



Photo Report of JCA Parent Club

房子保养和维修

House maintenance and repair

Speaker: Mr. Chen Jingxin, JCA President and General contractor business owner

Facilitated by: Dr. Bailin Liang, Parent Representative of JCA Chinese School

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House maintenance and repair are close to the heart of many Chinese families in Jacksonville. While it is rewarding to buy your own house, the maintenance and repair that come with the house could be overwhelming and, sometimes, even costing. Mr. Chen, Jingxin, who is the current JCA President and owns a business in general contracting, kindly offered his expert view on house projects at JCA Chinese School.



The talk of House maintenance and repair took place on Sunday, December 6, 2009, at the beautiful Coggin College of Business at University of North Florida.



Mr. Chen Jingxin, President of Jacksonville Chinese Association (JCA) and owner of a general contractor business, Garden of Eden, shared his expertise on house maintenance and repair.

Mr. Chen received a MBA from Hu Bei Automobile Industrial University and worked in the automobile industry as the 2nd generation worker for more than 20 years. His father was the 1st generation in the same industry in China. Mr. Chen came to the US in 2001 and Jacksonville in 2002. He started a general contractor business, Garden of Eden, in 2005 specializing in internal and external renovations of residences and businesses including restaurants.

During his talk, Mr. Chen outlined the precautions before and after buying a house. He emphasized in not to hurry in making decisions. He advised to examine the interior and exterior of the house with attention to details and he provided his expert opinions on the house structure, floor, wall, carpet, nails, paint, and utility meters. In addition, energy consumption is a big deal for a house. We should try to get as much energy conservation materials as possible for our houses, which could turn into huge savings down the road. He also mentioned to look at the neighborhood and sub-community to avoid future downfall of your biggest investment.



There were about 15 Chinese School parents, JCA members and interested individuals attending the talk of House maintenance and repair at JCA Chinese School on December 6, 2009 (Top left).



Audience approached Mr. Chen after the talk with questions from their own experience (Top right and lower left and right).



The talk was very well received. The audiences actively discussed their questions with Mr. Chen during the talk and even after the talk. Some parents suggest to have Mr. Chen come back to give another talk next semester.

* All photos are taken by Yognan Wu and Bailin Liang

Parents of JCA Chinese School & Members of JCA,

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