

Last week's Proceedings -

4th August, 2010

President Heman started the 5th meeting at 1:17 pm by welcoming back our Rotarian Alex Ling and PP Desmond Cheung. He also introduced a new friend, Mr Eric Lee, son of our Guest speaker today and welcomed the just arrival of AG Henry Chan from the airport. All members gave a warm applause to all the guests and Rotarians. Before he announced the rotary activities, he invited the Birthday Boys, Rtn Alex Ling, Rtn Kevin Leung, Rtn Kenny Leung, PP John Kwok and PP Laurence Chan to come out for birthday cake cutting. PP Andy Wong was invited to be the song leader and we all wished them having a very happy birthday.

President Heman then announced that on 17 August, so far 200 registrations were received for the Inter City Meeting. RC of HKIE will have 13 members attending this function. In addition, 20 participants from all Clubs have joined District Governor to visit Mongolia by the end of August. Apart from that, if members are interested in knowing more about Rotary Foundation, they can join the District Rotary Foundation Seminar on 4 September at Regal Hong Kong Hotel. But if our members are interested in knowing more about Public Relations, they can choose to join the District P.R. Workshop on 7 August (Sat.). Regarding HKIE activities, 12 members had registered for our 1st Vocational Visit to "Dialogue in the Dark" on 21 August. For golf fans, they should not miss the Uncle Peter Golf Tournament on 3 September.

Following the activity announcement, President Heman invited PP Rudy to introduce our Guest Speaker of this Luncheon. PP Rudy introduced our Speaker Ms Rainbow Lee Choi Hung as his past classmates in the Education College couple years ago. She had been Secondary School teacher, then Primary School teacher and now a Deputy Principal of SKH St. James Primary School. Her title of speech is "Curriculum Reform: From the Perspective of a Teacher and a Parent"

After taking the floor, Ms Lee requested to use Cantonese to deliver her speech. Then she introduced herself for his teaching experience in the past 30 years. She thought her primary school teaching life is full of excitement. She mentioned that a teacher I Hong Kong requires teaching for 67 working hours, with relatively high workload if comparing with the counterparts in Asian countries.

There are a lot of challenges facing to us, such as technological advances, globalization, knowledge explosion and social & economic changes. To cope with all these challenges, our education system should target to help out students to know the way to learn and become life-long learners. It is essential that the teachers should not give students fish, but teach them how to fish instead. What we really required our students to have is all-round development

Her involvement in curriculum reform is to improve the curriculum and teaching methods by implanting knowledge, generic skills, values and attitudes into the system so that life long learning and all around development can be achieved. At present, the curriculum development plan has gone through the short term (2001/02 to 2005/06) & medium term (2006/07 to 2010/11) stages, it has stepped into the long term (beyond 2011) stage. She explained why she still stayed in this era because she felt very meaningful with her new work. Now it is the harvesting season for this new development after years of hard work.

Now there are several changes in the Pupils in the following ways:

- 1. Learning is not limited in the school or from teachers.
- 2. Learning becomes more interesting and
- 3. They have more exposures to different life experiences.

At the same time, the parents also had some changes because there are more parental involvement at home and more parental involvement in school as well. Last but the least, we also found changes in teachers. They have become from "transmitter" to "co-learner", ""facilitator" and "innovator". All teachers require continuous professional development so as to adapt to the new challenges. More professional sharing activities among teachers and more collaboration between schools are very popular in helping our teachers to grow too.

Ms Lee also brought to our attention that there is hope or hindrance to the curriculum reform. They are Pre-Secondary 1 Hong Kong Attainment Test & Territory-wide System Assessment (TSA), development of e-learning and commercialization of education. All these new requirements make both the teachers and students required to change their way of learning too.

Finally, she gave a "Recipe of Successful Learners" for teachers and parents to us, i.e.

- Prepare a big bowl fro accepting learners' diversity
- Put in a full spoonful of support
- Stir in a large amount of love and caring
- Add in some joyful learning and teaching
- Enjoy and celebrate all learning outcomes.

After Ms Lee's speech, Rotarian Tony and PP Andy asked questions and got satisfactory replies from Ms Lee. Then President Heman presented a gift to our Guest Speaker. PP Laurence Chan was invited to present the vote of thanks to our speaker and grateful to her dedication to the curriculum reform that brought our primary school system in another new era. SAA PP Rudy then reported there was HK\$2,200 donation from the red-box contribution by our fellow members.

Finally, at 2:00 pm, President Heman declared the close of the meeting with a toast to RI coupled with the Rotary Club of Hong Kong Island East and he also invited all guests and members to take a group photo.

