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**Programme Today**

**Speaker** : MR. CHRISTOPHER BELL,  
BRIGHTON EDUCATION GROUP

**Subject** : IMPROVING STANDARD OF  
ENGLISH IN MALAYSIA

ON DUTY  
Duty Table : Laura Lee  
Fellowship : Yeap Kim Hock  
Finemaster : Dr Paul Lee  
Introduce : Ken Ong  
Thanking : Dato' Muslim

**Happy Birthday!**



Ann Raja Azma (PP Dato' Muslim Ayob)  
(17th March)

**Happy Anniversary!**

Nil

<p><b>Programme</b></p> <p><b>Speaker</b> : DR. JAMEELA BT. SATAR <b>Subject</b> : HEMOTOLOGI / THALASEMIA &amp; WHEEL CHAIR PROJECT LAUNCH</p>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: 80px; margin: auto;"> <p><i>Next Week</i></p> </div>	<p><b>On Duty</b></p> <p>Duty Table : Annie Tan Fellowship : Lee Su Zane Finemaster : K. H. Low Introduce : Tan Peng Huat Thanking : Loo Ming Chee</p>
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<b>Diary 14th March - 3rd April 2011</b>						
Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat	Sun
<p><b>14</b> 12.30 pm Rotary Lunch Meeting <b>Hotel Sentral Pudu, KL</b></p>	<p><b>15</b></p>	<p><b>16</b></p>	<p><b>17</b> 7.00 pm Service to New Generations Meeting Marco Polo Rest.</p>	<p><b>18</b></p>	<p><b>19</b> 5.00 pm Pudu Rotaract Club Meeting Eurasian Club</p>	<p><b>20</b></p>
<p><b>21</b> 12.30 pm Rotary Lunch Meeting 2.00 pm Membership Committee Mtg. <b>Shangri-la KL</b></p>	<p><b>22</b></p>	<p><b>23</b></p>	<p><b>24</b></p>	<p><b>25</b> 3.00 pm Interact Co-ordination Council Meeting ICC SMK Methodist</p>	<p><b>26</b></p>	<p><b>27</b> 2 pm - 4 pm Interactors Hi-Tea with DG. 7 pm - 11 pm Club Assembly/ DG Visit Hotel Sentral Pudu, KL</p>
<p><b>28</b> 12.45 pm 4th Club Meeting / DG Visit <b>Hotel Sentral Pudu, KL</b></p>	<p><b>29</b></p>	<p><b>30</b></p>	<p><b>31</b> 7.00 pm BOD meeting Royal Lake Club</p>	<p><b>1</b></p>	<p><b>2</b> 5.00 pm Pudu Rotaract Club Meeting Eurasian Club</p>	<p><b>3</b></p>



Fellowship is often taken to mean to have a great time, have fun, to mix. Perhaps it is all that and more. It is involvement in whatever we do as a Rotarian and in doing so we gain great fellowship as a result of our involvement and not the other way around. This way the fellowship becomes more meaningful and the insight into each others personality will strengthen our friendship, creating better fellowship. It should be a by product of our involvement and commitment as a Rotarian. Many in Pudu has forged this bond over the years working on projects and its this kind of fellowship that endures.

Last Tuesday at the Service Committee meeting one witnessed the simple act of remembering a birthday, the belated birthday of Pres. Choy Ying. The result is seeing a visibly touched and surprised President who was clearly moved. Her unselfish wish is for the continued health and great fellowship of Pudu Rotary as she proceeded to cut the birthday cake. Some remembered, perhaps for the good reason that she had not been able to celebrate her birthday on the 1st March., and the result was a small celebration after the Service Committee meeting. A simple act that speaks volumes no less for the thoughtfulness of this gesture.

Hence meetings can always bring a group together and the fellowship that follows is but a result of lowering one's guard to bring out the real personality that often lay submerged. There can be no substitute but to try to stay active to discover the joy of fellowship even as we try our best to live the role of a Rotarian.

**Friends, thank you!**



*“We cannot tell the exact moment a friendship is formed; as in filling a vessel drop by drop, there is at last a drop which makes it run over; so in a series of kindnesses, there is at last one that makes the heart run over.” James Boswell*

To me, the greatest benefit in joining Rotary is having made so many friends. Not just the “fair weather” type but true friends who are there to lend a hand during difficult times.

