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Last Week's Proceedings – 22^{nd} February, 2012

President Eric started the meeting at 1:05 pm and he invited PP John Kwok to introduce visiting Rotarian Joanne Li of RC of St. Ives, Australia. In addition, Rotarian Dr Freddie Wu also introduced his Guest Ms Kit Chan, manager of St. James Settlement to our members. Together with our 21 members, we in turn had 23 persons attending this 31st Meeting of our Club. Before his report, President Eric also welcomed back PP Norman from NID (National Immunization Day for Polio) in New Delhi, India. PP Norman participated in this meaningful project with his wife Isa and President Eric a few days ago.

President Eric made the following announcements:

- 1. Key Services and Event in Feb:
- 1.1 PP Andrew Cup Spring Dinner and Prize Presentation will be held on March 2, 2012 in L Hotel South at 7:30 pm. Fee is HK\$500 per person. Free flow of drinks and Karaoke will be available. PIC Kevin Leung
- 1.2 Free Medical Health Talk will be held on Feb 25, 2012 (Sat.) The Talk will be conducted by Rotarian Dr Freddie and Doctor Kwan Chi Pong. At present, about 200 registrations so far. All are welcome. This Talk is sponsored by Rotarian Dennis Wat.
- 1.3 Rockie Star Inter School Competition will be held on Feb 26, 2012 (Sun) at 3-8 pm. 500 students as audience and the project is sponsored by PP Andrew.
- 2. District Event
- 2.1 "Future Vision Plan Seminar" will be held from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm on Thursday, 23 Feb 2012. The Venue will be Rotary Information Centre.



Tree Planting Project

Date: Sunday 13th Nov, 2011

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

Club 16340 District 3450 Chartered on 06 April, 1954 by Charter President PDG (Uncle) John Yuen Then Pres. Eric invited Acting SAA Rudy to report that the red box collection was a total of HK\$1,400. After that, he further invited PP Eddy to share the "Rotary 123" section. PP Eddy has chosen "History of Rotary International" for us today. He started by telling the members that the first service club, the Rotary Club of Chicago, was formed on 23 February 1905 by Paul P. Harris. Then the significant years happened in the Rotary world. After all these development, now we have 1.2 million Rotarians belonging to over 32,000 Rotary Clubs in more that 200 countries and geographical areas. At the end of his presentation, he asked all members to give a toast to Rotary for its 107th Birthday on 23rd February 2012, next day to this luncheon. For details of the History of Rotary International, please refer to the insert associated with this bulletin.

President Eric further informed all members that there would be 2 new members to be inducted shortly to our Club. Their information will be circulated to all members soon.

Then PP George had a formal introduction on our Guest Speaker PP Hubert Chan. PP Hubert, a chairman of a listed telecommunication company in Hong Kong, presented a topic on "RFID development in Asia Pacific Market" to us.

RFID stands for "Radio Frequency Identification". It is making use of a chip that can send out signal to specified receiver so as to record the movement and transactions of the items attaching that chip and also to help locating where the target items are. PP Hubert informed the audience that "Octopus" is very good example using RFID in our daily life. "Auto-toll" is also another example.

RFID was invented after World War II and then further elaborated afterwards. Wal-Mart successfully made use of this technology in handling their inventories many years ago. PP Hubert used three different applications to illustrate how RFID can successfully be used in public services and commercial fields, including:

- 1. A library in China using it to monitor all books borrowing and return by their readers. All procedures can be done by the borrowers and help to ease the heavy workload of librarians and also help librarians and readers to locate the required books with ease. CD rental and return in that library also made use of this technology to streamline the whole borrowing and return workflow.
- 2. Laundry System in a Hospital by adopting this RFID technology, all patient clothes will attach a RFID chip and then after washing those clothes by the laundry department, the clothes can be easily sorted out and counted. Then distributed back to respective departments.
- 3. Paper Roll Tracking and Inventory System in a Singapore Paper Holding company made use of this technology in order to save the unused paper rolls so that all unused papers can be further utilized to print different types of publications. Also it is easier for the workers to locate where that unused paper rolls were stored within the factory. It then increases the productivity and avoids unnecessary wastage of resources.

PP Hubert used PowerPoint file and video clips to demonstrate the live applications to us. He mentioned that all projects require 2 years to make the system work because a lot of trial and rectification works are required before the system can be successfully implemented.

At the end of his presentation, he also shared a music clip "似夢迷離" that he played by himself with guitar and other instruments. He also solo that song for us too. After his performance, President Eric presented a gift to PP Hubert for his valuable talk to us.

