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29 March - Career Empowerment Program

15 April - Shanghai Elysee gala Dinner

Rotary Club of Shanghai

TUESDAY, March 29, 2022
19:00 - 20:30

ONLINE 1:1 Session with a Rotary Club of Shanghai Mentor (Zoom link will be provided)

COMPLIMENTARY (Limited to 18 Mentees)

DEADLINE to Register is Sunday March 27, 2022

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CAREER EMPOWERMENT PROGRAM MENTORSHIP SESSION

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SHANGHAI ELYSÉE GALA DINNER
上海爱丽舍扶轮社

Rotary Club of Shanghai Elysee

Celebrate and discover the Rotary Club of Shanghai Elysee. All proceeds will go to the club's projects.
庆祝和了解上海爱丽舍扶轮社。所有款项将用于我社所支持的慈善项目。

DATE 日期: 2022.04.15 (周五)
二零二二年四月十五日(星期五)

TIME 时间: 6:30 PM
晚上六时三十分

LOCATION 地点: PEACE HOTEL
和平饭店(南京东路二一零号)

VENUE 会场: PEACE HALL
和平厅

DRESS CODE 着装要求: SHANGHAI 1920
一九二〇年代摩登风格(上海风格)

PRICE 价格: CNY 988 (per person)
每位 人民币 988

QR code for registration

Coming Events

29.03 — CEP @on-line	6:30 - 8:30 pm
05.04 — Fellowship @TBD	6:30 - 8:30 pm
12.04 — Speaker Meeting @Kunlun Hotel	6:30 - 8:30 pm
15.04 — Sh Elysee Gala @Peace Hotel	6:30 - 8:30 pm
19.04 — Speaker Meeting @Kunlun Hotel	6:30 - 8:30 pm

Birthday of the Month: March

01 — Alain Chevassus More	09 — Tiziana Richiardi
07 — Thomas Kucera	19 — Franz Bohnlein

The Four-Way Test 四大考驗 Officers & Directors

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?
2. Is it **fair** to all concerned?
是公平的吗?
3. Will it build **goodwill** and **better friendships**?
是善意并促进友谊吗?
4. Will it be **beneficial** to all concerned?
是对大家有利吗?

- Officers & Directors**
- Rita Malvone – President
 - Naomy Peña – Vice President
 - David Smith – Secretary
 - Christoph Wenner – Treasurer
 - David Smith – President Elect
 - Tracy Hua – Immediate Past President
 - Alexander Hartmann
 - Carlotta Godio
 - Christian Kober
 - Terry Chu

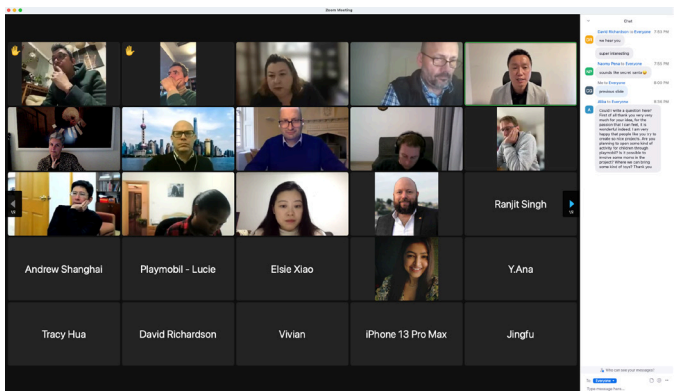
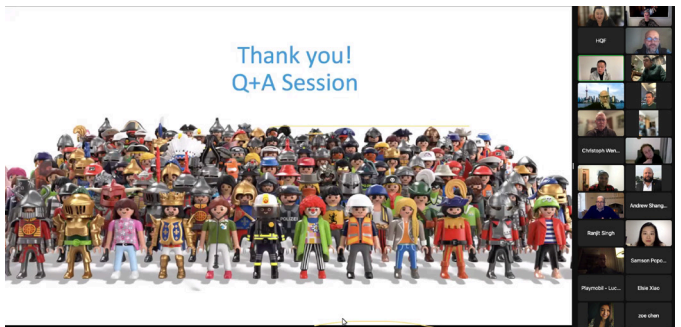
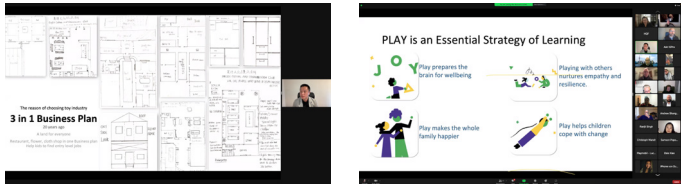
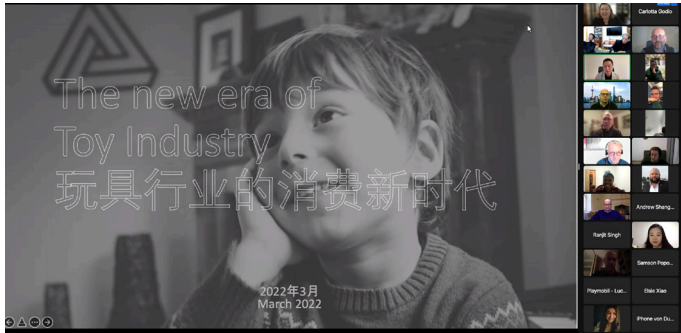
Committees & Chairs

