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

## Last week's Proceedings -

### 6th November, 2008

This was a joint meeting with our Daughter Club, the Rotary Club of Hong Kong Harbour and the date was changed to Thursday instead of our regular Wednesday. Meeting venue remained the same in the Regal Hong Kong Hotel.

Our President Andy and President Wendy Lau of RC of Harbour kicked off the joint meeting at 1:10 pm, a bit early to allow for a long programme for the day.

They welcomed all members, visiting Rotarians and guests on behalf of both Clubs.

There was a delegation of six members from the Harbour Junior Chamber joining our Club's joint meeting and their names and designations are as follows:

Name	Designation
PP Junnie Tai	National Vice President & PP of Harbour Junior Chamber
PP Camille Cho	2004 President & PR Commission Chairman
Leo Chan	2009 Incoming President
Clement Boen	- Treasurer
Stella Chan	- Vice President
Kenny To	2009 Incoming Vice President

The visiting Rotarians were our AG Wendy Mung from Rotary Club of Peninsula and CP Stephen Hui from Rotary club of Causeway Bay.

We also have our ambassadorial scholars Mr. Eddie Walneck and Ms. Ting Cheng as guests.

Our President Andy made the following announcements:

1. Our AGM will be held on 26 November 2008.
2. There will be a cheque presentation to Choi Chun School for our community project by PP Hurbert Chan in the next meeting.
3. The District PP Dinner will be held on 14 November 2008 in Kowloon Regal Hotel.

Hon Treasurer Rudy reported a total collection of \$1,600 for the Red-Box.

The birthday boy for the week was our PP Paul Chan and he was celebrated with a special birthday cake prepared by the hotel.

The highlight of the meeting was the talk by Dr. Lui Siu Fai. He is the brother of our PP Tim Lui.

Dr. Lui is the Chairman of the Hong Kong Kidney Foundation, a charity organization helping the kidney patients and promoting the public's awareness of the kidney health. He is also joined by Ms Maggie Ng who is a board member of the Hong Kong Kidney Foundation.

His topic was concerning issues of natural disaster, human disaster and the kidney problem.

First of all, Dr. Lui talked about the Sichuan earthquake happened on 12 May 2008. There were a number of victims in the earthquake that were trapped under the rubble and could not be moved. The broken bodies would cause kidney deterioration and the Foundation reacted very quickly and managed to deliver about \$2.4 million value of medicine and equipment to Sichuan to help those victims. Of course, this type of natural disaster cannot be prevented.

The second issue was caused by human beings and was due to the contaminated milk powder. The contamination might not be unintentional but would rather purposely added by the manufacturers to meet government regulation on the level of protein.

The substance was Melamine but was named as Protein Essence by manufacturers. People would easily be misled by its Chinese name.

Melamine was used by the industry to make laminated plastic sheet and cause substance to be crystallized. When eaten by human beings,

it would cause kidney stone.

As babies cannot speak when they have kidney stone, it is difficult to identify the problem until a later stage.

There is no good solution to cure these babies as they are too small to do any operation. Luckily, if the kidney stone is not too big, it would be flushed out by normal urine action.

Now, Melamine seems to be quite widely used in dairy products and is causing more problems to our daily consumed food product such as cake, biscuits, chocolate, etc.

Finally, Dr. Lui told us more about the importance of our kidney and the associated illness caused by kidney failure. The primary function of the kidney is to clean our blood. If our kidney is not functioning properly, we need to use a medical equipment to clean the blood. The patient will need to do this three times a week and it would need about 5 to 6 hours per cleaning. It would affect the daily life of a normal person to a very great extent.

The Kidney Foundation needs donation from the public to help those patients who cannot afford the high medical cost and to educate the public how to look after their kidneys.

Please visit their web-site at [www.hkkf.org.hk](http://www.hkkf.org.hk) to find out more about the organization and see how you can help them.

