# ROTARY CLUB OF SHANGHAI

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### Service Above Self

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### Family – Theme of the Year for the RC Shanghai

President Andrew announced that he will make 'Family' the theme for the upcoming Rotary year in our club: Our members' families, our local community family, our Shanghai Rotary Family, our China Rotary Family, our Rotary International Family. In that spirit he started his presentation by introducing his family background. After seeing him in paramilitary garb with menacing sunglasses in one of the China pictures he showed, definitely no-one would have guessed that he went to a peace-loving Quaker school..

With regard to the topic of family, he reminded us that many of our projects are already somehow family – themed. In this coming Rotary year he and us will try and put most of our projects under this banner. There are or will be Children and Youth projects which directly help schools and children with hands on projects, Middle age projects, liker parent and teacher training for Special Education & Careers in Care 2.0



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or projects with the elderly, like working with other organizations to spend time with the elderly of Shanghai and see what we can do to make their lives more complete.

Andrew also plans to do some practical changes to the way in which we conduct our standard business, e.g. our meetings and how the board interacts with the members. Regarding the board, there will be a one page document monthly, with votes clearly on the top. Upcoming events will be posted and the committee status shown. Extra documents can be added as supplements to the basic report. The meetings will continue to be open to membership if they want more than this. Committee heads are: Admin – Moto, Youth – Diane, Membership – Terri & Fillipo, Service Projects – Alex & Rita, Sister Clubs – Dean, PR – Audrey/Thilo/Christian, Rotary Foundation – CM (some not yet confirmed). Additional optional committees are Fellowship, Fundraising and Global Grants.

Regarding regular meetings, Andrew wants to maintain the precedent set by IPP Dean, e.g. to have regular fellowship events. For summer, as

The Four-Way Test 四大考验 Sì Dà Kǎo Yàn

Of the things we think, say or do:

我们说的做的要符合: Wǒ men Shuō de Zuò de Yào Fǔ Hé: 1. Is it the truth? 是真的吗? Shì Zhēn de ma?

2. Is it Fair to all Concerned? 是公平的吗? Shì Gōng Píng de ma?

3. Will it build Goodwill and better Friendships? 是善意的并促进友谊吗? Shì Shàn Yì de - Bìng Cù Jìn Yǒu Yí ma?

4. Will it be Beneficial to all Concerned? 是对大家有利吗? Shì Duì Dà Jiā Yǒu Lì ma? traditionally attendance is low, Andrew plans to maintain our meetings through the summer but to have them as simple events in the Marriott, without speakers. (see also box on this page for details). To get most out of the summer, Andrew plans for Rotary videos and discussions, small projects like decorations for the meeting room area and a slide show of banners. Themes for the meetings could be online clubs and finding one to partner with, learning about our sister clubs, general research in groups, joint writing workshops to supply the Pagoda editor with material. Andrew also touched the difficult topics of regulations and honorary members. There are still many unknowns. Therefore we as a club must be careful, but not freeze. We have to make sure our house is in order. Liability from other clubs need to be handled with care. A clear communication path to RI is essential. A stronger focus on 'hands-on' projects rather than donation based projects might also be helpful.

Summer meetings: 7/19, 7/26, 8/2, 8/9. Meet in the lobby between 6:30 to 7:00 Venue will be a restaurant in the hotel. Open fellowship night, no speakers Banners can be exchanged with visiting Rotarians

Furthermore we have to partner with a local entity, as we already did in the past. Possible candidates include SCF, Song Qing Ling, Women's Federation or a private local charity fund like GCL. A related point is honorary memberships. These are complicated by regulations. Currently the only honorary member is Audrey. If others are suggested, please send the names to Tracy. They can be from anywhere, but must be an asset to the club and plan on attending when they can. There has to

be a written justification for proposing the person. In summary, the coming year will bring a number of new initiatives which will ensure that our club remains as vibrant as it is, that we go with the times and continue with our mission.

Date	Topic/Speaker	Venue/Time	
July 12 <sup>th</sup>	Fellowship	Marriott City Center, 19:00	
July 19th	Fellowship	Marriott City Center, 19:00	
July 26 <sup>th</sup>	Fellowship	Marriott City Center, 19:00	
August 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Fellowship	Marriott City Center, 19:00	

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### July 5<sup>th</sup>, 2016

Jonathan Ensslen	Fresh Start	China		
Sophia Slingerland	RC Nyon-La Côte	Switzerland		
Martin Schneider	RC Kuesnacht-Zuerich	Switzerland		

Total headcount 32, incl. 22 active members, 5 visitors and 5 guests. Happy money RMB 1900.

### Highlights from the last meeting

The last meeting was the first one Andrew presided over as new President. Moto did us the honor of reciting the Four-Way-Test. Though there is room for improvement. Even though Moto's rendition was excellent in English and in Chinese, Japanese was sadly missing.

There were no announcement, but Andrew gave as a provisional overview over what he is planning during his presidency (see page 1).

Linnet and Tracy then proved to be a very effective and determined team with regard to collecting money.

The meeting was adjourned with a toast to Dean for a great year of service to the club.



Moto reciting the Four-Way-test



Happy people donate happy money



Enjoying fellowship

## **Club Information**

### Officers & Boardmembers

Andrew Hill – President Moto Yamane– President Elect Linnet Kwok – Vice President Tracy Hua– Hon. Secretary CM Tsang- Treasurer Dean Merritt - IPP Filippo Garini Alejandro Buriel Rocha Dave Smith Christian Kober Susanne Moskop

### **Basic Info of our Club**

First chartered on 1 October 1919, re-chartered on 8 February 2006 Number of active members – 77 Number of honorary members – 6

### Contacts

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

西藏中路555号No. 555 Middle Xizang Rd

( 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 rotary1617@hotmail.com Membership Committee / PR Committee 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month, 17:30, dining room Chair: Alexandra Taulin alexandra.taulin@yahoo.fr **Community and International Service Committee** 1st Tuesday of each month, 17:00 Chair: Alejandro Buriel Rocha alejandro.buriel@smlchinaconsult.com 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



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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: <u>pjhopki@gmail.com</u>

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 Address: No.1551 Nan Jing Xi Lu, shanghai 地址:南京西路1551号 For more information about Fresh Start and for anyone interested to attend, please visit http://freshstartrotaryshanghai.org/

