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A+Game Shanghai and Autism Awareness Month *by Nikki Lindgren*

April is internationally recognized as Autism Awareness Month. And in 2016, on the 8th anniversary of Global Autism Awareness Day, a unique community-wide engagement project “A+Game Shanghai” is coming to Shanghai, supported by Shanghai’s Rotary, Rotaract and Interact clubs. During 2016 and 2017, AGame’s focus is on Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) awareness during April, uniting Shanghai’s local and international schools, its corporations and social organizations in various awareness activities.

Poverty in vast rural areas and lack of quality educators are two major challenges to special needs in China, as most families cannot afford specialized services for their children with disabilities, and there are few and low quality schools and educators for children with disabilities (Pang & Richey, International Journal of Special Education, Vol 21 No. 1, 2006). In response to this, a project was developed to help Chinese parents and teachers in special education: A+GAME Shanghai, or A+行动. Sales from a blue and navy striped A+Ware sleeve (sponsored by Gap) will make this happen! The idea behind A+GAME came two years ago, and the goal was to create an awareness campaign as never done before, helping people of all ages. The desire was to connect the Shanghai community in a unique activity to help a vulnerable population, to create activities where people of all ages could contribute and which included sports activities. AGame is designed to be provide a platform for harnessing the community’s talents and passion while providing the freedom to choose how, when and where to engage, and putting this energy to a good cause. This year is its first launch in Shanghai, and the hope is the community’s enthusiasm can spread across China in the years that follow. Current key supporters are Xiersen, the Shanghai Pudong Special Needs School, XingXi, GCL, The Essential Learning Group, Gap, Deckers, Shanghai Town and Country Community (STCC) and NYU Shanghai.

“A Game” is an expression representing bringing your best, your “a game.” “A” is for awareness and action (mind/body). The “+” represents giving; people coming together in a fun, positive and supportive environment. A+ is the best grade you can receive in school. Putting it all together, it’s hoped that “A+Game” becomes something fun, challenging, strategic, collaborative and engaging for Shanghai’s citizens, showcasing the city’s ability to unite for an important cause.

Ways to participate include:

- Selling A+Ware sleeves
- Wearing A+Ware sleeves
- Changing your WeChat ID to a photo with AWARE sleeves
- Taking fun photos with AWARE and posting them on the official AWARE website: <http://www.asd-family.cn>
- Joining Shanghai International Autism Awareness Day
- Joining the Run in Blue activity on April 9th.
- Writing about autism from your own experience or research.
- Joining visits to special education centers in Shanghai.
- Visiting companies and organizations to spread the awareness by presenting your experiences.



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 Fú 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?

Date	Topic/Speaker	Venue/Time
March 29 th	General Assembly	Marriott City Center, 19:00
April 5 th	Are you 'Mobile Connected', Rtn. Isabel Wiedenroth	Marriott City Center, 19:00
April 12 th	"Fitness as we age", Dr. Yong Lee	Marriott City Center, 19:00
April 19 th	"Saving the World from Plastic Waste", Danny Stoetzer	Marriott City Center, 19:00

March 22nd, 2016

Highlights from the last meeting

Jonathan Ensslen	RC Fresh Start	China
Markus Lechtermann	RC Dubai	UAE
Richard Fang	H. member RCS	China
Audrey Wang	H. member RCS	China
Anthony Aucutt	RC PD Lujiazui	China
Prof. Frank Hoffman	RC Philadelphia	USA
Hongmei Liu	RC Philadelphia	USA

The last meeting was a fellowship meeting. The high number of Rotarians and guests underlines how popular these meetings are. This time the venue was the Swissotel, namely 'Moon', their steak bar.

There was a lot of fellowship and discussion ongoing, though obviously no major announcement. Only grain of salt in the otherwise nice event was the rather slow service from the Swissotel who were obviously overwhelmed by the number of Rotarians and guests.

Members: 26, Visiting Rotarians: 7, Guests: 12, total : 45; Happy money: 480 RMB



Lively discussion (and notice Roger with the stylish hat)



Honorary Member Audrey and President Dean



Sam and CM



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Club Information

Officers & Boardmembers

- Dean Merritt – President
- Andrew Hill – President Elect/Club Admin
- Terri Lau – Vice President
- Linnet Kwok – Hon. Secretary
- Yvon Russon - Treasurer
- Tiffany Storey
- Alejandro Buriel Rocha
- Thilo Koepp
- Marjorie Woo
- Frank Yih (IPP)
- Michel de Vriendt
- Alexandra Taulin (Membership)

Basic Info of our Club

First chartered on 1 October 1919, re-chartered on 8 February 2006
 Number of active members – 78
 Number of honorary members – 6

Contacts

The club meeting is a dinner meeting every Tuesday at Marriott City Center Shanghai

西藏中路555号No. 555 Middle Xizang Rd
 (18:30 cocktails, 19:00-20:30 dinner)

Contact the club administrator Vivian Huang at RSPV@rotaryshanghai.org, +86 13501672753

Committees and Directors

- Club Administration Committee**
1st Tuesday of each month, 17:30
Chair: Andrew Hill rotary1617@hotmail.com
- Membership Committee / PR Committee**
2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month, 17:30, dining room
Chair: Alexandra Taulin alexandra.taulin@yahoo.fr
- Community and International Service Committee**
1st Tuesday of each month, 17:00
Chair: Alejandro Buriel Rocha
alejandroburiel@smlchinaconsult.com
- Youth service committee**
Last Tuesday of each month, 17:00
Chair: Motohiro Yamane yamane@tmish.com
- Rotary Leadership Award**
Committee Chair: OPEN
- The Rotary Foundation Committee**
Chair: David Smith dave@smithorchards.com
- Percy Chu Awards**
Chair: Marjory Woo marjorie.woo@lmi-china.com

For more information, please visit www.rotarshanghai.org

Rotary Club of Shanghai West
 Wednesday, 18:30-20:30
 Location: Shanghai Pullman Hotel
 位置: 上海中星铂爾曼酒店
 Address: No. 1 Pubei Road, Xuhui District, Shanghai
 上海徐汇区浦北路1号
 For more information please contact President Richard Zi
 Email: zishanghai@hotmail.com

Rotary Club of Shanghai Pudong Lujiazui
 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
 1199 Yingchun Rd. (close to Fangdian Rd.)
 地址: 迎春路1199号 (靠近芳甸路)
 If you would like to attend Rotary Pudong Meeting
 Please contact President Patrick Hopkins
 Email: pjhopki@gmail.com

Fresh Start Rotary Club of Shanghai
 Friday, 7:45-9:00 am
 Location: 2nd floor, Element Fresh, Jing An Kerry Center
 位置: 新元素静安嘉里中心店二楼
 Address : No.1551 Nan Jing Xi Lu ,shanghai
 地址: 南京西路1551号
 For more information about Fresh Start and for anyone interested to attend, please visit <http://freshstartrotaryshanghai.org/>