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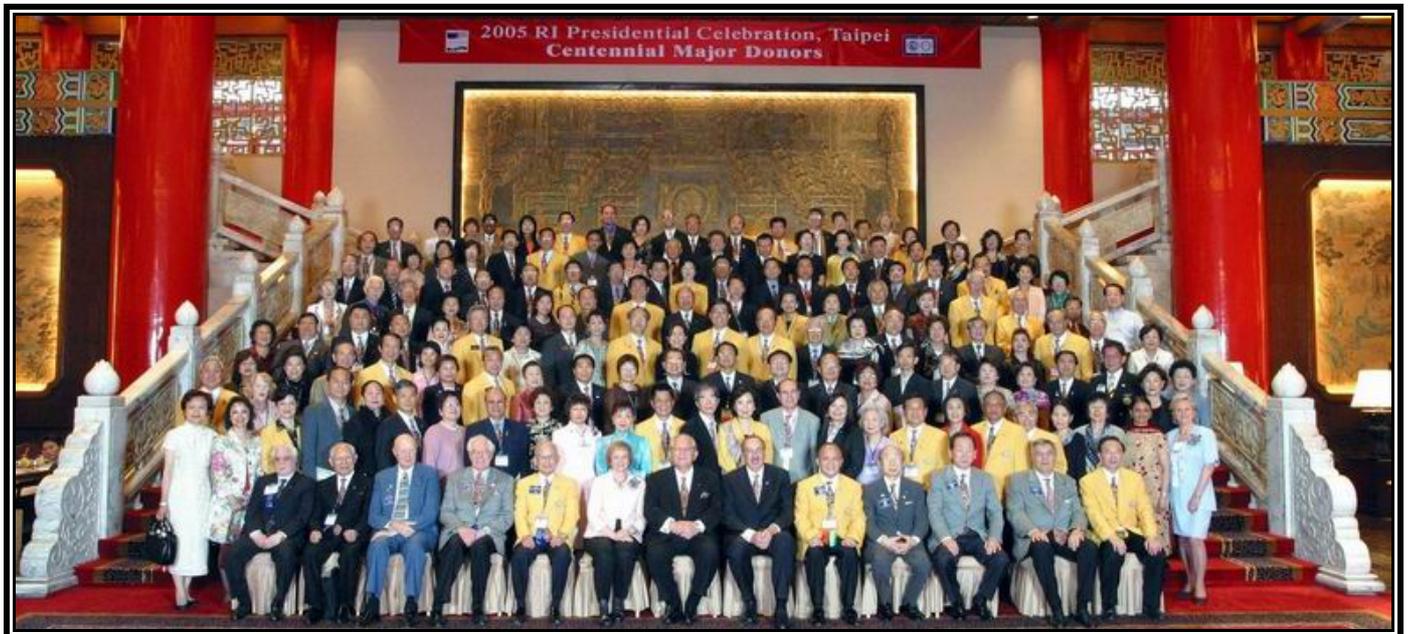
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## Taipei Presidential Welcome

Dear Rotarian,

It is a pleasure to welcome you all to the final Presidential Celebration of this Rotary year. Today, we will discuss two important topics: the future of Rotary, and the Every Rotarian, Every Year campaign.

As we approach our Centennial Convention in Chicago, where we will formally mark the 100th anniversary of Rotary's founding, it is natural to look ahead to Rotary's next Centennial in 2105. Although no one can know where Rotary – or the world – will be then, there is much we can do to ensure that Rotary continues to grow and thrive in the decades to come.

Every Rotarian, Every Year is an important part of our effort to keep Rotary, and our Rotary Foundation, strong for the next 100 years. The Rotary Foundation supports so much of the vital work that Rotary does Grants program. Because of The Foundation, Rotary is able to say "yes" to needs around the world, every day.

I look forward to discussing the future of Rotary and its Foundation with you, and to working together to strengthen Rotary in Taipei and beyond.



