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09 February — Fellowship Meeting

16 February — CNY

ROTARY CLUB OF SHANGHAI INVITES YOU TO
CHINESE NEW YEAR DINNER
FEBRUARY 9, 2021

DINNER MENU

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| 冷菜六味碟 Six cold dishes | TIME: 18:30-20:30 |
| 老火煲靓汤 Double boiled soup | VENUE: XIAN YAN/鲜筵 |
| 水晶河虾仁 Stir fried river shrimps | Lower Lobby Kunlun |
| 秋葵炒猪肘 Sauteed pork knuckle with okra | Jing'an @ 250 Huashan |
| 葱爆小牛肉 Wok fried veal with onion | Lu/华山路 250 号静安昆仑 |
| 沂蒙山炒鸡 Sauteed chicken Yimeng style | DINNER FEE: 300 RMB |
| 年糕烧杂鱼 Braised rice with fish | Incl. 1 glass of soft drink; |
| 白水洋豆腐 Clay pot braised bean curd | Wine to be charged on |
| 木耳土鸡蛋 Scrambled egg with mushroom | consumption |
| 蒜蓉时令蔬 Sauteed seasonal vegetable | RSVP: vivian.huang@messer.com.cn |
| 扬州炒米饭 Fried rice Yangzhou style | |
| 精美水果盘 Seasonal fruit platter | |



Birthdays of the month: February

Other Events

- 06 — Diane Russell
- 10 — Herbert K. Lau
- 11 — Elizabeth Espinosa
- 16 — Carsten Schmidt-Jochmann
- 18 — Alejandro Rocha Buriel

- 09.02 — CNY Fellowship Meeting @Kunlun 6:30 - 8:30 pm
- 16.02 — Cancelled due to CNY
- 23.02 — Speaker Program @Kunlun 6:30 - 8:30 pm
- 02.03 — Connecting Networking 6:30 - 8:30 pm

The Four-Way Test 四大考驗

Of the things we think, say, or do:
我们说的做的要符合:

- Is it the **truth**?
是真的吗?
- Is it **fair** to all concerned?
是公平的吗?
- Will it build **goodwill** and **better friendships**?
是善意并促进友谊吗?
- Will it be **beneficial** to all concerned?
是对大家有利吗?

Officers & Directors

Tracy Hua – President
Rita Malvone – Vice President
David Smith – Secretary
Christoph Wenner – Treasurer
Rita Malvone – President Elect
Terri Lau – Immediate Past President
 Alejandro Rocha Buriel
 Alexander Hartmann
 Andreas Winterfeldt
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 Nathalie Köppe

Committees & Chairs

Club Administration Committee: Rita Malvone
Membership Committee: Thilo Köppe; David Smith
Fellowship Committee: Rita Malvone
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Service Project Committee: Alex Hartmann
Youth Service Committee: Naomi Peña
Rotary Foundation: Nils Lessmann
Gift of Life: Terri Lau
Sister Clubs: Motohiro Yamane
Pagoda: Carlotta Godio; Christian Kober
PR Committee: Carlotta Godio; Tracy Hua
RCS Alumni Committee: Andrew Hill
Circle of Centennial Rotary Club: Terri Lau

Highlights from the Latest Networking Meeting

February 2, 2021

Dinner Attendance:

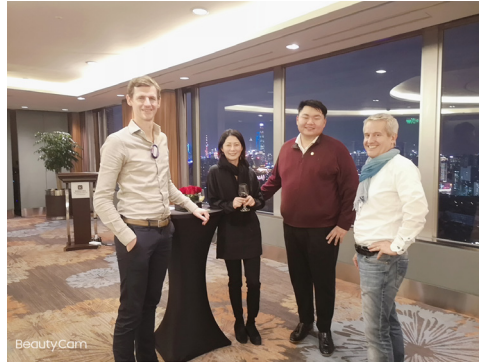
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| Members | 09 |
| Visiting Rotarians | 01 |
| Guests | 04 |
| Total Headcount | 14 |



And a good time was had by all, anyway.

A light turnout at our Feb. 2d meeting tested the ability of 14 intrepid souls, including current members, Rotoractors, and visitors, to be flexible. We were not found wanting.

