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# Last Week's Proceedings – 23rd April, 2014

President Jonathan called the luncheon meeting to order on time, and welcome visiting Rotarians accordingly:

CP Joe Joe Chan from RC Hong Kong Financial Centre

PP Samuel Ma, also from RC Hong Kong Financial Centre

PP David Shelton-Smith, from RC Macau

PP Pedro Ching from RC Hong Kong City North

Rtn A. Balaguru, from RC Chennai Nolambur of India

Rtn S. Venkatesh, also from RC Chennai Nolambur of India

Rtn Sonny Li, from RC Causeway Bay

Rtn Joanna Li, from RC of St. Ives of NSW, Australia (also the sister of Rtn Sonny)

#### PP Eric announcement:

- (1) cheque presentation from CP Joe Joe Chan from RC Hong Kong Financial Centre., on sponsoring our 60th anniversary dinner for HK\$28,000.
- (2) thanks to CP Joe Joe Chan also sponsoring PDG Moses Cheng to sing in our 60th anniversary dinner.
- (3) A group of PDG's sponsored DG Eugene to sing at \$12,500, including a payment of \$5,000 from PDG Peter Wong.

#### Pres. Jonathan announcement:

Exchange of banners with visiting Rotarians from RC of Chennai Nolambur

1. Our sister club RC of Osaka Jonan invite us to visit Japan and join their 45th anniversary commemorative ceremony and banquet on 30th May. The time will be from 3pm to 6pm and the venue is Sheraton Miyako hotel Osaka. Ordinary attire will be fine. My wife and I, PDG YK Cheng and spouse, PP Stephen Liu and spouse, Rtn. Sharon Lamport will attend. PP George Leung and PP John Kwok are considering to join.



# 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

- 2. The 6th Happy Luncheon will be held on May 2, 2014 Friday, venue and time will be confirmed later, members who are interested please enroll to Dir William.
- 3. The first District Joint Luncheon Meeting will be held on 28 April 2014, Monday, 12pm at Regal Palace, 3/F., Regal Hong Kong, Causeway Bay. And April 30th will be our dinner meeting.

The Honorable Ms. Carrie Lam, Chief Secretary of Hong Kong Special Administration Region, will be speaking at our specially arranged luncheon meeting on 28 April, 2014, Monday. The title of her speech would be "Public Consultation on Constitutional Development", and she will address on the responds with the Public Consultation that the government received so far on this one topic that created a lot of hot discussions in town and which would also immensely affect us all. The cost is HK\$380. Please note also that the venue has limited capacity and would be on a first come first serve basis, members who are interested please enroll to Dir Stacy.

Acting SAA William reported that the red box collection of the day was HK\$1,060, with a generous donations of members and particularly a contribution from Rtn Jonanna (HK\$200).

Instead of a speaker of nuitrition, we had Rtn Tony Loy to step in at the last moment, for his impromptu talk on an interesting book *If I Were God, I'd End All the Pain* (published by Matthias Media, 2001) from John Dickson (as an Australian writer, historian, minister and Honorary Fellow in the Department of Ancient History at Macquarie University).

Rtn Tony had a well known medical career on treating wounds and bone injuries and his selected topic on "If I Were God, I'd End All the Pain: Struggling with Evil, Suffering and Faith" could be most relevant to us. Rtn Tony came across this 100-page book upon his visiting his sons in NSW some time ago.

Rtn Tony began his talk with a few tragic incidents in the past such as:

A child catches a rare brain virus and is affected for life.

A father dies in a plane crash.

A dictator murders millions.

Therefore it led to some questions (in fact doubts) regarding:

Why doesn't God do something about things like this?

Why does he allow them to happen?

In fact, can we still believe in God in the face of all the suffering and pain in the world?

Rtn Tony quoted from this short book, how John Dickson looked honestly at these questions, and provided some compelling answers. Rtn Tony gave us a refreshing and enlightening comparison of how the various religious world views describe the causes and effects of human suffering, before his turning to what the Bible itself says about God, justice and suffering.

