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Our 46th Year of Rotary Service Chartered: 6th April, 1954 by Founding President, the late PDG (Uncle) John Yuen



What Happened Last Week

President Desmond was again in the chair. He invited Bill to welcome all the guests and visitors. Bill was delighted to do so, once he had found the registers and the right places in them!

Visiting Rotarians

Bill Salisbury Kirkham 0466

Cathy Leistikow Cloves Park, Lakewood, WA

PP Leslie Saltay HK South
PP Peter Tse TST E

PP Benny Ratnani HK NE

Guests

Joseph Tsoi introduced by Bill

Aron Kwan introduced by Geoff Leung

Russell Williams the speaker

Rtn. Joseph Chan announced that the President, accompanied by PP David and himself would be attending an event at 3 p.m. at the City University on Friday 22nd October in connection with the Vocational Service project on career problems faced by High School Children in Hong Kong. Fellow Rotarians of Hong Kong Island East were welcome to attend.

The acting Sergeant at Arms (Rudy) announced that there were 23 members present and that \$1,470 had been collected.

Rotary Information

A Vocational Service month seminar would be held on 26^{th} October 1999 and it was hoped that club members could attend. A less well known avenue of service was to serve one's own profession or service.

Starting from next week, there would be a second Red Box collection for relief to the Taiwan earthquake until the end of the month.

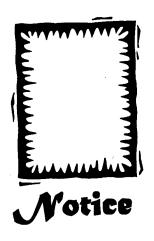
Rtn Malcolm then introduced the speaker, Russell Williams, a chiropractor. Dr. Williams pointed out that good maintenance and a proper regimen of diet and exercise could prevent many of the ailments suffered by people as they grew older. This was vitally important for anybody who had to work for long hours at a desk, poor posture being one of the main causes of back problems.

He then led us all through a series of exercises that could be easily accommodated into one's daily routine. Some could take less than two minutes to perform. During the course of the talk we could hear many cracking of joints and squeaking of muscles long underused by our members. Bill Lamport Flicker was heard to groan in agony (or was it ecstasy?) that his wife would wonder what on earth had happened to him!

Russell ably handled several questions concerning particular problems that ailed our fellow Rotarians and their spouses.

The speaker was thanked by Rtn. Lewis.

President Desmond proposed a toast to Rotary International coupled with the Rotary Club of Kirkham, England.



We missed you on 13th October 1999!!!

Team 1 nil

Team 2 Fu, C.Y.; Francis Li, Tim Lui

Team 3 Henry Chan, K T Pang, Sam Wong

Team 4 Ghose, T.K.; Kilis, Danny; Li, David

Team 5 Ling, Tommy; Loy, Tony; Luy, Henry; Narain, Kishu;

Shek, Andrew; Yao, John

Team 6 Chris Howe

Please makeup!!!

Rotary Information

Georgia Rotarians hit home run with 'Lield of Dreams'

Born with a disease in the muscular dystrophy family, Lindsay Garner of Conyers, Georgia, USA, would have to use her walker to get from the batter' box to first base or sit in her wheelchair to play outfield. But that didn't stop her mother, Susie, and other mothers from asking the Rockdale Youth Baseball Association (RYBA) if there was a way that their children with special needs could play in a baseball league.

The RYBA responded to those families with an idea for a youth baseball league that would eventually include then 10-year-old Lindsay and, within four weeks, 48 other children with physical and developmental disabilities in the Atlanta metropolitan area.

Formed in 1998 with help from the Rotary Club of Rockdale Country, the Miracle League, as it is called, allows children who may never have had the opportunity to be a part of a team to wear a uniform, make new friends, and - best of all - play ball. Participants in the unique league compete on Saturdays, and every batter gets hit, gets on base, and crosses home plate with cheers from the stands and both dugouts.

Rules that include a regulation-size hollow baseball, two-inning games, a volunteer buddy program, and no player age limit - the youngest is three - have helped the league flourish as it enters its fourth season. AT present, 100 children make up six teams, and the numbers are increasing. With that in mind, Rotarians at the six-year-old Rockland club joined forces with their sister club in Conyers to initiate the Field of Dreams project - an extraordinary place for Miracle leaguers and other RYBA teams to play.

With hopes of more than 500 children playing in the Miracle League in the future, the Rotarians are building a complex that will be unlike any other ballpark in the country. The custom-designed venue will have three fields of grass and one filed with a cushioned synthetic turf to accommodate wheelchairs and other walking-assistance devices as well as to help prevent injuries. Along with the fields, accessible concession and restroom areas are also planned.

The cost of the complex is U\$\$500,000. With groundbreaking only a few weeks away and opening day in April, the speed and scope of the project may seem overwhelming, but not to the Georgia Rotarians who have raised U\$\$450,000 in 90 days. Explained Rockdale Past President Dean Alford: "Not one person said, Are you crazy? Are you serious? This can't be done."

LAZIGS FOR 75E WEEK

The Queen and Princess Anne are out for a drive in one of the Queen's Range Rovers. Suddenly, some armed robbers leap out of the bushes and stop the car.

"Give us the money," they shout at the Queen.

"But I'm the Queen of England; I have no need for money."

"Oh, shit," says the leader of the armed band, and turns to Anne. "Give us yer jewels."

"But I don't wear my jewels all the time, only on State occasions."

The armed robbers looked fed up, when suddenly they hear the sound of wailing sirens approaching.

"Quick out of the car. We'll have the Range Rover at least" and with that, the robbers drove off.

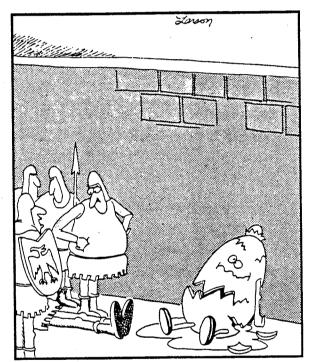
As the Queen and Anne are waiting for the police to get there, Anne turns to the Queen. "What did you do with all the cash you had? You're always loaded."

"Ah, "says the Queen, "I saw the robbers and in the few seconds that they got to the car, I rolled up my notes and tucked them into that little place that only women have." Reaching under her skirt, she produces several thousand pounds in notes.

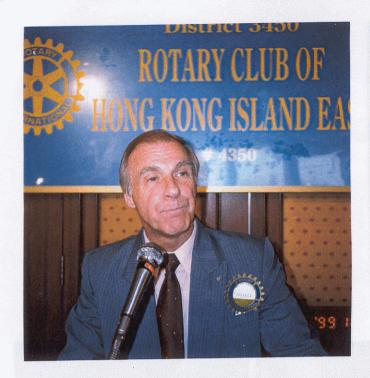
"And what did you do with your jewels? You always wear lots of jewellery, my dear," the Queen says to Anne.

"Well, like you, in those few seconds before the robbers got to the car, I slipped off my rings, necklaces and tiara, and like you, slipped them into that little place that only women have." Reaching down, she plucks out her jewellery.

They both sit quietly for a few minutes, before the Queen turns to Anne .. "You know, dear, if Fergie had been with us, we could still have the Range Rover."



"It's Henderson again, sir. ... He always faints , at the sight of yolk."





Russell Williams-our stretch doctor

President Desmond with Bill Salisbury





No wonder Ates is smiling!





PP Leslie Soltay, Aron Kwan and PP George

Somebody give
PP Peter Tse a membership
application form!
Peter is flanked by
Rtn. Benny Ratnani and
visitor Joseph Tsoi





President Desmond, visiting Rotarians and guests-with Bill! and Uncle Peter on 13 October, 1999