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A Message from President Bonnie Yeung



Dear members of Rotary Club of Hong Kong Island East,

I would like to start by thanking each and every member of the Rotary Club of Hong Kong Island East who has nurtured our esteemed club over the past 70 years and continue to do so. Although I was not there all those years, I have the conviction to contribute and feel the passion to lead our club on its path to continued growth. I want to be part of the ones that handed over a very prestige club to generations to come. I am honoured, most grateful and humble as the President of our club in Rotary Year 2024-25.

I would like to show my gratitude to IPP Rico and his Board Members, Chairs and Advisors in

the past two years for their hard work and dedication. I would also like to take this opportunity to welcome our new Board Members and Chairs and a special thank you to our Club Advisors PDG YK, PDG Norman and PP Council Chair PP George. Please continue to support us in the coming Rotary Year.

Rotary International President Stephanie Urchick's presidential theme is "The Magic of Rotary" for 2024-25 and called on members to recognize and amplify the organization's power to save lives. My theme, if we would need one for our club, is I would like all of us to be proud of being a Rotarian.

Let us Build Bridges and Connect People both locally and worldwide as we continue to show them "The Magic of Rotary". Every member's effort and involvement are essential to make this happen! Let us work together and look forward to a magical year ahead of us!

Yours in Rotary,

President Bonnie

Today: Club Installation

Last Meeting: Year End Summary



Our members present were:

President Rico Fung
PDG Y.K. Cheng
PDG Norman Lee
PP Andrew Chen
PP William Wong
PP Gilbert Fung
PP Rudy Law
PP Bernard Lee
PP George Leung
PP Andy Wong
PP Andrew Chen
PP William Wong
PE Bonnie Yeung
Rtn Jason Chiu

Rtn Lawrence Lui Rtn Chris Wang Rtn Kevin Wong Rtn Peter Yeung

Visiting Rotarian Clayton Lam, Rotary Club of Hong Kong South

President Rico declared the meeting open and started his year end summary. The updated financials of our 70th Anniversary Celebration was presented, followed by a concise but comprehensive account of our club activities and achievements in the Rotary Year.

Since the quorum had not been reached, President Rico announced that the EGM scheduled for the day shall be postponed to a later date.

President Rico thanked his board and advisors, the 70th Anniversary organizing committee, his wife for support, and concluded his last meeting.
PE Bonnie congratulated President Rico for the two years of leadership and

introduced his incoming board members.

Red box for the day was \$1,510 HKD.



The Magic of Rotary

Rotary International President-elect Stephanie Urchick announced that the 2024-25 presidential theme is The Magic of Rotary and called on members to recognize and amplify the organization's power to save lives.

"Don't misunderstand me – we are not going to end polio or bring peace to the world by waving a wand and saying some funny words," Urchick told incoming district governors at the Rotary International Assembly on 8 January. "It's up to you. You create the magic with every project



completed, every dollar donated, and every new member."

Urchick urged members to champion Rotary's Action Plan, find a balance between continuity and change, and work for peace. She plans to host a presidential peace conference in 2025 with the theme "Healing in a Divided World."

Rotary has a long history of promoting peace through its network of peace centers, Urchick noted. Located at top universities around the globe, the centers have trained nearly 1,800 peace fellows who are now working in more than 140 countries. The newest center, located at Bahçeşehir University in Istanbul, Turkey, will welcome its first class of fellows in early 2025.

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In addition to emphasizing peacebuilding, Urchick reiterated Rotary's commitment to eradicating polio. She urged the incoming governors to join or initiate PolioPlus Societies in their districts and do all they can to help end the disease.

Urchick also underscored the necessity of balancing continuity and change, both of which animate Rotary's Action Plan.

"The plan is all about building on our best ideas, not abandoning them," she said. "We face a tough balancing act. We must change ourselves and stay true to who we are."

She asked the governors to do whatever is needed to make the club experience irresistible to members.

"That might mean changing how things are done in your district," she said. "If your district has been doing things one way for 50 years, it's probably time to reassess. If a club in your district isn't active or is losing members, maybe it's time to start a new club that fits better with the community. Just because a club or district hasn't changed in a while doesn't mean no one is hungry for change."

One way to make positive change, she said, is to embrace the principles of diversity, equity, and inclusion within clubs.

"I hope you'll join me in opening your arms to future people of action, even if – and in some cases, especially if – they don't look or act like the typical member of your local club," she said. "With DEI, it is easier to be united in a common purpose. It's in those moments when we are committed and focused that we are the most effective and relevant."

Happy Birthday to our Splendid July Birthday Member

9th - Rtn Simon Ng



Club Activities





Rtn Peter Yeung and PE Bonnie Yeung was recognized as Paul Harris Fellows. IPDG Norman Lee and President Rico Fung presented their certificates.



Members agree unanimously that PP William Wong should keep the gift from our sister club, the Rotary Club of Osaka Jonan. PP William made a donation to our red box to show his support.



On June 17, 2024, the last Board Meeting for the Rotaract Club of PolyU CPCE was held. Outgoing and incoming board members gathered to plan for Rotary Year 2024-2025. PE Bonnie Yeung and Advisor Kate Law were welcomed for joining the meeting.

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