

CAV 26th Annual General Meeting



All Members Welcome!

Date: Sunday, 30th March 2008

Time: 2pm

Venue: CAV Centre, 320 Ashley St.,

Wantirna (enter from Ashley Street)

Note:

2007 AGM Minutes on Page 4, 5 & 6 2008 AGM Agenda on Page 7 Nomination form & details on pages 8

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Award for Excellence In Multicultural Affairs Congratulations CAV!



PRESIDENT'S SPEECH



First and foremost, on behalf of the CAV EXCO I would like to wish all of you a Safe, Prosperous and Happy New Year. May the year of the Rat bring peace and harmony to every corner of the world

2007 year closed nicely for CAV as our association was awarded the "Victoria's Multicultural Awards for Excellence" by the Victorian Multicultural Commission. This award which was presented to CAV by The Governor of Victoria, Professor David de Kretser is Victoria's way of providing an "opportunity to honour individuals and organisations across Victoria whose dedication to their chosen field and their

spirit of cultural diversity has made a real impact in their local community".

CAV was recognized as an association that "has built an outstanding reputation as an innovative and progressive organisation which has served the Chinese Community throughout Melbourne and Victoria." I am proud to say that CAV was the only Chinese association that was given this award in the state of Victoria in 2007. This acknowledgment is the result of the contribution by many of you past and present. It is through the continuous hard work undertaken in the last 25 years that has allowed CAV to be recognized with this achievement. You should all be proud of yourselves. Well done everyone!







Since taking up the role of President, I have also been approached on several occasions by the media like The Australian, Herald Sun, Leader, MX for a represented opinion on issues and / or comments raised by Local, State and / or Federal politicians. This steady flow of media enquiry has only confirmed to me the importance of the role that an association like CAV plays to ensure the Chinese Community has a voice in matters that impact our community; and to ensure that our interest as a community is always protected. We must all be proud of our origin and be strong in our opinion against racism and discrimination. We owe it to ourselves and to our future generations!

CAV has also been invited to numerous official functions and dinners organized by the Chinese Consulate, State Government, the Victorian Multicultural Commission and other prominent ethnic associations. Vincent and I represented CAV at the Governor House to welcome the new Chinese Ambassador ZHANG Junsai who is keen for Australia and China to continue to have a strong relationship between the two countries. The Chinese community also organized a 'welcome dinner' for Mr ZHANG in March at Dragon Boat Palace where CAV formed a table to join in the party.

EXCO, through the persistent hard work and promotion of our centre carried out Vincent Chow, has managed to lease our classrooms to Yea High School (AYCE Program)I which has signed a three year lease for the classrooms usage two days a week. This rental will contribute to the much needed funds to keep the centre going. Each year, CAV spends approximately \$100k to maintain and operate the Centre and the School. All our fund raising activities each year can barely meet the running operational costs and this rental income will provide a much needed breathing space for the incoming EXCO committee.

Congratulations and thank you to Frank Chew; Rex Lai; George Liew and Kenny Lau for taking up the challenge to chair the CAV Golf; Ballroom Dancing; Table Tennis and Karaoke respectively. I wish the best for you and your subgroup and hope that with new leadership it will bring new and exciting activities to your group. I would also like to thank those whom they have replaced for their contribution. They are Leon Han; Lillian Lai; Daniel Choo and Vincent Chow.

I would like to welcome our new School Principal Mrs. Ramona Chua. Ramona's experience in the field of education is far and wide as many of you may have read in the special school mail out a few weeks ago about Ramona's credentials and plans for the school. We are confident Ramona will bring with her new interesting teaching methods which will increase our children's interest in learning the Chinese language.

Sunday March 30th is our Association's Annual General Meeting. Australia is one of the countries with most number of volunteers per capita, be it in the field of emergency services; meals-on-wheels; running school canteen; coaching sport teams; or community based volunteers like ours. Non-profit organisations like ours rely fully on volunteers to carry out their objectives. No doubt doing voluntary community works require time and sacrifice but all that is expected is for volunteers to give what you can because every little bit helps. CAV needs your help and I hope you will consider joining the new 2008 Executive Committee.

Khim Chow, President

CHINESE ASSOCIATION OF VICTORIA INC. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING SUNDAY, 18 MARCH 2007

VENUE: CAV CENTRE

2006 AGM MINUTES

The President Simon Soon opened the meeting at 2.30 p.m.