  
Glenn E. Estess Sr

RI President, 2004-05

### *Welcome to Taipei*

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

On behalf of all my fellow Rotarians in Taiwan, I would like to express our warm welcome to all of you who are attending the 2005 RI Taipei Presidential Celebration.

It is my great pleasure and distinct honor, as Cochairman of the 2005 R.I. Presidential Celebration in Taipei to greet you. Our theme this year is "Every Rotarian, Every Year / Future of Rotary".

We are especially gratified to have so many of our distinguished Rotary leaders and dear friends from overseas coming to Taipei to attend this event. This is a wonderful occasion to bring together Rotary leaders and old friends for discussions and interactions on important issues concerning Rotary International, its programs and its future.

As you can see from the program agenda, our Organization Committee has been working hard to fit everything together. I trust you will enjoy all the programs and enrich yourselves during the next two days. I hope that you will also find time to explore what the delightful city of Taipei has to offer.

Finally, I would like to extend my most sincere appreciation to all those participants at this Celebration, especially Co-chairman RI Director Yoshikazu Minamisono and all the members of the Organizing Committee.

I wish you all a most pleasant stay in Taipei.



Co-Chairman, 2005 RI Presidential Celebration, Taipei  
Trustee, The Rotary Foundation (2004-06)  
Vice President, Rotary International (2001-02)





## Welcome Greeting

It is my great pleasure and honor to be able to welcome all participants to 2005 Presidential Celebration, Taipei as Co-chairman.

Presidential Celebration is open to all Rotarians, with special emphasis area and the program agenda is designed to further the president programs of services and address issue of regional concern.

It is with great anticipation and renewed sense of commitment that we begin Rotary's centennial year. The best way to honor Rotary's past is to perform even greater act of service in future.

During this centennial year, President Glenn E. Estess encourages us to focus on four emphases: health concerns, water management, literacy, and the family of Rotary, and special emphasis on 2005 RI Presidential Celebration Taipei are "Future of Rotary" and "Every Rotarian, Every year".

Let us discuss and talk the issue of future of Rotary and the program of Rotary foundation together and Celebrate Rotary by taking on new challenge and goal as we continue to bring hope to millions of people in need around the world.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Y. Minamisono', written over a horizontal line.

**Yoshikazu Minamisono**  
Co-Chairman, RI Director  
2005 Presidential Celebration, Taipei



## Opening Ceremony and First Plenary Session

May 6, 2005, at the Grand Ballroom (12<sup>th</sup> floor)

The Opening Ceremony and First Plenary Session was scheduled to start at 4.30 pm on May 6, 2005, at the Grand Ballroom (12<sup>th</sup> floor) of the Grand Hotel Taipei. Over 1,000 Rotarians from 21 countries participated in this very last of RI President's Glenn's seven Presidential Celebrations.



At exactly 4.15 pm, Masters of Ceremony Governor Pauline Leung of District 3520, Taiwan, and District Secretary, CP Steve Lai invited the District 3520 Chorus Group for singing of Rotary songs. At 4.25 pm, the audience rose to welcome the entrance of RI President Glenn E. Estess Sr., First Lady Mary and other RI dignitaries. President Glenn, Co-chairs of the Conference Foundation Trustee Gary Huang and RI Director Yoshikazu Minamisono were then invited to strike a Chinese Gong to formally inaugurate the Opening Ceremony and First Plenary Session of the 2005 Presidential Celebration Taipei.

Followed right after was the flag parade. Carriers of the national flags were all dressed up in traditional Chinese opera warrior costumes. Carriers of the flags were all students selected from the National Taiwan Junior College of Performing Arts. It shows the Spirit of their Flags presenting the honor of the participants from

all over the world included Bangladesh, Canada, France, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, Macau, Malaysia, Mexico, Mongolia, Nigeria, Pakistan, People's Republic of China, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, U.K., U.S.A., and Taiwan.



