



NEWSLETTER

November 2011

2011/12 CWS OFFICE HOLDERS AND COMMITTEE

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CHUNG WAH SOCIETY REPRESENTED AT HISTORICAL EVENTS

On the 31st October our President, Austin and his wife Melanie were invited by the Chief Minister, the Honourable Paul Henderson MLA, to attend the Swearing-In Ceremony of The Honourable Sally Thomas AM as the new Administrator of the Northern Territory by Her Excellency Ms Quentin Bryce AC, Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia at the Chamber of the Legislative Assembly. Her Honour the Honourable Sally Thomas AM is the first female to hold this post.

Austin and Melanie were also invited to represent Chung Wah at a special event "Honouring 60 years of the US-Australian Alliance" at the Darwin RAAF Base. The United States President, Barack Obama and Prime Minister Julia Gillard addressed the Australian Armed Forces and Community Leaders.

This was quite an auspicious occasion as it was the first time a US President ever visited the Northern Territory. Austin said it happened to be his 56th Birthday on the 17th November and that they were lucky enough to be sitting right up front so he actually got to meet the US President and shake his hand.

Our Treasurer, Roland and his wife, Eleanor, and our Patron Dick Griffith and his partner, Vivienne were also in attendance, however Vice Patron and Past President, Adam Lowe was unable to attend due to health reasons. Before they could meet US President, they had to go through a full security check and waited over three hours before they got to see him, but Austin said it was well worth the wait as he considered Barack Obama was truly a great leader of our time.

Austin said (with a wry grin) he couldn't manage a birthday photo with the US President or the Prime Minister, however he did manage to catch up with the new NT Administrator, Her Honour the Honourable Sally Thomas AM and the Defence Minister the Honourable Stephen Smith MP.



FROM THE BOARDROOM

2011/2012 MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

This new Management Committee held its inaugural meeting last Wednesday 16/11/2011 when the coordinators and members for all the subcommittees were established.

If any members would like to participate on one of the subcommittees please contact the coordinator who is in charge of the particular subcommittee that you wish to volunteer your services. Members are most welcome to join in as any assistance that you may be able to give would be much appreciated.

Special thanks to specific volunteers –

Richard & Tiffany for their support and assistance to the Seniors Group
Nathan & Warren for their dedication & commitment to the Lion Dance Troupe activities throughout the year
Tash, Rochelle & Chantelle with the Jade Dragons

The following events being organised are:

Seniors Christmas Party - 9/12/11 - Melanie and the Seniors Group have their plans in place for this one which will be the last Senior Gathering for 2011.

Children's Christmas Party - 11/12/11 - Tiffany/Tash & Tanya are organising this.

Chinese New Year activities - Preparations have commenced already for this extremely busy time in the Chung Wah Society calendar. Please read the Festivals calendar as well as Lion Dance/Jade Dragons articles. In preparation for Chinese New Year, Sunday 15/1/2012 is the date has been set for cleaning the Temple as well as Hall.

Sponsorship for Chinese Language and Cultural Centre of Darwin - The Management Committee have received a letter seeking sponsorship from CLACC for their Presentation Day.

On behalf of the CWS the Management Committee have considered the application and approved sponsorship to the value of \$250 for purchase of book prizes.

Also permission has been granted to hire of the Hall at no cost for the Presentation Ceremony. There will be a charge for the use of the airconditioning.

2011/2012 CHUNG WAH SOCIETY SUBCOMMITTEES

Temple Affairs – Dennis (co-ordinator), Roland, Mervyn

Building – Andrew (Coordinator), Brad, Gio, Jeremy

Museum – Richard & Adam (as Co co-ordinators), Austin, Andrew, Jan

Hall Hire- Tiffany (co-ordinator), Brad, Tanya

Youth – Tiffany & Shaun (as Co co-ordinators)

Seniors – Austin & Mim

Lion Dance Troupe –Nathan & Warren (co-ordinators)

