



Northern Territory

## NEWSLETTER

November 2012

### 2012/13 CWS OFFICE HOLDERS

Mr Austin Chin : **President**

Mr Daryl Chin: **Vice President**

Ms Tiffany Chin-Rinaldi: **General Secretary**

Mr Roland Chin: **Treasurer/Public Officer**

Mr Daniel Chow: **Chinese Secretary**

Dennis Low: **Temple Officer**

Richard Griffiths: **Patron**

Adam Lowe: **Vice-Patron**

Alfred On OAM: **Vice-Patron**

### Committee Members

Andrew Chin, Dennis Low, Desmond Yuen, Jade Schembri, Natasha Yuen, Nathan Tam, Randall Chin, Richard Quan, Roger Lowe, Shaun Pearson, Stephen Pearson, Jennifer Yuen, Quen Foo, David Quan and Pauline Ah Toy

Many thanks to Camille Fong Lim, Brad Griffiths, Michael Lui, Tanya Fong Lim and Warren Wong for their time and efforts on the past committee, we wish them well on their future endeavours.

**Chung Wah Lion Dance** - Chung Wah Lion Dance Troupe Coordinators are currently overseas in Singapore to attend the International Lion Dance Conference and Anniversary dinner.

**Birthday Wishes** - Congratulations to Uncle Phillip Chen celebrating his 90th Birthday and Austin Chin on his 57th Birthday.

**Life Membership** - Congratulations to Dr Randall Chin on receiving Life Membership to our Society. As part of the AGM every year the Society invites members to nominate any members who should be considered for Life Membership to the Society. This is in recognition for extraordinary service and dedication to the society and is not given out lightly.

Dr Randall Chin was nominated by Mr Austin Chin, President of CWS, Seconded by Mr Des Yuen (who is a highly respected Life Member of CWS) and accepted by all the members at the AGM.

**Chinese Cultural Day** - The Confucius Institute celebrated a Chinese Cultural Day at the Charles Darwin University on Saturday 3rd November 2012. The Chung Wah Lion Dance Troupe put on a fantastic performance to entertain the guests.

The Darwin community joined in the many fun and traditional Chinese activities. Immersing themselves in the Chinese culture such as, Calligraphy, Paper cutting, Tea ceremony, How to use chopstick, Tai Chi Sword Dance, Children's dance & singing, Chinese folk dance, Chinese calligraphy and Paper cutting. Celebrating our culture, with a taste of Chinese food and learning some of the Chinese Language.

**Ballet Performance** - Our President and Chinese Secretary with their partners were recently invited to attend a Ballet Performance "Coppelia" produced by the Palmerston Association for Dancing at the Darwin Entertainment Centre with International guest Artists, Jin Yao who is the Principal Artist with Hong Kong Ballet, Adam Thurlow from Australian Ballet and Paris Opera Ballet and Adrian Demetrevitch who was a former Ballet Master of the Berlin Ballet. The Live Orchestra was directed by Prof. Martin Jarvis OAM Phd.

**Jin Yao** was born in Jilin, China and graduated from the Beijing Dance Academy in 1997 and joined the National Ballet of China in the same year. She was promoted to Principal Dancer in 2003, and was later ranked top-grade China National Dancer. She received a Career Outstanding Contribution Award from the Cultural Ministry of China in 2001 and 2002.

Jin Yao joined The Hong Kong Ballet as Senior Soloist in August 2004 and received the award of "Best Artist of the Year" (dance category) from the Hong Kong Arts Development Awards 2010.

She has danced principal roles in numerous productions of the Company including Swan Lake, The Sleeping Beauty, Giselle, The Nutcracker, Romeo & Juliet, Cinderella, the Merry Widow, Spartacus and Madam Butterfly.



Daniel and Po Chow, Melanie and Austin Chin met up with Jin Yao at the reception.

For a person of such international fame, we found her to be very modest and down to earth and would have inspired all the young local dancers who performed with her to develop their skills as performing artists.

Congratulations must go to the Artistic Director, Jan Hedenig as the performance was superb. We were so privileged to have had such artistic talent performing here in Darwin.

# 2012 Chung Wah Society Christmas Parties

Please refer to the attached advertisement below and please pay particular attention to the RSVP dates.

## Senior's Christmas Party

When: Friday 7 December 2012  
10.00am - 14.00pm  
Where: Chung Wah Hall



Senior members are invited to come and enjoy good friendship, fun and food.





For Catering purposes: Please RSVP to  
[rsvp@chungwahnt.asn.au](mailto:rsvp@chungwahnt.asn.au)  
Or contact Melanie on 0412903980  
By Monday 3 December 2012.

## 2012 Chung Wah Society Children's Christmas Party

CHUNG WAH SOCIETY'S ANNUAL CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY  
SUNDAY THE 9<sup>TH</sup> OF DECEMBER 2012 - 10:00AM - 3:00PM

Registrations must be received by Friday the 30<sup>th</sup> of November 2012

Details for children 12 years and under ONLY



**Please complete the attached registration form for the Children's Christmas Party and forward to the organising committee before Friday the 30<sup>th</sup> of November 2012.**