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Last week's Proceedings -

23rd July, 2008

President Andy started the meeting at 1:00pm and invited PP John Kwok to officially introduce our guests. PP John Kwok then invited Hon. Sec. Heman Lam to introduce the member-to-be Kevin Leung and invited PP Eddy Wong to introduce his guest Dr. Stephen Kwok from the GA Education Group.

President Andy moved for a Vote of Thanks to PP David Li and his firm Li, Tang, Chen & Co for the continuous support over the past years as the Honorary Auditor of Rotary Club of Hong Kong Island East. The motion was seconded by PP Tim Lui.

President Andy continued to report as follows:

1. For the appointment of audit firm for Rotary Club of Hong Kong Island East Limited, the firm of PP Henrietta So of RC of Bayview Sunshine agreed to lower the annual fees for us. We shall wait for the confirmation letter from the firm of PP Henrietta and submit to the Board for final approval.
2. 28 participants including members, spouse and friends, had a wonderful and enjoyable evening at the CEO Neway, Causeway Bay on 18th July; thanks to Dir. Nancy Yee who organized this Karaoke gathering. (see photo section for snapshots of the happy moments)
3. Confirmation received from President Francesco, Rotary Club of Hong Kong South to partner with us for the Choi Jun School Swimming Project for this year with a contributing amount of HK\$15,000. Hon. Sec. Heman Lam will follow up with them.
4. Reminded that next Wednesday 30th July would be District Governor Albert's visit, all board members would be required to attend the meeting with DG Albert at 11:30am while members are invited to come as usual at 12:30pm. The meeting and the luncheon venue will be located at B1 level, the Monaco function room.
5. There were two awards presented:
 1. Certificate of Merits for Outstanding Club Website (English) to PP John Kwok
 2. Certificate of Merits for Outstanding District Literacy & Education project to PP George Leung, for the Hebei Project. PP George thanked all who have participated in the fund contribution of the project, however, as Olympics drawn near, all government and schools communication have been shut down. PP George will keep us updated on the situation, and hopefully all things will be back to normal after the 2008 Olympics.

Acting SAA Rudy Law reported the red box donation of HK\$1,400 and thanked all contributors.

Next came the highlight of the meeting, when Dir. Eric Chin formally introduced our guest speaker Kathy Wong who is the Executive Director of Playright Children's Play Association, who gave us an update on the Toys for Developmental Play to Hospitalized Children, jointly sponsored by our Club and RC of Osaka Jonan. Kathy also presented three project proposals for our consideration with highlights as follows:

Proposal 1: Playful Booklet for Hospitalized Children & Community Play Day at Kwai Tsing District

Needs for Psychological Healing

Children in hospital deal with the stresses of illness, medical procedures and related psychosocial issues vary differently from adults and that each child presents a unique profile. We thus use various forms of play to address these immediate issues and ensure the overall ongoing growth and development of each child. Base on our extensive experience in working with hospitalized children, we have also developed various kinds of play activities and tools to meet their play needs in different ways. *Playful booklet is a new initiative. It will be used as a new play tool to benefit the hospitalized children.*

Project Objectives:

- To relieve stress and anxiety arising from hospitalization and to make it a more positive experience for the hospitalized children.
- To provide emotional support and show concern from others through the caring messages inside the booklet.
- To provide self manageable fun activities and bring smiles to the children.
- To cultivate the spirit of care and cooperation among hospital, community and NGOs sector to serve the children in need.

Project Content:

Playful Booklet for Hospitalized Children

Hospital Play Specialist (HPS) will design the contents of the playful booklet for meeting the psychosocial and developmental needs of the child patients. The details of the booklet:

Size: A5 (4c for the cover and 1c for the contents) at 200 gm paper
No. of pages: 20
Contents: Paper games
IQ questions
Therapeutic drawing & colouring
A page of sticker with encourage wordings
Encourage wordings from different kinds of people, e.g. Rotarians and healthcare professionals, etc.
No. of copies: 2,000

Community Play Day for Hospitalized Children and Public at Kwai Tsing District

An outdoor community play day will be implemented by Playright Playmobile in March 2009. Playmobile actually is a tailor-made 5.5 tones truck vehicle containing play materials and furniture. We will invite *hospitalized children, people who have supported the production of Playful Booklet* and *public* to join this meaningful event. Inside this "mobile playground", several types of play activities will be introduced to satisfy the growing needs of physical, social, emotional development of the hospitalized and normal children. This creates a concrete opportunity to children with different ability and limitation to *play together*. Also, to educate the value of *caring and serving* to the public.

