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**Club Assembly** 

# 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: 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?

Service Above Self – the creed of Rotarians around the globe. The RCS Service Committee looks at each project for how we can serve the community and create chances for fellowship at the same time. Remember the multipliers I wrote about a few months ago? They are everywhere in our service committee. Let's look at Shanghai

Young Bakers as an example. SYB is one of the great organizations we are thrilled to support. The school provides young kids from the countryside who can't go to college with a skilled trade that brings joy to everyone with a sweet tooth. The kids come together as a cohort in September, and from October they begin to learn their craft. Beginning in November, their products are available for sale online and in markets around Shanghai.



Last spring, RCS began the partnership with SYB. We donated a proofing oven to the students so that they could continue their

education in bread dough. With our focus on service and fellowship, we donned our aprons at Jiashan Market on a glorious spring day to sell these yummy delights.

But that was just the beginning: In June, Tiziana represented RCS at the SYB graduation ceremony. Last week, I received a call from Senci, the new head of partnerships. She is looking to expand our relationship with support from Rotaract to help the new cohort adjust to Shanghai. She has also requested our support with the purchase of a flash freezer. Additionally, RCS will continue to volunteer with SYB at the holiday markets in November and December. Finally, stay tuned for a fellowship opportunity in November where you can learn the secret to an excellent éclair or a perfect panini from the student masters themselves.

**Shanghai Young Bakers** 





Date	Events (Topic / Speaker)	Time/Venue	
Sept. 24, 2019	Club Assembly	18:30, 5th Floor, Marriott City Center	
Oct. 1, 2019	National Holiday	No Club meeting	
Oct. 8, 2019	Laura Mitchelson, ICUNet	18:30, 5th Floor, Marriott City Center	
Oct. 15, 2019	Rotary Ignite	18:30, 5th Floor, Marriott City Center	

#### Tuesday, September 17, 2019

Visiting Rotarians:

Bruno Nacinovic	RC Elysee	Mainland China
Happy Money:		1,250 RMB
Members	14	
Visiting Rotarians	1	
Guests	3	
Total headcount		18

#### Highlights from the last meeting

Ignite nights have become a signature format of Rotary Club of Shanghai meetings on the third Tuesday of every month since it was initiated by former Rtn. Adam. And as always, so in last meeting, the variety of topics make it a special occasion—not only for the audience to be surprised what awaits them, but also for the speakers to master the challenge: present a topic in 5 minutes with 20 Power Point Slides changing every 15 seconds. Last meeting, the audience learned about the Power of the Brain when handling Feedback, presented by Rtn. Nathalie, Tai Chi practice, presented by Rtn. Jeff and a personal introduction by hopefully soon-to-be Rtn. Nils Lessmann following the new guideline of Membership Committee that each new member shall introduce himself/herself with an Ignite Presentation.

Before the stage was opened to Ignite the audience, President Terri officially opened the Club's meeting with Rtn. Christoph and Edward led the 4-way test. Edward is not only a frequent guest of RCS, but husband of IPP Linnet who, unfortunately, is not residing in China any more since earlier this year. Rtn. Tino was given the honor to welcome visiting Rotarians and guests before President Terri exchanged banners with Rotaractor of Fresh Start. A special surprise was the visit of Rtn. Ralf who currently lives in Wuhan but remains a valuable member of RCS.

The saddle to collect happy donations was handled by Rtn. Sophia with the support of Rtn. Jeff collecting a total of 1,250 RMB.

The evening was closed by President Terri's toast to hopefully welcoming Nils to RCS soon.











Ignites: Nils Lessmann: "Introduction", Rtn. Nathalie: "Power of the Brain: Feedback", Rtn. Jeff: "Tai Chi"















# Pagoda Portrait: Andrew Hill

He is living "Service above Self" for years and enganged in many RCS activities; his energy to enable others is legendary: Andrew Hill was not only president of Rotary Club of Shanghai but is currently also holding the position of Assistant Governor. Pagoda portraits the person behind the office.

