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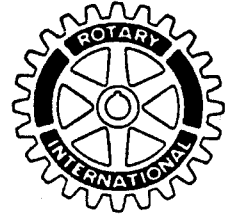
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**Our 46th Year of
Rotary Service
Chartered : 6th April,
1954
by Founding President, the late
PDG (Uncle) John Yuen**



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TUNG FENG

香港東區扶輪社週報 THE ROTARY CLUB OF
HONG KONG ISLAND EAST

What Happened Last Week

VISITORS GALORE!

We were honoured last week by visits from Bayview and HK North East. The contingent from Bayview included Assistant Governor Lawrence Lam, to whom President Desmond gave a special welcome.

Kishu officially welcomed all the guests, whom included.

Bayview William Chow; Lawrence Lam; Liu Kai Ming;
Lawrence Lok

HKNE Raymond Ma; Edward Lui; Benny Ratnani
Wong Wai Mui

Happy Valley Tony Wong; Winnie Yuen (PP);

Admiralty Kelvin Wong

ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Desmond read out a letter and a certificate of appreciation he received from the Consul General of Turkey for our efforts toward the Turkish Earthquake Relief.

President Desmond also mentioned his visit last Friday to the Victoria School for the Deaf Sports Day (12th).

PP John Kwok reminded Rotarians that next Wednesday would be the AGM - our opportunity to elect our Directors and other officers for the coming Rotarian year; and pick up our Wing On Calendar!

PE Taj announced that the Christmas Party would be held at lunch time on Wednesday 22nd December. Our ladies were invited, plus other guests.

PE Taj also announced that the annual golf tournament would be on 21st January 2000.

We have been invited to attend the 25th Diamond Jubilee of the Rotary Club of Negata in Japan.

The Sergeant at Arms reported that 21 members were present, and that HK\$1,200.00 had been collected for Charity.

THE HIGHLIGHT

Rtn Malcolm then introduced the speaker for the day, Ms Stella Wong, the Programme Coordinator of Watchdog. This is an Early Learning and Development Centre that takes care of the needs of children under the age of six who are developmentally delayed.

Watchdog runs programmes in both Cantonese and English, and its staff are highly qualified. The objectives are to teach children with special needs, advise parents, provide opportunities for development, prepare the children to enter the school system and provide information to the public.

The majority of the operating funds come from the Community Chest and the Social Welfare Department. The remaining funds are generated through individual and corporate donations.

Stella was thanked by PP Rob, who pointed out that the quality of our society is measured by what we can do for people like these. Watchdog was indeed a worthy cause.

President Desmond concluded our meeting with a toast to RI International coupled with Bayview and Hong Kong North East.



Rotary Information

Celebrate Rotary's commitment to youth during World Interact Week

The first Interact club was formed 37 years ago this month in Melbourne, Florida, USA. To commemorate this significant event in the history of Rotary's ongoing commitment to young people,

Interactors and their Rotarian sponsors all over the world will participate in the first World Interact Week, 25 to 31 October.

World Interact Week presents a chance for Interactors and Rotarians to celebrate their alliance and work together to build upon their commitment to service. The Community Programs Section at RI has developed four-step plan to assist clubs in their World Interact Week activities. Interact clubs and their Rotary sponsors who complete all four steps will receive recognition from RI.

To qualify for World Interact Week Celebration Recognition, clubs must do the following :

- Give a presentation or write an inspiring letter about Interact to a Rotary club that does not sponsor an Interact club.
- Invite Rotarians to an Interact club meeting.
- Invite Interactors to a weekly Rotary club meeting.
- Conduct a joint Rotary-Interact project to increase awareness of Interact in the community.

To receive recognition, clubs must fill out the World Interact Week Celebration Recognition Entry Form, which is available from RI, and return it by 31 December. To obtain the form, contact Christine Michonski via telephone : 847-866-3296; fax : 847-866-6116; or e-mail michonsc@rotaryintl.org.

