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Last week's Proceedings -

10th August 2005

Time really flies ! President Eddy Wong already conducted the 6th weekly regular lunch meeting of this Rotary year of our club in a most satisfactory manner. First of all, he welcomed PDG Anthony Hung (R/C of Taipo) followed by welcoming a female member, Rtn. Mariana Liu of the Rotary Club of Monterey Park, California, U.S.A. Later, she was given a few minutes to introduce her club and also its activities.

PDG Peter Hall introduced his guest, Mr. Norman Lee of Hong Kong while IPP Rudy Law announced his guest, Ms Michelle Lee, an Ambassadorial Scholar, sponsored by our sister club - West Wood Village, Los Angeles. She is now studying in the University of Science and Technology, New Territories, Hong Kong.

Exchange of banner was proceeded with Ms Michelle from Rotary Club of West Wood Village.

Our club banner was presented to visiting Rotarian, Mariana Liu with an I.O.U.

We have a birthday boy in the person of our Hon. Treasurer, Laurence Chen who picked IPP Rudy to lead the singing of the birthday song. He received a birthday gift from President Eddy. Hearty congratulations from all our members and guests to you, Laurence. Wish you many happy returns of the day.

Acting Sergeant-at-Arms PDG Peter reported the total harvest of the day came to HK\$ 1,000.00 including the handsome contribution from the birthday boy, Laurence. A big "Thank you" to all the donors.

Announcement time. President Eddy Wong made the following announcements.

1. The 3rd Rotary Foundation Seminar will be held on the 29th August 2005 at 6.30 p.m. at the Bankers Club, 43rd floor of the Gloucester Tower, Central, Hong Kong. This Seminar would be organized by the Rotary Club of Happy Valley at the cost of HK\$250.00 per head for Area 4 of our district. New members as well as board members should attend.
2. Rotary Club of Hong Kong Harbour is welcoming a delegation of International Rotary meeting on the 11th August 2005 at the Regal Hotel, Causeway Bay. Our members are cordially invited to attend their lunch meeting.

Now, came the highlight of the meeting when Rtn. Tony Loy introduced our speaker of the day. He was none other than our own past president JL (PP John Luk). JL was referred as "Sir" JL, wittingly by Rtn. Tony instead of Dr. John Luk. Just a little explanation of how he was knighted "Sir". JL is an engineer and he is addressed as "ir" according to his Engineering Society instead of mister. His post in the Society is very senior, thus the S is added to ir which read Sir.

His subject was very appropriately chosen and much concerned by people recently in Hong Kong when many of the aluminum windows of the flats fell into streets causing injuries or no injuries to pedestrians. The title was

COMMON PROBLEMS IN ALUMINUM WINDOW WORKS.

The falling of aluminum windows was due to wear and tear of old buildings of 40 or more years old. The worst practice was heavy laundry placed on top of the open windows or hard pushing to open or close the windows. The hinges should be lubricated now and then to prevent oxidize in the window sill. In order to save cost and labour, contractors usually used two rivets/bolts for the hinges instead of a stronger structure of three rivets/bolts.

To demonstrate more precisely, Dr. JL brought to the meeting a real aluminum window frame with full details of his explanation how to deal with a safer window. The slides-show gave us a more better understanding of how Aluminum window should be installed, avoiding water seeping and stronger built by the methods he recommended. An extra chain attached to each window for safety is rather ugly looking and clumsy as seen in the TV.

Questions and Answers also added to the interest of the audience.

Finally, IPP Rudy was invited to thank the speaker in the usual Rotary manner.

There being no other business, President Eddy adjourned the meeting by toasting to RI coupled with the names of the Rotary Club of Monterey Park and the Rotary Club of Taipo.

Rotary Information

RI Approves US\$250,000 for Emergency Polio Immunization in Indonesia

Rotary International has approved a US\$250,000 grant to the World Health Organization to fund polio immunization activities in Indonesia.

The first and second rounds of national immunization campaigns will be conducted on 30 August and 27 September to protect approximately 24.4 million children under the age of five against polio. These activities are in response to an outbreak of polio after a previously un-immunized 18-month old child in West Java contracted the disease in April.

