

Last week's Proceedings -

30th November, 2005

President Eddy opened the meeting by welcoming our guest Peter Yeung and visiting Rotarian Christopher Piganiol of Bugis Junction in Singapore. The Rotary Club of Bugis Junction was established in 1997 and the club banner was shaped like a boat. This was done in order to pay tributes to the fact the Bugis Junction was where the settlers of Singapore first settled in the country.

During the Joint President Meeting held yesterday, the District announced that a sum of HKD100,000 would be donated to the earthquake victims in Jiangxi. The money would come from the District Disaster Relief Fund.

"Dining to Help", which was an fundraising event aimed at replenishing the disaster relief fund and at bringing fellowship and entertainment to participants, was successfully concluded on 29 November. Over 400 members and guests attended the function which was held at the Regal Hong Kong Hotel at Causeway Bay.

President Eddy urged that for those members who would be interested in attending the upcoming District functions: Intercity Meeting to be held in honor of Past RI President Frank Devlyn on 5 December and The Horse Racing Centennial Cup on 17 December to let him know as soon as possible as he could reserve seats for members and their guests.

The Victoria School for the Deaf Christmas party would be held on 17 December. While the party would likely be taken at a restaurant at North Point, detail of the venue would be announced later.

Hon Tres. Laurence reported that SAA collection was HK\$600.

Next, Rtn. Jason introduced our speaker Mr. Vaughan Mason who has been a member of the Australian P.G.A. since 1989. Vaughan first came to Hong Kong in 1999 for a 2 month coaching assignment. In Oct 2000 Vaughan returned to Hong Kong at the invitation of the New Ze aland Chinese Golfing Society again. Since then Vaughan has decided to make Hong Kong his home and established a coaching career in the city.

Vaughan highlighted that Hong Kong currently has about 21 public driving ranges facilitating people wanting to play golf. However these driving ranges were mainly designed for practicing long and approach shots. With over 70% of the shots in the typical golf game associated with short game, these facilities are inadequate in addressing the short game training needs.

Vaughn recently has had the opportunity to establish the first golf academy focusing on short game in Hong Kong. Located in Whitehead and with over 4000 square meters of grass area, the new facility has separate putting area, chipping area and driving range bays to simulate a complete game of golf. Studies have shown that people improve their game much quicker when practicing on real grass than on driving mats. The academy will also have an indoor facility equipping with simulators for improving both long and short games.

While this golf academy is not fully operational yet at the moment, Vaughn has invited all members to come and take a look at the facility.

Next week's meeting would be our Annual General Meeting. Members are encouraged to join to select the next board who will serve the club.

President Eddy adjourned the meeting with a toast to RI coupled with Rotary Club of Bugis Junction of Singapore.

Rotary Information

During the month of November, this bulletin touched on several articles relating to The Rotary Foundation and this is the last issue of the subject.

The Rotary Foundation Trustees comprised of 15 members. The following are the newest members appointed by RI President Carl-Wilhelm Stenhammer as from the 1st July 2005 who will serve for four years.

Peter Bundgaard of Denmark

A Rotarian since 1965, Bundgaard has been a director of Rotary International, a district governor, a chair of the Preserve Planet Earth Committee, and a chair of Rotary Norden, Rotary's regional magazine in the Nordic countries. He currently chairs the 2006 Malmoopenhagen Convention Committee. He is a four-time Rotary Foundation volunteers, serving in the Philippines, Jamaica and Brazil. The Rotary Foundation awarded Bungaard a Citation for Meritorious Service for his support of its international and educational programmes. and it gave him its Distinguished Service Award. Born in Olgod, Denmark, Bunndgaard received a degree in dentistry in 1962, followed by a degree in orthodontics in 1978. Now a retired orthodontist, he is a member of the Danish Association of Dentists and was a board member of the Danish Association of Orthodontists.

Carolyn E. Jones of Alaska, USA

Carolyn is the first female Foundation Trustees member. She was an assistant attorney general for the state of Alaska for 23 years before retiring in 1998. She chaired the Alaska Bar Association Law Examiners Committee from 1988-98; was a member of the Alaska Code Revision Commission from 1990-95; sat on the Alaska Pro Bono Panel from 1990-98; and was a member of the Khabarovsk-Alaska Rule of Law Committee from 2002-04.

