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L o o k B e y o n d Y o u r s e l f

POLLY PUT THE KETTLE ON, WE'LL ALL HAVE TEA

The Purple Cane was a good experience. Those members who missed this meeting at Shaw Parade really did miss a pleasant evening and not to mention the good VEGETARIAN food we ate later.

This month is ROTARY FOUNDATION MONTH – a reminder to all to contribute.

Have you registered for the conference with a difference?

Deepavalli - a colourful festival celebrated by all Hindus worldwide is also known as the festival of lights. An important practice that Hindus follow is to light oil lamps in our homes in the morning. By lighting the lamps, we thank the Gods for the happiness, knowledge, peace and wealth that we have received.

There is an interesting legend behind this festival. The story goes that Narakasura, a demon, ruled the kingdom of Pradyoshapuram. Under his rule, the villagers suffered untold hardships. The demon King



tortured the people. Lord Krishna on seeing his wickedness set out to destroy the demon, and the day Nakasura died was celebrated as Deepavalli - the triumph of Good over Evil.

Happy Deepavalli

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TODAY'S PROGRAMME

MEETING ON 28 OCTOBER 2010

CLASSIFICATION TALK BY RTN DR SHARM MORTHI

DUTY ROSTER

Raffle: Lynn
Introduce Speaker: Mike
Thank Speaker: Peggy
Finemaster: Sanjeev
Rotary Information: Sharm

CLUB DIARY

4 Nov Club Admin, Membership & PR
Service Committee Meetings

5 Nov Deepavali

6 Nov Rotary-UN Day

10 Nov Board of Directors' Meeting
Host - CS Ong
Venue - TBA

11 Nov Weekly Meeting
Rotary Foundation Programme

Vocational & SNG
Service Committee Meetings

13 Nov GSE Outbound Team returning

17 Nov Hari Raya Haji

18-21 Nov Rotary Institute, Bangkok

Legend has it that tea was accidentally discovered more than 4,000 years ago when a Chinese emperor spotted tea leaves which had fallen into a boiling pot produced a pleasing aroma. This may be just legend but it is a fact that about 3 billion cups of tea are drunk everyday.

So it was apt that this week, our meeting was held at the Purple Cane in Shaw Parade, Pudu. Ms Y L Hooi of Purple Cane gave the 12 of us who attended a brief talk about how tea is produced and classified. There are several ways to classify tea but the most common is by the degree of fermentation. Ms Hooi also answered the many questions we had about tea. Her only difficulty was understanding Tina's English, and we all can sympathise with that.



Then came the fun part, because we were shown how Chinese tea should be brewed. First of all, you need all the right utensils of course. After the demo, the

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Birthdays

9 November Susan (CS's Ann)

Anniversaries

None

BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2010-11

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Rotarians had a chance to try it out for themselves under the close supervision of the charming girls from Purple Cane. One thing I learnt was not to overbrew the tea. Tea is brewed for literally seconds before it is poured. Another interesting fact is that tea trees can live for hundreds of years, and we were shown photos of some really old trees. We tasted many types of tea including green tea, puer and oolong tea.

After this most interesting hands-on activity, it was time to look around the shop and several members bought some of their favourite teas from the wide selection available. Then it was time for dinner, and conveniently, Purple Cane had their own restaurant downstairs so that was where we had a lovely and very reasonably priced vegetarian dinner. Well, it was almost a completely vegetarian dinner - we ordered one chicken dish thinking it was a “vege-chicken”, but it was a real chicken!

Perhaps it was because Edward still had this dish on his mind because after dinner, he and a few others (who shall remain nameless) went off to a Chinese cabaret for a bit of post-prandial entertainment. Wong informed us Pudu was Edward’s happy hunting ground of old.

Our thanks to Tina, whose idea it was to hold the meeting at the Purple Cane. Any suggestions as to where else we can go for a meeting?



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CLUBS MODEL VOCATIONAL SERVICE

For the past three years, the Rotary Club of Minneapolis South, Minnesota, USA, has been helping young adults with learning and behavioral disabilities to explore careers that interest them.



The club collaborates with the Minneapolis South Workforce Center and seven special education high schools on a job-shadowing day twice a year. More than 30 students and young adults ages 18-21 are matched with employees in areas such as nursing, public safety, data entry, and housekeeping.

Sandra Schley, past governor of District 5950, says vocational programs such as job shadowing are vital, especially given the 70 percent unemployment rate among people with disabilities in the United States.

The club provides transportation and food for the participants. Club members also talk about their own career paths before the young adults head to their job-shadow assignments.

Club members also visit schools to help struggling students improve their grades through tutoring and mentoring.

Each October, Rotarians are encouraged to focus on Vocational Service, one of the five Avenues of Service. Rotary International collected model vocational service project submissions from 2009-10 district governors. Here are a few examples:

- The Rotary Club of San Diego, California, USA, has held Camp Enterprise since 1976, helping to teach about 80 high school students about free enterprise and the benefits of being an entrepreneur.
- The Rotary Club of Krasnodar, Russian Federation, developed the My Professional Future Project for orphans ages 14-16, which includes educational seminars on personal motivation, communication, careers and labor, and preparing for the future.
- Members of the Rotary Club of Bern, Switzerland, provide a two-week vocational internship for economically and socially disadvantaged youth. Students intern at local businesses in Switzerland and learn how to market themselves.

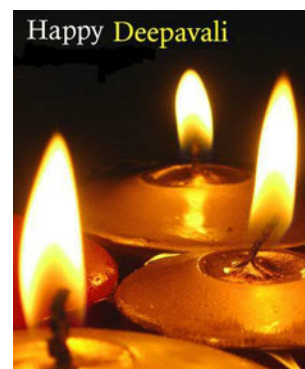
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**DAYS TO THE DISTRICT CONFERENCE!
REGISTER NOW!**

**10-12 December 2010
Shangri-La Hotel
Kuala Lumpur**

**The Rotary Club of Kelana Jaya wishes all its
Hindu members and readers a
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**THE 4-WAY TEST
Of the things we think, say or do**

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?