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What Happened Last Week

Today's meeting was almost an in-house affair except for the speaker.

At the writer's table, bets were being laid as to whether we could make the magic no. of 22. At that time we needed 2 more. We predicted that Tony would turn up at some stage and alas, he did not disappoint us. As if by magic, he appeared and joined our table. Still we were one short.

President Stephen started the meeting with a very special welcome to PP Sam, who had not graced our meetings for quite sometime now. The writer also spotted Andrew Shek at the headtable. Hope to see you more of often, Andrew!

Stephen then presented a belated birthday gift to Heron.

Stephen then announced that HKIE Constitution and By-laws had been amended to reflect changes resolved at the last AGM in December and they were ready for collection.

Stephen also announced that PP Rob and Malcolm had resigned from the club and Ates has resigned as director. Laurence was invited to the board as director in charge of International Services, and Jason will be in charge of Community Service.

Stephen also called upon us to attend the District Conference, which was due to take place on 16th & 17th of March.

Sergeant-at-arms Laurence then announced that the total donation this week totalled HK\$1,600.00.

Uncle Peter then gave Rotary Information. He stated that January was Rotary Awareness Month (you did not know that, did you?). He also asked questions about what constituted attendance and the status of Active/Honourary Members. Luckily for us, he also provided the answers.



THE ROTARY CLUB OF HONG KONG ISLAND EAST

香港東區扶輪社週報

Club 4350

District 3450

Chartered on 6 April, 1954 by Charter President
PDG (Uncle) John Yuen

Then came the highlights of the meeting. Kishu introduced our speaker Mr. Herbert Lau of Celestial Securities. His topic was the outlook for HK and China Stock Market.

Mr. Lau said that we had been through very choppy water but things may start to look up. The factors which supported this were that the US economy should start to recover by the 2nd half of this year, low interest rate would persist for quite sometime, and there is a lot of liquidity in the market.

Jason, also in the trade, thanked the speaker for his analysis.

A toast was made to Hong Kong Island East before the meeting was declared adjourned.

Rotary Information

January is Rotary Awareness Month as designated by RI. In January, Rotarians focus on learning more about Rotary. January is also a special time to promote Rotary within the community. As RI President Rick King has emphasized, "the more Rotarian know about Rotary, the more likely they are to participate in their club's activities and remain active and involved members."

To start the ball rolling, I am trying to give Rotary Information in the form of Question and Answer on question frequently asked by Rotarians.

Attendance

Q: Did the Council on Legislation change the attendance requirements?

A: The Council maintained the 60 percent attendance rule but liberalized absence and make-up policies (Article VIII, 2001 Standard Rotary Club Constitution). New reasons for which a member may be excused include if he or she

- "is called away unexpectedly from a club meeting and subsequently produces evidence to the satisfaction of the board that such action was reasonable;"
- is at the time of the meeting, "serving as the special representative of the district governor in the formation of a new club;" or
- "is a current officer of RI".

In addition, "the board may excuse a member's absence for reasons which it considers to be good and sufficient."

The Council approved two make-up opportunities, beyond those previously authorized:

- participation in a "club-sponsored community event or meeting authorized by the board;" and
- "attendance at a board meeting or, if authorized by the board, a meeting of a service committee to which the member is assigned."

Q: The new Standard Rotary Club Constitution (SRCC) makes no mention of notice of make-ups. How does a member notify the club of his/her make-up?

A: In writing or verbally or by make-up cards.

Q: A member was traveling in a country with no Rotary clubs and could not make-up a Board-approved absence. Should that absence be used to compute the club's attendance?

A: Yes.

Q: I used to be a senior active member. Now there are only active and honorary members. What does that mean for my attendance exemption?

A: The policy of excused absence still applies (Article VIII, Section 2, SRCC). A member may be excused if his or her years of age plus years as a Rotarian add up to 85 or greater. But it is not automatic. The member has to notify the club secretary in writing.