- Hinduism views suffering as karma, i.e. bringing balance for past wrongs.
- Buddhism, which actually developed from Buddha's quest to explain suffering, believes all suffering is just an illusion. It stems from a desire or affection for things of the world (e.g. comfort, health, money, love, etc.). If we can simply strip away these desires and enter a state of nirvana (non-existence), then suffering will cease.
- Islam believes all things are pre-determined by God, and that suffering is a direct result of Allah, the great "Unmoved Mover."

Atheism endures suffering as the natural, unhappy by-product of our random, godless universe.

Rtn Tony made reference to the book other than the above four views, the Bible has an explanation for suffering.

They were about human violence and injustice, which caused so much of the suffering in this world, to be a perversion of the independence God originally gave the human spirit. People could live as "a law unto themselves, without reference to the Creator," and they were reaping what they sow.

But what about the profound suffering caused by natural disasters, disease, death, starvation, etc.?

The author did not merely explain suffering, but provided some comforting truths that gave hope and peace even in times of suffering:

- God will eventually judge and repay all the injustice in the world.
- God will eventually restore and re-create His world in perfection.
- By sending His Son to the cross, God Himself has suffered to the greatest degree, and through his suffering to provide a substitute for people, so that they did not have to spend eternity apart from Him.

According to Rtn Tony, "If I Were God, I'd End All the Pain" is a brief but helpful Christian apologetic on suffering. While the Bible does not claim to give people all the answers, it gives them enough to keep clinging to God and persevering through life's darkest moments.

PP Norman Lee thanked the speaker in our usual Rotary manners.

Pres. Jonathan reminded us the next week arrangement was special:

(1) Rotary district lunch: April 28 (Monday) – A meeting to welcome the Hon. Mrs. Carrie Lam, Chief Sec of the Hong Kong SAR to give us a talk on the future of Hong Kong. The meeting starts at 12:00pm.

The details for the luncheon is as follows:

Date: 28 April, 2014, Monday Time: 12:00 pm reception

12:15pm be seated

12:30pm sharp program begins

2:15pm program ends.

Venue: Regal Palace, 3/Fl., Regal Hong Kong, Causeway Bay, Hong Kong

Cost: HK\$380

Language: Cantonese, with English script of the speech to be distributed to

non-Cantonese speaking members.

Registration: Registrations should be made with the Club President who should also collect payments and send the list of attendees together with a consolidated cheque to RIC attn. Steve Kwok (ric@rotary3450.org). The cheque should be made payable to "Rotary District 3450 Ltd". Credit card payment at RIC would also be acceptable.

(2) RC HK Island East will hold a dinner arrangement on April 30 (Wednesday night ) at Regal Hotel where our guest speaker will be Mr. Yin Toa Lee who will speak on "EY Oracle for Bankers"

Pres. Jonathan made a toast to Rotary International coupled with:

Rotary Club of Hong Kong financial Centre

Rotary Club of Macau

Rotary Club of Hong Kong City North

Rotary Club of Causeway Bay

Rotary Club of St. Ives, NSW, Australia

Rotary Club of Chennai Nolambur, India

Meeting adjourned in time and the members and guests were invited to stay for a group photo.

# ಬಡಬಡಬಡಬಡ LAUGH FOR THE WEEK

## Don't you just Love Seniors -

An elderly couple had just learned how to send text messages on their cell phones.

The wife was a romantic type and the husband was more of a no-nonsense guy.

One afternoon the wife went out to meet a friend for coffee. She decided to send her husband a romantic text message and she wrote:

"If you are sleeping, send me your dreams.

If you are laughing, send me your smile.

If you are eating, send me a bite.

If you are drinking, send me a sip.

If you are crying, send me your tears.

I love you."

The husband texted back to her: "I'm on the toilet.

Please advise."







YEAR 2013-2014											
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ROTARY CLUB OF HONG KONG ISLAND EAST MEETS EVERY WEDNESDAY, 12:30 p.m. at Regal Hong Kong Hotel, Causeway Bay, Hong Kong.

