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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 -

31st March, 2010

The meeting started at 1:00pm and President Norman warmly greeted all attending members and guests. The birthday boy was PP Rudy who invited PP Dr. Hubert to be the birthday song leader who invited all members to celebrate the happy moments with PP Rudy.

President Norman then made the following announcements:

1. A swimming gala hosted with Choi Chun School will be held on April 24, 2010 in Ma On Shan. Members were encouraged to participate as visiting guests or as swimming candidates with the swimmers of the schools.
2. President Norman would lead a delegation consisting of PP John Kwok and PE Heman visiting RC Kawasaki South and attended their 50th Anniversary party on April 8, 2010.
3. Anyone who has interested in visiting RC of Niigata, Japan on April 28, 2010 should contact HS Eric.
4. The Board decided that the meeting on April 7, 2010 after the Easter Holidays would be cancelled.
5. PP Henry helped organizing a Horse Race Fellowship dinner with HK\$ 500 per person on May 12, 2010 evening in Happy Valley Race Course. Interested member might contact HS Eric for enrolment. Acting SAA PDG Uncle Peter reported the red box collection was HK\$ 1,700 and thanked all contributors.

President Norman invited PE Heman to take up the Club Assembly session. After a brief introduction of the purpose of club assembly was to update members the service projects and club events, PE Heman invited Hon. Secretary Eric to report his progress update in the HS works. The Reporting Matters included Coordinated Events such as Uncle John Cup, Gift to Rtn. Kishu's Son's marriage, District Conference Enrolment. He also took up Advisory role in two projects: Tutorial Project: Changing Young Lives Foundations (Rtn. Anthony & Rtn. Teresa) and All Night Net Walkers Project Youth Outreach (Dir. Kevin). Regarding Rotary Magazines, some members reported that magazines were not delivered in July. HS Eric conducted a survey to all members and followed up with RI data department. Problem was fixed in February for all. HS Eric reported that the coming Event Management would be as follows:

- * District Conference Attendance April 17 & 18
- * House Racing Fellowship Dinner Party (PP Henry) May 12, 2010 Wed
- * PP Andrew Cup May 28, 2010 Fri.

Then PE Heman invited Dir Kevin who presented his two community service projects update as follows:

1. Water Project in Longchuan County in Yunnan, China

Project Objective: to provide the boarding students, which will grow from 600 students to 1000 students in 5 years, of Longchuan Minzhu Primary School with clean water for drinking and proper hygiene, such as shower and toilet flushing. The project was completed in Dec 2009.

2. Anti-Drug Abuse - All Night Net Walker Project (Joint Project with RC of HK Harbour) with Service Partner: Youth Out Reach

a) Aims:

- delivering anti-drug messages to the youths through the internet and outreach
- Locate and meet the invisible drug abusers in midnight

- b) Total budget : HK\$ 43,300 (50-50 % share with RC HK Harbour)
- c) Search 8,000 youngsters and conveys anti-drugs message to them via the Internet
- d) Targets to let workers directly chat and share with about 800 youths-at-risk.
- e) Refer 100 youngsters to YO Crisis Centre or other appropriate agencies for follow up work
- f) Provide job referral or school information to 100 youths.
- g) Update Progress :
 - The program started in Oct 09. Services data from October to March 29, 2010 are:
 - The accumulated no. of youth visited is 12,709
 - YO has successfully referred 124 Teens in needed to 'The Hang Out', 'Crisis Centers'
 - Job or school referral is 78
 - Acknowledgement of our club's logo was found in YO web site.

Following Dir Kevin, Rtn. Teresa presented her report in the Service Project taken care by her and Int. Service Chair Rtn. Anthony

Changing Young Lives Project (Tutorial Service for Local Underprivileged Children)

Tutorial Service for Local Underprivileged Children

- Assist underprivileged children to finish homework and prepare for dictations, tests and examinations
- Help Children who are new immigrants and those from low income or single parent families
- Coach 35 students between age 7-13 and to strengthen the children's learning ability
- Totally 6 Lingnan Rotaractors plus HS Eric's daughter participated, usually 2 to 3 weeks in length
- Current tutor to student ratio is 1 to 10

- Project Update

Proposed Tutorial Programme

- 30 students, aged from 6 to 14
- Strengthen students learning abilities and competitiveness
- Strengthen tutorial services
- * In summer holiday, July to August 2010, 2 classes per week for 7 weeks
- * Help those students who are falling behind
- Recruit more tutors and volunteers to participate
- Increase the tutor to student ratio
- * increase tutor to student ratio from 1:10 to 1:5

Afterwards, PE Heman reported the **Choi Jun School Projects and the Adopt-A-School Partner update:**

1) Adopt-A-School Partner with Choi Jun School effected

2) 3 Projects to be conducted this year

- Swimming Above Self - Swimming Gala
- Pretty Bakery
- Choi Jun School Joint School Swimming Gala

3) Swimming Above Self

Objective is to build up self-esteems of mild mental deficient students through sponsoring the Swimming Team of Choi Jun School for practices as well as coaching Awarded District's Best Community Service Project last year

4) The Swimming Gala, joined hands with 3 other special schools for the mildly mentally handicapped.

