

WELCOME DINNER

At the Grand Ballroom on the 12th Floor

1930-2150, Oct. 17, 2008

The welcome dinner started at 7:30 pm with PP Sara Mar of RC Taipei Pei An and CP Steve Lai of RC of Taipei Harvest as Masters of Ceremony. RI Director Kazuhiko Ozawa led toasting to the great institute. Convener Jackson Hsieh and CP Maria Liu Fei of RC Taipei Fu-Jung conducted door prize drawing for the first 100 Rotarians registered for the institute. Two Longines wrist watches were donated by CP Liu Fei as door prizes, the first was won by Rtnn. Catherine, spouse of DGE Electronics Hsieh, the other went to PDG Hoe Beng Fong, RRFCC for Zone 6B. When dinner was served, entertainments started. The first part was fan dance and lantern dance by Lan Yang Troupe, the second part was opera-



soprano/tenor duet by Fan Yu-Wen and Lee Chung-Chiu. Their melodies overwhelmed all the Rotarians in the ballroom. Rounds of applauses and encores almost brought down the house.

During the dinner Convener Jackson Hsieh and Institute Chair Micro Lin went to each table expressing heartfelt thanks to Rotarians and guests for their attendance at the institute. They especially went to the tables in Sky Lounge and east side hall seated by Rotarians and guests of the host Districts 3520 and 3480 and many past RI officers apologizing to Rotarians and guests for sitting them outside the grand ballroom. When they said, it had to be this way so that our Rotarian friends from abroad could have better seats. On hearing of this, Jackson & Micro felt relieved. The dinner did not end till 10:00 pm.