1.0 Attendance:

1.1 Present:

Nancy Ashton, Eddie & Cynthia Au, Teresa Bowden, Clement & Grace Chan, Eric Or Fong Chan, Sin Fong & Angeline Chan, Siew & Lim Cheah, Siew & Boon Cheah, Daniel Or Yvonne Chen, Harry & Sue Chen, Alan & Teresa Cheng, Jen & Peter Cheng, Albert & Rebecca Cherk, Steven & Jane Cheung, Chen & Jo Chin, Irene Ching, Terry & Carol Chong, Monica Chong, Daniel Choo, Vincent & Khim Chow, Colin & Bebe Choy, Joseph & Ivy Chu, Cleve Chu, Ka Sing Chua, Chris & Kathy Con Foo, Jenny Ding, Seek Eleftheriadis, Siew Fua, Lillie Giang, Ray Goh, Leon & Evelyn Han, John And Audry Hee, William Ho, Yik Chee & Chooi Hon Ho, David Or Janet Huynh, Susan Labberton, Rex & Lillian Lai, Chris Lai, Kenny Lau, Beng Lee, Eng Kian Or Mei Choo Lee, Helen Leong, Wilson Or Sophia Li, Hang Chin Lim, Kin & Sandra Liu, Lawrence & Anne Lo, Tien Chie & Lee Min Loh, Khai & Betty Mark, Mooi Ng, Vic & Sue Ngam, Robert & Melissa Oh, Janie Ong, Chong On, Lily Ong, Jackie Ooi, Ten Chok Ooi, , Lawrence & Winnie Phoon, Alfred Pong, Kennan & Adeline Pun, Kee Guan Saw, Mai & Kim Saw, Kah Siaw, Jimmy Son, Eric & Effie Soon, Simon & Melanie soon, Yew Swanland, Adeline Sze, Lip & Elizabeth Tan, Richard Gek Tan, Eng Seong & Shirley Tan, Wayne & Grace Tan, Michael & Billie Thong, Siew Hon Wilson, Tin & Alice Wong, Ray & Helen Wong, Clement & Marie Wong, Robert & Peg Wong, John & Audrey Hee, Susan Woon, John & Winnie Yee, Oon Huat & Judy Yeoh, Sharon & Fui Yong, Ann Lo, Liang Li Song

1.2 Apologies:

Brian Tyedin

2.0 Receive and adopt the Minutes of the 2006 Annual General Meeting

Moved by Julie Yeoh Seconded by Terry Chong

3. President's Address (please see attached)

 President Simon Soon read his report "President's Report – AGM 2007". A copy was distributed to the Attendees.

4. School Principal's Report (Please see attached)

- School Council Chairperson Mai Saw introduced new School Principal, Daniel Choo.
- Daniel Choo said his vision was to raise the school standard, computerise teaching method, increase student number and provide more cultural activities for the students.

5. Receive and adopt the Treasurer's Annual Report (please see attached)

5.1 Financial Statement and Performance of CAV for the year ended 31 December 2005

Treasurer Lip Chye Tan read "Treasurer's Report 2006". A copy was distributed to the Attendees.

Moved by: Ka Sing Chua Seconded by: Frank Chew

Treasurer's report was accepted unanimously

5.2 Independent Auditor's Report

• Treasurer Lip Chye Tan read "Statement by the Management Committee for the year ended 31 December 2006". A copy was distributed to the Attendees.

Auditor's report was approved unanimously.

6. Nominations for the Honorary Fellowship Award – Frank Chew

- Chooi Hon Ho, the Chairperson of The Advisory Board addressed the following:
- The CAV Honorary Fellowship Award is the highest award bestowed upon a member for outstanding services to the Association and/or the Chinese Community as a CAV Member for ongoing voluntary commitment work to CAV
- Exco receives nomination forms and accesses each candidate
- Final decision by Exco.
- Candidates are endorsed by AGM
- Awards to be presented at one of the major CAV events.

Frank Chew advised:

- This year nomination for the Honorary Fellowship Award is:
 Melbourne Lord Mayor John So who is also a Life Member of CAV
- Exco have endorsed it.
- The nominee has been checked by the Advisory Group

Motion carried unanimously.

7. Any Other Business

7.1 Matters raised by members – Sin Fong Chan (attached)

(i) Report on student numbers and the trend of student and

(ii) Budget for 2007/2008

Daniel Choo said when he first took over as School Principal, the student number was 100, currently there are 150 students and there is new enrolment every week.