After the singing of National Anthems of U.S.A., Mexico, Republic of China and Japan, the students from the National Taiwan Junior College of Performing Arts staged a magnificent performance composed of Chinese martial arts, acrobatic dances, and lion dance.....they gave us the sincere appreciations for the audience. At the end of the performance, President Glenn Estess , Past President Frank Devlyn, Trustee Gary Huang and Director Yoshikazu Minamisono were invited to present red packets as tokens of appreciation to the four lions. Certificates and plaques of appreciation were also presented to the Dean, Mr. Cheng Rung Shin, and Instructor Yu Tian of the College.



The invocation was carried out by First Lady Mary Estess who was introduced by Trustee Gary.



It was then followed by a formal introduction of the RI dignitaries who have traveled from afar to attend this Presidential Celebration. They included Co-Chair RI Director, Yoshikazu Minamisono, TRF Chair-Elect, RI Past President Frank Devlyn, RI Director Sushil Gupta, RI Director Rodger Wagner, RI Director Serge Gouteyron, RI Director David Morgan, RI Director David Linett, RI Director Sakuji Tanaka, TRF Trustee Fumio Tamamura, TRF Trustee Dong Kurn Lee, RI Past Director Genshitsu Sen, RI Past Director Toshio Itabashi, RI Past Director Norbert Turco, RI Past Director Yoshiro Ito, RI Director-Elect Noraseth Pathmanand, RI Director-Elect Kwang-Tae Kim, RI Director-Elect Masanobu Shigeta and RI Director-Nominee Yoshimasa Watanabe. The highlight of the First Plenary Session was President Glenn Estess' inaugural address, after an introduction given

by Director Minamisono.



President Glenn said that as a Rotarian for 45 years now, he hoped that one day all his eight grand children would decide to join Rotary. Few organizations, he remarked, last as long as Rotary. It has succeeded because it offers something no other organization can service through fellowship. Membership is a key to Rotary's future, and what Rotary will do in the next century is up to all Rotarians. Finally, he concluded his speech by saying that seeing everyone around the room was one wonderful reason to "Celebrate Rotary". After an overwhelming applause of President Glenn's enlightening address, an unplanned recognition was made of a fifty-year Rotarian Tower J. T. Kuo who was present that day, now the most senior Rotarian in Taiwan. The President also commended him for his loyalty and services to Rotary for half a century.



## Day One May 6, 2005 (Friday)

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Finally, announcements were made by General Secretary, Past Governor Jackson S.L. Hsieh regarding some arrangements made for the conference participants. He also reported that participants for the first day totaled over 1000. The First Plenary Session was then adjourned at 6.00 pm.



## Cocktail Reception

May 6, 2005, at East & West Foyer (1<sup>st</sup> floor)

A cocktail reception was held on the first floor of the hotel prior to the welcome dinner. All conference delegates had the opportunity of enjoying reunion with

their fellow Rotarians while meeting new friends. The cocktail reception lasted for about one hour until 7.00 pm. All guests were then asked to proceed to the 12<sup>th</sup> floor Grand Ballroom again for the Welcome Dinner during which President Chan Shui-Bian of the Republic of China would be present for a keynote address.



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**Welcome Dinner**

May 6, 2005, at the Grand Ballroom (12<sup>th</sup> floor)

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The President of the Republic of China, His Excellency arrived at around 6.45 pm at the Presidential Suite to meet with RI President Glenn Estess and First Lady Mary. After extending his warmest welcome to the RI dignitaries, a photo session with President Chen was held with all the RI officers.



Then President Chen was welcomed into the Grand Ballroom and delivered his keynote address to all the guests at the dinner. As a Rotarian himself, President expressed his delight about the President Celebration being held in Taipei. He also talked briefly about how Paul Harris and his three friends had started Rotary in Chicago in 1905, and how it had turned out, after 100 years, to be a great service organization in the world. Rotary's humanitarian, educational and peace efforts

have made tremendous contributions to mankind. He especially felt proud being a Rotarian and highly commended the commitments made by Rotary International on the Polio Eradication Program.