For countless occasions, I have been deeply grateful for the timely kind words, generous help and support I received from my friends, my fellow Pudu Rotarians. Last Tuesday evening was one of such occasion. Thank you all for the surprise belated birthday celebration!

Thank you PP Sim Bee & PE Steven the sumptuous dinner; thank you PE Steven for the cake too. Thank you, Sandy for the gift and the bottles of wine; and to someone who brought the whiskey?

Thanks to PDG Paul, PP Quah, PP Sam, PP KH, PP KU, Lawrance, Tenny, Patrick, Laura and Arvin for braving the traffic jam to join us at RSGC. Not forgetting my Service committee director Peng Huat and his members Daisy, Mok Sin and Heng. PP Gary managed to join us too but missed our photography session!

As some of you may know, certain distressing event took place on my birthday this year and celebration was really the last thing on my mind. This made this surprise celebration even more meaningful to me.

Thank you my friends!

**Say what you want about aging, it's still the only way to have old friends. ~Robert Brault,**



In Rotary Service,  
President RY 2010/2011

# Pudu News

## Record of Meeting on 7th March 2011

**Guest Speaker** : ROTARY/ROTARACT JOINT MEEETING  
**Subject** : ILTMC BRIEFING

### VISITING ROTARIANS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Club</u>
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### GUESTS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Host</u>
Elaine Tan	Laura Lee
Rotaractor's	8 pax
CK Wong	Rtn Heng

### STATISTICS

Visiting Rotarians	:	
Guests	:	10
Club Members	:	24
<b>Total Present</b>	:	<b>34</b>

### COLLECTIONS

Birthdays / Anniversaries / Fines	:	RM 17.00
Paying Diners	:	RM 90.00
Raffles & Others	:	
<b>Total</b>	:	<b>RM107.00</b>

### Club Proceedings *Recorded by PP Phang Poke Shuan*

This was an evening meeting to accommodate the Rotaractors for the first Joint Meeting between Rotary Club Pudu and the Rotaract Club Pudu. Holding it at the Hotel Sentral Pudu was also the first for us as our usual venue was unavailable. The venue was bright and cheerful and the food was also quite a change from our usual.

Sgt-at-Arms for the meeting Rotaractor Nicholas Lim called the meeting to order at 7:45 pm and proceeded to introduce the Guests. He then led in the singing of the National Anthem and proposed the loyal toast.

Finemaster was PP YK Chew who first fined the President for having the first joint evening with the Rotaractors for the year. Likewise the Rotaract Chairman Rtn Patrick Lee was also fined. PP Gary Lim made a lot of noise and was relieved of a ringgit. PDG Dr Paul Lee on the other hand made very little noise and had to pay a fine too. PE Steven Oon was casually dressed and had to pay a fine for it. PP KH Low and PP Albert Lim made unnecessary comments and were made to pay a ringgit each. The finemaster then welcomed Rtn KK Yap to the meeting with a fine. Birthday boy Rtn Roy paid RM10 for a birthday song sung for him.

### ROTARY INFORMATION

The Rotary Information was read by Rtn Arvin Kumar.

### President's Announcement

Welcome to Pudu Rotary Club RY2010/2011's 32nd Weekly Meeting.

The following activities were carried out last week:-

- The Club Admin committee met on Wednesday 2 March 2011 at 7 pm at the Marco Polo Restaurant.

- RYLA was held from 3 - 6 March 2011 at De Palma Resort, Kuala Selangor. Our club sponsored 2 Rotractors from the Rotaract Club of Pudu.

Highlights of the upcoming Club events,

- Interact Leadership Training and Motivational Camp and the Rotary Rotaract Interact games will be held from 11 - 13 March.
- The incoming Board for RY2011/2012 will be meeting on 18 March 2011 at 6.30 pm at PE Steven Oon's office.
- I will be attending the district 3450 conference on 19 - 20 March 2011 at the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre in Hong Kong.
- On 21 March 2011, during our luncheon meeting at the Shangri-La KL, our club will be launching "Wheelchair for poor patients" project in which our club is donating 20 wheelchairs to the Hospital Ampang. Dr Jameliah from Hospital Ampang will also be giving us a talk on "Thalassemia".
- Our DG Kok Beng will be making his official visit to our club on 27 & 28 March 2011, venue is at Hotel Sentral Pudu. We will also be having our 3rd club assembly in conjunction with DG's visit at 7 pm on 27 March, which is a Sunday. There will be a "welcome home" fellowship for our DG after the assembly. Please bring your spouse!

