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

Last week's Proceedings -

29th August, 2009

The luncheon meeting was re-scheduled to Saturday evening in Regal HK Hotel for a Joint Area Three Dinner Meeting.

In the morning, President Norman and the board members of the Club first met District Governor Ada Cheng for a review. DG Ada attended our review meeting in Regal Hotel function room at 10:45 am with her district officials; including PP Eddy Wong (Chief District Secretary) and AG Edward Lau (Area Three).

Pres. Norman summed up a few key activities of our Club as follows:

- "Adopt a school" program - the Club continued to support Choi Jun School and glad to report a favourable feedback from their bakery vocation project. The Choi Jun School had three students being offered permanent jobs in a bakery shop and their vocation training from our sponsored bakery project was proved to be relevant.
- Water project - the Club had approved a water project in Yunnan for a boarding school, appointing World Vision as the project manager. There was an approved Simplified District Grant of US\$2,500 from District 3450.
- Literacy project - the Club had also approved a project sponsorship for Changing Young Live Foundation in Shum Shui Po, sponsoring their free tuition program to neighbouring children. The Rotaractors from LNU could join the tuition program as well to offer their voluntary services.
- International visit - some members would visit our sister club - RC Osaka Jonan in early October this year.
- Rotary Foundation support - one member had sent his US\$1,000 cheque for PHF in July this year, four members had also committed to be PHF in this Rotary year.
- Membership growth - Pres. Norman stated our target is a net growth of two new members for this year.

DG Ada had made a few suggestions to our Club as follows:

- Considering to charter a new daughter club if we continue to recruit more new members.
- Considering to send new members to attend Rotary leadership training.
- Considering to become "Every Rotarian Every Year" by giving more Rotary Foundation support for Polio eradication, in view of the Gates Foundation US\$200 million challenge grant, to be completed in 2012.
- Considering to give more PR effort on making known of our successful community project.

The review meeting was completed in time, and thanks for DG Ada for her advice. DG Ada also promised to visit our Club again in the next few months.

The Club had 11 members to attend the Area Three Joint Dinner Meeting:

- PDG Uncle Peter
- PDG YK
- Pres. Norman
- PE Heman
- HS Eric
- HT Colin
- Dir Nancy
- PP John

- PP Rudy
- PP Eddy (Chief District Secretary)
- PP Laurence & his wife Jennie

Other than our Pres. Norman & PP Eddy (CDS), the head table was graced by District Officials and other club presidents in Area Three, they were:

- DG Ada Cheng
- AG Edward Lau (Area Three)
- DS Grace Yen
- Pres. Peter Chu (HK South)
- Pres. Martin Yeung (HK Northeast)
- Pres. Edward Wong (HK Harbour)
- Pres. Marina Lui (Quarry Bay)
- Pres. Francis Chan (Happy Valley)

The joint area meeting was casual and we had five tables for the evening. The meeting was called to order by Pres. Norman and being conducted in an efficient manner.

The club presidents in Area Three briefly reported to the members and the guests for their recent club activities update.

Pres. Norman Lee (HK Island East) reported that:

- PP Henry Chan had organised a golf event in Mission Hills last Friday, with 8 members participating; the evening dinner was social gathering and to celebrate PP John Kwok's birthday as well.
- Member activity - our members had organised a birthday party for PDG Uncle Peter on September 6 at Craigengower Cricket Club (his 85th birthday; thanks to PP Stephen's arrangement).

Pres. Peter Chu (HK South) reported that they had 43 active members, with a net gain of 2 new members.

Pres. Martin Yeung (HK Northeast) reported that they had raised HK\$11,900 for their Taiwan flooding relief contribution.

Pres. Edward Wong (HK Harbour) reported that they had a strong support for the Joint Area Three Meeting with more than one table booked.

Pres. Marina Lui (Quarry Bay) reported that they had 8 active members and with 50% turn up rate for the evening, they shared the same table with HK Island East members.

Pres. Francis Chan (HK Harbour) reported their regular meeting place at the Bankers Club in Landmark Central, and they would be hosting the Bowling contest for the District 3450 on April 3-5, 2010.

After all the club presidents made their formal greetings and reports, there was an announcement from PP Eddy Leung (HK Harbour) on an important fund raising project in District 3450 - Hepatitis B immunization campaign for one million Chinese children.

"Games for Charity" would be held on September 5, 2009 (Saturday night) at Regal Hotel, Causeway Bay. So far there were 32 tables reserved for that evening, yet a last minute enrolment might still be possible. Our Dir Nancy would be one of the dealing angels of the games.

The fund raising activity to finance Hepatitis B immunization program had reached for more than 60% and the "Games for Charity" fund raising would be to cover the remaining vaccines for 320,000 children. The fund raising target would be for HK\$2.5 million, to match a challenge grant of US\$300,000 by this year end.

Pres. Edward Wong (HK Harbour) had a pleasant duty to perform; with the witness of DG Ada to induct a new member, Dr. Raymond Chan (classification of sport medicine).

The highlight of the Joint Area Three Meeting was a speech from DG Ada Cheng (after spending a whole day meeting the six clubs from Area Three) :

- The 2009 RI theme of "The future of Rotary is in your hands"; having Rotarians as the building blocks of their clubs and their districts.
- The four focus service areas were again for Water, Health, Hunger and Literacy.
- Promote membership growth, by inviting friends to join the Rotary humanitarian movement. Equally important was to retain members through training them as future leaders, follow the RI mottoes of "Service above self".
- Polio eradication program had received the Gates Foundation challenge Grant of US\$200 million. target to complete by June 30, 2012.