Rotarians present were extremely excited about the President's address. President Glenn also presented President Chen with a souvenir from Rotary and thanked him for his unwavering support to Polio.



After the departure of the President, dinner was served. The entertainment program for the evening started with a "Chicago, All That Jazz" dance performed by District 3520's Spouse Committee. The dancers were all dressed up in dazzling gold and silver costumes and staged a beautiful performance that featured the theme of the city where the 2005 Convention will be held in June. Past President Frank Devlyn and Past Governor Jackson Hsieh were both invited to make guest appearance dancing with the charming ladies.





The other programs included Chinese Dance Festivals presented by Rotary club of Taichung Formosa, Bunon Tribal Chorus by Rotary Club of Taipei Chung Yuan, Angels from Dunhuang Caves Dance by the Spouse Committee, Sig Language Dance by the Rotary Club of Taipei Dragon River, Tribal Dance of Tai by Rotary Club of Taoyuan Lily.

The finale was a program presented by District 3520. The District Governor Pauline together with two club chorus groups: Taipei New East and Tung Sheng, performed a musical "Rotary Act" adapted from Hollywood's famous Sister Act. "I will follow him,

follow him wherever he may go....." was the heartfelt expression of their support for Centennial President Glenn Estess this year.

All performers had the opportunity of posing with the RI dignitaries for group pictures after the evening is over. The Masters of Ceremony for the dinner event were Past President Sara Mar from Rotary Club of Taipei Pei An and Rotarian Roadrunner from Rotary Club of Taipei.



Day Two May 7, 2005 (Saturday)

**The Rotary Foundation  
Major Donors Breakfast**

May 7, 2005, at International Reception Room (1<sup>st</sup> floor)



A Major Donors Breakfast was held to honor the Centennial Major Donors. This year, there were 106 of them from Taiwan. Presider of this meeting was TRF Trustee Fumio Tamamura who expressed great pleasure in welcoming all the great supporters of The Rotary Foundation during this very special Rotary Centennial year.



Co-chair and Trustee Gary Huang introduced The Rotary Foundation Chair-Elect, RI Past President Frank Devlyn who made an inspiring address to complement the generosity of the Donors. He said that everyone

present had his own story to tell concerning why he had made such contributions to The Rotary Foundation. Whatever the story was, it had helped changing the world and it was particularly meaningful to do so in commemorating Rotary's one hundred year of service. He also encouraged them to continue doing so in order to keep the Foundation going.



Among the Major Donors present, there were also quite a few Significant Major Donors who have their pictures at Rotary's Hall of Fame at the Headquarter in Evanston. From Taiwan, there were three of them: Past Governor Jackson Hsieh and Past Governor Color Lee from District 3520, and Past Governor Archi Hsu from District 3500.



During the Vote of Thanks given by TRF Trustee Dong Kurn Lee, he commended that Chair-Elect Frank was such a dynamic speaker. Under the latter's leadership

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from the next service year, Lee said, he was certain that TRF will continue to prosper and service the world better.

Major Donors and 100 % Paul Harris Fellow clubs were then recognized.

Photo taking session was held, by country and district, after the Presider adjourned the breakfast meeting.



## Second Plenary Session

May 7, 2005, at the Grand Ballroom (12<sup>th</sup> floor)

The Second Plenary Session commenced at 9.00 am at the Grand Ballroom (12<sup>th</sup> floor). There were two open forums in the morning after singing of Rotary songs. The first one was "Celebrate Rotary" and the Presider was RI Director Yoshikazu Minamisono. He started by introducing the keynote speaker President Glenn Estess, panelists RI Director David Morgan, RI Director Rodger Wagner, RI Director Serge Gouteyron, RI Director Sushil Gupta, RI Director-Nominee Yoshimasa Watanabe, and Guiller E. Tamangan, Incoming Chairman of the Philippines College of Governors.



