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Last Week's Proceedings – 23rd November, 2011

Pres. Eric welcomed everyone to our 20th meeting of this year. IPP Heman introduced Henk De Bleeck, RC of Gent Prinsenhof, Belgium and his Guest Mr. Bart Bauwens, also introduced PP Martin Putz, RC of Bad-Bergzabern and his brother Mr. Detlef Putz, plus PP Ken Tranbarger RC of Torrey Pines. HT Rudy then introduced his mentees from Shue Yan University: Eva Tsui and Anthea Sham. On top of that, Pres. Eric welcomed back PP Henry Chan, Rtn Jason, Rtn Jonah and PP John Luk throughout the luncheon. Then, President Eric exchanged club flag with Henk De Bleeck, RC of Gent Prinsenhof, Belgium.

Afterwards, acting Sergeant-at-arms HT Rudy reported the red box of today being HK\$1,000. This week we have no birthday boy.

President Eric then made the following announcements:

1. 10 K Race: Collection of sponsor fee to be sent to HS Jonathan by Nov 30 the latest as we have sent altogether 5 Platinum Teams to join the Race.
2. November is the usual Rotary Foundation Month: In addition to the Paul Harris Fellow contributions already made by Pres. Eric and Rtn. William Wong, our Rtn. Tony Hau has also donated US\$ 1,000 to become PHF the first time to support End Polio. Our Target is 5 PHFs this year and we need two more members to support.
3. Upcoming Club Events:
 - 3.1 Uncle John Golf Cup will be held on 25th Nov., 2011 which will be held in Fanling. There will be a Fellowship dinner to be held on 2nd Dec., 2011 to present the trophies at a BBQ Dinner held at Deep Water Bay golf course. Fees for this event will be HK\$580 per person (included BBQ+Wine+Drinks+ Lucky Draw). Minimum booking is 30. RC Kowloon Golden Mile was invited to join our fellowship event. Our PIC is William Wong.



Reach Within to Embrace Humanity

Tree Planting Project

Date: Sunday 13th Nov, 2011

THE ROTARY CLUB OF HONG KONG ISLAND EAST LTD.

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Club 16340

District 3450

Chartered on 06 April, 1954 by Charter President

PDG (Uncle) John Yuen

- 3.2 On 30th Nov.,2011 our Daughter Club, RC Northeast, will have a joint meeting with us and has arranged a speaker Dr. Eric Cheung from China Light & Power. Uncle John will arrange with Pres. Frederick with details to be announced later.
- 3.3 On Dec 10 (Sat.) from 9am to 5 pm our community service project partner, St. James Settlement, has organized for 30 elderly to an outing to Sai Kung and 14 volunteers are needed. Holy Carpenter Secondary School will send 5 students to join and therefore 9 members and spouses are still needed.
4. District Events:
- 4.1 District Wine Tasting and Auction
Date: Nov 23, 2011 Wed. Time: 7 – 10 pm Venue: 52/F TWO IFC
We are one of the hosting clubs and have 13 enrolments from members and Rotaractors.
- 4.2 On Nov 26, 2011 the 818 (Current Presidents) Sake Wine Tasting and Charity Dinner will be held at Central with ten varieties of Sake and great food. For the fee of HK\$ 680 there will be HK\$ 300 donated to the Japanese Disaster Relief Fund of RC Tai Po and RC Sendai. Please enroll to Pres. Eric directly.

President Eric then invited Vocational Service Chair Dr. Freddie Wu to introduce today's speaker, our own Rotarian Dr. Tony Loy.

Dr. Loy's talk is on his review of the best seller book "Civilization, the West and the Rest" by Prof Niall Ferguson, professor of financial history in Harvard.

It is the text version of his 6 x 1 hour BBC TV documentary in UK in March 2011, and the book is not available in North America till November 2011. The main theme is that 500 years ago, China (Ming Dynasty) was probably the wealthiest and advanced country in the world, with Zheng Ho leading a fleet which went as far as East Africa. In Middle East and Europe, the Ottoman Empire was the strongest and most advanced, whilst London was a backward town. So, what happened in these 500 years, and why did the West rise to what it is today? What happens now?

The book was written with 17 years old high school student in mind, and is thus very readable, with ample historical and economic facts presented in interesting and witty style. Niall Ferguson also wrote an article in the New York Times in 2003, "The World; Why America Outpaces Europe (Clue: The God Factor)" quoting Max Weber's work "The Protestant Ethics and the Spirit of Capitalism" in 1904, Max Weber is a German economist & sociologist founder of modern sociology and management, and have a great influence on Ferguson.

Dr. Loy also explained there are "six killer apps" that led to the rise of the West: competition, science, property rights, medicine, the consumer society and the work ethic which is a "glue" for apps 1 to 5.

