



President's Message

Patrick Fong

Dear Fellow members,

Time flies! Two months have gone in the Rotary Year.

REGULAR MEETINGS

- AG/PP Natalie and DAG Jerry paid us a visit on 13th August. It is normal practice that AG will visit each club to convey District Governor's messages before DG's formal visit.
- PP Frankie delivered a talk on the topic "My Ups and Downs" on 20th August. We learnt that he is running a monopoly business in providing high technological services and equipment and has established a worldwide network. Also, another arm of Frankie's business seemed to have picked up very well. After the talk, most of us could only see "His Ups" but not "His Downs". Well done, Frankie!
- PP Armstrong delivered a talk on the topic "No Politics" on 27th August. For us, 'no politics' means talking about wines and gossip. Surprisingly, Armstrong introduced us to the structure and objectives of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference. After the talk, we had a better understanding on the system and the planning of China. I am glad to see strong support and unity from the Shea's family, Rtnn. Rita, Rtn Aaron, Sara and Sharon attended.
- Legislative Councilor & Leader of the Liberal Party, Honourable Felix Chung, shared with us a talk on 'Guangdong Hong Kong-Macau Great Bay Area Development - The Challenges and Opportunities for Hong Kong' on 3rd September. Felix is the younger brother of PP Ron. His presentation attracted 39 attendees, including 10 Rotaractors. The talk gave us more understanding on the development plan and policy of PRC in the Great Bay Area. It also helped the youth to realize the opportunities in this region. Thanks PP Wilson for inviting Mr. Felix Chung as our speaker.



BABY CLUB INSTALLATION

- RC Central installation took place on 5th September at The Chinese Chamber of Commerce. 9 RCTP members attended to show our support.



1st THEME NIGHT - 'YOU CAN COOK 2'

- "You Can Cook 1" was held before I joined RCTP. Part 2 falls on Saturday, 8th September at Flame at Towngas Avenue. A total of 40 persons attended, including members, spouses, guests and some Rotaractors. Attendees were divided into 4 groups to prepare various kinds of starters and desserts before dinner started at around 7.45 pm.
- Thanks team one leader Henry & team members PDG Anthony, PP Claire, PP Ron, PP William and Wilson Woo for selecting and arranging the venue and menu. Thanks Creamy for preparing the very sexy aprons which brought the whole night 'on fire'.



DG VISIT

- DG visit to Area 6 was held on 10th September at Royal Plaza Hotel, Mongkok.
- 10 board members attended to meet DG YC & his team at 6:00pm. I presented the club plan and target to them. Committee chairs also explained our projects and objectives in detail.
- At the Joint Meeting, DG delivered his speech before dinner started. RCTP is the biggest group amongst the 10 clubs of Area 6. Thanks all for attending the event and showing support to the Club.

Patrick Fong

President 2018-2019
Rotary Club of Tai Po



Editor Says

Claire Mak



Even if you have not experienced it first hand, you might have heard it from others. Our PP Wilson Lam is an experienced and advanced driver. In fact, PP Wilson and Wanda, and also PDG Kenneth and Lucia have recently returned from their driving trip to Qinghai/Tibet, capturing all the beautiful sceneries which, when he showed us the video clip, left us in awe.

PP Wilson is pretty much a human GPS and drives deftly yet safely. What may surprise you is the way he maneuvers the car once he crosses the border. An entirely different driver; an entirely different attitude! CP Donald had once exclaimed that he held onto whatever there were to hold onto in the car when Wilson drove in the mainland. Of course, everyone arrived safely and in one piece. Whew! The superb driving skills of PP Wilson is pretty extraordinary. But not that many are like him.

Seriously, I think the driving manner of Hong Kong people seems to be getting worse. That, in turn, says quite a lot about the pressure Hong Kong people are under. Indeed, you can tell how much pressure the people of a city is under by the way they drive.