President Wendy of RC of Harbour thanked the speaker with a big round of applause from all the members.

President Andy and Wendy closed the meeting at 2:05 pm and proposing a toast to RI coupled with the RC of Hong Kong Island East and Hong Kong Harbour.

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## Rotary Potpourri

### The Four-Way Test

While we are still observing the Vocational Month, we would like to recall that former RI president, Herbert J. Taylor created the 24-word code - the 4-way test to save his company from bankruptcy during the financial crisis in the 1930. This Test is well remembered and practiced by every Rotarian up to this date.

Time has changed, this Test is no longer applicable during the present financial tsunami. This crisis affected the whole world, and Hong Kong is feeling the effect of this economical turmoil, as many factories and retail shops closed down recently. Many workers are out of job and many more are expected to face the same fate.

However, the 4-way test seems to have little value for us to survive this crisis. But it is still advisable for us to practice this test in our business and profession. It is reiterated as follows, in case you may not remember it :

The 4-way Test of the things we think, say or do

1. Is it the Truth ?
2. Is it fair to all concerned ?
3. Will it build goodwill and better friendships ?
4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned ?

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## Electronic Make-up Questions

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

Name:

Email:

1. We are joining meeting with which Club today ?  
Ans)
2. How many visitors from the Harbour Junior Chamber have joined our luncheon today ?  
Ans)
3. How much we have collected for the Red Box ?  
Ans)
4. Who was the birthday boy celebrated today ?  
Ans)
5. How many ambassadorial scholars joined our meeting today ?  
Ans)
6. Our AGM will be held in what date of November 2008 ?  
Ans)
7. The District PP dinner will be held when and where in November 2008 ?  
Ans)
8. Who was our speaker today and he is the brother of whom in our Club ?

## **Joke**

### **Subject: Cheeky Wench**

A married couple was in a terrible accident where the man's face was severely burned. The doctor told the husband that they couldn't graft any skin from his body because he was too skinny.

So the wife offered to donate some of her own skin. However, the only skin on her body that the doctor felt was suitable would have to come from her buttocks.

The husband and wife agreed that they would tell no one about where the skin came from, and they requested that the doctor also honor their secret. After all, this was a very delicate matter.

After the surgery was completed, everyone was astounded at the man's new face. He looked more handsome than he ever had before! All his friends and relatives just went on and on about his youthful beauty!

One day, he was alone with his wife, and he was overcome with emotion at her sacrifice. He said, 'Dear, I just want to thank you for everything you did for me. How can I possibly repay you?'

'My darling,' she replied, 'I get all the thanks I need every time I see your mother kiss you on the cheek.'

## **Photographs of our meeting**

**on**

**6th November, 2008**



Pres. Wendy of RC of HK Harbour & Pres. Andy chaired the meeting together



(L to R) PP David Li, PE Edward Wong, speaker - Dr. Lui, Pres. Andy, CP Stephen, Pres. Wendy & Maggie Ng from HK Kidney Foundation



(R to L) CP Stephen of RC Causeway Bay, our Hon. Sec. Heman, Rtn Nancy & Harbour Junior Chamber members



PE Norman & other RC of HK Harbour members



Ambassadorial Scholar - Eddie Walneck



Pres. Andy exchanged the banner with 2008-9 Ambassadorial Scholar - Ms Ting Ching - from Dist. 6900 (Buckhead, Atlanta, Georgia, USA)



Our this week's speaker - Dr. LUI Siu Fai. He shared with us of his the work in Sichuan and the work of Kidney Foundation in HK



Pres. Andy & Pres. Wendy presented a banner to Dr. Lui to thank for his presentation



Pres. Andy presented a birthday gift to our birthday boy - PP Paul Chan



RC of HK Harbour has prepared a birthday cake for PP Paul Chan



Group photo with members from Rotary Clubs of HK Harbour & HK Island East, members of Harbour Junior Chamber, Ambassador Scholars & guests

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