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President's Message - Follow the leader



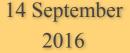
As I write this I am preparing for the official visit of DG Eric Chin to our club. Which in our case of course, is slightly different than with other clubs because the DG knows our club inside out! Nonetheless, I am keen to ensure that the overall report can reflect good intentions and progress so far in our planning. At the same time, we want to ensure we are giving full support to DG Eric with his role, and in that sense we as a club are fully behind the District 3450 Serving Humanity Marketplace initiatives introduced by DG Eric. In our budgeting, the board has voted to support across all 4 projects, including the Mongolia projects (Braille books), CPR

training, Youth Fashion, and of course our own Rookie Stars Hip Hop Dance contest, of which I am also District Chair. The official media launch for the CPR programme is this coming Saturday at 9am (details in this bulletin announcements) and we will hold a launch ceremony for the Rookie Stars training on September 24th. I hope we can get more members involved in attending some of the events as we get the projects going, I'll keep everyone up to date with what's happening and where. The Serving Humanity Marketplace is a great district innovation, which is uniting many clubs to work together for the greater good, and it's inspiring to be involved.









Dr. Yau Wing Kwong JP

Town Planning Broad Advisory Council on the Environment



LAST WEEK'S REDBOX COLLECTION \$600.00

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 - 31 August 2016



We welcomed a number of different guests this week, more than usual, thanks to their being more than one guest speaker, and it was great to see Rtn Rickson Chow, of RC Tolo Harbour and his friend Sunny, and guest speaker President Esther chow of RC Wanchai, accompanied by P Winky Barsin, RC Peninsular Sunrise. P Chris rang the bell at 1pm, welcoming the guests and welcoming back PP Freddy, as well as Uncle John, who has been away in the US after the passing away of his mother. With two speakers lined

up, P Chris quickly went through the announcements, before inviting IPP William to make a quick presentation to PP Freddy, which was in thanks to his contribution of giving a talk to the ediderly during William's year as President. Rtn Rickson was then invited to to stand and do a quick (10 minute) introduction to the world of drone aviation, giving us a live demonstration in the room, which was very entertaining for all present, including filming us from the drone. IPP William then read out the Red Box takings of \$600, including a contribution from P Esther. P Esther then got up to speak and tell us about the District Youth Fashion project, of which both she and P Winky are on the organizing committee. After her speech there was a bit of Q&A, before P Chris called all to rise, give a toast to RC Wanchai, RC Peninsular Sunrise, RC Tolo Harbour, to RI and HKIE, before all joined for a group photo.



District Rotary Forum

Keynote Speaker : The Hon. C. Y. Leung (CE, HKSAR) held on 12 Oct 2016 (Wednesday)

We are pleased to announce that the Chief Executive of HKSAR, the Honourable C.Y. Leung, GBM, GBS, JP will be the Keynote Speaker of the District Rotary Forum to be held on 12 Oct 2016 (Wed), in the Ballroom of Holiday Inn Golden Mile Hong Kong.

Mr. Leung will be sharing with us his views of the future of Hong Kong. It would be a great opportunity for the Rotarians to communicate closely with our CE, on the leadership development in Hong Kong. Dinner fee would be \$880 per person / \$10,560 per table (12 pax). Tables will be allocated in a first-come-first-served basis.

Registration deadline would be on 19 September 2016. Please confirm your seats with RIC as soon as possible as the capacity is limited.

Spotlight On - Youth Career Planning Program: Fashion & Image Design



President Esther Chow began by outlining why this project is a good idea. How many school leavers will not further their studies due to financial restraint or because they have little interest in learning, despite that quite a few might have artistic talent. They do not know how to channel their talents into something meaning-ful that can give them a future. This year, under the Serving Humanity Marketplace, District 3450 aims to offer students professional training in skills for Fashion & Image Design. Opening up a post-school path to pursue their dreams even if they did not further their studies to universities. This is one of the Serving Humanity Marketplace initiatives under DG Eric, and one which our club has elected support, so it was great to have P Esther come along to let us know more, and we're sure it will be a very valuable

project for young people, in the same way that our own Rookie Stars hip hop contest has been doing.

About the speaker

Esther has been an investment banker for almost 20 years. Worked for HSBC, Goldman Sachs and Citi, specializing in financial derivatives structuring, risk management advisory on foreign exchange, interest rates & commodities to major large corporates and bank capital markets activities. Travelled extensively during her working years before settling down in HK, she has worked in Malaysia, Singapore and Taiwan. In Jan 2015, she has decided to take a break from the financial industry, her last position was Head of Greater China Sales Desk in Citi. Since then, she has travelled around world, visited 15 countries in 2015. She enjoys travelling and golfing during her spare time. Besides devoting her time in Rotary, she is now a full time US equity home trader. She is currently the President of Rotary Club of Wanchai.



