

Last week's Proceedings -

22nd October, 2008

This was the 17th Rotary Meeting of the Club and it started with President Andy in the chair at 1:20pm. Twelve club members were in attendance, with four visitors including the speaker.

The Rotarian visitor was PP Pedro Ching from the Rotary Club of HK City North. Our speaker, Dr. KM Tse introduced his two friends, Ms Elki Yuen and Ms Connie Man. There were no birthday boys this time, and Acting SAA PP Rudy reported takings for the red box at \$1,000 dollars.

President Andy made the following announcements to our club members:

21 Oct: PDG Uncle Peter, Rtn Colin Chau & myself went to attend the District Vocational Seminar held at Marco Polo Hong Kong. The speakers were DGN Jason Chan & Lester Huang (President of the HK Law Society)

25 Oct: There will be a cheque presentation ceremony at Choi Jun School joint with RC of HK South.

Our regular luncheon on 05 Nov will be moved to 06 Nov. We shall have a joint luncheon meeting with RC of HK Harbour.

The speaker was introduced by Rotarian Tony. Dr Tse is a facial-maxillary surgeon, and he had addressed the Club before. This time, he spoke on his experience in a voluntary medical mission trip to Surabaya and beyond, in Indonesia in August 2008.

Dr Tse went with a group of HK doctors and other medicals to Surabaya, Indonesia for a short volunteer medical trip in August this year. Surabaya is a large city on the north shore of east Java in Indonesia, and the name means shark-crocodile, the Chinese name of Surabaya probably described the geography of the city rather than what were there before. The time difference is only one hour from HK.

Surabaya has a population of 4 million, of which 3% are ethnic Chinese. The Chinese there control 70% of the stock market, but only the older generation can read and write Chinese, due to the anti-Chinese governments before (but nowadays, Chinese schools are mushrooming again and even ethnic Indonesian children study the language). Surabaya has only 1 public hospital but 10 private hospitals, some of which are quite well equipped. The difficult problems are usually sent to Singapore for treatment, if afforded.

Two trips to the rural areas were taken, one 200km and one 300km from the city. These mission trips were held in conjunction with a Chinese Christian family in one and a Chinese Christian Church in the other area.

In these very poor areas, the needs are great though basic, but the neighbourhood people live happily and harmoniously. Dr Tse was there to help, teach and train the local dentists, as the mission was to stimulate the local people for action, and to sustain the work. Local doctors and dentists took part in the mission also, and the financial support was not a problem. It was hoped that the mission from HK will spur the locals onto the outreach of the rural needy area. The local lifestyle, food, facilities etc. were well shown in the photos presented.

After the informative talk, a time of Q&A followed and many members expressed interest on various aspects. Dr Tse was formally thanked by IPP Laurence.

The meeting closed with a toast to the RCs of HK City North and HKIE, and a time of fellowship followed the group photograph.

Rotary Potpourri

Fresh Working Team in RIC

As advised by the district secretary, Eugene Fong, a totally new working team will be employed by RIC to man the office work on a 5-day week basis. The following persons will start working soon.

Rainy Ma will be the new Administration Manager, Carrie Cheung and Gyanne Cheng as Administrative Assistants.

The office hours of RIC will change from 9.30 a.m. to 6.30 p.m.

Saturdays and Sundays as well as public holidays will be closed.

All the three employees will report directly to the District Secretary, Eugene Fong and the RIC Supervisory Committee.

Club and District Committees may still book the conference room at RIC for meetings on Saturday under arrangement.

Cheque Presentation to Choi Jun School on 25th October 2008

President Andy Wong, First Lady Angela Wong, Hon. Sec. Heman Lam, PP John Kwok and IPP Laurence Chan of our Club, together with the Hon. Sec. Prof. Randy Chiu of our daughter club, Hong Kong South, plus three members from our Rotaract Club of Lingnam attended the cheque presentation at the Choi Jun School on Saturday 25th October 2008 for our jointly sponsored project for swimming training classes for the mildly handicapped students of the school for the second year.

