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Highlights



The Four-Way Test 四大考验

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?

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?

President Linnet Kwok The 4th Kwok Family Member Served Shanghai Rotary Club

~ **By** Herbert K. Lau (**劉敬恒**) (Rotary China Historian)



The incumbent President 2018-2019 Linnet Kwok (郭錦連) of the Shanghai Rotary Club is the fourth member from the Kwok Family to serve the Club. Born in the United States, Linnet joined the Club in April 2014 with classification "Human Resources".

The history can be chased back to the 1930s of last Century. There had been 3 Kwok-brother Rotarians who were all Linnet's grand-uncles:

David Kwok (郭棣活) "Dave" – Joined the Club on 25 June 1930. (Classification: Cotton Factory – Cotton Spinning). He was the Assistant General Manager of the Wing On Textile Manufacturing Co., Ltd.

Edward Kwok (郭棣昭) "Eddie" — younger brother (胞弟) of Dave. He joined the Club on 17 November 1948. (Classification: Cotton Industry — Cotton Goods Finishing & Dying). He was the Manager of the Wing On Printing & Dying Works.

Allen Gokson (郭植芳) "Allen" — another younger brother (堂弟) but of next family branch, and so the family name in English is differed for easy identification. He joined the Club on 4 April 1939, sharing the same Classification with Dave: "Cotton Factory — Cotton Spinning". Therefore, his membership was "Additional Active" (an old fashion category abandoned in this century). Allen was the Manager of the Wing On Textile Manufacturing Co., Ltd.

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Date	Topic / Speaker	Venue/Time
December 11th	Club Christmas Party	Salon 4, 5th Floor, Marriott City Center, 19:00
December 18th	Rotary Ignites	5th Floor, Marriott City Center, 19:00
December 25th	Cancelled—Christmas Holiday	/
January 1st 2019	Cancelled—New Year Holiday	/

Tuesday, December 4th, 2018

Visiting Rotarians:

Lothar Wolf RC Shenyang Mainland China

Dinner attendance:

Members	10
Visiting Rotarians	1
Guests	5
Total headcount	16

Happy money: 2,110 CNY



Banner Back tradition



Roger ringing the Bell



Our speaker Nicolas explaining color diamonds origin

Highlights from the last meeting

President Linnet started the meeting by leading the Four Way Test: English version for table 1 and Chinese version for table 2. This time we were not so synchronized and Linnet had to ask for more energy and togetherness. Honestly, we had the impression that table one was doing a bit better than table 2, in fact even our visiting friend Lothar from RC Shenyang joined table 1 charus

Visiting Rotarians and guests were welcomed by Randal. Special welcome to Rtns. Michelle Li, Terry Chu and Roger Owens. During banner exchange time, Rtn. Jeff presented RC Zuerich Turicum banner to President Linnet.

Dinner started and we enjoyed our meal chatting with each other and after a while, some announcements were offered by our President. Linnet reminded our Club Christmas party, December 11th. It will be a cozy friendly party with a sprinkling of Christmas Ignite. Two volunteers for themed Xmas Ignite are needed so anyone, please contact Linnet or Adam directly. Dress code for the evening: blue jeans and white shirt. Bring a gift for the exchange and remember to wrap it for the surprise. President Linnet also spoke about RC Merlion Chartered Night. It will take place on December, 8th and every member will be more than welcome to join and support the new English speaking club in Shanghai. President Linnet also briefed about RCS visit to Shanghai Children Medical Center on past Saturday. Pictures were shared into our wechat group so not many words needed to be emotionally touched by the experience.

Last but not least, Rtn. Frank Mulligan reported and explained the Rotary Exchange Program (NGSE) will work. For our club, Rtn. Sam Tung is the Chair so anyone interested he/she can contact directly.

Saddle time was then up to Roger and Frank M. It as a funny moment as well and, after ringing the bell, Roger had to fix it... and this is not the first time that it happens. Roger is our good "handyman"!

Speaker time. Everyone was literally enchanted by Nicolas' presentation. The doubt comes: was it because he is a truly good speaker talking about one of his passions or because of the nature of the topic, diamonds? At the end, we all agree because of both. He firstly introduced himself and how he became a gemologist, then he took us into a journey made of colored diamonds, explaining the reason why they are so rare and why they are so different one from another. He also gave us some tips about how to recognize a good one. Several questions followed after the meeting ended by the ring of the bell, but before that, President Linnet toasted to safe travels to all those who are going back home for Christmas.





Randal Sergeant for tonight

Welcome back Terry

Happy friends

Upcoming Events



Differ from the above family branches of the 3 grand-uncles, Linnet was also born from a Rotary family but in Hong Kong. Her father Russell Kwok (郭志仁) is a past president of Hong Kong Rotary Club, while a younger uncle (堂叔父) Dr. Philip Kwok (郭志權), SBS, JP, is also a past president of Hong Kong Rotary Club.

Another older uncle (堂伯父) John G. O. Kwok (郭志安) is a past president of Hong Kong Island East Rotary Club.

Linnet has another older uncle (堂伯父) living in the United States, David Kwok Jr. (郭志威), i.e. the son of David Kwok "Dave", is a former Rotarian for 27 years prior to retirement: Hong Kong Rotary Club (1970 -1980, 1983-1992); Midland Rotary Club, Midland, Michigan, U.S.A. (1980-1983), and Vail-Eagle Valley Rotary Club, Vail, Colorado, U.S.A. (1992-1997).

