

## Last week's Proceedings -

21st December, 2005

# Pres Eddy and the Board of Directors wish everyone

# **A Merry Christmas**

and

# A Happy and Prosperous New Year.

It was our Club's X'mas celebration and both the program me and menu were catered for the occasion. President Eddy opened the meeting with a warm welcome to our guests : IPP Rudy's better half, Eileen, and their daughter Jacqueline; PP David's handsome son, Christian; and colleague of Rtn. Heron Ms Cherrie Ma. He also extended a warm welcome back to our members : Rtn Alex and Rtn Andrew.

PP Hubert led the birthday song for the birthday boy, PP Henry. Uncle Peter acted as sergeant and he collected \$1,400 for the red box.

President Eddy handed the floor to PP David for the X'mas programme. The first part was a quiz contest. Members who got the right answer received a gift from Uncle John. The overall winner was Rtn Tony who got the right answer for 5 questions and he received a bottle of Remy Martin. Rtn Tony kindly donated the gift for an auction at a later date. The second part was X'mas Carol singing : "O Holly Night" and " Wish a Merry X'mas". The highlight was a lucky draw and the two bottles of red wine were won by Rtn Norman and Rotarianne Eileen. Before President Eddy closed the meeting Rtn Tony gave us the following thought provoking words :

"Signs of the End of the Age.

-fulfilment of a prophecy of Jesus Christ.

At about 32 AD, Jesus of Nazareth uttered two prophecies on the Mount of Olives in the city of Jerusalem.

In the Gospel of Matthew, chapter 24 verses 1 to 8, 12 to 14, we read:

" Jesus left the temple and was walking away when his disciples came up to him to call his attention to its buildings. ' Do you see all these things? ', he asked. ' I tell you the truth, not one stone here will be left on another; every one will be thrown down.

'As Jesus was sitting on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to him privately. 'Tell us,' they said, 'when will this happen, and what will be the sign of your coming and of the end of the age?

'Jesus answered: 'Watch out that no one deceives you. For many will come in my name, claiming, 'I am the Christ,' and will deceive many. You will hear of wars and rumours of wars, but see to it that you are not a larmed. Such things must happen, but the end is still to come. Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be famines and earthquakes in various places. All these are the beginning of birth pains. (The Gospel of Luke added: pestilences).

Because of the increase of wickedness, the love of most will grow cold, but he who stands firm to the end will be saved. And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come.

" The ancient history of the Jewish nation was divided into the first and second temple periods. The first temple was built by King Solomon at 960 BC and was destroyed in 587 BC by the Babylonian King Nebuchadnezzar, idol of Sadam Hussein. The second temple was built by Zurubbabel in 516 BC. The second temple lasted till the era of Jesus Christ, when the King Herod the Great repaired the temple from 19 BC and finished at 64 AD. At 70 AD, some 40 years after Jesus' prophecy, the Roman general Titus invaded Jerusalem and the Jewish nation was ended, till 1948 AD. Titus' soldiers set fire to the temple, and the y found that the fine gold on the walls and furniture started to melt, and flowed onto the floor. To get all the gold out for their bounty, they took down every stone on the walls and all the stones on the floor of the temple.

What Jesus said, " not one stone here will be left on another; every one will be thrown down." was fulfilled.

Similar fulfilment of the second prophecy is to be expected. Do we not, in this age, hear of wars and rumours of wars? Nation rises against nation? Kingdom against kingdom? Are there not still famines, earthquakes in various places, and pestilence? Some said AIDS, others said SARS, and now bird flu is upon us!

After all these centuries of education, scientific development, health improvements, advances in human living, the human heart, selfishness, greed is still not changed for the better. All the arguments in the WTO is an excellent example.

I have heard one solution suggested, that is war. I do not agree to it. I think, and all here will agree, that the Rotary spirit is a good help. But the final solution to the human selfishness and greed, is none other than the gospel of Jesus Christ, who came into this world, gave himself for our atonement, and died for us; so that we may have faith, hope, love and life everlasting. "

## **Rotary Information**

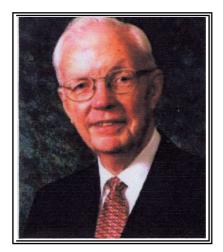
#### Latest announcement from Rotary International Re Nominating for RI President of 2007-08

Following the meeting of the Nominating Committee for President of Rotary International in 2007-08 in mid-September, RI received a formal complaint alleging improper activities during the nominating process. The RI Board of Directors reviewed the allegations at its November meeting.

The board agreed that, to protect the integrity of the nominating process, a new Nominating Committee will be convened on 5th November to select a nominee for president of Rotary International in 2007-08. All previous candidates will remain eligible.

The Board also extended the deadline for challenges to the committee's selection to 1st, January 2006.

Wilkinson is choice for RI President 2007-08



Wilfred J. Wilkinson of the Rotary Club of Trenton, Ontario, Canada, is the selection of the Nominating Committee for President of Rotary International in 2007-08 that convened at RI World Headquarters on 5th December. He will become the president-nominee on 1st January 2006 if there are no challenging candidates.

