

Last week's Proceedings -

12th January, 2011

This week we moved back to our regular venue at the Hong Kong Regal Hotel for our luncheon meeting with Pres. Heman kicked off the meeting at 1.00pm with a warm welcome to all participants especially a big welcome to AG Henry, a welcomed back to our members Rtn. John Yao and Dir. Jason and also a special welcome to our visiting Rotarian Lawrence Ho from the Rotary Club of Bangkok South who would be soon joining our Club upon completion of the formalities. PE Eric was asked to introduce his guest being the newly joined Rotarctor, Henry Cheung, serving the role of Director Public Relations of our Rotaract Club of Hong Kong Island East. Then Pres. Heman presented the Wedding Anniversary gift to PP Andy Wong. We greeted all of them with big rounds of applause.

Pres. Heman proceeded to make his announcements as follows:

- 1. DG Jason would like to visit us on 26 Jan at our regular luncheon meeting to present the findings of the questionnaire about RIC New Premise as well as the next step forward, and he will answer questions from members. We will also invite Club from Area 3 to attend, please mark your diary.
- 2. Nomination for District Governor 2013-2014 is now open. Deadline would be at 5pm, 18th February 2011.
- 3. National Immunization Day will be held from 22nd January 2011 in New Delhi. PP Andy will help in organizing the travel arrangements.
- 4. A bowling competition hosted by Hong Kong Blind Sports Association and Co-organized by Rotary International District 3450, sponsored by Labor & Welfare Bureau will be held on Sunday 16th January 2011 from 10am to 1pm at HK Bowling City, G/F, HK International Trade & Exhibition Centre, Kowloon Bay. The main objectives of the event are to raise the self-confidence of people with visual impairment through equal participation in sports training and sports tournament and to arouse the public awareness on the needs and abilities of people with visual impairment. Any interested party please contact HS Jonathan.
- 5. Rotarian William Wong is helping the Education Bureau on the promotion of the New Academic Structure; recently they make a calendar card both in Chinese and in English to let more people understand the new education 334 system. If members who are interested to support and contribute to this promotion they can contact Rotarian William to arrange for the calendar cards deliver to them so that they can distribute them in their office or give them to their clients. Rotarian William distributed some of the cards to the attending members and guests.
- 6. Uncle John Golf Day is scheduled on 18 Feb 2011 Friday at HK Golf Club, Fanling, all golfers please mark your diary.
- 7. Early Bird for luncheon with membership dues will end today, if you have not issued a cheque, please do so today and give it to PP Rudy, otherwise, can send the cheque to me.
- 8. 19th February would be RC of Hong Kong's 80th Anniversary, venue would be at J W Marriott. Any members who are interested to join please inform HS Jonathan or myself.

IPP Norman was asked by Pres. Heman to the forum to receive the multiple-Paul-Harris-Fellow pin from PDG Uncle Peter for his recent contribution in the name of PP Paul Chan. We put our hands together to thank IPP Norman for his kind contribution.

Then Sergeant-At-Arm William Leung was asked to report the Red Box collection of today which was amounted to HKD 1,600 with a special handsome contribution of HKD 500 from SAA William himself being the celebration of his

Wedding Anniversary on exactly the day of our luncheon meeting. We all greeted him with a big round of applause and Pres. Heman would arrange for another anniversary gift to be presented to him in due course.

Then came the highlight of the meeting with Uncle John introduced our speaker, PDG Uncle Peter Hall, who was praised as the 'Walking Encyclopedia of Rotary' in our Club by him, to talk to us about the 'Basic of Rotary'. His speech was summarized as below:

President Heman, Fellow Rotariains & Guests.

I am supposed to be one of the club's guest speaker organizers for January 2011. I am not going to give you any vocational talk as I have given my vocational talk when I first joined this Rotary club in 1960. I am a retired person and I do not have any vocation to share with you.

To start my duty, I am touching on the basic of Rotary. As we are entering half way of this Rotary year, many of us do not remember the name of our RI President and his theme of his year. He is President Ray Klinginsmith and his theme is "Building Communities, Bridging Continents". Of course, you can read it from the frame in this room.

There is little difference in electing a Vice President in our club. A Vice President is elected in our club whereas a RI vice president is by appointment of the R.I. President. For example, past RI Director Gray Huang in Taiwan was appointed by the then RI President as Vice President.

All Directors of a Rotary club serve for a tenure of one year, while Directors of Rotary International serve for a term of two years.

Rotary is changing in many ways through the Council on Legislation which is held every three years. There were 4 kinds of membership in the old days. We have now only two kinds, namely: Active and, Honorary. Honorary member has no voting right and required to pay no dues at all. Active members accumulated the age and membership up to a figure of 85 is exempted to attend regular meetings but he or she must pay dues.

The Council on Legislation of 2010 was represented by our PDG Y.K. Cheng of our district 3450. It added one more avenue of service, such as New Generations, thus making 5 avenues of service instead of 4 in the past, taking care of Interact, Rotaract, and Rotary Youth Leadership Award, etc.

Rotary was confined to men's only club in the past. As from 1989, female members of good standing are allowed to join by invitation. We have at present three female members in our club. No gender discrimination should be practiced in a club according to the law of each country.

The basic rule of one classification per member had been changed. The club shall not elect a person to active classification if the club has already five or more members from that classification. When a club has 50 or more members, the 10% rule applies.

Rotary is growing in district 3450. During the governorship of Jason Chan, one new club was admitted into Rotary International, such as the Rotary Club of Kai Tak in Hong Kong, having its charter night held at The Grand Ball Room at Hotel Grand in Hunghum, Kowloon.