- Club Administration Chair:** David Smith
- Membership Committee:** Terri Lau
- Fellowship Committee:** Tracy Hua
- Service Projects Committee:** Alex Hartmann
- Youth Service Committee:** Naomy Peña
- Rotary Foundation:** Tiziana Richiardi
- Gift of Life (GOL):** Terri Lau
- Sister Clubs:** Motohiro Yamane
- Pagoda:** Carlotta Godio
- Speaker Program:** Christian Kober
- Circle of Centennial Rotary Club:** Terri Lau
- Assitant Governor:** Andrew Hill
- Club Admin:** Vivian Huang

Tuesday, March 22nd, 2022

Dinner Attendance:

Members	23
Visiting Rotarians	00
Guests	25
Total Headcount	48



Highlights from the last speaker meeting

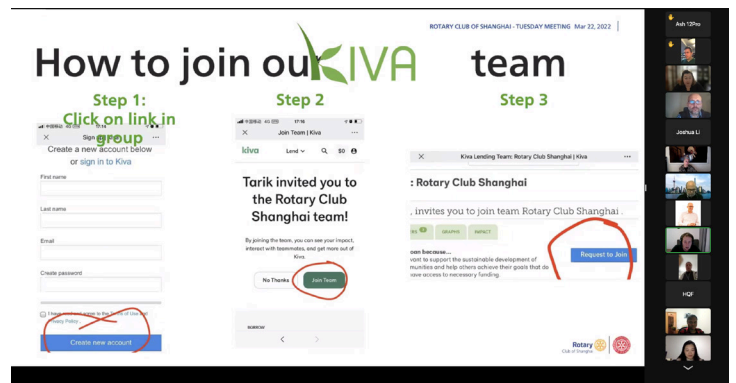
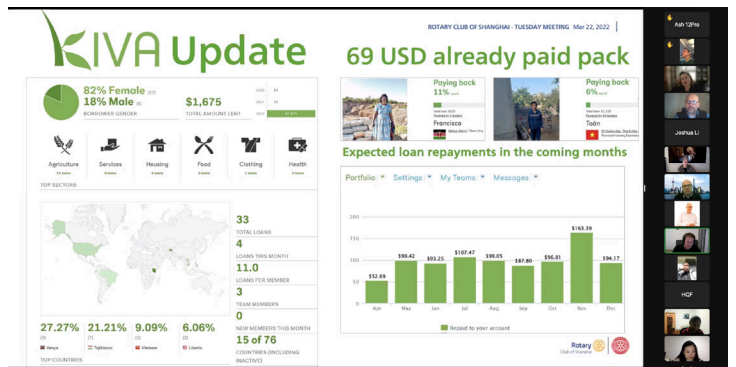
Our meeting began with check-in on our members and friends. President Rita reminded us that our club is fortunate enough to have a variety of coaches willing to listen through this time and that we have each other. We joked about the annoyance of lockdown and recognized that many relished this gifted time to be with family or get the rest we always needed but never took. Experiencing this meeting on a virtual platform is not the same as sharing conversation over dinner, but it is unique because our members outside of China can join us, making it feel more like an online fellowship.