Wilkinson was a founding partner of Wilkinson & Company, chartered Accountants. Since retiring in 2001, he has served as executive director of the Quinte Ballet School of Canada and Canadian coordinator for the National Association of Forensic Accountants

A Rotarian since 1962, Wilkinson is currently a PolioPlus national advocacy adviser and a member at large of the PolioPlus Partners Task Force. Previously, he has served RI as district governor, International Assembly group discussion leader, consultative group member, committee member and chair, task force member, Foundation Trustee, director, and vice president. Most recently, he was chair of the 2005 Chicago Convention Committee and vice chair of RI's Afghan refugee relief project.

The nominating committee members are Abraham Gordon, USA (chair); Edgar C. Hatcher Jr., USA (secretary); Gustaaf A. Annokkee, The Netherlands; Jacques Berthet, France; JohnT. Blount, USA; Anthony L. Brockington, USA; Hee-Byung Chaie, Korea; Gustavo A. De Oballdia, Panama; Edgar D. Gifford, USA; Gerson Concalves, Brazil; Rafael G. Hechanova, Philippines; Shizuo Imai, Japan, Masahiro "Masa" Kuroda, Japan, Jorma Lampen, Finland; David D. Morgan, Wales; Carl S. Rosenbaum, USA; and O.P. Vaish, India.

(Please refer to the article regarding Nomination of RI President of 2007-08 as appeared in this bulletin dated 21-September 2005 Vol. 53 issue No. 12)

### OBITUARY



#### Mr. William Nichol

#### <u> 1909 - 2005</u>

It is with sadness to announce the death of Mr. William Nichol, our charter member and the 5th president of the Rotary Club of Hong Ko Island East on the 24th December 2005 in Vancouver, B.C., Canada.

Cremation ceremony will be held in the Vancouver Crematorium on the 29th December 2005 at 11.00 a.m. According to his wish earlier, simple funeral service of the family will take place.

The late Bill Nichol was born in March 14th, 1909 and had been active in our club's affairs and activities until he retired and settled down Vancouver, Canada with his family. He visited our club some years back to see old friends and members at his old age. We all missed hir and always tried to recall our memory by referring to his message published in our 50th Anniversary Souvenir programme.

May he rest in peace !

Rotary Club of Hong Kong Isl P.D.G. P

## **Electronic Make-up Questions**

#### You can submit an electronic makeup for this missed meeting by answering the following 6 questions:

1. Today's program is our Christmas party. Who were IPP Rudy's two guests?

Answer:

2. PP David Li invited his son to the party, what is his name?

Answer:

3. Rtn Heron invited his colleague to the party, what is her name?

Answer:

4. PP Hubert led the birthday song for whom?

Answer:

5. Rtn Dr. Tonv gave us some thought provoking words. It was on:(choose one)

A) How to cure your sprained ligament.

B) How to reverse your aging bones

C) The fulfilment of a prophecy of Jesus Christ.

Answer:

6. Who was chosen RI President for 2007-2008?

Answer:

Instruction:

Please copy these 6 questions click the following URL John Kwok and paste it to the email and answer these questions and then click send

## Joke

### How dirty is your mind?

One beautiful December evening Pepe and his girlfriend Pepa were sitting by the side of the ocean.

It was a romantic full moon, when Pepe said "Hey, Mamacita, let's play Weeweechu."

"Oh no, not now, let's look at the moon" said Pepa.

"Oh, c'mon baby, let's you and I play Weeweechu. I love you and it's the perfect time," Pepito begged.

"But I wanna just hold your hand and watch the moon."

"Please, Corazoncito, just once, play Wee we echu with me."

Pepita looked at Pepito and said, "OK, one time, we'll play Weeweechu."

Pepito grabbed his guitar and they both sang .....

"We eweechu a Merry Christmas, Wee we echu a Merry Christmas, Weeweechu a! Merry Christmas, and a Happy New Year."

## **Photographs of our meeting**

on

### 21st December, 2005



PP David Li the quiz master giving our minds a little work out.



(L to R) PDG Uncle Peter, Pres. Eddy.



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Our Birthday Boy was none other then PP Henry, getting his present from Pres. Eddy while PP Hubert led the birthday song.



The winner of the quiz contest was Rtn Dr. Tony here receiving his prize from PDG Uncle Peter.



The runner up for the quiz was RtnAnn Eileen Law receiving her prize from Uncle Peter.



Our Christmas message was delivered by Dr. Tony



(L to R) Dr. Tony, Christian Li, son of PP David Li, RtnAnn Eileen Law, and daughter Jac queline and standing behind them is IPP Rudy..



(L to R) Rtns Alex, Charles, PP George, PP David Li, Rtns Norman and Kenny.



(L to R) PP Henry, Rtn Heron and his guest Ms Cherrie Ma, PP Hubert, and Rtn Andrew II.



Merry Christmas wishes were exchanged between all members of our club and our guests.



(L to R) PP David Li, Rtn. Charles, Dir Jason.



Group Photo of our Christmas meeting with PDG Uncle Peter, Pres Eddy, Guests and members of our club on 21st December, 2005

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