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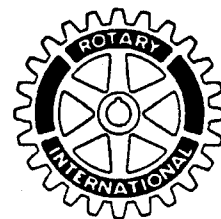
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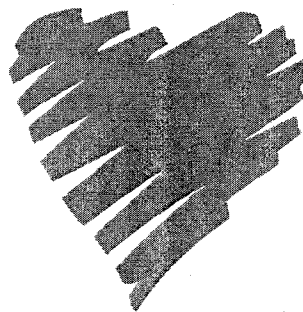


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香港東區扶輪社週報 THE ROTARY CLUB OF
HONG KONG ISLAND EAST



**A VERY WARM
WELCOME
TO**



**FROM THE MEMBERS
OF
THE ROTARY CLUB OF
HONG KONG ISLAND
EAST**

What Happened Last Week

This meeting was held in the Chinese room on the second floor. It was opened by resident Desmond by giving a special welcome to the visitors and guest.

Rtn Lewis then performed the formal welcome to:

- Joe Pennington (Tucon, Arizona)
- Felix von Joesh (HK NE)
- PP Ko Ying (HK NW)
- PP Peter Tse (TST E)
- Benny Ratnani (HK NE)
- Mickey Pennington (Joe Pennington)

President Desmond then exchanged banners with Rtn Joe Pennington from Tucon, USA. He also passed round a banner and letter from a recent visitor, Rtn Tony Ratcliffe from Castle Donington, UK.

President Desmond drew members' attention to the DG's monthly newsletter which was now available. He also reported that that HKIE Board had recommended to Club members that PP Kay Lau (HK Harbour) be nominated for the DG's nominating committee. This recommendation was put to the vote and there was more than a two thirds majority in favour.

Rtn Paul, as sergeant, reported that \$1,300 had been donated and 25 members were in attendance.

IPP C.Y. provided the Rotary information on Rotary Helping Grants. These grants fund projects in countries where no Rotary clubs exist or where the local Rotarians live too far away to actively participate. Therefore, the sponsoring club must manage the entire project. The maximum grant is U.S. \$15,000, with the Rotary Foundation of R.I. providing a 50 percent match to club and/or district funds. In 1997-98, thirty such grants were awarded for projects in 10 countries.

Rtn Kishu then introduced the guest speaker, David Lloyd, who spoke on the topic, "Golf Equipment - Can It Buy Your Game?" David is a golf professional who has lived in Hong Kong for 15 years. He said that there were strategies and equipment that could enhance a golfer's game, e.g., Vaseline placed on the club head can prevent slicing or hooking the ball; and placing the golf ball in the microwave oven will enable it to be hit further. But, of course, these things are illegal; and in any case, if everyone adopted these tricks, the advantage would soon be lost.

David's contention was that the game of golf should not be easy and if improved equipment made the game dead easy for all, then the fun would be lost. Manufacturers are continually trying to get a competitive advantage over rivals by improving equipment but, in his opinion, this compromises the integrity of the game. What manufacturers should do is to develop equipment that suits the personal requirements of the individual.

Some manufacturers make false claims about their products and he advises that buyers should consult a professional like himself to get an honest opinion before buying expensive equipment.

PE Tajwar thanked David Lloyd for his presentation after the many questions had been ably fielded.

To close the meeting, President Desmond proposed a toast to the Rotary Club of Tucson, Arizona, USA.

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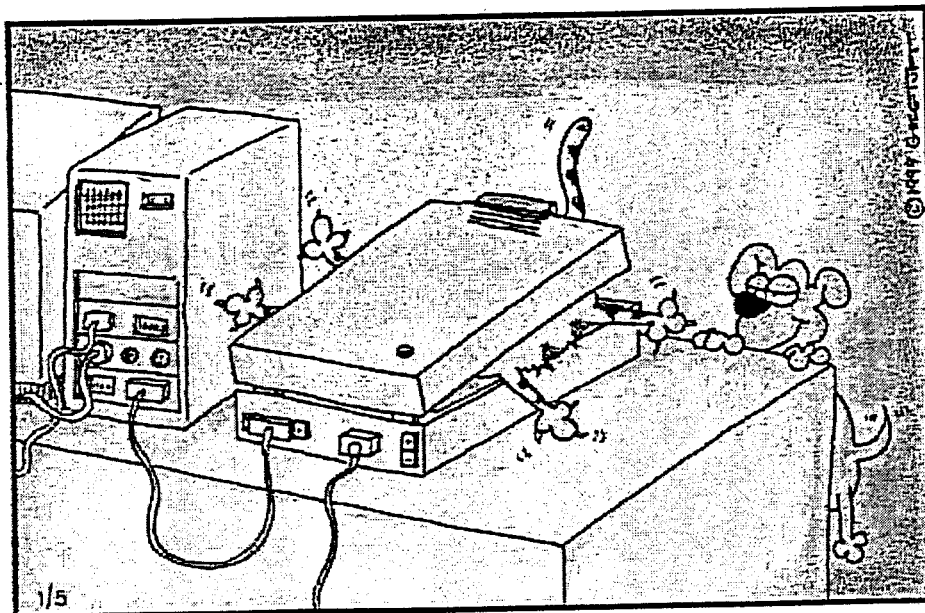
LAZYG FOR THE WEEK

A friend was in front of me coming out of church one day, and the preacher was standing at the door as he always is to shake hands with his congregation. He grabbed my friend by the hand and pulled him aside. The Pastor said to him, "You need to join the Army of the Lord!"