To celebrate the achievement of project, a ceremony will be included in the play event. We will invite a number of honorable guests from the Rotary, hospital and local district to officiate the ceremony. Media will also be invited to release the information of project. In this ceremony, we propose to include the following details:

1. Kick-off: Distribution of Playful Booklet
2. Promotion: Uniqueness and characteristics of Booklet, involvement of Rotarian in the project.

Overall Service outputs include:

No. of beneficiaries:

Playful Booklet: **2,000 child patients** in the pediatric wards of Princess Margaret Hospital and Caritas Medical Centre.

Playday: **600 child patients and public**

Service Hours in Playday: **3 hours**

Possible Rotarian Participation:

- Write foreword of the booklet from the Chairman of Rotary International.
- Write encouraging message from different Rotarians.
- Be the play facilitator in community play day
- Rotarians present in the ceremony of the project.
- Give message and have performance at the ceremony
- Funding support.

(Remarks: also will invite the Cluster Chief Executive of Kowloon West Hospital Cluster to write a note in the booklet.)

Acknowledgement:

- Name after the project
- Logo acknowledgment on the front of the booklet/ inside the booklet;
- Donation presentation in Community Play Day;
- Inside Hospital Play Service Newsletter and Playmobile Service Newsletter.
- Annual report of Playright.

Proposal 2: Play makes Happy Families in Tin Shui Wai

Play Needs of Children in Tin Shui Wai

Tin Shui Wai, as one of the widely known disadvantaged districts in Hong Kong, is still facing the lack of play provision for children in short to medium term, even government has confirmed to speed up the construction of some recreation facilities projects in these districts. Even worst, the population of the district rises up faster than the construction schedule. This situation is particular worst in Tin Shui Wai North. There is only one temporary public library and one sports centre for 100,000 people. In addition to the low-income and other families' difficulties, all these factors have affected the children to reach quality play opportunity.

In response to the play needs of the district, Playright Playmobile has started monthly outdoor play service in Tin Shui and Tin Yuet estates since May 2008. As at July 2008, over 750 beneficiaries have enjoyed the service. To sustain the impact of the service, we are looking for partners from local NGOs and Rotary Club to develop a new force to provide more play opportunities for the children and their family members.

Project Objectives:

- To develop a **new work force as local play leaders** in the district to provide outdoor play activities.
- To provide self manageable outdoor play activities and bring smiles to the children.
- To empower and encourage the parents to play with their children through our family play packs, thereby cultivating positive parent-child relationship.

Project Content:

Family Play Packs

To empower parents to play with their children in their everyday life, we will design a family play pack for 2,000 families. In this play pack, a series of

simple, playful family play ideas will be included, such as social group play ideas, funny physical play and easy-made self-made toys. Most of the play ideas and materials in the play packs will be based on the play needs of districts. These 2,000 play packs will be distributed to the district families through the collaborated NGOs.

Play Training for District's Volunteers

Playright will deliver a series of play training for volunteer groups from local NGOs. The training will be targeted to train up the volunteers to achieve the following mission:

1. To support the Playmobile service in March 2008.
2. To learn how to use the play packs.
3. To learn how to design and deliver a simple outdoor play activities

To achieve the above mission, three 2-hour play training will be tailor-made for 30 volunteers from several NGOs.

Community Play Day for District

To provide a practical platform for the trained volunteers to train up their play skills and play ideas, a community play day with a ceremony will be launched in March 2009. We will invite the **children from deprived families, people who have supported the production of play pack and public** to join the play day. Inside the play day, our Playmobile will demonstrate several types of play activities to show the value of play and share the happiness of play to the public

To celebrate the achievement of project, a ceremony will be launched in play event. We will invite a number of honorable guests from the Rotary and local district to officiate the ceremony. Media will also be invited to release the information of project. In this ceremony, we propose to include the following details:

1. Kick-off: Distribution of Play Pack
2. Promotion: Uniqueness and characteristics of Play Pack, involvement of Rotarian in the project.

