



GOVERNOR'S MONTHLY LETTER

District 3450, Rotary International
國際扶輪第三四五〇地區



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District Governor 1999-2000

Act With Consistency Credibility Continuity

持恆、持守、持續的行動

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AUGUST 1999-MEMBERSHIP & EXTENSION MONTH 八月——扶輪社及社員增展月

Dear Rotary Leaders, My Presidents 2000,

Membership development and retention is one of the most important aspect of our Rotary year. Our organization like most service organizations is facing a crucial challenge as membership continues to drop. As of July 1st 1999 the preliminary count shows our District with approximately 1700 members. This represents a drop of almost 90 members as compared to July 1st 1998. This is also the second year in a row where our membership numbers have experienced a drop.

From the discussions I have had with many of you it is clear that this problem of membership is foremost on your mind. It is to this end we have scheduled on Friday, August 27th 1999 an Intercity Meeting dedicated to Membership Development and Retention. We have invited Past R.I. Director and Rotary Foundation Trustee Richard King to be the Key Note speaker for this meeting. Anyone who has heard Rick speak before is aware of his motivational skills especially on the subject of Membership Development. During this meeting there will also be a panel discussion which will allow us to examine all the difficult aspects of this subject.

It is important that we get full District wide participation so that we can maximize our efforts to turn this drop of membership trend around. Please mark your calendar and encourage all your members to attend. A similar Intercity meeting will also be held on Thursday, August 26th in Macau for our members there.

During PETS I have distributed to each one of you information on the 1999-2000 Presidential Citation. I have taken the liberty to re-print this here in both English and Chinese for your immediate reference. When you have gone through this you will find that it is not difficult to achieve the required criteria to get this Citation. Your club should make an effort to accomplish this and please also bear in mind the deadline of April 1 2000.

Our Rotary Foundation Seminar has been scheduled for Saturday, September 18th 1999. I am glad to inform you that the Rotary Club of New Territories has agreed to be the Host Club for this event. More Details will follow in due course in the meantime please do not forget to inform your members to mark their calendar.

As I write this message I have already started my official visit to our clubs. It is indeed encouraging to see the dedication and enthusiasm demonstrated by all that I have met so far. It is clear that our theme **Rotary 2000: Act with credibility, consistency, continuity** is foremost in our minds as we take up this challenge of leadership.

Yours in Rotary,

Dipu C. Sani

親愛的扶輪領袖、扶輪2000年的社長：

如何吸收新社員和留住現職社員，是本年度的最重要任務。我們這個大家庭，仿似其他多個服務組織的命運，正在面對社員人數不斷下降的威脅。1999年7月1日的數字顯示，本地區的社員人數約為1,700名，相對於1998年7月1日，大概流失了90名社員，這已經是第二個年度社員人數再度下滑。

我曾經多次和大家交換意見，事實非常明顯，增展社員是我們首先要處理的問題。因此，我們決定於1999年8月27日(星期五)舉行一個埠際會議，共同探討“如何吸收新社員和留住現職社員”的方案。我們邀請了國際扶輪前理事暨現任扶輪基金信託人 Richard KING 擔任大會的主講嘉賓。以前曾經出席過 Richard KING 演講會的人都知道，他的演說充滿魅力，尤其是針對社員發展方面。大會當中，我們會撥出討論座談會的時間，好讓大家共同剖視問題的徵結。

如何能夠解決社員人數下跌的趨勢，全區全民全力去行動，才可以發揮最大的能量。因此，請在你的行事曆記下這個重要的日子，並要求所有社員出席參加。相同的會議，亦已定於8月26日(星期四)在澳門舉行，好讓澳門的社員們一同分享。

在社長當選人訓練研習會(PETS)的時候，我曾經向大家分發了「1999-2000年度社長獎」的簡介。現在，我再以中、英文刊登於本期的通訊內，請大家參閱。當你審視各項的要求後，相信絕對不會把你難倒，請你社盡力爭取這份榮譽。記著：最後限期是2000年4月1日。

扶輪基金研討會已定於1999年9月18日(星期六)舉行。我以歡欣的心情告訴大家，新界社已應允擔任大會的地主社。詳情將於稍後公佈，記得通知所有社員，先將這活動記錄在行事曆上。

當我撰寫這份通訊時，我已展開公式訪問所有扶輪社。訪問過程中，親眼目睹大家在服務行列上的積極和投入，我實在感到非常鼓舞。非常清晰地，當我們願意肩負起扶輪領袖這個任務時，浮現在腦海中的第一條，就是今年的主題：**扶輪2000年：持恆、持守、持續的行動。**

