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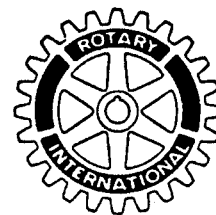
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Rotary Service
Chartered : 6th April,
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by Founding President, the late
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香港東區扶輪社週報 THE ROTARY CLUB OF
HONG KONG ISLAND EAST

What Happened Last Week

As President Desmond was absent this week, the meeting was chaired by PE Tajwar. He commenced proceedings with a warm welcome to the visitors and guest to the meeting. Then he made several announcements:

- Members were reminded of the cancellation of next week's Wednesday meeting and District Installation meeting to be held at the Convention Centre on the evening of 29 June. There are 800+ people attending (inc. 22 from HKIE) and members are asked to be seated by 7:15 p.m. The speaker will be Rosanna Wong who will speak on the Three Sectors for community welfare: The Government, the private sector, and the service clubs.
- PE Tajwar said that he was personally embarrassed to hear that HKIE was named as one of the three Clubs that had neglected to pay the RYLA dues for this year. This commitment will be immediately met.
- He informed members that there is a proposal to renovate the Rotary Information Centre in Causeway Bay, at a cost of \$300,000, and each Club will be levied about \$6,000-\$7,000. Members voted unanimously to support this project.
- Finally, PE Tajwar said that the first meeting of the new Rotary year will be held on 5 July and he appealed to members to be in attendance, as well as to bring along new members who might join the Club.

Rtn Chris then introduced the visitors and guest to the meeting:

PP Leslie Soltay (HK South)

Alastair Brown (Bridge of Allan, Dunblane, Scotland)

Angela Spaxman (Speaker)

PE Tajwar welcomed back PP Hubert. Hubert said that he had been in Helsinki and the weather was not very conducive to playing a round of golf.

There was one birthday boy this week: PP Rob. He was helped to celebrate with the assistance of Rtn Bill and PE Tajwar (ref. photos).

Sergeant Stephen then reported that there were 17 members present and \$740 had been collected.

Rtn Malcolm then introduced the speaker, Ms Angela Spaxman, who is Chairperson of the Clear the Air Society, a non-profit group in Hong Kong committed to promoting the introduction and implementation of measures to significantly reduce air pollution in this city. Angela has been engaged in this mission in Canada, Bangkok, and for the past four years in Hong Kong.

Her introductory question was to ask members if they were aware of the air pollution on their lives. All members indicated that they were concerned about this. She said that Hong Kong, as a sophisticated and affluent city, should be in a much better condition. So, what's missing? In her opinion, the problem stems from the lack of public demand for cleaner air. Hong Kong people are too conservative. In most Western countries, people would not tolerate the pollution experienced here. Therefore, if we want clean air, we have to ask for (and demand) it loudly; and the best way to encourage people to speak up is to lead the way by speaking up ourselves.

Angela said that her Society makes a public impact through a variety of means, including their website, advertisements, letters, lobbying, protests and public events like marching for clean air.

To finish off, there were several questions, during which we heard that Rtn Bill is still going to enjoy his cigarettes. Angela was thanked by PP Rob who supported her mission and said that the long term solution to the pollution problems in Hong Kong is through the education of children in our schools.

Before closing the meeting, PE Tajwar presented Rtn Brown from Scotland with an IOU banner from HKIE. Also, a toast was proposed to his Club, Bridge of Allan, Dunblane, Scotland.

Rotary Information

All Rotarians welcome at July 6 open house

RI President-elect Frank Devlyn invites Rotarians everywhere to an open house at One Rotary Centre, Evanston, Illinois, USA, on July 6 between 9:00a.m. and 5:00p.m. Coming a week after the presidential changeover ceremony at RI World Headquarters, this will be the first event hosted there by the 2000-2001 RI president.

In addition to offering visitors the opportunity for a self-guided tour of the RI secretariat - a beehive of activity in support of the efforts of Rotarians worldwide - the open house will give guests who bring cameras the perfect chance to have their photos taken with the new president.

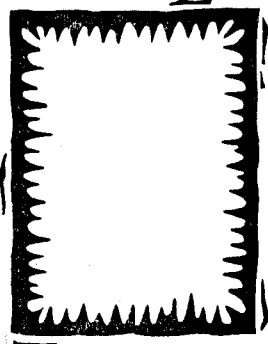
Other RI officials who look forward to greeting visitors that day are incoming Rotary Foundation Trustee Chairman Herbert Brown and Edwin Futa, who will become General Secretary of RI and The Rotary Foundation on July 1.