We have also attended their Bakery Training Class in action for which all the materials used were sponsored by our PP Hubert Chan. We have also tasted the freshly cookies and cakes made by the students on spot and found them very delicious and professionally made. We were very much impressed by the quality of the produces and have shared the happiness and pride of the students while witnessing their dreams being made real. Please see some of the photos inside this bulletin.

President Andy has requested to, and was gladly accepted by Principal Lee, to make some extra cookies/cakes as our dessert for our upcoming luncheon on next Wednesday 29th October, 2008.

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Another oven fresh doctor is born to our club

Director Eric Chin joined the Doctor of Business Administration (DBA) program of the Graduate School of Business at the Hong Kong Polytechnic University in 2005. He was also one of the Four doctorate candidates being awarded scholarship to attend the Orchestrating Winning Performance (OWP) at International Institution for Management Development (IMD) in Switzerland in June 2006 by HK PolyU. His research thesis topic is "Informative System Security Assimilation: A Theoretical and Empirical Model". He will be conferred the DBA degree by CE Donald Tsang in the Doctorate Conferment Ceremony in the HK Polytechnic University on October 23, 2008.

On October 22, 2008 a Graduation Ceremony was held for the graduated class of DBA in the Hong Kong Polytechnic University in which our club members, Hon. Secretary Heman, Dir. Nancy, IPP Laurence and rotarianne Jennie, have joined to share the happy moments with Director Dr. Eric Chin and PP Dr. Hubert Chan and their family members and friends - see photos in this bulletin.

On behalf of their classmates PP Dr. Hubert Chan was asked to deliver a thanking message in which he cited a poem in English and in Chinese that we would like to quote here again for sharing:

Reminiscing our fine young age,

Stubbornness and ignorance were all in place,

Rolling in the sea of ups and downs,

The reasons behind were never found

Wise men from PolyU came on stage,

Doctorate was earned with effort and grace,

Enlightened by the theories' treasure

Empirical studies validate what we measured.

Like flowing clouds our fame passes,

Knowledge created will always last,

With one world one dream in our mind,

The sea of knowledge rocks the sky.

Let turmoil and tsunami cause no fear,

Abundance and scarcity can easily shift gear.

Asking what one's life pursue

Heartfelt friendship is the truth.

Electronic Make-up Questions

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

Name:					
Email:					
1. How many visiting guests we have today ? Ans)					
2. How many members have attended our meeting today ? Ans)					
3. Do we have any birthday boy today ? Ans)					
4. How much we have collected for the Red Box ? Ans)					
5. Who have attended the District Vocational Seminar on 21st October 2008 from our club ? Ans)					
6. When will the cheq	ue presentation to	Choi Jun School	be made by our	club ?	
7. Our luncheon meeti club ? Ans)	ng will move from N	ov 05 to Nov 06	to join lunched	on with which	
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Joke

Subject: Election Time

THIS IS A NONPARTISAN JOKE THAT CAN BE ENJOYED BY BOTH PARTIES! NOT ONLY THAT, it is POLITICALLY CORRECT!!.....and so timely!

While walking down the street one day a US senator is tragically hit by a truck and dies.

His soul arrives in heaven and is met by St. Peter at the entrance.

Welcome to heaven,' says St. Peter. 'Before you settle in, it seems there is a problem. We seldom see a high official around these parts, you see, so we're not sure what to do with you.'

'No problem, just let me in,' says the senator.

Well, I'd like to, but I have orders from higher up. What we'll do is have you spend one day in hell and one in heaven. Then you can choose where to spend eternity.'

Really, I've made up my mind. I want to be in heaven,' says the senator.

I'm sorry, but we have our rules.'

And with that, St. Peter escorts him to the elevator and he goes down, down, down to hell. The doors open and he finds himself in the middle of a green golf course. In the distance is a clubhouse and standing in front of it are all his friends and other politicians who had worked with him.

Everyone is very happy and in evening dress. They run to greet him, shake his hand, and reminisce about the good times they had while getting rich at the expense of the people.

They play a friendly game of golf and then dine on lobster, caviar and champagne.

