

# Last week's Proceedings -

# 20th February, 2008

Pres. Laurence chaired the luncheon meeting, greeting PDG Uncle Peter and PDG YK. The Club enjoyed the visit from Rtn Stig Johnson from the Rotary Club of Sauct Knut of Lund from Sweden and Rtn John Gross from the Rotary Club of Eastbourne, UK; then followed with the exchange of club banners. Pres. Laurence introduced his guest, none other than Rotarianne Jennie. Our guest speaker is Ir Fung Chi-Keung from the Water Supplies Department. Welcome back is PP Desmond Cheung. SAA Heman reported the red box collection was HK\$1,500.

Pres. Laurence presented the birthday gift to PDG YK who deserved a make-up from his birthday present. PP David Li was celebrating his birthday with PP Tim Lui as his birthday song leader.

Our luncheon speaker was introduced by AG Eddy Wong. Ir Fung Chi Keung was a chartered engineer by training, with a Chief Engineer position with the Water Supplies Department (WSD) of the HKSAR Government. Ir Fung's topic was "A customer-oriented approach on large scale rehabilitation and replacement of aged water mains in HK".

The present situation in WSD was highlighted by Ir Fung as follows:

- HK has about 7,700 KM of water mains, 45% of them are approaching the end of their service life
- The problems facing us, such as water main bursts and leakage, are difficult and costly to fix and also cause disturbance to the public
- The solution is to implement a large scale water main rehabilitation project, namely to replace 3,000 KM of mains, projected to complete by 2015, at a current cost budget of HK\$16 billion.

The water mains replacement and rehabilitation project is unique in nature. The extent of construction work stretches throughout the territory, covering most of the developed are as with heavy traffic and congested underground utilities. Any disruption and impact to the traffic, environment and water supply need to be minimized.

According to Ir Fung, their recommended implementation approach was designed to be customer oriented, from the planning stage to the final construction stage, and trying to bring minimum interruption to business and residential customers.

Currently, the Water Main project had begun its stage three (totally 4 stages) and adopting a Term Contract approach, by issuing work orders to minimize risk and claims as much as possible.

Ir Fung and his WSD team had designed their work orders to reduce impact on road traffic by:

- Traffic assessment before work order issuance, with co-ordination from time to time with other utility undertakers (such as power, phone and gas suppliers)
- WSD adopted the latest technology to minimize digging up a fair extent of road surface, by introducing trenchless method:
  - o Directional drilling
  - ° Tunneling
  - ° Pipe jacking
  - ° Close fit lining method (steaming)
  - ° Swagelining etc.

The WSD team also took care to reduce impact on environment with careful work order design:

- Review environment impact (such as noise, dust etc.) and avoid impact to business peak season or prime time as much as possible
- Reduce water supply stoppage, with consultation to district council and resident meetings
- Provide hotline enquiry and work location website to public
- Provide temporary mains to minimize the water stoppage impact.

Dedicated liaison teams and 24 hours hotlines have been established to enhance communications with the affected customers and the public, and to provide information about the project.

To sum up, the benefits of such customer oriented approach from WSD was:

- · Reliable water supply for future, coupled with minimum public disturbance and maintenance costs
- Direct savings will be the much reduced loss of water (both main bursts and leakage) from the present 25% leakage rate to a 15% leakage rate (upon project completion).

After a few questions from the floor to Ir Fung. Rtn Peter Yeung thanked our speaker.

Pres. Laurence raised a toss to RI coupled with RC Sauct Knut, Lund of Sweden and RC Eastbourne of UK. The guests and members were invited to take a group photo.

## Rotary Potpourri

#### Rotary Foundation Thanksgiving Night

On 21st February 2008, a Rotary Foundation Thanksgiving night was organized by the District Rotary foundation Committee Chairman, PDG Alex Mak at The Hong Kong Jockey Club, Happy Valley, Hong Kong to thank the supporters to the Rotary Foundation for being a Major donor, Multiple Paul Harris Fellow, PHF, Benefactor, P.H. Society member, or bequest Society member. The event was attended by more than 100 members to an Western Style dinner in the presence of our RI Rotary Foundation Trustee, PRIP Bhichai Rattakul together with DG Peter Wong and DRF Committee chairman plus a number of Past District Governors, and future Rotary leaders.

The gathering kicked off with a welcome address by DG Peter Wong who later invited our VIP guest, Foundation Trustee Bhichai Rattakul to address the audience.

Trustee B hichai spent half an hour to finish his aspiration speech, holding the participants silence throughout his well prepared talk. The full text of his speech will appear in the Foundation News Letter later.