All who attend the July 6 event will receive a gift from President Devlyn. Plans for the day's other activities and attractions, which include a new display of historical Rotary artifacts from the RI archives, are in the works. Please contact Hank Ottery with any questions by telephone : 847-866-3110 or by e-mail : otteryh@rotaryintl.org.

Foundation makes change in disaster relief contributions

During their April meeting, The Rotary Foundation trustees decided that, as of July 1, 2000, the Foundation will no longer accept disaster relief contributions. Therefore, donations received by the Foundation on or after July 1 will not be eligible for Paul Harris Fellow credit, and donors from the US and Canada will not receive tax receipts from the Foundation.

Rotarians, clubs and districts that wish to respond to those in need following a disaster may continue to do so by sending their contributions directly to the Rotary district experiencing the disaster. More specific payment instructions can be found on the disaster relief notices issued by Rotary International. This decision does not affect the use of District Designated Funds (DDF) for disaster relief.



Notice

We missed you on 21st June 2000!!!

- Team 1 Luk, John; Yucel, Ates
- Team 2 Chan, Kenny; Hall, Peter; Ling, Alex; Lui, Tim
- Team 3 Chan, Henry; Fung, Lewis; Lai, Robert; Pang, K.T.
- Team 4 Chen, Andrew; Killis, Danny; Leung, George; Li, David; Wong, Eddy
- Team 5 Cheung, Desmond; Ling, Thomas; Luy, Henry; Narain, Kishu; Shek Andrew; Yao, John
- Team 6 Chan, Joseph; Chan, Paul

23 of 40 members missing 55%!!! Missing
Please makeup!!!

LAUGS FOR THE WEEK

President Desmond had told all his friends about the delicious steak he'd eaten in a little restaurant he'd found in Staunton Street. So, he invited them all to accompany him there to see for themselves how large and delicious it is.

But, much to their disappointment this time, the waiter brought them the tiniest steak they'd ever seen.

"Look here, my good man," Desmond complained, "I was in this restaurant yesterday and you served me a big, juicy steak; and today, when I've organized a group of friends to show them what you offer, you've served such small ones."

"Yes, sir," replied the waiter, "but yesterday you were sitting by the window."



Quote for the week :

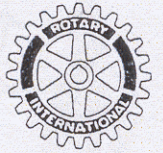
A woman has the last word in any argument. Anything a man says afterwards is the beginning of a new argument.



Speaker, Angela Spaxman: "Well, Flicker, smoker's breath does not attract women."



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Two visitors, PP Leslie Soltay (HK South) & Alistair Brown (Dunblane, Scotland) enjoy the company of VP Stephen.



PP Rob receiving the birthday treatment from PE Tajwar & Rtn Bill.

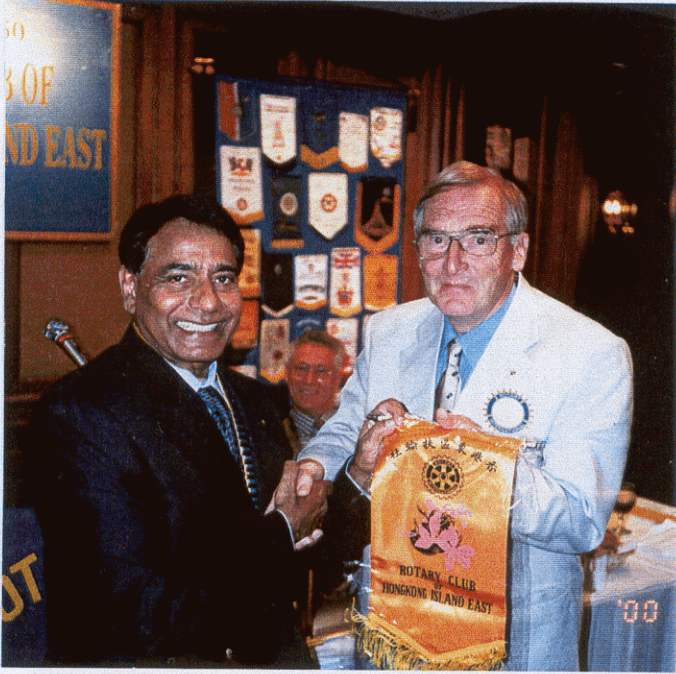


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Rtn. Alistair Brown (Dunblane, Scotland) receives an IOU banner from PE Tajwar.



Visitors & guest to the Club, 21 June, 2000.