Also present is the devil, who really is a very friendly guy who has a good time dancing and telling jokes. They are having such a good time that before he realizes it, it is time to go.

Everyone gives him a hearty farewell and waves while the elevator rises.

The elevator goes up, up, up and the door reopens on heaven where St. Peter is waiting for him.

'Now it's time to visit heaven.'

So, 24 hours pass with the senator joining a group of contented souls moving from cloud to cloud, playing the harp and singing.

They have a good time and, before he realizes it, the 24 hours have gone by and St. Peter returns.

'Well, then, you've spent a day in hell and another in heaven. Now choose your eternity.'

The senator reflects for a minute, then answers: 'Well, I would never have said it before, I mean heaven has been delightful, but I think I would be better off in hell.'

So St. Peter escorts him to the elevator and he goes down, down, down to hell.

Now the doors of the elevator open and he's in the middle of a barren land covered with waste and garbage.

He sees all his friends, dressed in rags, picking up the trash and putting it in black bags as more trash falls from above...

The devil comes over to him and puts his arm around his shoulder.

I don't understand,' stammers the senator.

'Yesterday I was here and there was a golf course and clubhouse, and we ate lobster and caviar, drank champagne, and danced and had a great time. Now there's just a wasteland full of garbage and my friends look miserable. What happened?'

The devil looks at him, smiles and says......

'Yesterday we were campaigning. Today you voted.'

Photographs of our meeting

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PDG Uncle Peter Hall, Speaker - Keith K M Tse & Pres. Andy Wong



(L to R) Rtn. Colin Chau, PP John Kwok, visiting guest Connie Man, speaker Keith Tse & his guest Elke Yuen



(L to R) Dir. Nancy Yee, visiting guest - Eike Yuen & Connie Man, Rtn Colin Chau



(L to R) PP Eddy Wong, visiting Rotarian PP Pedro Ching from RC of City North , Rtn Kenny Chan & PP Rudy Law



(L to R) Rtn. Tony Loy & Rtn. Peter Yeung



Pres. Andy chaired the meeting



SAA PP Rudy reported the Red Box collection



Rtn. Tony gave a winning signal when PP John requested him to stand firm for taking his photo



Speaker Keith Tse shared with us of his volunteer mission experience in Surabaya



IPP Laurence gave a vote of thanks to the speaker



Group photo with members, visiting guests & the speaker



(L to R) Rotaractor Ebony & Kathy from LNU, Rotarianne Angela, Pres. Andy, PP Uncle John, IPP Laurence & Hon. Sec. He man



Pres. Andy have photo with Lingnan U. Rotaractor (Peter, Ebony & Kathy) at the Bakery Class room





Teacher teaches the students to prepare the material for making cakes & cookies





Uncle PP John Kwok & our First Lady Angela presented a certificate award to the cake student



Pres. Andy Wong (RC of HKIE) Prof. Randy Chiu (RC of HK South) presented the cheque to Choi Jun School - Principal Lee & his student



Prof. Randy Chiu from Toary Club of HK South presented a certificate award to the cake student.



IPP Laurence Chan presented a certificate award to the cookie student



Hon. Sec. Heman Lam presented a certificate award to the cookie student.





These are the student's finish products



PP Dr. Hubert Chan



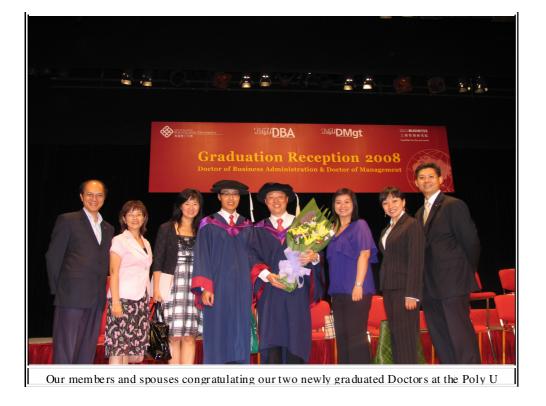
Dir. Dr. Eric Chin



Dr. Eric Chin and his family



Dr. Hubert Chan and his family



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