ROTARY CLUB OF SHANGHAI



Service Above Self

One Profits Most Who Serves Best

Issue No. 301–8th November 2016

Published Weekly



The Rotary Foundation Centennial

Presentation by CM Tsang

Every Rotarian has heard of the Rotary Foundation. Yet what is it truly, what makes it special and how about its history? Our member CM (left) will tonight present the mission of the Foundation, the events which will mark the centennial year and walk us through the history of the Rotary Foundation. He will also bring us up to speed about the current grant structure as well as major projects of the RIF. Look forward to an enlightening and colorful presentation which is of interest to all Rotarians.

The Rotary Club of Shanghai Library Project

Christian Kober

Although in China literacy is astoundingly high, due to the law of large numbers, many children are still struggling to obtain full literacy. Also in the countryside obstacles to learning how to read and write tend to be higher do to a dearth of teaching materials. Thus the effort to become fully literate is much more arduous in rural areas than in the big cities. The RC Shanghai has set up a project to support poor communities around Shanghai to set up and properly use libraries.

Children gain access to a beautiful school library providing fun and interesting children's books that spark their imaginations and promote a lifelong love of reading. Having fun educational books easily available helps to encourage independent learning, intellectual curiosity, and a lifelong passion for reading. We donate Reading Rooms to large schools and Reading Corners to small schools in a three steps effort:

 $\label{eq:conditional} \textbf{Step One - Donate a Reading Room or Reading Corner to a rural primary school.}$

Step Two — Conduct literacy programs with the children introducing them to their new library.

Step Three — Provide librarian training and three-years of ongoing support to teachers.

Literacy programs have one simple focus; to get children excited about reading. We see this as the second step to a library donation. Once a library is in place, it is essential to properly introduce children to a world filled with books. Our literacy programs are also a time to introduce the teachers and administrators on how best to get children excited about their new library. This is a big reason why our libraries are used on day-one. We conduct literacy programs in rural primary schools to support children's literacy. We want children to read. The books that we donate are 100% age appropriate local language children's books; books that children get excited about reading. Literacy programs are a structured time to properly introduce children to the world or reading.

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?



Date	Topic/Speaker	Venue/Time
November 8 th	CM: "RI Foundation Centennial" and SR visit	Inagiku Japanese Restaurant, Marriott City Center, 19:00
November 15 th	Whitney Yang: Animal Welfare	Inagiku Japanese Restaurant, Marriott City Center, 19:00
November 22 nd	Update on You Dao Foundation, Compton Tothill	Inagiku Japanese Restaurant, Marriott City Center, 19:00
November 29 th	Election of RCS board 2016-2017	Inagiku Japanese Restaurant, Marriott City Center, 19:00



Support needed

Community Roots China Is An Organization On A Mission To Ensure That Every Underpriviledged Child In China Has Access To Education, Healthcare And Shelter.

To Provide Them With Resources Needed For Their Wellbeing And Development.

A brief description of the program:

"The One Heart Gift Bags program is a volunteer driven employee engagement program for your organisation. It is an excellent team building opportunity and a chance for your employees to stretch their leadership skills. Our rural locations make it perfect for inclusion of your regional offices. Our project connects organisations and their employees with children in need from rural areas schools, orphanages, and foster care & low income families. This program runs twice a year, in time for Children's Day and again in time for Christmas/Chinese New Year."

The Service Project Committee has approved a direct contribution to CRC to fund this project, with a Packing Party scheduled for Dec. 10th, Saturday. We are calling on our members to help with this 4 hour event, and may recruit one of the Rotaract Clubs as well. Please contact Sam Tung for details.





Family Brunch October 30th

The weather played along: After interminable rainy days the sky brightened and all was wonderful for the Family Brunch on October 30th..And what a day it turned out to be. Over 80 Rotarians and friends came and six birthdays were celebrated. There were participants not only from the RCS but also from Fresh Start, RC Champs Elysee and others. We enjoyed a great venue, great food and great views of the Bund. The continuous clicking of the cameras was proof of this.

