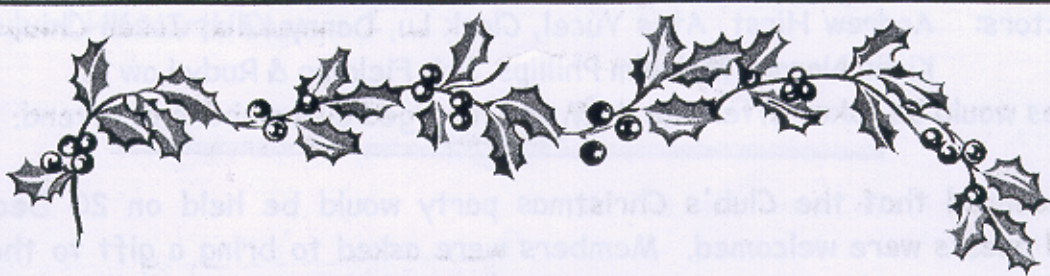




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CHRISTMAS PARTY

Our Christmas Party lunch will be held on Wednesday, 20 December and you and your Rotaryanne are encouraged to attend.

There will be a special menu of Christmas food with champagne, together with Christmas music, lucky draws for prizes, a joke competition on the Christmas theme and, importantly, your donation to the red box will go to a Christmas charity.

So, make a special effort to attend to enjoy a special occasion with fun and friendship in our Rotary family.

What Happened Last Week

President Tajwar opened the meeting with a special welcome to our speaker Dr. Mak. Rtn. Rudy then formally welcomed visiting Rtn. Benny Ratnani from HKNE and reported that there were 20 members present and that \$1,300 had been raised. At the request of our birthday boy IPP Desmond, Rtn. Rudy and Treasurer Jason led the birthday song.

PP Rob took over the floor and gave a report on the decisions made at the last Board meeting. The Board accepted the resignation of Rtn. Manolo; resolved that there would be no pre-payment of lunch fees required for the second half of the Rotary year; that IPP



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would represent the PP Council to sit on the Board and that PDG Peter be authorised to open a deposit box at the Wing Lung Bank to store valuables of the Club.

PP Rob reminded members that the AGM would be held on 13 December and nominations for Directors and Officers would be closed on 6 December. Nominations received so far were:

PE: Chris Howe

VP: Henry Chan

Hon. Sec.: Eddie Wong

Hon. Trea.: Clark Lu & Kishu Narain

Directors: Andrew Hirst, Ates Yucel, Clark Lu, Danny Kilis, Jason Chiu, John Kwok, Kishu Narain, Malcolm Phillips, Rob Fielding & Rudy Law

Group photos would be taken after the AGM and he urged all members to attend.

PP Rob announced that the Club's Christmas party would be held on 20 December and spouses and guests were welcomed. Members were asked to bring a gift to the party for exchange. PP Rob asked members to note that the Club's annual function would be held on 5 May 2001 and it would be a joint function with other four Rotary Clubs. It would be free for members as the cost of the function was included in the annual due.

Rtn. Kishu announced that a Christmas Party for the students of the Victoria School for the Deaf would be held on 17 December at the Hong Kong Institute of Education in Tai Po. The function was sponsored by our Club with the assistance of the Rotaract Club of Hong Kong Island East. Any member interested to attend should contact Rtn. Kishu.

Rtn. Tony then formally introduced our speaker Dr Mak, who is the Acting Deputy Director of Public Health. Dr Mak gave us a very informative talk about the Registration of Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) Practitioners in Hong Kong. There were 6890 TCM practitioners in Hong Kong. Over 2,000 herbal medicines and 3,000 proprietary Chinese medicines available in the market. In 1996, 10.5% of medical consultations were provided by TCM practitioners and in 1999 it increased to 22.7%. Over 60% of the people in Hong Kong had used TCM. It was written in the Basic Law that Hong Kong should develop western and traditional Chinese medicines to improve medical and health care and Government had the vision to make Hong Kong the International Centre for Chinese medicine. A Working Party was set up in 1989 to develop the legal framework for registration and licensing of TCM practitioners and to develop training and examination programmes for TCM practitioners. The Working Party was also responsible for developing systems to encourage research of TCM and to include the practice of TCM into health care.

The Chinese Medicine Ordinance was enacted in July 1999 and the Chinese Medicine Council was set up in September 1999. In future anyone who wishes to be a TCM practitioner have to pass the required examinations and obtain a practising certificate which would be renewed



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Dr. Mak : "All you guys look like some herbs would make a big improvement."



PP Rob informing members about the board's decisions.



IPP Desmond being congratulated on his birthday by Pres. Taj, & Rtms. Rudy & Jason.



