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Last Week's Proceedings – 8th May, 2013

Regarding the 4-clans meeting on May 8, we had about 130 guests and members to participate.

President Nancy called the meeting to order 15 minutes before 1pm, for a few club announcements.

The 10 Rotary Clubs (RC) joining the 4-clans meeting were as follows:

RC Hong Kong Island East

RC Hong Kong South

RC Hong Kong North

RC HK Northeast

RC HK Harbour

RC HK City North

RC Bayview Sunshine

RC Causeway Bay

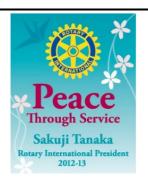
RC Happy Valley

RC Shouson Hill.

District Governor (DG) Kenneth Wong, DG Elect (DGE) Eugene Fong, DG Nominee (DGN) Belinda Yeung, and DG Nominated Nominee (DGNN) Peter Pang graced the head table, together with the 10 club presidents, together with Past DG (PDG) Uncle Peter Hall.

Our club had a few visiting Rotarians from our records, they were none other than PDG Anthony Hung of RC Taipo, Past President (PP) Leo Tsang from our sister club (RC Westwood Village, CA, USA); and Rtn Joanna Li from RC St. Ives, NSW, Australia.

Pres. Nancy then led us to sing the birthday song to celebrate the birthday boys and girls of the month from the attending Rotary Clubs of today, including our Public Relation Committee Chair Teresa Ho.



THE ROTARY CLUB OF HONG KONG ISLAND EAST LTD.

香港東區扶輪社週報
Club 16340
District 3450
Chartered on 06 April, 1954 by Charter President
PDG (Uncle) John Yuen

Welcome back member is Rtn Vincy Ching. The SAA were Rtn William Wong and Rtn Jonah Cheung.

Pres. Nancy was assisted by IPP Eric Chin at the head table. The luncheon speaker was Ricky Wong Wai-kay and he was formally introduced by PE Jonathan Lamport.

Mr Ricky Wong had his talk on "Power of Positive Thinking".

Ricky Wong had BSc. degree in Electrical Engineering from the Chinese University of Hong Kong and he was humble to say that his academic record was of average and so was his physical appearance.

Nevertheless he was a proven entrepreneur, as one of the founders of the CTI telecom set up since 1992. He began with about 12 staff, and a start-up capital of HK\$500,000 and the CTI proved its existence and had an estimated IDD revenues of HK\$25.5 billions for the period 1999-2002. City Telecom (1137) became a listed company in HK stock exchange.

IDD era - the IDD business was still regulated in the 1990s and the competitors were giant telecom operators, Rick Wong joked that the business competition was keen, and his situation was somewhat an analogy between David v. Goliath.

The rest of the IDD business was a legend as Ricky Wong was familiar with the overseas Chinese market from Canada and he also had a can-do attitude. Therefore he took an opportunity from Canadian Government upon their opening up call-back telephony market and he succeeded with his partners to get an HK Government license to provide the IDD call-back service locally to Canada to begin with. The CTI company was able to bring down 50% of the then HK\$12 per minute price and the IDD savings between HK/Canada were well received by the public.

Broadband Era - Ricky Wong had his second challenge in Year 2000, for the Hong Kong Broadband Network. Ricky Wong witnessed an opportunity when Hong Kong was still wired up by traditional copper wired cabling technology (ADSL), with bandwidth service speed limited to 1.5 - 6 Mbit/s, who succeeded to acquire a fixed line service license and began a 10-years project of building an all new broadband network in Hong Kong using Fibre Optics, of which his accumulated investment was about HK\$3 billion.

Again he had to face the entry barriers from the local property developers, some of them also invested in cable TV or telecom businesses. Nevertheless his HK Broadband Services company had worked out and become the second largest service provider in Hong Kong in 2008, and one of the fastest growing service provider in 2009.

In April 2012, Ricky Wong cashed out his telecom assets including Hong Kong Broadband Network, IDD services and pay television business in Hong Kong, Canada and Guangzhou, for an attractive price of nearly HK\$5 billion.

For his next Showbiz business challenge, Ricky Wong said they attempt to secure Free TV license from the HKSAR Government, currently under a judicial review situation. Other than the HK\$2 billions special dividends to their shareholders, they intend to put most of the HK\$3 billion proceeds on developing the multimedia unit in anticipation of a free TV licence. They already had signed up 250 artists and production staff, investing HK\$40 millions in the high resolution TV broadcasting equipment and an 500,000 sq.ft TV production plant in Tseng Kwan O.

Ricky Wong said he had a dream and HK people would deserve a quality TV programmes, with free entertainment and a competitive environment. Ricky Wong said his team had put in three years and four months in the TV project so far, and they kept their fingers crossed for the positive results from the judicial

review process. Before Ricky Wong ending his talk, he put up a video clippings showing his team with positive thinking and marching ahead, bearing full heart and souls.

