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What Happened Last Week

President Taj gave a warm welcome to all. He explained that he would be the speaker for this meeting as he had been unable to arrange a trip across the border for fellow Rotarians to visit his factory: giving a talk about his passion for the last 20 years was the next best thing.

President Elect Stephen then welcomed all visiting Rotarians and other guests, namely:

Rotarians:

Flader Jack	Hong Kong
Raymond Wong	Kwai Chung
Adrian Tam	Kwai Chung
Benny Ratnani	North East
Sandra Logan	Hong Kong
V Sithapathy	New Bombay Hillside

Guests:

Henry Wong	(Taj)
Mabel Mak	(Taj)
T Sareenivasulee	(Sandra Logan)
Eileen Law	(Stephen)
Raymond Lee	(George Leung)

President Elect Stephen also gave the Sgt at Arms report, saying that there were 12 members present and that \$600 had been raised.

President Taj informed us that PDG Uncle Peter, PP John Kwok and Secretary Ates would all be visiting the Rotary Convention in San Antonio. We wish them well.

President Taj then began his talk, introducing us to his Zimmark Centre in Shenzhen. 40 minutes from the railway station, this is the place where he does his thinking and imagining, and where he invents things. He



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showed us a slide of one of his inventions, the Sweetpea Urinal of the future. This was a urinal which flushed itself the moment you straddled it and stopped flushing when you moved away. He had built this for his workers. He had secured a US Patent for this urinal, and he believed that his next task was to invent one for ladies.

Taj then introduced us to his major invention, which was a system for the safe removal of gasses, water and solvents from used lubricating oils. The system used vacuum apparatus under mild temperature conditions.

Taj's passion for this project arose from a presentation he did in HK on the behalf of British Rail in 1981. The presentation was on a small devise for decontaminating lube oil. The demonstration failed in front of 300 people, and Taj was much chagrined by this loss of face. He determined that he would turn this humiliation into success, even though he was neither a chemist nor an engineer. He began researching and learning about the topic before launching into experimentation.

Using slides, he took us on a guided tour of the facility, pointing out that the abundance of flora and fauna within the compound was evidence enough that the process was environmentally healthy.

Now that Taj has created this process, he believes his work here is largely done, and he intends to go on to invent other things. Nevertheless, he takes a strong environmentalist view on pollution, stating that in 60 years, our oil reserves will be depleted. We should be aware of blind reckless consumption. We need to find ways of re-utilising all industrial and construction waste. Hong Kong, like many other cities, was burning its used oil, and the resultant releasing of metallic oxides to the environment was worse than pollution created by taxis.

President Taj concluded his speech, and announced that next Wednesday we would be hearing our Director's Reports.

The meeting was concluded with a toast to Rotary International.



Rotary Information

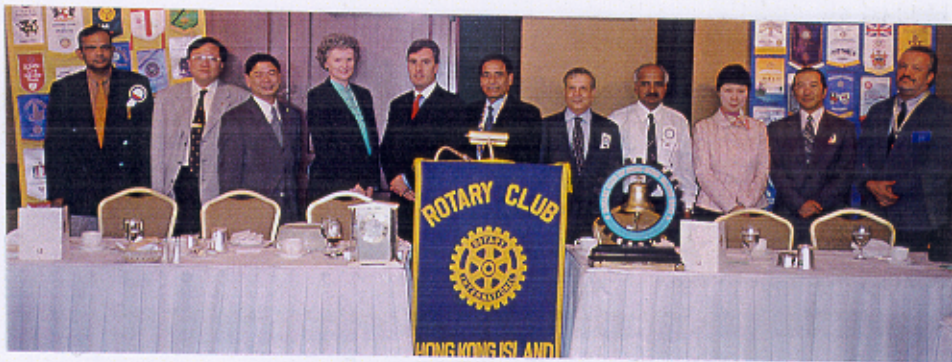
THE MANY FACTS OF ROTARY

UN agency and RI to cooperate on population issues

RI President Frank J. Devlyn and United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) Executive Director Thoraya Obaid have signed a memorandum of cooperation to establish a framework for cooperation in sharing information and resources and promoting awareness, both in developed and developing countries, of the social, economic and environmental implications of national and international population challenges.



President Taj and Hon. Secretary Ates



Visitors to the Club, 20 June, 2001



Rtn. Alex, PP George and his guest Raymond Lee Kwok Wah.



Good friends together, Hon. Secretary Ates, PE Stephen & Rtn. Benny Ratnani (North Eas



PP John Luk entertains Rtn. Flader Jack (Hong Kong) and two guests, Ms Mabel Mak and Mr. Henry Wong.