Competition contributed to decentralization of political and economic life, creation of nation-states and capitalism. Ming Dynasty China was probably the strongest and richest country in the world, but with subsequent closed door policy, lack of competition and progress, China had become static, a mediocre kingdom. Science can provide understanding of the natural world, and create major military advantage over the rest world. Property Rights generated rule of law, citizen rights and representative government. Medicine has extended life span and health of people. The Consumer Society led to material living, choice for people, industrial revolution. The Work Ethic provides a moral framework and mode of activity, like the Protestant Christianity work ethic of serving God in daily work. The West was faced with these threats but it was able to overcome them through competition among its economies and powers. Also the process of political anacyclosis [政治社會學教條] is explained, which is Monarchy [君主政體], Kingship [王權], Tyranny [專制], Aristocracy [特權統治], Oligarchy [寡頭政治], Democracy [民主政體] and Ochlocracy [暴民政治].

How to mend a broken society? We need “GLUE”. The rise of thrift and industry in Asia has gone hand in hand with one of the most surprising side effects of Westernization: the growth of Christianity, above all in China. And accelerator of an already well-established trend of relative Western decline.

China has new grand strategy: Consume more, Import more, Invest abroad more, Innovate more and Christianity offers China a new ‘common moral foundation’ capable of reducing corruption, narrowing the gap between rich and poor, promoting philanthropy [博愛] and even preventing pollution.

After Dr. Loy’s talk, there is a moment of silence, everyone on the floor was inspired by Dr. Loy’s talk and his introduction, many questions were raised afterwards and Dr. Loy has answered all of them. Pres. Eric then invited HT Rudy to officially thank the speaker and Pres. Eric presented a gift to Dr. Loy later on.

For next week program, Mr. Eric Cheung the Deputy Director (Business Marketing and Development) at CLP Power Hong Kong Limited with his topic “CLP Green Plus Program”.

At 2:08pm, Pres. Eric declared the closure of the meeting with a toast to RI, RC of Gent Prinsenhof, Belgium, RC Bad-Bergzabern, German, RC Torrey Pines (CA) and Rotary Club of HKIE and he also invited all members and guests to stay back to take a group photo.

Rotary Potpourri

106 Trees Planting Day to Celebrate RI 106th Anniversary

Nov 13th, 2011, a good Sunday morning, is the big day for our signature project, 106 Trees Planting Day, in which DG David and DGN Eugene have come. It was organized to follow “green conservation” theme of this Rotarian year and to celebrate 106th anniversary of Rotary International.

123 participants gather at four different pickup points: Tin Hau MTR station, Faith Lutheran School in Shek Kip Mei, Holy Carpenter Secondary School in Hunghom, and Tai Wai KCR. President Eric brought his whole family, spouse Christine, daughters Fion and Cherry, and son Ivan to support this event. PIC William Leung brought his spouse Eunice. PP Norman also had his whole family, spouse Isa, daughter Adrian, and son Christian. Rtn. Jason had his spouse Sharon and daughter Leah. Dir. Kevin and his spouse Catherine, and Membership Chair William Wong with his spouse Fanny also joined. PP Uncle John Kwok, PE Nancy, IPP Heman, PP Eddy and Recreation Chair Colin were among the participants also. Com base Rotaract President Angus, Secretary Henry and Rotaractor Stacy, together with Lingnan University Rotaractors Hannah and Lisa also supported this event. Among our many guests there were President Ka Hing Lee of HK Harbour, President HW Fung of Metropolitan HK, President Estella Sung of Peninsula Sunrise, and President Bonnie Wong of Kowloon Tong.

Our two adopt-a-school partners, Holy Carpenter Secondary School and Choi Jun School supported this event in action. 12 Choi Jun School parents and students were led by Principal Lee Kai Kwong and senior teacher Tse CK. Vice Principal Joseph Tse, Di CY Sir, and Ms Law KH led a total of 23 students. Project Coordinator of St. James Settlement, Jessie Cheong is the leader of 24 primary students. All of them are beneficiaries of Teen’s World, which is an after school learning and support programme for Sham Ship Po students. They usually come from low income families, single parent families, or dis-privileged families. All four coach buses arrived at Dan Shan River natural environmental conservation region in Hok Tau Fanling on time.

At 10:30am, DG David officiate the kickoff ceremony. He gave us a welcome speech, and President Eric translated to Cantonese:

“Dear President Eric, Fellow Rotarian Brothers and Sisters, Rotaractors, Students, and Friends of Rotary,

Good Morning Everyone! This is a lovely Sunday morning as we meet to replenish God’s garden. It is indeed a great pleasure for me to be with you on this morning to share with all of you Rotarians, Rotaractors,

Interactors and Friends of Rotary and to see friends from differing generations, gathered here to help make the world a better place by planting trees. These trees will provide us with more fresh air ultimately. Are you ready to help to make our World better and more Green by planting your 1st Tree ?