Fine Rotary Fellowship was enjoyed by everyone over the dinning table. There were some articles, such as photos of famous sport men like Tiger Wood, Jack Nicholaus, etc. for public auction in order to raise more fund for the Rotary Foundation. The auction went on well with added contributions to TRF.

Later, Truste e Bhichai was requested to present certificates for the major donors and the EREY clubs.

To add the atmosphere of the evening, incoming and outgoing Group Study Exchange teams and the ambassadorial scholars performed their talent in singing and playing musical instruments.

The event ended by presenting a small souvenir to Trustee Bhichai by D.G. Peter Wong and chairman PDG Alex Mak. The curtain of the evening was down at around 11.00 p.m. with a great success when we say Bon Voyage to our Rotary devoted guest Bhichai.

#### Contributions to the China Snow Storm Relief Fund

In response to the appeal from DG Peter for making donations to the China Snow Disaster Relief Fund our Club has decided to donate the Red Box collections of the week dated 13th February 2008 coupled with a one-on-one matching by the Club.

Despite many of our members have already donated to the same purpose in various other channels we have successfully collected a total amount of HKD 10,000 from participating members and guests on 13th February and together with one-on-one matching from the Club the total contribution has amounted HKD 20,000.

For good record sake we reproduce hereunder the name and amount of the donors:

Name.	Amount in HK\$	
Eddy Wong	200	
Andy Wong	1,000	
Eric Chin	100	
Norman Lee	1,000	
De sm ond Che ung	1,000	
Andrew Chen	1,000	
La ure nc e Cha n	1,000	
Wife of Laurence Chan	500	
John Kwok	1,400	
Charles Bien	200	
Hubert Chan	100	
Gilbert Fung	200	
He man Lam	500	
Wife of Heman Lam	500	
Stephen Liu	500	
George Leung	500	
Rudy Law	100	
Tony Loy	100	
Y K Cheng	100	
<b>Sub-tot al:</b> 10,000		
D/C of HV Island Fact 10 000		

R/C of HK Island East 10,000 Grand Total: 20,000

The cheque has already been sent to the District's Rotary Information Centre.

You can submit an electronic makeup for this missed meeting by answering the following questions:
1. Who were our visiting Rotarians today and where they come from?
Answer:
2. Who was our visiting guest today?
Answer:
3. How much we have collected for the Red Box today?
Answer:
4. Who was our birthday boy today and who led the birthday song?
Answer:
5. Who was asked to introduce the speaker to us?
Answer:
6. Who was our speaker today and what was the topic about?
Answer:
7. Who was asked to thank our speaker today?
Answer:
8. When and where the District's Rotary Foundation Thanksgiving Night was held?
Answer:
9. How much our Club has donated in total to the District's China Snow Storm Relief Fund?
Answer:
Name:
Email:
Submit
LAUGH FOR THE WEEK
One night, after the couple had retired for the night, the woman became aware that her husband was touching her in a most unusual manner. He state that the remaining his hand across here here had been applied to a mall of her head.
by running his hand across her shoulders and the small of her back.

He ran his hand over her breasts, touching them very lightly. Then, he proceeded to run his hand gently down her side, sliding his hand over her stomach, and then down the other side to a point below her waist. He continued on, gently feeling her hips, first one side and the other.

His hand ran further down the outside of her thighs. His gentle probing then started up the inside of her left thigh, stopped and then returned to do the same to her right thigh.

By this time the woman was becoming aroused and she squirmed a little to better position herself. The man stopped abruptly and rolled over to his side of the bed.

"Why are you stopping darling?" she whispered.

He whispered back, "I found the remote!"

# Photographs of our meeting on

### 20th February, 2008



PE Andy & visiting Rotarians John Gross from UK and Stig Johnson from Sweden



PDG Uncle Peter Hall, speaker Mr. C K Fung & Pres. Laurence Chan



(L to R) PP Stephen Liu, PP Tim Lui, Rtn Nancy Yee & PP Desmond Cheung



(L to R) AG Eddy, PP David Li, PP Rudy & Rotarianne Jennie



(L to R) PP Paul Chan, Rtn Peter Yeung, SAA Heman & PDG YK Cheng



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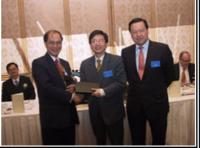


Pres. Laurence Chan exchanged banner with visiting Rotarian Stig Johnson



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birthday gift to birthday boy PP David and PP Tim Lui led the birthday song



Rtn. Heman Lam reported the Red Box collection



AG Eddy introduced the speaker of the week



This week's speaker Mr C K Fung



Rtn. Peter Yeung gave a vote of thanks to the speaker



Group Photo with members, visiting guests & the speaker

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