Pursue
Overtake
and Recover All



Most drivers have forgotten what they were taught: that before you cut into another lane, you must switch on the indicator light in good time. Clicking on the indicator light is just like saying “excuse me” before you overtake someone on the pedestrian walkway. In the past, we wait for the person in front to step aside or slow down before we overtake. These days, drivers tend to change lanes without bothering to forewarn others: at the same time when a person says “excuse me”, he already started overtaking. If the other person in front responds just a split second slower, he may be met with a sharp stare, implying an overt “slow jerk” reproach. More worrying is when one driver insists on overtaking when the other does not budge, a collision may result.

Those *advanced* drivers may just cut in lanes as they drive very fast and they won't bother to tell you in advance because by the time you see the flash of indicator light, they would have overtaken. That's why you never see race cars flash indicator lights! But when both drivers are racers, or think themselves as racers, then both may underestimate the speed of the other and serious crashes may follow.

A courteous driver will switch on the indicator light, look around to see if the other has slowed down before gently cutting in. A driver who is under a lot of pressure may do differently. And I think this is very common with taxi drivers – maybe business has given them way too much pressure. Upon seeing the flash of someone's indicator light, the taxi driver will step on the accelerator to prevent the intended cut-in. If the other driver slows down to let him pass first, he will somehow also slow down – just not letting the other through.



There have been movies or documentaries showing the behaviour of the busy modern people. It is interesting to note that the pace of pedestrians is often affected by that of fellow pedestrians. If others walk fast, they walk faster. When others slow down, they also walk more leisurely. If someone starts to dash, then 8 to 10 people will start dashing in the same direction - for no apparent reason at all! Funny, isn't it?

If you are the type who mumbles under your breath at other drivers while you drive, then you have to be careful. More so if you curse others when you drive on your own. Beware that you may later resort to banging on the horn or flashing the headlight continuously to express (rudely) your unkempt anger. Ask yourself, are you under immense pressure? But one thing for sure, PP Wilson did say he enjoys the surge in speed when he steps on the accelerator especially when driving in the mainland: deriving pleasure while releasing pressure he said. Interesting ... but hey people, don't copy!



Rotary Information

Peter Lam

Rotary's end polio efforts have been making significant accomplishment in recent decades. Since 1988, we have seen a worldwide reduction in polio cases of 99.9%. Last year we only saw wild polio cases in two countries namely, Afghanistan, Pakistan and perhaps we are really "that close" to ending this disease. Our club has also been supporting polio eradication effort in our annual donation to TRF so we should stay informed of where our money is spent. Let's get some update from RI news.



Rotary announces US \$96.5 million to end polio

EVANSTON, Ill. (August 15, 2018) — Rotary today announced nearly \$100 million in grants to support the global effort to end polio, a vaccine-preventable disease that once paralyzed hundreds of thousands of children each year.



The announcement comes as Nigeria marks two years without any reported cases of wild poliovirus, following four reported cases in 2016.

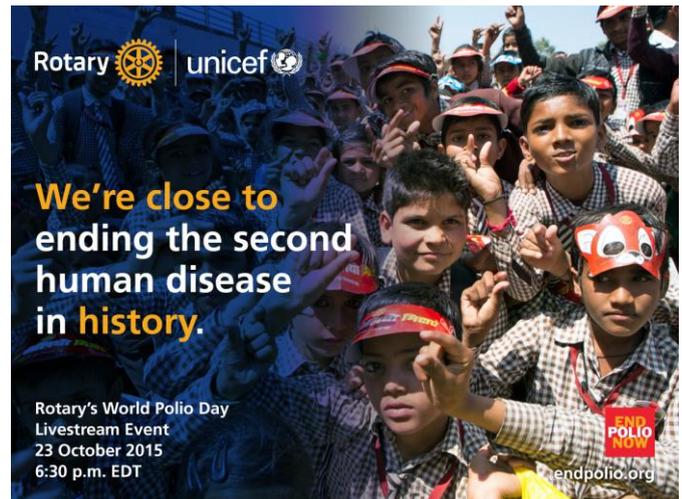
"The fact that no new cases of wild poliovirus have been detected in Nigeria points to the improved surveillance and rapid response protocols Rotary and its Global Polio Eradication Initiative partners have established, particularly in insecure and inaccessible areas," said Michael K. McGovern, chair of Rotary's International PolioPlus Committee. "While this progress is promising, it's time to redouble our efforts so we can continue to maintain the political and financial support necessary to end polio for good."

