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## Last Week's Proceedings – 30th January, 2013

President Nancy had a soft voice so she did the greeting and then passed on to IPP Eric who kindly helped to chair the luncheon meeting thereafter.

IPP introduced his guest of Mr. Chris Kyme, a PR expert living in Hong Kong. Pres. Nancy introduced Ms Seiko Lee, the speaker and her colleague, Ms Renee Liu, both of them are from Sheng Kung Hui Welfare Council (Anglican Church organization).

IPP Eric made the following announcements:

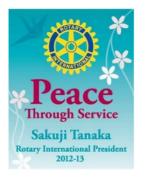
- •Rtn. Carl Yau's father's funeral
- •District Golf in Mission Hill
- District Conference
- Rotaract Club of PolyU Community College vocational talk this Saturday

SAA Jonah reported that the red box collection was HK\$1,000.

Birthday Boy was Rtn. Ng Fook Hong and Rtn. Tony Loy was asked to lead the birthday song.

PP Rudy presented the luncheon speaker, Ms Seiko Lee who had Master degree in Social Work Studies and more than 14 years field work experience for the youth and in the education institutes. Both Ms Seiko Lee and Ms Renee Liu gave us an update of their MORE Power project for their HK Jockey Club Kowloon City Children & Youth Integrated Service Centre, under the Sheng Kung Hui Welfare Council (Anglican Church). The Welfare Council was set up since 1966, now with over 200 service units in Hong Kong and Macau.

The MORE Power project (Motivation, Options, Rapport, Esteem) was an Area 3 joint project to support youth development in the Kowloon City neighborhood.



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The youth project scope was targeting for the following service criteria:

- A group of young people age 15-20, mostly from CSSA family assistance or school textbook subsidy scheme (budget constraint to recruit 15 students eventually)
- Providing self awareness analysis help for their personality traits (allowing social research to follow up, based on John Holland research questionnaire, in Chinese translation)
- Providing positive thinking workshop, university & vocational visits, out-door learning camping (2-3 days), and China under-deprived family visit (a week long) to have more social service awareness (around March May, 2013).

The MORE Power project had started from October/November 2012 with pre-test research of the young people personality traits (regarding vocational perspective, as suggested by John Holland) and now proceeding for further activities to benefit the young people for their career and personal development:

- Realistic (suitable for construction type of work) 10 criteria, including honesty.
- Investigative (suitable for professional type of work) 10 criteria, including curiosity.
- Artistic (suitable for creative type of work) 10 criteria, including sentimental.
- Social (suitable for service type of work) 10 criteria, including sympathy.
- Enterprising (suitable for sales type of work) 10 criteria, including confidence.
- Conventional (suitable for retail, commerce) 10 criteria, including self discipline.

MORE Power project was seeking mentor or role model help, to do personal sharing with the young people in their positive thinking work shop between February to March, hopefully to stimulate their self confidence and to widen their job or study objectives.

PP Norman thanked the speaker for her talk and dedication to the youth. The MORE project fitted nicely into the Rotary service focus in the Next Generation, helping to fight poverty by providing the education and vocational project. The MORE project from Area 3 was similar to the Holland Hostel youth project that was supported by our club, that might generate some synergy effect in the NGO social services.

With time allowed, IPP Eric reported on:

- •RI polio video broadcast in some HK taxi back panel for LCD display.
- •Hip Hop dance contest soon in Tsang Kwan O, with more than 500 participants expected.

Next week program as reported by Rtn. Teresa – "Corporate Risk & Security" speaker by Mr. Ken Chiu, Asia Pacific Regional Manager with DuPont, then Pres. Nancy made a toast to RI coupled with HK Island East.

After meeting adjourned, the members and guest were requested to stay for a group photo.

# Rotary Potpourri Rotary Peace Forum in Honolulu

DG Kenneth Wong was leading the District 3450 delegation of 40 to attend the Rotary Peace Forum 25-27 January in Honolulu and he came back to Hong Kong on 30 January. Our delegation was believed to be the biggest from one single district and comprises of 12 Rotaractors from HK, Macau and 12 Rotaractors from Mongolia, PDG Jones and PDG Ada and many other Rotarians. DG Kenneth said it was an enlightening experience to have the opportunity to learn about peace and how to create peace and harmony together with our Rotaractors.

Aung San Suu Kyi, leader of Myanmar's democracy movement and recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize, delivered the keynote address at the Rotary Global Peace Forum. She was honored with the Hawaii Peace

Award for her longstanding pursuit of democracy through peaceful, nonviolent means. After 20 years of house arrest, Suu Kyi was released in November 2010, and last year was elected to Myanmar's parliament as a member of the pro-democracy opposition party.