During his speech, President Glenn emphasized on the four directions of services chosen for the Rotary Centennial: Rotary Family, Illiteracy, Health, and Water Resources issues. He was pleased to learn that all over the world, Rotarians have been celebrating Rotary by their outstanding services in these four areas.



The panelists that followed also made presentations on how "Celebrate Rotary" was practiced in various districts and countries. Rotarians present were also

invited to share what they have been doing with the audience. They were encouraged to know the enthusiasm and accomplishments in the Rotary world during the Rotary Centennial year.

The second Forum focused on "Every Rotarian, Every Year" and the Presider was TRF Trustee Gary Huang. He also introduced the keynote speaker TRF Chair-Elect Frank Devlyn as well as panelists TRF Trustee Fumio Tamamura, RI Director David Linett, TRF Trustee Dong Kurn Lee, RI Past Director William Gant, RI Past Director Nobert Turco, RI Director-elect Masanobu Shigeta, and Past Governor Moses Cheng of District 3450.



In his speech, TRF Chair-Elect Frank again stressed the importance to keep the Foundation going. One of the effective ways to make it happen is each Rotarian giving at least \$100 to the Foundation every year. This is a goal that we should all strive to achieve.



The panelists then also spoke on how The Rotary Foundation is helping the world and gave suggestions of how Rotarians could be encouraged in becoming a sustaining member of TRF by giving \$100 a year. The future of Rotary depends on the well being of the Foundation. That is why all of us should focus on this target to make the second century of Rotary's service a success.

## Taipei City Mayor's Luncheon

May 7, 2005, at the Grand Ballroom (12<sup>th</sup> floor)



The luncheon was hosted by Taipei City Mayor Ma Ying-Jeou who is an honorary member of the Rotary Club of Taipei, the oldest club in Taiwan. In his welcome speech, he told the guests that his vision for Taipei was a “city of health”. He went on to explain the means of achieving this goal under his management of this friendly city. He also talked about how he got the Rotary nickname of “Justice” at a Rotary meeting when he was mistakenly introduced as the “minister without justice” instead of “minister without portfolio”. “Justice” was therefore returned to him by naming him so. He also expressed his gratitude to Rotary International for selecting Taipei as a venue for the important Presidential Celebration this year, and thanked the Rotarians in Taipei for giving so much to the City and its citizens in the past years.



After his speech, he presented to President Glenn and Chair-Elect Frank City Keys of Taipei. President Glenn, after thanking Mayor Ma for his support of the Presidential Celebration, also presented him with a “father and son” figure which is a symbol of Rotary's Polio Eradication Program.



After lunch, recognitions were made to :

- Rotarians with membership in Rotary for more than 50 years
- Rotarians whose aggregated number of years of age and membership are over 100
- Rotary Clubs chartered before 1955
- Distinguished Service Award, TRF
- Service Above Self Award, RI
- Citation Meritorious Service, TRF
- Rotary Volunteers Certificate of Recognition, RI

The luncheon meeting adjourned at 2:00 pm after an entertainment program presented by District 3500.

### Third Plenary Session

May 7, 2005, at the Grand Ballroom (12<sup>th</sup> floor)



The Third Plenary Session in the afternoon started with a recognition of the seven districts in Taiwan who have successfully promoted the “Rotary Platinum Visa Card” program. Robert Mintz, Division Manager of Corporate Relations and Global Travel presented the seven district governors with crystal plaques.



The open forum during this session focused on the theme of “Future of Rotary” with RI Director Sakuji Tanaka presiding over. Director Tanaka first introduced the keynote speaker RI Past Director Genshitsu Sen, and panelists RI Past Director Toshio Itabashi, RI Director-Elect Kwang-Tae Kim, RI Director-Elect Noraseth Pathmanand, Past Governor Paul C.K. Lee of District 3300, Chen Yu-wang, Rotary

World Peace Fellow, and Scott Thomas, Ambassadorial Scholar from District 5840, USA.

