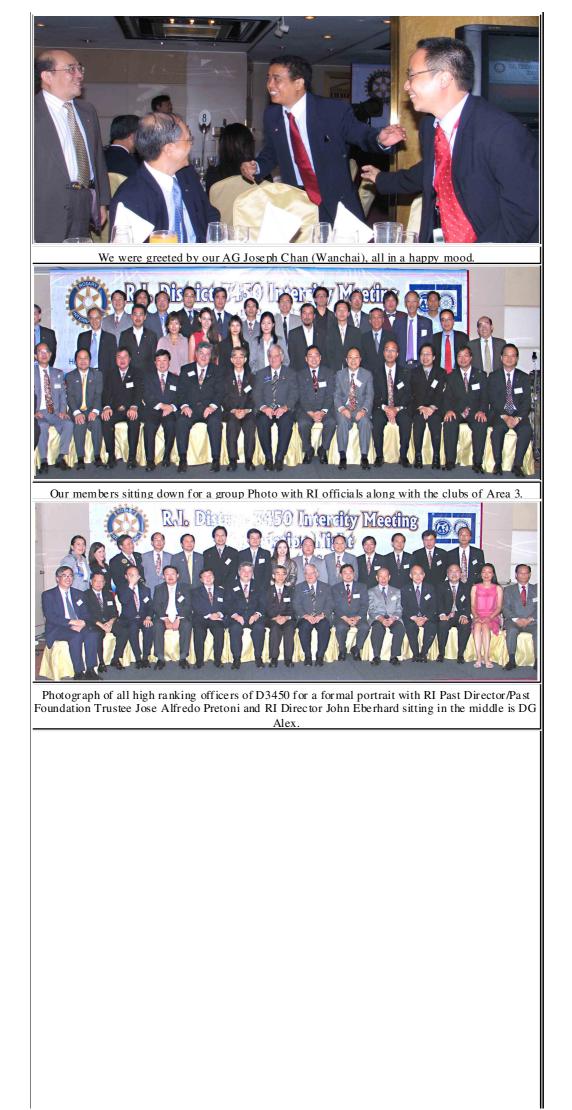


Happy Rotaractors with Dir Andy.



The Intercity /Rotary Foundation Night Function Photographs on 9th August, 2004

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Front row L to R RI Past Director/Past Foundation Trustee Jose Alfredo Pretoni, DGN PeterWan, PDG Peter Hall, PDG Arthur Au & PDG Tony Hung (partially hidden).

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