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Service Above Self

One Profits Most Who Serves Best

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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:

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?

STAY AT HOME

prepare and prevent
rather than repair and repent



**KEEP YOURSELF SAFE
PROTECT OUR PLANET AGAINST COVID-19**

No Meeting on Tuesday

Message from the Chair of service project committee



At RCS, we believe that financial constraints should not hinder education. We proudly support You Dao Foundation for migrant primary school children, Shanghai Sunrise for underprivileged high potential secondary school students, and Shanghai Young Bakers, a trade school to give skills

to countryside teens not destined for university.

Reach out to RCS Service Chair for more details.

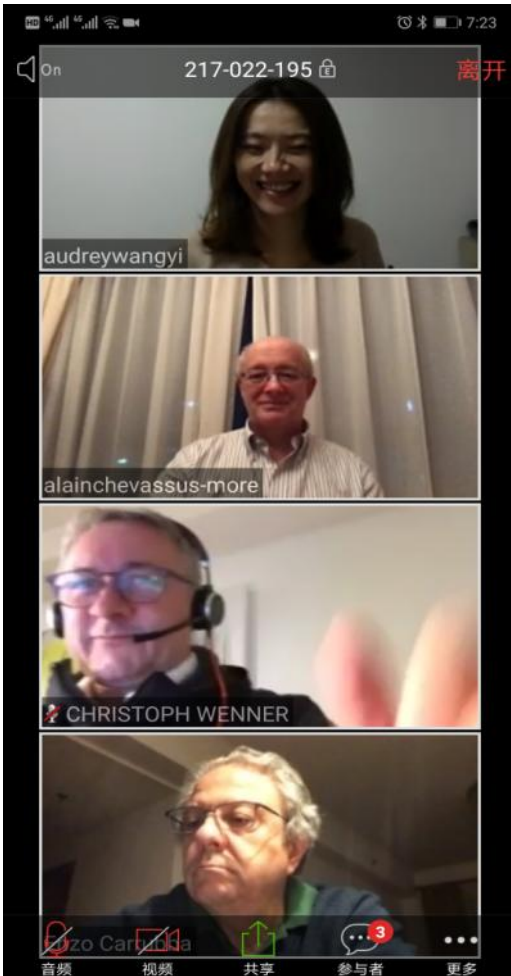
Highlights from the last Meeting



A web club reports meeting was held as scheduled for Tuesday evening, with 16 members attending. Although due to the zoom time limit, the meeting had two breaks and even President Terri dropped once, it was a fruitful meeting with club reports presented by individual committee chair or representative.

President Terri chaired the meeting and invited PE Tracy to lead the 4-way test. Followed we had the latest reports ytd March 2020 on Service Projects (by Rita), GOL update & Centennial Party actual (by Terri), Admin and PR update (Tracy), Membership actions (by Sophia), Youth Service status (Terri on Naomi's behalf), and a financial update (by Christoph).

Total happy money raised was up to RMB 1200.



Quarantine & home office diary

Dear Diary, this is my fifth day in home quarantine.