- The clubs from District 3450 had contributed HK\$200,000 to the Taiwan flooding relief (August 8, 2009) and one of their immediate needs might be more for temporary housing, especially for those affected Tainan residents.

Pres. Norman (HK Island East) represented the Area Three to present a photo frame souvenir to DG Ada and thanks for her visit.

A birthday cake was cut and birthday song was sung for the August-September birthday boys, including PDG Uncle Peter and Pp John Kwok. The formal meeting was adjourned about 8pm by Pres. Norman Lee, then with photo taking of each clubs, before the Chinese dinner was served by the Regal Hotel.

Rotary Potpourri

The Rotary Foundation Seminar

During the Rotary Foundation Seminar period, it is appropriate to add a short news of a new Arch C. Klumph Society member as released by Rotary International News. The title is the Foundation honours Philippine business leader and philanthropist.

Emilio T. Yap became the first Philipino inducted into the Arch C. Klumph Society which honours donors who give at least US\$250,000 to The Rotary Foundation, in a ceremony held on 11th August.

Yap and his wife Lydia were unable to attend the ceremony at Rotary World Headquarters in Evanston, Illinois, USA. In their absence, Ambassador Hilario G. Davide Jr. Permanent representative of the Philippine mission to the United Nations accepted the honour on behalf of his good friend.

A noted business leader and philanthropist in the Philippines, Yap is the chair of the Manila Publishing Corporation, produces two newspapers and ten weekly and monthly magazines. He is also chair of several boards including those of the U.S. Automotive Company, Philtrust Realty Corporation, Philippine Trust Company, Manila Hotel Corporation and Centro Escolar University.

Yap is an honorary member of the Rotary Club of Manila, Rotary Club of San Miguel, Manila and Rotary Club of Marikina , Rizal.

Electronic Make-up Questions

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

Name:

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1. Our regular luncheon meeting was moved to when and where this week ? Ans) 2. Our board members have held a review meeting with whom in the morning ? Ans) 3. During the review meeting how many activities were reported by Pres. Norman ? Ans) 4. How many of our Club members have attended te dinner meeting in the evening ? Ans) 5. Which other Clubs have joined our dinner meeting ? Ans) 6. How many tables of attendance were organized for the dinner meeting ? Ans) 7. Who was the new Rotarian inducted during the meeting and from which Club ? Ans) 8. Who was our speaker for the joint dinner meeting ? Ans) 9. What was presented to our speaker as souvenir ? Ans) 10.A celebration of birthday boys was held and who were the birthday boys coming from our Club ? Ans)

Joke

Subject: It was the first day of school

It was the first day of school in the USA for a new Indian student named Chandrasekhar Subramanian who entered the fourth grade.

The teacher said, "Let's begin by reviewing some American History. Who said 'Give me Liberty or give me Death'?"

She saw a sea of blank faces, except for Chandrasekhar, who had his hand up.

"Patrick Henry, 1775," he said.

"Very good! Who said 'Government of the People, by the People, for the People, shall not perish from the Earth'?"

Again, no response except from Chandrasekhar. "Abraham Lincoln, 1863," said Chandrasekhar.

The teacher snapped at the class, "Class, you should be ashamed... Chandrasekhar, who is new to our country, knows more about its history than you do."

She heard a loud whisper, "Damn those Indians.."

"Who said that?" she demanded..

Chandrasekhar's hand shot up. "General Custer, 1862."

At that point, a student in the back said, "I'm gonna puke."

The teacher glares around and asks, "All right! Now, who said that?"

Chandrasekhar answers, "George Bush to the Japanese Prime Minister, 1991."

Now furious, another student yells, "Oh yeah? Suck this!"

Chandrasekhar jumps out of his chair waving his hand and shouts, "Bill Clinton, to Monica Lewinsky, 1997!"

Now with mob hysteria someone said, "You little shit. If you say anything else, I'll kill you."

Chandrasekhar frantically yells at the top of his voice, "Michael Jackson to the child witnesses testifying against him, 2004.."

The teacher fainted. And as the class gathered around the teacher on the floor, someone said, "Oh crap, we're screwed!"

AND CHANDRASEKHAR SAID QUIETLY, "THE AMERICAN TAXPAYER, NOVEMBER 4, 2008."

Photographs of our meeting

on

29th August, 2009



The head table at the Area 3 Joint meeting in honor of the visit of DG Ada Cheng



President Norman seated next to DG Ada at the head table



The Host club President Norman Lee opening the meeting



Two PDG's from our club. PDG Uncle Peter and PDG Y.K. Cheng



Our club members all enjoying the dinner



Our guest of honor DG Ada addressing us



Pres. Norman and all Area 3 presidents presenting a gift to DG Ada



Congratulations to PDG Uncle Peter on his 85th birthday



PDG Uncle Peter blowing his candle on his birthday cake



PDG Uncle Peter cutting his cake



Group photo of Presidents from Area 3 with DG Ada



Group Photo of our members with DG Ada Cheng



DG Ada interviewing our Pres. Norman with AG Edward Lau and CDS Eddy Wong



Pres. Norman answering all questions put to him. (L to R) Dir Nancy, PE Heman, Hon Sec Eric and Dir Anthony in attendance



DG Ada working very intently



Group photo of our board of directors with DG Ada and Pres. Norman



Pres. Norman in a more relaxed mood after the interview

(L to R) PP Rudy, PP Laurence and Rtnann Jennie



Pres. Norman all relax and treating his board to a lunch afterwards

(L to R) Pres. Norman, Dir Nancy, Dir Anthony and Hon. Sec Eric

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