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#### What Happened Last Week

Acting President PE Henry started the session earlier today because our speaker, PDG John Wan had another engagement later. The topic of today was Rotary Foundation.

PDG John Wan said Rotarians in our club knew better than him in this topic. Rotary Foundation was the extra-ordinary works by Rotarians on different things in life. He thanked PP John for the invitation to our club.

He began his sharing on praising the full of history of the Rotary Club of Hong Kong Island East, in which two past District Governors were come from our club. He shared that after his 33 years of services in his profession, now he had come to the pre-retirement stage. In 1st July 2003, he would be the chairman for Rotary Foundation, he would like to share with us about his experience on this topic. He believed Rotary Foundation was probably the most important foundation. It carried out many different educations. It also provided necessary financing. His aspiration on Rotary Foundation could be used letters ABCDE to describe.

'A' was for Annual Giving; a contribution on annual basis and PDG John Wan suggested each club should consider a budget for this. The target was to have each member contributed US\$ 100 by year 2005. District 3450 was always the top contributor on Rotary Foundation.

'B' was for Best Foundation; this was one of the best foundations in the world. Every single dollar would go to the foundation.

'C' was for Care; this foundation cared. Rotarians cared fellow human being locally and intentionally including non-Rotary countries.

'D' was for Daring or Dared the unbearable. PDG John Wan believed there were so many initiatives in Rotary for us to dare the unbearable.



THE ROTARY CLUB OF HONG KONG ISLAND EAST

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Club 4350

District 3450

Chartered on 6 April, 1954 by Charter President PDG (Uncle) John Yuen

'E' was for Endowment. This provided the recurring capital to the foundation.

Before he ended his sharing, he told us that he had always had projects on his hands for clubs to consider. For example, lately he had a project to build a hospital for the blinds in India; he invited our club to consider.

PE Henry presented PDG John Wan a photo in action. He then said that PDG Uncle Peter and PP John would lead our club's Rotary Foundation in two weeks time. He then invited members to give a round of applause to thank PDG John Wan for his sharing.

PE Henry said there was no guest or visitor today. Our birthday boy today was Rtn. Kishu. He invited Rtn. Kishu and presented him the birthday gift. Rtn. Kishu invited PP John to lead us the birthday song.

Rtn. Kishu announced that in case of typhoon signal number 8 or black rainstorm warning signal hoisted before 9 am on the day of our meeting, there would have no meeting.

Sergeant-at-arms Rtn. Danny reported that a total of HK\$ 1,700 had been collected for our red box and there were 19 members attended today's meeting.

PE Henry reminded us that since the summer holiday season was coming, many of us would be on leave or out of town. He encouraged members who would be in town come to the meeting for support. He continued that the last meeting for this year would be held on 25th June and President Chris should be back for this meeting. The board also had a fall back plan in case he could not make it. PE Henry then invited PDG Uncle Peter to share with us on Rotary Information.

PDG Uncle Peter shared that the last email he got from President Chris said that he should be able to come back on time on he would inform us earlier. The last meeting of the year would be summary reports of what were the activities and projects be done during the year. Regarding the vote on the budget for next year during the coming District Assembly meeting, the board had approved VP Rudy with a Proxy already. He also shared that although RI targeted 2005 was the year to eradicate polio, there were 7 countries had cultural issues that probably delayed this plan.

PE Henry then thanked PDG Uncle Peter's sharing and proposed a toast to the Rotary Club of Hong Kong Island East.

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#### Standing Guideline for Members in Event of adverse Weather

All members please note that during rainy/typhoon seasons, should the Hong Kong Observatory issue the black rainstorm warning or Typhoon Signal No. 8 being hoisted on Wednesday and remain in existence until 9.00 a.m., our regular meeting on that day will be automatically canceled.

### A Letter from DGE Jones about Rotary's Actions Against SARS (RAAS) and the appeal for the contribution of \$333 from each individual Rotarian:

Dear Fellow Presidents and District Leaders,

You may have received a message from DG Gloria this morning stating that a special action committee has been set up to support the frontline medical workers to fight against SARS. Members of this committee met for the first time yesterday and I would like to share with you some ideas we came up with:-

