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Last Week's Proceedings – 4th May, 2011

President Heman kicked off the meeting at 1:20 pm with a special welcome to our speaker Dr. Veronica Tam. The visiting Rotarian was PE Michelle Ng from RC of Lion rock.

President then asked HS Jonathan to introduce his guest Mr. Peter Ting (also his brother-in-law) and PP Laurence to introduce his guest Mr. Jonah Cheung and Rtn. Freddy Wu to introduce his better half Maranda.

President further welcomed back PP Tim Lui, Rtn Teresa Ho, Rtn Freddy Wu and Rtn Tony Loy. Then President Heman presented an anniversary lunch voucher to Rtn Tony Loy for his better-half.

President Heman made the following announcements:

- 1. The final Happy Lunch with Choi Jun School students was held on 28 April, Thurs, we have 7 members attended including PP Andy Wong, HS Jonathan Lamport, PE Eric Chin, Rtn. William Wong, PN Nancy Yee, Rtn. Sharon Lamport and Pres. Heman attended. There were 8 students from Choi Jun School, 3 teachers and their Principal KK Lee attended.
- 2. District Assembly will be held on 14th May at Jockey Club Shatin Clubhouse of the Hong Kong Jockey Club 9:00am to 4:30pm (Lunch provided). Complimentary to the first eight attendants for each club \$250 per person for any additional attendants. Our Club will sponsor the additional attendants should registration exceeded 8.
- 3. District Beijing trip will be held from 12-14 June. If you are interested, please register with HS Jonathan and PP Andy.
- 4. PP Stephen Liu and PP Hubert Chan's golf gathering will be held on 5th May, Thursday at Discovery Bay Golf Club. Tee off time around 9:15 am with lunch afterwards. Prize presentation will be made at regular luncheon meeting after the game. Due to out town trip and other urgent engagements, we now have 2 vacancies, if anyone wants to join, please do contact HS Jonathan or myself.



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

5. Hip Hop Dance Project.

 Title: Community Promotion of Healthy Life Venue: East Point City at Tseung Kwan O

> Date: Sunday, 8 May 2011 Time: 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm

2) Title: Dance Competition "High Schoolers Hip Hop Championship 2011"

Venue: Youth Outreach Headquarter (香港西灣河聖十字徑二號協青社賽馬會大樓)

Date: Sunday, 15 May 2011 Time: 2:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Our Sergeant-at-Arm William reported a total collection of \$1,400 for our Red Box.

The highlight of the meeting was the talk by Dr. Veronica Tam.

PE Eric was invited to introduce the speaker. Dr. Veronica Tam is the Head of Student Office, Lingnan University and the Director of Student Services of Lingnan University since 2003.

The topic of the talk was "Aspiration of Higher Education System in Hong Kong".

Dr. Tam firstly gave an overall review of the current higher system. Then she went on to discuss the following 4 major headings:

- 1. Regional Education Hub and Internationalization.
- 2. 3+3+4 Education Reform
- 3. Sub-degree Programme
- 4. Challenge to Universities in Hong Kong.

The following are the key issues:

- 1. Universities can now recruit 20% of students from Mainland and overseas.
- 2. 2.23% of Government Spending were on Education and out of this, 26% was for higher education.
- 3. The1st and 2nd years, the course will be more common-based core modules while for the 3rd and 4th years were for specialization.
- 4. Government does not provide funding for sub-degree programme apart from providing land, loan and student finance scheme only.
- 5. Government funding on education increases annually at about 6%.

In conclusion, the aspirations were:

- An integrated higher education sector
- A single oversight body for the whole post-secondary system
- A credit accumulation and transfer system
- International and co-operation with Mainland China
- Funding
- Research
- Lifelong learning

Dr. Tam went on to give more information on the feature of Lingnan University for liberal arts education and as a small university with only 4 faculties, how Lingnan positioned itself to be an outstanding and good university for Hong Kong students.

