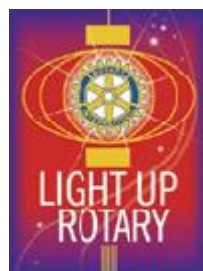




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Service Above Self

One Profits Most Who Serves Best

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Dear Rotarian Friends,

I am looking back on a year full of challenges, achievements and regrets where we as a club could have done better.



My personal highlights

I am happy and proud that the club works with standard procedures again and all programs, especially service programs, are alive and kicking. Special highlights for me were Youth Service and working closely with District leaders on the Rotary China expansion, increasing from 2 clubs to 7 (plus 2 applicant provisional clubs), 7 Fellowships in progress coming to a total of 9, with 7 more locations identified. If all comes true we will proudly have 23 clubs within one year (versus 32 clubs on July 1, 1951.) Rotary is returning to China.

Another highlight certainly is the Service Committee, which has come back from the brink of disappearance and is now composed of over 20 active members striving to make a difference.

Wonderful are the great strides with Interact and Rotaract. According to Youth Chair Moto we now have 3 Rotaract Clubs and 8 Interact Clubs.

We now have a district and can truly call ourselves leaders, connecting directly with Evanston, the RI President Gary even accepted our club's honorary Member.

My Headaches:

This club has always been struggling with a low attendance rate. If we stick to the rules (50% attendance, inclusive max 20% makeups) half of the members have problems.

Different cultural backgrounds result in many voices. It can be a strength and provide us with international connections and new Ideas but can also slow down things.

Regrets:

Some Members changed to clubs nearer to home, some because of unhappiness with board decisions. I wish them good luck and smoother sailing.

I am delighted that, after having started this club originally in 1998 (with Randal Eastman) as 'Expatriate Rotarians and Friends' I now could serve as President a club which has been fully recognized by RI International and could oversee such a great expansion of Rotary activities in China.

It has been a pleasure of serving you, all.

Frank Yih

The Four-Way Test

四大考验

Si Da Kao Yan

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?

A Rotarian biography

Frank Yih came (back) to China in 1992. In 1995 he was asked by the RC Taipei to found a Shanghai chapter as he had been a member of the Taipei RC and VP of the Kaoshiung RC. In 1998 he set up the 'Expatriate Rotarians and Friends' together with Randal Eastman, which later became the RC Shanghai. Frank was elected as Charter President of Shanghai Club in 2005 – 06 but resigned before taking office

Frank is well known for his Huaqiao Foundation, a charitable NGO operating in China since 2004.

Urgent Reminder!

As of July, our meeting venue will be changed. Time and date remains unchanged

Marriott City Center Shanghai 上海
雅居乐万豪酒店

Add(地址): No.555 Middle Xizang Rd, Huangpu District 黄浦区西藏中路555号

Tel(电话): 0086 21-23129888

UP COMING PROGRAMS

Date	Topic/Speaker	Venue/Time
June 30 th	Handover	Jing An Hilton,19:00
July 7 th	Vision 2015/16 by Dean Merritt	Marriott City Center,19:00
July 14 th	Fellowship	Marriott City Center,19:00 (Japanese restaurant)
July 21 st	Manners by Guillaume de Rue Bernadac (tent.)	Marriott City Center,19:00

Last Meeting Highlights :

23 June 2015

Present at the Meeting

Dhamay Kanthan	RC Scarborough Twilight	Canada
Micheal Cheung	RC HK Island West	China
Alison Law	RC HK Island West	China
Charles Cheng	RC HK Island West	China
Shirley Cheng	RC HK Island West	China
Francis Pan	RC HK Island West	China
Sylvia Pan	RC HK Island West	China
Wilson Zai	RC HK Island West	China
Frank Hoffman	RC Philadelphia	USA
Russell Brown	RC Beijing	UK
Mark Adam	Kamloops DayBreak Rotary	Canada

Frank Yi presided over the second from last meeting of his presidency – and the relief could be seen on his face. He even underlined this later with a 1000RMB donation and ringing the bell. Cathy Hau led us into the four way test.