While significant strides have been made against the paralyzing disease, wild poliovirus is still a threat in parts of the world, with 10 cases in Afghanistan and three cases in Pakistan this year so far. As long as a single child has polio, all children are at risk, which underscores the need for ongoing funding and political commitment to eradication.

To support polio eradication efforts in countries where polio remains endemic, Rotary is allocating the majority of the funds it announced today to Afghanistan (\$22.9 million), Pakistan (\$21.7 million), and Nigeria (\$16.1 million).

Further funding will support efforts to keep 12 vulnerable African countries polio-free:

- Cameroon (\$98,600)
- Central African Republic (\$394,400)
- Chad (\$1.71 million)
- Democratic Republic of the Congo (\$10.4 million)
- Guinea (\$527,300)
- Madagascar (\$690,000)
- Mali (\$923,200)
- Niger (\$85,300)
- Sierra Leone (\$245,300)
- Somalia (\$776,200)
- South Sudan (\$3.5 million)
- Sudan (\$2.6 million)



Africa will also see \$5.8 million in funding for surveillance activities and \$467,800 for technical assistance. Additional funding will go to Bangladesh (\$504,200), Indonesia (\$157,800), Myanmar (\$197,200), and Nepal (\$160,500), with an additional \$96,300 funding surveillance in Southeast Asia. The remainder of the funding (\$6.6 million) will go to the World Health Organization (WHO) for research activities.



Rotary has committed to raising \$50 million a year to be matched 2-to-1 by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, yielding \$450 for polio eradication activities over a three-year period. To date, Rotary has contributed more than \$1.8 billion to fight the disease, including matching funds from the Gates Foundation, and countless volunteer hours since launching its polio immunization program, PolioPlus, in 1985. In 1988, Rotary became a core partner in the Global Polio Eradication Initiative with the WHO, UNICEF, and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The Gates Foundation later joined. Since the initiative launched, the incidence of polio has plummeted by more than 99.9 percent, from about 350,000 cases in 1988 to 22 confirmed in 2017.

A look back at our club's activities by topic in the past decade

DG Visit



While most of us are familiar with the Joint Area 6 DG visit, let's look back at the old days in the 90s when there were no joint DG visit and DG used to pay individual visit to each club. Pictured here was 1993-94 DG Moses Cheng (鄭慕智) with our 93-94 President KM Chan at our first meeting venue Royal Park Hotel in Shatin.

Rotary Club of Tai Po Services

FLASHBACK

Peter Lam



Visit by 1994-95 DG Liu Lit Mo (廖烈武). Anthony Hung is seen here in his capacity as District Secretary. Peter Lam served as club secretary under our only Englishman President John Gretton. Check out the formal seating layout which featured western meal with key club officers and guests sitting in front and members at long tables on both sides.



Our very own 2012-13 DG Kenneth Wong's official visit to Area 6 clubs at Mira Hotel when Ron Chung was our club leader.



2014-15 President Natalie and her singing team in action during DG Belinda Yeung's visit to Area 6 NT 8 clubs at Royal Plaza Hotel.



2016-17 DG Eric Chin's visit: Patrick Fong, Roger So, Wilson Woo, and Ming Hay served as Sergeants that evening. Area 6 already became NT 9 clubs with the addition of RC Mandarin so the term "新界八社" is now history!

Trip to Hawaii

Rotaryanne Mary Hung

I would like to share with you a very memorable holiday Anthony and I recently had in Hawaii during the week of 16 July.

