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## Last week's Proceedings -

**29th September, 2009**

This week was our first 4 generations joint meeting at Craigenower Cricket Club. Pres. Charles Lam from the Rotary Club of City North started the meeting at 1:05pm with a warm welcome to the other 3 hosted clubs, the Rotary Club of HK Island East, Rotary Club of Hong Kong North & Rotary Club of Causeway Bay. He extended his warmest welcome to our speaker, Prof. Albert Kwong from PetroAsian Energy Holdings Limited, members from the Rotary Clubs of Central, Taipo, HK NorthEast and Peninsula South and other visiting guests.

Pres. Charles invited the three hosted club Presidents to introduce their members and make their own club's announcements.

Our club has the following members attended the meeting:-

Pres. Norman, PDG Uncle Peter, PP John Kwok, PP Henry, PP Hubert, HS Eric, IPP Andy, Rtn. Kevin, Rtn. Teresa, Rtn. Colin, Rtn. Anthony & Rtn. John Yau.

Pres. Norman made the following announcements:-

- We have moved forward our luncheon meeting on 30 Sep. 2009 to a joint meeting on 29 Sep. 2009

- Pres. Norman will lead a delegation to conduct a club visit to RC of Osaka Jonan. PP John Kwok, PP Henry, PE Heman, HS Eric & Vocational Service Chair Jason will join this delegation.

- District Golf tournament will be held on 09 Oct. 2009 at Fanling HK Golf Club. Members who are interested may consider to participate.

- District PR workshop will be held on 10 Oct. 2009.

After all the clubs' announcements, all 4 clubs' president exchanged their club banners and also presented a souvenir to Prof. Albert Kwong to thank his talk.

In order to give more time to Prof. Albert Kwong to present his talk, Pres. Charles adjourned the meeting first and gave a toast to Rotary International coupled with all the participating Rotary Clubs.

Rtn. Dennis Li from RC of City North introduced Prof. Albert Kwong. Professor Kwong earned his BS degree in Computer Science at the University of South Carolina in 1974 and his MS in Petroleum Engineering and MBA in Engineering Management from the University of Texas at Austin in 1977. He was also a Research Engineer for the US Department of Energy while he was in Austin. He has worked for ARCO (now BP) in West Texas, and later senior appraisal engineer in a \$200 million Wall Street energy merger/acquisition in 1983. He was also Sun Oil's Chief China Representative in Beijing. He has also taught at the Petroleum University of Beijing, and was consultant to the United Nations' UNDP Program for China. In 1994, he was conferred the title of Professorship by the Petroleum University of Beijing, PRC. Professor Kwong envisioned the name 'PetroChina' as early as 1973. He later formed PetroChina Resources Limited in 1990 and had been involved in several offshore exploration ventures in the Pearl River Mouth Basin in China from 1994 to 1998. In 1999, he granted the registered trade name "PetroChina" at no cost to China National Petroleum Corp. He has also published many articles on energy and oil issues and has spoken, and been interviewed in Hong Kong and internationally. Beginning 2008, he is Vice Chairman and Chief Operating Officer of China Oil Resources Holdings Limited in Hong Kong (HKSE number 0850).

Prof. Albert Kwong's talk is " New Investment Opportunity - Oil Sands"

Prof. Kwong said the oil sands is one of the largest oil deposits in the world and identifies its future possibilities. Pioneers had a vision of the commercial applications of this incredible resource. Through various companies, government and scientific organizations, the oil sands have become a reality as a major supplier of oil for Canada. Alberta's oil sands contain the biggest known reserve of oil in the world. An estimated 1.7 to 2.5 trillion barrels of oil are trapped in a complex mixture of sand, water and clay. The most prominent theory of how this vast resource was formed suggests that light crude oil from southern Alberta migrated north and east with the same pressures that formed the Rocky Mountains. Over time, the actions of water and bacteria transformed the light crude into bitumen, a much heavier, carbon rich, and extremely viscous oil. The percentage of bitumen in oil sand can range from 1% -20%. The oil saturated sand deposits left over from ancient rivers in three main areas, Peace River, Cold Lake and Athabasca. The Athabasca area is the largest and closest to the surface, accounting for the large-scale oil sands development around Fort McMurray.