(iii) Report on membership, current number and breakdown by type

Robert advised that there are 344 financial members.

(Iv) Mascot for CAV

Ka Sing said all parties have tried to arrange meeting with Kelvin Kan to resolve the issues with Lion Dance group with no success. It was decided then that CAV would move on without Kelvin Kan's Lion Dance Group. Currently CAV does not have a Lion Dance Group.

7.2 Motions for Constitutional Changes (attached)

After much discussion, it was decided that more notice needed to be given before the two motions can be discussed and approved in AGM. Michael Thong has decided to withdraw the motions.

Chooi Hon Ho proposed to leave the motions to the new committee to discuss and a constitution review committee be established. It was agreed that the new Exco will call a special Meeting in September 2007 and formally put the motion to the members. This was seconded by Ka Sing Chua.

7.3 Building Project – Frank Chew

- Under the direction of Frank Chew and Vincent Chow
- Phrase 1: Extension and renovation of CAV Hall
- Phrase 2: asking for expression of interest to develop a business venture at the front of CAV property.

7.3 Election of Incoming Committee by the Returning Officer

- Simon Soon thanked all the past committee members who have served under him and presented them with a personal gift as a token of his appreciation.
- Simon Soon invited the Returning Officer Robert Chong to proceed with the election. All nominations submitted were read out and voted by attendees.

3 nominees for President p	position:		
Sing Fong Chan) Khim Chow) Sue Labberton)	Secret ballot voting amongst attendees		
The successful candidate	was: Khim Chow		
4 nominees for 3 Vice Pres	sident positions:		
Evelyn Han) Bill Ho) Mai Saw) Brian Tyedin)	Secret ballot voting amongst attendees		
The successful candida	ates were: Evelyn Han, Mai Sav	w and Brian Tyedin.	
Leon Han was nominat Proposed by Khi Seconded by Fui			
All other nominees wer	e elected to their respective po	sition with no opposition	
The new committee me	embers for 2007/08 are:		
	President:	Khim Chow	
	Vice-Presidents:	Evelyn Han Mai Saw Brian Tyedin	
	Secretary:	vacant	
	Assistant Secretary:	Leon Han	
	Treasurer:	vacant	
	Assistant Treasurer:	vacant	
	Public Relations Officer:	vacant	
	Other Members:	Grace Chan Vincent Chow Kenny Lau Lee Min Loh Anne Wong Adeline Sze	
The President Simon attendees.	Soon thanked Robert Chong f	or conducting the election, thanked all speakers and	
There being no other b	usiness the meeting was closed	d at 6.00 p.m.	
Simon Soon Chairperson		Dated	
Melissa Oh Dated Secretary			

NOTICE OF 26th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING



THE CHINESE ASSOCIATION OF VICTORIA INC.

NOTICE is hereby given that the 2008 Annual General Meeting will be held at the CAV Centre on Sunday, 30th March 2008 at 1400 hours.

AGENDA

- 1. Registration of Attendance
- 2. Receive and adopt the Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting.
- 3. Matters arising from the previous minutes:
 - a. CRC Update

Business

- 4. President's Address
- 5. School Council report
- 6. Receive and adopt the Treasurer's Annual Report on the:
 - a. CAV Financial Statement & Performance year ending 31st December 2007
 - b. Independent Auditor's Report.
- 7. Appointment of an Independent Auditor.
- 8. Nomination for the honorary Fellows Award
- 9. Building Project
- 10 Election of Incoming Committee by the returning officer

Members are asked to note the following:

NOMINATION PAPERS:

- Nomination Papers should be submitted to the Secretary by 18th March 2008.
- Arrangements will be made to distribute the curriculum vitae if any candidate if submitted to the Secretary by this date.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

Any members wishing to raise any matter for discussion at the AGM should submit notice of such business to the Secretary 21 days prior to the AGM i.e., by 9th March 2008

Contact the CAV Administrator if you require a copy of the constitution or Position description for the nominated positions

Mrs. Grace Chan (Secretary)
Email: cglkchan@alphalink.com.au

THE CHINESE ASSOCIATION OF VICTORIA INC

COMMITTEE NOMINATIONS FOR 2008 – 2009

Elections will be held at the Annual General Meeting on Sunday, 30th March 2008 at 1400 hours.

Venue: CAV centre, 320 Wantirna Road, Wantirna, Victoria 3152.

