

Last week's Proceedings -

5th September, 2008

This week's meeting was moved from the usual luncheon meeting on Wednesday at the Regal Hong Kong Hotel to this Friday dinner meeting held at the Chinese Merchant Club in the Central District following the Uncle Peter Annual Golf Tournament held at the day time and coupled with a dinner party after the meeting to celebrate the 83rd birthday of our PDG Uncle Peter Hall.

President Andy started the meeting at 8 p.m. by welcoming everybody to the meeting and the dinner party. He introduced our visiting guests and Rotarians being AG Wendy Mung from RC of Peninsula, President Francesco Cavazzoni from RC of Hong Kong South, our ex-PP Chris Howe from U.K., our ex-PP C.Y. Fu and his wife Teresa, Ms Emily Hall, the youngest daughter of Uncle Peter, and the rotariannes of our members and their children. They all received a big round of applauses from us al

Altogether there were a total of 38 participants including 21 of our members, 2 visiting Rotarians, 2 ex-PPs of our club, 9 rotariannes and 4 family members of our Rotarians.

President Andy then made the following announcements:

- 1 Membership seminar will be held on 13 Sept. PP Paul Chan & Pres. Andy shall go to this seminar at the Renaissance Kowloon Hotel
- 2 Rotary Foundation seminar will be held on 20 Sept. at the Miramar Hotel and IPP Laurence will attend
- 3 We shall continue to support the Hebei Primary School female students with the amount of RMB16,600 (including TT charges to Hebei) as a continued project to support the local mountain school girls' study.
- 4 Osaka Jonan will be joining with us to support the Playright project for printing 2,000 play booklets for the hospitalized children

Pres. Andy then asked our Hon. Treasurer, PP Rudy Law, who acted as our SAA to report the Red Box collection of today which was amounted to HKD 2,300; he thanked the contributions from the members and guests, especially the special contribution from AG Wendy Mung.

Uncle John Kwok was asked to announce the Uncle Peter Golf Tournament results and then the prizes were distributed on spot to the attended players of the dinner party (see details reported in the Rotary Potpourri).

Then President Andy announced the highlight of the meeting being the celebration of Uncle Peter's birthday with Dir. Nancy being chosen by Uncle Peter as the birthday song leader. We all sang whole heartedly the birthday greeting song to Uncle Peter. President Andy presented a birthday gift and a special souvenir from all participants of the dinner party to Uncle Peter too.

This is followed by his birthday cake cutting ceremony and Uncle Peter thanked everybody together with a special announcement that his youngest daughter, Emily, would get married in November this year - we all responded with a big round of applause again and greeted Emily and Uncle Peter right away.

Finally President Andy asked us to put our hands together to thank Hon. Secretary Heman Lam together with Uncle John Kwok, PP Paul Chan and Dir. Eric Chin for their efforts in organizing today's golf, dinner and wine tasting events respectively before adjourning the meeting at 8.45 p.m. and asking everybody to make a toast to R.I. coupled with RC Peninsula, RC HK South and RC HK Island East.

Our dinner was delicious and everybody enjoyed very much all the food, the wines and the fellowship until nearly 11.00 p.m. (see photos taken and shown below).

Rotary Potpourri

Choice of RI President for 2010-2011

As advised by RI General Secretary Ed Futa, Rtn. Ray Klinginsmith of the Rotary Club of Kirksville, Missouri, USA, is the choice of the selection of the Nominating Committee for RI President in 2010-2011. Ray will become the president-nominee on 1st October if there are no challenging candidates.

Klinginsmith earned degrees in business and law at the University of Missouri and completed graduate studies at the University of Cape Town, South Africa, as a Rotary Foundation Ambassadorial Scholar. He was general

counsel and professor of business at Northeast Missouri State University in Kirksville (now Truman State University) from 1973 until his retirement in 1995, and also held the post of dean of administration for five years.

Klinginsmith, who now operates a law office, served as an elected country commissioner from 2001 to 2004. He has been a director of the Mac on Atlanta State Bank since 1971 and president of the Chariton Valley Association for Handicapped Citizens since 1982. He and his wife, Judie, have two children and three grand children.

A Rotarian since 1961, Klinginsmith has served Rotary as district governor and as chair of the 1998 Council on Legislation in New Delhi and the 2008 Los Angeles Convention Committee. He was a member of the RIB oard of Directors for 1985-87 and chaired its executive committee in 1986-87.

Klinginsmith joined the Rotary Foundation Trustees in 2002, serving as vice chair in 2005-2006, and was a member of the Future Vision Committee from 2005 to 2008. Klinginsmith, a Major Donor, is a recipient of the Foundation's Citation for Meritorious Service and Distinguished Service Award.

In addition, Klinginsmith has earned many honors in his community, including the Parent/Caretaker Award from the Missouri Planning council for Developmental Disabilities, the Thomas D. Cochran Award for Community Service, an annual statewide award by the young Lawyers Section of the Missouri Bar, and the Silver Beaver Award from the Great Rivers Council of the Boy Scouts of America, of which he is a former member of the executive board.

Klingsinsmith believes that Rotary's best days are still ahead. "The reputation and ability of Rotarians to impact the world positively is better than ever and the future of Rotary is bright," he says. "The RI Strategic Plan and The Rotary Foundation Future Vision Plan are good roadmaps to the future. However, the decisions about the selection of strategic partners, the recruitment of younger members, and the facilitation of district change to enable younger leaders to serve as district governors will continue to require leaders of uncommon vision and wisdom."