When did you join RCS and who was your sponsor: My Sponsor was Justin Malley. I joined RCS in 2005

Where are you hailing from: I am hailing from the USA. I grew up and lived in Minneapolis, Minnesota till I went to college at the age of 18. I have now been in China for 30 years

What are you doing professionally: I am a Business / Project Manager and Business Owner. My interest is developing companies that give back to the community. The name of my company is ELG. ELG provides a wide range of tailored resources for children to develop and learn effectively. Its services are dedicated to helping parents, schools and educators meet the individual needs of children. We work primarily in Shanghai and also service many areas in China. I am also a Chairman of an NGO I started in 2015 to improve the condition of special education in China.

What would you like to share with our readers about your family: I am a typical person from Minnesota with Swedish and German roots. This means that I grew up with importance on traditions like Christmas and Lutheran ethics. I have a wonderful wife Cindy who is from Shanghai. She is an incredibly smart and strong woman who makes life an amazing pleasure. Many of you know Zach, my son, who is such a wonderful boy. He attends SAS on the Puxi Campus and loves playing the Tuba and Trombone. If you have any questions about Star Wars, he is the guy with the answers.

What are your hobbies, apart from RCS: I love to study languages and cultures. At this time, I am studying German at the Goethe Institute with my wife. I LOVE music of many kinds, from Wagner to Joy Division to Tool. Another favorite hobby of mine is watching my son growing up.

How do you recharge your battery: Reading, Travel and chatting with family and friends.

**Best/Last book you read and why**: I am reading *I am Dynamite: A Life of Nietzche* by Sue Prideaux. I have been fascinated by Nietzsche for most of my life and read all I can about him and his philosophy. Given I am also an avid amateur philologist, he connects with my thoughts and interests on many levels.

**Favorite place in Shanghai**: Home is my favorite place, but that answer might be too boring so let me add another. The streets! I love walking the streets of Shanghai at night or early morning. I really love this town and its feel.

What is your advice to any new member of RCS: GET INVOLVED! The sooner you get involved in projects and committees, that faster you make friendships and feel a strong sense of belonging and purpose.











# What happened to: Pradeep Kumar

Saying "Good-Bye" and Farewell Events are an unpleasant reality of a global city like Shanghai. And members of RCS as well move on. Nevertheless, we keep in touch:

Rita and I left Shanghai on June 28, 2018 and for next one year have been in Delhi busy settling down at our family home to give company to Rita's parents. Our daughter and grandson also live in Delhi and we enjoy spending time with them every week. First thing I did was to join the prestigious Rotary club of Delhi South of 50 year vintage to get into a group of 100 plus wonderful fellow Rotarians and their spouses. I was inducted as member on Aug 1 2018. Attaching two pictures of that day. I am quite active in club and will serve as Club President for 20-21. Our district 3011 is quite big with 86 clubs.

Businesswise I continue to coach a few CEOs and business owners in ways to apply Theory of constraint methods to



significantly improve their businesses. I also continue to spend time learning about History of India and the world. My Golf clubs are still on shelf for some more time till I correct muscles of my back that has been continuously improving over past one year. I do hope to restart playing in a couple of months.

I continue to cherish memories of Shanghai Club where I spent 12 years. The best thing I liked there was the diversity of members' nationality and the vegetarian Indian food I was served as a special 'guest' every week by Marriott staff. The warmth of fellow Rotarians at RCS is unforgettable.

Congratulations to all members of RCS for celebrating '100th year' anniversary in October. Rita and I send our love and best wishes to all members and spouses. I do hope that some day soon Rotary would be freely expanding in China to serve the communities with greater vigor and building friendships and long lasting goodwill.

