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## Last Week's Proceedings – 21<sup>st</sup> March, 2012

President Eric welcomed our frequent visiting Rotarian Joanna Li of St. Ives, NSW, Australia. PP Norman also introduced his two guests, Rotarianne Isa and Mr. Albert Siu. Today we have no outside speaker, except PP Norman, Isa and Pres. Eric talked about their National Immunization Days (NID) in India last month for the “End Polio Now” activities.

AG Andy updated the members on the manual process available for the booking registration in the District Conference on May 19-20, 2012. PE Nancy reported on the 4 Clans meeting (RCHKIE and her 10 daughter and grandchildren clubs) on March 30 (Friday) luncheon, and the invited speaker of Mr. YK Pang, from HK Land Group.

SAA William Leung reported that the redbox collection of the day was HK\$1300.  
PP Eddy gave us Rotary 123 session on vocational service.

Last month marked the fifth time a Hong Kong team had joined the annual Rotary NID (National Immunization Days) trip which took place on February 17-20, 2012. President Eric, PP Norman and Isa joined a group of 32 Rotarians and guests to attend this Rotary NID end polio campaign and reported herein for their life changing experience.

Rotarianne Isa made her debut by giving us a video introduction on their 3-day trip in New Delhi, then recounted on her youth impression how PDG Uncle Peter passionately talked about the Rotary movement to end polio epidemic in the world (among the co-operation of WHO, Rotary and UNICEF).

They went to the poorer areas of New Delhi and working with Rotarians from India (District 3012) to get an opportunity to be hands on and see how the End Polio campaign was making a difference. They came across children from all walks of life who really touched their hearts to know that they were changing a life by providing two simple drops of a vaccine. Their itinerary was as follows:



Reach Within to Embrace Humanity

**Tree Planting Project**

Date: Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> 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**

February 17-20, 2012:

Day 1 (Saturday) – Hospital Visit and basic training on vaccines dropping

Day 2 (Sunday) – National Immunization Day

Day 3 (Monday) – House to House Vaccination in rural areas (for 160 families in a village)

PP Norman thanked DG David on his thoughtful arrangement in hotel accommodation and welcome dinner in a sumptuous Chinese dinner.

Pres. Eric continued to show video and detail explanation on their daily activities.

They were all proud to wear an End Polio Now badge after this meaningful volunteer project.

Pres. Eric ended the luncheon with a fond memory, and made a toast to RI coupled with RC of St. Ives and RC of HKIE. The members and guest stayed behind to take a group photo.

## Rotary Potpourri

### **A Gratifying NID Trip in India**

It was almost 25 years ago that I first heard of the project PolioPlus from my dad, PDG Uncle Peter. He told me the aim of this project was to sweep polio from all countries of the world, in which back then polio was just more than common in numerous countries. The ignorant me was thinking it was a mission far from possibility.

During the CNY break, I was with my kids in the Hong Kong Museum of Medical Sciences looking at two charts about the spread of polio, one dated in the mid 80's and the other one dated currently. To my great surprise and amazement, there are now just a few red tiny dots in the world map representing areas still affected by polio today, indeed a vast contrast with what we had some 20 years ago – a globe almost fully painted in red. Immediately, I had such a deep yearning to participate in this year NID to witness the work of PolioPlus.

President Eric, my husband PP Norman and myself set out to India on Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> February with over 30 plus Rotarians, Rotariannes and friends from various clubs. DG David led the team with high spirit. The first day was a visit to St. Stephen's Hospital where Dr. Matthew Varghese presented to us many successful cases of paralyzed polio children being able to stand up or even walk after appropriate treatments were given. Such an operation cost about US\$400 each, and patients can get free treatment from St. Stephen's Hospital. Yet, out there on the streets are still many children suffering from polio who do not come seek help for just one simple reason – their parents cannot afford to leave their work behind and losing their daily wages, so they have no better choice than to crawl or squat for all their lives throughout. What a heart-breaking information! So prevention is of utmost importance.

The second day, four in a group was sent to different booths to give vaccine to kids under five. We were filled with enthusiasm and fervor. Just in New Delhi there were over 180,000 booths managed by locals and Rotarians from all over the world, and more than 750,000 booths for all over India. The spirit seemed to have linked up each of us with a burning heart, despite of the low temperature in the morning, heated afternoons, polluted air, getting lost on the road... the hurdles we faced were nothing when we partook in this meaningful work.