After that we were introduced to a big delegation from RC Hongkong Island West, to sign our sister club agreement. Michel Cheung, President of the Club, presented us with a special golden memento for the occasion. To him, he explained, this agreement is the highlight of his presidency. We are looking forward to many more interactions and co-operations with our newest sister club!

Frank also announced the launching of the Dalian Rotary Fellowship and expressed his hope that this meeting will soon flourish into a full Rotary Club.

Michel, today's Sergeant-at-Arms, then proceeded, aided by President Frank, to collect happy money for a soccer project, allowing children of migrant workers this summer to train with a visiting Brazilian soccer coach. The goal is to sponsor 20 children at a cost of 13.000 RMB, of which 4.500 RMB had been collected so far.

Moto reminded us again to pay our dues – deadline is the first of July. Hurry up!

Linnet then introduced our speaker Alan Lim, who gave us a fascinating outlook of how to live healthy, focusing on high intensity workouts and what constitutes a good mix of basic foodstuff.

The meeting was adjourned with a toast to the RC Hongkong Island West.



Exchanging Sister Club Certificates with the RC Hongkong Island West

An important Message from our Club Secretary

Due to changes in RI regulations, the Club has to pay around 40US\$ fee to RI for every member of the club who is either recorded as a member as of July 1st or as of January 1st. Even if you do not pay the annual dues and decide to terminate your membership, the club still has to pay this fee if you did not inform the club before July 1st/January 1st that you are leaving the club.

In case the club was not informed before these dates, the member has to reimburse the club for these fees. Otherwise a letter of good standing, which is the prerequisite to joining a new RC cannot be issued.

Michael Chueng (Pres. HKG Island West) and Shanghai Rotarians



Club Information

Officers

Frank Yih – President
Dean Merritt – President Elect/
 Club Admin
Terri Lau – Vice President
Motohiro Yaname – Hon. Secretary/
 Club Admin (deputy)
Yvon Russon – Treasurer

Basic Info of our Club

First chartered on 1 October 1919, re-chartered on 8 February 2006
 Number of active members – 82
 Number of honorary members – 11
 Average age - 45 Nationalities – 18
 Male - 80% Female - 20%

Contacts

The club meeting is a dinner meeting every Tuesday at Jing An Hilton Hotel 华山路250号 (18:30 cocktails, 19:00-20:30 dinner)

Contact the club administrator Vivian Huang at RSVP@rotaryshanghai.org, +86 13501672723

Committees and Directors

Club Administration Committee

1st Tuesday of each month, 17:30
 Chair: Dean Merritt deanm@mdmcllevel.com
 Deputy Chair: Motohiro Yamane yamane@tmish.com

Membership Committee

1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month, 18:00 - 18:30
 Chair: Alexandra Taulin alexandra.taulin@yahoo.fr

Public Relations Committee

1st Tuesday of each month, 17:00
 Chair: Michel De Vriendt michel.devriendt@premiumfinance-group.com

Community and International Service Committee

1st Tuesday of each month, 17:00
 Chair: Terry Chu terrychu_prn@msn.com

Youth service committee

Last Tuesday of each month, 17:00
 Chair: Motohiro Yamane yamane@tmish.com

Rotary Leadership Award

Committee Chair: Tara Strunk Tara.Strunk@grace.com

The Rotary Foundation Committee

Chair: Frank Yih frank@yih.com

For more information, please visit www.rotaryshanghai.org

Rotary Club of Shanghai West
 Wednesday, 18:30-20:30
 Location: Suites Hotel Shanghai
 位置: 上海西华酒店
 Address: No.1 Huaihai West Road, Shanghai
 地址: 淮海西路1号

For more information please contact CP Richard Zi, President.
 Email: zishanghai@hotmail.com

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
 地址: 迎春路1199号 (靠近芳甸路)
 If you would like to attend Rotary Pudong Meeting,
 please contact Mr. Brinton Scott
 Email: bscottsq@hotmail.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
 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/>