Suu Kyi told the attendees that absolute peace is an unattainable goal, but one that we must nevertheless continue to endeavor toward. She said that democratic institutions are necessary to guarantee human rights.

"The kind of peace we want is very simple. We want permanent peace," said Suu Kyi.

She also noted that young people have an important role to play. The Honolulu forum emphasized the importance of getting youth involved in the peace process.

"We must help our young people so that they may be able to take over our task of nation building," Suu Kyi said. "We depend on our young people to take us forward."

#### **Engaging young people**

More than 1,800 Rotarians, Rotary alumni, and supporters of Rotary's peace program took part in this event, the second of three peace forums planned by RI President Sakuji Tanaka. The first was held in <u>Berlin</u> in November, and a third is planned for <u>Hiroshima</u>, <u>Japan</u>, 17-18 May.

"Rotary builds peace and international understanding through education, humanitarian service, and connecting with youth," Tanaka said. "To ensure a lasting legacy in this arena, we must engage young people and the new generations to come in a meaningful way, and empower them to carry Rotary's peace-building efforts into the future."

The forum also addressed environmental conservation as a means of promoting peace. Attendees adopted a declaration supporting The Green Path to Peace, which urges those in the family of Rotary to act as catalysts for peace through efforts that conserve and protect the planet.

"An environment that is healthy makes it possible for us to reach our full potential," Tanaka said. "When our basic needs are met, we are not occupied with the daily problems of survival. There is less cause for conflict. And people and nations who do not waste their energy in conflict can use it in ways that benefit everyone."

Past RI President Luis V. Giay served as the forum's convener. The three sites for the peace forums were selected by Tanaka because each was heavily affected by World War II and now represents the healing power of sustainable peace between nations.

"Growing up in Japan after World War II, I saw the importance of peace. I saw the consequences of war," said Tanaka. "Working for peace is a lifelong task. Every day, in 34,000 clubs around the world, we work together for a more peaceful world by bringing water, health, education, and hope to the people who need it most."

#### **Books build peace**

In his comments to the forum, RI President-elect Ron Burton recalled a book project he took part in years ago in San Antonio, Texas, and how precious it was to see children clutching their new books.

"There is a reason why we do it the way we do, why we go in as a club, in person, and give these things to the kids with our hands, one human being to another. It's saying, here's something that will help you, and I am giving it to you because I care," Burton said. "How do you build a world with more peace? You start with one Rotarian, handing one kid her first book."

Rotary clubs have long embraced the call for peace at the grassroots level by addressing the underlying causes of conflict and violence, such as hunger, poverty, disease, and illiteracy. Ten years ago, Rotary decided to take a direct approach to promoting world understanding by providing future leaders with the tools they need to "wage peace" on the global stage.

Since 2002, Rotary clubs have annually sponsored up to 60 scholars who embark on one to two years of study — earning either master's degrees or certificates — in peace and conflict resolution at Rotary Peace Centers at universities around the world.

### BORD RED CRED CR LAUGH FOR THE WEEK

#### Subject: No, idiots they are not

TWO Australian businessmen in Brisbane were sitting down for a break in their soon-to-be new store.

As yet, the store wasn't ready, with no stock and only a few shelves set up.

One said to the other, 'I bet any minute now some idiot tourist is going to walk by, put his face to the window, and ask what we're selling.

No sooner were the words out of his mouth when, sure enough, a curious Chinese tourist walked to the window, had a peek, and in a thick Chinese accent asked 'You sell what?'

One of the men replied sarcastically, 'We're selling ass-holes.'

Without skipping a beat, the Chinaman said, 'You doing velly well; only last two left!'

Moral of the story: Don't ever think Chinese have no sense of humor.

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# **30 JANUARY 2013 - Luncheon Meeting Rotary Club of Hong Kong Island East**



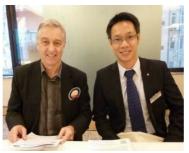
Ms Rene Liu & Ms Seiko Lee from HK Sheung Kung Hui Welfare Council & Pres. Nancy Yee



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Visiting guest Mr Chris Kyme & Rtn. Morris Mak



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PP Hubert Chan & Rtn. David Ng



Rtn. Tony Loy & PP Andy Wong







This week's birthday boy is Rtn. David Ng & Rtn. Tony Loy led the birthday song.







IPP Eric Chin introduced the visiting guests

Ms Rene Liu & Ms Seiko Lee from HK Sheung Kung Hui Welfare Council gave a talk about their project how to help the under privilege young people in Kowloon City area to develop a better future for themselves.



OTARY CLUB

Pres. Nancy Yee presented a Club souvenir to thank Rene & Seiko

PP Norman Lee gave a vote of thanks to Rene & Seiko on behalf of the club



Group photos with members, guest speakers & visiting guest