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Last week's Proceedings -

3rd November, 2010

Pres. Heman chaired the 18th luncheon in his most efficient manners. Welcome back to PP Tim, PP George and Rtn Peter II. We had a visiting Rotarian from RC Taipei Nexus, who is CP YEN Hung Lung who exchanged banners with Pres. Heman. We had a guest from Rtn Sharon her colleague Amy Cheung and together with Rotarianne Olivia (wife of Pres. Heman). Our speaker of the day was Mr Timothy Ma, to be formally introduced later.

PE Eric reported that the Club would have 41 people (both 21 runners and cheering team 20 members) to join the November 7 (Sunday) 10K Race for Charity; in support to our District 3450's initiatives in raising funds for the Senior Citizen Home Safety Association, and our target of HK\$20,100 was achieved by now. Thank you to PP John Kwok to donate HK\$10,000 and PP Andrew Chen to donate HK\$5,000, together with many members and friends contributions.

Pres. Heman announced that RC HK South would organized a nine-hole golf in Deep Water Bay and lunch on Nov 11 (Thursday); a few of our members would be joining (IPP Norman, PP John and PE Eric Chin).

We had cakes cutting and birthday song for two birthday boys - PP Tim Lui and PE Eric Chin. The song leaders were Rtn Peter II and PP John Kwok. A late anniversary card was also presented to PP Tim (Rotarianne Grace is entitled to a free lunch whenever she comes to our luncheon). Photo taking was performed by Rtn Kevin.

Rtn Sharon formally introduced our luncheon speaker Mr Timothy Ma, who happened to be the executive director of the Senior Citizen Home Safety Association, which is a 100% self financed non-profit organization and established since 1996, with a few recognition such as 2005 Asian Pacific NGO award. Their two founders were Mr Albert Cheng and Dr C K Law, who among others, were in response to a cold winter in that year, with a sudden surge of 100 death toll on an unexpected cold day, to provide elderly based emergency link service to the aged old citizens so that they could live alone without fear.

Mr Timothy Ma informed the members that we might experience a cold winter again, possibly even worse than the one in 1996; and he went on to present the service nature of the Senior Citizen Home Safety Association (www.schsa.org.hk). Mr Timothy Ma thanked the Rotary District 3450 to raise fund for them in this coming 10K race on November 7 (Sunday).

SCHSA started their service in 1996, due to the sudden death of quite a few aged old citizens living alone in that cold winter. The most notable service item was the Persona; Emergency Link (connected to their home phone fixed line, said to be more than 99% reliable). There was a 40-seat call centre to take care of their emergency call and connected to the ambulance and medical services. Their normal response time to a request call was within two minutes, for their urgent connection to the emergency service, and further facilitation to the paramedic before their arrival; by offering the update information extracted from their database regarding the particular aged old citizen's medical care situation.

The SCHSA call centre had an excellent performance in certain cold situation to handle 3,500 calls in a day, out of which with 150 ambulance service requested. Their volunteers provided needed services such as clothing and blanket dispatched where urgent situation required, and so far they had handled 4.4 million calls in the past.

The latest service offering would expand to mobile phone, installed with an emergency button at the back, and the SCHSA call centre can find out through GSM data services for the whereabouts (checking out the connecting cell) of the aged old citizen. For people could not speak or with partial hearing, there was an option of the mobile phone with flash light, and the call centre could recognize the pre-determined response signaling sound (such as knocking the table etc).

SCHSA has a related company to offer a web site for the senior citizen (www.hk1001.com) which is self maintained by their volunteers, mostly from their same age group.

For future services, Mr. Timothy Ma said they would look into a few aspects such as:

- Credit card co-ordination for those members older than 60 years old.
- Providing co-ordination to senior citizens in case they were asked to sell their residential home; facing a possible compulsory auction of their property building, with professional assistance from qualified surveyors.

PP Andy thanked our speaker for their job well done; especially all of us would be getting old someday. Acting SAA Rudy reported the red box collection on November 3 was HK\$1,800 including handsome contribution from two birthday boys, HS Jonathan and many others.

