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What Happened Last Week

PE. Henry initiated today's session by welcoming visiting rotarians from HK Harbour. He then invited Pres. Kennedy Tang to introduce his delegations. They were PP Charles Wong, PEN Theresa Chan, IPP Grace Yen, PP Kay Lau, PE Howard Lok, Peter Ngai, Benny Tam, Douglas Hsia, Wong Chi Kwong, Georgio Magistrelli, Yoshie Takanaka, M.K. Cheng, Veronica Dekrey, Yvonne Chan, W.T. Wong and Eddie Leung. There were totally 17 of them. Acting Sergeant-at-arms, Rtn Rudy reported a total collection of HK\$1,100 today.

PE Henry informed members that a letter was received from our sister club Markati North that their annual function and inauguration will be held on 16 July 2003 and invite our members to attend. PP George will definitely be going. Interested members are most welcome to join. PE Henry showed the meeting a Certificate of Appreciation received from Lingnan University thanking our club for the generous donation for the academic year 2002-3. President Kennedy was then invited to announcement of 2 Paul Harris Fellows from his club. They were Rt Yvonne and Benny. Uncle Peter had the honour of presenting the medals to them. Uncle Peter congratulated and thanked them for their support to the Foundation. PE Henry then presented to each visiting Rotarian a certificate of appreciation. The certificates were lovely designed and printed by VP Rudy Law.

Rtn Raymond Li introduced the speaker of the day, Mr Simon Liu. Simon is the director & co-founder of MyWay in Education - the organization started in early 2002 to provide personalized education services to students in Hong Kong and China. MyWay has worked with a number of preschools and primary schools to provide Multiple Intelligences training and assessment to children; conduct teacher and parent workshops to increase their awareness in personalized education, and application of Multiple Intelligences in school curriculum, and daily activities for children. Schools and organizations that MyWay has worked with include various Rotary Clubs, YMCA, Kings College Old boys Associations Primary School and the Woodland Preschools. Simon has a number of years of teaching experience, holds a bachelor's degree



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from the University of Wisconsin Madison, and a certificate in Multiple Intelligences Assessment. His topic to share with us was "Importance of Multiple Intelligences in Children's Development Process".

Simon started off in explaining what is Multiple Intellingences (MI). According to theory published by Dr. Howard Gardner, Harvard Professor, all human beings possess all 8 intelligences, but in varying amounts. They are:

- 1. Linguistic Intelligence Word Smart Example: William Shakespeare
- 2. Math/Logical Intelligence Math Smart- Example: Albert Einstein
- 3. Musical Intelligence Music Smart Example: Beethoven
- 4. Visual Spatial Intelligence Picture Smart -Example: Pablo Picasso
- 5. Bodily Kinesthetic Intelligence -Body Smart -Example: Michael Jordan
- 6. Naturalist Intelligence Nature Smart Example: Charles Darwin
- 7. Intrapersonal Intelligence Self Smart Example: Nelson Mandela
- 8. Interpersonal Intelligence People Smart Example: Mother Teresa

We must realize that each child is a unique individual, smart in a different way, learn in different ways and progress at their own pace. In traditional schools, students learn for the sake of doing well on tests and examinations using scoring, ranking and comparison. Assessment Methods used in MI Schools are very different. They focus on Linguistic and Math/Logical Intelligences Assessment focuses on 8 intelligences and more than 25 abilities. Key Abilities will be defined under different intelligences and observed through various activities. No Scoring, ranking or comparison are used in an M.I assessment. They assess strengths of preschoolers in a systematic way, help each student learn with his/her individual MI profile, and apply this in a school setting. They reuse the Leveraged the work done at Project Spectrum by Dr. Howard Gardner and They customized activities for local children, assessed activities and assessment criteria. students on a one-to-one or group format, made use of "technology" to enhance the assessment process and developed an online assessment and administration system. They also use online MI Assessment Tool for tutors to manage activities and key abilities and scoring criteria, manage assessment and working styles for students and report observation details and progress for each individual child. As a result, students become active learners and can learn and understand better, have more self-confidence, and are a lot more proactive and willing to learn. Parents understand the strengths and learning styles of their children better through their MI Profiles. MI is a powerful tool that can help teachers, students and parents.

Rtn Laurence thanked Mr Liu for his informative talk in the usual Rotarian manners.

The topic for next week will be 'How to educate your children in the post modern era'. The speaker is Dr. Law Hing Chung.

PE Henry then ended the session by proposing a toast to the RI and HK Harbour.

Rotary Information 50

Group Study Exchange

The RI Rotary News Basket disclosed the first GSE team from Vietnam have been involved in Rotary Foundation's GSE programme. Group Study Exchange programmes are designed to provide young professionals with opportunities for career and personal development, with local Rotarians providing additional avenues for cultural exchange. Rotarians from Districts 5030 (Washington, USA) 5130, 5150 and 5170 (all in California, USA) are hosting Vietnamese participants during their stay in the United States. In addition to spending time with U.S. counterparts in their areas of professional expertise, team members are visiting local Rotary clubs and touring sites of cultural interest.