The first large scale commercial operation, Great Canadian Oil Sands (now Suncor Energy), opened in 1967. In March 2009, Suncor Energy and Petro-Canada announced plans to join forces to create the premier Canadian energy company.

The company's oil sands production during August averaged approximately 312,000 barrels per day (bpd). Year-to-date oil sands

production at the end of August averaged approximately 294,000 bpd following the company's merger with Petro-Canada, the company estimate to 500,000 bpd with the cost reduce from CAD32 to CAD28 per barrel.

Suncor Energy Inc. is Canada's premier integrated energy company. While working to responsibly develop petroleum resources, Suncor is also developing a growing renewable energy portfolio. Suncor's common shares (symbol: SU) are listed on the Toronto and New York stock exchanges.

Prof. Kwong added that China also very interested in this oil sands investment and planning to join with Canada companies for this kinds of development in the coming future.

After Prof. Kwong finished his talk, some members and guests were staying behind for the question and answer.

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## **Rotary Potpourri**

### **RI President Kenny Establishes Membership Goals**

Rotary clubs can earn a certificate signed by RI President John Kenny by meeting his membership goals for 2009-2010.

The top ten clubs and top districts, as determined by RI, will also be acknowledged on stage at the 2010 Convention in Montreal, Quebec, Canada.

To meet Kenny's membership goals. Clubs need to achieve the following:

- A minimum net increase of one member;
- A minimum retention rate of 80 percent and two of the items below :
- Increased percentage of qualified women,
- Increased percentage of qualified younger professionals (under age 50)
- Induction of at least one RI or Rotary Foundation program alumna/alumnus,
- Increased diversity of membership (e.g. classification, gender, age, ethnicity)

Achievement of club goals will be certified by the district governor. Kenny's goal for districts are:

- A minimum of net increase of one member in each existing club,
- A minimum retention rate of 80 percent in each existing club,
- A minimum of one or two new clubs organized.

Clubs should submit their results to their district governor by 15 May. Districts should certify the result and submit them to RI, along with their district results by 22 May. Certification forms will be available on [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org) at a later date.

All clubs and districts that reach these membership goals will receive a certificate signed by Kenny. From this pool, RI will determine the top 10 club and top 10 districts (not more than one club or one district per zone) showing the highest percentage net increase in membership, to be acknowledged onstage at the Montreal Convention.

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### **Swine Flu Claimed the life of an ex-member of HKIE**

A former member of the R/C of HK Island East, and a Paul Harris Fellow, Alan Dick, Lower School Principal of the Canadian School of Canada at Aberdeen, Hong Kong, passed away at the HK Sanatorium and Hospital, at the age of 55. Doctors diagnosed him with severe pneumonia.

Alan earned an Honorary Degree in Science, Master Degree in Theology from the university of Toronto, Canada. He was survived by a sister, brother and parents.

Deepest sympathy and heartfelt condolence from members of HKIE to the family members of Alan Dick.

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## **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. Where was our luncheon meeting venue this week ? Ans)
2. What were the other three Clubs we have this joint luncheon meeting with ? Ans)
3. Which other Clubs in the District have members participating too ? Ans)
4. How many of our members attended this Joint Luncheon Meeting ? Ans)
5. When and where will the District Golf Tournament be held ? Ans)
6. When will the District PR Workshop be held ? Ans)
7. Who was the speaker of the week ? Ans)
8. What was the subject of the speaker about ? Ans)

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## **Joke**

### **A message for sharing!**

#### **Subject The Mayonnaise Jar**

When things in your life seem, almost too much to handle, when 24 Hours in a day is not enough, remember the mayonnaise jar and 2 cups of coffee..

A professor stood before his philosophy class and had some items in front of him. When the class began, wordlessly, he picked up a very large and empty mayonnaise jar and proceeded to fill it with golf balls.

He then asked the students, if the jar was full. They agreed that it was.

The professor then picked up a box of pebbles and poured them into the jar. He shook the jar lightly. The pebbles rolled into the open Areas between the golf balls.

He then asked the students again if the jar was full. They agreed it was.

The professor next picked up a box of sand and poured it into the jar. Of course, the sand filled up everything else.

