

# Last week's Proceedings -

# 19th December, 2007

Being the last club meeting of the year 2007 and of the Family Month in December we have organized a Christmas Party coupled with our Club Assembly today.

President Laurence chaired the luncheon meeting starting at 1.15 p.m. and welcomed all our participating members, the visiting Rotarian, DAG Wendy Mung from the Rotary Club of Peninsula, our Rotaractors, IPP Mimi Lau, and our potential new member, also our ex-Rotaractor of RC HKIE, Jackal Lee to share this joyful and informative gathering.

We were all excited to have two birthday boys today, our PP Hubert Chan and PP Henry Chan, who have chosen Dir. Eric Chin and PP George Leung to be their birthday song leaders respectively and have received a big round of applauses and warm greetings from us after the singing of the birthday song.

President Laurence then made the following announcements:

We were invited by the Choi Jun School to attend their inauguration ceremony of the School Teachers & Students Parent Association at the school on 23rd December 2007.

We were also invited to join the Christmas Party for the hospitalized children at the Duchess of Kent Children's Hospital on the Christmas Day on 25th December 2007 in which our Rotaract Club of HKIE is one of the co-organizers. Our members were then asked to act as Santa Claus, immediately volunteered by Rotarians Kenny Chan and Nancy Yee, to present gifts to the children as our Club has donated HKD 2,000 for the gifts.

SAA Heman Lam then made his SAA report of the Red box collection of HK\$1,400.

The floor was handed over to our PE Andy Wong who called the club assembly meeting to order with 16 of our members attended and witnessed by our AG Eddy Wong and DAG Wendy Mung on behalf our District Governor.

Dir. Heman Lam and Dir. Eric Chin were asked to present the service projects done in the past months and planned for the coming months which included:

- 1. the "S wimming Above Self" swimming training project for the mildly handicapped students of the Choi Jun School,
- 2. the follow-up progress reporting of the Water Cellar Project in Shaanxi
- 3. the Playright project for the set up of developmental play packages to meet the developmental needs of hospitalized children in two hospitals in Hong Kong
- 4. the activation of scholarship for the students of Wah Yan College who have accomplished over 200 hours of community service works each school year. This scholarship has been set up in honor of PDG Uncle Peter Hall with the funding contributions received on his 80th birthday.

Dir. Uncle John Kwok was asked to present to us the latest Club Service activities which included a club attendance update and a follow-up plan for our potential new members in the pipeline. He also announced that the annual Uncle John Kwok Golf Tournament would be held on Tuesday 15th January, 2008 at the Fanling Golf Course followed by a fellowship dinner with more details to be provided later.

PE Andy Wong then echoed the healthy financial status of our club from our Hon. Treasurer Rudy Law followed by the announcement of IPP Paul Chan that our club's application for the section 88 has been approved by the government meaning that our charity related service projects contributions from now on can be tax exempted.

The following future activities were also announced:

- 1. Chinese New Year Celebration Luncheon on Wednesday 13th February, 2008
- 2. Visit DoTau Primary School in ZhaoQing, Guangdong Province in Mar. 2008
- 3. Fire-side gathering to celebrate our Club Inauguration Anniversary Apr. 2008
- 4. President Night hosted by IPP Paul Chan and President Laurence in May 2008

There was no question from the floor except that Uncle Peter has reminded us that our attendance of board meetings as well as answering questions from the bulletin would be counted as acceptable make-up in our club's attendance record. PE Andy Wong then adjourned the Club Assembly and thanked the directors for their preparation of the reports and all the members and guests for their active and attentive participation.

Meeting was adjoined at 2:05 after everybody having enjoyed the informative Club Assembly and the special Christmas lunch prepared purposely by the Regal HK Hotel for us with Pres. Laurence proposed a toast to RI, coupled with the Rotary Club of Peninsula. All participants were invited for a group photo with their Christmas hats and cheerful smiles.

# Rotary Potpourri

(Starting this week instead of "Rotary information", we have changed the heading to read as "Rotary Potpourri" for the bulletin).

#### **Old Rotary Friends**

It is customary for us to exchange greetings from abroad starting from the end of the year, especially in the Rotary Family Month. Nowadays, we used email instead of airmail with quicker and more economical effect. But still, the old fashion is in practice.

We just pick a few old style greetings from our bosom friends overseas who sent warm regards, especially from Rotary families, such as

- 1. Past RI President Cliff Dochterman and anne Mary Elena with a year end letter;
- 2. Our former member IPDG David Waring from USA;
- 3. Our former President Leslie Soltay and anne Molly from Canada;
- 4. Our former member Robin Hearder and anne Maria from Australia;
- 5. Our former member S. Y. Pang & anne Eunice from San Francisco:
- 6. Our former member Richard Yau, from New York;
- 7. Our former PP Cedric Astbury from UK;
- 8. Our former Roy Grubb;

and many others. They all remember our clubs and its old members. We wonder how many of us remember them at all.

## **Multiple PHF**

Through the assistance of our own PP Henry Chan, a handicapped girl got a job in The Hong Kong Jockey Club. In appreciation of his good deed, PP Rudy Law donated a cheque of US\$1000 to The Rotary Foundation naming PP Henry Chan as a multiple Paul Harris Fellow. This is a surprise action without the knowledge of Henry.

#### Educational Project

The board of HKIE had endorsed a yearly educational project with Wah Yan College, Hong Kong in honor of PDG Peter Hall by utilizing the fund raised during Peter Hall 80th Birthday occasion. Further details will announce later when the subject has been finalized.

