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District Governor 2013-14

## District Governor Message

Eugene Fong  
District Governor 2013-2014



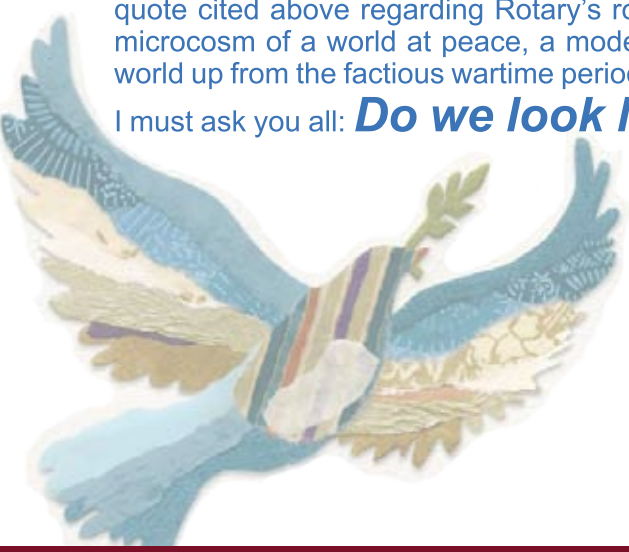
Paul Harris was a man that lived through the chaos and ravages of two world wars, and thus bore witness to the havoc wrought by jingoism, partisanism, and general disintegration. Thus, the orientation of the Rotary mission that he laid down was likely in opposition to the disintegrated and destructive zeitgeist of the war-torn times in which he lived. This opposition and direction can both clearly be seen when he put forth Rotary as, "...an integrating force in a world where forces of disintegration are all too prevalent".

While unfortunate, in that he lived to see the ravages and disintegration of two world wars, he was nevertheless fortunate enough see the actualization of his vision and the fruition of his aspirations in integrating a post-war torn world. One of the most salient examples of Rotary's contribution to integrating a fractured and divided world is the long history Rotary shares with the United Nations. Beginning in 1945, 49 Rotarians went to San Francisco to help draft the UN Charter, and since that time Rotary and the UN have been close partners. Even Polio Plus is a product born of the relationship between ourselves and UN agencies.

However, what has become of the legacy of Paul Harris? Have we found ourselves resting on our laurels? Has our cursus honorum, like that of the late Roman Republic, been marred by hints of decadence? We must ask ourselves, are our efforts being fueled by civic virtue and directed toward maximizing the good we can do in the world, or are club and personal gain becoming increasingly important factors in how we conduct Rotary business.

Our motto is the same, word for word, as it was when it was first penned: "Service Above Self". Are we still upholding this motto, or has it simply become a slogan to grace our banners and merchandise, and be chanted incessantly, but practiced rarely. Putting service above self also means putting the good we can do above interpersonal squabbles and petty administrative divisions. There is a second half to the quote cited above regarding Rotary's role as an integrative force. Paul Harris wanted, "Rotary [to be] a microcosm of a world at peace, a model which nations will do well to follow." Rotary did well to pull the world up from the factious wartime period and help promote integration. However, after over half a century,

I must ask you all: ***Do we look like a microcosm of a world at peace?***



# WORLD PEACE



Please follow this link to read the District Governor's weekly e-newsletter

<http://rotary3450.soofwood.com>

## Rotary Statement re: Syria Outbreak

Polio was recently confirmed in Syria, a country that has been free of this disabling and potentially fatal disease since 1999. In response, health authorities in Syria and neighboring countries have launched urgent, large-scale, multi-country immunization campaigns to ensure that every child is reached with the polio vaccine.

Rotary and its partners in the Global Polio Eradication Initiative are working together with local health authorities to activate the outbreak response.

In the wake of World Polio Day, these and other recent polio cases in previously polio-free countries serve as a stark reminder that as long as polio still exists, unimmunized children everywhere remain at risk.