你的服務夥伴



辛迪宝



ROTARY 2000: ACT WITH
CONSISTENCY, CREDIBILITY,
CONTINUITY

扶輪 2000 年:
持續・持守・
持續的行動

ROTARY 2000: HANDEL MET
KOERSVASTHEID,
GELOOFWAARDIGHEID
EN CONTINUÏTEIT

ROTARY 2000: TOIMI
JOKDONMUKAISESTI,
USKOTTAVASTI JA
PITKÄJÄNTEISESTI

ROTARY 2000:
AGIS AVEC COHÉRENCE,
CRÉDIBILITÉ,
CONTINUITÉ

ROTARY 2000: HANDLE MET
KONSEQUENZ,
GLAUBWÜRDIGKEIT,
KONTINUITÄT

ROTARY 2000: AGISCI CON
COERENZA, CREDIBILITÀ,
CONTINUITÀ

ロータリー 2000:
活動は一貫実、
信望、持続

로타리 2000:
한결같은 믿음으로
꾸준히 봉사하자

ROTARY 2000: AJA COM
COERÊNCIA, CONFIANÇA,
CONTINUIDADE

ROTARY 2000: ACTÚE CON
COHERENCIA,
CREDIBILIDAD,
CONTINUIDAD

ROTARY 2000: HANDLA
MED KONSEKVEN,
TROVÄRDIGHET OCH
UTHÅLLIGHET

ROTARY 2000



Rotary International

1999-2000 Presidential Citation



Carlo Ravizza
RI President 1999-2000

Dear club presidents:

Throughout history the turn of the century is marked with an increase in innovation and an unmistakable drive that propels people to reevaluate the course of human history. As Rotarians, we accept the challenge of the new millennium with renewed commitment to our past ideals and our future visions. We move forward armed with the knowledge of our past and a belief in our ideals. A firm commitment to service and ethical practices is our standard. As we continue to uphold that standard, we must identify our future goals without discarding the valuable lessons of the past.

The success of our organization in the next century will ultimately be shaped by the extent to which our membership, the 1.2 million Rotarians in 159 countries around the world, participate in the activities of the association: its service projects, the administration of its clubs and districts, and the decision-making process by which the structure and direction of Rotary is determined.

With that progressive spirit, I offer the 1999-2000 Presidential Citation as a challenge to every member of your club to achieve a full understanding of what it means to be a Rotarian. The active participation of all our members ensures that Rotary will grow and prosper into the 21st century.

I ask that your club **complete eight (8) or more of the activities listed on the reverse of this letter**. The activities must be completed between 1 July 1999 and 1 April 2000. Once your club has met this challenge, please complete the Certification Form, and submit it to your district governor. Your district governor must forward the signed form to RI **no later than 15 April 2000**.

By participating in this Presidential program, your club acknowledges the importance of building on success while planning for change. I look forward to recognizing your club with the 1999-2000 Presidential Citation.

ROTARY 2000: ACT WITH CONSISTENCY, CREDIBILITY, CONTINUITY

Sincerely,

Carlo Ravizza
RI President 1999-2000

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1999-2000 Presidential Citation

Increasing Rotarian Participation in Rotary

- Ensure that every Rotarian in your club is personally invited to do **something** this year whether it be serving on a project committee or taking responsibility for some aspect of Club Service.
- Hold your club assembly, inviting all the members to attend so that they may participate in planning the year's programs. Consider holding your assembly on the day of a regularly scheduled club meeting.
- Educate the members of your club on the Council on Legislation and how they can have a voice in the future of Rotary International. Ask your governor to assign a member of the district leadership to discuss the Council with your club.
- Have your club's incoming president and Foundation chairperson attend a Rotary Foundation district seminar and report back to the club with details about the information learned.
- Create a club challenge to encourage all club members to contribute to The Rotary Foundation; increase your club's per capita giving to the Annual Programs Fund by at least ten percent over the previous year.
- Appoint a club historian and dedicate one meeting to discussion of the history of your club.
- Utilize the Four Avenues of Service Citation for individual Rotarians to recognize a worthy Rotarian in your club.
- Ensure that all of the members of the board and all committee chairpersons attend the district assembly.
- Convene a meeting of the club leadership to discuss strategic goals for the next three to five years.
- Help the members of your club understand the internationality of Rotary by participating in an international service project or an international exchange such as Youth Exchange, GSE, or Rotary Friendship Exchange.
- Undertake an original Community Service project that will be carried out by at least half your members and nominate the project (through your district governor) for the Significant Achievement Award.
- Ask each member of your club to share information on Rotary International and on the club's activities with their places of business and/or their professional associations with which they are affiliated.
- Actively assist in the eradication of polio; participate in a PolioPlus Partners project or a National Immunization Day.
- As one of the club meeting programs, promote the district conference. Invite the conference chairperson or a member of the conference committee to speak at your club about the benefits of attending this yearly meeting.