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### Club News

On behalf of RC HKIE Pres. Laurence coupled with his anne Jennie & his son Jackie, Hon. Secretary Norman coupled with his anne Isabel, his daughter Adrienne & his son Christian together with SAA & Director Heman have attended the inauguration ceremony of the Choi Jun School Teachers & Students Parent Association at the school on Sunday morning 23rd December 2007.

They have met many of the mildly handic apped students and their parents, some of them we have sponsored the swimming training class for a year to improve their swimming skills, health and self confidence.

Our members were asked to witness the inauguration ceremony together with other dignitaries on stage and Pres. Laurence was asked to address the ceremony too. They were well received by the teachers, students and their parents attending (see photos in the bulletin). After the ceremony Hon. Secretary Norman and his family have treated Pres. Laurence, Anne Jennie and Dir. Heman with a very nice luncheon in one of the famous scenic restaurants in Shatin.

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On the Christmas Day, the 25th December of this year, it was a meaningful and memorable day for some of our members of the Rotactor Club and Rotary Club of HK Island East after their active participation in the Christmas Party organized for the hospitalized children at the Duchess of Kent Children's Hospital.

Early in the morning at this Christmas Day, around 8.30am, our Rotaractors of HKIE together with Rotarians Nancy Yee and Kenny Chan dressing as Santa Claus were on the parade of cars wrapped with nice big gift ribbons followed by cutely dressed small angels, handsomely decorated Doctor Dogs from the Animals Asia Foundation to kick off the Christmas Party for the hospitalized children.

Amongst other gifts being presented to the hospitalized children and their visiting young family members they also have given away the gift of twin towels which our Club has donated to each of the children there.

Please see the news video clips of TVB and ATV from the following links

TVB: http://news.tvb.com/630pm/2007/1225/index\_2.html

ATV: http://www.hkatvnews.com/v3/share\_out/\_content/2007/12/25/atvnews\_112707.html

to see if you can recognize them and also you can browse the photos shown in this bulletin to see if you can find them too!

Thank you for the hard works of Rotarians Nancy Yee & Kenny Chan and the great organizing and participating efforts of our Rotaractors President Wong Ming, IPP Mimi Lau and Director Kenny Kwok in presenting in person the spirits of Service Above Self and Rotary Shares to the hospitalized children on the Christmas Day!

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# **Electronic Make-up Questions**

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

1. What are the dual special purposes of the luncheon meeting today?
Answer:
2. Who were our visiting guests?
Answer:
3. Who were we celebrating their birthdays this week?
Answer:
4. How many announcements President Laurence has made?
Answer:
5. How much we have collected for the Red Box?
Answer:
6. Who was reporting to us about community service projects?
Answer:
7. Who was reporting to us about international service projects?
Answer:
8. When and where will the Uncle John Kwok golf tournament be held?
Answer:
9. Which date was the Chinese New Year Celebrating Lunch being proposed?
Answer:
10. What is the new name replacing the "Rotary Information" from now on?
Answer:
Name: Email:
Submit

## LAUGH FOR THE WEEK

## What's for dinner?

A man kills a deer and takes it home to cook for dinner.

Both he and his wife decide that they won't tell the kids what kind of meat it is, but will give them a clue and let them guess.

The kids were eager to know what the meat was on their plates, so they begged their dad for the clue.

Well. he said. 'It's what mommy calls me sometimes'.

# Photographs of our meeting on

# 19th December, 2007



PE/VP Andy Wong, DAG Wendy Mung of RC of Peninsula and our potential new member Jackal Lee



PDG Uncle Peter, IPP Mimi from Rotar act Club of HKIE and Pres. Laurence Chan



(L to R) AG Eddy, PP Henry, Rtn Kenny, PP Rudy, PP David, Rtn Nancy & IPP Paul



(L to R) Dir. Eric, PP Hubert, PP George, SAA Heman & Rtn John V



Pres. Laurence accompanied the birthday song leaders Dir. Eric & PP George to greet our birthday boys PP Hubert and PP Henry



PE/VP Andy Wong chaired the 2nd Club Assembly



Dir. & SAA Heman Lam reported the Community Service projects



Dir. Eric reported the International Service "Playright" joint project with our Sister Club Osaka Jonan



IPP Paul Chan updated our newly incorporated limited company's status



Christmas luncheon group photo



Hospitalized children of the
"Playright" project will receive toys
donated from RC HKIE and RC
Osaka Jonan



8,000 hospitalized children, aged 0 to 8, in a year in two designated hospitals in Hong Kong will be benefited by the "Playright" project



Pres. Laurence, Hon. Sec. Norman & Dir. Heman welcomed by the officials of Choi Jun School



Attending the inauguration ceremony of the School Teachers & Students
Parent Association



President addressing to the students and their family members at the inauguration ceremony



Group photo taken with the representatives of the School students with their X'mas gifts



Pres. Laurence & his family enjoying the delicious lunch hosted by Hon Sec. Norman in Shatin after the inauguration ceremony



Dir. Heman sharing the delicious lunch with the family members of Hon. Sec. Norman



Members of the Rotary and Rotaract Clubs of HK Island East at the Duchess of Kent Children's Hospital at Tai Hau Wan, Hong Kong



Over 130 children attending the Christmas Party co-organized by our Rotaract Club of HKIE on the Christmas Day early in the morning



Accompanied by the Doctor Dogs at the Christmas Party to play with the children



Our Santa Claus are being filmed by the TVB of Hong Kong



Lovely twin towels donated by Rotary Club of HK Island East to the hospitalized children are presented by our Rtn. Kenny and Nancy



Every one is happy to receive the gifts presented by our Santa Claus

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