VISIT TO LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR

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On 26 June 2004, the Sub-committee on Ladies Engineers as part of their activity for the 2004/05 session, visited the home of the aged known as the "Little Sisters of the Poor" in Taman Bahtera, Cheras. The four-member team was represented by Ir. Prof. Dr Siti Hamisah Tapsir, Ir. Chin Lee Leng, Ms. Lilian Cheah and myself.

Sister Elizabeth and Mr. Edwin Chan, the architect for the newly rebuilt Home, welcomed us. The Home has been in existence since November 1973. The years had taken a toll on the Home with leaking roofs, high cost of repair and maintenance and other problems, prompting the need to rebuild the Home. In November 2000, the residents were transferred to the Home in Penang to allow for demolition works to commence on April 2001. The Home was re-opened on 19 March 2004 and now sits on a 5.6 acre land with a totally new outlook.

We were briefed by Sister Elizabeth on the Home's mission and history of the Little Sisters of the Poor, whereas Mr. Chan shared his design philosophy, construction time frame, and material sourcing. This was followed by a tour of the entire home explaining in detail the features and functionality.

OUR CONTRIBUTION

The Vice President of the Sub-committee on Ladies Engineers, Ir. Chin Lee Ling, presented a cheque of RM1000 to the Home and each of the 48 residents was given a small goodie bag consisting of fruits, chocolates, biscuits and box drinks donated by subcommittee members. Those interested in helping out in kind or any other form can get in touch with Sister Elizabeth at 03-91311464.

The team would like to extend their gratitude to Pn. Zubaidah Ismail and the staffs of IEM who extended their help in getting the goodie bags ready prior to the visit.

Stressed out!!! Come take in fresh air and relax at the fish pond but "No feeding the fish"

Time to "lepak" with friend! Teh tarik kurang manis satu, roti telur satu...

Ouch! My body is arching. Fear no more... Hydro-massage bath