The third day was even more significant. We went to the slump areas to out reach those with lesser education, those not being able to understand the value of taking polio vaccine. We were well accepted by them and the feeling was gratifying.

I encourage all of you to join the NID next year to better experience for yourselves our profound sentiment.

Isa Hall  
Rotarianne, HKIE

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### **The 4th WEEE GO GREEN Electrical Appliance Delivery Service on March 17, 2012.**

We had two com-based Rotaractors Sing and Dickson, Rotarian Jonah, Director Kevin and his wife Catherine, Membership chair William and his wife Fanny in supporting this service.

We separated in the two teams, team one led by Rtn. Jonah, Ken from St James Settlement and two Rotaractors Sing and Dickson. Team Two led by Membership Chair William and Michelle from St James Settlement, Director Kevin, Catherine and Fanny.

We met at Ngau Tau Kok MTR station at 9.30AM same as last time and Michelle gave a briefing as usual before two teams start the departure of the service. We had the electrical appliance items of Micro Waves, Fans, Dehumidifiers, Water Kettles and Rice Cookers plus the food packs which were donated by Rotary Club of Island East. The needy families were very surprised and happy to receive the food pack because this was not their request and not mentioned in advance by their social workers. They did not expect to have such a nice additional gift. The food package gift would certainly help them to have extra foods in the daily life.

The service area of Team one was in Kowloon side in Wong Tai Sin and Shumshuipo. The team two served in Shaukeiwan and Chaiwan in HK Island. Both teams finished the service at 12.00 moon, all members and Rotaractors enjoyed the service very much, they said they would definitely participate next time again when time is available.

### **The beauty of love – felt by Rotaractors Sing and Dickson**

Getting the valuable opportunity to participate in the electrical delivery service gives us the chance to feel the beauty of love.

While delivering useful electrical devices to those families help them improve their living quality, love and care underlying touch our hearts. We have never imagined one small step from us could result in one giant leap in the relationship between us and those families. We have experienced how a simple delivery service beautifully transformed into an unforgettable spiritual journey filled with warmth and humanity moment by moment. Thank you Rotary Club.

Let love be the fruit always in season by planting it with the dew of service. We are lucky to born in well off families but there are people out there, suffering painfully, waiting for a glimpse of hope and the tiny bit of love. And we hope that through our service, love can spread its wings, heal their wounds and free those in desperation from agony.

  
**LAUGH FOR THE WEEK**

**Subject: There I was...**

There I was sitting at the bar staring at my drink when a large, trouble-making biker steps up next to me, grabs my drink and gulps it down in one swig.

"Well, whatcha' gonna do about it?" he says, menacingly, as I burst into tears.

"Come on, man," the biker says, "I didn't think you'd CRY. I can't stand to see a man crying."

"This is the worst day of my life," I say. "I'm a complete failure. I was late to a meeting and my boss fired me. When I went to the parking lot, I found my car had been stolen and I don't have any insurance. I left my wallet in the cab I took home. I found my wife with another man and then my dog bit me."

"So I came to this bar to work up the courage to put an end to it all, I buy a drink, I drop a capsule in and sit here watching the poison dissolve; then you show up and drink the whole thing! But enough about me, how's your day going?"



<b>YEAR 2011-2012</b>						
<i>President</i>	<i>Vice President / President Elect</i>	<i>Secretary</i>	<i>Treasurer</i>	<i>Ex-Officio</i>	<i>Advisor</i>	
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Laurence Chan	John Kwok	Sharon Lamport	Norman Lee	Kevin Leung	Andy Wong	Andrew Chen
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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 21 March 2012 - Luncheon Meeting