Other District Announcements,

- The 77th District 3300 Assembly will be held from the 8 - 10 April 2011 at the Bayview Beach Hotel, Batu Ferringhi, Penang.
- The District TRF Nite will be held on the 7 May 2011 at the Klang Executive Club at 7.30 pm. Cost is at RM60 per pax, bring your own drinks.

c. The "IYE - YOUTH PROTECTION" Seminar will be held on Sunday, 15 May 2011. From 9am - 1pm on Deck 2, Level 7, D'Villa Residence.

Honorary Treasurer Roy had sent out a reminder e-mail and invoice for the 2nd half club dues. I would like to remind our members to pay up as soon as possible before DG's visit.

ROTARACT PRESIDENT SUK SUN also made her announcements regarding happenings in their club.

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## ***The Talk***

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PDG Dr Paul Lee was then invited to give a few pointers on the what can be expected of trainers and participants since he has vast knowledge as a District and International trainer.

In starting his briefing, Dr Paul talked first about the uniqueness of training in Rotary. According to him all office bearers had to undergo their respective training programme designed by Rotary. Besides the incoming club office bearers, the District Governor too have to undergo training at the RI HQ and those who did not do so would not be allowed to take office. Likewise even the incoming RI President had to do a stint too. Because of the mandatory training, through time, the methods had evolved and now Rotary have a good system. In the training itself, the trainers styled themselves as sharing information rather than disseminating information. This is because no one can claim to be an expert and know everything.

Thus the forth coming ILTMC is a time for information sharing and the participating Interactors should already have some knowledge on the workings of their respective Interact clubs. PDG Dr Paul then gave a few pointers for the Resource Rotarians/Rotaractors to follow:

- 1) Language: He said that the Resource person must conduct the session in the language familiar with the Interactors be it in English, Mandarin or even Hokkien. This is to enable them to grasp the various points discussed.
- 2) Sitting arrangement: The sitting arrangement must be comfortable and may be even informal. The sitting should be circular or even sitting on the floor if it were more comfortable.
- 3) Premeditating questions: The Resource person must know what questions would be asked and prepare the respective answers. In this respect, one must be knowledgeable and prepare beforehand.
- 4) Time: Discuss the various points within the allotted time given so as to maximize participation.

Paul stresses the need to make participants feel comfortable, lower their guard in order that they will speak out and share their thoughts and knowledge. Trainers must lead the discussion and try to involve all for a more meaningful and involved participation by all. Avoid

a teacher and student type relationship to bring forward more confident type of interactive discussion.

The talk was continued by PP Gary Lim, the Chairman of the ILTMC who then briefed the audience on what to do on the day of the ILTMC itself. Gary held another meeting immediately after the evenings formal meeting had ended.

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## ***Pudu Club News***

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### **35th ILTMC at Akademi Pembangunan Belia Malaysia, Port Dickson**

The theme this year for Pudu's ILTMC is NUTURING OUR YOUTH TOWARDS 1 MALAYSIA. It was recently concluded from 11th to 13th March at Port Dickson.

This years training involve more than 140 Interactors from 9 schools in the Klang Valley. The principal purpose is to motivate and train Interactors to hold high office in their respective schools Interact Clubs, namely the positions of President, Vice President Secretary, Treasurer, etc.

The 3 days 2 nights event was full of activities and motivating information. It also provided an avenue for Rotarians, Rotaractors, Interactors, Teachers and friends of Rotary to interact by participating in the Rotary, Rotaract & Interact Games (RRI Games).

The organization was led by PP Gary Lim and assisted by George Heng and Laura Lee. Many Rotarians and Rotaractors contribute much time and efforts to ensure a smooth organization as looking after so many Interactors is never a small feat.