- 6:00 Rise and shine
- 6:15 Indoor biking again. Multitasking: biking, watching Covid-19 news, funny videos on Youtube
- 7:00 Shower. Why shave? Shaving is for wimps. I think there is something wrong with the mirror. Or is that pale and flabby thing really me?
- 7:30 Breakfast. We forgot to stockpile Nutella, it seems. Fight with wife.
- 8:00 Brush teeth. Shave? No, can wait for another day. On the same note – who needs ironed clothes anyway?
- 8:20 Off to work. Wait, better not step out. Home office!!!
- 8:30 947 new emails. It seems that when colleagues are in home office they write more.
- 8:57 Forwarded 936 emails. Answered the rest.
- 9:00 First conference call. Does one need to wear a mask when conference calling? Interesting the interior design of my colleagues homes. Some do not realize that today webcams have quite a high resolution. If I were our SVP, I would not have kept a book on the background shelf: “50 ways to better sex”.
Also clearly standards are going down the drain. Is that a pajama our CFO is wearing?
- 9:45 Coffee break. Check on WeChat – wow, 322 new messages, of these 121 from Rotary and Rotaract groups. In total 23 lengthy pdfs, 41 questionable visual jokes and 13 encouraging videos, underlined with sentimental music.
- 10:30 Finished coffee break. Start working on powerpoint: “Sales report Feb. 2020”. Is it ok if I just put a big “Zero” on each page?
- 10:45 Outside it seems to be a nice day
- 11:00 Maybe I should remove all junk from my room.
- 11:05 Realize I did already remove all the junk from my room yesterday. Well, a second time is better than just one time.
- 11:30 I wonder if I can hit the waste paper basket with a paper clip from one meter distance?
- 11:45 I am good. A paperclip hatrick. Maybe can qualify for the NBA?
- 12:00 Lunch – not again instant noodles.....
- 12:30 Why is lunch already over?
- 13:00 Home office
- 13:15 How did one exactly make this good paper plane in school?
- 14:00 I am bored. Maybe I should go downstairs fight with the wife?
- 14:30 What is the meaning of “Business casual” in the time of video conferencing? Is underwear too “casual”? Is white sunscreen on the chest plus a red tie drawn with lipstick already “Business casual”?
- 14:45 When does early evening start? Is this already the right time for a beer?
- 15:15 Coffee break
- 15:30 Kid complains about boredom. I tell him that there is no such things as boredom. Intelligent people can always find ways to keep themselves active.
- 16:00 World Championship in “Minesweeper” seems to be within reach.
- 16:15 Last phone conference of the day. 30 minutes talk about the virus, 15 minutes about business.
- 17:00 I keep my skype status on green. Outside the weather is nice
- 17:30 Dinner

By Christian Kober



Club Information



Terri Lau – President

2019-20 Presidential Theme: Connect for good causes

By RCS President Terri Lau Rotary provides the platform for a group of like-minded professionals, scholars, entrepreneurs, leaders in their own field to meet and to serve the community. Through the service projects we take the action to raise awareness to make changes, to provide service to others.

As a member of the non-districted group of 27 Rotary clubs, 10 Rotaract, 18 Interact clubs and a RCC in Mainland China today, I believe it's the perfect time to connect within our Rotary family. The joint talents and effort will benefit all parties for the good cause. I invite all members to take an active role, to participate in club meetings and activities. Three key words to define an active Rotarian in my interpretation: **Meet! Connect! Serve!**

Last but not the least: **We Celebrate!** Rotary year 2019-20 is a special year for RCS when RCS was first chartered on October 1, 1919. Only a few clubs have been chartered before. A hundred years later, RCS has become a club that connects for the good cause. Celebrate with us this very special anniversary.

Basic Info of our Club

First chartered on 1 October **1919**
Rechartered on 8 February **2006**
Number of active Members – **60**

"Gift of Life"

Heart Surgery

Project

GOL provides life-saving operations their family cannot afford. Over 600 children with congenital heart defects have been saved under the programs executed by the Rotary Club of

Contacts & Meetings

The club meeting is a dinner meeting (by invitation only). Tuesday 18:30 cocktails, 19:00-20:30 dinner

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Terri Lau – **President/RCS Centennial Anniversary**

Tiziana Richiardi – **Vice President**

Ludovic Antérieur – **Secretary**

Christoph Wenner – **Treasurer**

Tracy Hua – **President Elect**

Linnet Kwok – **IPP**

Samuel Tung

Thilo Köppe

Diane Russell

Sophia Slingerland

Alejandro Burial Rocha

Committees & Directors

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Membership and Fellowship Committee:

Sophia Slingerland and Thilo Köppe

Service Projects Committee: Rita Malvone

Youth Service Committee: Naomy Peña

Rotary Foundation /KBD Project: Michel De Vriendt

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Christian Kober

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