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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 -

22nd April, 2009

The Meeting was started by the Rotary Bell at 1:03pm by President Andy. 12 members were in attendance and no visiting Rotarians nor birthday boys were present.

Announcements made by President Andy included the District Assembly last Saturday which was well attended, with a record of 312 people who turned out. The District Budget, however, was voted down and would be re-budgeted and presented. This shows that the democratic spirit is strong in the Rotary community in HK. A future club visit to Rotary Club of Osaka Jonan from HKIE is brought up, with planned golfing at the Nara Golf Club.

Acting SAA PP Rudy reported the intake of the red box at \$700.

The highlight of the meeting was a talk by Mr. Garson Lee CSMSM MBA. He was introduced by Director Kevin Leung.

Mr. Lee was the General Manager of the Industrial Section of the Correctional Service of the HKSAR Government before retiring to manage an insurance broker firm. He served in the Scout Association of HK for 45 years, and is presently the Deputy Chief Commissioner (Operations) of the Association.

Mr Lee's talk was in Cantonese and the topic was Scouting Movement & Education in HK. As a historical perspective, Mr Lee mentioned that the Boy Scout Movement was started by Lord Baden-Powell in UK at 1907, branching off from The Boys Brigade. The concept is that every Scout is encouraged to have a religious belief. The movement will be 100 years old in HK by 2011.

About 20 years ago, the HK Scout movement became independent from that of UK, and changed the name from Boy Scout to Scout Association of HK. It meant that the movement was no more for children only, and males and females enjoyed equal status and treatment.

Now, by definition, it is an education movement. Previously, the movement was funded by the Social Welfare Department; but in the recent 10 years, it received funding from the Home Affairs Bureau. The emphasis was changed from welfare and after school activities to education and character development of teenage and young adults.

With the change of high school system to 3+3, Scouting will gain a place in the senior 3 years in the Other Learning Experiences section which will carry 15-35% of the curriculum. As a type of non-formal education, it will thus overlap with the formal education.

Scouting will offer moral education, civic education, social responsibilities, physical education and artistic education in its activities and training. The experience and training from the Scouts will appear in the students' future CV. The Association will assist the high schools to start or augment their scouting.

Agreement and recognition are also gained with the tertiary educational institutions in HK, like the HKU SPACE, CU, Poly U, HKIEd., Open U, Lingnan U etc. where qualifications as Scout Leader (with the Wood Badge) would count as credit points towards Diplomas and Degrees.

Mr Lee's talk provoked many questions from the members. And in answering them, he told us that there are about 10,000 volunteers in the Association and 100 paid staff in different regional quarters. The Association receives under HKD 20 millions funding from the Government, and by running the BP International House in Austin Road, a similar income is generated for annual expenditure. He was formally thanked by Rtn Anthony with hearty applause from the members.

The meeting was closed after a toast to the RCHKIE, and all congregated for a group photograph.

Rotary Potpourri

Formation of New Rotary Clubs

The highest honour will be bestowed to a new club in Mongolia by RI President D. K. Lee who will fly over to Mongolia of district 3450, to present the Charter personally to the Charter President Oyun Erdenebulgan within this Rotary year. This new Rotary club is named The Rotary Club of Tamir of Ulaanbaatar and is sponsored by Rotary Club of Tuul in Mongolia.

There will be another new Rotary club under formation, sponsored by the Rotary Club of Kowloon West in

district 3450. This new Rotary club will be named the Rotary Club of Kowloon Tong. Its Charter President will be Angela Chan, a former past president of the Rotary Club of Kwun Tong.

Finally, Rotary Club of Metropolitan HK will be sponsoring a new Rotary club, which will be called the Rotary Club of Lion Rock. Its charter president will be Mr. Teem Lam.

With strong Rotary dedication, it is not difficult to start a new club, but to keep it growing is difficult. The special representative of the district governor is to nurse the new club for at least one year. Generally speaking, to give birth to a baby is easy, but to nurse and educate a child is rather difficult. Let us put every effort in this subject in wishing the new Rotary clubs well.

Club News

On Saturday night of the 18th of April, 2009 our President Andy Wong , IPP Laurence Chan, PP John Kwok, PP Eddy Wong, PE Norman Lee and Rotarianne Isa Hall have attended the Annual Dinner of our daughter club, the Rotary Club of Hong Kong Harbour at the Regal Hotel. It was a very pleasant night with lots of entertainments, nice food and memorable fellowship being enjoyed by all the participants. Please see some of the photos selected in this newsletter.

On the Wednesday night of the 22nd April, 2009 all the organizing committee members of our 55th Anniversary were invited by our organizing committee chairman, PE Norman Lee, to attend a review meeting cum celebration dinner at a Chiu Chow Restaurant in Causeway Bay. It was a fruitful gathering to collect and record all the lessons to learn and nice things to recap regarding the organizing of large gathering such as our 55th Anniversary. We have a wonderful fellowship and dinner gathering and have also taken the opportunity to celebrate the birthday of our MC, PP George Leung, that evening. Please see also some of the photos taken that night in this newsletter.