Nominations are invited from financial members for the following positions:

President

Vice-President (up to 3 positions)

Secretary

Assistant Secretary

♦ Treasurer

- Assistant Treasurer
- Public Relation Officer
- Other Committee Members (7 positions).

Position Descriptions for the above positions are available upon request from the Secretary

Nominee's acceptance of nomination/s stated below:			
Name of Nominee:			
Signed:	Date:		

POSITION TITLE	PROPOSED BY	SECONDED BY
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- This nomination paper must reach the CAV Secretary by 18th March 2008.
- ❖ It can be delivered by hand or faxed (9800 3588) or
- sent to CAV Centre, 320 Wantirna Road, WANTIRNA, VICTORIA, 3125.

Please note:

- 1 Only financial ordinary members who have joined the Association at least three (3) months before the AGM are eligible to stand for election and to vote.
- 2 An eligible member may be nominated for more than one position.
- A Life Member is entitled to a vote if he/she otherwise fulfils the requirements of an ordinary member.
- 4 For those paying family-rate subscriptions, both husband and wife are entitled to a vote each.
- 5 Those standing for election may provide curriculum vitae of not more than 200 words for distribution at the AGM.

CAV BUILDING PROJECT



The following proposal for Aged Care and Retirement Accommodation has been put forward for consideration on the remaining 2 acres of the CAV landsite fronting Wantirna Road.

The Residential Aged care facility is dependent on our getting federal government support and will be the first stage of the development should the project achieve government support for at least 60 to 90 beds to make it viable.

Once this aspect of the development is established then consideration for proceeding to the Retirement Accommodation facility can be looked at as a joint investment development for CAV and investors/members, if detailed financial assessment reveal it to be a good investment.

Should this proposal stimulate enough membership interest then a seminar will be arranged at our CAV Hall for further discussion. Please indicate your interest/opinion on the survey slip below and sent to; CAV Building Project, 320 Wantirna Road, Wantirna Vic. 3152.

CAV 2008 AGM News Release

Proposed fully integrated retirement and aged care development on the vacant site

1. Concept:

A lifestyle "ageing-in-place" development that allows elders to age gracefully and with dignity at one location and their specific ethnic / cultural needs and changing care needs over time are met in a familiar environment.

2. Facilities:

a. Retirement Apartments

- Up to 90 units ranging from 1 BR+ study to 2 BR + study
- Unit size ranging from 90 sqm to 110 sqm
- Indicative selling prices from \$495,000

b. Home Care Service

c. Residential Aged Care Facility-

• 100 beds – single bed room with individual ensuite

3. Services / Amenities:

a. Retirement Apartments-

* Doctor's consultation room	* Hairdresser Saloon
* Library / business centre	* Multi-media room
* Group activities room	* club house
* Spa and gymnasium	* own village bus
* 24 hour emergency call system	* 24 hour security monitoring
* Monday to Friday - range of	
organized lifestyle activities	

b. Home Care Service-

A range of personal and geriatric care services provided by trained and professionally qualified carers.

c. Residential Aged Care Facility-

* Low and high care	* Dementia care	
* Respite care	* Extra services	
* Health services – physiotherapy, occupational therapy, podiatry and recreational therapy		
* Multi-lingual staff		
* Food menu – a range of Asian menu to cater for the various Asian communit		

4. Development Format:

- CAV joint venture with third party with CAV contributing the land as equity.
- Individual CAV member has first preference to invest in the development.

CAV CHINESE LANGUAGE SCHOOL

Sunday 3rd February saw the arrival of many students and parents, new and old, at the CAV School, for the start of the 2008 School Year. Despite the rush in the morning, everything went as smoothly as was possible for the first day, thanks to the help of many people.



Of course, what we saw on Sunday is merely a small part of the school; there had been many hours of hard work put in by many, many people during December and January.

I like to thank Vincent Chow and Zhiming for collecting the books from a warehouse in Clayton; Vincent Chow for organizing the working bees and all the members of the working bees including Khim Chow, Min & Tien Loh, Helen & Raymond Wong, Ka Sing Chua, Mai Saw, Angie Ng, Lillie Giang, Peng Wan, Julian Wan, Aiyu Chen and husband, Mary Wan and many others.