There were 32 of us from Hong Kong to attend PDG Belinda Yeung (PDG BY)' s daughter's wedding ceremony in Hawaii on 21 July 2018. Being extremely thoughtful, PDG BY hosted a pre-Hawaiian trip briefing in early June to allow participants to mingle and get to know one another better and to advise wedding programs, dress code, local tours, dinners, entertainment programs – you name it.

16 July 2018

Fast forward, we flew out morning of 16 July, transited at Kansai airport and arrived Hawaii early morning the same day. Aloha! Welcome to Honolulu. It was a gorgeous sunny morning. It is just amazingly picturesque especially the Waikiki Beach. After settling in Waikiki Parc Hotel, which is just right across Hotel Halekulani, the main hotel, we ventured out for food and did a bit of shopping for Hawaiian shirts, hats etc.

17 July 2018

We took a morning walk along Waikiki Beach with PDG Peter & Rita Wan, PDG BY and her maid. It was a leisure walk though we do not think we had lost a lot of calories despite we walked for about an hour.

PDG Peter, Rita and us decided to visit the Pearl Harbour. The day was a bit cloudy. It took us about an hour by taxi to Pearl Harbour. We toured around the harbour in a ferry and walked around the complex looking at the weapons used during the invasion of the Pearl Harbour and ships. We also visited Pacific fleet submarine memorial and the USS Bowfin.



We then took a cab and went to Chinatown for dinner. A very good restaurant called the Legend served very good Chinese meal. Very authentic. There was also a statue of Dr. Sun Yat-sen outside.

After we returned to the hotel, we met up with PDG Ada and PDG Richard and went for a walk down Kalakaua Avenue. It was like as if we were on Nathan Road with lots of famous branded shops on each side of the street.

18 July 2018

PP Eddie Leung has kindly organized a VIP group event to the Paradise Cove for show performance and dinner. It is a traditional Hawaiian Village with performance. The performance was awesome. In the evening, PDG Peter, Anthony, PP Norman and PDG Richard decided to tour the island by car.





19 July 2018



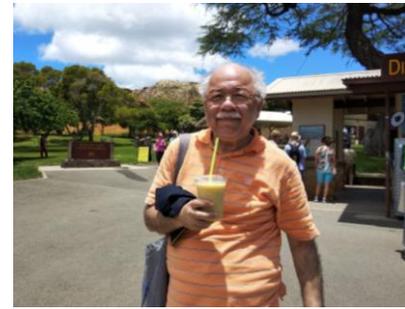
We went for our usual morning walk/ exercise after which we had seafood lunch at Pier 38, The Uncle's Seafood market. We tried every kind of seafood including Anthony's favourite, CRAB. After lunch, we drove to the east coast of the island and visited the Kualoa Ranch where they filmed the Jurassic Park, the China Man Hat and the Polynesian Cultural Centre.

PDG BY hosted a pre-wedding dinner at the Teppan and Sushi Kaiwa Restaurant for all her family and friends from Hong Kong and overseas. The food was delicious and fellowship was great.



20 July 2018

As we still have the cars, we decided to head south. We went to Hanauma Bay Nature Park, a marine reserve. We next went to the Halona Blowhole and then to the Diamond Head State Monument which is inside a dormant volcano. PDG Peter and Anthony decided to walk up the side of the volcano to the top. But halfway up, Anthony's blood sugar dropped very low so he has to return to get some sugar.





We then drove to the Tantalus Lookout which oversee the whole of Waikiki after which we drove to the Ala Moana shopping mall for lunch and shopping. This mall is huge, about 10 times the size of Pacific Place.

As it was Friday evening, we went to the beach to watch the weekly fireworks.

We went to bed early as the next day is "THE DAY" .

21 July 2018

Here comes the big day we all very much looked forward to! PDG BY has extended her guests the warmest hospitality in designing an extremely entertaining wedding day program. It started with a light deli buffet breakfast, door games for the groom and his groomsmen (it was hilarious), the traditional Chinese tea ceremony, and mahjong games in between lunch, wedding ceremony, cocktail and banquet.



