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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 (4th May, 2005)

President Rudy opened the meeting by welcoming our visiting IPP Peter More from our sister club of Westwood Village. VP Jason then introduced his best friend Charles Bien to our members.

PP John reminded members of the upcoming Intercity City function. A total of 20 seats have been reserved by the club for this function at the Miramar Hotel on May 18. A four course meal would be served. PP John further mentioned that World Emergency Relief would be sponsoring a golf tournament at Shek-O Country Club on May 20 for a charitable fund raising event. Golfers are encouraged to participate.

PP John reported that SAA collection was HK\$700.

President Rudy was happy to announce that DG Alex would pay a visit to our club next Wednesday to present the Four Avenue of Services individual citation to IPP Henry Chan.

Next, VP Jason came to the rostrum to introduce our speaker Mr. Vaughan Mason who has been a member of the Australian P.G.A. since 1989. Vaughan first came to Hong Kong in 1999 for a 2 month coaching assignment. In Oct 2000 Vaughan returned to Hong Kong at the invitation of the New Zealand Chinese Golfing Society again. Since then Vaughan has decided to make Hong Kong his home and established a coaching business in the city.

According to Vaughan, there are several areas one can focus on to improve the game. They include

- 1) The importance of short game - When analyzing a typical golf game, over 60% of the shots are associated with short game. Unfortunately, most people spend a predominate amount of their practice time on their driver and long irons but not on short game. To improve their short game, golfers are encouraged to get to the golf course an hour before each game, spend 30-40 minutes on the putting green. After the game, spend another 15 minutes on the putting green.
- 2) Not to place too much emphasis on the perfect swing - We do not have to make a perfect golf swing each time. The idea of a good golf swing is to motivate a ball to travel from one point to another and get the ball close enough to the green so we can finish off with a chip or a putt. Once we realize that we do not need to make a perfect swing each time, we will find that our body would become more relaxed and good golf wings would come easily.
- 3) Course management - when playing golf next time, take a look at the course layout. In some cases, because of the course design, you are better off not to use the driver.

On putting, Vaughan mentioned that the path of how the club travels is not as important as the club face at the time when it makes contact with the ball.

On golf club selection, Vaughan stressed the advantage of custom made clubs that fit the golfer's swing. If everyone is built differently, why are we using clubs that are standard?

At the conclusion of Vaughan's informative discussion of golf, PP John who has been a golfer for 50 years came up to formally thank Vaughn. PP John gave his personal testimony on the importance of short game. By focusing more on his short game than his driver recently, PP John was able to reduce his average score by 10 strokes!

VP Jason announced that next week's topic would be on HK Cancer Fund.

President Rudy adjourned the meeting with a toast to RI coupled with Rotary Club of Westwood Village.

Rotary Information

After presenting a Paul Harris Fellow Badge (with one ruby) to PP Hubert Chan during our weekly meeting, question came to me for the way how to be a one ruby PHF. The following is an explanation of Donor Recognition:

Each year Rotarians and their clubs contribute to The Rotary Foundation's Annual Programmes Fund and the Permanent Fund. The Annual Programmes Fund provides support for the Foundation's humanitarian and educational programmes. The Permanent Fund serves as an endowment, guaranteeing that the Foundation's work toward international understanding and Peace will continue in perpetuity. Without the ongoing support of Rotarians, the Foundation and its vital programmes to alleviate suffering, foster greater cultural

understanding, and eradicate polio worldwide would cease to exist. As an expression of appreciation. The Rotary Foundation presents various recognitions to donors and clubs.

1. Paul Harris Fellow Recognition

Qualification: Gifts of US\$1000 or more to the Annual Programmes Fund or other restricted gifts from a donor or a combination of donors.

Recognition: Paul Harris Fellow medal set (Lapel pin and medallion) and a personalized certificate.

2. Multiple Paul Harris Fellow Recognition

Qualification: Given to individuals with US\$2000 or more Foundation points.

