

Service Above Self

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Orbis's sight saving missions in China – together let's end avoidable blindness

Our speaker Wally Yu will introduce Orbis's history, mission, and works in China. Orbis operates the world's only Flying Eye Hospital, a specially equipped DC-10 jet aircraft. Orbis prevents and treats blindness in developing countries by providing quality eye care to transform lives. Orbis provides the tools, training, and technology necessary for local partners to develop their own capacity to provide quality eye care services that are affordable, accessible and sustainable. He will also talk about China's current blindness and visual disabilities situation and Orbis's current programs to deal with these programs.

Mr. Wally Yu is Associate Director of Development for Orbis China. His role is to plan, develop and implement sustainable fundraising strategies and promote Orbis 's visibility and positive image in China. Prior to joining Orbis, Wally worked for SR Force Consultants Limited as Director of Key Account Management and American Chamber of Commerce in Shanghai (AmCham) as Senior Project Manager. Wally has rich experiences in Customer Relationship Management system (CRM) and loyalty program.

December -- Disease Prevention and Treatment Month

By Herbert K. Lau

Rotary International has designated certain months to represent the 6 main areas of focus for Rotary service. December is Rotary International's Disease Prevention and Treatment Month.

While we may immediately think of 'End Polio' in this regard, and that certainly remains the top priority, it is only one of the many, many projects that Rotarians take on to combat disease. Rotarians are involved in the setup of health camps and training facilities in underdeveloped countries and in communities struggling with HIV/AIDS and Malaria. Rotarians and Rotary clubs have been involved in many of those projects as well as projects that build the infrastructure for doctors, nurses, governments, and partners to reach the people in the world who are less fortunate than we are in accessing health care.

For example a current global grant project of District 7820 will help equip a hospital with medical equipment in a less fortunate community in Brazil for example. The shipments of medical equipment to Haiti and to countries in Africa are other examples of our involvement in this area

And, of course, it does not end there. Disease prevention and treatment takes many forms, from supporting studies to helping immunize people to improving drinking water and the development of sanitation infrastructure. The world relies on Rotary to tackle these global challenges, and to set an example for others to follow.

So think about all these activities this month and analyze how you and your club contribute to the Disease Prevention and Treatment area of focus.



Restaurant review: Cantonese Delight

By Linnet Kwok

Tucked on the second floor of the Four Seasons Hotel on Weihai road, Xi Ji Xuan is (四 季轩) is one of my favourite Cantonese restaurants. Once you walk in, you are welcomed by the warm, cozy ambiance and the curved salt water fish tank with an amazing variety of tropical fish reminding me of the movie 'Nemo'. AND...... unlike most Chinese restaurants, it is quiet!

Having grown up eating Cantonese food, I can certify that the dishes meet the authentic standard and are very fresh. At lunch time they offer dim sum. For me as a dessert lover I have to say my favourite is their Almond Tea杏仁茶and fried milk(炸 鲜奶). Cantonese love soup, and the soup of the day is a must.

Besides the food, one way to judge a restaurant is there server turnover. We have been going to Xi Ji Xuan for years and still the same crew, assuring excellent service.

Date	Topic/Speaker	Venue/Time
December 15 th	Wally Yu: Orbis's sight saving missions in China – together let's end avoidable blindness	Marriott City Center, 19:00
December 22 nd	Fellowship	Buzz&Bites, Suite L103, 688 Nanjing Xi Lu, near Qinghai Lu 南京西路688号688广场103室, 近青海路
December 29 th	No meeting	./.
January 5 th	Tbd.	Marriott City Center, 19:00

December 8th 2015 Visiting Rotarians

Daniel Counio	RC Athens Elysee	2470
Gunnar Landsell	RC Sweden City Skellefteå	Sweden
Dennis Roquand	RC Orange Park Sunrise Florida	USA
President Angie	RC Fresh Start	China
VP Steffen	RC Fresh Start	China
Sean Rooney	RC Toowoomba Queensland	Australia
Ronald Urlus	RC Aalsmeer-Uithoorn	Holland

Members: 323 Visitors: 7, Guests: 10, total 50

Collection: 1.920RMB



Jasmin being inducted by Dean



Nikola talking about the RYLA experience



Frank in a serious moment



Linnet and Sam sharing a happy moment

Highlights from the last meeting

The last meeting was a 'General Assembly'. As it is our custom, we started with the 'Four-Way-Test', which was read by Diane. Afterwards Michel introduced visitors and guest, followed by banner exchange.

There were 4 updates from service projects as well as one induction. Roger and Pierre updated us on the water project, which, with 177.000 RMB, benefits 2100 villagers and their livestock. Next proposed steps are (1) recognise Engineer Wang's efforts, for example with a Paul Harris award. (2) assess the impact of the work we have done (H1 2016 visit). Though it is clear that there is economic advancement and better health, it will be useful to see how much further benefit the villagers may get from more water distribution e.g. to houses directly. (3) Investigate the opportunities for building greenhouses . (4) Investigate loan opportunities for further water distribution.