The wedding ceremony in the afternoon was held at the lawn next to the hotel's lounge. About 100 people attended after which there was reception and followed by a banquet. It was one of the most enjoyable and special wedding we have attended. Many congratulations again to PDG BY for becoming mom-in-law and glad to be able to witness this important occasion and share her happiness.

On this happy note, we departed Honolulu for Hong Kong the following day filled with joy and happy memories.



Doing Public Image as Story Telling

Danny Lau

Acting together, we can overcome any difficulty and make a better world. Yet how to group people to do good is difficult. The District did a seminar on public image to show Rotarians how to encourage people to join to do services in the first place.



The key to encouraging people to join is storytelling. Everyone loves to hear a story: children love bed-time stories, and adults love literature. It is because we all yearn to have a meaningful life; and we can help create and receive meaning by telling a story. So, Public image is all about impression: first impression of people. If Rotarians can find a way to tell their story of how we change the world, and how we help people to improve their quality of life, then it is a good story to tell.



There are tips to be a good storyteller which can interest media to report our story to the society:

1. Create your own story or others' stories.
2. Dig out unique and special parts of your story.
3. Record the story with video and pictures. For example, services photos not dining photos.
4. Logos as a part of the activity, not a banner blocking people.
5. Find the touching moments to show how the activity can make a better world and help people to live better.
6. Tell people about our mission and the philosophy behind the activity.
7. The power of sharing. To create a platform which can let people interact mutually and create their own story.

Telling facts is not enough. We have to tell the story of how Rotarians are making a better world. Rotary Club of Tai Po would encourage other Rotary clubs to be a storyteller to encourage more people to join and do good services for humanity.



10th Installation of Baby Club, Rotary Club of Central

5 September 2018, Chinese General Chamber of Commerce

Claire Mak

It was around the time for the 2008 Beijing Olympics when RCTP was gestating a baby Rotary Club. The idea was to get in Rotaractors from RAC Taipo who have 'come of age' to form their own club - if they do not wish to join RCTP. Participating in the initial provisional meetings and community services were Fonia Wong, Wilson Woo, Elsie Gung, Alex Tsang, Danny and Rebecca Woo... And from our club, Anthony, Kenneth, Peter and me. There were also the huge debate on the club name to adopt and strong reactions from Rotary Club of Hong Kong. I was the Governor's Special Representative to this new club. The then DG was Albert Wong who, with supersonic speed, made sure the new club, Rotary Club of Central, was chartered within his year as governor. Then the rest is history.



Fast forward to the present day and we are celebrating the club's 10th Anniversary! This baby is growing strong - boasting of 34 vibrant members and undertaking fully-fledged services inclusive of the recent record breaking African Drum event. This year, charter member Elsie Gung assumed presidency. At the installation on 5th September which was attended by Governor YC, IPDG HW, District Officers, fellow Rotarians of Area 2 and 9 of us from RCTP, Elsie previewed her plans and aspirations for the club and gave us full confidence that the club will move from strength to strength.



Trip to Singapore

Fellowship with Rotary Club of Raffles City, Singapore

Peter Lam

Those of you who know me well know that I seldom travel here and there for fun . . . so why did I suddenly go to Singapore? Yes, I always need an excuse to travel and this time the good excuse was to join our mother club RC Peninsula's visit to their sister club RC Raffles City (District 3310) in Singapore. The trip was purely a fellowship trip with RC Raffles City. There were no formal Installation Dinner or Anniversary celebration to attend. But there was one big attraction - golf - which was obviously the main reason I



But perhaps one other reason I was being invited to join was that several golfers from RC Peninsula sister club in Japan, RC Osaka-Shirokita (大阪城北扶輪社) also joined the trip and PP Tsubaki and PP Man had been involved in our mother club's fellowship with RC Osaka-Shirokita in the past. So I suppose my participation could help facilitate their communication and promote friendship among us. In fact, our mother club had intended to link up RC Osaka-Shirokita with RC Raffles City so in future they may have joint visit or fellowship.