ROTARY 2000: ACT THROUGH STRONG MEMBERSHIP

(By PDG Vincent To, District Membership Development Chairman, Hong Kong)

Membership And Extension Month (August) is the time to focus efforts on strengthening membership. It is the month which provides the impetus for Rotary clubs to address membership retention and growth.

Why join Rotary?

Rotary started in 1905 by our Founder Paul Harris because of two reasons : Friendship and Fellowship.

However, I personally find three reasons which are common to every person, man or woman, in joining Rotary :

- (1) **Friendship:** In an increasing complex world, Rotary provides one of the most basic human needs: the need for friends and fellowship.
- (2) **Business Development:** Everyone needs to network for its business development. Rotary consists of a cross section of every business community.
- (3) **Fun:** Rotary is fun. A lot of fun. And, above all, service is fun.

The need to reach out and touch others.

Behind every Rotarian stands the shadow of the person who brought them into membership. This is your own sponsor.

There is another person who is equally important: the person who touched your heart and put Rotary in you so that you are not merely a member of Rotary club but a committed Rotarian.

Why do we need more Rotarians?

The greatest assets of Rotary International are its members and not its President. Mankind is our business. Our product is service. But, Rotary's most precious asset, its members, is in serious decline!

Nearly 5,000 Rotary Clubs have fewer than 19 members. These clubs would not even be admitted to Rotary if they were applying for a charter today. It has been estimated that 90% of the Rotarians in the world have never sponsored a single new member. If we do not build for the future, we are destined to become a relic of the past.

It is the privilege and duty of every Rotarian to sponsor new members into the organisation. The quality we seek is the quality of the heart - not just income or position. Membership development is first and foremost a search for the right people not people with the right classification. We must attract young people, men and women, into Rotary if we want to see another century of Rotary. John Wooden, one of the greatest coaches in college basketball history once said "Failure to prepare is preparing to fail."

In order to build the future of Rotary, there must be first a vision - a goal of how much your club is going to grow this year. Second, there must be a plan. And there must be action. Goal and plan are meaningless without action. Each Rotarian must ask another person to join Rotary.

Reasons for declining membership.

The common reasons often suggested are: cost, lack of involvement, inactive membership or inactive clubs, poor programs, quality of food served, and venue of regular meetings. However, the essential reasons are lack of fellowship, and difficulty of meeting our strict attendance requirements because of work and personal pressures. To me the main and only reason is commitment. It is a question of priorities.

We should not forget, in the words of Past President Clem Renouf, "to put the plug in the bath before turning on the tap." Retention is just as crucial as recruitment.

The dilemma is not Quality versus Quantity. All of us strive to find quality members, but each year we are still faced with a massive membership loss. This mass our problem is not those coming in, so much as those who are there already. The key is keeping these moveable members are threefold:

INVOLVEMENT INVOLVEMENT INVOLVEMENT

There are many suggested tools for membership development, e.g. the "Five For One Plan"; "Member get Member Plan". Most important of all is to create an atmosphere of fellowship within the clubs. Paul Harris said friendship was the foundation rock of each Rotary club to build on and tolerance is the element that holds it together.

What is alarming at home?

For our District 3450 (Hong Kong and Macau), our statistics on membership growth (or retraction) were first encouraging but now frightening.

Here are the statistics :

Year	District 3450		Hong Kong Area		Macau Area	
	Clubs	Members	Clubs	Members	Clubs	Members
1995-1996	43	1816	38	1676	5	140
1996-1997	46	1930	41	1767	5	163
1997-1998	47	1939	42	1779	5	160
1998-1999	48	1911	42	1734	6	177
1999-2000	48	1731	42	1584	6	147

We have charted five new clubs since 1 July 1995, but we ended with almost 100 members less as on 1 July 1999. The negative growth momentum is in place. We must address this issue directly and positively and turn it around.