Our PR man PP Albert Lim as usual provided as much infor as he can for the press people. And having YB Dato" Tan Lian Hoe, Deputy Minister from the Ministry of Domestic Trade, Co-Operative & Consumerism helped to lend importance to the role of Rotary in youth development. We also have YB M. Ravi, State Assemblyman for Port Dickson to officiate the opening of the ILTS on the 12th March, 2011.

This event also mark the formal appearance of our incoming President Steven Oon. No doubt our President Choy Ying will fondly recall last year's ILTMC event where she participated with much gusto.





*President Choy Ying & Rotaract President Suk Sun.*

## **ROTARY-ROTARACT JOINT MEETING ON 7TH MARCH 2011**

***This first ever joint meeting was successfully held at Hotel Sentral Pudu***

***This meeting could be more meaningful if Rotarians and Rotaractors were not seating in isolation as observed by PDG Dr. Paul Lee.***

***The new venue was pleasantly bright and cheerful and the food was a nice change.***



*Sargeant-at-Arms Rotaractor Nicolas Lim*



*Some Rotarians at the meeting.*



*Group Picture of Rotaractors with some of our Rotarians.*

# MEETING ON 7TH MARCH



*KK Yap had a cheeky grin for this picture.*



*Sandy thinking about the "last boat" from Soo Chow.*



*Chin Peow comparing notes with the President.*



*Y.K.Chew was the finemaster.*



*Paul giving a few happy tips to the Club.*



*Steven Oon poses with the ladies.*



*The food was quite nice.*



*Gary had a meeting for the ITLMC project after the meeting.*



*Some of the Rotaractors*

# ***BELATED SURPRISE BIRTHDAY FOR OUR PRESIDENT CHOY YING***



*A birthday wish as President Choy Ying cuts the cake.*

***“It was a nice surprise for our President and the gesture was a great bonding opportunity for those who were present at the Service Committee meeting on 8th March at the RSGC”***



*Arvin seems to say the whisky was running low.*



*Sandy toasts the President.*



*Women's Day celebrations?*



*Peng Huat's Service Committee appears to be well attended on 8th March 2011.*

**PROPOSED ITINERARY FOR DG'S VISIT ON MARCH 27-28, 2011**

Venue: Hotel Sentral Pudu - 310 Jalan Pudu KL

Date/Day - March 27th -Sunday

Function: Meeting/Hi Tea/Club Assembly& Fellowship

- 12.30 pm - Receive District Governor at hotel by President/President Elect/Secretary/Treasurer/  
Asst Governor
- 12.45 pm - Meeting with President/President Elect/Secretary/Treasurer/ Asst Governor
- 2.00 pm - Hi Tea meeting with Interactors/Rotaractors and fellowship
- 4.00 pm - End of afternoon activities (day use room provided for DG)
- 7.00 pm - Club Assembly
- 7.30 pm - Assembly called to order - Welcome address and DG's address
- 7.45 pm - Reports from Board of Directors and Q&A session
- 8.30 pm - Fellowship
- 10.30 pm - End of evening activities

Venue: Hotel Sentral Pudu - 310 Jalan Pudu KL (please refer to attached map)

Date/Day - March 28th - Monday

Function: Official Club Visit

- 12.30 pm - Receive District Governor at hotel by President/President Elect/Secretary/Treasurer/  
Asst Governor
- 1.10 pm - Meeting starts/Fine Session/Rotary Information/Presidents Address
- 1.30 pm - District Governor's address
- 1.50 pm - QA Session
- 2.00 pm - Secretary's announcement
- 2.10 pm - Meeting ends - Fellowship continues.

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**List of Registrants for the 77th District Assembly 8th - 10th April 2011 at Bayview Beach, Penang.**

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Dear PRC Members,

This latest list is as at 8th March 2011.

