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香港東區扶輪社週報 THE ROTARY CLUB OF HONG KONG ISLAND EAST

## **Last week's Proceedings -**

**9th February, 2011**

The first meeting of the Year of Rabbit was welcome by the God of Fortune which was acted by Rotarian William who also presented to all members lucky red pockets sponsored by AG Henry. President Heman then called the meeting at 1:05pm and invited Rotarian William Wong to introduce his guest Mr. Jonah Cheung. Mr. Savio Wong was introduced by PP Norman. PP Laurence also introduced a group of Rotaractors led by President Mini from Lingnan University. Finally Osmund Lo, Incoming President of Lingnan University, and Hannah Fung, Internal Vice President, were introduced by PE Eric.

To wish all members good fortune in the Year of Rabbit, Pres. Heman, PDG YK Cheng, AG Henry and PDG Uncle Peter officiated a traditional ceremony by invited everybody to stir on the lucky dish which has good fortune and wealth meaning. We then celebrated 2 birthday boys (PDG YK Cheng and Rotarian Tony) and the birthday song was led by Rotarian Freddie & Pres. Heman. Also a wedding anniversary gift was presented to PDG YK Cheng by Pres. Heman to congratulate this special occasion.

Pres. Heman then made his announcement as follows:

1. Nomination for District Governor 2013-2014 is now open, deadline would be at 5pm, 18th February 2011.
2. Chinese New Year family Gathering will be held on 12 February at PP Laurence's house, please register with HS Jonathan.
3. Uncle John Golf Day is scheduled on 18 Feb 2011 Friday at HK Golf Club, Fanling, all golfers please register with HS Jonathan. There are requests for separate day for dinner, we may arrange it in late February or early March.
4. 19th February 2011 would be RC of Hong Kong's 80th Anniversary, venue would be at JW Marriott. Pres.-Elect Eric, Pres. Nominee Nancy & Rotarian Dr. Freddie Wu will join. Any members interested to join please inform Hon. Secretary Jonathan or Pres. Heman.
5. District Conference will be held on 19-20 March 2011 at HK Conference and Exhibition Centre, please register with Hon. Secretary Jonathan or Pres. Heman.

Acting Sergeant-At-Arm Pres. Nominee Nancy then reported the Red Box collection of today was amounted to HK\$2,500 and she thanked all contributors for their generous support. She then formally introduced Dr. Sammy Au (Feng Shui Master), who is also a member of the Rotary Club of Hong Kong Harbor, as our speaker of today and the topic was "General Fortune for the Year of Rabbit". The talk was summarized as follows:

The Main fortune direction of the year: Southeast/Southwest

Forecast of the year:

- Property growth are estimated to increase by 8 - 10%
- General Material Cost will also see an increase throughout the coming year
- A high opportunity in the Stock market is seen for the year of the rabbit but beware of the changes during the months of February and August
- RMB will continue to appreciate

Fortune forecast Chinese Zodiac for the year of rabbit:

- Good fortune is seen upon these zodiacs: Pig, Sheep, Dog and Tiger
- Average fortune is seen upon these zodiacs: Ox, Snake, Monkey and Rabbit
- Zodiac to be more aware during the year of the rabbit: Rooster, Rat, Horse and Dragon

Good study direction - Southwest

Celebration direction - West

Fortune direction - Northwest

Love affairs direction - Northeast.

During the time for Q&A, the following were asked and answered:

Rotarian Sharon learned from different sources that "Horse" was mentioned as one of the good fortune zodiac in this year which is different from Dr. Au's forecast.

Dr. Au then answered by saying, Chinese zodiac cannot reflect on individual's fortune accurately, with more information on exact timing on an individual's date of birth plus Timing, Place and People it will then be more precisely describing for the individual.

Rotarian Tony Loy posed a question, why are the fortune so different if the date of birth is only a few days away.

Dr. Au then replied that the zodiac system cannot be 100% accurate as compared to having the information on individual's date of birth and time and his book on Enneagram of Personality can explain in more detail on how this can be understood.

Pres. Heman then presented a small gift to Dr. Sammy Au as a token of appreciation, PP Eddie thanked Dr. Au for taking the opportunity to share and explain to our members his knowledge on Feng Shui fortunes for the year of the rabbit.

Then Pres. Heman invited the Rotaract Club of Lingnan University to report to us their annual report as follows:

### **Annual Report by Rotaract Club of Lingnan University - President Mini**

For the club services aspect, there was a joint university installation with Rotaract Club of University of Hong Kong and Rotaract Club of Polytechnic University at the beginning of July. It took place in University of Hong Kong.

The Joint-university Rotaract Club high table dinner was held in November under the cooperation of all eight universities. The activity was a success and the atmosphere of that night was very enjoyable for everyone as the guests from the political cycle were funny and nice.