Discussing the new era of the toy industry reminded us of the toys of our youth and piqued our curiosity about the toys of the future. Speaker Joshua Li, Playmobil China GM, introduced us to the corporation by walking us through his childhood, connection to the toy industry, and how Playmobil plans to transition into China. We learned that beyond toys, Playmobil is collaborating with Rotarian Thilo's Inclusion factory to create their Inclusion Cafe, making the fun enjoyable for all. Playmobil also has plans to support our beloved Shanghai Young Bakers, organize a family day, and initiate a toy drive through an environmentally sustainable lens. So much of this corporation aligns with our club's mission and the focus areas around which we design our community engagement.

Following Joshua's speech, we received a heartwarming progress report on Kiva from Rotarian Tarik and updates on our support to Nothilfe, passionately introduced by Rotarian Markus. Rotarian Frank Yih's generously matched our Sad Money collection of the past few weeks, making our donations even more impactful. Additionally, we met a representative from the Power Baseball Angels Academy, more affectionately known as Angels. Their representative Zoe joined after receiving our Christmas dinner and fellowship donations. Vice President Naomi is collaborating with Angels to create a formal project.

We thank everyone who joined us through call, and we hope to see you this week at our second CEP night!

Written by Naomi



1968: Expanding our reach with Rotaract

Happy Anniversary #Rotaract!

The idea for Rotaract emerged in the mid-1960s. As a combination of the words rotary + action, the first Rotaract club was formed at UNCCharlotte, USA on 13 March 1968. Learn more about the history of Rotaract here:

The idea for Rotaract emerged in the mid-1960s, building on the success of Interact, Rotary's service program for young people, which was founded in 1962.



Rotary members were looking for a way to promote Rotary to college students and other young adults who were over the Interact age limit. The answer was Rotaract: a service program for men and women ages 17-25 that would be sponsored by local Rotary clubs. (The age requirement later changed.)

The idea became reality in January 1968 when Rotary approved the Rotaract proposal. Members of the Rotary Club of Charlotte-North, North Carolina, USA, had worked with local university students, and they seized the opportunity to sponsor a Rotaract club. The first Rotaract club was certified by Rotary on 13 March 1968 at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte.

In the weeks that followed, more Rotaract clubs were started in the United States, Mexico, Italy, and India. About a year later, Rotaract boasted more than 200 clubs in over 25 countries and geographic areas.

Early in its second year, Rotaract was featured in a special presentation at the 1969 Rotary International Convention. In a mock courtroom trial designed to explore the question "Is Rotary serving the needs of youth today?" George Lee acted as a witness, giving testimony based on his personal experience as a member of a Rotaract club in the Philippines.

Lee explained to the mock jury that Rotaract clubs serve the community and promote international understanding and goodwill. And that they work with Rotary clubs, but they plan and finance their own service activities. (This remains true of Rotaract today.) Lee's club was working to reduce juvenile delinquency by mentoring local students at risk of dropping out of school. The club members also corresponded with Rotaract members in India, which fostered an international friendship. Rotaract, Lee felt, was accomplishing something worthwhile by providing young people with the experience and training to become leaders.

Today, Rotaract clubs bring together young professionals and students who are committed to service and leadership in their communities and abroad.

Rotaract facts and firsts:

The name "Rotaract" is a blend of the words "Rotary" and "action."

The unofficial Rotaract motto is Fellowship Through Service.

Interota is the only Board-recognized triennial Rotaract conference. It's been hosted in various cities worldwide every three years since the first one in Vanderbijlpark, South Africa, in 1981.

The first Rotaract Preconvention was held in conjunction with the 1989 Rotary International Convention in Seoul, Korea.

World Rotaract Week was first observed in March 1993.

Rotary's 2016 Council on Legislation gave Rotary clubs greater flexibility in the types of membership they offer, including allowing dual membership in Rotary and Rotaract clubs.

Rotary's 2019 Council on Legislation amended the RI Constitution to recognize Rotaract as a membership type in Rotary.



Interact club of Shanghai Shangde Experimental School

Since our last encounter at Interact night last November, our club has remained actively involved in our many projects. We want to share our long-term engagements, namely supporting Shanghai Young Bakers, organizing Run in SSES, and sharing awareness of Madaifu.

On September 5th, our club visited the Shanghai Young Bakers' base to learn how to make apple pie and cake. SYB is a charity program that provides free French-baking training to marginalized Chinese youth aged 17 to 23. We collaborated with SYB before, but this baking experience allowed us to learn from the bakers. They taught us how to use a kitchen and techniques for our upcoming Madaifu activity. We enjoyed conversing about the bakers' goals after graduation and reflecting on our futures. Our desserts were delicious, and we would love to make this an annual experience that connects us.



