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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 opened the meeting by giving a special welcome to our former member, and regular visitor, PP Leslie Soltay. It was pointed out by someone that PP Leslie was sitting in PDG Uncle Peter's place at the Head Table - and this was worth at least a \$100 fine. (PP Leslie did comply with this suggestion.)

Rtn John V then did the honours by introducing the other visitors:

Hans Becker (Kuuzelsau, Germany) Fiona Lee (Admiralty)

PP Leslie then introduced his guest, Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar Tony Moody, who was to be the Club's guest speaker for the day.

It was then time for exchanging banners, but since Rtn Hans Becker did not have a banner from his club, President Desmond presented him with an IOU banner from HKIE. There was also an exchange of banners with Tony Moody who was being sponsored by his Rotary Club of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Next was the celebrations for the birthday boys. This week, they were PPs George and David Li. The most exciting part of these celebrations this week was that President Desmond had actually remembered to bring along the gifts.

Following this, several announcements were made:

 PP John, after he spent five minutes getting the attention of one rowdy table, reminded members of the golf tournament on 12 November. The winner and runner-up will foot the bill for meals and drinks.

PP John also said that he has been doing a bit of a covert snoop around the Club to see that all responsibilities are being undertaken, and he was happy to report that "the Club is in good hands."

 President Desmond announced that, for those interested, the first mahjong competition would be held on 15 January, 2000; and details could be obtained from him. Also, the Rotary District Sports Day is coming up and Rtn Malcolm would probably be arranging our participation.

Acting Sergeant, PP George then announced the donations for the day at \$1,920.

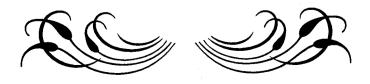
PP Leslie was then invited to introduce the guest speaker, Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar Tony Moody. PP Leslie first gave some information about the Ambassadorial Scholarship program (ref. elsewhere in this issue).

Tony said that he had been in Hong Kong since August this year and was due to finish his studies in May, 2000. He is studying for the degree of LLM at the University of Hong Kong and his specific interest is to compare the legal system in China with those in the Western world. His assessment so far is that these systems are very different in substance and application, but the law in Hong Kong is quite similar to that in the USA.

He said that he is enjoying the course as well as meeting the other students, most of whom are lawyers from Hong Kong.

Tony was thanked for his presentation by Rtn Lewis Fung.

To complete the meeting, President Desmond proposed a toast to the Rotary Clubs of Pittsburgh, USA and Kuuzelsau, Germany.



Rotary Information

Ambassadorial Scholarships

The Rotary Foundation Ambassadorial Scholarships Program is the world's largest privately funded international scholarships program. In 1947, 18 "Rotary Fellows" from 11 countries were selected to serve as ambassadors of goodwill while studying in another country for one academic year. Since that time, approximately US\$242 million has been expended on some 25,000 scholarships for people from more than 125 countries, studying in 105 countries around the world.

The purpose of the Scholarships Program is to further international understanding and friendly relations among people of different countries. Scholars are expected to be outstanding ambassadors of goodwill to the people of the host country through both informal and formal appearances before Rotary and non-Rotary groups.

Beginning with the 1994-95 program year, The Rotary Foundation offers two new types of scholarships in addition to the Academic-Year Ambassadorial Scholarship offered since 1947. The Multi-Year Ambassadorial Scholarship is awarded for two or three years of specific degree-oriented study abroad. The Cultural Ambassadorial Scholarship provides three or six months of funding for intensive language study and cultural immersion in a language other than their native language.

Rotarians know that Rotary Foundation scholarships are very worthwhile investments in the future and one important step in seeking greater understanding and goodwill in the world.

Jurkish Rotarians assist earthquake victims

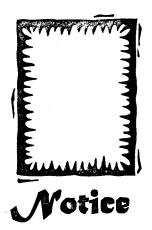
Victims of the August 17 earthquake in Turkey will have shelter this winter at tent camps in Izmit and Adapazari. The camps, set up by District 2420 and District 2430, are among the many ways that Rotarians offered aid in the aftermath of the devastating natural disaster. The Rotary Camp in Izmit established by District 2420 houses some 1,300 people in tents, with access to toilets, showers with hot water, laundry and dishwashing rooms. Tents have also been set up for medical services and entertainment. For those who will need to wait through the winter before they can find permanent housing, the Rotarians have arranged to set up two large heated, lighted, and ventilated tents into which the residence tents will be moved.