PDG Uncle Peter Hall, Rotarianne Isa Hall  
& Pres. Eric Chin



PP Norman Lee, Joanne Li from RC of St. Ives, Sydney  
& PP Uncle John Kwok



PP Rudy Law & Rtn. Sharon Lamport



PP David Li, IPP Heman Lam  
& PP Eddy Wong



Rtn. William Leung & PE Nancy Yee



Visiting guest - Albert Siu  
& Rtn. Jonah Cheung



PP Stephen Liu & Dir. William Wong



Rtn. Peter Yeung, Rtn. Tony Loy  
& Rtn. Dennis Wat

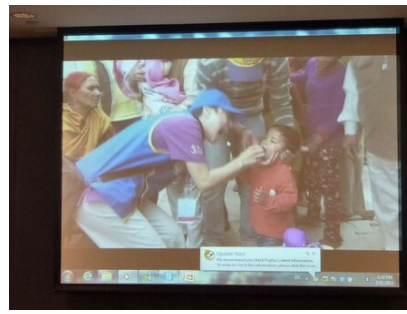


AG Andy Wong & PP Hubert Chan



PP Eddy Wong updated members on Rotary ABC

INDIA - NID TRIP SHARING BY PRES. ERIC CHIN, PP NORMAN LEE & ROTARIANNE ISA HALL



Group photo with members, visiting Rotarian & guest.



# National Immunization Days 17<sup>th</sup> February, 2012 – 20<sup>th</sup> February, 2012



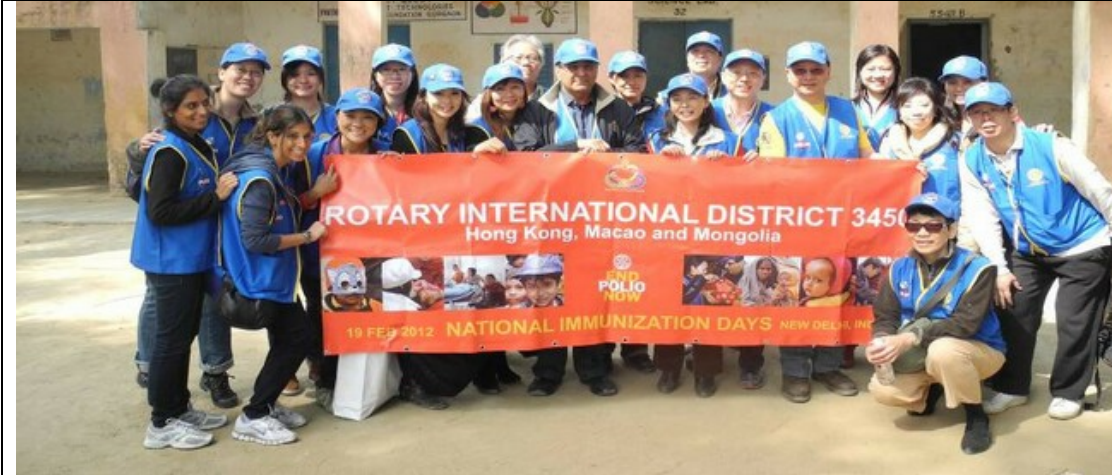




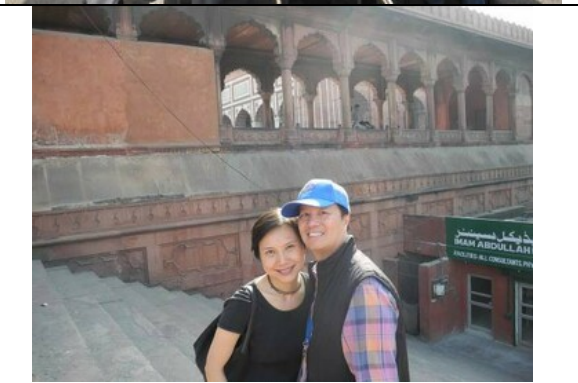




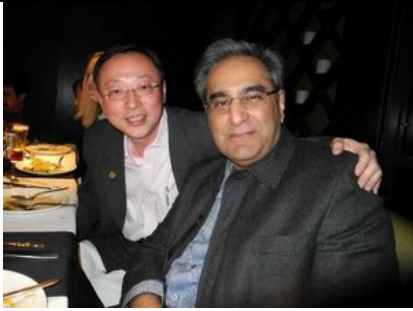














# The 4<sup>th</sup> WEEE GO GREEN Electrical Appliances Delivery Service project on 17<sup>th</sup> Mar, 2012