There was also another activity in November with Polytechnic University which was a joint-university cross road experience day camp in Tuen Mun. The aim of the day was to give members a significant opportunity to experience the lifestyle as poor and blind people. The learning outcome of that day was to allow members to understand and treasure what they have since they are living in Hong Kong which have sufficient resources.

At the end of August, recruitment of new members was held in the new student orientation camp. Souvenirs such as files, note books and some fruit memo were brought to attract new students to join the club. A total of 70 members were recruited which brought the current number of members to 110.

In September an orientation night was hosted in order to build up closer relationship with those new members. The aim of orientation night was to welcome the Lingnan freshmen and introduce the structure of Rotaract club to them through games and sharing. At the end of the orientation night, some new members showed their interest to become the committee members of Rotaract Club. In October, new committee members was recruited, although the reaction was less popular than expected, but were still able to recruit 14 people to become the next board's committee members.

In the professional development aspect, a site visit to Cathay Pacific City was arranged in March in which members could have a more detailed understanding of information about being an air hostess.

Beauty make-up session was hosted for members, allowing them to have the opportunity to practice party and working make-up, this helped member to look for jobs in the future.

Furthermore, in February a talk will be held on the topic of the funeral industry allowing members to understand more about life and death in order to cherish their life, which also matches with this year's theme 'we live as we love'.

"No Violence but Protection" project is one of the community service projects. It is a long term services project for children who have suffered from home domestic violence. Four visits were held for them. The first one was Children Carnival, allowing members to get to know and understand these children more and also help children to learn how to get along with strangers. The rotaractors taught those children how to speak out their feeling through playing games. The second visit was handcraft workshop with children, making lanterns with them in order to celebrate the mid-autumn festival. The third visit was master piece making with the children. The members cooperated with the children to make the funnel, both learning the important of time and how to cooperate with each other.

The fourth activity in community aspect was voluntary service in Fu Tai. It was held at the end of January. Cooperation was made with social services group in Lingnan University and student services centre. There are over 70 volunteers to visited 60 families including the elderlies who live alone. Members chatted with them and give some new year present to them such as rice.

Members are looking forward to having the last visit to Lavender Garden with the children who suffered from home domestic violence at the end of February. Another upcoming activity in February is the mosaic workshop with student of mental handicap and autism in Choi Jun School. There will also be sessions on how to make mosaic wood box and play games with the children.

Apart from the club's activities, there is a closer cooperation with mother club this year. The club joined the 25th September's Carnival and Rotary 10K Race and acted as helpers. In the 925 carnival, members helped to set up the games in the booth with Rotaract Club Of Hong Kong Island East to promote the message of healthy life and also having dinner meeting with mother club for several times.

### **International Service Trip 2011 - Cambodia - Reported by International Service Director, Mandi Leung**

In January 2011, rotaractors went to Cambodia for International Service Trip 2011. Cambodia is chosen because it is the happiest country in SE Asian even it is the poorest one, so members believe that there must be something valuable to treasure. This year, the main theme is "Learn How to Choose", hoping that members will know how to choose their road in the upcoming future after the trip. Also, Cambodia is a country with long history, through visiting historical sites like Angkor Wat, members learnt more about the history and culture of Cambodia. Cooperating with Happy Tree, there was 25 people, including the board members, went to Cambodia for seven days.

First day, was the visit to Genocide Museum and the Mass graves to know more about the recent history of Cambodia. Members were shocked as the effects of the war still have a huge influence on some of the Cambodians nowadays.

Second day, there was another visit to the House of Rainbow Bridges Hospice Orphanage for HIV+/AIDS. Even the life spans of children there are not as long they choose the positive ways to color their lives, which really inspired members. In the afternoon, a visit to a local village was made, divided into five groups, each group visited 12 families and gave the presents to them, such as rice, noodles, oil and soap. There was one translator in each group, so members were able to communicate with the Cambodians. Members asked the families why they didn't move out even the living environment there was poor, their answer was that their children could receive education in the village and they could maintain their living by collecting rubbish in a dumpling hill that is nearby.

Third day morning, members visited the Nutrition Centre, as there were children who were disabled, so activities were limited. Then, the next stop was to the CPCDO Orphanage and rotaractors played outdoor games with the children. Children there really love outdoor games, even the members got tired after playing for two hours. In the afternoon, there was a visit to Happy Land, some performances, games and drawing activities were conducted with the children.

Fourth day, a visit was made to the UNACAS Orphanage, children there would prefer private time with the members rather than playing games. For the boys, they played football together, for the girls they had girl's talks. Some Cambodian girls even did nail painting for some of the members. Afterwards, members revisited to Happy Land again, played games, did art works, danced, and had dinner together in the evening. Next day, members went to Siem Reap and had a boat trip in Tonle Sa, to get to know more about the living environment there. The day after, there was a sight visit in the famous Angkor Wat. On the final day, members took a long bus journey back to Phnom Penh and bid farewell to Cambodia.

