

THE ROTARY CLUB OF NEW YORK



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DISTRICT GOVERNOR DAY

We welcome
ANDREW CHENG



District Governor 2001-2002
Rotary International
PP, PHF, Rotary Foundation Benefactor
(Rotary Club Of Downtown New York - Chinatown)

Andrew Cheng joined Rotary in 1982 and had since served in various leading positions in the Rotary Clubs of Hong Kong and Downtown. On the District level Andrew's accomplishments are the following:

MARK YOUR
CALENDAR



September 4th
District Governor's
Day

BOARD MEETING

September 11th
"THE CHILDREN
OF THE DUMP"

September 18th
HAITI DAY

September 25th
FELLOWSHIP DAY

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Andrew Cheng's Bio

District Foundation Trustee

Member – 1995-2001

District 7230 (Westchester, Bronx, Manhattan, Staten Island & Bermuda) 1999-2000

- District Trainer
- Chair of Communications Committee
- District Directory – Editor
- Web Master
- District Foundation Trustee
- Rotary Foundation – Matching Grant Committee Chair

1998-1999

- Director of Communications
- District Directory - Editor
- Web Master
- Committee member:
 - Membership Development
 - Ambassadorial Scholarship Awarding Committee
- District Foundation Trustee

1997-1998

- Assistant District Governor
- District Directory - Editor
- Chair: Communications
 - District Fellowship
- Co-Chair: District Conference
- Committee Member:
 - Ambassadorial Scholarship Awarding Committee
 - District 7230 Gift of Life
 - United Nations
 - Women's Issues
 - World Community Service
 - Permanent Fund
- District Foundation Trustee

1996-1997

- District Directory Editor
- District Foundation Trustee
- Committee member:
 - Ambassadorial Scholarship Awarding Committee
 - World Community Service
 - District Conference
 - Group Studies Exchange
 - District 7230 Gift of Life

1995-1996

- Area Representative
- Committee member:
 - District Rotaract
 - Youth Exchange

1994-1995

- Committee member:
 - District Conference

District 3450 (Hong Kong, Macau, Taiwan)

1987-88 District Conference: committee member

1986-87 District Assembly: committee member

1985-86 Rotary Sport Day: committee member

MEMBERS' COLUMN

Please mark your calendar for this year's Evening of Harmony on Friday, October 19, at the Scandinavia House. The event will be chaired by Greg Lynch, and co-chaired by Silvio Amori. Jim Morita, the founder of this great event, will give us his valued support, as well as Jack Haikala, who was able to guarantee the beautiful space at the Scandinavia House. The event will be catered by Aquavit, one of most renowned restaurants in New York City.

Doesn't this sound mouthwatering? This will be an elegant black-tie event with lots of fun and fellowship. We are looking forward to welcoming you on October 19.

Andreas Runggatscher

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY – NYC NEEDS YOUR HELP!

This September, Country Home Magazine will build two homes, a country house and an urban penthouse apartment, in Vanderbilt Hall of Grand Central Terminal.

Called the Country Home Show House, this showcase will benefit Habitat for Humanity through donations at the door as well as an auction of all items in the homes at the conclusion of the event.

The exhibit will be open to the public from 10:00 A.M. – 7:00 P.M. daily from September 10th – 30th.

Volunteers are needed to greet guests, accept donations, and answer questions. Volunteers will be provided with an on-site orientation, light snacks and a Habitat for Humanity T-shirt! Morning shift: 9:30 A.M. – 2:30 P.M. & Afternoon shift: 2:00 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.

For more information or to volunteer, please call Mary Pat Holtgreive: (718) 246-5656, ext. 308, or e-mail: mpholtgreive@habitatnyc.org

REPORTER OF THE WEEK

August 28, 2001

Fellowship Day started with a special celebration of the Rotary Club of New York's 92nd birthday. President Helen lit the candles on our beautiful birthday chocolate cake. I was honored to lead the singing of our Club's specially designed birthday song, and President Helen blew out the candles.

Scarlet Pildes, a New York Rotarian since 1994, sang the national anthem. Bill Currie, our Treasurer, delivered the invocation. Gamal Badr, a New York Rotarian since 1982, introduced the visiting Rotarians, followed by our popular Rotary welcome song.

Rotarian Bill De Long had just returned from Kenya. He gave our club a dramatic account of life there with 50% unemployment in combination with crime, poverty, and AIDS on the rise.

Clarence Plummer, our 2nd Vice President, reported on our club's participation with Habitat for Humanity, which is one of our new projects, headed by Clarence together with Lou DiPaolo. They are looking for volunteers for this exciting program.

Tim O'Brien stated that he is looking to forge relationships with corporations so that they may sponsor our luncheons and other events. To date these efforts have raised about \$15,000.

Executive Director Andreas Runggatscher, gave us details about the *Rotary Foundation Ambassadorial Scholars Orientation Program*. This is particularly important for the host counselors.

Robert Donno, Chairman, Past President, and Founder of the Gift of Life Project in 1975, spoke about how it all started and about the current Annual Gift of Life 1000 Mile Walk-Run. This will begin from Evanston, IL, on September 11th and finish at the Ronald McDonald House on Long Island, NY on September 30th. There will be an important stop over in New York City on September 30th with television and press coverage. All members are encouraged to participate.

Bill Currie, who leads the Gift of Life Project at the Rotary Club of New York, invited us to sponsor road signs at every one tenth of a mile with a donation of \$100 per sign.

Past President Ed Gray was given a prestigious award for his contribution to the *Gift of Life Save A Child Program*. Thank you, Ed, for your commitment and your compassion!

Rotarian – Mats Ingemanson



IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR!

Annual dues and advance luncheon coupon statements for the first half of the fiscal year 2001-2002, as per the bylaws, are now **PAST DUE**. If you have any questions about your membership, please call the office. For your convenience, we do accept credit cards by fax at (212) 819-0763.