It was gratifying to note that Rotary in District 3450 is growing when compare with the figures some 28 years ago which read as 19,159 while the Rotary clubs worldwide had a global membership of 887,250 in 156 countries and geographical regions. These figures were released from the governor's letter when the speaker was district governor in 1981-1982. We have now in District 3450 a total of 64 clubs, dividing into Hong Kong (50) Macau (6) and Mongolia (8). Total membership worldwide is around 1.2 million.

The RI Board consists of 19 members, viz., RI President, RI President-Elect, Vice President, Treasurer and 15 directors. The secretary is a paid staff, such as Ed. Futa. The elections of RI directors are from the 34 zones worldwide in even membership. District 3450 has no RI director so far.

One last thing I have to mention is the District Conference of this Rotary year which is decided at 19/20 March 2011 at HK Convention & Exhibition Centre. Further details will announce later.

Don't let me talk all the time. I would like to answer questions which I hope I can answer to your satisfaction. Now the floor is yours. THANK YOU!

Before AG Henry was asked to officially thank PDG Uncle Peter for his informative talk a few rounds of questions from our members were answered satisfactorily by PDG Uncle Peter. While Pres. Heman presented PDG Uncle Peter a token of appreciation for his talk we once again put our hands together to thank PDG Uncle Peter for giving us a quick run-down of the basic of Rotary.

Pres. Heman reminded us that for our next week luncheon we have invited PP Dr. Peter Pang Chi-Wang as our guest

speaker for the topic on plastic surgery. Then the meeting was adjourned at 2.03pm with a toast to RI coupled with the Rotary Clubs of Bangkok South and Hong Kong Island East. We all stayed behind to take a group photo before we left.

Rotary Potpourri

Brief report on CU Graduation ceremony Dec 16

On behalf of the Club, PE Dr. Eric attended the United College 2009-2010 Graduation Ceremony, The Chinese University of Hong Kong. It was held on Dec 16, 2010 at 12:30 at Sir Run Run Shaw Hall. The ceremony was officiated by professor YL Cheung, Dean of the School of Business, Hong Kong Baptist University. There are 755 graduates from different faculty of the United College. PE Dr. Eric was invited on stage to present graduation certificates to 40 Graduates. United College, The Chinese University of Hong Kong has a long relationship with RC of Hong Kong Island East and has invited our representatives to be present in his graduation ceremony for many years. After the ceremony, a tree planting ceremony and a graduation group photo were taken. Please see the photos in this bulletin.

Electronic Make-up Questions

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

Name:

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1. Who were welcomed back by Pres. Heman ?
Ans)

2. Who will soon be joining us as our new member ?
Ans)

3. State any two of the announcements made by Pres. Heman today ?
Ans)

4. Who was pinned a multiple Paul Harris Fellow by PDG Uncle Peter ?
Ans)

5. What was the Red Box Collection, who made a handsome contribution ?
Ans)

6. Who introduced our speaker and what was the topic about ?
Ans)

7. Who was our speaker and who thanked the speaker ?
Ans)

8. Starting which year female members were allowed to join Rotary ?
Ans)

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Joke

Subject: New Women's Love Story

He grasped me firmly but gently just above my elbow and guided me into a room, his room. Then he quietly shut the door and we were alone.

He approached me soundlessly, from behind, and spoke in a low, reassuring voice close to my ear.

"Just relax."

Without warning, he reached down and I felt his strong, calloused hands start at my ankles, gently probing, and moving upward along my calves slowly but steadily. My breath caught in my throat. I knew I should be afraid, but somehow I didn't care. His touch was so experienced, so sure.

When his hands moved up onto my thighs, I gave a slight shudder, and partly closed my eyes. My pulse was pounding. I felt his knowing fingers caress my abdomen, my ribcage. And then, as he cupped my firm, full breasts in his hands, I inhaled sharply. Probing, searching, knowing what he wanted, he brought his hands to my shoulders, slid them down my tingling spine and into my panties.

Although I knew nothing about this man, I felt oddly trusting and expectant. This is a man, I thought. A man used to taking charge. A man not used to taking `no' for an answer. A man who would tell me what he wanted. A man who would look into my soul and say ...

"Okay, ma'am, all done."

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My eyes snapped open and he was standing in front of me, smiling, holding out my purse. "You can board your flight now

Photographs of our meeting

on

12th January, 2011

PP Henry Chan, Rtn.Lawrence Ho & PP Rudy Law PE Dr. Eric Chin, PDG Uncle Peter Hall, visiting guest Henry Cheung & Pres. Heman Lam PP Henry Chan, Rtn.Lawrence Ho & Peter Hall, visiting guest Henry Cheung & Pres. Heman Lam PE Dr. Eric Chin, PDG Uncle Peter Hall, visiting guest Henry Cheung & Pres. Heman Lam Figure 1. John Wood, Dir Nancy Yee, Rtn. John Yao & PP Eddy Wong PP Norman Lee & Dir. Anthony Dir Jason Chan & Dir. Teresa Ho Dir Nancy Yee & PP Eddy Wong



Rtn. William Wong, PP Laurence Chan & Rtn. William Leung



Pres. Heman Lam presented a wedding anniversary gift to PP Andy Wong



PDG Uncle Peter presented a multi Paul Harris Fellow pin to IPP Norman Lee



Rtn. William Leung reported the Red Box Collection



PDG Uncle Peter gave us a talk about the "Basic of Rotary"



AG Henry Chan gave a vote of thanks to PDG Uncle Peter



Group photo with members, visiting Rotarian & guest

Chinese University United College Graduation Ceremony - 16 Dec., 2010



Photo with Prof. Charles Kao - Father of Optical Fiber



Photo with Prof. KP Fung - Head of United College



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