Special thanks also goes to Mai Saw for her untiring support in every aspect of the

running of the school; to Lillie, Robyn, Tina and Uncle Cleve for their help in the canteen; to Lip Chye Tan who kindly came over to the school to go over the school accounts with me; to Ricky from Aussie Toners who provided instant help with the photocopier toner; to Simon Soon, Frank Chew, Clement Wong and Kasing Chua for guidance and support; to Daniel Choo for his continuing support of the school, and many other people who have helped in one way or another.

This year the Chinese Consulate in Melbourne has again organized the teaching materials for our school. Many thanks to the Chinese Consulate and the Overseas Chinese Affairs Office in China for their generous donation of textbooks, exercise books and teachers' handbooks.





The Year of The Rat sees many changes to the School, first of which is the core management team: the day-to-day running of the school will be managed mainly by a team of 3 people: Ramona Chua as the Principal, Angie Ng as the Assistant Principal, and Zhiming Bai as the Office Manager, while the School Council organizes the other aspects of the school. Of course, the whole operation of the School cannot function properly without the support of the Executive Committee of the CAV. On behalf of the School Community, I thank the members of the CAV Executive Committee for their support in many ways. My team and I look forward to working with the EXCO this year and in the future.

With more than ten years of teaching in CAV School, Zhiming is very familiar with the administration and teaching aspects of the school,

hence everything was in place for last Sunday. Angie has also taught in the School for ten years; she has been of great help to me in filling in information about the School and organizing Chinese New Year celebration for the School. Together with my years of experience in administration, both education and business, the three of us will do our best to advance the school.

Our off campus class in MacRobertson Girls High School begins next Wednesday 13th February. I'm grateful to Marilyn Smith for her help in organizing the class for this year.

Finally, a special thank-you to all our teachers, students and parents without whom the school cannot exists.

Wishing all a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous Year of the Rat!

Xin nian Hao!! Ramona Chua Feb.2008



SPEECH DAY - FUND RAISING LUNCH - 9th DECEMBER @))&



We had a fantastic day thanks to the support of parents, students, teachers, subgroups and all the helpers. We raised \$520 nett from this cook-off for the school and hope that there will many happy returns.

I had a little less than 3 weeks to organize this Fundraising Lunch. It was a successful event considered that not all students and parents were there. The main thing was I had lots of helpers and contributors. Without the following people, the fundraising event wouldn't have been that successful.

Firstly, I would like to express my greatest appreciation to the following people whom responded very promptly and without hesitation;

Jackie Ooii, for door knocking at several Asian Grocery Stores to get me the ingredients I needed for the cook-off. I must say that I didn't know Jackie that well but am grateful she responded with so much enthusiasm. Love you to death Jackie.

Helen Wong for donating her expensive shitake mushrooms, noodles and sauces from her pantry. She also gave her husband and herself. They came to spend money at our cook-off to support our fundraising and stayed behind to help clean up. Can always rely on you guys!

Vincent Chow and Khim Chow, not only did Vincent donate a whole box of spring rolls for our cook-off, he also organized our food permit. Both Vincent and Khim were at CAV bright and early to chip in their helping hands. They both worked very hard throughout the whole day. Poor Vincent had to take all the dirty rubbish away to the tip to give us a clean, working area. Khim also did the dirty job of cleaning and chopping the whole 15kg of chicken wings. Thanks guys, I really appreciated for your assistance. The Fundraising wouldn't have been so smooth running without your help Vincent as you know I was stressing out regarding the food permit.

Grace Chan for being so useful and versatile! Not only did Grace work her butts off on the day, she also donated sauces and oil and even forked out money to pay for the bean shoots. Grace, I didn't know you before but now, I feel like you are an old friend and will definitely call upon you for future fundraising events.

Robyn Evans. My left hander, who is always there to help me every Sunday. Robyn worked hard and was here, there and everywhere on the day. Thanks heaps for all your contribution to Canteen. PS. She can cook Chinese food better than lots of us Chinese.

Sherilyn Yong generously donated a box of kinder chocolate for the Canteen to sell. She also brought in cooking oil and sauces as well. She too came to have lunch at our cook off to support us and stayed behind to clean up as well. Thanks Sherilyn, really appreciated your contribution.

Janet Huynh, my sister. Janet is not that great a cook, but she is an all rounder and a great helper. It was good having Janet's help on the day as she floated to wherever the need arose. She also forced a lot of her workmates to attend our cook-off to support us. Thanks Janet.

Sue and Robert Labberton. Sue agreed to help me without any hesitation. I was pleased to learn that she was offering her husband to help. I entrusted her with the money collection. Robert was a great all rounder as well. He went from stir frying to deep frying to cleaning. You have been wonders. Thanks guys.