PP George Leung thanked our speaker in the usual Rotary manners, after the speaker answered the floors for a few interesting questions. Pres. Nancy announced next week program would be a joint meeting with RC Hong Kong Northeast. Pres. Nancy and the club presidents made a toast to RI coupled with the 10 clubs, before she adjourned the meeting. Many members and guests stayed to take group photos.

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Rotary Potpourri service report summary from president nancy

PEACE & CONFLICT

On New Year Eve afternoon, 20 members from Rotary Club of Hong Kong Island East's family distributed blankets and oat meals to about 250 underprivileged seniors, handicapped persons and 40+ street residents 露宿者 in Sham Shui Po. All members shared the same vision in providing some warmth and hope to the needy. They are moved that the street residents looked for their personal esteem and not to commit crime or create social disturbance to others even though living in such a poor environment.

DISEASE PREVENTION

Rotary Club of Hong Kong Island East provided a Health Talk to more than 300 people on Jan 12, 2013 by two of the members, Rtn. Freddie Wu & Rtn. Ng Fook Hong. The topic was about 愛護你的心肝寶貝 (Part 1: 心臟衰竭的成因和治療 and Part 2: 香港常見的肝病). The main purpose of this talk is to bring out the message of "Prevention is better than cure".

Also President Nancy and President Elect Jonathan took the lead to promote "END POLIO" through social media & outdoor media.

WATER & SANITATION

The global need for clean water and improved sanitation is one of the Rotary's six areas of focus. The Rotary Foundation has made emphasis on water and sanitation that are crucial to the growing of population and water is such a precious commodity to the under developed countries to keep the health of the kids. Rotary Club of Hong Kong Island East ride on District 3450 joint Area3 Water Project in Shaanxi China to provide water purification to six schools in Wei-nan & Tungcun and to provide a water supply system for the Takanua Tribe, Namashia District in Kaoshiung.

MENTAL & CHILD HEALTH

Service Projects with Choi Jun School, which is a special school cater for some children with less intellectual ability or autistic students. Through Swimming Above Self project, Happy Lunch Gathering with coming graduate students, City Navigation projects & Speech Therapy projects, we wish to help the students to build up their body strength, their body movement flexibility, their confidence, and learning how to communicate with different people apart from their parents, teachers & classmates. Our final goal is to help the students to be able to get back to the society and take good care by themselves independently.

"Dancing to Healthy Life's" is the theme of this year of the 2nd Rockie Star Interschool Hip Hop Dance Competition, jointly organized by Youth Outreach and Our Club on Feb 24, 2013 from 4-8 pm in the Tseng Kwan O Shopping Center. The event attracted 400 Dancers from 21 teams of secondary and primary schools and 500 audiences.

BASIC EDUCATION & LITERACY

Literacy plays a critical role in healthy and productive lives, and whether it was by volunteering at a local school, bringing language training to adults and children through concentrated language encounter and computer-assisted literacy systems, or ensuring that all children have the textbooks they need. Rotary Club of Hong Kong Island East helped Choi Jun School with simple, creative and sustainable ways to break the cycle of poor education by setting a Speech Therapy Resource Library (STRL), with the funding of HK120,000 (US\$15,500) from Rotary International, Rotary District 3450, Rotary Club of Hong Kong Island East and Rotary Club of Penang, Malaysia. Three main types of materials, including oral-motor training materials, thinking and communication materials and role play materials are purchased and organized. Speech therapists used the materials in school and also lent the materials to parents for home training.

ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY

Cooperated with St. James Settlement & WEEE Go Green, 72 reusable appliances will be donated to 35 needy families located throughout Hong Kong including grassroots families, the chronically-ill, the elderly and the disabled and they were benefited from Rotary Club of Island East's input throughout the year. Through this project, young leaders were also trained up to take up the leading role for the coordination work of this project.

30 Rotarians and Rotaractors of Rotary Club of Hong Kong Island East (RCHKIE) gathered at the Duchess of Kent Children Hospital on Dec 25 to participate in their Annual "Duchess of Kent Children Hospital Christmas Party Project". It was a wonderful way for RCHKIE to spread Christmas spirit and cheer to the children and all participants of that day. Also, it was a happy way to spend Christmas, laughing and smiling and enjoying another warm RCHKIE fellowship.

A Brief History of Rotary

The first Rotary club in the world was organized in Chicago, Illinois, U.S.A., on 23 February, 1905, by Paul P. Harris, a young lawyer, who gathered together in a spirit of friendship and understanding a group of men, each of whom was engaged in a different form of service to the public. The basis for membership – one person from each business and profession in the community – still exists in Rotary.

At first, the members of the new club met in rotation at their various places of business, and this suggested the name "Rotary". Today there are Rotary clubs in Austria and American Samoa, in Brazil and Brunei, in India and Italy, Scotland and South Africa – in 166 Countries and 35 geographical regions. The universal acceptance of Rotary principles has been so great that there are now more than 31,000 Rotary clubs, which have a membership of about 1,230,000.

Motto "Service Above Self"

The general objective of Rotary clubs in every country are the same – the development of fellowship and understanding among the business and professional leaders in the community, the promotion of community-betterment endeavors and of high standards in business and professional practices, and the advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace.