PP Henry then presented a vote of thanks for PP Hubert's informative speech and PP Henry said that he was one of the four who joined PP Hubert's bachelor party before he got married and served as his board members during his presidency so he is the most appropriate person to thank PP Hubert and shared their good old days with all of us.

President Eric reminded that the next week speaker is Professor Fung Kwok Pui, Dean of United College, the Chinese University of Hong Kong. He will provide the Update of United College to our members. The meeting was adjourned after Pres. Eric made a toast to RI coupled with the Rotary Clubs of St Ives and Hong Kong Island East. The guests and members stayed for a group photo. The meeting ended at 2:05 pm.

Rotary Potpourri

Electrical Appliance Delivery Service Report

A newly joined RC LU Rotaractor New Generation Director Coey Lam who is a Translation undergraduate student in Lingnan University, shared her reflection as follows:

I used to think the best way to help low-income families was to give them money directly. But now, after joining the latest Electrical Appliance Delivery Service, I realize that there are still much more we can do for them.

During the service, we can each have a treasurable opportunity to visit three families. We delivered the electrical appliances, such as electrical fan and heater, which they had ordered but were not able to take them back home themselves. Besides appliances, we also offered them an extra gift bag loaded with foodstuffs, which pleasantly surprised them. I can still remember how happy when they saw us outside their homes, the smile on their faces when they grinned their appreciation of our help and the innocent and artless faces of the families' children.

This is really a very meaningful activity as we can show consideration for them not only sending them goods but also in a verbal way. We can sit together and chat with the family, to understand more about their living condition and see what they really need. You may think that only listening to them doesn't help much, but we can at least offer them a chance to voice the opinions from bottom of their hearts, which did help a lot! Actually, I feel like the biggest beneficiary is me but not them. It should be they helping me instead of me helping them. Having been living in such a flourishing city for years, I buzz in and out my room, the classrooms or even my home, preparing for me future all the time. Repeating the same steps and moves every day make me almost forget others, people around me. However, this city is a big community. We should communicate and share with other people.

Feeling the same like me? To help others and help yourself, join this project!

Graduation Ceremony of United College, The Chinese University of Hong Kong, held on Dec 1, 2011

President Eric represented the Club to attend the Graduation Ceremony, United College, The Chinese University of Hong Kong on Dec 1, 2012. President Eric was invited to present graduation certificates to graduates. We have a close and long term relationship with United College for over 20 years as we have donated funds to the United College to award their outstanding students. It is expected that both our Club and the United College will have a closer tie with members and their students.

Subject: DIVORCE versus MURDER

A nice, calm and respectable lady went into the pharmacy, walked up to the pharmacist, looked straight into his eyes, and said, "I'd like to buy some cyanide."

The pharmacist asked, "Why in the world do you need cyanide?"

The lady replied, "I need it to poison my husband."

The pharmacist's eyes got big and he explained,

"Lord have mercy! I can't give you cyanide to kill your husband, that's against the law? I'll lose my licence!

They'll throw both of us in jail! All kinds of bad things will happen. Absolutely not! You CANNOT have any cyanide!"

The lady reached into her purse and pulled out a picture of her husband in bed with the pharmacist's wife.

The pharmacist looked at the picture and said, "You didn't tell me you had a prescription."



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ROTARY CLUB OF HONG KONG ISLAND EAST MEETS EVERY WEDNESDAY, 12:30 p.m.

Rotary Club of Hong Kong Island East 22 February 2012 - Luncheon Meeting



PDG Uncle Peter Hall, PP Dr. Hubert Chan & Pres. Dr. Eric Chin



PE Nancy Yee & PP Norman Lee



Dir. Anthony Kwong & PP Laurence Chan



PP Stephen Liu & PP George Leung



PP Tim Lui & PP Rudy Law



Visiting guest Ms Kit Chan from St. James Settlement & Rtn. Dr. Freddy Wu made announcement for this weekend's health talk



PP Eddy Wong, Rtn. Joanne Lee from RC of St. Ives, Australia & AG Andy Wong



Rtn. Dr. Tony Loy & PP John Kwok



IPP Heman Lam & Rtn. Dr. Tony Loy



PP Henry Chan & Rtn. Stacy Ho



PP George Leung introduced the speaker of the week



PP Dr. Hubert Chan gave us a talk about RFID



Pres. Dr. Eric Chin presented a Club souvenir to thank PP Dr. Hubert Chan



PP Henry Chan gave a vote of thanks on behalf of the Club to PP Dr. Hubert Chan



Group photo with members, visiting Rotarian & guest.