Overall this was a wonderful experience, a great bonding









Mark these project dates:

November 19, 2016: Chongming Island Library Project - Andrew Hill and Filippo Fei Long, champions

CRC Gift Bags Project (Location TBD) - Sam Tung, champion December 10, 2016: May 2017: Tibet KB Disease Project Trip - Michel De Vriendt, champion

Please contact the champions to get on the list to help

The Rotary Pagoda

November 1st, 2016

Mark van den Eijkel RC Oostburg, Clubno 1610/ Netherlands Dr. Walter Seböck RC Krems-Wachau Österreich/ Austria **Brian Snary RC Bristol** UK Mitch Liao RC Xin Zhu Taiwan Peter Meister RC Muri Switzerland Martti Eurola Finland RC Kokkola

Last evening 29 members, 6 visitors and 7 guests attended, total 42. Happy money RMB 1950.



Highlights from the last meeting

The last meeting was presided over by Andrew. We started with the 4 way-test led by Chen Linsheng. Then Guests were introduced by Filippo Garini.

A highlight was certainly the induction for Catalin, Jerry and Ralena, chaired by Terri Lau. All three sponsors (Andrew, Tracy and Diane) were present. With the three joining, RCS now have 68 active members.

Saddle money was collected by Filippo, supported by Tiziana. Andrew started with 100 yuan to thank Terri for her excellent job on the family day.

During saddle time we had a special auction for 5 pieces of banana bread, which was baked and brought by Christal Oliver. At RMB 100 for each they were quickly sold. RMB 500 directly went to Christal for her Haiti cause.

Also CM prepared a Rotary foundation cake to celebrate November the month - Rotary Foundation Month.

Rob Schmitz then gave a highly entertaining presentation about is new book, highlighting four anecdotes from it. Everyone who even only felt a remote interest in the everyday life and history of the city we live in appreciated what he had to say.

Andrew at the end gave an all-encompassing toast: To the book, the speaker, the dinner, the money raised, and the new members).



Club Information

Contacts & Meetings

The club meeting is a dinner meeting (by invitation only) every Tuesday at the: Marriott City Center No. 555 Middle Xizang Rd, Shanghai 上海雅居乐万豪酒店, 中国 上海 黄浦区西藏中路 555 号

18:30 cocktails, 19:00-20:30 dinner
For details, contact the club administrator Vivian Huang at RSVP@rotaryshanghai.org, +86 13501672753

Officers & Boardmembers

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

Basic Info of our Club

Susanne Moskop

First chartered on 1 October 1919, re-chartered on 8 February 2006 Number of active members – 68 Number of honorary members – 5

Committees and Directors

Club Administration Committee
Chair: Moto Yamane, yamane@tmish.com
Membership Committee
Chair: Terri Lau, terri.Lau@asiantigers-china.com

Service Projects
Chair: Alejandro Buriel-Rocha,

alejandro.buriel@smlchinaconsult.com
Youth Service Committee

Signing his book

Chair: Diane Russel, drussell@diane-russell.com
Sister Clubs

Chair: Dean Merritt, deanm@mdmclevel.com
PR Committee

Chair: Christian Kober, <u>kober.christian@gmail.com</u> **Rotary Foundation**

Chair:Chee Ming Tsang, lwccmt@gmail.com
Gift of Life

Chair:Linnet Kwok, linnetkwok@hotmail.com Gala dinner

Chair:Linnet Kwok, linnetkwok@hotmail.com

For more information, please visit www.rotaryshanghai.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 Roy Chu

Email: roy.chu@exlink.com.cn

Rotary Club of Shanghai Pudong Lujiazui Thursday, 19:00-20:30

Location: Kempinsnki Hotel, ,Shanghai上海凯宾斯基大酒店 1288 Lujiazui Ring Road, Pudong New Area 浦东新区陆家嘴环路1288号 Tel.: +86 21 5101 5566

For more information, please contact President Gerhard Fasching Email: <u>Gerhard.fasching@milleniumhongqiao.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 Formation about Fresh Start and for anyone inter

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

