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What Happened Last Week

VPE Robert Lai was the acting chairman today and he thanked all fellow Rotarians, visiting Rotarian, Rotaractors and guest to the meeting today. He then introduced our visiting Rotarian, Jimmy Pun from Rotary Club Hong Kong. VP Rudy was asked to introduce Rotaractors from Lingnan Rotaract club, namely Pres Sarah Lam, VP Angela Lee, Ex-VP Ru Ru Chung and Ex-VP Kathy Chung. VPE Robert emphasized that he has already paid the Sergeant-at-Arms in case makes any blunders and jokes! PP C.Y. was welcomed back from L.A., USA. The acting Sergeant-at-Arms, Rtn Eddy reported a collection of HK\$1,400.

Rtn Clark then introduced our guest speaker for today, Mr Vincent Ng. Vincent is the Sales Manager of Cigair (Asia) Ltd. When he started to sell cigar in 1995, he was not a cigar smoker and he found it very difficult to convince clients to buy his cigars and then he started to smoke and appreciate cigar. It helps him immensely in his sales career. Clients would expect him to be an expert in cigar and look upon him as a consultant for selecting the suitable brand and types of cigar for them. Cigar salesmen must love cigar smoking and have it a hobby, keep learning and talking about it. In 1996-97, during the economic boom, he himself has a sales record of about \$4 million a year and his wholesale department has a record of \$20 million! People just came in and spent thousands on cigar without



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hesitation. The situation is different now, but Vincent is still optimistic on the cigar business. There are about 20,000 cigar smokers in Hong Kong. They usually smoke a few cigars a day. Vincent visited Tokyo last September and found that Japanese only smoke cigar at the evening and smoke much less than Hong Kong smokers. Hong Kong has the best cigar consultants and they are versatile cigar keeper. The taste of cigar will vary greatly with the way they are stored. Cigar needs to be kept in humidors. Your cigars begin to deteriorate as soon as they are out of the proper humidification level. That level is ideally 70% to 75%, but can go as low as 65% for short periods without too much problem. Too much humidity, and your cigars will swell up, go mouldy, and will be destroyed in no time at all. Too little, and they will dry out, lose their flavour, and if left in that condition for even a few weeks, could be beyond repair. Bugs will emerge when it is too dry and hot!

If you ask what is the best time for smoking cigar. Vincent said after meals, lunch and dinner, depends on the time you have. Vincent also mentioned some of the advantages of Cigar smoking. It helps to relief pressure from work and it is a great way to make new friends.

PP Henry thanked the speaker for his informative presentation in the usual Rotarian manner.

VPE Robert reminded members of club visit from Rotary Club of Hong Kong North next week. They will cancel their regular meeting and join our meeting on 26 March. Members please make effect to join the occasion.

Pres Sarah Lam of Lingnam Rotaract Club gave some brief information of their club. They have over 200 club members presently and there are 16 board members. They organize regular visits to elderly centers and hospitals. They also have interest classes, namely facial painting, side language etc.

Today's session ended with a toast to R.I. , Rotary Clubs of Hong Kong and Island East.

☞ Rotary Information ☞

Duty of a Sponsor of the New Member

As sponsor of a new member, you can help him get involved in Rotary in some of the following ways, according to what is appropriate in your club:

1. Introduce him/her to the club officers;
2. Introduce to him/her the committee structure and when he/she is assigned take him to the committee meeting;
3. Provide him with a thorough knowledge of Rotary;
4. Instruct him/her on attendance requirements and accompany him/her to the first make-up;
5. Assist him/her with the first "Classification" talk;
6. With your spouse, accompany him/her and spouse to the first ladies' night or fellowship gathering;
7. Explain The Rotary Foundation to him/her;
8. Explain the significance for him/her and spouse to attend the district conference;
9. Keep interested and in communication with him/her.

LAUGH FOR THE WEEK

A dedicated Teamsters Union worker was attending a convention in Las Vegas and, as you would expect, decided to check out the brothels nearby. When he got to the first one, he asked the Madam, "Is this a union house?" "No," she replied, "I'm sorry it isn't." "Well, if I pay you \$100.00, what cut do the girls get?" "The house gets \$80.00 and the girls get \$20.00."

Mightily offended at such unfair dealings, he man stomped off down the street in search of a more equitable, hopefully unionized shop. His search continued until finally he reached a brothel where the Madam responded, "Why, yes sir, this IS a Union House."

The man asked, "And if I pay you \$100.00, what cut do the girls get?" "The girls get \$80.00 and the house gets \$20.00" "That's more like it!" the union man said. He handed the Madam \$100.00, looked around the room and pointed to a stunningly attractive blonde.

"I'd like her for the night." "I'm sure you would, sir," said the Madam. Then gesturing to an 85-year old woman in the corner, "but according to the Union rules, Ethel there has Seniority."



Don't be embarrassed. You think your first guy whose wife shoved the remote up his ass?

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ROTARY CLUB OF HONG KONG ISLAND EAST MEETS EVERY WEDNESDAY, 12:30 p.m. AT EXCELSIOR HOTEL, CAUSEWAY BAY



Here's a picture which is worth a thousand words. That is our PP Sam & Elaine celebrating Valentine's day at the Hong Kong Country Club by presenting her with a bouquet of Red Roses.