Being a member of the UGC funding committee, our PP Tim Lui praised a high respect on the performance of Lingnan University. Also, our Club is the sponsoring mother club for the Rotaract Club of Lingnan University.

Rtn Anthony was invited to thank our speaker.

President Heman formally closed the meeting at 2:05 pm and proposed a toast to RI coupled with RC of Lion rock and Hong Kong Island East.

Rotary Potpourri

A short story of our bulletin "TUNG FENG"

Since our club was chartered on 6th April 1954, our territorial limit relinquished by our mother club, the Rotary Club of Hong Kong, lies in the east of Arsenal Street, it was selected 'East Wind' which in the Chinese language pronounces as Tung Feng. Tung means East and Feng denotes Wind.

A portrait of Chu Koh-Liang, better known as Kung Ming adorns the heading of the bulletin front page He was the most noted military strategist in the period of the Three Kingdoms over 2000 years ago. In a war against his opponent, Tso-Tsao, the warlord of the Wei Kingdom. Thus, the Chinese proverb - Everything is ready except the East Wind was born which has been so borrowed in the modern days to mean everything is ready except money. This figure of Kung Ming had been printed for over 30 years and became blurred. Through our former member, Rtn. Anthony Tsui and with the courtesy of the Historical Archives of the University of Hong Kong have been replaced by the calligraphy of Tang Tai Chung, the first emperor of the Tang Dynasty of China. Tang formed over 600 years ago was the longest dynasty in Chinese history.

There is also a valuable reference about Tung Feng in the Bible, Exdodus 14.21 which reads - Moses held out his hands over the sea and the Lord above drove the sea back with a strong EAST Wind: it blew all night and turned the sea into dry land. The water was divided and the people of Israel walked through the sea on the dry ground with walls of water on both sides.

SOME FOR THE WEEK

Subject: HOW IS NORMA?

A sweet grandmother telephoned St. Joseph 's Hospital. She timidly asked, "Is it possible to speak to someone who can tell me how a patient is doing?"

The operator said,

"I'll be glad to help, dear. What's the name and room number of the patient?"

The grandmother in her weak, tremulous voice said, "Norma Findlay, Room 302."

The operator replied,

"Let me put you on hold while I check with the nurse's station for that room."

After a few minutes, the operator returned to the phone and said,

"I have good news. Her nurse just told me that Norma is doing well. Her blood pressure is fine; her blood

work just came back normal and her physician, Dr. Cohen, has scheduled her to be discharged tomorrow."

The grandmother said,

"Thank you. That's wonderful. I was so worried. God bless you for the good news."

The operator replied,

"You're more than welcome. Is Norma your daughter?"

The grandmother said,

"No, I'm Norma Findlay in Room 302. No one tells me anything."

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04 May, 2011 RC of HKIE Luncheon Meeting Photos



PDG Uncle Peter Hall, Guest speaker - Dr. Veronica Tam & Pres. Heman Lam



Hon. Sec. Jonathan Lamport, PE Dr. Eric Chin & PDG Uncle John Kwok



Dir. Anthony Kwong, PP Laurence Chan & visiting guest Jonah Cheung



Rtn. Kenny Chan & Acting SAA Rtn. William Leung



Rtn. Tony Loy & PP Tim Lui



PP Norman Lee & Hon. Trea. PP Rudy Law



PP Stephen Liu & Visiting guest Peter Ting



Dir. Teresa Ho, PP Andy Wong & PE Michelle Ng of RC of Lion Rock



Rtn. Dr. Freddy Wu & his wife Maranda



Pres. Heman Lam presented a Club Souvenir to Rtn. Tony Loy to celebrate his wedding anniversary



Dr. Veronica Tam from Lingnan University gave us a talk about "Student Development in Tertiary Education"



Pres. Heman Lam thanked Veronica with a photo in action.



Dir. Anthony Kwong gave a vote of thanks on behalf of the club to thank Dr. Tam's speech



Group photos with Guest Speaker, visiting guests & club members