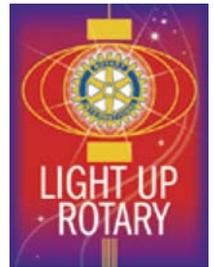




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## Providing water to Tibetan villages

Guest Speaker Tamdin Wangdu



Mr. Wangdu is humanitarian and avid traveler. Born in Sichuan, he grew up in the Tibetan Autonomous Region (TAR). He went to the US in 1994 where he worked in various positions to support his studies. After graduating from the business school of Boulder, Colorado, he worked in consulting at Accenture and also with several organizations involved in economic support for developing countries.

Wangdu started the Tibetan Village Project (TVP) in 2001. The first target was the construction of a hospital in the village in which his father had passed away, in order to save other lives there. Since then, TVP has worked together with local governments and communities, building clinics, hospitals, greenhouses, drinking water systems and schools. As TVP expanded, Wangdu realized that that his humanitarian vision requires a sustainable revenue model to keep on going and scale its impact.

Therefore in the last few years Wangdu has focused on developing social enterprises by connecting artisans with markets, promoting community based tourism and providing business consultancy. Most recently, Wangdu has joined "Conscious Impact", a small social enterprise fund that invests in scalable social enterprises in China.

Wangdu describes himself as an "international local" as he loves to travel and lives in two countries, the US and China. He will go wherever his entrepreneurial endeavours will take him. Wangdu will speak at our club about his life and the TVP project, especially about two water projects in the Tibetan part of Sichuan, funded by TVP, 'Conscious Impact' and the Rotary Club of Shanghai.

## The Four-Way Test 四大考验

Of the things we think, say or do:

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?

## Announcement: New Chair of PR Committee

Michel De Vriendt will take over the chair of the PR committee from this week onwards. There are still two openings in the PR committee. One responsible for managing the RCS website and a second one with responsibility for managing press relations, service updates and project reports. If you are interested, contact Michel directly.

## Breaking News

As of January 16th  
the Fresh Start Rotary Club of Shanghai  
is officially chartered.  
Congratulations!



## UPCOMING PROGRAMME

Date	Speaker / Event	Topic/Meeting Style
27 January 2015	TBA	Dinner in Jing An Hilton
3 February 2015	Fellowship	Dinner in Jing An Hilton
10 February 2015	First Aid Course	Dinner in Jing An Hilton
17 February 2015	TBA	Dinner in Jing An Hilton

## Last Meeting Highlights :

13 Jan 2015

### Present at the Meeting

Visiting Rotarians: 4

Sally E Bellmaine	RC Bali Seminyak	Indonesia
Charles Cheng	RC HK Island West	Hong Kong
Russell Brown	RC Beijing	China
Martin Schneider	RC Kusnacht-Zurich	Switzerland

Members: 26, Rotaracts: 0, Interacts: 0, Guests: 9

Contributions raised: Rmb 4,855 ( 1,214 Rmb/table )

31<sup>st</sup> in the Royal Meridien Hotel on Nanjing Lu. Be there at 7:15 (see also p5 for more information).

The meeting was concluded with a toast to the new Rotary Clubs in China.

Under the guidance of President Frank we enjoyed our second fellowship of 2015. As so often, our effective sergeant at arms, Sam Tung, supported by able and affable Roger, managed to raise funds for our many projects by successfully auctioning of tasty cherries from Chile and blueberries (donated by David). Frank, who made the winning bid for the cherries, shared them with the grateful members. Other auction items included embroideries and a bottle of wine donated by Frank.

Due to the club assembly at 8:00 there were no special committee reports or presentations, though we were reminded that the SCIS-HQ Interact Club will hold a carpet auction for the benefit of the Will Foundation on January 31<sup>st</sup> in the Royal Meridien Hotel on Nanjing Lu. Be there at 7:15 (see also p5 for more information).

### Highlights from the Club Assembly

After conclusion of the fellowship the club continued with a general assembly. As President Frank pointed out, this 'mid-year' assembly is meant to give the club an opportunity to review our progress towards the Club's goals and to determine our plans for the second half of the year. A few key messages were as follows:

**Treasury (Anthony):** Currently >1.5mio RMB in cash of which 0.75mio RMB are reserve. There is a budget of 0.55mio RMB for service projects this years.

**Administration (Dean):** There is a strong need for guest speakers and all members are asked to actively look out for interesting speakers.

**Attendance (Moto):** Moto introduced the half-yearly attendance record. The board has decided to follow up with members having low attendance without good cause. If no improvement can be made during the coming half year, membership will not be renewed in July.

**Service Projects (Michel):** All projects and status were introduced.

**Rotry China (Randal):** Randal reported on the ongoing club expansion projects in China in response to RI President Gary Huang's challenge. Overall there is visible progress, though it will remain a challenge to meet the ambitious targets.

The assembly was concluded at 9:00pm.