Electronic Make-up Questions

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

Name:

Email:

1. Do we have any visiting Rotarian today ? Ans)	<input type="text"/>
2. Do we have any birthday boy celebration today ? Ans)	
3. How many members have attended the luncheon meeting today ? Ans)	
4. How many participants have attended the District Assembly of last Saturday ? Ans)	
5. What was the SAA collection reported today ? Ans)	
6. Who introduced our speaker today ? Ans)	
7. Who was our speaker and was the topic today ? Ans)	
8. What was the name of the new club sponsoring by the RC of Kowloon West ? Ans)	

Joke

Subject: NINE MONTHS LATER

Jack decided to go skiing with his buddy, Bob. So they loaded up Jack's mini van and headed north. After driving for a few hours, they got caught in a terrible blizzard. So they pulled into a nearby farm and asked the attractive lady who answered the door if they could spend the night.

'I realize it's terrible weather out there and I have this huge house all to myself, but I'm recently widowed,' she explained. 'I'm afraid the neighbors will talk if I let you stay in my house.'

'Don't worry,' Jack said. 'We'll be happy to sleep in the barn. And if the weather breaks, we'll be gone at first light.' The lady agreed, and the two men found their way to the barn and settled in for the night. Come morning, the weather had cleared, and they got on their way. They enjoyed a great weekend of skiing.

About nine months later, Jack got an unexpected letter from an attorney. It took him a few minutes to figure it out, but he finally determined that it was from the attorney of that attractive widow he had met on the ski weekend.

He dropped in on his friend Bob and asked, 'Bob, do you remember that good-looking widow from the farm we stayed at on our ski holiday up north about 9 months ago?'

'Yes, I do' said Bob.

'Did you, ER, happen to get up in the middle of the night, go up to the house and pay her a visit?'

'Well, um, yes,' Bob said, a little embarrassed about being found out, 'I have to admit that I did.' 'And did you happen to give her my name instead of telling her your name?'

Bob's face turned beet red and he said, 'Yeah, look, I'm sorry, buddy. I'm afraid I did.' 'Why do you ask?'

'She just died and left me everything.'

(And you thought the ending would be different, didn't you?)

... You know you smiled...now keep that smile for the rest of the day!)

Photographs of our meeting

on

22nd April, 2009



(L to R) PDG Uncle Peter Hall, Guest Speaker - Mr. Garson Lee, Pres. Andy Wong



(L to R) Hon. Sec. Heman, PE Norman Lee & PP John Kwok



(L to R) IPP Laurence Chan & Rtn. Kenny Chan



(L to R) Rtn. Tony Loy & PP Rudy Law



(L to R) Rtn. Kevin Leung & Rtn. Anthony Kwong



(L to R) Hon. Sec. Heman, PE Norman Lee & Rtn. Peter Yeung



Rtn. Kevin Leung first time to introduce the speaker of the week



This week's guest speaker, Mr. Garson Lee, Deputy Chief Commissioner of the Hong Kong Boy Scout Association, to talk to us on the topic of "Education and Hong Kong Scouting"



(L to R) Rtn. Tony, IPP Laurence & Rtn. Kenny



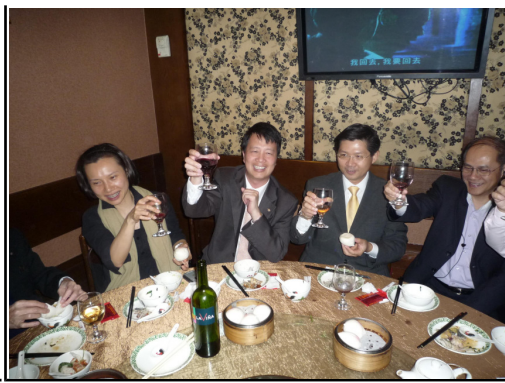
Rtn. Anthony Kwong gave his first vote of thanks to Mr. Garson Lee on behalf of the Club



Group photo with members & Guest Speaker



Dir. Dr. Eric Chin shared his good wine with all the members



(L to R) Cheers, Rotaryanne Isa, PE Norman Hon. Sec. Heman



Everybody enjoyed the food, wine and fellowship



OC Group photo



Members ordered the Chinese "Long Life Bun" to celebrate PP George's birthday in that evening



Cheers! PP George & IPP Laurence

District Assembly



(L to R) DG Albert Wong, PDG Uncle Peter & DGN Jason Chan



PE Norman Lee reported in the plenary section in the District Assembly



Members of RC of Hong Kong Island East and organizing team members take photo with the District Officers



2009-2010 Incoming Presidents and all the incoming District Officers

RC of HK Harbor Anniversary



Uncle John (3rd right) with the guests and members at the Annual Dinner of Rc HK Harbor



(L to R) PP Jerry of RC of TST, PP Grace Yen, Rotarianne Isa & PE Norman Lee



PP John Kwok again with the member and guest of RC HK Harbor



The three finalists waiting for just one more number to win the grand bingo game



DGE Ada Cheng & PP John Kwok



Uncle John's most happy moment, presenting his present to the beautiful lucky winner, wife of DS Eugene Fong

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