It's just Great to hear your voice of Passion and your great desire to join us on this mission!

This Year, One of the top Service priorities set by Rotary International and District 3450 is for each Rotarian to provide an opportunity for every Rotarian and our friends to make our World more Green. Imagine if we could get our 1.2 million Rotarians to plant at least one tree each this year, what a more beautiful world of green we would achieve! We shall contribute to this great dream by our Act of planting trees today!

The idea of celebrating the 106th Anniversary of Rotary International by planting 106 trees, led by our capable Pres. Eric and Rotary Club of Hong Kong Island East is a Great Example of Rotary in Action. As far as I know, this is not only simply a Green Educational Project of his Club, but is also a project concerning food bank programs for Primary school students and also a part of a Leadership training for interactors and rotaractors.

In addition we are lucky and happy to have the kind support and participation from the Students of Holy Carpenter Secondary School, the Choi Jun School and 5 Rotary Club Presidents.

This is also a great opportunity for all Rotarians and family and friends to gather together and spend a wonderful Sunday morning together, to build up harmony and also enjoy fellowship with their families, as parents, families and friends gather together to do their bit to reduce the worlds carbon footprint

It is not easy to wake up early on a Sunday morning and come out so far to Fanling for most of us and, I would like to express my appreciation to all of you all here, as well as thank all of you and the working team for making this meaningful project possible.

Please enjoy the tree planting and the lunch at "Poon Choi" and have a great day.
God bless you all!"

After DG David's speech, PIC William reminded us to "Relax & Enjoy the sweat, the soil, the trees, green environment, the fresh air, the smell of yourself, and the smell of those around you".

After photos taking, all of us started to plan the trees. In this morning, every participant, no matter a primary student, a Principal or President, has to dig and make ready the soil with heavy tools. Then touched and planted the sapling intimately by hand, covered the root with soil again, and watered them carefully.

After all these hand on experiences, all participants were be able to perceive and realize the difficulty of planting and growing a tree from a sapling and the importance of restoring and preserving green trees in our natural environment. They have learned to care, protect and respect every tree and plant they can come across in their lives, and most importantly spread this message in their schools and community.

We all have a memorable sunny morning full of sweat, and some with mosquito bites, too. All of us appreciated having such a chance to do all these. Here is an interesting note from our 2nd generation RAC Stacy Ho, "Thank you so much for organizing the event! I had so much fun! And really appreciate having the opportunity to plant a tree, I found a new hobby - gardening!"

After a fruitful and tired morning, we marched from the tree planting site to Lavender Garden to have lunch. We occupied nine tables with traditional menu "Poon Choi". We all like the food, especially the students. After this delicious lunch we returned home with many delightful memories.

At last, President Eric summed up the event with the following note and thanks everyone for joining and their support. "The event was held successfully with all your participation. Thank you so much for your support to Rotary Club of Hong Kong Island East. With the great efforts of our Project-in-Chair, Service Chair William

Leung, the event was held effectively and smoothly. It was not an easy task to co-ordinate 123 persons and amongst 3 organizations. Let us have a vote of thanks to William! I look forward to seeing you all in our service projects to help to make a difference to our society.”

Choi Jun 1+1 Farm Project Kicked Off on Nov 19, 2011

The Choi Jun farming project was greeted by the sun with cool breezing air and it was just perfect for the event. Together with their significant other half, President Eric Chin and Christine, PP Laurence Chan and Jennie, PP Heman Lam and Olivia and Rtn Kevin Leung and Catherine as well as PP Uncle John Kwok and Rtn Colin Chau represented our club. We were delighted to have the presence of students from President Eric's master course including: Evelyn Niu, Menty Yu, Jiang Aijun, Wang Wenqian, Wu Yao, Dou Yuejiao, Cheng Liyin, Zhang Yinan, Han Dan, Yu Yu and Lei Lei joining. They are potential members of our Community based Rotaract Club. With concise instructions for the task from the Principal, our members skillfully planted beet root. The highlight came when our members worked together in planting two trees: Punica granatum 石榴花 and Psidium guajava 番石榴 at Choi Jun school that would be named after Rotary Club of Hong Kong Island. We have also learnt on how to plant: Radish, small tomato, lettuce and cabbage. Students will be assigned to watering on the plant every day. We expected that we shall make harvest on these vegetable by Dec 17, 2011 in the closing ceremony and the vegetable will be brought to us in our Christmas Party.