# 23 April 2014 - Luncheon Meeting Rotary Club of Hong Kong Island East



(L to R) CP Joe Joe Chan from RC of Financial Center, PP David Li, DGND Eric Chin, PP David Smith from RC of Macau & Dir William Wong



 $(L\ to\ R)\ Rtn.\ Joanne\ Li\ from\ RC\ of\ St.\ Ives,\ Sydney,$  Rtn.\ Sonny\ Li\ from\ RC\ of\ Causeway\ Bay\ \&\ PP\ Stephen\ Liu



(L to R) Rtn. A. Balaguru from RC of Chennai, Nolambur PP Uncle John Kwok, Dir. William Wong, PP Norman Lee & Rtn. S. Venkatesh also from RC of Chennai, Nolambur, India



Rtn. Peter Yeung & PP Uncle John Kwok



PP David Smith from RC of Macau, Rtn. Tony Loy & Pres. Jonathan Lamport



DGND Eric Chin, CP Joe Joe Chan from RC of Financial Centre & PP Uncle John Kwok



PP Pedro Ching from RC of HK City North & PP Eddy Wong



Rtn. S. Venkatesh & Rtn. A. Balaguru from RC of Chennai, Nolambur & Rtn. Peter Yeung



CP Samuel Ma from RC of Financial Centre & PP Henry Chan



Dir. William Wong & PP Rudy Law



Rtn. Jason Chiu, PP Norman Lee & PP Stephen Liu



PP David Li & Rtn. John Yao

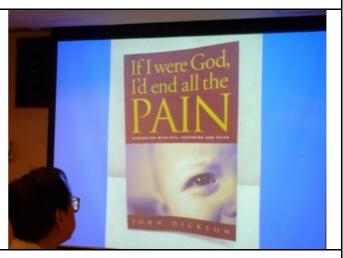


Pres. Jonathan Lamport received a cheque from CP Joe Joe Chan who donated HK\$28,000 to our club's 60th Anniversary Ball



DGND Eric Chin present a gift and a club banner to CP Joe Joe Chan & CP Samuel Ma to thank their generosity on behalf of the Club,





This week we were so luckily to have our Rtn. Tony Loy as our backup speaker. He found a topic in 5 minutes and the topic was "If I was God, I'd end all PAIN"



PP Norman Lee gave a vote of thanks to Rtn. Tony Loy to thank his interesting and inspiring sharing in his readings.



Pres. Jonathan Lamport exchange Club banners with Rtn. S. Venkatesh & Rtn. A. Balaguru from Rotary Club of Chennai, Nolambur.



Group photo of members, visiting Rotarians & guests.

# CHOI JUN SCHOOL SPONSOR PROJECT Joint special school Academic Quiz Competition

特殊學校聯校學術識問答比賽 (第六屆比賽)

Date: 7<sup>th</sup> April 2014 Time: Morning session

Schools: Choi Jun School / Kei Shun School / Kai Oi School / Saviour Lutheran School / Yeung

Yat Lam Memory School / 1 sp school to be invited later

Team students:

Team of 6 students for each school consists of multi-level abilities in order to provide opportunity

for all Prizes:

champion (HK\$600) + cup

 $1^{st}$  runner up (HK400) + cup

2<sup>nd</sup> runner up (HK300) + cup

3<sup>rd</sup> runner up (HK200)

Transportation: HK\$5,000

Sponsor Amount from Rotary Club of HKIE: HK\$3,600.00

Attendant: Dir. William and wife Fanny, Rotarian Kevin and wife Catherine.





# "舞動新生命"-Holy Carpenter Secondary School

Date: 14<sup>th</sup> April, 2014

Venue: Holy Carpenter Secondary School Dancing Room

Sponsor: Lamport family

Attendant: Eric, William, Joseph, Kevin, Principal Ng Ka Fung and 7 students.

# Aims of the project

1. To develop the talent of the youngsters

- 2. To develop self –confidence, positive value and promote the Healthy living style to the youth
- 3. To develop the peer relations among the school, strengthen the networking among the new arrivals
- 4. To train up the new generation to continue the dancing team in school.

#### **Content**

Nature of program: Dance Training Number of Class: 28 Sessions@ 1.5hrs Period of Program: 1/2014–12/2014

Content: Expect dance skills training, personal growth of the youngsters is also one of the main elements in this project. Social workers will provide a 0.5hr counseling session (such as set up goal, team building, behavioral problem intervention etc) for the group.