Rotarians, as leaders from all continents, cultures and occupations, have been active throughout the region to raise awareness and build support in the fight to end polio:

### EGYPT

In coordination with the Egyptian Ministry of Health, Rotary clubs in Egypt will support and help raise awareness of the national immunization activities in November.

### JORDAN

In September, district and national Rotary PolioPlus committees in Jordan visited the Minister of Health to offer support for the nationwide measles, rubella and polio vaccination campaign scheduled this week.

Rotarians secured funds for updated equipment needed to vaccinate more children, and are raising public awareness to encourage families to immunize their children by posting large 'End Polio Now' signs in Arabic on major streets in Amman.

### LEBANON

Rotary Clubs have joined with the Lebanese Ministry of Health, WHO and UNICEF to help vaccinate children, particularly those from displaced families below the age of five. Rotarians will help raise awareness in their communities and provide volunteer support during national immunization campaigns scheduled for early November and December.

### TURKEY

Rotarians are establishing a coordinating committee in Turkey and approaching the Ministry of Health to offer their support.

### BULGARIA

Rotarians in Bulgaria are working with the Red Cross to lead a campaign to collect food, baby food and diapers for Syrian refugees. On World Polio Day, Rotarians and Rotaractors handed out 'End Polio Now' flyers printed in the local language to help raise awareness.

We know that if polio remains endemic, outbreaks will continue to occur, and that's why the progress being made in the three remaining polio-endemic countries (Afghanistan, Pakistan and Nigeria) is encouraging. Polio cases in the endemic countries are down by 40% compared to the same time last year.

We, as Rotarians, remain steadfast in our commitment to a polio-free world, and we will continue our efforts until polio is gone forever.

Bob Scott  
Chair, Rotary's International PolioPlus Committee

## District Foundation Seminar and Grant Management Seminar 2013-14



District 3450,

MISSION ACCOMPLISHED on an astoundingly successful combined District Rotary Foundation and Grant Management Seminar! November the 9th will be a day that will live in infamy when 108 diehard Rotarians converged on the Football Club to confront a host of objectives packed into a one-day program. Despite the tightness of the schedule, the objectives of the program were met with and overcome by the ardor of the Rotarians of District 3450! We arrived on time and kept both our schedule and focus!

As our cohort comprised an array of Rotarians of various backgrounds, we designed the seminar's instruction to be adaptive to where the attendees were in their Rotary careers. In the morning, The District Foundation Seminar began with an introductory talk on the basics of The Rotary Foundation which we followed-up on with a few sharing sessions to add some color to the nuts and bolts of Rotary administration. These insightful speeches got us motivated to get into our breakout sessions and get down to work!

In our breakout sessions new Rotarians were brought up to speed on the significance of the Rotary Foundation and the good that Rotarians have done to the world through TRF. Experienced Rotarians were taught various strategies for meeting district fundraising goals, and the old guard, who will be instrumental in the grant application process, were imparted with a comprehensive understanding of the New Grant system and the key requirements for choosing projects within the six areas of focus.

After enjoying what most considered above standard refreshments during our brief respite over lunch, we got right down to Grant Management Seminar business with the closing forum of the TRF running parallel with the opening forum of the Grant Management Seminar. We once again had an overwhelming audience reaching over 80 participants. Apart from introducing some general information, the presenters also hashed out the details involved in applying for Global Grants.

With fresh Rotarians in the loop, experienced Rotarians poised to attack District goals, and old guard Rotarians equipped with the skills to design and apply for Rotary Foundation grants, let's bring in the New Year by doing some good to the world!

PP Shirley Kong  
RC Mid-level



# Rotary Taipei Zone Institute

6 to 8 December 2013

President Joyce Lau  
Rotary Club of Lan Kwai Fong

## *“Why joining Zone Institute? Isn’t it for District Leaders?”*

I always use Rotary and Rotaract meetings as the basis for planning my “business” travel -- Asia Pacific Regional Rotaract Conference and Rotary International Convention are the two main International Meetings I attended. However, Zone Institute has not come into my mind as I have the same questions as sub-titled – I had always thought that Zone Institute was for the training for District Governor Elect and District Team Trainer. I do not see any particular reasons for me to join.