District Wine Tasting and Auction

The 1st District wine tasting and auction was held on 23rd November 2011 at the auditorium in UBS. As one of the hosting Clubs, President Eric and his wife Christine lead a team of wine-appreciating Rotarians comprising of AG Andy Wong, PP Heman Lam, HS Jonathan Lamport and Rtn Colin Chau along with LNU Rotaractors: Lisa Chow, Hannah Fung, David Hui and helpers in the Plant Tree project, potential Rotaractor and students of P Eric: Teresa Sun, Miko Cheng and Jill To for the event. With free flow of wine for tasting prior to the auction, our members were well geared to bid for quality wines. For the event, President Eric generously donated a double magnum (3L) which was a highlighted hot item. PP Andy fully supported Pres. Eric's donated BIG wine and used a high price of HK\$ 3,000 and got it. Both Pres. Eric, AG Andy and Recreation Chair Colin got their lots of wine in the bid. When the event ended our members having warm-heartedly participated in the event were also delighted with their biddings.

LAUGH FOR THE WEEK

Subject: **Romantic Indian Names**

A little American Indian boy asked his father, the Big Chief of the tribe: "Father, why is it that we always have long names, while the white men have short names like Bill, Tex or Sam?"

"My son," replied his father, "Our names represent a symbol, a sign, or a poem in our culture; not like the white men who live all together and merely repeat their names from generation to generation.

For example, your sister's name is Small Romantic Moon Over The Lake because, on the night she was born, there was a beautiful moon reflected in the lake.

Then there's your brother, White Horse of the Prairies, because he was born on a day that the big white horse who gallops over the prairies appeared near our camp, and is a symbol of our capacity to live and of the life force of our people. It's really very simple and easy to understand.

Do you have any other questions for me, Little Broken Condom Made In China?



YEAR 2011-2012						
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ROTARY CLUB OF HONG KONG ISLAND EAST MEETS EVERY WEDNESDAY, 12:30 p.m.

23 November 2011 - HKIE Luncheon Meeting Photos



PDG Uncle Peter Hall
& Guest Speaker - Rtn. Dr. Tony Loy



Pres. Dr Eric Chin & Hon. Sec. Jonathan Lamport



Rtn. Jonah Cheung & PP John Luk



PP Henry Chan, Dir. Kevin Leung
& Dir. Teresa Ho



IPP Heman Lam & visiting guest
Mr Bart Bauwens



Rtn. Dr. Freddie Wu, visiting guest Ms Eva Tsui & Ms Anthea Sham from Shue Yan University & PP Rudy Law



AG Andy Wong, visiting Rtn. PP Martin Putz from RC of Bad-Bergzabern Germany & his brother Mr. Detlef Putz



Rtn. Jason Chan & PP Ken Tranbarger
from RC of Torrey Pines, USA



PP Tim Lui & Rtn. Henk De Bleeck - RC of
Gent Prinsenhof - Belgium



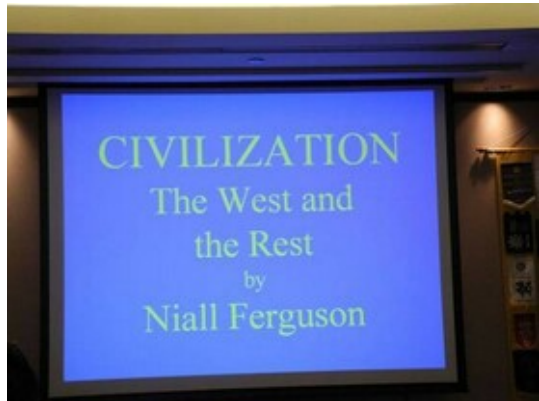
Rtn. Henk De Bleeck exchanged Club
banner with Pres. Eric Chin



Rtn. Dr. Freddie Wu introduced the speaker of the week



This week's speaker - Rtn. Dr. Tony Loy



Dr. Tony Loy's topic is Civilization - The West & the Rest



PP Rudy Law gave a vote of thanks to Rtn. Dr. Tony Loy on behalf of our Club



Pres. Dr Eric Chin presented a club souvenir to thank Rtn. Dr. Tony Loy



Pres. Dr. Eric Chin taken photos with visiting guests & Rotarians



Group photo with members, visiting Rotarians & guests

Tree Planting Day - 13 November 2011

Rotary Club of HK Island East







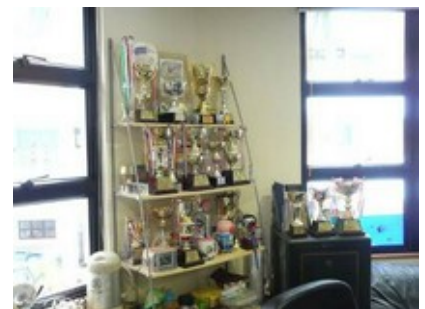
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Choi Jun School 1+1 Farming Day





Choi Jun School students use their own farming vegetables to make some dishes for our Rotarians



Choi Jun School - Happy Lunch 21 November 2011





1st Rotary District 3450 Wine Tasting & Auction For Charity & Fellowship 23 November 2011