Jones' honors include the Alaska State Commission for Human Rights Award For Distinguished and Dedicated Service, the Alaska Bar Association's Distinguished Service Award, RI's Service Self Award, and the Foundation's Citation for Meritorious Service. The non profit Russian Children's Foundation named her the 2002 Volunteers of the Year. Her story of her experience as A Rotary Volunteer in Russia was included in the 2002 edition of Chicken Soup for the Volunteer's Soul.

Since joining the Rotary Club of Anchorage East in 1987, she has been a district governor, President's Representative, RI Training Leader, delegate to two Councils on Legislation, and the vice-chair of the World Community Service Programmes Task Force.

Originally from Tarrytown, New York, Jones graduated from Stanford University with distinction and received a law degree from Yale Law School. When not serving Rotary, she substitute teaches for the Anchorage School District, fishes for salmon, and hikes Alaska's trails.

Jonathan B. Majiyabe of Nigeria

Majiyagbe, the 2003-04 RI president, is the principal counsel in J.B. Majiyagbe & Company, a commercial law practice in Kano. Majiyagbe is a member of the Honourable Body of Benchers, a past vice president of the Nigerian Bar Association, and a member of the International Bar Association. He has served as a trustee of the Kano Lebanon Club and the Kano Club, chancellor of the Anglican Diocese of Kano and chair of the Kano branch of the Nigerian Red Cross Society. He is a member of The Rotary Foundation's 2005-06 International PolioPlus Committee and the Kano Chamber of Commerce, Industry, Mines and Agriculture.

A Rotarian since 1967, Majiyagbe has served as an RI director, district governor and International Assembly instructor among other positions. He is a recipient of the Foundations' Distinguished Service Award and its Citation for Meritorious Service

Majiyagbe was born in Lagos, Nigeria and is a graduate of the University of London.

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Electronic Make-up Questions

You can submit an electronic makeup for this missed meeting by answering the following 5 questions:

1. How many members make up the Rotary Foundation Trustees?

Answer:

2. RI President Stenhammer appointed three new members to the Rotary Foundation Trustees. From the information in this week's RI, what would you guess their classifications are?

Answer:

3. We again welcomed a Rotarian visitor by the name of Christophe Piganiol, which Rotary club does he come from?

Answer:

4. Who was our guest speaker this week and what was the subject he spoke on?

Answer:

5. What was the total SAA collections for this week?

Answer:

Instruction:

Please copy these 5 questions click the following URL John Kwok and paste it to the email and answer these questions and then click send

Joke

The minister, all fired up because of recent obvious problems of infidelity, shouted out,

"I want everyone who has been he-ing and she-ing to stand up!"

Half of his congregation stood up.

He then shouted out, "I want everyone who has been he-ing and he-ing to stand up!"

A couple of men stood up.

He then shouted out, "I want everyone who has been she-ing and she-ing to stand up!"

Several women stood up.

The minister looked over his congregation and noticed that everyone was standing except Little Johnny.

The minister shouted out, "Brothers and Sisters, look at Little Johnny, can he be the only one without sin?

"Little Johnny, stand up. I guess you are the only one here who isn't proccupied with sex and committing sins.

What do you have to say?"

Little Johnny replied, "Reverend, you ain't said nothing about me-ing and me-ing!"

Photographs of our meeting

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30th November, 2005



Our speaker today was Mr. Vaughan Mason who is a teachintg Pro in golf. Here he is telling us about how to improve your golf.







Dir Jason in a double role in introducing and thanking the guest speaker.



Rtn Christophe Piganiol (Bugis Junction, Singapore) exchanging club banners with Pres Eddy



(L to R) Rtn Christophe Piganiol (Bugis Junction, Singapore), Dir Jason, PP Hubert, and Rtn. Norman.



(L to R) IPP Rudy, PP Tim and his guest Mr. Peter Yeung.



Group Photo of our meeting with PDG Uncle Peter, Pres. Eddy, Guest speaker, and visiting Rotarian and our members on 30th November, 2005.

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