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



What Happened Last Week

This was a historically significant meeting for Hong Kong Island East as it was the first meeting to be held in the third millennium. President Desmond opened the meeting by wishing members a very Happy New Year.

Rtn Andrew II immediately got underway in introducing the visitor and guest. They were Rtn Paul Kan (Peninsula) and guest of Rtn Bill, Peter Kuang.

It was a big day for PDG Y.K. (or is it Y2K?), starting with his birthday. He chose PP John (Placido)Luk to lead the singing.

Several announcements were then made. PE Tajwar reported that PP John Luk has for sale some very good CDs of music, the proceeds of which will be put to good use by the Hong Kong Engineers Community Fund. He also reminded members that the next Club Board meeting will be held at the Craigengower Cricket Club on Friday at 6:00 p.m. with dinner afterwards.

Sergeant Rudy then reported that there were 23 members present and \$1,850 had been collected.

As the meeting had moved quickly, PDG Y.K. was introduced early as speaker for the meeting. He chose to talk about the Rotary Foundation. He likened the Foundation to the Roman God, Janus, with two heads because the Foundation has two prime functions, i.e., service to the international community and raising money to provide this service. The mission of the Rotary Foundation is to help Rotary International foster world understanding and peace as well as support educational, humanitarian and cultural programs.

Some educational programs include the Ambassadorial Scholarships and Teacher Exchange. Humanitarian programs include Matching Grants, Helping Grants, 3-H, and Discovery Grants (US\$3,000 grants to investigate the feasibility of a proposed project.). Cultural programs involve Student Exchange and the Group Study Exchange.

Finally, there is the Polio Plus program which is on target to eradicate Polio by 2002, with confirmation by 2005.

Y.K. advised that the target sum to be raised this year by this district is US\$180,000. He also informed members that they could contribute to this fund by donating a minimum of US\$100. Apart from this, there is the Paul Harris Fellowship and Sustaining Member funds that are vital sources of funds to the Rotary Foundation.

To complete his talk, Y.K. provided a little history of the Foundation. It was originally set up by PRIP Arch Klump, 82 years ago. It had a slow start, but on the death of Paul Harris in 1947, it began to flourish, beginning with the Ambassadorial Scholarship program.

There were a number of questions asked by members but, as time had run out, President Desmond had to bring proceedings to a halt, and he thanked PDG Y.K. for his interesting presentation.

To close the meeting, President Desmond proposed a toast to the Rotary Club of Peninsula.



Rotary Information

Bresidential Conference beckons in Hong Kong

RI President Carlo Raviszza invites Rotarians to the third presidential conference of this Rotary year in Hong Kong, China, from February 25 to 27, 2000, at the Regent Hong Kong Hotel.

Conference attendees will explore the future of Rotary in the Asian region, especially issues related to membership development, education, the changing service needs for the new millennium and how to enhance communication and dialogue among Asian nations. Like other presidential conferences, the Hong Kong meeting will tackle topics that reflect the theme of Ravizza's presidency: "Rotary 2000: Act with Consistency, Credibility and Continuity."

During the opening plenary session Chung Ying Leung, the convener of the Executive Council of Hong Kong, will give a keynote address on "The Impact of the Regional Economy on Community Service." Participants will exchange views with Ravizza and other speakers on specific conference issues and Rotary in "open forum" format meetings. Bill Huntley, chairman of The Rotary Foundation Trustees, will give an address in a plenary session, and a youth forum will offer Rotaractors and Interactors a chance to discuss their vision of Rotary 2000.

Attractions such as parks, galleries and concert halls will be awaiting conferees in Hong Kong, a city with a 150-year history as an international trade and financial center.

The deadline for registration is January 31. The registration fee is US\$175 for Rotarians and guests. Rotaractors and Interactors can register for free and are invited to attend the plenary sessions and discussion forums.



We missed you on 5th January 2000!!!

Team 1 Chellaram, Manolo

Team 2 Chan, Kenny; Fu, C.Y.; Lamport, William

Team 3 Fung, Lewis; Lai, Robert; Pang, K.T.; Wong Sam

Team 4 Kilis, Danny; Li David

Team 5 Ling, Thomas; Loy, Tony; Narain, Kishu

Team 6 Chan, Joseph; Chan, Paul

16 members missing

Please makeup!!!



Peter Kuang



7 January, 2000

New member proposed by William Lamport

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If no objection is received within the stipulated one week's time, then Peter Kuang will be admitted into this club.



LAZIGA FOR THE WEEK

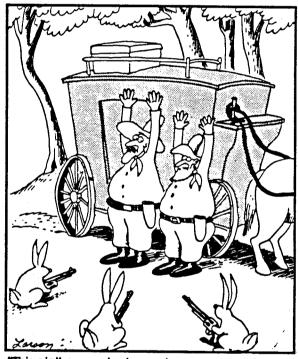
With the recent introduction of "Drive-Through" ATM machines, it has been noticed that there are differences in the way males and females use this facility:

Male procedure:

- > Drive up to cash machine.
- > Wind down window.
- > Insert card and enter PIN.
- > Enter amount of cash to withdraw.
- > Retrieve card, cash and receipt.
- > Wind up window.
- > Drive off.

Female procedure:

- > Drive up to cash machine.
- > Reverse back 1 metre to align window with machine.
- > Stall engine.
- Wind down window.
- Enter handbag and remove make-up bag, brush, hairspray, spare make-up bag, mobile phone, and locate card.
- > Check make-up in rear view mirror.
- > Attempt to insert card into machine.
- > Open door to get closer to machine.
- > Insert card.
- > Re-enter handbag to find cigarette packet with PIN number written on inside.
- > Insert PIN, press cancel, and re-enter PIN.
- > Enter the amount of cash to withdraw.
- Check make-up and hair in rear view mirror.
- > Give machine dirty look when "Insufficient Funds is displayed.
- > Explain to anyone listening that there is something wrong with this ATM.
- > Re-enter PIN again.
- > Retrieve cash and receipt.
- > Locate purse and place cash inside.
- Replace make-up bag, brush, hairspray, spare make-up bag and mobile phone.
- > Check make-up again.
- Restart car.
- > Drive forward for 2 metres.
- > Reverse back to cash machine.
- Retrieve card.
- > Locate card holder in purse and insert card.
- Recheck make-up.
- > Restart engine and drive off.
- Drive for 3 miles.
- > Release hand-brake.
- > Turn to partner and say, "Don't you dare say a f####g word!"



"This ain't gonna look good on our report, Leroy,"





PP Rob has just told one of his jokes to visitor Paul Kan (Peninsula).

Rtn. Stephen & Andrew taking fellowship with guest Peter Kuang.





Visitors & guest to the Club, 5 January, 2000.



PDG Y.K. deals with some of the finer details of the Rotary Foundation.



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PDG Y.K. receives his birthday gift from Pres. Desmond.



PP John (Placido) Luk wishes PDG Y.K. a very happy birthday.