Genetic sequencing at a WHO reference laboratory in Mumbai, India, revealed that the child was infected with a strain of poliovirus that originated in West Africa and was similar to the virus that caused an outbreak there in 2003. According to experts, the virus may have been carried to Indonesia by a traveler from West Africa, most likely Nigeria, who passed through Sudan. The disease has since spread to several other provinces, with a case count of 155 as of 27 July 2005.

Noting the urgent need to halt the spread of the poliovirus in Indonesia, which had been polio-free for the last 10 years, RI President Carl-Wilhelm Stenhammar said: "We must all do possible to stop the outbreak. No child should go unvaccinated, as the tragic and the life long consequences of polio can be easily prevented by an effective and safe vaccine."

Indonesian Rotarians have been fully engaged in halting the spread of polio in the country and plan to be active in the upcoming National Immunization Days. Their volunteer activities will include educating communities about the importance of immunizing their children, administering the oral polio vaccine, helping community leaders ensure that every child is reached and assisting health workers in keeping accurate records of children immunized.

LAUGHS FOR THE WEEK

Re: Getting Old

Two elderly women were eating breakfast in a restaurant one morning. Ethel noticed something funny about Mabel's ear and she said, "Mabel, do you know you've got a suppository in your left ear?" Mabel answered, "I have a suppository in my ear?" She pulled it out and stared at it. Then she said, "Ethel, I'm glad you saw this thing. Now I think I know where to find my hearing aid."

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Two elderly ladies had been friends for many decades. Over the years they had shared all kinds of activities and adventures. Lately, their activities had been limited to meeting a few times a week to play cards. One day they were playing cards when one looked at the other and said, "Now don't get mad at me...I know we've been friends for a long time....but I just can't think of your name! I've thought and thought, but I can't remember it. Please tell me what your name is." Her friend glared at her. For at least three minutes she just stared and glared at her. Finally she said, "How soon do you need to know?"

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THE SENILITY PRAYER Grant me the senility to forget the people I never liked anyway, the good fortune to run into the ones I do, and the eyesight to tell the difference.

Photographs of our meeting

on

10th August , 2005





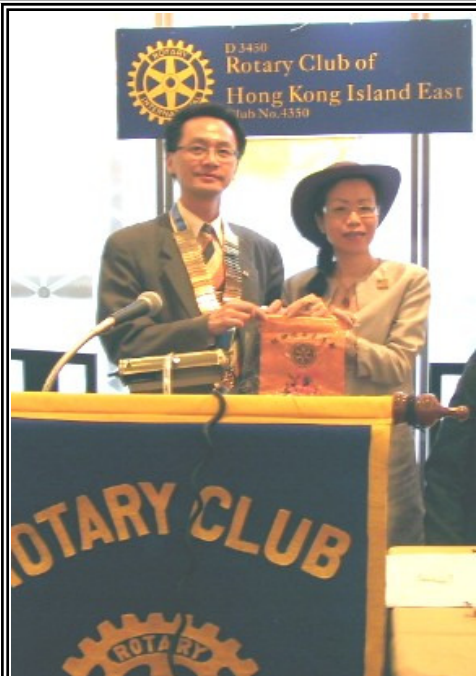
PP Dr. John Luk (JL) speaking to us about "Common Problems in Aluminum Window Works"



(L to R) PDG Uncle Peter, PP JL, and Pres. Eddy.



(L to R) PP John IV, Rtn. Mariana Liu (Monterey Park, CA) and Ambassadorial Scholar Michelle Lee (Rotary Club of Westwood Village)



Rtn Mariana (Monterey Park) accepting a banner from Pres. Eddy.



Pres. Eddy exchanging banners with Scholar Michelle Lee (Westwood Village).



PP JL demonstrating an aluminum window frame.



IPP Rudy leading the birthday song for Hon Tres. Laurence while Pres. Eddy joins in.



Rtn Dr. Tony introducing "Sir" John the speaker of the day.



(L To R) Guest Norman Lee, PP Stephen, Dr. tony, IPP Rudy, Rtns Kishu and John V.



Dir Jason, PP's George and Hubert enjoying the meeting.



(L to R) PP's Hubert, Henry, Andrew in heavy conversation while PDG Anthony Hung (TaiPo) listening and thinking hard.



Group Photo of PDG's Uncle Peter, Anthony, visiting Rotarians, guests and our members on 10th August, 2005.