The main group from Hong Kong (PP Simon, PP Charles Chang, and Rotarian Liu Dan Dan from mother club and PP Tsubaki & PP Man and their Rotaryannes) arrived on 29-30 Aug. I only managed to arrive midnight on 31 Aug (1 a.m. on 1 Sep) so I missed the welcome dinner, durians party (榴槤大會) and two golf games! Tomomi was in Tokyo to take care of her parents so I travelled alone. After 3-4 hours of sleep, my first activity on 1 Sep. early morning was to join the golf game with Rotarians from Osaka who were very good players. We had lunch at the golf club house and quickly got a taste of Singapore as we had Hainan chicken rice, curry, Laksa, Satay . . . but wondered why the Japanese ordered Hamburgers and pizza?! In the evening we attended the pool side party hosted by PP Johnny Tan, a very friendly and generous Rotarian from RC Raffles City, at his house. The house is very unique with big collections of Chinese antiques. The highlight of the evening was the Chinese music show by two musicians (one of them music teacher) from China. 1 Sep. happened to be my birthday and I was delighted that everyone helped celebrate by singing birthday song and we also had a simple cake cutting party when we returned to the hotel executive lounge, thanks to the birthday cake arranged by mother club delivered to my room!



1 Sep. golf with RC Osaka-Shirokita



1 Sep. Pool-side dinner party with Rotarians from RC Raffles City & Osaka-Shirokita





1 Sep. pool-side dinner party and Peter's birthday celebration



On Sunday 2 Sep., the Japanese Rotarians left. We took a break from golf and I went with PP Tsubaki, Connie, PP Charles and his spouse for some sightseeing in Gardens by the Bay and Marina Bay Sands Skypark. We checked out the Sands Casino for short while and Connie came out a small winner! We had lunch at the food stall in Chinatown (牛車水) and did some souvenir shopping. Our hotel was the Mandarin Orchard Road which is in the most convenient district so PP Man and Jackie who did not join us must have done some shopping and had a relaxing day. In the evening Singapore Rotarians treated us to a most delicious farewell dinner featuring Peking duck which many of us agreed was even better than those we had in Hong Kong. The final day Monday morning 3 Sep. was golf again with Rotarians from RC Raffle City and one PP from their club who did not join golf came all the way with his wife to join our after-game lunch at the club house. He presented us homemade local cake (斑蘭蛋糕) and kaya 咖椰醬. Very nice! So this is the reason I missed our 3 Sep. club meeting, sorry!



2 Sep. Sightseeing at Gardens by the Bay and Marina Bay Sands Skypark



2 Sep. Lunch & shopping at Chinatown and Peking duck farewell dinner

District Membership Seminar 2018-2019

35/F Deloitte Office, One Pacific Place, September 8, 2018

Caren Chan

It was good to have an hour **light lunch** from 1.00 p.m. before the seminar for the participants from different clubs to get to know each other, exchange information and ideas.



Our **DG Y. C. Ho** gave his **Words of Wisdom** on membership growth to start the ball rolling.

- Believe in Rotary Value
- Substantive Growth
- Treat your members as your family members
- Plan - Membership Growth organically to have net gain
- Formation of new clubs



Strategy on Membership Growth & Retention by DGE **Wilson Cheng**

Growth

- Form New Club
- Satellite Club – transition
- Corporate Member - flooring only club interest
- Honorable member - well known to public to attract more new members
- New Generation (youth) – nurture, mentor and inspire the Roteractors & Interactors through services and projects



Retention

- Fellowship
- Engaging members in meaningful service projects
- Networking opportunity
- Training
- Practicing Flexibility & Innovation
- Harmony – mutual respect

Is Your Club Healthy? by PDG Peter Pang

Being a medical doctor by profession PDG Peter Pang gave a very detailed club health check list. By using this health check, we are taking step to maintain our club's health and preserve its value for members and the community. The Club Health Check List will be distributed to our members.



Thoughts Provoking Questions:

- Why join Rotary
- What makes you stay
- Why members leave

Introduction of New Club Academy chaired by CP **Sally Ho**



The objective is to provide seminars to the ready-to-be chartered presidents.