Rotary Potpourri

Future RI Conventions

The coming attraction of the RI Convention (2011) will be held in New Orleans, USA. The following RI Conventions are planned to be held in the following countries:

2012 - Bangkok, Thailand

2013 - Lisbon, Portugal

2014 - Sydney, Australia

United Nations Day

Please observe the UN day on the 6th November 2010 at the UN Headquarters at New York City, U.S.A.

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

Name:
Email:
1. Who was welcomed back by Pres. Heman ? Ans)
2. Who has come to the luncheon meeting direct from the airport ? Ans)
3. Who were the birthday boys celebrated today and who led the birthday song $$? Ans)
4. How many registered participants so far for the Intercity Meeting on 17 Aug 2010 $$? Ans)
5. How many registered participants for the DG visit to Mongolia at the end of August ? Ans)
6. When was the District PR Workshop held this year ? Ans)
7. When and where will the Rotary District Foundation seminar be held this year $$? Ans)
8. What was the Red Box collection ? Submit

<u>Joke</u>

Subject: Marriage

Marriage (Part I)

Typical macho man married typical good-looking lady, and after the wedding, he laid down the following rules:

"I'll be home when I want, if I want and at what time I want -- and I don't expect any hassle from you. I expect a great dinner to be on the table unless I tell you that I won't be home for dinner. I'll go hunting, fishing, boozing, and card-playing when I want with my old buddies, and don't you give me a hard time about it.

Those are my rules. Any comments?"

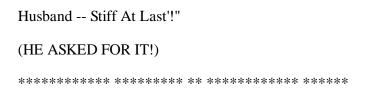
His new bride said: "No, that's fine with me. Just understand that there will be sex here at seven o'clock every night....whether you're here or not."

Marriage (Part II)

Husband and wife had a bitter quarrel on the day of their 40th wedding anniversary!

The husband yells, "When you die, I'm getting you a headstone that reads, 'Here Lies My Wife -- Cold As Ever'!"

"Yeah?" she replies. "When you die, I'm getting you a headstone that reads, 'Here Lies My



Marriage (Part III)

Husband (a doctor) and his wife are having a fight at the breakfast table. Husband gets up in a rage and says, "And you are no good in bed either," and storms out of the house.

After some time he realizes he was nasty and decides to make amends and rings her up. She comes to the phone after many rings, and the irritated husband says, "What took you so long to answer to the phone?"

She says, "I was in bed."

"In bed this early, doing what?"

"Getting a second opinion!"

(YEP, HE HAD THAT COMING, TOO!)

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Marriage (Part IV)

A man has six children and is very proud of his achievement. He is so proud of himself, that he starts calling his wife," Mother of Six" in spite of her objections.

One night, they go to a party. The man decides that it IS time to go home and wants to find out if his wife is ready to leave as well. He shouts at the top of his voice, "Shall we go home Mother of Six?"

His wife, irritated by her husband's lack of discretion, shouts right back, "Any time you're ready, Father of Four."

(RIGHT ON, LADY!)

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THE SILENT TREATMENT

A man and his wife were having some problems at home and were giving each other the silent treatment..

Suddenly the man realized that the next day he would need his wife to wake him at 5:00 AM for an early morning business flight..

Not wanting to be the first to break the silence (and LOSE), he wrote on a piece of paper, "Please wake me at 5:00 AM." He left it where he knew she would find it.

The next morning the man woke up, only to discover it was 9:00 AM and he had missed his flight..

Furious, he was about to go to see why his wife hadn't wakened him when he noticed a piece of paper by the bed. The paper said, "It is 5:00 AM. Wake up."

Men are not equipped for these kinds of contests.

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Photographs of our meeting

on

4th August, 2010

04 August, 2010 Luncheon Meeting Photos



PDG Uncle Peter, Guest Speaker
- Ms Rainbow Lee & Pres.
Heman Lam



PE Dr. Eric Chin & PP John Kwok



Rtn.William Wong, visiting guest Eric Lee & Hon. Tres. PP Rudy Law



PP Stephen Liu, PP Hubert Chan & PP Eddy Wong



PP Desmond Cheung & Rtn. Kenny Chan



PP Andy Wong & Rtn. Dr. Tony Loy



AG Henry Chan came straight from the airport for the meeting



Rtn. Teresa Ho



PP John Kwok, Rtn Kenny Chan, Dir Kevin, PP Laurence & Rtn. Alex



Pres. Heman Lam presented gifts to 5 birthday boys; (L to R) Rtn. Alex Ling, Rtn. Kevin Leung, PP John Kwok, Rtn. Kenny Chan & PP Laurence Chan with Pres. Heman Lam



PP Andy Wong to lead the birthday song



Cut cake ceremony for the 5 birthday boys



Guest Speaker Ms Rainbow Lee talked about the HK Curriculum Reform



Pres. Heman Lam presented a photo in action to thank Ms Rainbow Lee for her talk



Group photo with members & guest speaker

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