Unless more information is found, the KWOK is considered, in the Rotary China History, perhaps to be one of the remarkable families which provides the most number of members to serve Rotary China – at least 8 across 3 generations. Linnet is the first KWOK to serve Shanghai Rotary Club as president.

The Guangdong Province Deputy Governor David Kwok (郭棣活):



Dave had changed his profession from an industrialist to a statesman in the new era of the People's Republic. He served two times Deputy Governor of Guangdong Province (1958-1966; 1976-1986) totally more than 20 years supervising textiles and light industries, as well as a member of the Basic Law Drafting Committee for the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region since June 1985 until the end of his life on 9 April 1986. The People's Government honored

him with a national grade funeral service on 18 April 1986, led by Guangdong Province Governor Ye Xuanping (葉選平) with tributes from many very senior officials in Beijing.

Additionally, Dave held a long resume of commercial, community and political services, including all these but not limited to:

- (1) Executive Director, Bank of China
- (2) Chairman, Guangdong International Trust & Investment Corporation (GDTIC)
- (3) Director, Chinese International Trust & Investment Corporation (CITIC)
- (4) Chairman, Guangdong Overseas Chinese Investment Corporation
- (5) Chairman, Guangdong Federation of Industry & Commerce
- (6) Executive Committee Member of the National Federation of

Industry & Commerce

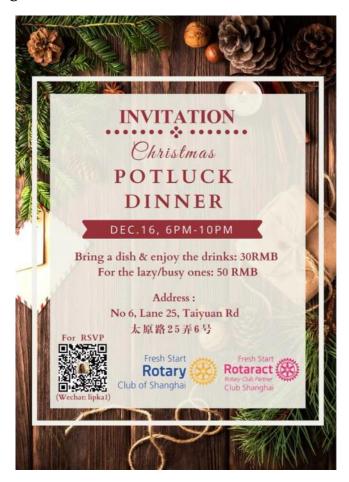
- (7) Chairman, Guangdong Democratic Construction Association
- (8) Vice Chairman, Chinese Democratic Construction Association
- (9) Executive Committee Member of the Guangdong People's Political Consultative Conference
- (10) Executive Committee Member of the National People's Political Consultative Conference
- (11) Vice Chairman, Standing Committee, Guangdong Provincial People's Congress
- (12) Deputy of the National People's Congress
- (13) Vice Chairman, National Returned Overseas-Chinese Association





Upcoming Events





Club important appontiments



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

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2018-19 Presidential Theme: Back to Basic

By RCS President, Linnet Kwok



Linnet Kwok – President

I want this year to focus on Rotary's core values, **Fellowship** and **Service**.

With fellowship we create good service projects and through service we develop long lasting friendships. They are intertwined.

The arrows represents fellowship and service crisscrossing each other. The arrows also form a globe as we are an international organization and an international club.

RCS has over 20 nationalities. To create fellowship we need members, more members to deliver service projects and more members to grow the club.

To grow the club we need to work on our youth and PR. Many people don't know us or think we are a group of old middle age Anglo Saxon males! On the contrary, we are very diversified.

Basic Info of our Club

First chartered on 1 October 1919 Rechartered on 8 February 2006 Number of active Members – 67 Honorary Members – 4

"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.

Inclusion Factory

The Inclusion Factory gives meaningful employment and training to mentally challenged individuals under real market conditions.

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.

Careers in Care

Careers in Care tackles the issue of a growing aged population in China by teaching migrant workers to care for the elderly.

The Library Project

The Library Project has established over 1,800 elementary school libraries. It has put more than 1,200,000 Chinese language children's books into the hands of eager young readers.

Officers & Board members

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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

Rotary *clubs* in Shanghai

Rotary Club of Shanghai West

Wednesday ,18:30-20:30

Location: Shanghai Pullman Hotel Address: No. 1 Pubei Road, Xuhui District 位置:上海中星鉑爾曼酒店 地址:上海徐汇区浦北路1号

Mandarin speaking

Rotary Club of Shanghai Fresh Start

Friday, 7:45-9:00 am

Location: Naked Hub

Address: 5/F, 89 Taixing Lu, near Nanjing Xi Lu 地址:请带我去 泰兴路89号5楼, 近南京西路

For info or to attend:

http://freshstartrotaryshanghai.org

English speaking

Rotary Club of Shanghai Pudong Lujiazui

Thursday, 19:00-20:30

Location: Grand Kempinski Hotel Address: 1288 Lujiazui Ring Road, Pudong 位置:上海凯宾斯基大酒店 地址:浦东新区陆家嘴环路1288号

For info or to attend:

secretary@rotarylujiazui.com www.rotarylujiazui.com

English speaking

Rotary Club of Hongqiao

Saturday 9:30

Location: Grand Millenium Shanghai Hongqiao Address: 2588 Yan An Xi Rd, Changning District

位置:上海千禧海鸥大酒店

地址:上海长宁区延安西路2588号

Mandarin speaking

Rotary Club of Shanghai Merlion

Every fortnight, Saturday, 12:00

Location: Grand Millenium Hotel
Address: 2588 West Yan An Road, Changning District

位置:上海千禧海鸥大酒店 地址:上海长宁区延安西路2588号

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English speaking

Rotary Club of Shanghai Elysee (satellite of e-club 9920)

1st and 3rd Mondays, 19:30

Location: Foie Gras & Épices Address: Room 5, Bldg A1, 309 Hankou Lu

位置: Foie Gras & Epices 地址:上海汉口路309号A1-05(近山东中路)

French speaking