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| 1. DG Lim Kok Beng            | 13. PP KU Rajah                  |
| 2. PDG Dr Paul Lee            | 14. PP Albert Lim                |
| 3. Rtn CT Heng                | 15. PP Gary Lim                  |
| 4. PP Ken Ong & Chin Lian     | 16. Rtn Daisy Chiu               |
| 5. PP Michael Tung            | 17. Rtn Arvin Kumar              |
| 6. PP Robin Tay               | 18. Rtn Laura Lee                |
| 7. Rtn Jeffrey Yap            | 19. Rtn Tan Peng Huat            |
| 8. PE Steven Oon & Boon Kee   | 20. Rtn Asok Kumar               |
| 9. PP Choo Jee Sam            | 21. Rtn Aaron Ong                |
| 10. President Leong Choy Ying | 22. Rtn Lawrance Annies          |
| 11. PP Low Keng Hwa           | Total : 24 (22 Members + 2 Anns) |
| 12. PDG Lee Keng Bin          |                                  |

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## SERVICE PROJECT : WHEELCHAIR FOR POOR PATIENT

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*Recorded by Rtn Tan Peng Huat*

**To be launched on Monday 21st March 2011. Time 12.45 at Shangri-La Hotel**

### **How we started?**

This project is the brainchild of kind hearted PP Ng Sim Bee, who not so long ago (a week before Chinese New Year) visited a friend in The Ampang Hospital and noticed that the hospital is in short supply of wheelchair for poor patient.

### **Who do we benefit?**

20 units of wheelchairs will be donated by Pudu Rotary Club to The Ampang Hospital for the poor patients.

Poor patient with mobility problem caused by sickness or accident will benefit from this project.

### **What about Cost?**

Don't worry this a self-funded project Thanks to PP Ng Sim Bee, through his his good office enough money has been separately raised to fund this project. The 20 units of wheelchairs will be obtained from PDG Dato Jimmy Lim's office. "The Wheelchair Foundation"

### **Launching**

We have invited a speaker from The Ampang Hospital, consultant specialist Dr Jameela Bt. Satar to talk about the topic: Hematologi/Thalasemia to create awareness on the disease.

### **What are the objectives?**

To uplift the standard of life of community and To create awareness about the disease Hematologi/Thalasemia.



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**OVERHEARD (at Service Committee Meeting)**

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PP GARY LIM telling Tenny that he will “untie her ropes” eventually as he himself took over 10 years to understand the meaning and workings of Rotary. This was in reply to Tenny’s lament that nobody “showed her the ropes since the day she joined Rotary”. The Membership committee better take note of this cry for direction.



PP Gary in the same breath also asked Tenny to “*let your heart vibrate*” (to the call of Rotary) and join in the ILTMC project this weekend. Very effective words of encouragement from Gary!



PP SAM must have been also taken up by Gary’s vibration for he was heard quoting poems and lyrical expressions on the subject of men and women. His quotes in Mandarin appears to be reflective of a confused poet who tries to express his equally confused lament on the subject of women like “a beautiful modern lady cannot be trusted, yet a lady that can be trusted cannot be beautiful” (a close translation of the editor’s limited knowledge of Mandarin).



SANDY SOH too must have been infected by this sudden gush of poetic reflections that she feels like “the last boat has left” which brought forth much laughter and all in good merriment. It must have been the whiskey that have caused this sudden gush of revelation of her inner thoughts.

For those who missed out on this after meeting repartee do try to join Peng Huat’s meeting next time around.

## **VOCATIONAL SERVICE UPDATE**

### **International Women's Day, 8 March**

The theme of International Women's Day this year is "Equal access to education, training, and science and technology: Pathway to decent work for women." Inequality and gender discrimination affect women around the world, but women's economic and social development is vital to achieving gender equality as well as achieving more even and effective development in the most underdeveloped countries. The goals of International Women's Day echo the UN Millennium Development Goal to promote gender equality and empower women.

*Mandali Milk Cooperative Society in Nani Amreli, India*

The Rotary Club of Rajkot, Gujarat, India, established a milk cooperative in a nearby village and employed low-income women to maintain it. The women sell milk from a Rajkot dairy at the national dairy board's recommended price and keep a percentage of the proceeds. The work group has become a Rotary Community Corps with 58 charter members.

This project received a 2009-10 Significant Achievement Award. Find more information on the Rajkot club's website.

### **R.I. News**

*PDG Dr. Paul Lee*

#### **Your Voice, Your Solution for describing Rotary**

Rotary International News – 3 March 2011

Club members can easily fall into the habit of using jargon when talking about Rotary.