- DG Gloria has already signed on behalf District 3450 our pledge to support "Operation UNITED", a territory-wide campaign which aims to promote solidarity and mutual support, and to encourage Hong Kong people to take positive actions to fight the SARS crisis head-on. It covers the following areas:
  - a) United in showing care Thousands of social workers and volunteers will visit the elderly and other vulnerable people to show care and distribute SARS kits to them.
  - b) United in spreading positive messages To call upon more people and companies in Hong Kong to join in a united voice to spread the message of encouragement, appreciation, support and goodwill.
  - c) United in cleaning up A territory wide movement to clean our homes, schools, offices and public areas to fight against SARS and raise hygiene standard.
  - d) United in setting new hygiene standards Hong Kong must set new standards of hygiene and cleanliness in homes, offices, and public areas for the future.
- 2. To liaise with the Hospital Authority to identify what they need in terms of equipment and protective gears (suits, goggles, masks, etc.).
- To disseminate an unbiased and positive message to Rotarians worldwide informing them the true situation in Hong Kong and how we have been taking positive actions, and to ask them to share that message within their communities and with business associates.
- 4. To place advertisements on outdoor televisions to show Rotary's support of Hong Kong's frontline medical staff in various hospitals.
- 5. Ask Rotarians in District 3450 and/or their children to send letters or cards to frontline medical staff to show our appreciation and support.
- 6. Any other suggestion are welcome.

I am sure many Rotary Clubs, Rotarians, and/or their companies may already have undertaken meaningful projects on their own to support this battle against SARS. Our Committee welcomes Rotarians to share your thoughts and good ideas with us.

Our Committee has set an initial target of HK\$600,000 to carry out the above initiatives, and possibly new ideas from Rotarians. We therefore would like to suggest each and every Rotarian in District 3450 to pledge a contribution of HK\$333.00, which is the approximate per capita share of the total sum. Anything beyond that is of course welcome. Presidents are free to determine if they would like to make donations from club funds, or to ask individual members of their clubs to donate the said sum. It is also suggested that Rotarians could ask their family members, colleagues and friends to support this Rotary campaign by making donations of \$333.00 each.

Consider this an urgent call, for helping our own community. Please take action immediately and let us unite to fight this big challenge Hong Kong is facing.

Would all Assistant Governors help to promote this Campaign in your respective area?

Please call me at 9492-1190, fax to 2388-5173, or email me at jones127@netvigator.com for any queries or suggestions.

Dear Fellow Rotarians, this is the time now again to Sow the Seeds of Love and Lend a Hand to all those in need.

Yours in Rotary, DGE Jones Wong

#### LAUGH FOR THE WEEK

A Priest and a Rabbi are riding on a plane, each enjoying a leisurely cocktail and after a while start to chat a bit. The Priest turns to the Rabbi and asks, "Is it still a requirement of your faith that you not eat pork?"

The Rabbi responds "Yes, that is still one of our beliefs." The Priest then asks "Have you ever eaten pork?"

To which the Rabbi replies, "Yes, on one occasion I did succumb to temptation and tasted pork." The Priest nodded in understanding and leaned back in his seat to relax.

A while later, the Rabbi spoke up and asked the Priest, "Father, is it still a requirement of your church that you remain celibate?" The Priest replied, "Yes, that is still very much a part of our faith." The Rabbi then asked him "Father, have you ever fallen to the temptations of the flesh?"

The Priest replied, "Yes, Rabbi, on one occasion I was weak and broke with my faith." The Rabbi nodded understandingly for a moment and then said, "A lot better than pork, isn't it?"



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#### Tung Feng Bulletin



Our guest speaker is PDG John Wan gaving us a talk on Rotary Foundation.



PDG Uncle Peter giving us an opportunity to ask questions on all aspects of Rotary & Club affairs.



At the left head table are PDG Uncle Peter and an empty chair & Acting Pres. PE Henry in attendance. The empty chair is PDG John Wan who is giving us a talk on Rotary Foundation.



At the right head table showing PDG John giving us his talk, with Hon. Sec Eddy, PP's Taj & John IV listening eagerly.



Our birthday boy is Rtn. Kishu, here receiving his present from Acting Pres. PE Henry & being sung to by PP John IV.



(L to R) VPE Robert Lai, Dir. Laurence Chan, PP C.Y. Fu & IPP Stephen Liu.



(L to R) Rtn Andrew II, Dr. Stephen Chow & PP Desmond Cheung.



(L to R) PP's Tim Lui, Hubert Chan & David Li.



(L to R) Rtns Danny Kilis, Heron Chan, Dir. Jason Chiu, & Rtn Kishu Narain.



Group Photo of all of our members present on 11th June, 2003.