

Last week's Proceedings -

19th November, 2008

The meeting commenced at 1:20 p.m., with President Andy welcoming our two guest speakers of the day, namely Ms. Ting Chen and Ms. Winnie Mok. Ms. Ting Chen is currently a Rotary Ambassador scholar from Atlanta while Ms. Winnie Mok was a former Rotary Ambassador scholar from Hong Kong.

Our President Andy made the following announcements:

A Fellowship dinner on 21 November, 2008 will be held between Rotary District 3450 and Junior Chamber International Hong Kong.

Reminder of our AGM will be held on 26 November, 2008.

To celebrate the Doctorate graduation of Dr. Eric Chin and Dr. Hubert Chan, a hairy crab dinner will be organized on December 1, 2008.

The District Horse Racing Centennial Challenge Cup will be held on 6 December 2008 at cost of \$550 per person.

The District Conference will be held in February 2009 in Macau, rooms can be organized at the Venetian Hotel.

Director Eric from Osaka will be attending the 55th years Anniversary of HKIE on 2nd - 3rd April, 2009 and he will like to invite members from HKIE to join their clubs 40th years Anniversary in Osaka.

PDG Jason Yeung will come to visit our Club in December 3, 2008 and will be sharing with on the Children Enrichment Program.

Hon. Treasurer PP Rudy Law announced the Red Box collection was HKD 1,200 this time.

The birthday boy for the week was PP Eddy Wong and birthday song was led by IPP Laurence Chan.

Then the highlights of the day were presentations by Ms. Ting Chen and Ms. Winnie Mok on experience sharing as Rotary Ambassador Scholar.

Ms. Ting Chen was born in Shanghai and migrated to the United States at a young age. She is currently completing a Master Degree in International Design and Business Strategy at the Hong Kong Polytechnic University. At the age of 16 years old, Ms. Ting Chen held an art exhibition which showed 200 pieces of her artwork. She was involved with a project known as Dance Marathon which helped to raise funds for parents with children of chronicle disease to finance their basic needs. During college, she further pursued studies in product design and had the opportunities to study at the University of Oxford where she experienced the European culture.

Ms. Ting Chen gave us a presentation on integration of product design and creativity into businesses. She played a video which illustrated how a group of innovative designers made a difference in creating business with re-designed products. After the presentation, questions were raised and answered which included Ms. Ting Chen's aspiration for future career and reason for choosing Hong Kong a place for her studies.

Our 2nd speaker, Ms. Winnie Mok, was born and educated in Hong Kong. Previously, she had been involved with Rotaract Club activities and was a President of a Rotaract club from 2005 - 2006. Through the John Yuen Endowed Ambassadorial Scholarship, Ms. Winnie Mok pursued studies at the University of Nottingham in LL.M (Public International Law). After completing her studies, Ms. Winnie Mok pursued a legal career and is currently working in a Law firm in Central.

During her time in the University of Nottingham, Ms. Winnie Mok was warmly greeted and hosted by Rotary Club of West Bridgeford. As an Ambassadorial Scholar, she had the opportunities to attend the Rotary meetings in UK as well as participate in Fund Raising activities of the Rotary Club in UK. Ms. Winnie Mok was impressed with the passion and commitment of Rotarians to fundraising. During the speech, she thanked the Rotary Foundation for providing her with the opportunities for the wonderful experience she encountered.

After the speeches from our two guests, PP Hubert Chan thanked our speakers and further provided insights into the two presentations. With respect to Ms. Ting Chen's presentation, PP Hubert Chan agreed that products need to be differentiated to deliver a unique experience for customers and shared his experience in product promotion in the IT industry. With respect to Ms. Winnie Mok's presentation, PP Hubert Chan provided insight into how to contribute in Rotary as well as the theme of Make Dream Real.

President Andy thanked everyone again; meeting adjourned at 2:00pm and toasts were proposed to Rotary International coupled with Rotary Clubs of West Bridgeford and Hong Kong Island East.

Rotary Potpourri

The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International

November is The Rotary Foundation month and most of us are familiar with new or multiple Paul Harris Fellows, Benefactors, Major donors and also sustaining members. Up to the present time this Rotary year, we have already two (2) paid up new or multiple Paul Harris Fellows in our club.

Just to refresh your memory, the Rotary Foundation was started in 1917 by the then RI President Arch Klumph who told the delegates to the Atlanta Convention that we should accept endowments for the purpose of doing good in the world. The mere figure of US\$26.50 was received from the Rotary Club of Kansas City, which was the balance of the Kansas City Convention account.

The sum started to snowball in 1947, upon the death of our founder Paul Harris as memorial gifts poured in to honour the founder of Rotary. The fund of The Rotary Foundation was managed by fund managers with good earnings from investments. In recent years, the economy was in a downward trend worldwide and earnings were rather unsatisfactory.

In order to improve the funding of The Rotary Foundation, the trustees of The Rotary Foundation have adopted six goals for the 2003-04 Rotary years. Rotarians are encouraged to support the Foundation in the following ways:

- 1. Fulfill our promise to eradicate polio;
- 2. Lend a Hand to support 2003 -04 RI President Jonathan Majiyagbe;
- 3. Educate Rotarians about The Rotary Foundation;
- 4. Encourage Rotarians to expand their help to children;
- 5. Increase effective use of foundation alumni and
- 6. Every Rotarian, Every year: increase contributions to the Annual Programmes Fund.

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In 1928, The Rotary Foundation was further strengthened by the appointment of the first trustees. In 1933, a declaration of trust was adopted the foundation was incorporated in 1983.

At the death of Rotary's founder, Paul P. Harris, in 1947, Rotarians from around the world made gifts to the Foundation in his memory. The Foundation began its first programme the following year, providing graduate scholarships for study abroad to 18 scholars from seven countries.

Contributions to Rotary's Foundation increased dramatically in the 1970s and 1980s. The Rotary Foundation now funds each year:

- (a) approximately 1400 scholarships for graduate, undergraduate, vocational and journalism scholars and teachers of the handicapped
- (b) some 320 Group Study Exchanges,
- (c) more than 150 international humanitarian projects through Special Grants and Health, Hunger and Humanity Grants;
- (d) approximately 15 or more Grants for University Teachers, to teach in developing nations other than their own;
- (e) immunization activities to protect millions of children against polio;
- (f) approximately 160 international volunteers providing needed service abroad;
- (g) up to six Rotary Peace forum meetings.

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PDG Uncle Peter Hall, Inbound Ambassador Scholar Ms Ting Cheng from Rotary District 6900 USA & Pres. Andy Wong



Outbound Ambassador Scholar 2006-7 - Ms Winnie Mok, IPP Laurence Chan & PP John Kwok



(L to R) PP Eddy Wong, PP Rudy Law & Rtn. Tong Loy



(L to R) Rtn. Kevin Leung & Rtn. Colin Chau



(L to R) PP Stephen Liu & Dir. Eric Chin



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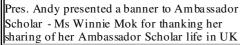


Birthday Boy PP Eddy received the gift from Pres. Andy & IPP Laurence led the birthday



Ambassador Scholar Ms Ting Cheng received a souvenir from Pres. Andy for thanking her sharing of her Ambassador Scholar life in Hong Kong







Dr PP Hubert gave a very interesting and humorous vote of thanks to the two ambassadorial scholars.



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