Un cle Peter Golf Tournament 2008

This annual event was held on 5th September 2008 at the Hong Kong Golf Club at Fanling, the New Territories of Hong Kong, with 20 of our members and guests participated. They were:

- Team 1: PP Andrew Chen, PP Hubert Chan, Dir. Eric Chin and Guest Alan Ho
- Team 2: PP Desmond Cheung, PP George Leung, Guest Peter Cheong Siu Yan and PP Stephen Liu
- Te am 3: Guest Ko Ying, Pres. Andy Wong, Rtn. Ke vin Leung and PP David Li
- Te am 4: Uncle Peter Hall, Hon. Sec. Heman Lam, Guest Garson Lee and PP Rudy Law
- Te am 5: PP John Kwok, PE Norman Lee, Guest Tony Hau and PP Tajwar Shadikhan.

They have all enjoyed the golf game of 18 holes plus the fellowship and the results of the tournament were depicted as follows:

WINNER - BEST GROSS SCORE

Place	Score	Winner
1st	86	Da vid Li
2nd	96	Tajwar Shadikhan
3rd	97	Andy Wong

WINNER - BEST NET SCORE

Place	Score	Winner
1st	76.6	Ke vin Leung
2nd	76.8	George Leung
3rd	78.4	Andrew Chen

Closest to Pin

Hole 3	De sm ond Che ung
Hole 12	Peter Che ong Siu Yan

Longest Drive

Hole 6	Tony Hau
Hole 17	Stephen Liu

Hole 6	Ko Ying
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Booby Prize Uncle Peter Hall.

Electronic Make-up Questions

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

Name:						
Email:						
1. Where was our club Ans)	. Where was our club meeting held today?					
2. Who were our visit Ans)	ting Rotarians and which clubs they came from?					
3. How many members of Ans)	of our club have attended the meeting?					
4. What was the purpo Ans)	pose of the dinner following the club meeting?					
5. How many participa Ans)	ants have attended the dinner?					
6. We have two former Ans)	er PPs visted our meeting today, who were they?					
7. Who won the Uncle Ans)	Peter Golf Tournament with the Best Gross Score?					
8. Who won the IUncle	e Peter Golf Tournament with the Best Net Score?					
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Joke

A MODERN PARABLE, old but so applicable.

A Japanese company (Toyota) and an American company (Ford) decided to have a canoe race on the Missouri River. Both teams practiced long and hard to reach their peak performance before the race.

On the big day, the Japanese won by a mile.

The Americans, very discouraged and depressed, decided to investigate the reason for the crushing defeat.

A management team made up of senior management was formed to investigate and recommend appropriate action.

Their conclusion was the Japanese had 8 people rowing and 1 person steering, while the American team. had 8 people steering and 1 person rowing

Feeling a deeper study was in order, American management hired a consulting company and paid them a large amount of money for a second opinion. They advised, of course, that too many people were steering the boat, while not enough people were rowing.

Not sure of how to utilize that information, but wanting to prevent another loss to the Japanese, the rowing team's management structure was totally reorganized to 4 steering supervisors, 3 area steering superintendents, and 1 assistant superintendent steering manager.

They also implemented a new performance system that would give the 1 person rowing the boat greater incentive to work harder. It was called the 'Rowing Team Quality First Program,' with meetings, dinners, and free pens for the rower. There was discussion of getting new paddles, canoes, and other equipment, extra vacation days for practices and bonuses.

The next year the Japanese won by two miles.

Humiliated, the American management laid off the rower for poor performance, halted development of a new cance, sold the paddles, and canceled all capital investments for new equipment. The money saved was distributed to the Senior Executives as bonuses and the next year's racing team was out-sourced to India.

Sadly, The End.

Here's something else to think about: Ford has spent the last thirty years moving all its factories out of the US, claiming they can't make money paying American wages.

TOYOTA has spent the last thirty years building more than a dozen plants inside the US. The last quarter's results:

TOYOTA makes 4 billion in profits while Ford racked up 9 billion in losses.

Ford folks are still scratching their heads.

IF THIS WERENT TRUE, IT MIGHT BE FUNNY.

Photographs of our meeting

<u>on</u>

5th September, 2008



Participants of Uncle Peter Cup Golf Tournament



IPP Laurence Chan & visiting Rotarian Pres. Francesco Cavazzoni from RC of HK South



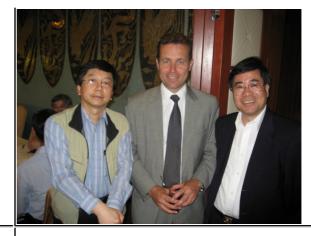
Rtn. Danny Kilis, PP Eddy Wong & PDG YK Cheng



Dir Jason Chiu & our former PP Chris Howe



(L to R) Emily Hall, Rotariannes Amy, Elizabeth, Teresa & former PP CY Fu



(L to R) PP David Li, Chris Howe & PP Stephen Liu



All the Rotariannes & families members



Members of RC of HKIE, visiting Rotarians and guests



Members of RC of Hong Kong Island East



PP John Kwok presented the 3rd Gross Score trophy to Pres. Andy Wong



Pres. Andy presented the 2nd Gross Score trophy to PP Tajwar Shadikhan



Pres. Andy presented the winner of the Gross Score trophy to PP David Li



Pres. Andy presented the 3rd Net Score trophy to PP Andrew Chen



PDG Uncle Peter presented to winner of the Uncle Peter Golf Tournament trophy to Rtn. Kevin Leung



Pres. Andy presented the longest drive trophy to PP Stephen



Group picture with all the winners



Dir Nancy Yee led the birthday song to celebrate Uncle Peter's birthday



Pres. Andy presented a birthday gift to Uncle Peter on behalf of all the members



Special big grouper menu arranged by PP Paul Chan



Lovely & happy faces - Uncle Peter & his daughter Emily







PDG Uncle Peter & family doing the cake cutting ceremony



Group photo with members, Rotariannes & family members, visiting Rotarians and guests

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