Given to the proximity of the location and my promise to our Taipei Friendship Club, Rotary Club of Taipei Toa Tiu Tian, which meets right next to the Conference Venue Taipei Grand Hotel, I started my journey to the Zone Institute with two of my club members: Jacky Chu and Gigi Wong.



Looking at the delegation from District 3450, it was truly an experienced team of Rotary leaders!



But wait, there are also a group of Rotarians from Mongolia joining!



In the total registration of 1285 institute attendees, actually around 20% are Rotarians who have not been a President. Zone Institute is actually a half-yearly report on achievement of Rotary International President Ron Burton “Engage Rotary, Change Lives” year. Updates on Rotary business such as Public Image, Rotary Foundation and Finances were presented at the Institute. There were also workshops which enable the audience to interact with the matters concerned.

## *“Back to Basics”*

The most impressive session for me was the sharing of “Why Rotary?” by Past Rotary International Bhichai Rattakul. He shared an enlightening story of a Rotary President, who could only make enough money to maintain his family, enjoyed contributing to Rotary via hands-on service. In a tragic event, he sacrificed his life in a polio immunization mission to save his family from deadly river current. PRIP Bhichai urges Rotary to stop to become a gigantic bureaucratic organisation, be “Back to Basics” and focused on services. As a young Rotarian, we may have limited financial resources. However, it does not mean that we cannot live Rotary’s motto “Service Above Self”. I truly hope to share this message with fellow Rotarians in my club and the District to be “back to basics” and enjoy the fruitfulness of service.



# 2013 District Golf Tournament

## Mission Hills Golf Club Dongguan 29th November, 2013

PP Andy Li  
Assistant Governor

On this brisk Friday morning of 29 November, with the sun smiling at us, over 100 Rotarian golfers and guests arrived at the Mission Hill Dongguang Golf Club and got themselves ready for the 2013 District Golf Tournament held at Rose-Poulter Course. The Organizing Committee welcomed everyone at the entrance and handed out goodie bags, caps & Polo shirts, etc to all participating golfers. After a light buffet lunch, the golfers were ushered to the Tournament Square to attend the Tee-Off Ceremony.



District Governor Eugene Fong came to officiate the teeing off ceremony. On delivering his welcoming remarks, he thanked everyone attending this year's District Golf Tournament. Chairman AG Andy then thanked DG Eugene for coming all the way from Hong Kong for the ceremony even though he is a non-golfer. He also thanked all official sponsors - Titleist, FootJoy, Nature Valley, Taylormade, Betty Crocker, DGN Peter Pang's Sun Screen Lotion, and in particular PP Peter Lam of Kam Lun Tailor who donated all the Polo Shirts as well as HK\$4,000 cash for gifts purchase. He was grateful to all the Organizing Committee members for their hard work this year. After the Master of Ceremony AG Heman reminded all golfers of the rules, DG Eugene, IPDG Kenneth, PDG Johnson and Chairman AG Andy were invited to tee off with some smoky golf balls.

When DG Eugene sounded the gong, and declared the District Golf Tournament began, more than 50 golf carts carrying the golfers to their start off Hole to begin with their quest for the 58 trophies and consecutive prizes ready for them. It was an amazing organizing ability of the District Golf Committee to enable all flights to tee-off at the same time.