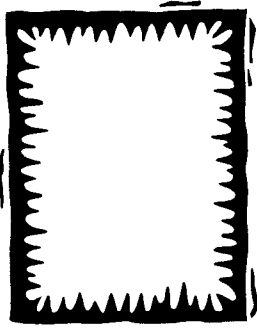
Hope for children living off city dumps

Two and a half years ago, Rotarians in District 5890 in the Houston, Texas, area learned of the plight of orphaned and abandoned children in Chinandega, Nicaragua. Through an appeal by a Nicaraguan priest, Father Marco Desi, they discovered that children of all ages were roaming through the city dumps for 10-12 hours a day in search of food or anything salvageable that might translate into food for that day. They were literally living off the trash and debris of the dump, and Rotarians began a fundraising effort to help provide alternatives for them.

Initiated by the Rotary Club of Humble Intercontinental as an International Service project to fund a school, the Children of the Dumps campaign raised US\$40,000 in five weeks. When Father Marco went to the dumps to recruit students for his new school, he estimated there were close to 900 children. The priest pleaded with adults, who also worked the dumps, to allow the children to come with him to be educated. Ninety children showed up the next day. By the following year, with \$100,000 secured by Houston Rotarians, Father Marco went back to the dump. He promised that any additional children who came to his school would be fed, and by the next day a total of 800 students were enrolled.

After Hurricane Mitch in October of 1998, Nicaragua suffered irreparable damage to crops, destruction to 500,000 homes, and the loss of 4,000 lives. Past District Governor Stephen Harris proposed that Hunger Plus, a Rotary effort he co-founded, get involved in the relief efforts and with Father Marco's school. Since that time, Hunger Plus has supplied all the dehydrated food to the school - at 40 percent less expense and with better nutrition.

"This is one of the most dramatic improvements of human life that I have ever seen," said District Governor John Painter.



Notice

We missed you on 8th December 1999!!!

Team 1 Chellaram, Manolo; Luk, John; Yucel, Ates
 Team 2 Lamport, William; Li Francis; Lui, Tim
 Team 3 Chan Henry; Fung, Lewis; Wong, Sam
 Team 4 Cheng, Y.K.; Ghose, T.K.; Kilis, Danny; Leung, George
 Team 5 Ling, Thomas; Luy, Henry; Yoa, John
 Team 6 Chan, Paul; Chiu Jason

18 members missing

Please makeup!!!

LAZIES FOR THE WEEK:

This is reputed to be a true story coming from Cathay Pacific:

A crowded Cathay flight was cancelled. A single agent was rebooking a long line of inconvenienced travellers. Suddenly, an angry passenger pushed his way to the desk. He slapped his ticket down on the counter and said, "I HAVE to be on this flight, and it has to be FIRST CLASS!"

The agent replied, "I'm sorry, Sir. I'll be happy to try to help you, but I've got to help these folks in the front of the line first. I'm sure we'll be able to work something out for you."

The irate passenger was unimpressed. He said loudly so that the passengers behind him could hear, "Do you have any idea WHO I am?"

Without hesitating, the agent smiled and grabbed her public address microphone. "Ladies and gentlemen, may I have your attention please. We have a passenger here at the counter WHO DOES NOT KNOW WHO HE IS. If anyone can help him establish his identity, please come to the counter."

With the folks in line behind him laughing hysterically, the man glared at the Cathay agent and swore, "F*** you!"

Without flinching, she smiled back and said, "I'm sorry, Sir, but you'll have to stand in line for that too."



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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



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100% Attendance Awards



IPP C.Y. in a happy mood gives thanks to all members who supported him last year.



Rtn. Stephen receives a gift bottle of C.Y.'s "Good night" tonic drink.



PDG Uncle Peter happily receives a bottle of "Good Night" to improve his sleeping habits.

PP John: "Maybe if I give this 'Good Night' to my wife, she'll forgive me for always being out late".



PRESIDENT'S NIGHT:
For IPP C.Y. Fu



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Pres. Desmond gives words of praise for C.Y.'s leadership.



A well-deserved toast to IPP C.Y..



The gathering to honour IPP C.Y..



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