SPEAKER PROGRAMME











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| Jan 23 | Employees Retraining
by Mr. S. S. Kwong, Employees Retraining Board |
| Jan 30 | Macro Perspective of the Hong Kong Tax System
by PP Tim Lui |
| Feb 06 | Hong Kong and the Pearl River Delta :
Aviation in Transistion
by Mr. David Dodwell, Executive Director of Golin/Harris Forrest |

LAUGH FOR THE WEEK

A young man is wandering lost in a forest when he comes upon a small house. He knocks on the door and is greeted by an old Chinese man with a long grey beard. "I'm lost," said the man, "Can you put me up for the night?" "Certainly", the Chinese man said, "but one condition. If you so much as lay a finger on my daughter I will inflict upon you the three worst Chinese tortures known to man." The man agreed, thinking that the daughter must be pretty old as well, and entered the house. Over dinner the daughter came down the stairs. She was young, beautiful and had a fantastic body. She was obviously attracted to the young man as well, as she couldn't keep her eyes off of him during the meal. Remembering the old man's warning he ignored her and went up to bed alone. During the night he could bear it no longer and snuck into her room for a night of passion. Near dawn, he quietly crept back to his room so the old man wouldn't hear, exhausted but happy. He woke to feel a pressure on his chest. Opening his eyes he saw a large rock on his chest with a note on it that read: Chinese Torture 1: Large rock on chest. Well, that's easy, he thought. "If that's the best the old man can do then I don't have much to worry about." He picked the boulder up, walked over to the window and threw it out. As he did so, he noticed another note on it that read: Chinese Torture 2: Rock tied to left testicle. In a

panic he glanced down and saw the rope that was already getting close to taut. Figuring that a few broken bones was better than castration he jumped out of the window after the boulder. As he plummeted toward the ground he saw a large sign on the ground that read: Chinese Torture 3: Right testicle tied to bed post.

DRINKING DECATHLON

100 LITRES			FRONT CRAWL
VAULT			HURLING
ASYMMETRIC BARS			ROWING
WEIGHT LIFTING			4000m INDIVIDUAL PURSUIT
SHOT			3 DAY EVENT

YEAR 2001 - 2002

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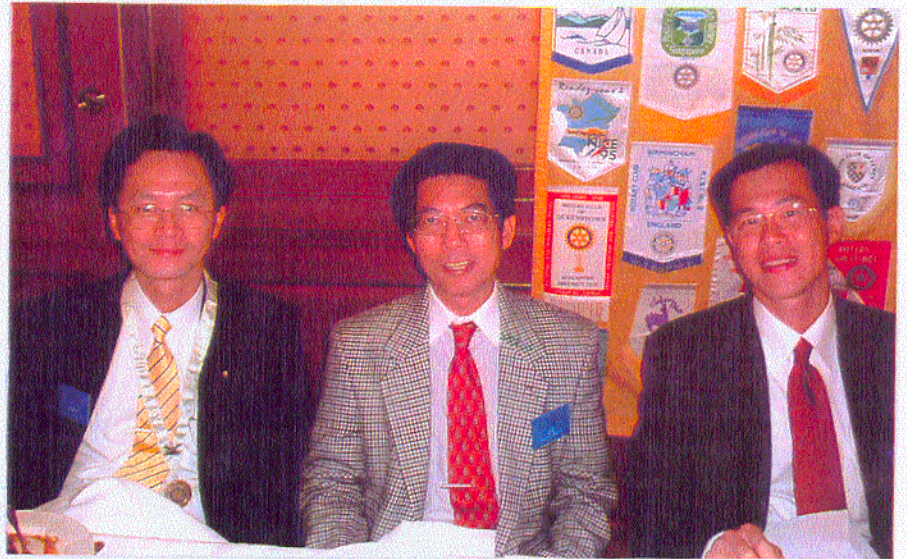
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ROTARY CLUB OF HONG KONG ISLAND EAST MEETS EVERY WEDNESDAY, 12:30 p.m. AT EXCELSIOR HOTEL, CAUSEWAY BAY



Mr. Herbert Lau our guest speaker talking about the Outlook for HK & China Market in 2002



