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President's Message - Welcome all!



As I write this I am frantically preparing for the 4-Clans luncheon, as I know it will be read during that lunch!! The arrangements for today are yet another test of my prowess as a President. As I'm not naturally an event organiser by my skill sets (unless it involves beer and football), I am relying on the expertise of those around me of course. All these experienced advisors who have been there and done this before. This is probably one of my final tests as we head towards the end of this Rotary year, and more than anything I was delighted that we could attract a very special guest speaker in Mrs Fanny Law. As an long time Hong Kong resident, I am wee acquainted with the career and profile of Mrs Law, and was introduced to her by my long term friend

Ms Leonie Ki (actually my ex boss).

So I'm very proud to welcome her here today to enlighten us about the topic - 'Can Hong Kong be an Innovation Hub of Global Significance?'. I'm also proud as club President to welcome our 4-Clan club Presidents here today, all of whom I am now great friends with and this has been one of the joys of sitting in the hot seat for a year (especially hot in winter, funnily enough). So welcome all, thanks for the support and I hope you enjoy a great gathering.



**COMING
SPEAKERS**

24 May 2017

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**LAST WEEK'S REDBOX
COLLECTION \$1,100**

THE ROTARY CLUB OF HONG KONG ISLAND EAST

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

Spotlight On - PP Hubert in Afghanistan



PP Hubert began by giving us some details about Afghanistan: A small country with a population of 33 million. They have experienced more than 40 years of conflict involving such diverse neighbours as Mongolia, by Russia, by Taliban and now they have their own government. Female literacy average only 17%, most of the females they cannot read. In this Islamic country, female is not well respected. Malnutrition is very common. A project incorporated with UN to give more nutrition to the children. Girls get marry before age of 19, the reason is the parents don't want to spend money to raise the girls, in exchange of some cattle. Even the boys also early marriage. 2.3 million children are still off the school. Most children have to work on the street to earn more money, they don't go to school at all. Local displacement because more conflict with Taliban, in 2016 over 500,000 flee conflicts to some other area, one area is Herat. Herat comparatively speaking is a very safe place. Kabul is high risk area. Key challenges in

Afghanistan – Child protection : children has to be forced to work for their families, Education : almost no education can be received due to poor, early marriage due to poor. Displacement: local refugees flee to some other province. Child well being has been exploited. What can we do for child protection issue. HK World Vision use US\$1/2 million established 1) Street children centre- pick up children from the street and provide psychosocial support counseling service, talk to the parents and convince them to let the children come to the centre after work instead of working all day on the street. 2) provide tutorial class – most of the children are over 8 compare with other normal children, help them catch up English and Mathematical standard before they can go to normal primary school. 3) Health, employ doctors to provide free medical treatment for children within the community and clinic inside the children centre. Also library and recreational facilities for children. Health and nutrition class for Mother. Displacement actually local refugees , they flee to other provinces because of conflict with Taliban. Informal settlement for Internal displaced person. There is NO electricity, NO water. Established Health Mobile Team to the displacement areas, 12 displacement areas in Herat. Employ 2 doctors take turn to visit every centre to take care of the children. Demonstration to teach the mothers to prepare nutritious food. Mothers themselves form a Mother Health Group. Youth Club – the children they don't have school to go, just form a group to organize some activities, local volunteer teacher comes every day to teach the children simple Mathematics, English and local language. Those children facing changes in their life, they still have smiles on their faces. Let's pray for them. Through World Vision work bring opportunities, smile, love and hope to the most vulnerable especially children in Afghanistan. If there is NO peace, nothing is possible.



Last week's Proceedings - April 26th, 2017



P. Chris welcomed all, and asked members to introduce their guests, who included Hyacintha Faustino, guest of PE Stacy, and two young ladies who were guests of PP Hubert, named Janice and Cindy. The birthday boy this week was PP George, and he invited PP Stephen to lead his birthday song. After the birthday ceremony, it was time for a long overdue ceremony - President Chris was to present IPP William and PP Norman with the special editions of commemorative bulletin collections for their respective years. Afterwards, P Chris invited PP Andy to read out the Red Box takings which came to \$1,100. And then it was time for a talk!



The guest speaker this week was our own PP Hubert, who had agreed to come and speak about his recent adventure travelling to Afghanistan with World Vision. A particularly brave and possibly risky trip in the name of a very good cause. After the fascinating presentation, P Chris invited IPP William to thank the speaker, before we came to the last formality of the week - the Lucky Draw. PP Norman was the lucky winner this week. P Chris asked all to rise, give a toast to RI and RC HKIE, before calling all for a group photo. Meeting adjourned.

Out & About

PP John Luk in the news

Just recently there has been a fair amount of press coverage about our very own PP John. We've always known that he was an educated man of learning, it seems that now he's become something of a superstar. You can ask for his autograph next time you see him!



Eric's Orange Army

Out in force for the video shooting of 'Tai Chi Meets Peace on Sunday May 3rd were DG Eric, PP Hubert, IPP William P Chris and PE Stacy. Almost 100 Rotarians, Rotaractors, family members and Tai Chi masters joined the shooting at They campus in Kowloon Tong.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

These are the following announcements for our club:

- The 5th Happy Lunch is on Monday May 15th, 12:30pm at Pizza Hut - 北京道10號寶業大廈地庫 Pls advise PIC John Poon if you want to join.
- Our club is planning a trip to Taipei May 18th – 21st, to attend the anniversary and sign the Sister Club agreement with the RC South Sea Taipei. All members are welcome to join the fun, which includes cultural performances, fine dining and golf game. Please join us if you're interested. Inform PP George or IPP William.
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- The next Adopt An Elderly visit is scheduled for June 4th. For those who attended before, please mark your diaries and prepare to spread some happiness once again. Service Director Leo will be in touch with more details.
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- On Sunday June 25th afternoon, we will be supporting the Love & Care for the Sick elderly activities day. If you have interest to be involved please inform Service Director Leo or President Chris.

District announcements

The District Interact Conference is on May 20, 2017 (Sat) 09:30-12:30. St. Mark's School, 18 Oi Yin Street, Aldrich Bay, Shaukeiwan

- The District Conference will be held on 27 & 28 May 2017 at 7/F L'Hotel Nina, Tsuen Wan. Please inform PE Stacy if you are joining (if you have not already done so)
- District Golf June 23. Coming up is the big District golf event of the year. Your chance to test your skills against the District's finest. Contact Lewis Man at Lm@rcosh.org or Tobi Doeringer at td@rcosh.org

THE LAST LAUGH - Kids

True stories, this week courtesy of PP John Luk:
TEACHER: Why are you doing your math multiplication on the floor?
CHILD: You told me to do it without using the tables.
TEACHER: Your composition on 'My Dog' is exactly the same as your brother's.. Did you copy his?
CHILD : No sir, It's the same dog.
TEACHER: How do you spell 'crocodile?'
CHILD: K-R-O-K-O-D-I-A-L'
TEACHER: No, that's wrong
CHILD: it is wrong, but you asked me how I spell it.



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