Recognition: There are eight levels of recognition for contributions ranging from US\$2000 to US\$9000. Paul Harris Fellow pins with one to five simulated sapphire (blue) stones and one to three simulated ruby (red) stones.

3. 100% Paul Harris Fellow Club Recognition

Qualification: All dues-paying members of a Rotary club must be Paul Harris Fellows.

Recognition: A large banner featuring the bust of Rotary's Founder Paul Harris. The club's name is engraved on a plaque permanently displayed at Rotary International World Headquarters.

4. Memorial Paul Harris Fellow

Qualification: Gifts of US\$1000 or more contributed to the Annual Programmes Fund or other restricted gifts in the name of someone who is deceased.

Recognition: Customized memorial Paul Harris Fellow certificate. Certificate is similar to the traditional Paul Harris Fellow certificate but the wording has been changed to read "This gift will provide a living memorial ..."

5. Annual Programmes Fund Club Banners

Qualification: Top three clubs in each district in two categories: Annual Programmes Fund contributions and Per Capita Annual Programmes Fund contributions.

Recognition: Six banners (first, second and third place in each category) are sent to each district governors in September. The banners are imprinted with the district number.

6. Certificate of Appreciation

Qualification: Gifts of US\$1000 or more to the Annual Programmes Fund or restricted gifts given in the name of a non-Rotary related group or business organization.

Recognition: Customized Certificate of Appreciation

7. Benefactor Recognition

Qualification: Written notification that a donor has made a provision in his or her will or estate plan naming the Foundation's Permanent Fund as a beneficiary; or anyone who makes an outright gift of US\$1000 or more to the Permanent Fund.

Recognition: Personalized Benefactor certificate and insignia.

8. Bequest Society

Qualification: An individual or a couple, who places the Permanent Fund in their estate plan for a minimum of US\$10,000 and notifies the Foundation in writing of irrevocable bequest, revocable bequest, and, Whole and Universal Life Insurance products.

Recognition: A personalized crystal and simulated Diamond Circle pin corresponding to the donor's range.

9. Major Donor Recognition

Qualification: When an individual or couple has contributed a combined personal outright gift of US\$10,000 or more to the Annual Programmes Fund, Permanent Fund and/or other restricted gift.

Recognition: A personalized crystal and simulated Diamond Circle pin that corresponds to the appropriate level for the donor and his or her spouse.

10. Diamond Circle Pin Recognition

Qualification: Major donor, cumulative personal contributions of US\$10,000 or more to the Annual Programmes Fund, other restricted gifts and/or the Permanent Fund. Bequest Society, written notification that their estate plan has designated The Rotary Foundation for a minimum of US\$10,000 or more.

Recognition : A Diamond Circle pin corresponding to the level of the gift. Major Donors receive two pins as a couple. Bequest Society to individual(s) enrolled in the Society.

11. Hall of Honour Portrait.

Qualification : Cumulative personal contributions of US\$250,000 or more to the Annual Programmes Fund, other restricted gifts and/or the Permanent Fund.

Recognition : Donor's portrait hung in the Hall of Honour at Rotary International World Headquarters.

Jokes

A sales company has particular trouble selling bibles.

One day, a man comes in with a job application and says "I-I-I'd l-l-l-l-like t-t-t-t-to b-b-b-b- b-be a b-b-b-bible salesman, s-s-s-sir."

Initially, he doesn't want to give the job to this man, but decided to try him out.

After three weeks, the manager is looking at the charts and realizes that the newest guy is selling the most copies. Amazed, he calls him in to his office.

"You've only worked here for three weeks and you've already sold more copies than anyone else here! How do you do it?"