DG Dipo has set a very modest goal this year : a net gain in membership of 5% (including chartering one new club). I ask for more, much much more. As Rotary approaches the Millennium, I want 2,000 members in our District, so that instead of being "a Y2K bug", you will be proud to call yourself "the M2K Team" : the Team who shares the Rotary ideal of service with 2,000 Rotarians.

Membership Development Intercity Meeting

To achieve my ambitious goal of M2K, we have planned two intercity meetings for Membership Development in August, the Membership and Development Month. We have invited Past R I Director and Rotary Foundation Trustee Richard King to come all the way from US to be our keynote speaker. Rick was the General Coordinator for R I Membership Development Task Force 1996-97 and had been speaking on this very important subject at International Assemblies. Following the keynote speech, there will be an open panel discussion when everyone, rotarian or guest, can voice their views in all aspects concerning Rotary membership. For Rotarians, attendance is a must. All potential members or families are most welcome.

	Intercity Meeting in Hong Kong	Intercity Meeting in Macau (Tentative)
Date	27 August 1999 (Friday)	26 August 1999 (Thursday)
Time	6:30 pm for 7:00 pm	7:30 pm for 8:00 pm
Venue	Holiday Inn Golden Mile Hotel, Grand Ballroom	To be advised
Fees	HK\$300 per head	Around MOP 250 per head

The second President of United States, John Adams, put it this way: "In all the world, he said, there are only two kinds of people who would ever really count. Those people who make commitments, and those people who keep them!"

My fellow Rotarians - you have made your commitment by joining Rotary. You must reach out and keep your commitment, so that Rotary 2000 will act with consistency, credibility and continuity through strong membership.

CONTINUITY

The whys and wherefores

By Governor-Elect John WAN

Governor Dipo asked me to start a column in his newsletter. I have no problem with that. Indeed, I think this is good news for our District. It shows that Governor Dipo is intent on answering President Carlo's call for continuity in Rotary, in form and in substance, and for which reason we have decided to name this column "Continuity".

Over the past few months, Anthony Hung, Dipo and myself had been attending Rotary functions and going places together. Pictures of the trio have since featured in club bulletins and lined our photo albums. In fact, we three decided in March to meet at least once every month to discuss matters of a strategic nature, including medium and long range planning and projects straddling more than one or two years. At the July meeting, we also resolved to keep notes of these meetings to enable future district leaders to follow what we have been doing or not done. In short, we are getting very serious about continuity, which we see as vital for the healthy and continuing development of Rotary in our District.

So far, the initiatives that can be attributed to we three working together include the District Electronic Communications Committee which seeks to bring the district up to speed in the use of information technology as far as possible; the District Projects Task Force which will identify, plan, implement and evaluate District projects of a continuing nature or with recurrent consequences; and the appointment of Past Governor Anthony Hung as District Youth Services Co-ordinator, in recognition of the importance we attach to youth services in general and youth development in particular.

The more critical among you would quickly point out that being together does not necessarily mean working together, and people working together do not always work to the common objectives. True, but let me assure you that that won't happen in our case. We are all volunteers, so are you all. We have come together under the banner of service, in the firm belief that Rotarians working together would help build goodwill and peace in the world. The non-believers can leave and probably will, but Rotary has come a long way since our founder Paul Harris held the first club meeting almost a century ago. Two World Wars and numerous changes in governments and leadership worldwide since have not weakened the movement. This alone would speak a lot about the merits of continuity in our organization.

In my presentation on leadership at the last District Assembly, I stressed that leaders must lead and follow, as the situation requires. Indeed, the nature of our institution is such that we would all take turn to lead and follow, for the common good and in furtherance of the Object of Rotary. That is why it is essential that the district leadership should endeavour to focus on more important and district-wide issues. Only then would we be able to allocate and apply our limited resources to deserving projects and the really needy. Governor Dipo has said that successive governors ought not be competing to out-perform one another. I totally agree. He also said that life is too short for unproductive and meaningless squabbles, which I also agree. I would add that when our Rotary leaders work together towards clear and well understood objectives, they would the better be able to create the very much needed synergy to take our District collectively to greater heights. I think this is what continuity is all about.



Governor-Elect John WAN



Continuity - The gathering of District Governors - Past, Present and future.

YOUTH SERVICES CORNER

by IPDG Anthony Hung
District Youth Services Committee Chairman

As you may be aware District Governor Dipo has set up a District Youth Services Committee to oversee and co-ordinate our district youth services.