Rotarianne Eileen enjoys the company of Rtn. Raymond Wong and Rtn. Adrian Tam of Kwai Chung.



Rtn. Sandra Logan (Hong Kong) and her two guests: Rtn. Sithapathy (New Bombay Hillside) and Mr. Sarenivasulee

Signed by the two leaders at UN Headquarters in New York on 6 June, the memorandum allows UNFPA and Rotary to cooperate on projects that address development needs and the challenges of a global population that increases by 77 million people each year, mainly in the world's poorest regions.

Bangalore club launches Web site to trace missing children

The number of missing children in India is rising dramatically, largely as a result of rapid urbanization, poverty, family conflicts and breakups, and growing crime. While firm statistics are hard to come by, the non-profit National Centre for Missing Children estimates that thousands of the nation's minors get lost everyday, many of them vanishing without a trace.

Alarmed by this trend in their own city, members of the Rotary Club of Bangalore have embarked on a project designed to help the police, parents, and community to exchange information that may lead to locating local children who are missing. At the beginning of May, the club launched a Web site (<http://www.missingkidsindia.org>) that is a key component of the city's efforts to ensure that lost children are reunited with their families or, if this is not possible, placed in foster care.

Nigerian Rotarians help to contain prison epidemic

With the government unable to provide adequate medical care to prison inmates, an outbreak of tuberculosis at Ikoyi Prisons, Lagos, Nigeria, was poised to spread, exposing prison inmates, jailers, their families and the public to the risk of infection by the killer disease that progressively consumes the lungs of victims.

However, members of the Rotary Club of Ikoyi reacted swiftly to public appeals from Adeniyi Adeleye, assistant comptroller at Ikoyi Prison, for the private sector, non-government organizations, and public-spirited individuals to donate drugs and medical equipment to the facility. On 15 May, Kola Komolafe, president of the club, presented to the prison authorities a consignment of syringes, needles, analgesics, antibiotics, skin disease lotions, multivitamin pills and other essentials to help contain the tuberculosis outbreak.

Club collects shoes for impoverished Hondurans

This year's theme, Create Awareness, Take Action, has inspired Rotarians to get involved in a myriad of service projects. For the Rotary Club of Northern Cambria, Pennsylvania, USA, taking action has meant partnering with outside groups to give residents of impoverished communities in Honduras a basic item of clothing.

Working with Keith Junior High School in nearby Altoona, the club is currently collecting shoes to be taken to Honduras this October. By promoting the shoe collection project in the community and setting up drop-off locations, the club has collected approximately 4,000 pairs to date.

The shoes, which will help prevent illnesses and parasitic diseases that are contracted via the feet, are earmarked for communities that face extreme poverty in the Progreso and San Pedro areas, including Hurricane Mitch orphans. The club is teaming up with Pro-Papa Mission of America, an organization that regularly runs medical and dental brigades in Honduras and will distribute the shoes there.

LAUGH FOR THE WEEK

A man is sitting in a plane which is about to take-off when another man with a dog occupies the empty seats alongside. The dog is sat in the middle, and the first man is looking quizzically at the dog when the second man explains that they work for the airline.

The dog handler says to the first man: "Don't mind Rover, he is a sniffer dog, the best there is. I'll show you once we get airborne and I set him to work." The plane takes off and levels out when the handler says to the first man: "Watch this." He tells the dog: "Rover, search."

The dog jumps down, walks along the aisle and sits next to a woman for a few seconds. It then returns to its seat and puts one paw on the handler's arm. He says: "Good boy," and turns to the first man and says: "That woman is in possession of marijuana, so I'm making a note of this, and the seat number, for the police who will apprehend her on arrival."

"Fantastic!" replies the first man.

Once again he sends the dog to search the aisles. The dog sniffs about, sits down beside a man for a few seconds, returns to its seat and places both paws on the handler's arm. He says: "Good boy," and turns to the first man and says: "That man is carrying cocaine, so again, I'm making a note of this, and the seat number."

"That's marvelous, I've never seen anything like it!" says the first man.

Once again he sends the dog to search the aisles. He goes up and down the lane and after a while sits down next to someone, and then comes racing back and jumps up onto the seat and craps all over the place.

The first man is surprised and disgusted by this, and asks: "What the bloody hell is going on now?"

The handler replies: "Oh my God!! He's just found a bomb!"

Q: What is the biggest problem for an atheist?

A: No one to talk to during orgasm.



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