Everyone enjoyed the day of golfing and fellowship and the awards were presented at the Award Dinner in the evening. The winners of the awards are listed as follows:



<b>Area Team Gross</b> Area Team Gross Champion: Area 6 <b>Sir Kenneth Fung Perpetual Cup</b>	<b>Club Team Gross</b> Gross Champion: RC of Kwai Chung Gross 1 <sup>st</sup> : RC of Kowloon Gross 2 <sup>nd</sup> : RC of Hong Kong	<b>Individual</b> President Trophy: PP Frankie Lam <b>Sponsored by CP Donald Yap</b>
<b>Area Team Net</b> Area Team Net Champion: Area 7 Area Team Net 1 <sup>st</sup> : Area 5 Area Team Net 2 <sup>nd</sup> : Area 2	<b>Club Team Net</b> Net Champion: RC of HK Island West Net 1 <sup>st</sup> : RC of Taipo Net 2 <sup>nd</sup> : RC of Peninsula	<b>Individual Gross</b> Gross Champion: Joe Wan Gross 1 <sup>st</sup> : PP Frankie Lam Gross 2 <sup>nd</sup> : Simon Tan,
<b>Longest Drive</b> Longest Drive (Man): PP Patrick Mak Longest Drive (Man): Joe Wan Longest Drive(Lady): Connie Yeung Longest Drive (Lady): Catherine Chan	<b>Nearest to Pin</b> Nearest to Pin (Man): Bosco Chan Nearest to Pin (Man): Jacky Chu Nearest to Pin (Lady): Connie Yeung	<b>Individual Net</b> Net (Man) Champion: Bosco Chan Net (Lady) Champion: Catherine Chan Net 1 <sup>st</sup> : Frank Lu Net 2 <sup>nd</sup> : Gordon Yu



(聖誕頌歌節2013) Non-stop Rotary Performance 扶輪頌歌唱不停大匯演 to support Child Development Matching Fund (CDMF) on Sunday, 15th December, 2013 from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Shopping Mall of East Point City (東港城), Tseung Kwan O Town Centre was successfully held.

District Governor Eugene Fong graced our occasion with Guests of Honour Mr. Paul Chan, MH, JP Secretary for Development Bureau of HKSAR and Mr. Jimmy Ma, JP, Legal Adviser of Legislative Council Secretariat, PDG Tony Wong as well as Ms Vena Cheng, daughter of PDG Moses Cheng who came on behalf of her father, Mrs Amy Chan, Dr. Anthony Yeung and Mr Tony Pang of CDMF Directors and Member.

With tremendous support from partnering schools of RAAS, we had 1,013 participants singing on that day. A student of Lai King Catholic Secondary School acted as Santa Claus who brought us candy and gifts, had concluded this meaningful event with joy and fun.

***We would like to thank you all for your financial contribution and / or presence at the event to support the disadvantaged youth in our community.***

***Wishing all of you a Merry Christmas!***

### The List of Participants:

Time slot 時間	Rotary Clubs / RAAS Partnering Schools / Interact / Rotaract / Others 參加者	No. of Performers 人數	Type of Performance 表演項目
11:00 – 11:15	Rotary Club of Hong Kong Harbour 香港海港扶輪社	15	Carol Singing
11:15 – 11:30	The Hong Kong Concordia Choir 和諧香港合唱團	30	Carol Singing
11:30 – 11:45	Rotary Club of Hong Kong & Chiu Lut Sau Memorial Secondary School 香港扶輪社 及 趙聿修紀念中學	19	Carol Singing
11:45 – 12:00	Rotary Club of Happy Valley & Stewards MKMCF Ma Ko Pan Memorial College 快活谷扶輪社 及 馬錦明慈善基金馬可賓紀念中學	33	Carol Singing
12:00 – 12:30	Opening Ceremony	14	Carol Singing
12:30 – 13:00	Rotary Club of Hong Kong Financial Centre & ELCHK Lutheran Secondary School 香港金融中心扶輪社 及 基督教香港信義會信義中學	150	Carol Singing
13:00 – 13:15	Rotary Club of Channel Islands & PLK Mrs Ma Kam Ming Cheung Fook Sien College 離島扶輪社 及 保良局馬錦明夫人章馥仙中學	60	Carol Singing
13:15 – 13:30	Rotary Club of Peninsula Sunrise & Bethel High School 半島旭日扶輪社 及 伯特利中學	30	Carol Singing
13:30 – 13:45	Rotary Club of Bayview Sunshine Hong Kong & True Light Girls' College 香港海景驕陽扶輪社 及 真光女書院	20	Carol Singing
13:45 – 14:00	Rotary Club of Tai Po 大埔扶輪社	12	Carol Singing
14:00 – 16:00	Rotary Club of Mid-Level & Buddhist Fat Ho Memorial College 半山區扶輪社 及 佛教筏可紀念中學	438	Lion Dance English Poetry Recital Choir / Band Chinese Opera Carol Singing
16:00 – 16:15	Rotary E-Club of District 3450 & Stewards Pooi Tun Secondary School 3450區網上扶輪社 及 香港神託會培敦中學	32	Carol Singing
16:15 – 16:45	Rotary Club of Peninsula South & Belilios Public School 半島南扶輪社 及 庇理羅士女子中學	36	Carol Singing
16:45 – 17:00	Rotary District 3450 Joint Interact Council 國際扶輪3450地區扶輪少年服務聯委會	14	Carol Singing
17:00 – 17:30	Rotary Club of Happy Valley & Cognitio College (Hong Kong) 快活谷扶輪社 及 文理書院 (香港)	50	Carol Singing
17:30 – 18:00	Rotary Club of Metropolitan Hong Kong & Lai King Catholic Secondary School 香港都會扶輪社 及 荔景天主教中學	60	Hip Hop Jazz Dance Orchestra Caroling





