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Hong Kong Island East  
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## President's Message



This month for Rotary the focus is on youth, and we are reminded of our responsibilities towards nurturing the next generation of Rotarians.

Ours is a healthy club when it comes to youth. With four Rotaract clubs under our guidance, we have many young volunteers out there doing good, and helping us with our projects. Good young leaders who step up when called upon. They are a shining example of young people in Hong Kong.

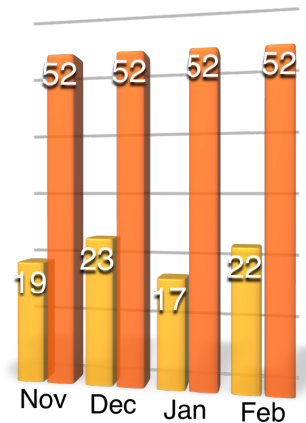
With our involvement in next years Rookie Stars dance contest at regional level, and other youth projects we will be involved in, let's ensure that we are as much an example to our youth as Rotarians, as they are to their own contemporaries.



All the President's Men (and ladies)



■ Avg. Attendance  
■ Members



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## SPOTLIGHT ON Professor Gilbert Fong of Hang Seng Management College



Guest speaker Professor Gilbert Fong

Professor Fong is the Provost and Dean of School of Translation of Hang Seng Management College. He graduated from The Chinese University of Hong Kong and received his M.As. and Ph.D. from York University (Canada) and the University of Toronto. Afterward, he taught at the University of Toronto and York University in Canada, and was Professor-Reader and Chairman of the Department of Translation at the Chinese University of Hong Kong. He has written many articles on modern and contemporary Chinese literature and translation.

An acclaimed translator, Professor Fong translated into English many plays by Gao Xingjian, winner of the 2000 Nobel Prize in Literature. They were published in *The Other Shore*, *Snow in August*, *Cold Literature: Selected Works by Gao Xingjian* (with Mabel Lee), *Escape and The Man Who Questions Death*, and *Of Mountains and Seas*. He also translated Samuel Beckett's *Waiting for Godot*, Jean Genet's *Haute Surveillance*, Dale Wasserman's *Man of La Mancha*, Antonio Skármeta's *Burning Patience*, and Arthur Miller's *Death of a Salesman* into Chinese, all for stage performances in Hong Kong. He was editor and author of several books, including *Dubbing and Subtitling in a World Context*, *On Drama*, *History of Hong Kong Drama*, *Studies on Hong Kong Drama*, *Plays from Hong Kong* and others. He is currently editor of *Hong Kong Drama Review*.

Professor Fong is enthusiastic about community services. He is the Chairman of the Art Form Panel on Community Panel and a member of Programme and Development Committee of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department. He is also member of the Arts and Culture Promotion Committee of Shatin District Office.

## Last week's Proceedings - 27 April 2016

Usually for our luncheons these days, we report attendance of between 10-20 members, on and off. Some good weeks, some not so good. Last week however was a very good week as we had **120 Rotarians present!** Yes folks, it was the annual 4-Clan Luncheon meeting, and what a great turnout it was. Truly a vibrant, welcome event, and credit to President William for rallying all of the various clubs from the 4-Clan family to be present.

There was an extended period of fellowship, with proceedings starting around 12.15pm, as guests started to trickle in. Everything was well organized, and it was great to see so many familiar faces. The head table, consisting of the various Rotary VIPs included P William Wong and DGE Eric, as well as DS Vivian, IPDG Belinda Yeung, PDG Tong Wong, DAG Simon Wong and DAG Eliza Fan. It must be said what a great job PN Stacy did as the MC for the luncheon, as her lively, happy personality exuded a great mood over the whole event. Stacy got the event under way by inviting P William to come up for his opening remarks, after which respects were paid to the various dignitaries and club leaders. P William led everyone in standing to sing the Rotary song also, just to get us all in the mood. PN Stacy also had each club table stand to be recognized one by one around the room.

The guest speaker was Professor Gilbert Fong of Hang Seng Management College, who was also introduced. As is customary, before the presentation by the speaker, the various club Presidents and representatives were then all invited to the stage to make their 1 minute (well, thereabouts) reports. Updating the audience about what activities are going on at each club. By the we were well into our meal, and eventually it was time for the 'main event', and Professor Fong was invited up to speak about 'Higher education in Hong Kong'. By the end of his very interesting session (he ended with an open invitation to take anyone who wants to visit his college to lunch..please be noted) it was then time for some grand photos, and all took to the stage for the various group shots to record the day. Before that however, our own PP Hubert was invited onto the stage to formally thank the speaker. Finally we all ended the grand event with a toast to RIC, 4-Clans and District 3450. Looking forward to next year!





P William and DGE Eric welcome our guests...



"..Happy birthday to you... happy birthday to you...IPDG Belinda...happy.."



Pres. William makes his report...



Attendance problem? What attendance problem?



"Put your hands in the air like you don't care.." MC Stacy gets the mood buzzing...



"..and I am telling you..next year I want to see 500 people at this lunch.." DGE Eric sets the target for his year...



"I'm telling you Jonathan...it was the biggest cockroach I have EVER seen.."



"I'll have the fish...followed by the creme brulee.." MC Stacy doubles up to take the lunch orders



Visiting Rotarian from the UK Brian Wood, exchanges pennants with P William...

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Club Announcements

Our club just finished 2 medical seminars for the elderly in Tai Po and Sau Mau Ping and Uncle John Golf Tournament in April. Our next fellowship is Horse Racing Night on May 18 Wednesday in Happy Valley, fee is HK\$720.00 per head including entry badge, dinner buffet and unlimited wines and soft drinks.

## THE LAST LAUGH

A blonde and a lawyer are seated next to each other on a flight from LA to NY. The lawyer asks if she would like to play a fun game? The blonde, tired, just wants to take a nap, politely declines and rolls over to the window to catch a few winks. The lawyer persists and explains that the game is easy and a lot of fun.

He explains, "I ask you a question, and if you don't know the answer, you pay me \$5.00, and vice versa." Again, she declines and tries to get some sleep.

The lawyer, now agitated, says, "Okay, if you don't know the answer you pay me \$5.00, and if I don't know the answer, I will pay you \$500.00." This catches the blonde's attention and, figuring there will be no end to this torment unless she plays, agrees to the game.

The lawyer asks the first question. "What's the distance from the earth to the moon?" The blonde doesn't say a word, reaches into her purse, pulls out a \$5.00 bill and hands it to the lawyer. "Okay" says the lawyer, "your turn." She asks the lawyer, "What goes up a hill with three legs and comes down with four legs?" The lawyer, puzzled, takes out his laptop computer and searches all his references, no answer. He taps into the air phone with his modem and searches the net and the library of congress, no answer. Frustrated, he sends e-mails to all his friends and coworkers, to no avail.

After an hour, he wakes the blonde, and hands her \$500.00. The blonde says, "Thank you," and turns back to get some more sleep. The lawyer, who is more than a little miffed, wakes the blonde and asks, "Well, what's the answer?" Without a word, the blonde reaches into her purse, hands the lawyer \$5.00, and goes back to sleep.



The Guinness Book of Records entry for most number of Rotarians on one stage at the same time...

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