Overall Service outputs include:

Play Pack: 2,000 families, (1 play pack can serve max 6 people), that is, **total 12,000 beneficiaries**

Training: 3 training sessions, total 6 training hours
30 volunteers, **total 90 beneficiaries**

Playday: 500 beneficiaries at one time, **total 1500 beneficiaries** for 3 hours play session

Rotarian Participation

- Write encouraging message from different Rotarians for play packs.
- Be the play facilitator in community play day
- Rotarians present in the ceremony of the project.
- Give message and have performance at the ceremony
- Funding support.

Acknowledgement

- Name after the project
- Inside the play pack.
- Inside Playmobile Service Newsletter.
- Annual report of Playright.

Proposal 3: Help the Children Smile Again - Sichuan project

Needs of the Children of Sichuan

Millions of people who survived the deadly Sichuan earthquake have been left homeless, orphaned and displaced. People all over the world have been reaching out to help the victims of the earthquake in whatever ways they can. Playright cares about the child victims and has actively used play to support them. We have sent Play Specialists to Sichuan to provide play packs and play service to children, as well as play training to local staff and volunteers. We would like to continue this meaningful work and propose a project in earthquake-affected communities of Sichuan. ***Working in partnership with World Vision (China) or other relief organizations, we use our play expert to create play opportunity for children.***

Project Objectives:

- To empower local staff and community members to lead play programmes for children, thereby contributing to psychological healing of children and youth.
- To re-build local capacity, encourage parents and community members to play with children, to establish strong and healthy bonding with adults.
- To provide fun activities and bring smiles to the children.

Project Content:

- Partnering with World Vision (China) or other relief organizations, our qualified playwork trainer will design and implement a specialized training package on play skills and knowledge for local staff/ volunteers.
- To give advice on the design of play programmes for temporary relief camps and semi-permanent schools.
- To design and distribute play pack to local children.

Expected Output:

Staff, teachers and community members 40
Secondary beneficiaries: Earthquake affected children 2,500

(Remarks: Play Pack will be designed with age-appropriate fun activities, suitable for two age groups between 3 - 6, and 7 - 10)

Ms Kathy Wong’s speech has received a big round of applause from the audience and President Andy has promised to bring up all the proposals to our board for evaluation and consideration. IPP Laurence was asked to formally thank the speaker for us.

There being no other businesses, the luncheon meeting was adjourned at 2 pm. with a toast to the Rotary International coupled with the Rotary Club of HK Island East.

Rotary Potpourri

100 percent Attendance

Our club produced the following 100 percent attendants record (subject to challenge) during the last Rotary year, (2007-2008) viz.,

- PDG Peter Hall
- PP David Li
- P-E Norman Lee
- PP John Kwok
- Hon. Trea. Rudy Law
- President Andy Wong
- IPP Laurence Chan
- PP Stephen Liu
- PP Eddy Wong

Relaxation of the RI Rules as approved by the Council on Legislation make attendance requirement much easier. Attending a club’s board meeting can claim for attendance credit. To simplify the attendance requirement, bear in mind that attending any meetings such as assembly and convention organized by RI or meetings sponsored by the district can claim a credit for attendance.

Although a 100 percent attendee does not mean that he/she is the best Rotarian of a club, yet it is best to share your fellowship with others when you attend a Rotary meeting. This is why regular attendance is so important. In the old days, a metal numeral figure is affixed to the lapel pin to show the number of years of 100 percent attendance achieved.

Regular attendance is essential to a strong and active Rotary club. The emphasis on attendance is traced back to 1922 when RI announced a worldwide attendance contest which motivated thousands of Rotarians to achieve a 100 percent attendance year after year. Many Rotarians take great pride in maintaining their 100 percent record in their own club or by making-up at other Rotary club meetings.

Although the bylaws of Rotary require members to attend only 60% of all meetings, the custom has emerged that 100 percent is the desirable level. Rotary stresses regular attendance because each member represent his/her own business or profession and thus the absence of any member deprives the club of the values of its diversified membership and the personal fellowship of each member. At present, it becomes the tendency of low attendance for most members. Let us restart to attend regular club meetings every week and come early to share the fellowship among members.