He asked once more time if the jar was full. The students responded with a unanimous 'yes.'

The professor then produced two cups of coffee from under the table and poured the entire contents into the jar, effectively filling the empty space between the sand. The students laughed.

'Now,' said the professor, as the laughter subsided, 'I want you to recognize that

This jar represents your life.

The golf balls are the important things - family, children, health, Friends, and Favorite passions ^

Things that if everything else was lost and only they remained, your life would still be full.

The pebbles are the other things that matter like your job, house, and car.

The sand is everything else --The small stuff.

If you put the sand into the jar first,' He continued, 'there is no room for the pebbles or the golf balls. The same goes for life.

If you spend all your time and energy on the small stuff, you will never have room for the things that are important to you.

**So...**

Pay attention to the things that are critical to your happiness.

Play With your children.

Take time to get medical checkups.

Take your partner out to dinner.

There will always be time to clean the house and fix the disposal.

Take care of the golf balls first - The things that really matter.

Set your priorities. The rest is just sand.'

One of the students raised her hand and inquired what the coffee represented.

The professor smiled. 'I'm glad you asked'.

It just goes to show you that no matter how full your life may seem, there's always room for a couple of cups of coffee with a friend.'

Please share this with other "Golf Balls" and friends

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## **Photographs of our meeting**

**on**

**29th September, 2009**



(L to R) PP John Kwok, IPP Andy Wong & PP Henry Chan



(L to R) Hon. Tres. Colin Chau, Rtn. Anthony Kwong & Rtn. Teresa Ho



(R to L) Rtn. Kevin Leung & visiting guest



Speaker Prof. Albert Kwong



(L to R) PP Hubert Chan & Hon. Sec. Eric Chin



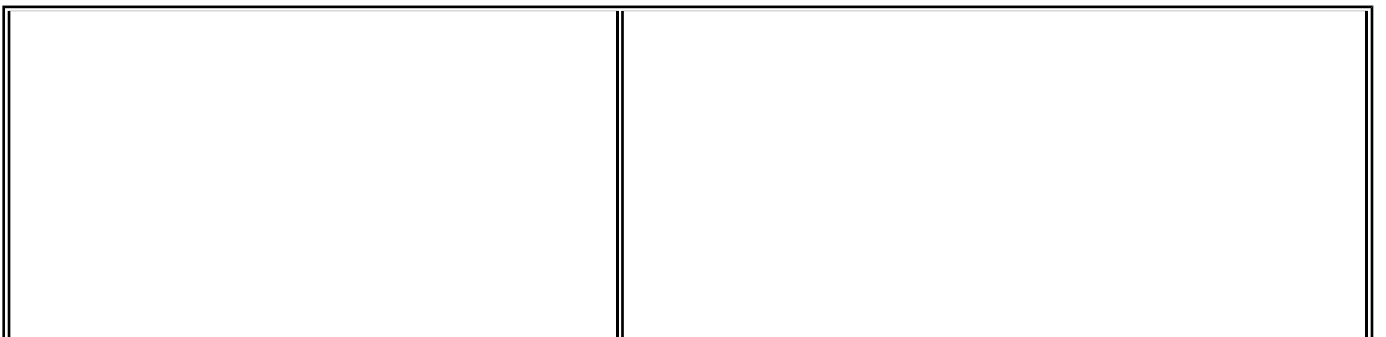
(Middle) Rtn. John Yao



The four Presidents exchange the club banners. (L to R) Pres. Kenneth Kan, Pres. Norman Lee, Pres. Charles Lam & Pres. Benjamin Au



The four club's President presented a souvenir to Prof. Albert Kwong





Our group being met at the airport on arrival



We attended their club meeting on 3rd Oct



Banner exchange between Pres. Norman and Pres. Akimasa Tsuwa



We were welcome to Osaka at a reception held on the 2nd of Oct.



We enjoyed fellowship after our visit to Universal Studio



Our group shown here in front of the Universal Studio



Our arrival we enjoyed a great great fellowship lunch hosted by PP John at this crab restaurant



Our members and their families waiting for the crab luncheon that is coming up



We had a final dinner hosted by PP Henry and Dir Jason at a restaurant nearby

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