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Welcome back

Finally – a Fellowship meeting was held again, not a virtual one but a real one. More than 20 Rotarians and friends showed up for this wonderful occasion in the beautiful venue of the Xinguo Radisson Blue.

There was no speaker and no theme but who needs such on such an occasion. Mercifully also announcements were kept to a minimum, giving time to reconnect. Now a regular schedule will resume, with meeting venues changing regularly until a suitable longer – term venue has been found.

The evening saw much happiness but also some sadness, as fellow Rotarian Enzo Carrubba announced his departure for Italy. Goodbye Enzo (cont. on page 3)



From left to right:
Terry, Moto, Tracy, Enzo

Birthdays in May:

May 6th Moto, May 19th Nikola, May 20th Cathy

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Rotary 20-26 JUNE

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?

Monthly Theme	Dates	Activity	Time
Youth Service	5/5/2020	Service project meeting	5:30-6:30 pm
		Labour Day (meeting cancelled)	6:30~8:00 pm
	5/12/2020	Board meeting (joint board meeting)	5:00-6:30 pm
		Casa Giulio (see page 3): speaker (TBD)	6:30-8:30 pm
	5/19/2020	Fellowship (venue: TBD)	6:30-8:30 pm
	5/26/2020	Fellowship (venue: TBD)	6:30-8:30 pm
	5/31/2020	District Rotary Foundation online training	



The Questionnaire

When fellowships are virtual and in person meetings rare, it is difficult to get to know your fellow Rotarians better. The Pagoda and its numerous editorial staff have therefore decided to revive the questionnaire which Marcel Proust famously filled in twice in his life. This gives an opportunity for members to share their personal interests, quirks, beliefs and habits.

Guess who likes crazy shoes – we assume crazy in outlook and not crazy tight – and who likes Pearl S. Buck (does anyone else remember that writer still?). Solution on the next page.

What is your idea of perfect happiness?	Sharing time with my children and close friends
Which historical figure do you identify with most?	Difficult, but maybe Maria Theresa
Which living person do you most admire?	My father for his mindpower
What is the trait you most deplore in yourself?	Restlessness
What is the trait you most deplore in others?	Self focus
What is your greatest extravagance?	Crazy shoes
What do you consider the most overrated virtue?	Money
On what occasion do you lie?	Let me think
What is your greatest regret?	Currently, not to be able to see my children & my old parents
When and where are you happiest?	When I am together with my children on a boat
What do you consider your greatest achievement?	My inspiring children
If you could choose to come back as something, what would it be?	A better person
What is your most treasured possession?	My happiness
Where would you like to live?	Shanghai
What is your favourite occupation?	To create and sing
What is your most market characteristic?	Being creative & Thinking out of the box
What do you most value in friends?	Their honesty
Who are your favourite writers?	Pearl Buck, Mandela, Ghandi
Who are your heroes in real life?	The people who helped and supported & believed in me
How would you like to die?	Don't awake the next morning
What is your motto?	Live the moment
If you were a rock star, who would you be?	Tina Turner
What is the oldest item in your fridge?	Truffle oil
What would you like to eat for your last meal?	Cheese with red wine
What is the best joke you ever heard?	I don't really remember jokes

(first in person fellowship after Chinese New Year, cont. from page 1)

Overall there were 14 members and 6 friends in attendance, and, for obvious reasons, no visiting Rotarians. In total 2030 RMB were raised in Happy Money



Peter knows the answer.....



..... to David's question

After 3 months social distancing also the 4 Way Test is only a distant memory

While Terri and Sophia listen rapt to the Keto diet experience

Dear Rotary Fellows, Welcome to our next "in person" fellowship

When?
12.May 2020, 18:30 to 20:30

RSVP to Vivian by 13:00, Sunday, May 10th

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Our masked lady of mystery & wearer of crazy shoes is.....

Sophia Slingerland