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## **Last Week's Proceedings (8th June, 2005)**

President Rudy introduced his guests, Mr KT Yung and Mr Leo Chan from Hong Kong, Mr Andrew Berger from UK and Ms Evelyn Ong from Singapore.

A special welcome back was to PP David Li; who made a report on his recent visit to Russia, a fondly experience.

President Rudy made two announcements first and supplemented by a third one in the end:

- Fireside - July 9 (Saturday, 4pm) boat trip being hosted by IPP Henry Chan had received warm response so far, still available places for members and their spouses.
- Three District Awards to Hong Kong Island East - Presidential Citation for 2004-2005; English Bulletin for Tung Feng; and the Host Club for May 18th Intercity Meeting.
- District Installation on July 12 (Tuesday) at Wanchai Convention Center at HK\$600 per person. The Club would propose to re-schedule the July 13 (Wednesday) luncheon to July 12 evening to support the district function.

PDG Uncle Peter made a SAA report on the red box collection for HK\$1,000.

Our speaker was Mr Leo Chan, the product manager of SonicWall security software. Mr Leo Chan highlighted a few internet security aspects that most managers were very much concerned

- Keep the communication network up and running
- Implement security measures for the corporate network
- Increase staff productivity
- Manage the system risk factors and control the exposure to related legal liability
- Leverage network resources to support remote access for authorized users.

Mr Chan pointed out that all firms were facing similar security threats, regardless of the size of their networks. According to a US crime and security survey in 2004, the top three dollar amount losses related to computer crime were:

- Loss related to computer virus, worms, and Trojan (about US\$ 55 million)
- Denial of service attack (about US\$ 26 million)
- Theft of proprietary information (about US\$ 11 million)

That the risk of security threats and the sophistication of attacks were seen to be on the upward trend, as many required knowledge were easily available in the web as a spread by aspiring hackers and curious intruders. [The attacks ranged from password guessing / cracking; exploiting known vulnerabilities, backdoors, sweepers, snipers, denial of service, automated probe / scan, cross site scripting etc.]

The traditional threats were such as:

- the IP address / port number scanning - that attackers use to discover which potential network services they can break into.
- the computer viruses, - that were usually spread through emails and executed by the opening of email attachments.

Mr Leo Chan pointed out that the next generation of security threats might be more related to:

- Spyware programs [either to track your web usage and produce web pop up advertisements, or by surveillance and monitoring program to steal passwords]
- Trojans horse programs [that hides files on the compromised computer and sends information to a remote server.]
- Worms [W32 Blaster is a worm that exploits the Microsoft vulnerability on DCOM RPC, only for Windows 2000 and Windows XP machines. the worm is coded to replicate it to those systems.]
- Application vulnerabilities [vulnerabilities and exploits identified in the network, risks of attacks from intruders]

Mr Leo Chan suggested procedures and policies to tackle the security risk factors:

- Keep up with the Windows upgrade and download software patches to close the security loophole identified and made known.
- Security review and company efforts to control those potential soft spots in the company that might compromise the network security, such as the existence of spyware, use of instant messaging, peer-to-peer applications (such as VoIP) and MP3 file share etc.
- Contents filtering and policy to stop employees for using pirated software, and personal use of computer resources for online game, non-job related (prohibitive or offensive nature) activities.
- Use of firewall and encryption for protecting corporate data over internet / intranet web access.
- Conduct safety review, including wireless network and remote access users periodically.

IPP Henry Chan thanked our speaker for his interesting presentation on the security aspects; that both email communication and searching

information by web browsing had gradually become part of our daily life. It might be difficult to find a full proof technology to secure us once and for all. Therefore, IPP Henry commented that the more we use the internet technology, the better understanding we would obtain about how to use it wisely.

Next week's speaker is Mr Man Cheung from Dramatic English. PP Desmond would be Tung Feng editor next week.

We toasted of RI coupled with the Rotary Club of HK Island east and clubs all over the world.

## Rotary Information

### "B e n e f a c t o r"

One of the Rotarians at the recent Inter-City meeting put on an insignia of a "Benefactor" which surprised many newer members.

Every member knows what is a Paul Harris Fellow but has little knowledge about "Benefactor".

A "Benefactor" is one who donates US\$1000 towards the endowment fund of The Rotary Foundation. In recognition, a small metal swallow tail to be attached to the lapel pin plus a certificate issued to the donor showing his/her name.

The capital of this donation is perpetually placed with The Rotary Foundation while only the interest earned could be used for projects supervised by the Trustees.

A sample of this certificate is reproduced in this bulletin for information. Please contact our own PDG Peter Hall in case you would like to become a benefactor.

### Club News

During the joint JPM and JSM meeting at the Kowloon Shangri-La Hotel on 3rd June 2005, our club was awarded three district awards for the year 2004-2005, viz.,

1. Best Weekly Bulletin (in English)
2. Presidential Citation
3. Hosting the Inter-City Meeting in honour of TRF trustees chairman, Carlo Razizza as per photo copies appearing in this issue of the Tung Feng.

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## LAUGH FOR THE WEEK

A priest and a rabbi operated a church and a synagogue across the street from each other. Since their schedules intertwined, they decided to go in together to buy a car. After the purchase, they drove it home and parked it on the street between their establishments. A few minutes later, the rabbi looked out and saw the priest sprinkling water on their new car. It didn't need a wash, so he ran out and asked the priest what he was doing.

"I'm blessing it," the priest replied.

The rabbi considered this a moment, then said, "Oh," and ran back inside the synagogue.

He reappeared a moment later with a hacksaw, ran to the back of the car and cut off the last two inches of the tailpipe.

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## Photographs of our meeting

on

8th June, 2005





PDG Peter, Mr Leo Chan and Pres. Rudy



PP Stephen, Ms Ong & PP Li



PP Tim and PP JL entertained our guest Mr KT Yung and Mr Andrew Berger



Our speak - Mr Leo Chan



Rtn Kenny, Tony, Jason joined Rtn Andrew and IPP Henry



IPP Henry thanked our speaker



Group photo on June 8, 2005

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