Jade Dragons – Tash (co-ordinator), Rochelle, Chantelle, Courtney

Membership – Jan & Roger (co-ordinators), Shaun, Tash

Newsletter – Jade (co-ordinator), Jan, Roger, Camille, Marie-Louise

Carparking – Roger (co-ordinator), Andrew, Jan, Michael

CWS Computer – Roger (co-ordinator), Michael, Danny

Fundraising- Austin & Brad

New Year's Eve (31/12) – Austin (co-ordinator), Richard, Tiffany, Pauline (Rock & Roll Club)

Chinese New Year Banquet – Daryl (co-ordinator), Tina, Austin

Sartee Stall – Richard (co-ordinator), Michael, Andrew, Jan, Austin

Please note that Austin as President will be ex officio on all of the subcommittees.

If anyone wishes to join any of the subcommittees please send an email to admin@chungwahnt.asn.au and they will be included.



Darwin Chinese Temple
Events for the Chinese New Year
The Chinese Year of the Dragon – 2012

Sunday 15th January

Preparation of the Temple for New Year, replacing altar ribbons, golden flowers, etc

Friday 27th January

Lion Dances to business. CASUARINA SQUARE

Saturday 28th January

Lion Dances to business, houses, etc. DARWIN CITY - CBD

Sunday 29th January

Lion Dances to business, houses, etc. PALMERSTON

Saturday 4th February

Lion Dances to business, houses, etc. NORTHERN SUBURBS

Sunday 5th - Tuesday 7th February

Lion Dances to business, houses, etc. ALICE SPRINGS

FESTIVALS at the TEMPLE - 2012

Monday 23rd January

New Year Official service at midnight Sunday 22nd January

Thursday 26th January

Hoy Yin (opening seals) Official services at midnight Wednesday 25th January

Tuesday 31st January

Yook Wong Di Official services at 0800 hours

Tuesday 7th February

Chin Lo Kwan Official service at midnight Monday 6th February

Sunday 11th March

Kwan Yin Official services at 0800 hours

Saturday 24th March

Buk Di Official services at 0800 hours

Thursday 5th April

Yuen Hun & Yee Ling Official services at 0800 hours

Tuesday 31st July

Loo Bun Official services at 0800 hours

Monday 6th August

Kwan Yin Official services at 0800 hours

Saturday 11th August

Kwan Sing Di Official services at 0800 hours

Friday 7th September

Toy Buk Sing Goon Official services at 0800 hours

Saturday 22nd September

Ho Wong Official services at 0800 hours

Friday 2nd November

Kwan Yin Official services at 0800 hours

Sunday 11th November

Wah Kwong Official services at 0800 hours

Other Festivals

Sunday 1st April - Ching Ming Festival (Actual Date – Wednesday 4th April) Official service at Memorial Chapel at 0800 hours, Then at the Chinese Cemetery – Stuart Park

Thursday 30th August - Yee Lun Festival

Official service at Memorial Chapel at 1930 hours, Then in the open space between the hall and Temple

Other Festivals Observed

Saturday 23rd June

Dragon Boat Festival No Official service at Temple

Sunday 30th September

Moon Festival No Official service at Temple

Friday 21st December

Doong Festival No Official service at Temple

MEMBERS' SERVICE DIRECTORY

If you have a service or skill that may be useful to other members of Chung Wah,
please email your details to jade@chungwahnt.asn.au

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CHUN SANG (SANNY) LUI

29/12/1948 – 10/11/2011

The Management Committee and Members of the Chung Wah Society extend their heartfelt condolences to Gloria and sons, Jason & Michael on the passing of their beloved husband & father.

PAT (PATRICIA) KWONG NEE CHIN

29/10/1934 – 9/11/2011

The Management Committee and Members of the Chung Wah Society extend their heartfelt condolences to children, Stanley, Cecil, Keith and Wayne and their Families on the passing of their beloved step mother & mother.

Pat was the daughter of the late Low Sue Chook & Chin Mook Sang, wife of George Kwong (deceased).

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