Shifting from the earlier plan of holding a structured Networking Gathering, the group, with great frivolity, participated in a highly-creative rendition of the 4-Way Test, then moved on to brief introductions, then spirited small-group conversations. AG Andrew interjected along the way to deliver bad, then good news, ie. that while our International Convention in Taiwan has been cancelled, auto refunds will be made. An online version of the Convention is planned. Onward we go ...



Speaker Program

Shinya Deguchi



Shinya Deguchi co-founded a Singapore-based educational media company Gen Z Group Pte with Alan Ng, Candice Xu and Tiffany Liu in 2020. As he was born and raised in Japan, Shinya grew up with reading graphic novels, or manga, and wanted to realize their potential benefits as an education-and-entertainment solution outside of Japan. Shinya is also a founder and Managing Partner of Star Magnolia Capital Limited, a Shanghai-based multifamily office, which manages assets through an endowment approach. Prior to founding Star Magnolia, Shinya was Director of Research at Cook Pine Capital LLC, Analyst at Stewardship Investment Advisors, Ltd and Analyst at Melco Holdings Group. Shinya holds a B.S. degree in Economics from George Washington University.



Meet our Fellow: Holger Schober

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| What is your idea of perfect happiness? | My idea of perfect happiness is rather about the ability to appreciating all kind of happiness which cross our path day by day. Not only the big ones but especially the many many small ones we tend to oversee. A good book, watching sunrise together in the morning, afternoon tea with friends and and and... |
| Which historical figure do you identify with most? | Too many of them, would be a rather eclectic approach such as "5% of Shackleton + 5% of ..." |
| Which living person do you most admire? | Angela Merkel, Chancellor of Germany since 2005 |
| What is the trait you most deplore in yourself? | sarcasm, irony, too much left brainer |
| What is the trait you most deplore in others? | the inability and/or reluctance of critical self-reflection independent on which subject, matter or cultural issue |
| What is your greatest extravagance? | All kind of sport equipment and its usage indoors and outdoors |
| What do you consider the most overrated virtue? | can't prioritize here, next question please |
| On what occasion do you lie? | when answering standard questionnaires..... |
| What is your greatest regret ? | My greatest regret is that I haven't started my personal development journey earlier enough. May be I would have understood my parents better, would have spend more time with them. And yeah, some misbehaviors in my 20s which did hurt others |
| When and where are you happiest? | My wedding in Hawaii and the birth of my daughter have been definitely the happiest days of my life, no doubt about it. |
| What do you consider your greatest achievement? | The (still ongoing) change and development from a from a rather narrow-minded, intolerant, impatient typical German to a person who has at least a basic understanding about other cultures, continents, perspectives etc. |
| If you could choose to come back as something, what would it be? | Rainbow, to give people a good time during rainy days |
| What is your most treasured possession? | Pictures from my family, parents, daughter and friends (not only the printed or digital ones, also the ones in my mind) |
| Where would you like to live ? | Scotland (282 munros + 130 distilleries + 5 ski areas + 1 soccer club (Celtic) = enough to do during retirement) |
| What is your favourite occupation? | Hiking / skiing in the mountains |
| What is your most marked characteristic? | Persistence (and some might call it stubbornness...) |
| What do you most value in friends? | Laughter, joy, criticism, be there when you need them (and vice versa) |
| Who are your favourite writers? | John Steinbeck, Arnaldur Indridasson, Ann Cleves |
| Who are your heroes in real life ? | The unknown heros like firemen, life guards, police etc. |
| How would you like to die? | No idea at all and I really don't think about this. |
| What is your motto? | It all happens for a reason.... |
| If you were a rock star, who would you be? | Myself, otherwise how can I be a star? "Honky Tonk Holger" (Country music..) |
| What is the oldest item in your fridge? | Alcohol-free beer (no idea how this got in!!) |
| What would you like to eat for your last meal? | One "espresso-to-go" please..... |
| What is the best jokes you ever heard ? | 1. How do you keep a blond girl busy for hours? Just write the sentence "please turn page" on both sides of an empty paper... 2. How does a French try to kill a bird? He throws it off the balcony... |