Members of the club thought they were going to bring love to the much less developed Cambodia, but they also realized that Cambodia also brought them smiles and love in return too! Rotaractors brought the knowledge and exposure from Cambodia, and hoping to continue to share this feeling with more people in the same situation.

After listening to the sharing from Mini and Mandi we all gave a big round of applauses to thank their sharing and commended them for their year of works well done. Pres. Heman then reminded us to attend the wine tasting session

next week and the speaker will be Mr. Mark Arrowsmith, the Senior Wine Broker from Berry Bros & Rudd. The meeting was then adjourned at 2:20pm with a toast to Rotary Club of Hong Kong Harbor and Hong Kong Island East. We all stayed behind for a photo session before leaving.

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## Rotary Potpourri

### "CNY Greetings from a former member of HKIE"

A former member of HKIE Ates Rucel, now is President of a Turkish Rotary Club, sent his CNY greetings to all members of our club through PDG Peter Hall wishing all a happy and prosperous year of the rabbit with a drawing as well. Anyone likes to recall your memory who is President Ates may contact Peter Hall.

### **Luncheon Gathering with Choi Jun School**

Led by Pres. Heman, Pres. Elect Eric, Pres. Nominee Nancy, Immediate Past Pres. Norman, PP Andy, PP Laurence and Sergeant-At-Arm William Leung have attended on behalf of our Club the Chinese New Year Luncheon gathering hosted by the Choi Jun School and their Parents Association. Over 180 participants of students, past and current, and their family members together with school officials and guests have enjoyed a very enjoyable fellowship luncheon at the Tak Hing Hot Pot Restaurant at Tsim Sha Tsui East with lots of gifts (some were donated by our club members and Pres. Heman) for lucky draw to all participants. Please see photos in this bulletin.

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## 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 acted the God of Fortune to distribute lucky red pockets in today's meeting ?  
Ans)
2. Who sponsored the lucky red pockets for our members this year ?  
Ans)
3. Name one of the guests today and the name of the introducing member ?  
Ans)
4. Who is the incoming President of the Rotaract Club of Lingnan University ?  
Ans)
5. Who were greeted birthday today by Pres. Heman ?  
Ans)
6. Pres. Heman presented the Wedding Anniversary gift to whom ?  
Ans)
7. Who was our SAA today and what was the Red Box collection ?  
Ans)
8. Who introduced our speaker and what was the topic about ?  
Ans)

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## Joke

Subject: THINK

There was a blind girl who hated herself because she was blind. She hated everyone, except her loving boyfriend. He was always there for her. She told her boyfriend, 'If I could only see the world, I will marry you.'

One day, someone donated a pair of eyes to her. When the bandages came off, she was able to see everything, including her boyfriend.

He asked her, 'Now that you can see the world, will you marry me?' The girl looked at her boyfriend and saw that he was blind. The sight of his closed eyelids shocked her. She hadn't expected that. The thought of looking at them the rest of her life led her to refuse to marry him.

Her boyfriend left in tears and days later wrote a note to her saying: 'Take good care of your eyes, my dear, for before they were yours, they were mine.'

This is how the human brain often works when our status changes. Only a very few remember what life was like before, and who was always by their side in the most painful situations..

Life Is a Gift

Today before you say an unkind word - Think of someone who can't speak.

Before you complain about the taste of your food - Think of someone who has nothing to eat..

Before you complain about your husband or wife - Think of someone who's crying out to GOD for a companion.

Today before you complain about life - Think of someone who went too early to heaven...

Before whining about the distance you drive - Think of someone who walks the same distance with their feet.

And when you are tired and complain about your job - Think of the unemployed, the disabled, and those who wish they had your job.

And when depressing thoughts seem to get you down - Put a smile on your face and think: you're alive and still around...

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## Photographs of our meeting

on

9th February, 2011

### 9 February, 2011 RC of HKIE Luncheon Meeting Photos



PDG Uncle Peter Hall, Guest Speaker Dr. C T Au from RC of HK Harbour & Pres. Heman Lam



PE Dr. Eric Chin, God of Wealth by Rtn. William Leung & Rtn. Sharan Lamport



PP Laurence Chan & PDG YK Cheng



PDG YK Cheng & AG Henry Chan led members to do the "Lo Hei" dish representing everyone has good reward year of Rabbit



Birthday boy of the week is Rtn. Tony Loy & PDG YK Cheng. Rtn. Dr. Freddie Wu led the birthday song to celebrate their birthday

PDG YK Cheng also received a Club souvenir from Pres. Heman Lam



Guest Speaker Rtn. Dr. Sammy Au gave us a talk about the fortune of the year of Rabbit

**Rotaract Club of Lingnan University present a report of their last year's club activities**





GROUP PHOTO WITH MEMBERS, GUEST SPEAKER & ROTARACTORS

**CHOI JUN SCHOOL CHINESE NEW YEAR LUNCH PARTY**

**12 FEBRUARY 2011**





**12 February, 2011 Chinese New Year Fireside Gathering**









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