Nancy Ashton. Nancy was in charge of our hot oil. She cooked the whole 15 kgs of chicken wings until they were golden. They were dilish! Thanks Nancy, your help will be called upon again in the future.

Of course there were people like;

- Mai Saw who was always there throughout the whole process
- Lily Ong from Cultural Dancing Troupe who took time off her busy schedule to give us a helping hand.
- Mrs. Wong from table tennis came and gave us an extra hand in the kitchen.
- Shirley, our Cultural Dancing teacher also came to put in her fair share of work as well.
- Anne (cultural dancing Mum),
- Amy (Tai Chi) for lending us a helping hand with stir frying
- Eva (my future sister in law)
- Brendan Giang for setting up the pamphlets
- And other Mums who were there to help -

Thank you to you all.

Lastly, please give a special mention to the following donors for their generosity and support;

- Estee Grocery in Glen Waverley
- Yeoh Brothers GroceryJackie's contacts
- Brunswick IGA (Julia & Chin Lim)
- Chien Wah (a carton of dim sims)
- Great Ryrie Primary School for the loan of deep fryers
- Spotlights for \$150 gift voucher to buy our necessities

We had a few cash donations:

- Damien Gillis Grade 10 donated \$10
- Shirley's friend donated \$20
- Ramona donated \$20.

Much love and happiness to you all! I hope I haven't missed anybody but if I did, you know that I didn't mean to leave you out.

Lillie Giang Co-ordinator

PS. A special thank you to my husband, Fai for running around for me and supporting me all the way!.

CAV SENIOR GROUP

A successful talk on "Depression - the Killer Disease" by Dr Eng-Seong Tan was held on 30 January at 7.30 p.m. at the CAV Centre. About 25 people attended, some who knew something about the illness and others not. The session was information for all that attended.

Mahjong for Seniors. It is proposed that Mahjong sessions for Seniors at the CAV Centre starting on 8 March 2008, and then on the first Saturday of each month. Time: 11.00 a.m. - 4.00 p.m. BYO lunch. There will be a charge of \$4.00 levied per person to defray expenses. Those interested should contact Mrs. Shirley Tan either

by phone: 0421 386 592, or

by e-mail: tanwongs@hotmail.com. as soon as

possible.

Other activities will be organised for Seniors as they become feasible.

Eng-Seong Tan, Chairman



25th Commemorative Magazine – Corrections & Apologies

It has been brought to the 25th Anniversary Commemorative Magazine Committee's attention that:

- Romona Chua was accidentally omitted from the Foundation Member list
- Doreen Wong was accidentally omitted from the Life Member list

The 25th Year Commemorative Magazine Committee tenders our sincere apologies to the above.

Ball Room Dancing



The new committee for 2008 has been elected at last November AGM. This year's office bearers are as follow:

Chairperson Rex Lai
Treasurer Kim Saw
Secretary Lee Siew Tan
Committee Member Kim Ho

The 2008 programs now in full swing will roughly follow previous years. Lessons and social dance every Thursday nights from 8pm to 10.15pm. Two experienced and well respected teachers conducting lessons on Modern ballroom, Latin American and New Vogue dances. Members are divided into 2 groups; the Beginner group offers most fun to anyone who wants to take up ballroom dancing.

Practice opportunities to BDG members on every Wednesday night and Sunday nights whenever the hall is available.

Social Dancing at CAV Hall every THIRD Saturday night from 8.00pm to 11.30pm. Admission is \$12.00 per person including a delicious light supper. Special offer to CAV BDG members who attend the Social frequently. The next two Socials are to be held on 16th Feb and 15th March.





BDG had a very successful 2007. Various activities and functions have been reported in previous Newsletters. The last event in 2007 was the CHRISTMAS FUN NIGHT held on Sunday 15th Dec. More than 180 patrons came to have fun and listen to the guest singer "Arnie" who gave a stunning performance and impersonation of the King "Elvis Presley' and also Tina Turner. There was good music played by Patrick Khaw for ballroom dancing.