#### Warm regards

#### Pradeep Kumar





# **Upcoming Events**



Please RSVP now for the dinner online via ClearCut.

http://www.tryclearcut.com/event/2oXPeJF2

<sup>\*</sup> Club important appontiments

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### **Club Information**



## **Contacts & Meetings**

The club meeting is a dinner meeting (by invitation only) Tuesday 18:30 cocktails, 19:00-20:30 dinner

Marriott City Center 上海雅居乐万豪酒店 No. 555 Middle Xizang Rd, Shanghai 上海市黄浦区西藏中路 555号

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#### **2019-20 Presidential Theme: Connect for good causes** By RCS President Terri Lau



Terri Lau – President

Rotary provides the platform for a group of likeminded professionals, scholars, entrepreneurs, leaders in their own field to meet and to serve the community. Through the service projects we take the action to raise awareness to make changes, to provide service to others.

As a member of the non-districted group of 26 Rotary clubs, 10 Rotaract, 18 Interact clubs and a RCC in Mainland China today, I believe it's the perfect time to connect within our Rotary family. The joint talents and effort will benefit all parties for the good cause. I invite all members to take an active role, to participate in club meetings and activities. Three key words to define an active Rotarian in my interpretation: **Meet! Connect! Serve** !

Last but not the least: **We Celebrate**! Rotary year 2019-20 is a special year for RCS when RCS was first chartered on October 1, 1919. Only a few clubs have been chartered before. A hundred years later, RCS has become a club that connects for the good cause. Celebrate with us this very special anniversary.

## **Basic Info of our Club**

First chartered on 1 October Rechartered on 8 February Number of active Members – Honorary Members –

#### "Gift of Life" - Heart Surgery

GOL provides life-saving operations their family cannot afford. Over 550 children with congenital heart defects have been saved under the programs executed by the Rotary Club of Shanghai.

# Preventing Kashin-Beck disease

The Kashin-Beck disease (KBD) is a neglected disease afflicting mostly poor areas of China and resulting in stunted growth, joint deformities and chronic pain.

## **Officers & Board members**

Terri Lau – President

clubpresident@rotaryshanghai.org Tiziana Richiardi – Vice President clubvp@rotaryshanghai.org Ludovic Antérieur – Secretary clubsecretary@rotaryshanghai.org Carsten Schmidt-Jochmann – Treasurer finance@rotaryshanghai.org Tracy Hua – President Elect Linnet Kwok – IPP Samuel Tung Thilo Köppe Diane Russell Sophia Slingerland Christian Kober

#### **Committees & Directors**

Club Administration Committee: Tracy Hua clubadministrator@rotaryshanghai.org Membership and Fellowship Committee: Sophia Slingerland and Thilo Köppe membership@rotaryshanghai.org Service Projects: Rita Malvone service.projects@rotaryshanghai.org Youth Service@rotaryshanghai.org PR Committee: Tracy Hua pr@rotaryshanghai.org Rotary Foundation: Michel De Vriendt rotary.foundation@rotaryshanghai.org Gift of Life (GOL): Terri Lau gol@rotaryshanghai.org Sister Clubs: Motohiro Yamane yamane@tmish.com Pagoda: Danny Stötzer d.stoetzer@aeptis.com RCS Centennial Anniversary: Terri Lau KBD Project: Michel De Vriendt kashin.beck@rotaryshanghai.org RSVP: Vivian Huang: rsvp@rotaryshanghai.org



# The Object of Rotary

THE OBJECT of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

FIRST The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;

SECOND High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;

THIRD The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;

FOURTH The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service

# Rotarian Code of Conduct

The following code of conduct has been adopted for the use of Rotarians:

# AS A ROTARIAN, I will

- 1) Act with integrity and high ethical standards in my personal and professional life
- 2) Deal fairly with others and treat them and their occupations with respect

3) Use my professional skills through Rotary to: mentor young people, help those with special needs, and improve people's quality of life in my community and in the world

4) Avoid behavior that reflects adversely on Rotary or other Rotarians

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