Pres. Heman adjourned the luncheon meeting on time and proposed a toast to R.I. coupled with RC Taipei Nexus. The members and guests were asked to join us for a group photo.

Rotary Potpourri

Obituary

It is with sadness that I have to record the passing away of our former past president Harold Lee (1981-1982) on November 2nd at around 9.30 a.m. at the Royal Columbian Hospital in Vancouver, BC Canada as I have received the sad news from Clement Lee, son of Harold Lee as follows:

Funeral service will be held on Monday, November 15th 2010

at 1.30 p.m. to 2.30 p.m.

Forest Lawn Funeral Home

3789 Royal Oak Ave. Burnaby, BC V5G 3M1

Canada

The late Harold Lee is survived by his wife Mina, sons Jeffrey and Clement.

Electronic Make-up Questions

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

Name: _____

Email: _____

1. We welcome back three members who were they ?

Ans)

2. We had a visitor from Taipei, who was he and which club did he come from ?

Ans)

3. Name the guest of Rtn Sharon ?

Ans)

4. Who is Rotarianne Olivia ?

Ans)

5. PE Eric reported on the 10K race, how many have signup for this race ?

Ans)

6. Which organization will benefit financially from this race ?

Ans)

7. What is the target for this fund ?

Ans)

8. Who is our guest speaker today and what organization does he come from ?

Ans)

Submit

Joke

Subject: Dad is a dancer

One day a fourth-grade teacher asked the children what their fathers did for a living.

All the typical answers came up - fireman, mechanic, businessman, salesman ... and so forth.

However, little Justin was being uncharacteristically quiet, so when the teacher prodded him about his father, he replied, "My father's an exotic dancer in a gay cabaret and takes off all his clothes to music in front of other men and they put money in his underwear.

Sometimes, if the offer is really good, he will go home with some guy and stay with him all night for money.

The teacher, obviously shaken by this statement, hurriedly set the other children to work on some exercises and took little Justin aside to ask him, "Is that really true about your father?"

"No," the boy said, "He works for the Democratic National Committee and helped to get Obama elected, but it's too embarrassing to say that in front of the other kids."

Photographs of our meeting

on

3rd November, 2010

03 November 2010 Luncheon Meeting Photos



PDG Uncle Peter Hall, Guest Speaker - Timothy Ma & Pres. Heman Lam



Hon. Sec. Jonathan Lamport & visiting Rotarian CP Jason H.L. Yen from Rotary Club of Taipei Nexus



Rotarianne Olivia Kan, PP Andy Wong & PE Dr. Eric Chin



Visiting Guest Amy Cheung & Rtn. Sharon Lamport



Dir Anthony Kwong & PP Desmond Cheung



Rtn. Peter Yeung, PP George Leung & IPP Norman Lee



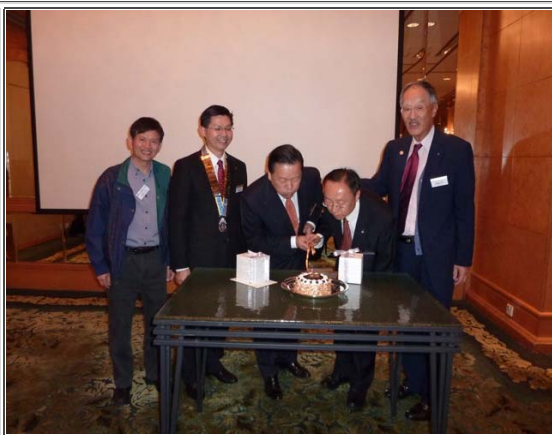
Dir. Kevin Leung & PP Rudy Law



Dir Teresa Ho & Dir. Kevin Leung



Birthday boy - PE Dir. Eric Chin & PP Tim Lui, Rtn. Peter Yeung & PP Uncle John Kwok led the birthday song





Guest Speaker Timothy Ma gave us a talk about the service of Senior Citizen Home Safety Association



Pres. Heman Lam present a gift to thank Mr. Timothy Ma



Group photos with members, guest speaker & visiting Rotarian

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