Nikola and Sasa than explained RYLA, what it is and showed a VCR about the workshop and camp. RYLA will develop young leaders and is a long term Rotarian commitment. Nikolas amazing commitment was appreciated with a big applause by all. Nikola also invited all to attend the December 18th awarding event at his apartment.

Between the speeches, Jasmin Jin was inducted. Dean had the double pleasure of being her sponsor and doing the induction ceremony. Welcome, Jasmin! David then spoke on the Rotary Foundation and explained where the money goes and how to donate the 100US\$ we pledged as a club per member. After this, Alejandro updated us on the service project committee. His priority is to increase member participation and have more local projects, which would also increase our interaction with the local community.

President Dean introduced 'Project MRCLEAN', an opportunity for RCS to take a leading role in reducing the number of deaths and disability caused by stroke worldwide. He introduced PP Ronald Ulrus from the Netherlands who he is working with to champion this project as a lot of the work is being done right here in Shanghai at Renji Hospital and JiaoTong University Medical School. RCS is currently working with the Rotary Club Aalsmeer - Uithoorn, Netherlands on establishing a Global Grant - Vocational project involving the training of doctors worldwide in a leading edge procedure to reduce the disabling effects and death of stroke victims world wide. The current project is being headed up by Prof. Charles Majoie, interventional neuroradiologist, AMC Amsterdam and Prof. Wan, neurosurgeon, Renji Hospital Shanghai. The procedure has proven that there is a 29% increase in the successful treatment of patients. The procedures are currently being performed in Amsterdam and Shanghai. Our goal is to get this rolled out throughout China and the world through the Rotary network. Project leaders are Ronald Urlus & Dean Merritt. The meeting was adjourned with a toast to Jasmin Jin and all visiting Rotarians.

Club Information

Officers & Boardmembers

Dean Merritt – President
Andrew Hill – President Elect/Club Admin
Terri Lau – Vice President
Linnet Kwok – Hon. Secretary
Yvon Russon - Treasurer
Tiffany Storey
Alejandro Buriel Rocha
Thilo Koeppe
Marjorie Woo
Frank Vib (PP)

Basic Info of our Club

First chartered on 1 October 1919, re-chartered on 8 February 2006 Number of active members – 74 Number of honorary members – 6

Contacts

The club meeting is a dinner meeting every Tuesday at Marriott City Center Shanghai

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(18:30 cocktails, 19:00-20:30 dinner)

Contact the club administrator Vivian Huang at RSVP@rotaryshanghai.org, +86 13501672753

Committees and Directors

Club Administration Committee

1st Tuesday of each month, 17:30 Chair: Andrew Hill <u>rotary1617@hotmail.com</u>

Membership Committee / PR Committee

2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month, 17:30, dining room

Chair: Alexandra Taulin <u>alexandra.taulin@yahoo.fr</u>

Community and International Service Committee

1st Tuesday of each month, 17:00 Chair: Alejandro Buriel Rocha

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Youth service committee

Last Tuesday of each month, 17:00

Chair: Motohiro Yamane yamane@tmish.com

Rotary Leadership Award Committee Chair: OPEN

The Rotary Foundation Committee

Chair: David Smith dave@smithorchards.com

Percy Chu Awards

Chair: Marjory Woo marjorie.woo@lmi-china.com

For more information, please visit www.rotarshanghai.org

Rotary Club of Shanghai West Wednesday ,18:30-20:30 Location: Shanghai Pullman Hotel 位置:上海中星鉑爾曼酒店 Address: No. 1 Pubei Road, Xuhui District, Shanghai 上海徐汇区浦北路1号 For more information please contact President Richard Zi Email: <u>zishanghai@hotmail.com</u>

Rotary Club of Shanghai Pudong Lujiazui Thursday, 19:00-20:30 Location: Radisson Blu Hotel (Pudong) in Thumb Plaza, Pudong, Shanghai, 位置: 浦东 大拇指广场 证大丽笙酒店 1199 Yingchun Rd. (close to Fangdian Rd.) 地址:迎春路1199号(靠近芳甸路) If you would like to attend Rotary Pudong Meeting Please contact President Patrick Hopkins Email: pjhopki@gmail.com

Fresh Start Rotary Club of Shanghai Friday, 7:45-9:00 am Location: 2nd floor, Element Fresh, Jing An Kerry Center 位置。新元素静安嘉里中心店二楼

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For more information about Fresh Start and for anyone interested to attend, please visit http://freshstartrotaryshanghai.org/