## Club Information

Club No. 60725, District 0052

### Officers

**Frank Yih** - President  
**Dean Merritt** - President Elect/  
 Club Service and Admin  
**Patrick Tissier** - Vice President/  
 The Rotary Foundation  
**Motohiro Yamane** - Hon. Secretary/  
 Club Service and Admin (deputy)

**Anthony Aucutt** - Treasurer  
**Tom Kane** - Immediate Past President

### Basic Info of our Club

First chartered on 1 October 1919, re-chartered on 8 February 2006  
 Number of active members - 92  
 Number of honorary members - 8  
 Average age - 45  
 Nationalities - 23  
 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 Edith Du at [RSVP@rotaryshanghai.org](mailto:RSVP@rotaryshanghai.org), +86 18801624833

### Committees and Directors

**Club Administration Committee**  
 1st Tuesday of each month, 17:30  
 Chair: Dean Merritt [deanm@mdmlevel.com](mailto:deanm@mdmlevel.com)  
 Deputy Chair: Motohiro Yamane [yamane@tmish.com](mailto:yamane@tmish.com)

**Membership Committee**  
 3rd Tuesday of each month, 17:00  
 Chair: TBD

**Public Relations Committee**  
 1st Tuesday of each month, 17:00  
 Chair: Michel De Vriendt  
[michel.devriendt@premiumfinance-group.com](mailto:michel.devriendt@premiumfinance-group.com)

**Community and International Service Committee**  
 1st Tuesday of each month, 17:00  
 Chair: Terry Chu [terrychu\\_prn@msn.com](mailto:terrychu_prn@msn.com)  
 Deputy Chair: Sylvain Parpaite [sparpaite@gmail.com](mailto:sparpaite@gmail.com)

**Youth service committee**  
 Last Tuesday of each month, 17:00  
 Chair: Nikola Urosevic [nikola.urosevic@gmail.com](mailto:nikola.urosevic@gmail.com)

**Rotary Leadership Award Committee**  
 Chair: Tara Strunk [Tara.Strunk@grace.com](mailto:Tara.Strunk@grace.com)

**The Rotary Foundation Committee**  
 Chair: Patrick.tissier [pt@tca-services.com](mailto:pt@tca-services.com)

For more information, please visit [www.rotaryshanghai.org](http://www.rotaryshanghai.org)

Provisional Club Pudong (Lujiuzui)  
 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](mailto:bscottsq@hotmail.com)

Fresh Start Rotary Club of Shanghai  
 Friday, 7:30-8:30 am  
 Official Charter Date: January 15, 2015  
 Location: Element Fresh, Jing An Kerry Center

位置: 新元素静安嘉里中心店

Address: No.1551 Nan Jing Xi Lu, Shanghai

地址: 南京西路1551号

If you would like to attend Fresh Start, please contact Mr. Gary Permenter  
 Email: [gary.permenter@gmail.com](mailto:gary.permenter@gmail.com)



## Invitation

### Rotary field trip to “Taicang Handicapped Workshop” on Friday, 13 February 2015

(free transportation from Shanghai to Taicang and return by bus)

Our project “Taicang Handicapped Workshop” has been constantly progressing. By the end of January the construction of the workshop will be completed and the first group of employees will move into the brand new facilities. The workshop site meets German quality requirements and provides a state-of-the-art and safe training & working environment.

*“Social & economic inclusion  
of (mentally) handicapped workers”*

During the field trip we would like to present you with the opportunity to obtain a closer look behind the scenes of the project and to give you an introduction to Taicang, a city providing the perfect infrastructure for such a landmark project.



### 德国培训师 向残疾人传授技能

图为维罗妮卡向员工讲解技术操作步骤。 记者 计海新 摄

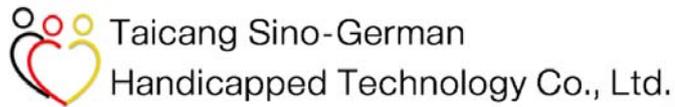
本报讯（记者 戴周华）一个多月以来，维罗妮卡和她的中国助手李敏一直在市残联二楼的培训室内，手把手教残疾学员手工制作技能。维罗妮卡告诉记者，这已经是第二批学员了，上一批培训效果很好，学员们做的产品通过了工厂检验。

维罗妮卡是一位已经退休的德国人，此前她在德国从事残疾人劳动技能培训超过15年。她是受太仓欧商协会邀请来太仓培训残疾学员的。太仓欧商协会正在筹备太仓中德善美实业有限公司，这家公司被定位为“非营利性残疾人工厂”。

当天正在接受培训的8名残疾学员，有的在练习穿套管，有的在练习压端子，还有的正按照要求剪出长短不一的电缆线……看似简单的操作，这些学员完成起来却不是那么容易。

在市残联的帮助下，共有34位残疾学员分四批接受培训，其中的10人将成为中德善美公司第一批员工。

RSVP by January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2015 latest!



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## Agenda

### Friday, February 13, 2015

- 12:00 Bus pick-up from Shanghai Hilton, Hua Shan Lu
- 13:00 Visit to the Taicang Handicapped Workshop
- 14:00 Presentation on Taicang development by the City Mayor
- 15:00 Coffee & Factory Tour (e.g. Schaeffler or Trumpf)
- 17:00 Departure back to Shanghai

To sign up for the event, please contact Marianne Kropf, Taicang Roundtable:  
([Marianne.kropf@taicang-roundtable.com](mailto:Marianne.kropf@taicang-roundtable.com))

RSVP as soon as possible but latest by Wednesday, 21 January as we require sufficient preparation time for the factory tour.

Thanks and looking forward to seeing you on the trip,

*Natalie, Kerry & Thilo*

SCIS PAFA and Eastern Carpets  
*Presents:*  
Carpets, Cocktails and Dancing

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You

Date: Saturday, January 31, 2015

Time: 6:30<sub>pm</sub> until 11:30<sub>pm</sub>

Where: Le Royal Meridien Hotel  
789 Nanjing Dong Lu

Come and join us for an evening of Entertainment supporting SCIS Interact Club - a division of the Rotary Club. This year, the Interact Club will be working with the Will Foundation to support Chong Ming Island Orphanage, a local orphanage dedicated to serving needy children of the area.

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*Cocktails, Appetizers and Carpet Pre-view will start at 6:30. Live and Entertaining bidding starts at 7:15. Dancing will start upon conclusion of the auction!!*



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