For further enquiries, contact: Rex Lai 0413 290096 Kim Saw 0413 128916





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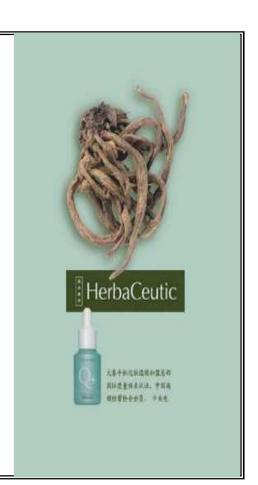


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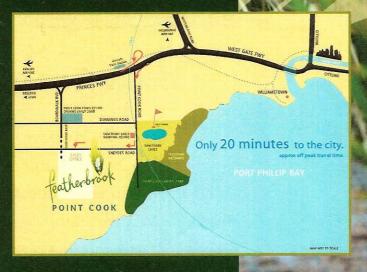
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CAV GOLF



Dear Fellow golfers,

This year with the retirement of our captain Leon Han, due to new work commitments, we have a new golf committee working with me as captain of the team.

Before giving an outline of the golf program planned for the year 2008, I wish to take this opportunity to convey my thanks and appreciation to Leon for taking

charge over the last 2 years and making our golfing outings and competitions enjoyable as well as excitingly frustrating, but then such is the nature of the golf game.

In this year's committee I am fortunate to have a new talent in (Dr.) Leong Chee Mun as my Assistant Captain, and an 'old talent' in (Dr.) Thia Teck Hoe, who was the 1st. CAV golf captain previously, now our Chief Handicapper. I am also grateful that Richard Ong and Chong Ooi remain in the team as Treasurer and Secretary respectively.

By the time this article goes to print two competitions would have gone to past, the annual friendly match with APAC, which was held at the Rossdale Golf Club on 28th Jan. and the Valentine Shield for couples, held at the Waterford Valley Golf Club on 17th Feb.

The APAC golf team played a better game this year and took back the trophy from the CAV team, which last year was the winner. We hope to redeem ourselves next year to win back the trophy.

In any case everyone had an enjoyable day with lunch and drinks after the game. We wish to express our thanks to Gilbert Koh, the APAC captain for organising the competition with Leon. Reports and photos on the Valentine Shield competition will be forthcoming in the next issue of this newsletter.

The next major events for the year are, the Annual CAV Golf Championships in late April(20/4 or 27/4) on Sunday, the Annual CAV Golf Dinner in mid June when the championship trophies will be awarded to the winners, and a golfing weekend trip in September.

I also wish to announce that this year through the generosity of Mr. Jack Ding, there will be an additional competition for 'The Seniors' Trophy' which will be held in conjunction with the CAV Annual Golf Championships. It is a men's only, Stableford competition and to qualify the player will have to be 60years or more on the day of the competition.

There maybe a couple more social golf games organised in between, depending on the demand from members. However, all interested golfers are to keep in tune and your committee members will keep you updated by email. Please provide us with your email address if you have not done so.

Thank-you. Frank Chew Golf Captain.

CAV Golf Committee Members: Chee Mun Leong-Vice Captain Richard Ong-Treasurer Chong Ooi- Secretary

Teck Thia- Chief Handicapper Frank Wong-Assist. Handicapper Frank Loh - Assist. Handicapper

Committee: Leon Han, Jack Ding, Jenny Ding, Penny Thia & Hong Chew.

CAV Constitution Review Committee (CRC)



CAV CONSTITUTION REVIEW COMMITTEE (CRC) - 2008 UPDATE

The CRC has gone through all the submissions received from members in detail. The daunting task of going through the entire constitution is nearing completion. In 2007 it held six meetings - on 21 April, 10 June, 4 August, 25 September, 11 October, and 12 December. In 2008, meetings were held on 16 January and 5 February and meeting no. 9 has been scheduled for 5 March.

CRC expects to complete its review by May 2008 when it will submit its recommendations to the EXCO. Advice will be sought from the appropriate legal authorities including Consumer Affairs

Victoria. It is anticipated that EXCO will circulate any proposed changes to members prior to calling a special meeting to discuss the proposed amendments to the Constitution.

Members of the Committee:

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CAV Karaoke Group



Ray Wong

"Gong Xi Fa Cai" & "Xin Nien Kuai Le". Happy Chinese New Year.

February 7, 2008 is the first day of the Chinese New Year - the official Lunar New Year celebration when dragons and fireworks burst out onto the streets. **This is the year of Golden Rat.** May 2008 be a happy, healthy and prosperous year for you and your family.