"W-w-w-w-w-well, I g-g-g-go up t-t-t-t-to th-the d-d-d-door and-d-d I-I-I s-s-s-say, ww- w-w-would y-y-y-y-y-you l-l-l-l-like t-t-to b-b-b- buy a c-c-copy o-o-of th-the b-b-b-bible, or w-w-w-w-w-would y-y-y-y-you l- l-l-l-like m-m-me t-t-t-to r-r-r-r-read it t-t-t-t-to y-y-y-you?"

A Valuable management lesson

A little bird was flying South for the winter.

It was so cold, the bird's wings froze and he fell to the ground in a large field. While he was lying there, a cow came by and dropped some dung on him. As the frozen bird lay there in the pile of cow dung, it began to realize how warm it was. The dung was actually thawing him out! The bird lay there all warm and happy, and soon began to sing for joy.

A passing cat heard the bird singing and came to investigate. Following the sound, the cat discovered the bird under the pile of cow Dung and promptly dug him out and ate him.

Management Lessons:

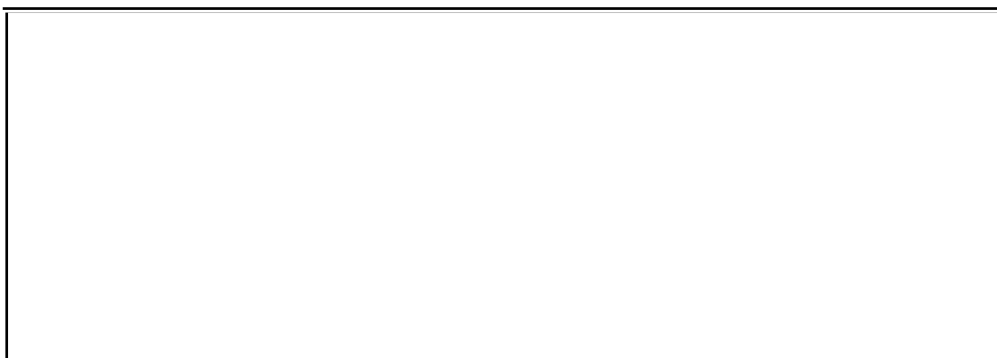
1. Not everyone who shits on you is your enemy.
2. Not everyone who gets you out of shit is your friend.
3. And, when you're in deep shit, it's best to keep your mouth shut!!!

This concludes your two-minute management course - hope you found it helpful!

Photographs of our meeting

on

27th April , 2005





Our guest speaker this week was Mr. Vaughan Mason who is a member of the Australian P.G.A. His talk today was " How to Improve Your Golf Game".



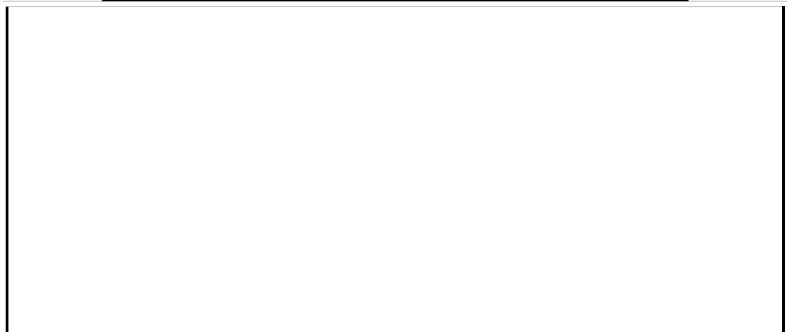
(L to R) Dir Jason Chiu, Mr. Vaughan Mason, and Pres. Rudy.



(L to R) Hon Sec. John, IPP Peter More(Westwood Village, USA), and Charles Bien.(guest of Dir Jason)



Dir Jason introducing our guest speaker of today.





(L to R) PE Eddy, PP's JL, Hubert, Stephen and Rtn Dr. Tony.



(L to R) PP's Hubert, Stephen, Dir Andy, & PP JL.



Group Photo of our meeting with Pres. Rudy, guest speaker, and visitor and members of our club
on 27th April, 2005.

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