Organized by the Rotaract Club Of Shanghai since 2014, Run In Blue is an Annual 5km Fun Run supporting children's health. We were excited about hosting this run at our school again because it would support Rotaract and RCS through the GOL project. Unfortunately, due to the ongoing epidemic, Run in Blue 2021 could not be held in SSES. Still, our Interact club received and packed the runner's kits, and we took on the challenge of hosting an internal fun run - Run in SSES! We could only host 50 participants, but we had a great time with quizzes and family.



After our baking lesson at SYB, we purchased six boxes of apples from Madaifu in December. We used them to make a simple sweet treat and fresh apple juice, which we sold to teachers and students. We engaged volunteers who later applied to be members! We also highlighted the significance of Madaifu as a way of helping kids like us during the sale process. We used the earnings to purchase winter gloves for the children of Madaifu as a New Year gift.



Also in December, our club and the rest of our Student Leadership Initiative had an eye-opening session with Rotarian Tilman Rieger. He introduced us to Transactional analysis, a tool used to improve communication. As young leaders, we discovered how challenging it is to communicate effectively when you don't consider others. We look forward to more sessions with Rotarian Tilman, and with Rotarian Rita, who spoke to some of us about leadership and management last year.



Overall, we are proud of the financial contributions we have made. Still, the real value for us has been finding out how our interests and subjects, and the training RCS provides can better prepare us to help our community.

Interact Club of Dulwich College, Pudong



During our August to December tenure, Dulwich College Shanghai Pudong Interact team was able to work on, and complete a wide variety of projects. We held our One Voice conference in September 2021 which is a 2 day conference where we invite students from other schools to learn about discuss topics relating to UN SDGs. The themes were:

1. Animal Life/Rights – Challenge: How can our actions better support human life?
2. Diversity – Challenge: How can we bring about a better world of inclusivity and understanding?



We also continued to put out our weekly “GC journal” to the community to educate on a different global issue each edition. We also held workshops during “Sustainable November” including a Clothes Swap, animal origami and sustainable deodorant making to inform students on how they can be sustainable in their everyday lives. We were also able to collaborate and raise funds for Shanghai Young Bakers, through connecting with Rotary members, at our Winter Concert in December and during some Senior School breaks.



Interact club of Shanghai American School Puxi

The Interact team of Shanghai American School Puxi, under rather straining circumstances, has struggled to uphold the values of service established by both Rotary and the Service Committee of SAS. COVID cases have never been more prevalent, and as a student-led organization, we were and still are governed under school-established pandemic regulations. Hence, it has presented significant limitations in the decisions we were allowed to make as a service club.

Though we were unable to host offline events that aim to stimulate a direct difference, there was a multitude of options we could still choose from that would bring forth greater difference for the better. SAS Interact, therefore, launched a new project that revolves around an often unilluminated area of service — service learning.

Service Learning is an educational approach in which students are taught the ways of combining community service and their lives outside the classroom, in order to provide a societal basis for future progressive activism. The SAS Interact Team concluded that it was critical to give teenagers an opportunity to explore the possibilities of service and clarify what we can achieve with a little bit of active awareness.

While writing newsletter articles that center around such themes was an effective approach, we sought ways to more directly get in touch with the rest of the school. We needed a physical location, best if frequented by students, and some display space available for use. The library, the treasure house of unacquainted knowledge, was a perfect candidate.

The Librarian, Mr. Duvoisin, delightfully accepted our proposition. We immediately worked in tandem with the library faculty to create a list of books that students may find some inspiration in. The list of books includes: Born A Crime: Stories from a South African Childhood by Trevor Noah, Youth to Power by Jamie Margolin, and I am Malala by Malala Yousafzai. These books are planned to be on display as soon as Mr. Duvoisin returns. The SAS Interact has also organized a team of designers to design some visuals that will also go with the list of recommended books, hopefully attracting a greater number of passers-by. Furthermore, we have created a website that accumulates a variety of resources one can utilize to learn the values of service — an easily accessible QR-code will be placed right next to the shelf to facilitate research and participation.

Next, the SAS Interact club will attempt to expand our boundaries, and collaborate with other service clubs to more readily achieve our goal to promote service and service-learning.