## RC MACAU HOSTS A HEARTWARMING 14TH ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY FOR MACAU CHILDREN AND ADULTS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

Rotary Club of Macau



RC Macau co-hosted ' Joy to the World Xmas Night ' on December 6, 2013 at the Venetian Macao for the 14<sup>th</sup> year with the Macau Association for the Mentally Handicapped. This year, the club invited Macau Fuhong Society, Macau Association of Parents of the Mentally Handicapped and Macau Special Olympics as co-organisers so more special need friends can join. Attendance was a record high at 800 guests of which 600 were special needs children with their parents , Rotarians , Rotaractors and their families and friends.

The children dazzled the audience with performances ranging from sweet little angels singing Christmas carols to teenagers dancing and singing to the latest music chart toppers. Keeping in the Christmas spirit, Santa Claus and his twin were on hand for the children to have their picture taken . The evening ended with a grand finale of all Rotarians , Rotaractors and guests enthusiastically jumping on stage to sing a resounding selection of traditional and modern versions of Christmas carols.

As President KC said, " This is a big family gathering to have fun for everyone here during the happy Christmas season. We have been gathering with many of these lovely children here over the past 13 years and we see them laugh, we see them sing and we see them grow. This gathering offers performing opportunities for them so they can learn how to interact and work together with others".

Leading print and electronic media was invited to join the warm experience with the innocent and beautiful special children. Good media coverage on TDM TV English News, Macao Daily Times, Macao Chinese Daily was noted.

## A touching moment with children of Hong Chi Pinehill Pre-school Centre

Jimmy Chiang  
President  
Rotary of Kowloon Northeast



On 16-Nov-2013, PDG Jones, PDG Kenneth accompanied Rotary Club of Kowloon Northeast and also the club's RCC members in their visit to Hong Chi Pinehill Pre-school Centre.

About Hong Chi Pinehill Pre-school Center (匡智松嶺學前兒童中心)

It is the first of its kind in Hong Kong providing year-round residential care and education for children up to six years of age. Most of the children are orphans, and some are from families which cannot take care of them due to special circumstances. The Center also offers early education and training for infants and children with developmental disorders.