# SKH Holly Carpenter Secondary School Remote Control Motor Car Training Project

Date: 12<sup>th</sup> April 2014

Project In charge: Rotarian Joseph

Venue: SKH Holly Carpenter Secondary School Sponsor: Rotary Club of Hong Kong Island East

Aims:

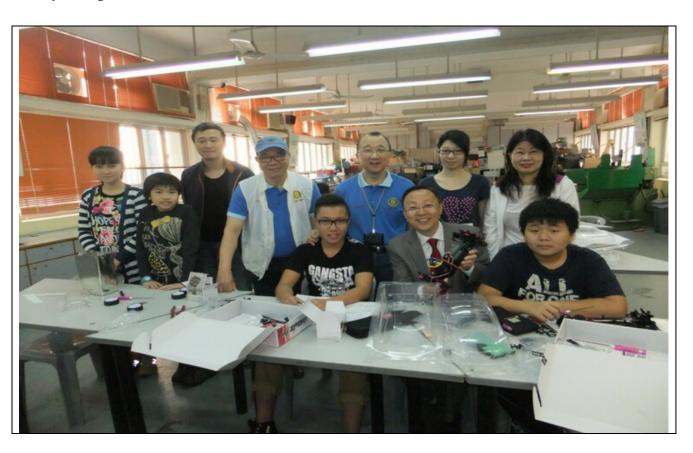
To develop students' diversified skills

To build up students' confidence

To build up students awareness of the society

Attendant: Eric, William, Joseph, HKCC Rotaractor Advisor Jandia, Tutor and 12

Holy Carpenter's students.



























**Newly Arrival Students Adaptation & Assignment Guidance Class** 

Date: 12<sup>th</sup> April, 2014

Attendant: Eric, William, Joseph, Advisers from HKCC Jandia and Pam plus 6 HKCC students and 17 Holy Carpenter's students.

聖公會聖匠中學 SKH Holy Carpenter Secondary School <<新移民學生適應及功課輔導班計劃書>> Newly Arrival Students Adaptation & Assignment Guidance Class Proposal

# A. 計劃理念: Objective

自香港回歸中國後,來港定居的內地新移民與日俱增,當中青少年亦佔了百分之十四(政府統計處,2011)。爲了來港與家人團聚,他們除了要應付成長的壓力外,還要努力面對生活環境上的各種轉變,當中包括文化差異、家庭環境轉變、不同語言的運用、教育制度和學習環境等(林孟秋、宋同九,2004),都會爲他們於適應香港生活上造成很多負限制,這些限制所產生的無助感對青少年的心理發展亦有著若干程度的影響。

According to the 2011 census report, the number of mainland immigrant has grown rapidly, and 40% of them are teenager. The main purpose of re-union with the family has achieved. But the problems they face are enormous. Different living environment, cultural differences, language barrier and educational systems are their common obstacles. Early interference could minimize the side effect the problems caused.

本校學生當中有不少爲新移民同學,以 2012-2013 年度中一級爲例,中一共三班,中一丙班百分之九十以上爲新移民學生,其餘中一甲及中一乙班也有爲數不少的新移民同學。經本校觀察及家長訪談發現,這批學生的英文能力最遜色。由於家庭經濟困難,家長未能爲學生聘請補習教師,部份學生爲幫補家計更要外出兼職。

The number of newly arrival students has grown rapidly in the past few years. In 2012-2013, there were three Secondary one classes. More than 50% students are Putonghua speaking students. Among all the subjects they study, their English are comparatively lower than the others. No tutor was provided by their parents. Even worse, they needed to work part-time to support the family.

大部份的新移民同學的校內成績表現不錯,唯獨英文科成績稍遜。部份同學礙於英文成績不佳, 更失去升學的意願。有見及此,本計劃希望透過不同的活動,協助本校新來港學生掌握社區設施和資源運用、促進朋輩關係、提升自信心及建立個人形象,從而讓他們更容易適應和投入香港的生活及學習環境。

One thankful thing is that their overall examination results, on average, is quite promising. But English had really simmered their chance to study in the tertiary level. Due to this fact, we are going to organize various activities. Our main objectives are to assist the newly arrival students build up a better net-working, understand their living environment, enhance their self-esteem and their own images. Most of all, it is a must to put them into a English learning environment.