Our Karaoke group had our annual AGM on 20-01-2008. The following are the 2008 office bearers:

Group Chairperson Kenny Lau Secretary Raymond Wong Assistant Anne Wong Treasurer Simon Wong Assistant Bill Ho Raymond Wong Secretary Assistant Irene Ching PRO Linda Xue

Committee Members George Liew & Li Noi Lee

During the AGM, Bill Ho donated \$1000 towards improving the CAV Karaoke system. We would like to thank him for his kind generosity.

This year our first project is the Chinese New Year Street Karaoke Competition at the City China Town on 10-2-2008. The programmed also include group-singing performance by our Karaoke members for two Chinese New Year songs and the presentation of Chinese New Year's greetings. We have 3 judges for the competition and all are from our CAV Karaoke group. We are giving out 3 prizes for the top three contestants and the 1st Prize is \$200 donated by the Federation of Chinese Associations.

Our other projects for this year, is one or two majors charitable performance at CAV center. A karaoke song and dance night is already scheduled on 27-09-08.

Although we are a very small sub group, last year we still manage to contribute \$1500 to CAV treasury and spent about \$1000 to upgrade our Karaoke system.

Our twice-monthly Karaoke session is now held on the first and third Sunday of the month from 5pm to 10pm. We now have a big video screen, a Karaoke system with 25000 songs to choose from, a fantastic sound system and most importantly, a group of very friendly karaoke members. Please feel free to come and join us.

Cost: \$4.00 (CAV member) \$6.00 (non-member) Tea and coffee provided.

Kenny Lau, Chairperson Tel: 0405 019 223

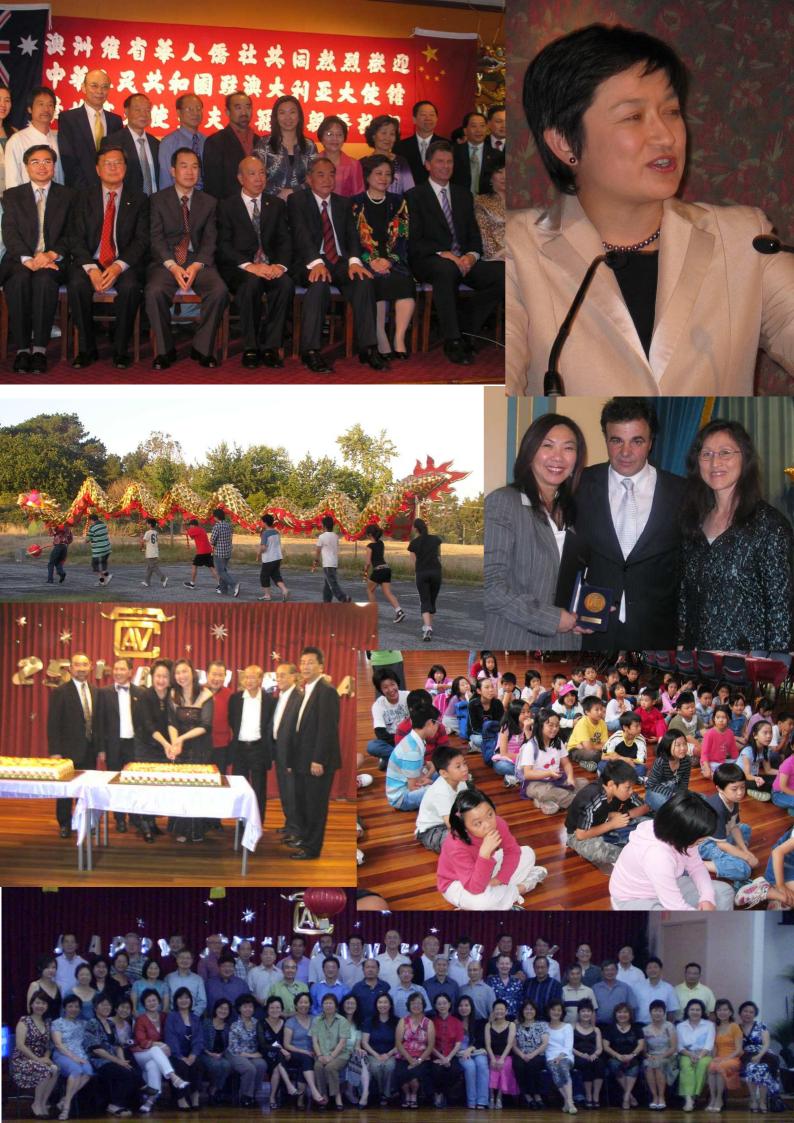
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