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President's Message - Friendship



otary 🛞 Be a gift to the world On Saturday we attended the annual Choi Jun School Swimming Gala. Choi Jun School is an Adopted School of HKIE and our club has sponsored the swimming training more than 6 years now. It is a meaningful and successful service project which began with just one school and has now become a joint event with 7 schools taking part. In 2008, when the "Swimming Above Self" project was established with the aim of providing financial subsidies and moral support to around 60 mildly mental handicapped students, it was the beginning of a meaningful project. And then in 2010 our club arranged

with Choi Jun School to organized a special Swimming Gala at Shatin Ma On Shan Swimming Pool and invited other similar school students for a swimming competition. Originally there were over 50 students participating, with teachers, our members and families and the student families, all enjoying a great day out. This past Saturday we saw that the spirit was still strong. The event continues to flourish and nurture young people who benefit from our help. I want to see this tradition remain strong from year to year, and I thank each and every one of you who attended to support it this year, including DG Peter Pang. Also, very special thanks to Uncle John, who sponsored the event this year. This project helps promote the image of Rotary to the community through direct intercourse with the trainees and their family members.



COMING SPEAKERS

04 NOVEMBERMichael Chiu
'Free medical consultation service for the underprivileged project

11 NOVEMBER DS Y C Ho

Avg. AttendanceMembers





Last Week REDBOX \$1,400

THE ROTARY CLUB OF HONG KONG ISLAND EAST

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

Last week's Proceedings - 14 October 2015



President William rang the bell at 1pm to start the meeting and began by reporting on the success of the visit to our sister club the Rotary Club of Penang, celebrating its

85th anniversary last week. William also brought the local flavours of Penang to the meeting, in the shape of some Penang biscuits from our sister club, which he shared with our members.

P William then welcomed back IPP Norman who had been on a wonderful trip to Greece and Dubai, and Norman was invited to give us a briefing about his experiences regarding the



trip.There were several guests visiting our club, they were Olivia Choi and Karen Chan from Rotary Club of Central and Nicholas Pirie from Rotary Club of

Hong Kong South.

Rotary & Be a gift to the world

Olivia Choi spoke with us about us about the Rotary District 3450 Mentorship Programme 2015 – 2016 that was about to roll out and invited members to participate into the programme. The programme aims to match

pairs of Mentors (Rotarians) and Mentees (Rotaractors and Interactors). It hopes to provide mentees with the opportunity to look beyond and learn from the mentors. Also, Nicholas Pirie of Hong Kong South brought us a the good news that the Rotary Foundation had donated USD100,000 to the Leprosy Project which ran the leprosy



rehabilitation programme in Suchuan Province, PRC.

P William then read out the announcements, before SAA John Poon announced the Red Box takings of HKD1,400. Pres. William then invited IPP Norman to introduce our speaker, Mr. Francis Neoton Cheung, who was about to give us a talk on "The 3rd runway for Hong Kong Airport Development". After the presentation PP Hubert was invited to thank the speaker before P William led us to toast RI, RC Hong Kong Central, RC Hong Kong South and HKIE before taking a group photo.



SPOTLIGHT ON - The 3rd Runway for HK Airport Development



Francis began with sharing with us the background of building the 3rd runway for the Hong Kong International Airport proposed by the Airport Authority Hong Kong (AAHK). Since the cost of building the 3rd runway was HK\$141.5 billion - an enormous sum of money - Francis explained the reasons why it was so costly and led us to look into the proposal from various perspectives.

Those perspectives included:

- The funding arrangement and procedure;
- The environmental impact;
- The ability to meet the demand beyond the year of 2030;
- The cost and benefit analysis;
- The competitions from the airports in the Pearl River Delta Region;
- The room for further expansion;
- Whether building the 3rd runway is the only solution.

In addition to the above, Francis also introduced an idea that the Hong Kong government should consider building a second airport in Lamma island instead of insisting on building the 3rd runway. However, due to the limited time schedule, the presentation came to an end. With the comprehensive but detailed presentation given by Francis, we members and our guests were all glad that we had gained a lot of knowledge on this topic especially when the detailed information of the proposal was not easily available to the public.

Finally, any members who are interested in the topic can read some articles written by Francis which have been posted on the internet.

About the speaker

Mr. Francis Neoton Cheung is the convener of Doctoral Exchange, a public policy research collective, and a former member of the Hong Kong airport consultative committee. Francis is an urban development expert with a proven track record of holding large-scale public infrastructure projects in Hong Kong and different parts of Mainland China.



OUT & ABOUT

Board Meeting meets Karoake - October 16th

It was an experiment that worked beautifully – to combine our 4th monthly board meeting with a fellowship session. PP Jonathan had booked a room at the Mr Red karaoke in Windsor House, CWB. Board members met and did their business promptly and efficiently before others arrived to commence with the high spirited music session with drinks and food. A great night!









