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President's Message - The Year of DG Eric



As I write, I think DG Eric is now somewhere in Miami enjoying a much needed break (well, we think he needs it..he may not.). Honestly speaking – what a year he has made. I think one day we will look back on a year of change. Seeing him at the District Conference last week, in his presentations, he recounted the achievements in terms of new clubs chartered and members gained. He was out to make a difference, and he did. In this past year, the District chartered 13 Rotary Clubs with 404 new members, 8 Rotaract Clubs with over 160 new members and 13 Interact Clubs with over 260 new members. Not just that, with the 'All Star Presidents'..his

orange army, he has won over a lot of fans who sought to serve him and not let him down. I feel privileged to have been part of that team, to have become part of such a wonderful, energetic family. DG Eric has broken records and made a difference wherever he went. His relentless energy has been breathtaking (I can say that because I've been trying to keep up with him..). At the end of the District Conference, he got up to give his final words, and at that moment, he became very emotional, his voice breaking up, and at some points, he had to pause to gather himself. Perhaps that was partly due to the sadness of knowing his term was coming to a close. But also I think because his passion for the role has been overflowing. It all came out. It's been a year of living fearlessly. Of uniting a team of Presidents to the greater good of the



A well-earned break

Rotary cause. DG Eric's 'Serving Humanity Marketplace' was a resounding success, both innovative and inspiring. I know that I'll be coming down soon, and I also look forward to the rest.

But I can honestly say I've been proud to serve under a DG who led by example.



**COMING
SPEAKERS**

14th June 2017

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in the future -
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**LAST WEEK'S REDBOX
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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 - Equal Opportunities



Ms. Devi Novianti is an Indonesian and is an Equal Opportunities Officer (Ethnic Minorities Unit) and is very proud to contribute to 6,700,000 people in Hong Kong. 153,000 are Indonesian and 300,000 migrant workers in HK.

HK is one of the countries in Asia that has this Law. At the moment we have 4 discrimination laws – Disability, Race, Sex & Family Status. Race Discrimination Ordinance just passed in 2008 fully implemented in 2009. Migrant workers come to HK because they cannot find jobs in Indonesia. We don't have such a profession. Once you have passed a certain age, you have children, and very hard to find a job in home country. This law is governed and prohibits direct discrimination and indirect discrimination. Direct discrimination – someone being discriminated directly due to their race or pregnancy. For instance if a pregnant employee does not get promotion whereas if the non-pregnant employee gets promotion, it means they are directly discriminated, equal comparable situation different treatment and one receive advantage and one do not

based on the ground of race, family status, pregnancy or sex. Indirect discrimination – if there is a regulation applicable to everyone then certain race or certain group of people has the difficulties to fulfill that qualification or condition and then create a disadvantage for that group. The Equal Opportunities Commission just recently conducted a study on what Ethnic Minorities have experienced in banking, property and services. It was found that in many cases, ethnic minorities in HK do get discriminated on the grounds of their race in the provision of banking, property and even when they go to shop or eat in restaurants etc.

Devi urged us all to promote equality. There are always different ways of seeing things and the way we see things is really highly influenced by our culture, by our upbringing, and by our environment. A case in point is with education for instance - the Government says that we cannot provide ethnic minorities with the second language because otherwise that is not fair for the Chinese. Teaching Chinese as a second language to ethnic minority children so that their learning outcomes are on par with their local counterparts is a crucial component of meeting the equal access challenge. We need to respect each others differences.

Last week's Proceedings - May 31st, 2017

With P Chris tied up, PE Stacy took charge of the meeting, and started by welcoming back returning members, including Rotarians John Poon and Tony Loy, as well as introducing guest speaker Ms Devi Novianti, who is an Indonesian and is an Equal Opportunities Officer (Ethnic Minorities Unit). PE Stacy then read out the announcements, before inviting PP Rudy to introduce the guest speaker, who was here to talk about equal opportunities for ethnic minorities in Hong Kong.

After the talk, Secretary Gilbert was invited to give our vote of thanks, before SAA John Poon announced the Red Box takings, which were \$700.



This week's lucky draw winner was IPP William. PE Stacy then asked all to rise, give a toast to RI, and RC HKIE. Meeting adjourned and all joined for a group photo.



Out & About - 2016/17 District Conference

Okay, so at least we didn't have to get on a plane or a boat to attend this year's DC. A car or MTR was just fine. And tucked away for 2 days at L'Hotel Nina, Rotarians of District 3450 were out in force to look back on an eventful year. Rotary Club of Hong Kong Island East was well represented throughout the 2 days, as was pointed out, those of our members actively involved were: DG Eric Chin – PP Norman – Chair, PP Tim - Guest of Honour, PDG YK - introduction of guest of honour, PP Eddy - vice chairman and conference program, Dir Kevin - Floor Manager, PP Hubert - section panelists P Chris – MC, Ex member Sharon Lamport – MC. Certainly our presence was felt, and it was a great and lively 2 days with great entertainment as well as inspiring talks. All in the presence of Rotary International President's Personal Representative The Rotary Foundation Trustee Vice Chair Kenneth Schuppert and his wife



Congratulations to Chair PP Norman for doing us proud and producing an entertaining, well-organised and insightful 2 days of conference.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

These are the following announcements for our club:

- The next Adopt An Elderly visit was scheduled for June 11th. However, due to many not being available on that date, we have cancelled this service project.
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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

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 District Installation will be on Saturday, July 8th. Please keep a look out for further details soon.

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THE LAST LAUGH - Unwinding with wine

The Lord's Miracle?

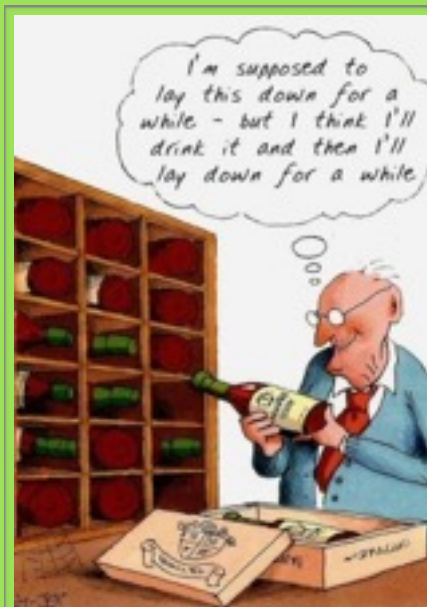
Father O'Reilly was driving down to Boston when got stopped for speeding.

The highway patrol officer smelled alcohol on the priest's breath and then saw an empty wine bottle on the floor of the car.

He said, 'Father, have you been drinking?' 'Only water', replied Father O'Reilly.

The policeman asked, 'Then how come I can smell wine?'

The priest looked at the bottle and said, 'Good Lord! He's done it again.'



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Meeting Venue : Regal HK Hotel, Causeway Bay, Hong Kong
Meeting Schedules : Every Wednesday at 12:30 pm
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