THE LAST LAUGH

A manager at Walmart had the task of hiring someone to fill a job opening. After sorting through a stack of resumes, he found four people who were equally qualified. He decided to call the four in and ask them only one question. Their answer would determine which of them would get the job.

The day came and as the four sat around the conference room table, the interviewer asked, "What is the fastest thing you know of?" The first man replied, "A thought. It just pops into your head. There's no warning." "That's very good!" replied the interviewer. "And, now you sir?" he asked the second man. "Hmm, let me see, a blink! It comes and goes and you don't know that it ever happened. A blink is the fastest thing I know of." "Excellent!" said the interviewer. "The blink of an eye, that's a very popular cliché for speed."

He then turned to the third man, who was contemplating his reply. "Well, out at my dad's ranch, you step out of the house, and on the wall there's a light switch. When you flip that switch, way out across the pasture, the light on the barn comes on in less than an instant. Yep, turning on a light is the fastest thing I can think of." The interviewer was very impressed with the third answer and thought he had found his man. "It's hard to beat the speed of light," he said. Turning to Bubba, the fourth and final man, the interviewer posed the same question.

Old Bubba replied, "After hearing the previous three answers, it's obvious to me that the fastest thing known is Diarrhea." "What!?" said the interviewer, stunned by the response. "Oh sure," said Bubba. "You see, the other day I wasn't feeling so good, and I ran for the bathroom, but before I could think, blink, or turn on the light, I had already sh*t my pants." Bubba is now the new greeter at a Walmart near you! -



ANNOUNCEMENTS

These are the following announcements for our club:

- 1. RAC HK Community College will have a booth at their campus campus during orientation week so as to recruit new members to join the world of Rotaract. If anyone wants to look in and show their support, the venue is No.3 booth, at the Multi-Purpose Hall and the dates are 8/9 (Thur) - 9/9 (Fri) 10am - 6pm.
- 2. The installation for RAC THEi will be on Saturday September 17th afternoon. If you would like to come and support our young Rotoractors, please advise President Chris or Youth Director Jonathan.
- 3. Adopt An Elderly. The first care visit for this meaningful project will be on Sunday 18th September 2016. We are looking to form 10 teams to visit 20 families. Each team will consist of 1 HKIE member and 2 Rotaractors. If you are interested to help lead a team, please advise President Chris or Service Director Leo. The meeting time will be 2.30pm, and the address is Shop 112, Podium, Fu On House, Tai Wo Hau Estate . (MTR Tai Wo Hau Station exit B.)
- 4. P Chris is arranging to host a barbecue party for our club members on Friday, October 21st, 6-10pm. He will also book a tennis court earlier from 4pm if anyone is interested in a game before dinner. Please mark your diary and let P Chris or Fellowship Director Kevin know if you intend to come along with any family members, so we can start to do the attendance numbers. More details will follow nearer the date. The venue will be at Redhill Peninsular. Tai Tam.
- 5. PP Jonathan has initiated a trip to visit our friendship Club RC South Sea Taipei. This is in return of them visiting us two times this year, and we are keen to explore the possibility of a sister club relationship. The dates planned are November 2nd- 5th, and will include some golf, shopping and fellowship. Please inform PP Jonathan if you intend to join.

District Announcements

- 1. The District CPR programme press launch ceremony will be held at 9am on this coming Saturday September 10th at the St John's Ambulance HQ in McDonnell Rd. P Chris and IPP William will attend. If you would like to join them, please inform P Chris. We are sponsoring this programme.
- 2. The 2017 Rookie Stars hip hop dance training programme for new schools will take place at 10am on Saturday September 24th. DG Eric and P Chris (as Chair) will be there. Venue will be confirmed asap, please try to come and support.
- 3. The District New Member Orientation which will be held at 7-10pm, on 28 September 2016, at Craigengower Cricket Club,1/F., Centenary Building, Happy Valley. Language: Cantonese (with English if necessary) Cost:HK\$350 1. (Including Dinner)
- 4. The District PP's Dinner will be held on October 14th 2016, Friday at King's Cuisine, Windsor House, Causeway Bay. Any PP wanting attend please put it in your diary.
- 5. The District Intercity Meeting will be on 27th Sept 2016, to honour The Rotary Foundation Trustees Chair Kalyan Banerjee who will visit Hong Kong on 27th & 28th Sept and to celebrate the Centennial of Rotary Foundation. Tuesday 27th September 2016 Date :
 - Time :
 - 6:30pm Registration / Cocktail Starts, Dinner at 7:30pm
 - Venue : The Salisbury Room of Peninsula Hotel
 - Fees : \$1280 / person

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- : http://hkie.rotary3450.org/
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