Electronic Make-up Questions

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

1. Who is the member-to-be as introduced today?

Answer:

2. Who is the guest introduced by PP Eddy Wong?

Answer:

3. Who was given a vote of thanks by our President Andy on behalf of our Club?

Answer:

4. Who is our likely auditor for the Rotary Club of HK Island East Limited?

Answer:

5. How many members and guests attended our Karaoke Night on 18th July 2008?

Answer:

6. Which Club has agreed to join us for the swimming project for Choi Jun School?

Answer:

7. When will our first DG visit to our club be held?

Answer:

8. Who have received from President Andy the Merits of Certificate awards of the District?

Answer:

9. What was the Red Box collection today?

Answer:

10. Who was our speaker today?

Answer:

11. How many project proposals were presented by our speaker?

Answer:

12. Who are our members with a 100 percent attendance of last year?

Answer:

Name:

Email:

LAUGH FOR THE WEEK

Subject: Merit Done in Life

A man appeared before St. Peter at the Pearly Gates.

"Have you ever done anything of particular merit?" St. Peter asked.

"Well, I can think of one thing," the man offered. "On a trip to the Black Hills of South Dakota, I came upon a gang of bikers who were threatening a young woman."

"I ordered them to leave her alone, but they wouldn't listen. So, I approached the largest and most heavily tattooed biker and smacked him in the face, kicked his bike over, ripped out his nose ring, and threw it on the ground. I yelled, 'Now, back off, or I'll knock the hell out of all of you!'"

St. Peter was impressed ... "When did this happen?"

"A couple of minutes ago."

Photographs of our meeting on

23rd July, 2008



PDG Uncle Peter, Speaker ~ Ms Kathy Wong from Playright and President Andy



Hon Sec. Heman, Dir PP Stephen & Hon Tres. PP Rudy Law



(L to R) PP Tim, visiting guest, Mr Kevin Leung & PP David Li



(L to R), Starting from Dir Jason, PP Eddy Wong & his guest Mr Stephen Kwok, PP George, and Rtn. Kenny



(L to R) Dir Eric Chen & PP Hubert Chan



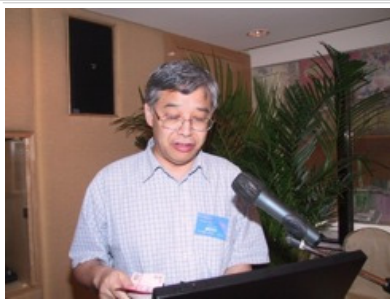
(L & R) Rtn Tony Loy & PP John Kwok



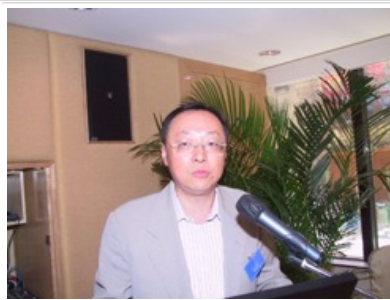
Pres. Andy presented the District Outstanding Literacy & Education Award to PP George Leung



Pres. Andy presented the District Outstanding Club Website (English) Award to PP John Kwok



Hon Tres. PP Rudy reported the Redbox collection



Dir Eric introduced our this week's speaker



Speaker of the week - Ms Kathy Wong from Playright



IPP Laurence gave a vote of thanks to our speaker - Ms Kathy Wong



Group photo with members, speaker & guests



Get together for a group photo first



A second shot to complete the group picture



President Andy & the first lady Angela



Our SAA dual - Gilbert & Jackal



Rtn. Kenny :- "The second dish?"



Dir. Nancy - "OK for a 3rd dish?"





PP CY Fu, Birthday boy Andrew Shek, Pres. Andy



Hon Sec. Heman - "Let's sing & dance!"



PP Eddy kicked off the singing



The Singing Quartet - Lady's Team



The Singing Quartet - Men's Team



Uncle Peter singing too?!



Dir. Eric & Anne. Christine - the Rumba



Dir. Nancy & PE Norman - the Twist



IPP Laurence & Anne Jennie - the Rock & Roll



A dragon dance to mark the climax of the night