

QUOTES FROM ROTARY HISTORY

"I did not in 1905 foresee a world-wide [Rotary] movement ... When a man plants an unpromising sapling, can he be sure that some day here will grow a mighty tree? Once he sees the first bud - ah, then he can begin to dream of shade."

- Paul P. Harris, from his last article in *The Rotarian*, February 1957

Hong Kong clubs mark centennial with nature project

FOR THEIR centennial project, six Rotary clubs in Hong Kong will contribute HK\$500,000 to renovate a nature center and build a wetland conservation research center.

The Rotary clubs of Hong Kong, Hong Kong Island West, Hong Kong Northwest, The Peak, City Northwest Hong Kong, and Mid-Level will join forces to upgrade the Peter Scott Field Studies Center at Mai Po Nature Reserve to help promote wetland education. The clubs will also build an institute for wetland conservation inside the center.

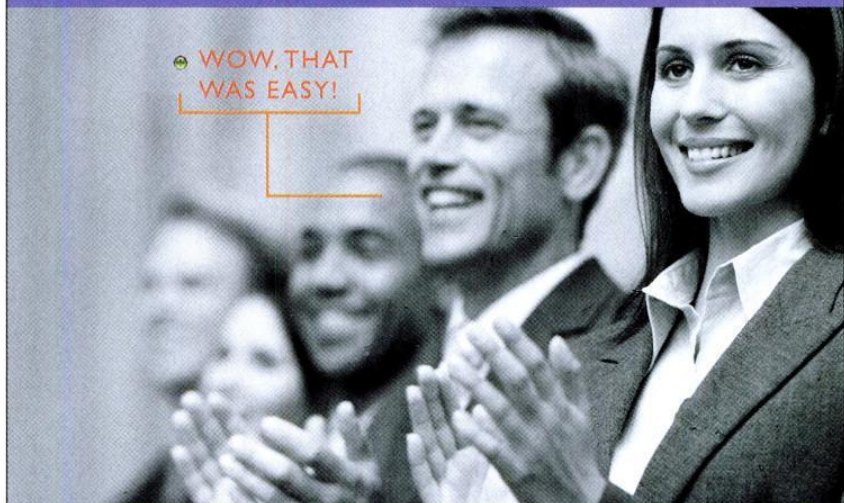
"We want to expand wetland conservation education to all sectors of the public, not only students, but business leaders, city officials, and engineering professionals who have an impact on the success of conservation," says Jason Chan, president of the Rotary Club of The Peak.

The clubs participated in joint fundraising projects. Chan says members will also provide manual labor for the project, with input from Rotarian structural engineers and designers.

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