

One Rainy Day

We hate rain. At least on the 28th of September. Why? What was the big occasion on that day? Well, it was the Mooncake Festival outing to the Chinese Garden for Civil Engineering students organized by the CE Club. We would also be taking the residents of Moral Welfare Home along with us to appreciate the lanterns and sights at the Chinese Garden. So did it rain that day? Well, read on then.....

When we reached Moral Welfare Home, the residents were already waiting for us. Cheery greetings filled the air as the old folks boarded the bus and took their seats. We were then informed by our advance party at the Chinese Garden that there was already a slight drizzle over there. Still, we decided to proceed to the Chinese Garden.

Once we reached our destination, we regretted our impulsiveness. It was not a drizzle, more of a light downpour. Fortunately, the security officer at the entrance lent us umbrellas before we commenced our tour round the garden.



The rain didn't dampen the liveliness of the old folks as they marveled and gushed excitedly at the displays of lanterns. All of us were enthusiastic in conversing with the old folks and escorting them around, occasionally seeing to their need to answer the call of nature. Despite the rain, we all had a wonderful time laughing, holding our umbrellas and walking in the rain. The smiles on people passing us by were proof that our fun was rubbing off others around us.

What about the mooncake feast? Sadly, it was not to be. Shelters in the Chinese Garden were too small to accommodate our large entourage. Consequently, we gave the mooncakes to Moral Welfare Home so the residents can enjoy them later. At around 8 pm, the evening came to a close as we returned to the entrance and boarded the bus. Subsequently, we brought the old folks back to Moral Welfare Home.

In the end, there was no mooncake feast and we were fairly cold and wet. Nevertheless, our tired grins signified our enjoyment and the fulfillment of the evening. We still hate the rain though.

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