Our guest speaker was Mr. Vincent Ng, Sales Manager of Cigair (Asia) Ltd who talk about the Cigars Industry & how to enjoy a good cigar



Our acting President Robert Lai gave a near flawless performance. You need more practice!



At the left head table were PDG Uncle Peter, our guest speaker, & Acting President Robert Lai.



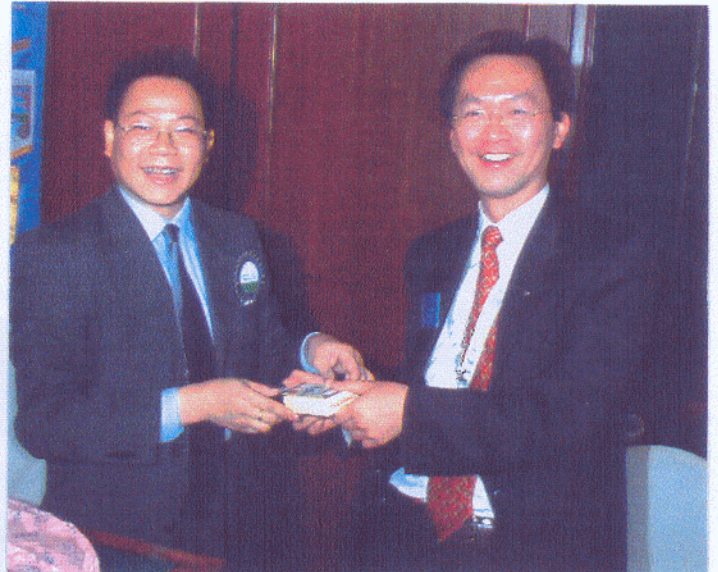
At the right head table were Hon. Sec Eddy, visiting Rotarian Jimmy Pun (HK) & PE Henry giving the points for Robert's performance.



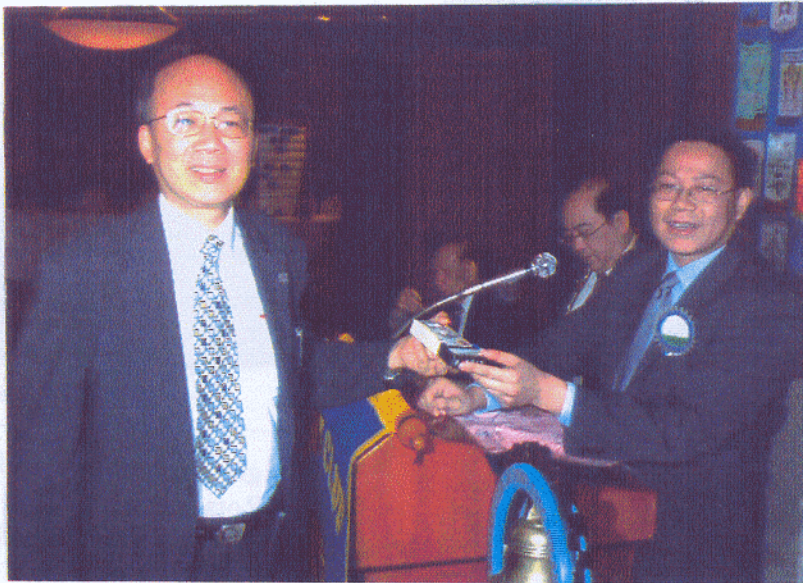
Our Dir. Rudy Law sitting among the Rotaractors from Lingnan University, (L to R) VP Kathy (2002), VP Rue Rue (2002) , Dir Rudy, VP Angela (2003/2004) & Pres. Sara (2003/2004).



Acting Pres. Robert received a lucky draw box of cigars.



Also Hon. Sec. Eddy got one too!



So does PP J.L.



And Rtn Francis. It shows that it pays to come to the meeting every week. You too may be lucky!



Why is PP Hubert sitting all by himself. It turned out he was a little bit under the weather & didn't want to spread it around. Very considerate of you. Thanks Hubert, hope you will feel better soon. Drink a lot of water & get a good night's sleep!



(L to R) PP C.Y. guest Elsa Li, IPP Stephen, Rtn Danny, PP J.L.



(L to R) Rtn Kenny, PP Tim, & Rtn Francis with the background of empty seats next to PP Hubert. Where were you all?



Group Photo of VP Rudy, PDG Uncle Peter, Acting Pres. Robert with our guests & visiting Rotarian on 19th March, 2003.

非典型肺炎徵狀

香港醫學會呼籲全港市民注意非典型肺炎的初期徵狀，以便患者能及早獲得診治及隔離。

最明顯的初期徵狀為：

持續一天或以上， 38°C 或以上的高燒。 100.5°F

但大部分患者在病發初期並無咳嗽，打噴嚏及流鼻水等呼吸道病徵。

如有上述徵狀者：

1. 請立即求醫
2. 學童應留在家中
3. 已回校的學童應立即回家
4. 請勿上班
5. 已上班人士請立即回家休息
6. 避免到人多的地方及使用擠迫的公共交通工具

只有流鼻水，咳嗽，但並沒有發燒的人士，絕大部份患的只是一般的上呼吸道感染。

有發燒及咳嗽人士應戴口罩，或帶備手帕，以備咳嗽時掩口及掩鼻。