The 2nd Electrical Appliances Delivery Service on 18th Feb, 2012



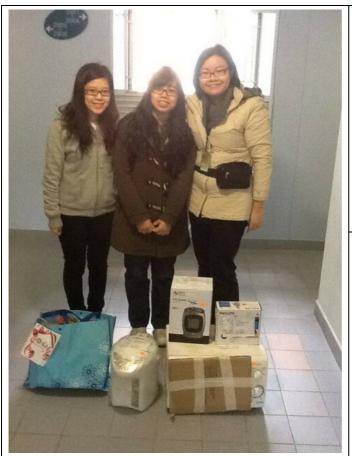






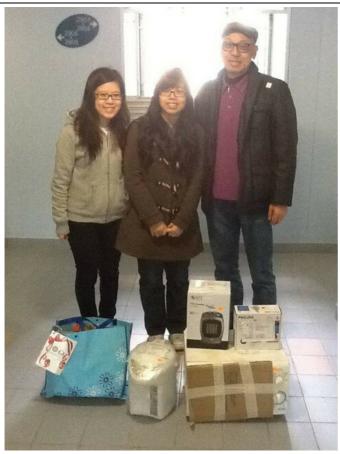
















United College Graduation Ceremony, The Chinese University of Hong Kong 1 December 2011



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The History of Rotary International



The first four Rotarians: (from left) Gustavus Loehr, Silvester Schiele, Hiram Shorey, and Paul P. Harris Courtesy of Rotary Images

The world's first service club, the Rotary Club of Chicago, was formed on 23 February 1905 by Paul P. Harris, an attorney who wished to capture in a professional club the same friendly spirit he had felt in the small towns of his youth. The Rotary name derived from the early practice of rotating meetings among members' offices.

Rotary's popularity spread, and within a decade, clubs were chartered from San Francisco to New York to Winnipeg, Canada. By 1921, Rotary clubs had been formed on six continents. The organization adopted the Rotary International name a year later.

As Rotary grew, its mission expanded beyond serving club members' professional and social interests. Rotarians began pooling their resources and contributing their talents to help serve communities in need. The organization's dedication to this ideal is best expressed in its motto: Service Above Self.

By July 1925, Rotary had grown to more than 2,000 clubs and an estimated 108,000 members. The organization's distinguished reputation attracted presidents, prime ministers, and a host of other luminaries to its ranks — among them author Thomas Mann, diplomat Carlos P. Romulo, humanitarian Albert Schweitzer, and composer Jean Sibelius

The Four-Way Test

In 1932, Rotarian Herbert J. Taylor created The Four-Way Test, a code of ethics adopted by Rotary 11 years later. The test, which has been translated into more than 100 languages, asks the following questions:

Of the things we think, say or do

- 1. Is it the TRUTH?
- 2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- 3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- 4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

Rotary and World War II

During World War II, many clubs were forced to disband, while others stepped up their service efforts to provide emergency relief to victims of the war. In 1942, looking ahead to the postwar era, Rotarians called for a conference to promote international educational and cultural exchanges. This event inspired the founding of UNESCO.

In 1945, 49 Rotary club members served in 29 delegations to the UN Charter Conference. Rotary still actively participates in UN conferences by sending observers to major meetings and covering the United Nations in its publications.

"Few there are who do not recognize the good work which is done by Rotary clubs throughout the free world," former Prime Minister Winston Churchill of Great Britain once declared.

Dawn of a new century

As it approached the 21st century, Rotary worked to meet society's changing needs, expanding its service efforts to address such pressing issues as environmental degradation, illiteracy, world hunger, and children at risk. In 1989, the organization voted to admit women into clubs worldwide. Today, women are an integral part of Rotary's membership.

After the collapse of the Berlin Wall and the dissolution of the Soviet Union, Rotary clubs were formed or reestablished throughout Central and Eastern Europe. The first Russian Rotary club was chartered in 1990, and the organization underwent a growth spurt for the next several years.

More than a century after Paul Harris and his colleagues chartered the club that eventually led to Rotary International, Rotarians continue to take pride in their history. In honor of that first club, Rotarians have preserved its original meeting place, Room 711 in Chicago's Unity Building, by re-creating the office as it existed in 1905. For several years, the Paul Harris 711 Club maintained the room as a shrine for visiting Rotarians. In 1989, when the building was scheduled to be demolished, the club carefully dismantled the office and salvaged the interior, including doors and radiators. In 1993, the RI Board of Directors set aside a permanent home for the restored Room 711 on the 16th floor of RI World Headquarters in nearby Evanston.

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