Rotary clubs everywhere have one basic ideal – the "Ideal of Service," which is thoughtfulness of and helpfulness to others. Rotary International is the association of Rotary clubs throughout the world. Membership consists of member Rotary clubs which continue to perform the obligations imposed by the constitutional documents.

The purposes are:

- 1. to encourage, promote, extend and supervise Rotary throughout the world;
- 2. to coordinate and generally direct the activities of Rotary International

The Rotary Club of Hong Kong Island East held its inauguration meeting on March 11th 1954 at Winner House, North Point, Hong Kong. On April 6th 1954, together with the Rotary Club of Hong Kong Island West, the club formally received its charter from Rotary International.

The Club is active in many ways, especially matters on district level and boasts a host of distinguished and qualitative members which include:

Three Past District Governors (PDG John Yuen, PDG Peter Hall and PDG Y.K. Cheng).

The Club's territory originally extended eastwards from Arsenal Street through Wanchai and Shaukiwan to Stanley. Over the years, the club has ceded part of its territory to two new clubs, The Rotary Club of Hong Kong South and the Rotary Club of Hong Kong North. As of April 2013, we have eleven clubs under our family tree.

- 1. RC of HK South (chartered on May 30, 1973)
- 2. RC of HK North (chartered on Sept 16, 1978)
- 3. RC of HK Northeast (chartered on Sept 19, 1983)
- 4. RC of HK Harbour (chartered on Mar 25, 1987)
- 5. RC of HK City North (chartered on Sept 29, 1987)
- 6. RC of HK Bayview (chartered on April 16, 1994)
- 7. RC of HK Quarry Bay (chartered on April 5, 1995)
- 8. RC of HK Happy Valley (chartered on Oct 23, 1996)
- 9. RC of HK Causeway Bay (chartered on Nov 21, 1995)
- 10. RC of Bayview Sunshine HK (chartered on March 13, 1996)
- 11. RC of HK Shouson Hill (chartered on May 25, 2012).

ENCESON CONTROL SERVICES LAUGH FOR THE WEEK

Subject: GRANDMA'S DON'T KNOW EVERYTHING!

TONY WAS 6 YEARS OLD AND WAS STAYING WITH HIS GRANDMOTHER FOR A FEW DAYS.

HE'D BEEN PLAYING OUTSIDE WITH THE OTHER KIDS, WHEN HE CAME INTO THE HOUSE AND ASKED HER, 'GRANDMA, WHAT'S THAT CALLED WHEN TWO PEOPLE SLEEP IN THE SAME BEDROOM AND ONE IS ON TOP OF THE OTHER?'

GRANDMA WAS A LITTLE TAKEN ABACK, BUT SHE DECIDED TO TELL HIM THE TRUTH. 'WELL, DEAR, IT'S CALLED SEXUAL INTERCOURSE."

OH, LITTLE TONY SAID, 'OK,' AND WENT BACK OUTSIDE TO PLAY WITH THE OTHER KIDS.

A FEW MINUTES LATER HE CAME BACK IN AND SAID ANGRILY, 'GRANDMA, IT ISN'T CALLED SEXUAL INTERCOURSE. IT IS CALLED BUNK BEDS. AND JIMMY'S MOM WANTS TO TALK TO YOU.'

<u>Year 2012 -2013</u>				
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ROTARY CLUB OF HONG KONG ISLAND EAST MEETS EVERY WEDNESDAY, 12:30 p.m.

8th May, 2013 -4-Clans meeting Photos



DG Kenneth greeting our PDG Uncle Peter and daughter Anastasia.



(L to R) from HK Harbour comes their newest member the second generation Rotarian and Pres. W.T. Wong



Pres. Nancy with PP Leo Tsang from our sister Club of Westwood Village, CA, USA.



Pres. Nancy here with DGE Eugene Fong.



Members from the Hong Kong Harbour Rotary Club.



The guest speaker and Pres. Nancy here with the presidents of the seven clubs.



DG Kenneth is greeted by our PP Tim taking leave from his duties in Beijing.



IPP Eric shown here with VIP's from District.



Ten Club Presidents showing off their club banners



DG Kenneth giving his opening remarks.



PP John shown here with other PP's



Today was PP James Yick's birthday, here cutting his cake while we all sang his birthday song.



Rotary Clubs of Hong Kong Island East, Hong Kong South, Hong Kong North, Hong Kong Northeast, Hong Kong Harbour, Hong Kong City Nor Happy Valley, Causew **Bayview Sunshine Hong Ko**

PP James Yick's birthday cake

PE Jonathan introducing our guest speaker



Our guest speaker was none other than Mr. Ricky Wong



Mr. Ricky Wong making his speech.



Photo of the audience listening to the speaker.



Another photo from the head table.



Pres. Nancy presenting a souvenir to Mr. Ricky Wong



PP George gave the vote of thanks.



The Presidents of the Ten Rotary Clubs and the VIP's.



A group photo of most of the audience and guests present today.



All agree that it is a successful meeting giving the V-sign.