- Date of event would be 24 April 2010, Saturday morning, 10am to 12 noon at Ma On Shan Public Swimming Pool.
- Participating schools are Choi Jun School, The Church of Christ in China Kei Shun Special School and The Church of Christ in China Mongkok Church Kai Oi School.

5) Pretty Bakery Project which is an extension program of previous year.

Hei Bei Project Update - the funding was held due to poor cold weather and it would be arranged to deliver to the school when weather condition allowed and the contact of the local education officials were located.

Club Admin. Committee Chair Report by PP John Kwok was as follows:

* Attendance

- As of Feb 10, attendance rate was 49.55%
- Reminded members to make up before half year break, i.e. Dec 31 and June 30 which were the deadlines for every 6 months' make up.

PE Heman reported on behalf of Vocational Service Chair, Rtn. Jason Chiu:

* Vocational Visit

- Currently arranging to visit Griffith Laboratories in Zhongshan, China
- Tentatively to do there in May 2010 with the date to be confirmed later.

PE Heman further reported on behalf of Membership Area Chair PP Paul Chan

- Membership target - 2 Net Gain
- Total No. of Members - 42
- New members inducted - William Leung

Then PE Heman also reported the Public Relations Area for Rtn. Nancy Yee

- This year's Focus: communicating with The Public & Reach Out to other Clubs
- The Public: Advance the recognition & enhancing Rotary's Public Image
- Mass appeal of media coverage - by inviting 22 reporters (from Newspaper, Magazine, TV and Radio) to attend our luncheon meeting with distinguish keynote speaker Mr. JP CY Leung

In addition, PE Heman also presented a written report by Dir. Nancy which covered the followings:

1. Participated in placing outdoor billboard ads in the Central District of Hong Kong island with a friendly cost rate for 2 months (Feb 23 - April 23)
2. Participated in our upcoming 50th District Conference:
 - a. drafted & implied ELEVEN Incentive Schemes & Awards
 - b. drafted the criteria of all Awards and prepared the Certificate
 - c. joined hands with AG Edward in preaching this Incentive Schemes & Awards in all Area 3 Clubs
3. Participated in Anti-drug Finale Project:
 - a. drafted Anti-drug proposal to the HKSAR Governor for funding & asking for venue
 - b. liaised with Shopping Mall for venue
 - c. Prepared the media & PR budget
4. Participated in President Elect Training: Spoke on PR Workshop

Internally, Rtn. Nancy has arranged a Vocational visit at the NOW TV Station for the students from Delia Memorial School (Hip Wo) on the 22nd March 2010. Twenty students attended with The HK Federation of Youth Groups - social worker Ah Shun.

Dylan Lee, Executive Program Director from NOW TV spent more than 3 hours in speaking, showing & demonstrating the flow from how to prepare News to Ready on air for them. Students were lucky enough to have the chance to pretend as a News Anchor and learned how to operate the camera. They were also very lucky to have one of their famous News Anchor, Ruby speaking in front of them in sharing her works, experience and dream to be a News Anchor.

On top of that, Rtn. Nancy also prepared a video for our House of Friendship that is going to be played during our 50th District Conference.

Rotary Foundation Chair Report made by PP Laurence Chan confirmed the targeted Paul Harris Fellows Candidates of this Rotary Year have all made their contributions before the end of March 2010 in time to be recognized at the upcoming District Conference. The contributors included CDS PP Eddy Wong, PP John Kwok, HS Dr. Eric Chin, PE Heman Lam, and Pres. Norman.

On behalf of HT Colin, Hon. the Treasurer Report was made by PP Rudy regarding the financial status of the club which was sound and satisfactory.

PE Heman then expressed his appreciation to all the hard works done by various presenters. Then President Norman thanked PE Heman for hosting the Club Assembly.

President Norman then announced that the April 7 meeting would be cancelled and the speaker on April 14, 2010 would be announced in due course.

President Norman then led us to make a toast to RI and Rotary Club of Hong Kong Island East. There being no other business, the luncheon meeting was adjourned at 2:00 pm. All participants were invited for a group photo.

Rotary Potpourri

Message from the Foundation Chair, Glenn E. Estess, Sr.

I have seen again and again what a critical role literacy plays in a healthy and productive life. Being literate does not just mean having the ability to read a book or a newspaper. Being literate means being able to comprehend the instructions on a medicine bottle, a set of directions, or a job posting. It means understanding the note written by a child's teacher. It means being able to use a computer, follow a recipe, or apply for a mortgage. Literacy means being part of the larger society. It means inclusion, and it means empowerment.

Those who cannot read or write, whether they are children or adults, are cut off from important information in ways too numerous to count. They are less likely to be healthy and more likely to be poor. And perhaps most critical of all, parents who cannot read are more likely to raise children who cannot read - perpetuating the cycle of illiteracy and poverty.