I have been given the honour to chair this Committee. The members of this committee are as follows :-

P.E. Tom Hui (Kingspark)	- District Rotaract Committee Chairman (Hong Kong)
PP Ronnie Lam (Macau Central)	- District Rotaract Committee Chairman (Macau)
PP Alexander Mak (Kingspark)	- District Interact Committee Chairman (Hong Kong)
Rtn Siu Hung Vat (Macau Central)	- District Interact Committee Chairman (Macau)
IPP Nick Pirie (HK South)	- District Youth Exchange Committee Chairman
CP Herbert Lau (Tolo Harbour)	- District RYLA Committee Chairman
PDG Joseph Lee (KN)	- Advisor
DG Dipo Sani (KGM)	- Advisor

As September is the New Generation month why not invite our partners in service to speak to your club. They are our future leaders. We should show them that we care so let's give them our support especially clubs with Rotaract and Interact Clubs.

ROTARACT

As of to date the District have 24 Rotaract Clubs (20 in Hong Kong and 4 in Macau) with a total membership of about 1,400. D.G Dipo this year have appointed two District Rotaract Committee Chairmen. PE Tom Hui for Hong Kong and PP Ronnie Lam for Macau. The District Rotaract Representative is again CP Jimmie Kwan of RAC Kingspark. For Macau they have recently nominated IPP Jeffrey of RAC Macau Central as the Deputy District Rotaract Representative (Macau). You should contact the district Rotaract Committee Chairman of your area should you have any question on Rotaract.

INTERACT

From our last count District 3450 have 27 Interact Clubs with a total membership of about 2700 Interactors. Since 1st July 1999 our Interactors have organised and participated in quite a few activities.

On 15th July, 1999 the Joint Interact Council organised their annual ball at Hot Gossip. Over 400 Interactors, Rotarians and guests attended. They truly had a great time.

From 22nd to 25th July, 13 Interactors, 6 Rotarians and 2 teachers advisors from District 2680 Hyoho Japan visited our district as part of the International Understanding project. On 23rd July, our visitors from

Japan met our Interactors and advisors in an International Understanding meeting. PP Alex Mak (DICC), Rtn Dominic Ko (DDICC) and I also attended. During the meeting, the Rotarians from both Districts exchanged their views on Interact whilst the Interactors discussed about their respective cultural and educational issues. The Interactors further gave a cultural performance. It was all together a fruitful and excellent meeting.



During the month of August, the Interactors have organised the following functions:

- 5/8/99-7/8/99 Leadership Training Camp at Ping Che Fanling
- 14/8/99 Interact Bazaar at Kowloon Park, Tsim Sha Tsui.
- 17/8/99-20/8/99 Visit by Interactors and advisors from D2660, Osaka Japan

I would urge the Interact Clubs' advisors to attend these functions and programs.

RYLA

The District RYLA Committee is chaired by CP Herbert Lau (Tolo Harbour). The RYLA plans for this year have been circulated to all the Clubs for your comments and recommendations. There will be 2 parts in the training. The 1st part is 2 full days training seminar for 20 selected youth leaders from Rotaract Clubs/RYLA Alumni/Rotary Scholars. The seminar is proposed to be held on 18th and 19th December 1999. After the training they will be responsible for the planning, organising and training at the RYLA camp.

The 2nd part will be a 5 day training camp for selected youth leaders proposed to be held during the Easter Holidays 20-24 April 2000. All 48 Clubs in the District are requested to Nominate 1 young man and 1 young woman from the local communities of the Club's territories.



NEWS / ACTIVITIES IN NT AREA

By AG Kenneth Chow

1. Joint President Installation

The 5th of July was a breakthrough in the history of N T Area. A Joint President Installation was held at the Great Eagle Hotel, Kowloon with over 200 attendance.

We were greatly inspired with the overwhelming support from the Rotary Dignitaries in D-3450. PDG Peter Hall, PDG Raymond Wong, PDG Arthur Au, PDG Dom Vessigault, PDG Liu Lit Mo, PDG Vincent To and Ann Lisa, PDG Jason Yeung & Ann Rebecca, DGE John Wan, AG Man Mo Leung and Ann Jackie, DS Stanley Mok (1998-99) and DS Tang Kam Tim (1999-2000) all arrived early and stayed for dinner after the official installation.



New Territories - 8 Clubs Handover July 5th 1999

IPP Ted Ho, IPP Danny Wong, President Michael Chiang and DDS Joseph Chan were also present with enthusiastic support.

The Master of Ceremony for the historical occasion was PP Edward Lee of Tolo Harbour.

