

Synopsis

Al-Khor Toastmasters, Club no.7850
Synopsis of Meeting no.197
Aug 08th 2011

Theme of the Day: “If Summer comes winter is not far away”



197th meeting of Al-Khor Toastmasters club was held on Aug 08 2011 Monday at 8 PM at Al-Khor Al-Waha club Simaisma conference room. The theme selected for the meeting was “If Summer comes winter is not far away”.

The meeting was opened at 8:05 pm with SGT@ Arms TM Vishal Mehta as acting Sgt at arms. He welcomed the gathering and briefed the safety rules. President TM Madhukara commenced the proceedings by welcoming all members. TM Madhukara then took the role of TMOD and introduced theme of the day “If Summer comes then winter is not far away”. This theme is adapted from the famous say “If winter comes spring is not far away” to suit place we live Middle East. He explained it is the contradictions and contrast in nature make the life on earth so enriching and exciting. It is the harshness of summer in Middle East makes winter pleasant and soothing. It is the freezing cold during winter in European countries make spring and summer a pleasant season. It is the depth of the valley’s that make the mountain spectacular. Each season and each element in this world has a purpose that make our life fulfilling.

TM Madhukara then proceeded to introduce the role players. TM Rajakumar played the role of Grammarian and introduced the word of the day “tenacious”. TM Ravi Patil played Timer role and TM Vishal acted as Ah-Counter.

Then the prepared speech session started with the first speaker TM Arunachalam. In his P3 speech on “at the age of 40 “he explained the challenges and opportunities come at the age of

40. He narrated how to tackle the health, family, work related problems and how positive attitude helps people to lead joyful life.

The second speaker was TM Ganesh, he gave his P8 speech titled “paper”. He started the speech by highlighting the value of paper by showing a 100 QR currency note and a certificate of education. He then explained the various stages of paper production and history of paper. He concluded giving statistics about the pollution caused by paper and how can we reduce the impact on environment.

The meeting had a 10 minutes break at 08:00 PM and reassembled at 08:10 PM.

After the break TM Sundaresan gave a few tips and tactics to the members in handling impromptu speech topics. Table topic master TM Manolito came up with a unique innovative topics. The table topics were hidden in 7-8 cups with the different scents inside.

Table topics:



Each member was asked to smell the cup and talk about the memories associated with that particular scent. Members found it very challenging and still faced the challenge enthusiastically. All members enjoyed this unique experience in table topics session.

General Evaluator TM Sundaresan called the evaluators to evaluate on each speech. DTM Atul; Srivastava evaluated TM Arunachalam. TM Ganesh was evaluated by general evaluator TM Sundaresan himself. Evaluators provided helpful comments and feedback with the goal of helping the speakers to improve speaking techniques.

The Grammarian, Timer and AH Counter read out their reports. The General evaluator evaluated the meeting and suggested a few points to improve the meeting performance.

The President TM Madhukara, conducted the business session. He announced Al-Khor Toast Masters club's plan to conduct its 200th meeting on September 23rd. He also indicated the ongoing rebranding exercise by TMI. He notified the members about the recent TMI fee hike and its impact on our club. President concluded by thanking the attendees for their active participation.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.

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Next Regular Meeting: Monday 22th August @ Al-Waha Club