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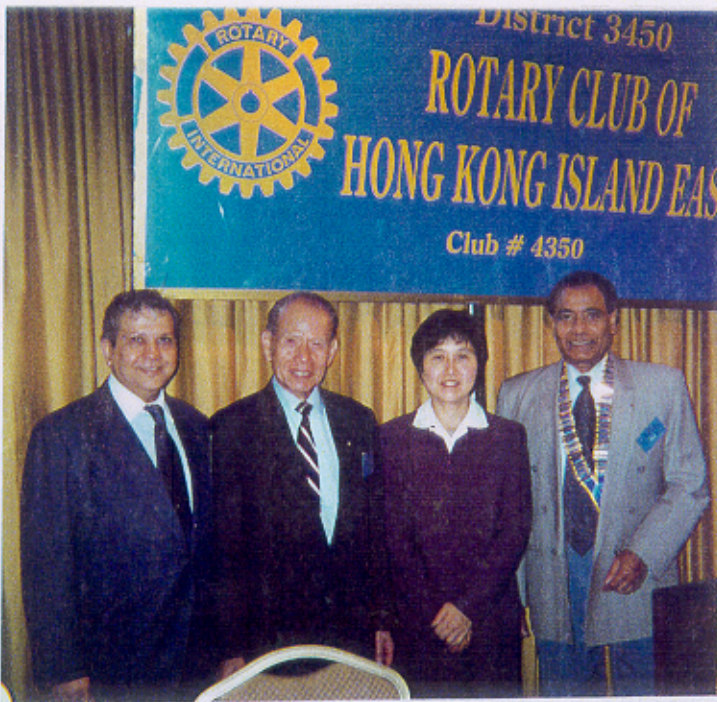


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PDG Peter & Pres. Taj looking after speaker Dr. Mak Sin Ping.



Visitor, Benny Ratnani & guest speaker Dr. Mak, pose with PDG Uncle Peter & Pres. Taj.

every three years. There would be a set of code of practice and a disciplinary system for TCM practitioners. For the existing practitioners they have to apply for registration before 30 December 2000. Those who have 15 years of experience and acceptable qualifications would be registered for practice. Those who have 10 years of experience and acceptable qualification have to go through registration assessment before registration for practice would be given. Those who have less than 10 years of experience have to pass the licensing examination.

PE Stephen thanked the speaker and President Taj closed the meeting with a toast to RI and the Rotary Club of HK North East.



Rotary Information

Malaysian club introduces Internet world to the handicapped

The Rotary Club of Pudu, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, is at the forefront of efforts to give the disabled opportunities to reap the fruits of the fruits of the information technology revolution sweeping across the nation of 22 million people.

Through its Powernet For the Physically Handicapped project, launched at the end of October, the club awards scholarships to disabled students and helps to improve computing and Internet-access infrastructure in educational institutions where disabled students are admitted.

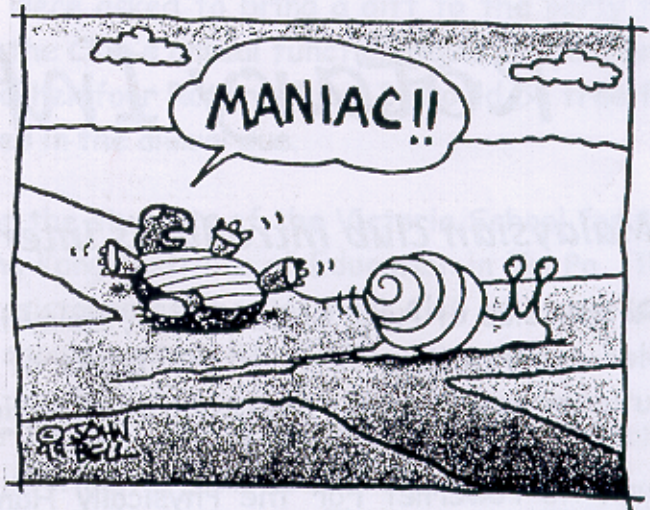
"For the first part of the project, the club has provided seven personal computers with software and tables, a laser printer, color printer, networking equipment, Internet facilities, cabling and accessories, scanner, and an air-conditioner for vocational scholarships so that students can undertake workshop courses on the Internet and Web page design as well as a special scholarship for a computer teacher to take up short courses in local higher-learning institutions."

Upon completing their vocational courses, beneficiaries of the project's scholarships would be placed in multimedia companies for one-month internships and paid a daily allowance. Sixteen handicapped students and a teacher have already scholarships from the project.

LAUGH FOR THE WEEK

Profound thoughts on golf:

- In primitive society, when native tribes beat the ground with clubs and yelled, it was called witchcraft; today, in civilized society, it is called golf.
- Golf is an expensive way of playing marbles.
- Golf is a game in which the slowest people in the world are those in front of you, and the fastest are those behind.
- Golf is a five mile walk punctuated with disappointments.
- The secret of good golf is to hit the ball hard, straight, and not too often.
- There's no game like golf: You go out with three friends, play eighteen holes, and return with three enemies.
- Golf was once a rich man's sport, but now it has millions of poor players.
- An amateur golfer is one who addresses the ball twice: once before swinging, and once again after swinging.
- Many a golfer prefers a golf cart to a caddy because the cart cannot count, criticize or laugh.



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