4 Breakout Sessions

To enforce the learning from this fulfilling seminar there are 4 breakout sessions for the participants to join. I joined Session 1. Among all the relevant factors what the members want is "Your Rotary Heart" beyond the Rotary Protocol.

- Session 1 - Strategies of attracting new members
- Session 2 - Best practices for engaging members
- Session 3 - Your membership plan
- Session 4 - Practicing flexibility and innovation



Area 6 Joint Club Meeting cum District Governor's Visit

10 September 2018, Royal Plaza Hotel
K. F. Tam

District Governor Y C Ho did his rounds at the clubs and visited Area 6 on 10 September 2018 during the Joint Club Meeting at Royal Plaza Hotel. He and the district officers had individual meeting with our club and reviewed the club affairs. President Patrick presented the club plan and targets for the coming year.



Soon after the private session came the joint Area 6 dinner meeting. Each club president reported on the recent events and promoted important activities.



DG YC Ho was invited to speak and several district officers also promoted the upcoming Rotary functions. There were sessions on induction of new members and birthday celebration as well. Finally there were photo sessions for each club.



“You Can Cook 2”

8 September 2018

Wilson Woo

Being a member of Team 1, I am proud to announce that “You Can Cook 2” was successfully held on 8.9.2018. With lots of great compliments and good comments received, I think our mission was completed fruitfully.

It was not the first time our club organized a cooking event for our members. But just like before, there were delicious food, fine wines and best friends there. The venue is great because there is super harbour view in front of us. No matter whether we were cooking, drinking, mingling or birthday celebrating, the most important thing is we were the only guests being served in the restaurant – Flame at Towngas Avenue.



Flame provided a great venue and the great chefs for us. That’s the reason why our members, our Rotaryannes and friends enjoyed the wonderful moments, even though many of them are good at cooking themselves. Actually, we cooked the appetizers and desserts and the taste was extremely good. They were professionally executed.





Of course our team members did contribute a lot. Thanks Henry's great leadership, PP Claire's liaison with Towngas, and the professional advices and supports from PDG Anthony, PP Ronald, PP William. Special thanks should also be given to Rtnn. Creamy and RAC Tai Po. You see, it was Creamy who purchased the special aprons for all of us, which fulfilled our final fantasies. President Scarlet of RAC Tai Po led her members to join us and had a lot of fun throughout the night.





Last but not least, special thanks should also be given to CP Donald and PDG Anthony for picking up the most difficult task that night. Undoubtedly, it required some sort of sacrifice, e.g. gaining some weight over the good food and having to make the hard decisions.



I always ask myself why our members enjoyed so much in all our club events: community services or fellowship activities. I can tell it is because of our full and unreserved participation and support. PP Vikky told me that Rotarians from other clubs saw our photos taken that night and commented that our theme night was awesome. I'm not surprised though as all our members already knew that.

It is a good start to have such a wonderful theme night in this Rotary year. I am sure we will have more and more fun and unforgettable theme nights in coming few months. Let's see.



Regular Meetings

20 August 2018

When PP Frankie Wu recounted “My Ups and Downs”, he gave us a glimpse of his business philosophy as evidenced by his treatment of two of his companies, Nok9 and NXT. He explained why he sold the more lucrative business while holding onto the one which is financially more challenging. While a market niche can bring about monopoly, it is also important for there to be competition and an urge to develop and improve.



IPP Roger was the winner of a special edition bottle of Rum given out by PP William.



Patrick and Creamy both contributed to the ‘Happy Box’.



PP Claire promoted the 1st Theme Night of the year: “You Can Cook 2”.

27 August 2018



Young German Eric Haenel, good friend of William’s son Alaric, introduced a little about himself, his intended vocation, his family; his hometown Doebeln and also Rotary Club of Doebeln-Middle Saxony Germany where his Dad is the President-Elect.