Immediately following the earthquake, DG Gunes Cire established a new task force, the Rotary Disaster Relief Group, and designated PDG Orscelik Balkan as its chairman. Active in providing relief for earthquake victims, the task force will also prepare a plan of action for future disasters.

Since the August tragedy struck, Rotarians in the district have participated in rescues, delivered food and medical supplies, assisted in the reconstruction of buildings at the University of Kocaeli, and organized psychological rehabilitation and health services.

In District 2430, Rotarians raised the equivalent of US\$180,000 within two weeks of the earthquake, and the money was used to establish Rotary 2000, a tent city in Adapazari that provides shelter for about 1,000 people. The facility includes a community kitchen, showers with hot water, a school, and a health car centre.

Soon after disaster struck, Rotarians and Rotaractors in the district began collecting and distributing supplies and equipment. DG Safak Alpay reports that more than 1,000 tons of aid material has been handled by the Rotary aid distribution centre in Adapazari.



We missed you on 10th November 1999!!!

Team 1 Chelleram, Manolo; Luk, John

Fu, C.Y.; Hall, Peter; Lamport, William; Lui, Tim Team 2

Team 3 Lai, Robert; Pang, K.T.; Wong Sam Team 4 Cheng, Y.K.; Ghose, T.K.; Kilis, Danny Ling, Thomas; Luy, Henry; Narain, Kishu Team 5

Chan, Joseph; Chiu, Jason; Phillips, Malcolm Team 6

Please makeup!!!



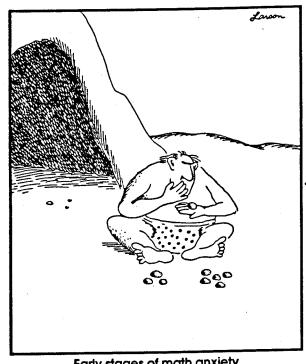
LAZIGS FOR 75E WEEK:

This isn't quite a joke, but nevertheless, quite interesting - for the mathematician members at least :

Just work through these steps from top to bottom:

- 1. First of all, pick the number of times a week that you (would) like to have sex. Try for more than once!
- 2. Multiply this number 2. (Just to be bold)
- 3. Add 5. (For Sunday)
- 4. Multiply this number by 50. (Being a bit stupid)
- 5. If you have already had your birthday this year, add 1749. If you haven't, add 1748.
- 6. Now subtract the four digit year that you were born. (If you remember)
- 7. You should now have a three digit number: The First digit of this was your original number, i.e., how many times you fantasize about having sex each week. The second two digits are your age, and it shows!

This is the only year (1999) it will ever work, so you only have 51 days to play with it.



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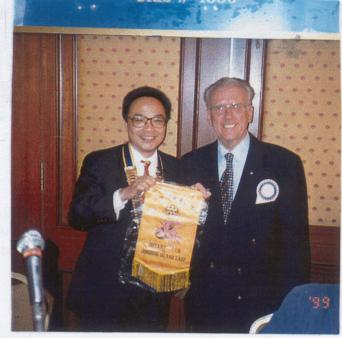
Early stages of math anxiety

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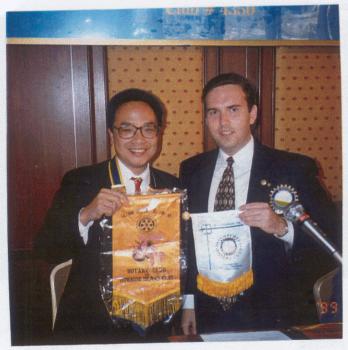
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Rotary Club of Hong Kong Island East meet each Wednesday at 12:30 p.m. in Excelsior Hotel. Club 4350 - District 3450 of Rotary International





Pres. Desmond give I.O.U. banner to Rtn Hans Becker(Kuuzelsau, Germany).



Pres. Desmond exchanges banner with Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar, Tony Moody.



Visitors to the Club, 10 November, 1999





Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar, Tony Moody talks about his law studies at H.K.Uni.

Sec. Ates entertains visitors Rtns. Fiona Lee (Admiralty) and Hans Becker(Germany).



Birthday boys Lewis, Alex II and Paul receive their gifts from Pres. Desmond.