### B. 計劃形式 Plan

本計劃的對象爲本校 15 位新來港學生,計劃內容包括 10 次成長小組(每節爲一小時)、4 次社區體驗活動、1 次義工訓練營及義工服務、以及 1 次嘉許活動(詳見 Part E. 計劃內容)。另外於下學年內及暑假爲初中新移民同學提供英文功課輔導及英文活動,人數以十人爲一組,每組一位導師。導師來自香港專上學院的學生,他們以義工的方式爲本校新移民提供英文輔導。除每人每小時收取一百元車馬費外,沒有另行收費。

Target: 15 newly arrival students in Holy Carpenter Secondary School

Course:

09/2013 - 01/2014 (adaptation)

- 1. 10 1-hour Enrichment classes
- 2. 4 community visits
- 3. 1 voluntary training camp plus service
- 4. 1 bonus activity (refer to Part F)

02/2014 - 07/2014

1. Junior form newly arrival students' English Enhancement Course

(tutored by Hong Kong Community College's Rotaractors)

#### C. 計劃目標 Aim(s)

本計劃的目標可分爲個人和社區兩方面。個人方面,主要希望透過小組活動、英文功課輔導、義工訓練營及義工服務去協助學生提升個人自信心、學習動機和建立個人形象(包括認識自己、訂立個人目標、互相及自我欣賞等)。社區方面,希望透過小組活動和社區體驗活動,協助學生掌握社區文化、設施和資源運用(包括學會運用本地用語、認識不同風格的建築、有效使用社區設施和交通工具等),從而提昇學生對社區的投入感。

The plan is divided into two parts: Personal Growth and Community Understanding.

For personal growth, we are expecting there are a self-confidence growth after all the above activities. For community understanding, it is expected that there should be more involvement among students themselves.

## D. 甄選程序 (Screening Process)

由於本校每年的新來港學生人數眾多,本計劃將設有甄選程序,並按照同學對服務之需要程度作 爲甄選準則。甄選面談將於 2013 年 9 月 12 –13 日以小組形式進行。

As stated on the Part A, the number of newly arrival students is constantly reached to 90 or above in junior form. So screening process would be provide to selected the needed first. Tentative date is September 12-13, 2013.

#### E. 獎懲準則 Awarding Criteria

本計劃為期 1 個學年,參加同學均須出席計劃中所有活動,表現良好的同學將獲得優先獲得海洋公園嘉許玩樂團之參加資格。另一方面,英文功課輔導班及小組出席率達 100%的同學於學年終結時將獲優點乙個以示嘉許(有特別原因而出席率未達 100%之同學將酌情處理)。

The project lasts for 1 academic year, 2013-2014. The selected students have the obligation to attend all the activities. For those who perform well will receive ONE free admission to Ocean Park. For those who attend 100% on their tutorial class and group activities will receive 1 merit.

# F. 預算開支 Budget

活動名稱	活動次數	活動時數	參加人 數	義工人次	車馬費(合共)				
Event	Number of activity	Period	Student s	Volunteer(v)*	Travel allowance				
(1)新移民適 應活動	約20次	全天	15 人	2X20=40	40X\$200=\$8000				
Adaptation	20 times (t)	Whole day	15	2 volunteer X 20 times = 40 v/t	40 v/t X \$200 = \$8,000 (a)				
(2)英文功課 輔導及英文 活動班	約20次	每節 1.5 小 時	20 人	2X20=40	40X\$100=4000				
Tutorial & Activity	20 sessions (s)	1.5 hour/session	20	2 volunteer X 20 sessions = 40 v/s	40 v/s X \$100 = \$4,000 (b)				
	整個計劃合共:港幣 Total (a) + (b) \$12,000								

<sup>\*</sup>The Rotaractor of the Hong Kong Community College will be invited to act as volunteer.