During the dinner reception, the fantastic entertainment programmed by Channel Island has driven us to a very high spirit. Rtn. Charles Tam, a professional expertize in entertaining business, has created lots of excitement in games competition. The highlight of the entertainment was Karaoke Competition among the Clubs in NT Area. All the District Dignitaries were invited to serve the judge panel. Points were counted on performance in singing, dancing, style and technique. PP Samuel Ching and Rtn. Andrew Wong of Channel Islands won the champion and Rtn. Wilfred Kam of Tai Po took the 1st runner-up with marginal difference in score. PP Ho Lai Chuen sponsored the grand prize for the champion and AG Kenneth committed to award the 1st runner-up and the other representatives with 2 tickets of Andy Lau's Concert in August, 1999.

In general, the evening was warm, pleasant and filled up with inspiration. We all look forward to continuity of the Joint President Installation next Rotary year.

2. Millennium Sports Tournament

Golf Tournament sponsored by AG Kenneth will be scheduled on 7th September, 1999 (Tuesday). Each club will send one representative and the venue will be Lakewood Golf Club in Zhuhai.

Tennis Tournament (Doubles) sponsored by AG Kenneth will be scheduled on 24th August and 31st August, 1999. The venue will be The Kowloon Tsai Home Owner's Association located at the Kowloon Tong. Each club is eligible to send one team.

3. Interarea sports activity

The football team of N T Area formed last year is prepared to organize a fellowship match with Kowloon Area 2 in early September. Due to the lack of practice at the beginning stage, we have lost our 1st battle to Rotary Club of Causeway Bay. We are all confident that our performance will be greatly improved in Rotary 2000.

4. Hong Kong Our Home, Youth Jamboree

The above District Project will take place at Wan Chai, Sai Kung West Country Park from 24-26 December, 1999. In response to the sponsorship solicited by PDG Y K Cheng in the JPM on 13th July, 1999, all Rotary Clubs in N T Area have agreed to contribute HK\$3,000.00 each to support this meaningful project.

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DISTRICT AWARDS CRITERIA

TYPES OF AWARDS

Group A

Best Project - Vocational Service Community Service
International Service World Community Service
Ecology (Environment -Preserve Planet Earth)

- (1) Projects - Must be submitted to your Assistant Governor of your area on or before February 28th 2000.
- (2) Club must submit a separate report for each project.
- (3) Projects can only be submitted under one of the above categories.

Group B

Best Club Bulletin - English Best Club Bulletin - Chinese
Best Internet Website - English Best Internet Website - Chinese

- (1) Bulletins - Forward your bulletins regularly to PDG Peter Hall for review by District Awards and Recognition Committee.
- (2) Awards Committee for their decision will access Websites from the Internet.

Group C

Highest Average Attendance (Weekly Meetings)
Highest Net Membership Growth

- (1) Attendance - Please ensure that your Club's monthly attendance report is submitted to District Secretary on or before 15th of the succeeding month.
- (2) Best net membership growth - cut off date is January 2000.

Group D

Hosting - Presidents-elect Training Seminar
Hosting - District Assembly
Highest Registration at District Assembly
Highest Attendance at District Assembly
Hosting - District Conference
Highest Registration at District Conference
Highest Attendance at District Conference
Hosting - District Rotary Foundation Seminar
Hosting - Rotary Youth Leadership Award

- (1) For District Assembly and District Conference - Respective Host Clubs and District Governor's Home Club will not participate in these awards.

Group E

Rotary International Presidential Citation
(Please submit Forms direct to the Assistant Governor of your area)

Group F

Formation of New Rotary, Rotaract and Interact Clubs.
Best Rotaract Project.
Best Interact Project.

- (1) Rotaract and Interact Clubs to submit Projects to the District Rotaract Chairman and District Interact Chairman.
- (2) All project reports must be submitted to the District Rotaract Chairman or District Interact Chairman on or before 30th March 2000.
- (3) Formation of new clubs - Please inform District Governor.

Group F-The Rotary Foundation

Highest number of Paul Harris Fellows.
Highest number of Benefactors.

- (1) All contributions to the Rotary Foundation must be submitted through District Rotary Foundation Chairman- PDG Y.K. Cheng or to the Annual Giving Sub-committee Chairman PP Alex Li.