While organization-specific language can be useful and descriptive to insiders, it can make it difficult for newer members and non-members to understand Rotary.

Take the following example. A club member voices concern that his friends think Rotary is all about having fun. They are interpreting the word fellowship to mean "friendship" rather than its meaning within Rotary: "a strong relationship built on friendship, professional respect, and working together to provide service."

**How would you best convey the real meaning of fellowship within Rotary? How do you describe Rotary without using jargon?**

#### **BILL GATES TO SPEAK AT R.I. CONVENTION IN NEW ORLEANS**

Bill Gates, cochair of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, will be a keynote speaker at the 2011 RI Convention in New Orleans, Louisiana, USA, 21-25 May.

Gates will discuss the progress of the polio eradication effort and the need to finish the job during the third plenary session scheduled for Tuesday, 24 May, at the Ernest N. Morial Convention Center. The session has been moved to the afternoon, 15:00-17:00, from its original morning time slot.

The Gates Foundation has awarded US\$355 million in challenge grants to Rotary for use in the campaign to rid the world of polio. Rotary has responded with Rotary's US\$200 Million Challenge. Gates has made several trips to India and Nigeria, two of the four remaining polio-endemic countries, and has praised the work of Rotarians in his annual letter.

Source: Rotary International News

### **Rotary Information**

#### **FOR YOUR THOUGHTS!!! SO, PLEASE THINK!**

##### **A) WHAT PAUL HARRIS SAID IN 1914**

*"Has Rotary a meaning for you? No? Possibly you haven't the right perspective. You have worried yourself so much over the little unimportant things that you haven't even given yourself a momentary glimpse of the tout ensemble. Stand back, a few paces, for a moment, far enough away from the picture so that the details may assume their proper proportions and disclose their true relationship toward each other. It will profit you to get the distance sense."*

Paul Harris, "The Distance Sense" in *The Rotarian*, 1914

**Ches Perry defined "the distance sense" as looking at life from the proper perspective. In his own way, in 2011 RIPE Kalyan is also redefining Harris' distance sense when he asks us all to "Reach within and embrace humanity" for it is there that we will discover the true meaning of Rotary.**

**B) ON LITERACY.....I WAS LOOKING FOR SOME STATISTICS.**

**THIS IS WHAT I FOUND IN “THE FOUNDATION ...ISSUE 14, AUGUST 2005”**  
*The figures would not have changed drastically!!*

- Ninety-eight percent of the world's illiterate population is in developing countries.
- Fifty percent of the world's illiterate people live in India and China.
- More than 50 percent of the population of Africa is illiterate.
- Two-thirds of all those who lack literacy and numeric skills are women.
- More than 130 million school age children are not attending classes
- An estimated 900 million people do not have the literacy and numeric skills needed to hold a job or get a better one.

Hence , then RI President Carl- Wilhelm Stenhammar (2005-06) established ‘The Literacy Resource Group’ especially designed to work directly with Rotary clubs to develop literacy training for adults and children, with special attention on programs involving women, at-risk children and inmates.

Therefore, please visit website :

[http://www.rotary.org/RIdocuments/en\\_pdf/global\\_outlook\\_0902\\_en.pdf](http://www.rotary.org/RIdocuments/en_pdf/global_outlook_0902_en.pdf) and.... read “GLOBAL OUTLOOK”... A Rotary World Magazine Press supplement.

- a) The CLE Solution - How a method developed by Rotarians has taught hundreds of thousands to read and write (CLE - Concentrated language encounter)
- b) Faces in the field ... Thai CLE expert came to Rotary through her passion for literacy
- c) Literacy projects in Egypt, South Af rica, and North America

**FIRST GRADE DRAWING - PRICELESS!** *contributed by President Choy Ying*

A first grade girl handed in the drawing below for her homework assignment.



The teacher graded it and the child brought it home.

She returned to school the next day with the following note:

Dear Ms. Davis,

I want to be perfectly clear on my child's homework illustration.

It is NOT of me on a dance pole on a stage in a strip joint surrounded by male customers with money.

I work at Home Depot and had commented to my daughter how much money we made in the recent snowstorm.

This drawing is of me selling a shovel.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Harrington