The panelists each gave a five-minute presentation on what and how the future of Rotary should become. It was particularly impressive to have the Rotary scholars present to give their views that represented the thoughts of the younger generation. The depth of what they were able to discuss about also explained the achievements of the Rotary educational programs in promoting world understanding.



After the forum, there was a citation session to honor all Centennial Major Donors again and individual pictures were taken with RI President and TRF Chair-Elect.

Following this was a group picture session with all RI dignitaries at the Lobby of Grand Hotel.



## Spouse Program

May 7, 2005, at Lobby and 1<sup>st</sup> Floor

The Spouse Program from 1.30 to 4.30 pm was chaired by Mrs. Betty Hsu of District 3500 and was attended by over 300 spouses.



The very entertaining programs included an appreciation of the very original “Franz” ceramic creations, introducing the art of napkin folding, native dance performance and tasting of tea desserts.



## Closing Plenary Session

May 7, 2005, at the Grand Ballroom (12<sup>th</sup> floor)

Co-Chair of the Presidential Celebration, Taipei, Yoshikazu Minamisono presided over the Closing Plenary Session. Closing remarks were made by RI President Glenn Estess and Governor Pauline Leung of District 3520 Taiwan interpreted his speech immediately. President Glenn thanked the Organizing Committee for a great job in making the last of his Presidential Celebration such a success.

He commented that all programs and details of the Conference were perfectly executed. He said that the future of Rotary was the Rotarians who were present at the Conference. He urged them to continue upholding the values and ethics in earning trust for Rotarians in our world. Finally, he encouraged everyone to attend the Chicago Convention in June, which should be one of the biggest events in Rotary’s history.

Co-Chair TRF Trustee Gary Huang then gave recognition and thanks to all parties who helped making the event possible. Presentations of gifts and appreciation plaques were made to the RI President, Co-Chair Minamisono, the seven district governors of Taiwan, and all committee chairs of the organizing committee.



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## 2005 RI Presidential Celebration, Taipei



After the secretarial announcements made by Past Governor Jackson Hsieh, the 2005 Presidential Celebration Taipei was officially adjourned by RI President Glenn Estess.



## Minister of Foreign Affairs' Banquet

May 7, 2005, at the Grand Ballroom (12<sup>th</sup> floor)

The evening program featured Rotarian Sabina and Rotarian Stephen as MCs. The host of the evening's reception arrived at about 7.15 pm, represented by Chan Yung-Chuo, secretary general of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. His Excellency Chan Yung-Chuo gave a 20-minute speech on how Rotary and Taiwan could work hand in hand. He also commended on the development Rotary had made all around the world.



RI President Glenn Estess again presented to him a gift from Rotary after thanking the Ministry of Foreign Affairs for their generosity in supporting the Conference.



After dinner started, the program started with a joint

charter ceremony for all the new clubs formed this year. There were a total of 14 clubs that joined the ceremony, six from District 3480, three clubs from District 3520, three clubs from District 3500, one from District 3490 and one from District 3460.



The evening's entertainment also included a Flute and Dance Performance by Taipei Yangming Mountain Elementary School, Street Dance by Taipei American School, Jazz Dance by Spouse Committee of District 3480, Japanese Dance by District 3490, Beauty of Dance Combo by Rotary Club of Taipei Castle, Indian Dance by Spouse Committee, and Taiwan Aborigine Dance by Rotary Club of Taipei Genius.



Finally, a celebration of Mother's Day was staged by the Rotary Club of Golden Eagle which ended the colorful 2005 Presidential Celebration in Taipei.

### 14 New Clubs Chartering

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the Grand Ballroom (12<sup>th</sup> floor)

D3460 : 大甲百齡社

D3480 : 台北百福社, 台北百合社, 台北百城社, 台北明星社, 台北慈恩社, 台北永安社

D3490 : 五股金鐘社

D3500 : 台灣網路社, 竹南百齡社, 桃園百齡社

D3520 : 台北健康社, 台北南雅社, 台北松江社



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