District Awards and Recognition Selection Committee

Chairman - PDG Peter Hall
Members - Assistant Governor Louis Thomas
Assistant Governor Lawrence Lam
Assistant Governor Ronald Lu
Assistant Governor Larry Parmanand
Assistant Governor P.C. Fong
Assistant Governor Kenneth Chow
Assistant Governor Charles Fok
District Secretary (HK) Tang Kam Tim
District Secretary (Macau) Peter Kwok
Deputy District Secretary (HK) Joseph Chan
Deputy District Secretary (HK) Wilson Hon
Ex-Officio District Governor Dipo Sani

ROTARY FOUNDATION

District Rotary Foundation Seminar

Date: Saturday, September 18th 1999
Time: 8.30 a.m. - 3.00 p.m.
Venue: Holiday Inn Golden Mile, Nathan Road, Tsimshatsui, Kowloon.
Keynote Speaker: PDG John Cheah - Regional Rotary Foundation Co-ordinator.
Cost: HK\$350.00 per participant.

For Registration please call:

Host Club: Rotary Club of New Territories

Organizing Committee Chairman - IPP Christopher Tsang.

Contribution Records

For proper recording and follow up please send copy of your Paul Harris Fellows and Benefactors Recognition/Contribution forms to PP Alex Li, Annual Giving Sub-Committee Chairman (Rotary Club of Peninsula South) 15A Bright Growth Medical Centre, 335 Nathan Road, Yau Ma Tei, Kowloon, Hong Kong. (Tel. No. 27812681 Fax-27812685).

Group Study Exchange (GSE)

Our GSE pairing this Rotary Year will be with District 7470 located in Northern New Jersey (one hour drive from New York City). The tentative exchange dates are:

Incoming GSE Team from District 7470 - March 20th - April 20th 2000

Outgoing GSE Team to District 7470 - April 26th - May 26th 2000

Clubs are requested to participate in our GSE program both by nominating suitable participants as members of the outgoing team and hosting the incoming GSE team from District 7470

PDG Ira D. Kaye was born in 1917 and was raised in Flatbush, New York. For practically all his life, PDG Ira was involved in community affairs. He started in 1948 when he joined the Junior Chamber of Commerce in California culminating in his election as World President of Junior Chamber of Commerce International in 1957.

In 1959 PDG Ira moved to Hong Kong where he spent several years getting his business established. Once he had his feet on the ground he once again moved into community service and by the late '60s he had already joined Rotary as a member of the Rotary Club of Kowloon. There he served two terms as Hon Secretary in addition to serving as President. He also served District 345, as it was known in those days, on many levels including serving as its District Governor in 1977-78.

PDG Ira was always active in Rotary be it in his Club or at the



District level. He served as National Co-ordinator in our District for the Polio Plus Fund Raising Drive. However it was his interest in children that had him lead the Rotary club of Kowloon into an agreement with the Government in 1977 to establish a Child Assessment Centre on Arran Street, Kowloon. Besides these there were many other community service projects involving children in Hong Kong and Macau that PDG Ira was personally involved in. It would take a long time for us to list them all out.

Looking back at his life, there is much to remember and cherish. But PDG Ira would have wanted us to remember not what he did but what each of us can do with our lives. His dedication to family, friends and to his children, and his work on their behalf, will live with each of us. The highest tribute we can pay his memory is to continue his work.

All of us in District 3450 will miss him.

Special Event and Dates

1999

AUGUST 27TH	INTER-CITY MEETING- (MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT) - HOLIDAY INN GOLDEN MILE
SEPTEMBER 18TH	ROTARY FOUNDATION SEMINAR - HOLIDAY INN GOLDEN MILE. HOST CLUB - ROTARY CLUB OF NEW TERRITORIES.
OCTOBER 26TH	VOCATIONAL SERVICE SEMINAR HONG KONG HOTEL HOST CLUB: ROTARY CLUB OF PENINSULA.
DECEMBER 10TH-12TH	ROTARY INSTITUTE - TAIWAN
DECEMBER 18TH-19TH	RYLA -PART "A": TRAINING SESSION - CITY UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG
DECEMBER 24TH-26TH	HONG KONG OUR HOME - YOUTH JAMBOREE

2000

FEBRUARY 25TH-27TH	ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENTIAL CONFERENCE - DISTRICT 3450
MARCH 12TH	TREE PLANTING DAY (PPE COMMITTEE)
MARCH 20TH-APRIL 20TH	INCOMING GSE TEAM FROM DISTRICT 7470
APRIL 1ST- 2ND	40TH ANNUAL DISTRICT CONFERENCE - MACAU
APRIL 20TH- 24TH	RYLA CAMP-PART "B": HIGH ISLAND TRAINING CAMP, SAI KUNG.
APRIL 26TH - MAY 26TH	OUTGOING GSE TEAM TO DISTRICT 7470
JUNE 4TH-7TH 2000	INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION - BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA.