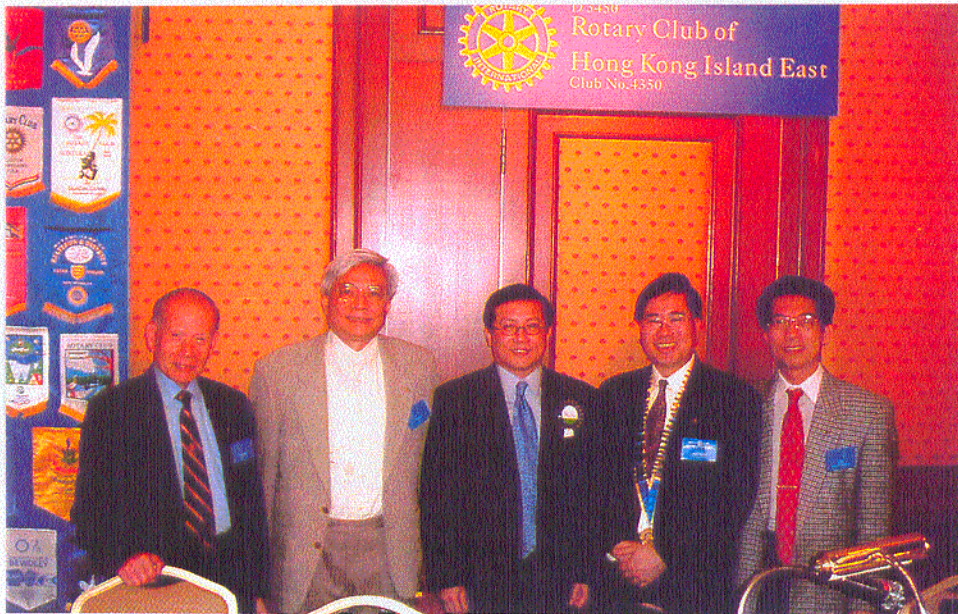
Hon. Sec. Eddy seated at the head table with PP C.Y. & Rtn Andrew.



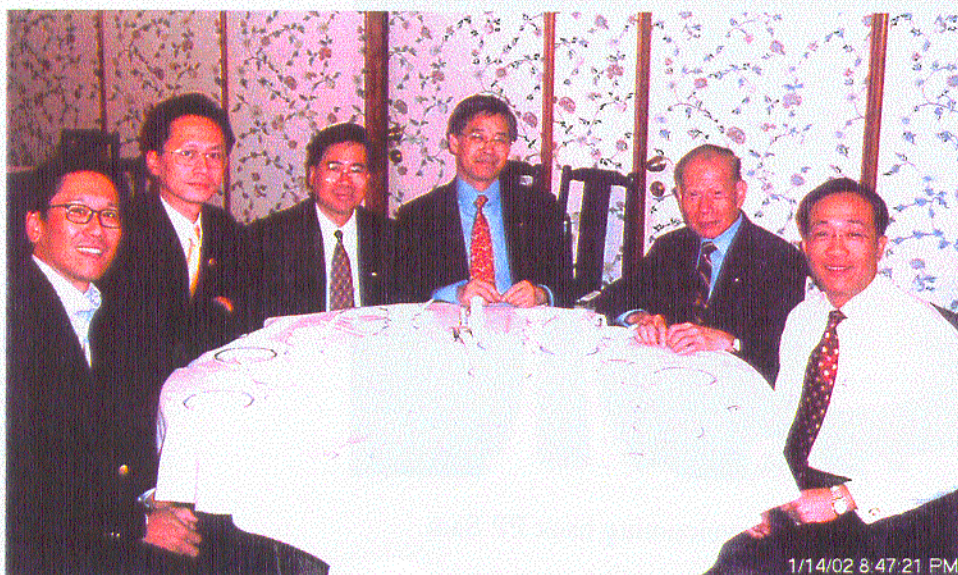
Rtn. Francis with PP Hubert & PP Tim welcoming back PP Sam.



A group of happy Rotarians enjoying their Wednesday gathering, (Standing L to R) Rtns Jason, & Kenny. (Seated L to R) Rtns Heron, Danny & Paul.



Group Photo of the speaker & our members on 16th January, 2002



Hard working Directors of our club enjoying their meals after the board meeting on 14th January, 2002