# 區總監十二月文告

保羅哈里斯生活在紊亂和暴力的兩次世界大戰之中，不情願地見證著世界崩潰於沙文主義，黨派之爭。因此，他提出了與當時潰敗、反制度和撕裂世界的思潮截然不同的扶輪任務基石。這個相反的方向清晰地反映在扶輪目標之中：儘管世上仍盛行著不少破敗的力量，扶輪乃是世界不可分割的一個力量。

他不幸生於破壞與瓦解的兩次世界大戰中，但幸運地，他可以看到他的願景和抱負在戰後得以實現。其中一個顯著的例子是扶輪和聯合國長時間一起為瀰合斷裂和分離的世界進行不懈的努力。1945年，49位扶輪社員前往三藩市協助草擬聯合國憲章，自此，扶輪和聯合國結成緊密的伙伴關係。

然而，保羅哈里斯遺留的財富將何去何從？我們能夠在已取得的成績中尋找自我？我們的榮耀會否如古羅馬共和般與衰落同行？我們一定要們心自問，我們的努力是否由公民美德所驅動，為服務世界做到最好，扶輪社或社員在推動扶輪事業中獲益良多。

我們的座右銘仍一如往昔沒有改變：服務至尚。我們是否仍擁抱這個座右銘，或只是把他純粹當成旗幟上的一個口號，只說不做。服務至尚也可應用於人與人之間和瑣碎的行政事務之中；服務至尚也引証了扶輪是世界上不可分割的力量。保羅哈里斯希望：扶輪是世界和平的縮影，各國仿效的榜樣。扶輪在推動世界由戰爭時期的分裂轉趨融合做出了貢獻。但是，經歷了過半世紀，我們再一次問問自己：我們真的做到世界和平的縮影了嗎？



Charlie Yip  
District Secretary (DG Support) 2013 - 2014

## My Rotary Moment

"In the final analysis, Rotary exists for the purpose of developing the individual member and thereby increasing his capacity to serve." (Rotary Club of Buffalo, 1922)

I remembered not too long ago in August 2007, I was introduced to join Rotary Club of Hong Kong Sunrise, a dinner-club, through a friend of mine who was a Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar. From there onwards, I have actively participated in the service project as offered by my Club, fulfilling my role as a Rotarian. Life is somewhat different in the way like creating joy for others, sharing what we have for the comfort of mankind, bringing hopes, love and care to those who are in need. The Club is promulgating the internal value of happiness are for those who do the most for others. In no less than a year in June 2008, there came a drop of water into my happiest pond when I was offered to be the Incoming President-Elect. At that moment, I was conscious of my relative inexperience as a Rotarian. To keep my story short, with enormous strong emotional support from Club members, I was the President of Rotary of Hong Kong Sunrise in 2009-2010 under the theme "The Future of Rotary is in your hands."

During my presidential year from 2009 -2010, I have been able to practice leadership not so much in words as in attitude and in actions. It's recorded in my mind a fruitful year culminated with services project both in the local community of Hong Kong and in Mainland China. All in all, I have been able to see the positive outcome of fellowship between the Rotarians in my Club and amongst the Presidents in Rotary International District 3450 including Hong Kong, Macau and Mongolia. As the saying goes, "Pleasure in the jobs puts perfection in the work". It was an honor to obtain the RI Significant Achievement Award for 2009 – 2010 recognizing the Rotary Club of Hong Kong Sunrise on the service project of "Student Ambassadors Scheme" involving 39 Secondary Schools and 210 Secondary School Students in Yuen Long, New Territories, Hong Kong. Here I quote in a letter from the then RIP, 2009-2010, John Kenny in his letter "Your project represent the very best work in your district and the Rotary world. The efforts of the Rotary Club of Hong Kong Sunrise guarantee that Rotary's tradition of dedicated service will long continue."

Last but not the least, I must thanks ROTARY for giving me the platform to serve and a group of dedicated ROTARIANS in my Club for motivating me to address the needs of the community.



## Top 5 Club Attendance

NOV 2013

Area	Club	Average Attendance Percentage
7	Peninsula South	96.42%
9	Nomt	90%
8	Kowloon East	85%
7	Peninsula	83.33%
9	Tuul	80%

## Forthcoming Events

JAN 2014

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District Bowling Tournament

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