Each GSE team is composed of four participants and a leader and has a specific area of professional study. Rotarians from sponsoring districts usually select GSE team members and leaders, but because Rotary does not exist in Vietnam.

Rtn. Sue McKinney, a member of the Rotary Club of Oakland Sunrise, California, who is based in Ho Chi Minh City and served as the Vietnam in-country coordinator for the teams, helped to identify participants. The Vietnam Chamber of Commerce and Industry is serving as a sponsor in lieu of local RI district support.

In March this year, each of the four U.S. districts hosting a Vietnamese team sponsored a GSE team to take part in the U.S. - Vietnam portion of the exchange. It was the first time multiple teams, each with a unique vocational focus and supported by different districts, traveled simultaneously to the same country. U.S. participants arrived in Vietnam after a one-week stay in Thailand, where they attended the RI District 3350 Conference in Bangkok. Traveling from Hanoi and the surrounding mountain provinces, team members visited sites of vocational interest, including development agencies, educational institutions, fisheries and hospital. Their itineraries also included cultural and historical destinations.

Although there are currently no Rotary clubs in Vietnam, clubs worldwide have sponsored numerous projects in the country. Helping Grants from the Foundation have funded more than 60 projects in Vietnam in the last five years, and dozens of Rotary clubs support projects there.

According to organizers, the Vietnam exchange has helped generate greater awareness in Vietnam of other professional development and volunteer opportunities that RI and the Foundation support. This GSE programme has made a big difference. All projects are wonderful, but the country has been able to get a better grasp on what Rotary is all about through GSE.

LAUGH FOR THE WEEK

A little boy was doing his math homework. He said to himself, "Two plus five, that son of a bitch is seven. Three plus six, that son of a bitch is nine...."

His mother heard what he was saying and gasped, "What are you doing?"

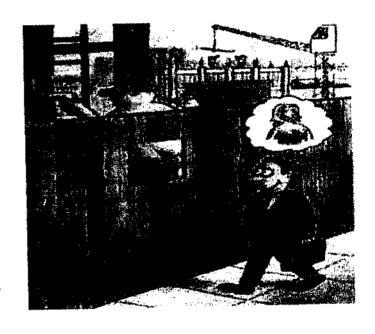
The little boy answered, "I'm doing my math homework, Mom." "And this is how your teacher taught you to do it?" the mother asked. "Yes," he answered.

Infuriated, the mother asked the teacher the next day, "What are you teaching my son in math?"

The teacher replied, "Right now, we are learning addition." The mother asked, "And are you teaching them to say two plus two, that son of a bitch is four?"

After the teacher stopped laughing, she answered,

"What I taught them was, two plus two, THE SUM OF WHICH, is four."



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The Speaker for today was Mr. Simon Liu, Director & Co-founder, MyWay in Education. His talk was entitled "Importance of Multiple Intelligences in Children's Development Process"



Pres. Kennedy of the Rotary Club of Hong Kong Harbour paid us an official visit with a delegate of 17 members. Welcome to you all.



PE Henry gave each delegates from HK Harbour a souvenir of their visit a printed copy of the Rotary Declarations.



At the left head table were seated PDG Uncle Peter, our guest speaker Mr. Simon Liu, and PE Henry.

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At the right head table were seated Hon Sec. Eddy, Pres. Kennedy & PP Kaye Lau of the Rotary Club of Hong Kong Harbour.



PP Hubert entertaining HK Harbour Rotarians PP M.K. Cheng & Rtn Giorgio, enjoying the meeting.



Bulletin Editor in chief Danny & Elsa Li our guest editor for this week from David Li's office.



(L to R) Drs. Lewis & Tony, Andrew II, Hon. Tres Clark & VP Rudy all lined up five in a row.



(L to R) Dir. Laurence sitting next to PP Veronica & Rtn. C.K. enjoying the gathering.



(L to R) PP's J.L., Andrew, & IPP Stephen-- Are you enjoying the meeting?



(L to R) Rtn W.T., PE Howard, & Rtn Eddie, one is resting, the other two wide awake



We have four lovely Rotarians from HK Harbour (L to R) Yvonne, Yoshie, IPP Grace & PEN Theresa



(L to R) PP Douglas, PP Dr. Peter, our Rotarian Raymond & John V all very happy making new friends.



PDG Uncle Peter had the honour of presenting Paul Harris medals to Rtn Benny of HKH, with Pres. Kennedy looking on.



Another Paul Harris Medal was presented to Rtn Yvonne of HKH by PDG Uncle Peter. Congratulation to both Rotarians.



Group Photo of our visiting Rotarians from Hong Kong Harbour with the guest speaker PE Henry & PDG Uncle Peter on 30th April, 2003