My friend replied, "I'm already in the Army of the Lord, Pastor."

Said the Pastor, "Then how come I don't see you except at Christmas and Easter?"

My friend whispered back, I'm in the secret service, Pastor."



"Cat Scan"

Rotary Information

On-line seminar probes paths to peace in Kosovo

An interactive seminar on the World Wide Web, spearheaded by a former Rotary Foundation Scholar, is exploring conflict resolution in Kosovo. The 14-session seminar, called "Contending Approaches to International Peace and Conflict Resolution : The Kosovo Conflict," is being held every Tuesday from 9a.m. to 12p.m. (U.S. Eastern Standard Time) from 7 September through 7 December. It is conducted by the International Peace and Conflict Resolution Program (IPCRP) of Beaver College in Glenside, Pennsylvania, USA, in participation with the Centre for Applied Policy Research in Munich, Germany.

Collete Mazzucelli, director of the IPCRP, is the organizer and leader of the seminar series. Mazzucelli studied Western European Integration during her Ambassadorial Scholar year at the University of Strasbourg, France, in 1987-88, and assisted with ratification of the Treaty on European Union in 1991, which focused on political and monetary union. The author of "France and Germany at Maastricht : Politics and Negotiations to Create the European Union" (Garland, 1997), she holds a Ph.D. in Government from Georgetown University (Washington, D.C.) and other degrees.

"Most of the civil wars occurring today are based on centuries-old conflicts," said Mazzucelli. "The impact is a heightened awareness of what a civil society can be. But third parties are often needed to mediate because of ethnic or religious differences in society."

The on-line seminar is focusing on several aspects of conflict resolution in Kosovo such as ethnic identities, legal issues related to autonomy and independence, diplomacy, peacekeeping objectives, international law, the roles of the UN, NATO, and other institutions, and prospects for mediation. The seminar concludes with a look at the concept of reconciliation in a comparative perspective with a focus on Germany and Israel and Kosovo and Serbia.

Rotarians with an interest in conflict resolution are invited to participate in the seminar. Prior to logging on to their first session, participants should visit the "test page" to be sure their systems are able to access the audio portion and the chat room. They can point their Web browsers to <http://www.rboston.com/ipcrp> and listen to Mazzucelli introduce the seminar and explain the upcoming program. Participants may also want to click where indicated for overview details and a look at the syllabus.

On the day of a Webcast, participants can point their browser to the same Web site and click where indicated on "Access the Programs." They should then click on the link to the program for that particular day and follow the directions given at the address. For more information about the seminar, contact Mazzucelli by e-mail at mazzucelli@beaver.edu.

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Our distinguished speaker
On golf : "To Putt is not necessarily to put."

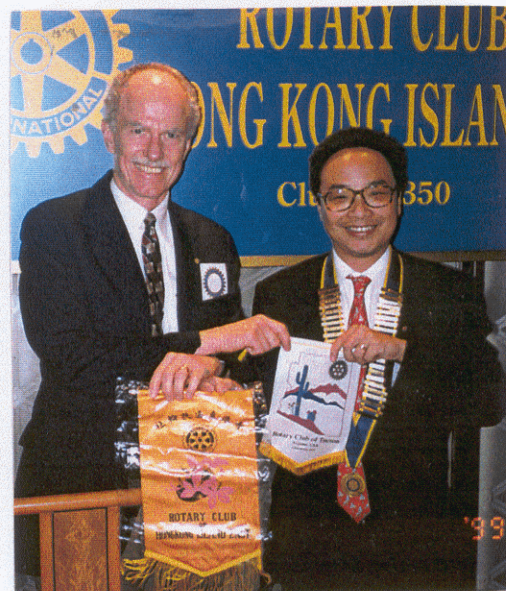


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THE ROTARY CLUB OF HONG KONG ISLAND EAST
香港東區扶輪社週報



This happy group were really enjoying the meeting



Rtn. Pickering exchanges banners with Pres. Desmond



Rtn. Fritz from our Baby club, HKNE



Rtns. Chris & Paul taking care of visitors from the USA.



Visitors & guests to the meeting, 22 Sept., 1999