SPORTING EVENTS

SEPTEMBER 1999	BADMINTON - HOST CLUB: ROTARY CLUB OF NEW TERRITORIES.
OCTOBER 1999	TENNIS - HOST CLUB: ROTARY CLUB OF HK BAYVIEW.
OCTOBER 1999	BOWLING - HOST CLUB: ROTARY CLUB OF CHANNEL ISLANDS
NOVEMBER 21ST 1999	DISTRICT SPORTS DAY WANCHAI SPORTS GROUND. HOST CLUB: ROTARY CLUB OF HAPPY VALLEY.
JANUARY 21ST 2000	DISTRICT GOLF TOURNAMENT HONG KONG GOLF CLUB - FANLING HOST CLUB: ROTARY CLUB OF HK ISLAND WEST.
MARCH 2000	FOOTBALL - HOST CLUB: ROTARY CLUB OF CAUSEWAY BAY.
APRIL 2000	BASKETBALL - HOST CLUB: ROTARY CLUB OF KOWLOON NORTHWEST.
MAY 2000	PING-PONG - HOST CLUB: ROTARY CLUB OF TSUEN WAN.

DISTRICT SPORTS COMMITTEE -ROTARY CLUB OF THE PEAK

CHAIRMAN -	PP WINSTON VAN	TEL. 25423232
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Special Announcements

(1) Rotary Information Center Limited:- Executive Directors 1999-2000

President Desmond Cheung - Rotary Club of Hong Kong Island East
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1st Joint Secretary Meeting July 20th 1999

(2) Rotary Information Center Supervisory Committee 1998-2000

President Ted Ho - Rotary Club of Kingspark Hong Kong
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1999-2001

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(3) District Fund Committee 1999-2000:

District Treasurer - PP Tenny Leung Man Kay
 Deputy District Treasurer - PP Edmond Chan
 President Johnny Wong - Rotary Club of Tolo Harbor
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 President Beat Muller - Rotary Club of Hong Kong
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(4) The Secretariat and your Service Center

The Secretariat of Rotary International was established in Chicago on 18 August 1910 to serve 16 Rotary Clubs then in existence. It was located in a series of rented quarters in Chicago until 1954, when it moved to 1600 Ridge in Evanston, a suburb just north of Chicago. In

September 1987, it moved into to the top floors of what is now called One Rotary Center in Evanston.

The Secretariat acts as a “clearing house” for Rotary clubs worldwide, gathering and disseminating Rotary Information. Staff Functions include administration, communications, finance, meeting, membership services, programs, publications and the Rotary Foundation. To help meet the needs of the growing organization, today there are service center offices in Argentina, Australia, Brazil, India, Japan, Korea, Philippines and Switzerland.

The Southeast Asia Service Center started its operation on July 1st 1987 with the goal of more rapid response and action to district and club leaders; providing secretariat services tuned to the grass-root needs. It serves Rotary clubs and District Governors of twenty-five (25) districts in Malaysia, Brunei, Singapore, Indonesia, Hong Kong, Macau, Taiwan, Thailand and the Philippines. It also helps serve the Rotary Clubs of French Polynesia, Cambodia and Mongolia.

The office is located at 3rd Floor, Philcox Building, 172 Salcedo Street, Legaspi Village, Makati City, Philippines. It is open daily from 8.30 a. m. to 5.00 p.m., except Saturdays, Sundays and holidays. The contact numbers are Telephone: 63-2-8107165; Fax. 63-2-8171296; Email: 105113,3022@compuserve.com. The Staff members consist of:

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Secretaries At Attention JSM - July 20th 1999

DISTRICT GOVERNOR OFFICIAL VISIT



Handover of Kowloon East July 6th 1999



DG Official Visit - Rotary Club of Peninsula Sunrise, July 15th 1999



DG Official Visit Rotary Club of Kowloon North West July 15th 1999



DG Official Visit Rotary Club of Guia July 16th 1999



AG Charles Fok, President Joaquim, DG Dipak Sani, DGE John Wan, DS Tang Kam Tim, DDS Joseph Chan



DG Official Visit Rotary Club of New Territories July 19th 1999



DG Official Visit Rotary Club of Kowloon Golden Mile July 21st 1999



DG Official Visit Rotary Club of Hong Kong Bayview July 22nd 1999



DG Official Visit Rotary Club of Admiralty July 23rd 1999



Handover Rotary Club of Hong Kong June 29th 1999