As a Rotarian and in my profession, I have seen so many simple and creative ways to break this cycle. Whether it is by volunteering in schools; by ringing education and training to adults, or simply by ensuring that all children have the books and supplies they need, we in Rotary can do so much, we can help others learn to read - and learn to help themselves.

Electronic Make-up Questions

You can submit an electronic makeup for this missed meeting by answering the following questions:

Name: _____

Email: _____

1. Who was our celebrated birthday boy today and who was our birthday song leader ?
Ans)

2. Our Club will host a swimming gala with whom, when and where ?
Ans)

3. What was the Red Box collection today ?
Ans)

4. Who chaired the Club Assembly today ?
Ans)

5. Name any two of the coordinated events reported by HS Eric ?
Ans)

6. Name one of the community service projects reported by Dir. Kevin ?
Ans)

7. How many of our Rotaractors have participated in the Changing Young Lives project as tutors to the underprivileged children ?
Ans)

8. Name one of the projects we have partnered with Choi Jun School this year ?
Ans)

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Joke

Subject: Hotel Bill

Next time you think your hotel bill is too high, you might want to consider this:

My wife and I are traveling by car from Victoria to Prince George. After almost eleven hours on the road, we were too tired to continue, and decide to take a room. But, we only planned to sleep for four hours and then get back on the road. When we checked out five hours later, the desk clerk hands us a bill for \$350.00.

I explode and demand to know why the charge is so high. I tell the clerk although it's a nice hotel; the rooms certainly aren't worth \$350.00. Then the clerk tells me that \$350.00 is the 'standard rate'. I insisted on speaking to the Manager.

The Manager appears, listens to me, and then explains that the hotel has an Olympic-sized pool and a huge conference centre that were available for us to use. 'But we didn't use them.' 'Well, they are here, and you could have,' explains the Manager.

He goes on to explain we could also have taken in one of the shows for which the hotel is famous. 'We have the best entertainers from New York, Hollywood, and Las Vegas perform here,' the Manager says.

'But we didn't go to any of those shows,'. 'Well, we have them, and you could have,' the Manager replies.

No matter what amenity the Manager mentions, I replied, 'But we didn't use it!'

The Manager is unmoved, and eventually I gave up and agreed to pay. I write a cheque and give it to the Manager. The Manager is surprised when he looks at the cheque. 'But sir,' 'this cheque is only made out for \$50.00. "That's correct, as I charged you \$300.00 for sleeping with my wife.'

'But I didn't!' exclaims the Manager.

'Well, too bad, she was here, and you could have.'

Photographs of our meeting

on

31st March, 2010



PDG Uncle Peter Hall, PE Heman Lam & Pres. Norman Lee



Hon. Sec. Dr. Eric Chin, PP Laurence Chan & PP Uncle John Kwok



Rtn. Teresa Ho, Rtn. Kevin Leung & PP Rudy Law



PP Tim Lui & PP David Li



PP Stephen Liu, PP Hubert Chan, PP Henry Chan & Rtn. Kenny Chan



Rtn. William Leung & IPP Andy Wong



Birthday boy PP Rudy received the gift from Pres. Norman and PP Hubert led the birthday song



PE Heman Lam chaired the 3rd Club Assembly



Hon. Sec. Dr. Eric Chin represented his project reports



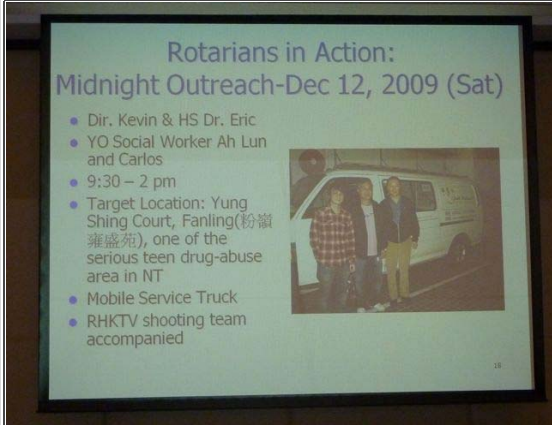
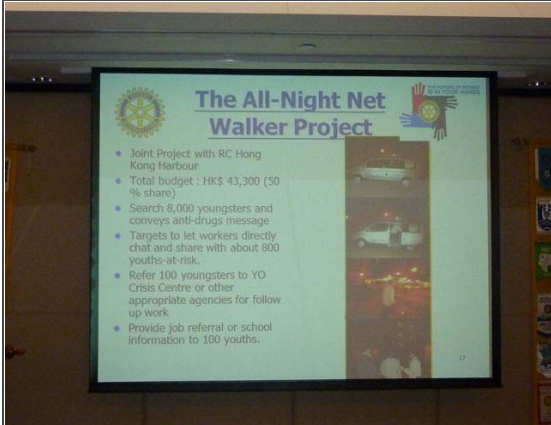
Rtn. Kevin & Hon. Sec. Eric presented the report for Midnight Outreach project



Rtn. Teresa Ho presented her project with Changing Young Life Foundation



Pres. Norman Lee presented a photo in action to thank PE Heman Lam



Some projects information



Members group photo

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