Rtn. Danny Lau is no longer afraid of the rain as he had won the hi-tech intelligent umbrella given out by PP Peter Lam as raffle prize.



Just when one wonders what PP Armstrong would be saying under his topic “不談政治” (No Politics), he actually went on to 談政協. He said the Chinese People’s Political Consultative Conference (政協) is an important means of Chinese socialist democracy: to resolve matters by solicitation of views and negotiation. In between, there are of course a lot of socializing and drinking.



Rtn. Danny gave his remarks having attended the District Public Image and Branding Seminar.

3 September 2018



Visiting Rotarian Hans Barre, who is in town for a conference on cyber security, is the Service Director of our sister club Rotary Club of Taipei. He brought greetings from our sister club and evinced an intention to have more collaboration on services by the two clubs.



Siblings rivalry aside, PP Ron Chung gave a lively introduction of Speaker (and brother) the Hon. Felix Chung.



PDG Kenneth gave a thorough vote of thanks to the Hon Felix Chung for delivering an informative yet impartial and candid overall view of the GHM Greater Bay Area.



The Hon Felix Chung spoke to us about Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macau Greater Bay Area Development - The Challenges and Opportunities for Hong Kong. Converging the infrastructure, talents and resources of this South China delta area including Guangzhou, Hong Kong, Shenzhen, Macau etc., the GHM Greater Bay Area is a hub for substantial growth. It appears to rank ahead of the San Francisco Bay, New York Bay and the Tokyo Bay areas. Hong Kong can leverage on this platform to expand its finance and innovation and offer skillful management, professional services, logistics and transportation especially with its Belt and Road ties. The difficulties, however, are that this Area involves 3 governments, 3 tax structures and 3 currencies. These have to be addressed before there can be effective cohesion.



Incoming President of Rotaract Club of Taipo Scarlet Li introduced to us the new board of directors and extended invitation to us to joining their installation on 23 September.



The rare tube of Cellular Rejuvenation Serum (allegedly containing human stem) cell given out by Rtn. Caren was won by Sergeant at Arms Henry, who queried, to the joy of many of us, which part of the body he should apply the serum.



September birthday celebration is always crowded. Many happy returns Danny, Wilson, Dennis, Claire, Vikky, Creamy, Torrente, Patrick and Kenneth.



Thanks for Happy red box!

Date	Time	Event	Venue
22 SEP (SAT)	2:00 p.m.	District New Members Orientation	New Life Social Enterprise Restaurant, 1/F, The Avenue, 33 Tai Yuen, Wan Chai
23 SEP (SUN)	1:45 p.m.	Rotaract Club of Tai Po 21 st Installation Ceremony cum Professional Development Talk Speaker: Mr. Raymond Cheung	Meeting Room 3-4, InnoCentre, 72 Tat Chee Avenue, Kowloon Tong, Kowloon
8 OCT (MON)	7:00 p.m.	Rotary Club of Tai Po 1 st Club Assembly	Fincher Room, KCC, 10 Cox's Road, Jordan
15 OCT (MON)	7:00 p.m.	Hong Kong (SME) Economic and Trade Promotional Association Installation of the 8 th Board of Directors (香港中小企經貿促進會第八屆理事會就職典禮) President: PP Wilson Lam	Paramount International Banquet Hall, G/F; Skyline Tower, 39 Wang Kwong Road, Kowloon Bay, Kwun Tong
22 OCT (MON)	7:00 p.m.	Area 6 Joint Meeting Speaker: Mr. Eric Fok (霍啟山) Topic: Development Opportunities and Youth Services in Greater Bay Area	Royal Plaza Hotel, 193 Prince Edward Road West, Kowloon

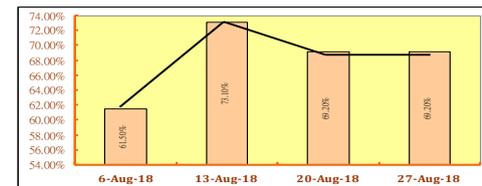


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August 2018



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ANTHONY HUNG,
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