Angus at Chinese University



'Rotary Island East was invited to attend the United College 59th Anniversary Ceremony of CUHK on 16 Oct 2015.

United College was founded in 1956 through the amalgamation of five colleges: Canton Overseas, Kwang Hsia, Wah Kiu, Wen Hua, and Ping Jing College of Accountancy. All five colleges were originally private universities in Canton and its vicinity, having close relations



with Hong Kong. In 1957, United College was incorporated under an ordinance with a board of trustees as its governing body. At present, the College has a student population of 2,964, distributed in eight faculties of the University: Arts, Business Adminis-

tration, Education, Law, Engineering, Medicine, Science and Social Science.



During the ceremony, Mr. Anthony Leung, the former Financial Secretary of the Government of the HKSAR and currently the Group Chief Executive Officer of Nan Fung Development Ltd, had delivered an inspiring and encouraging speech for the undergraduates of the College. A Chinese lunch was served after the cake-cutting ceremony and lion dance performance by the students of the College. The event was smoothly organized and we look forward to the 60th Anniversary of the United College next year!'

P William speaks at CDIA Luncheon



Invited by Child Development Initiative Alliance CDIA, President William gave a talk at their luncheon gathering on 16th October, Friday, on the topic "Youth Development and How to Exploit Their Potential – Perspectives of the SMEs". The talk, was held at Club Lusitano where over 50 participants attended, including PDG Eugene Fong, our PP Andy Wong, IPP Norman Lee and PP Heman Lam. Pres. William started with how the government have

assisted the SMEs and he, as one of the beneficiaries, should contribute back to the youth in the community. He mentioned how he came about Holland Hostel through District Poverty Alleviation project about 4 years ago, engaged with one of their students (all from deprived families) who is interested in IT, given him the opportunity to work in his office, let him develop his interests in IT, encouraged him, and he started to study and gain higher education. Pres. William believed that given the opportunity, our young people will regain confidence and became

an invaluable workforce for the society. He also encouraged the participants to engage with organization like Rotary. His talk gained a lot of echoes from the participants. The Chair, Amy Chan, who was also a Rotarian from RC Queensway, proposed possible collaboration in the future.



PE Chris meets RC Winchester UK



PE Chris was back in the UK recently on a visit, and took the chance to call in on Rotary Club of Winchester. He reported that "It was a very full house with at I e a s t 60 m e m b e r s in attendance." The club has 90 members in full.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1. Visit to our Sister Club RC of Penang we had a very successful and memorable trip to Penang. For more details, please read today's bulletin. Thank you PP Laurence who wrote the details of the program during our visit.
- 2. The first Karaoke fellowship was confirmed for Oct 16 Friday. Venue: RED MR, 8/F, Windsor House, 311, Gloucester Road, Causeway Bay. Time: 7.00pm to 8.30pm board meeting. Karaoke starts at 8.30 till mid-night. Capacity: 15 to 20 people. We have now 11 members confirmed to join, we need at least 4 more to fill up the minimum.
- 3. The Annual Choi Jun joint swimming gala is on Oct 24 Saturday in Ma On Shan Swimming Pool starting from 9.00 AM to 12.30 PM, our club has sponsored Choi Jun School for this project for many years. DG Peter confirmed to come to have a speech and present the prize to the winner. Members please mark the date and come to support the students. As usual I will host a dim sum breakfast in one of the Chinese Restaurant near the swimming pool before move the swimming pool.
- 4. The tentative date of the Club AGM will be on Nov 18 Wednesday in the Regal Hotel, members please mark the date and come to luncheon meeting to support the AGM and vote. In the AGM we will select the PE of 2017-2018 and the board members of rotary year 2016-2017.

DISTRICT ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following district events announced before in the last meeting, for details please contact P William or PIC.

- 1. District Fellowship Party 'Bollywood Night' is on Saturday, Oct 24.
- 2. The Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) part 1 to 3 Training. Part 1 - 40 Rotarians attended on Sept 19 last Saturday. Part 2 & 3 will be held on Oct 17 & Nov 28, 2015.
- 3. The District Rotary Foundation Seminar and Grant Management Seminar will be held on Sat 21 Nov, 2015 at Regal Hong Kong Hotel from 9.30am to 4.00pm. By registration with full payment on or before Oct 31, you shall be entitled to enjoy the early bird discount rate at HK \$500.00 or HK\$550.00 will charg per person from May 1.
- 4. The District Vocational Service Seminar Tuesday, 19th January 2016 at 12.30 pm to 2.00pm Marco Polo Hong Kong Hotel. Please mark the date and register as soon as possible if you are interested to join.

THE LAST LAUGH - Stunt Pilot

Young girl walks into a supermarket and on her way round she sees the bloke with whom she had sex the previous evening, after they met in a pub.

He is stacking washing powder boxes on shelves. "You lying sod!" she yells. "Last night you told me you were a stunt pilot!"

"No," he says, "I told you I was a member of the Ariel display team."

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