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Henry

Thank you!

From

The Tung Jung
community of
New Zealand

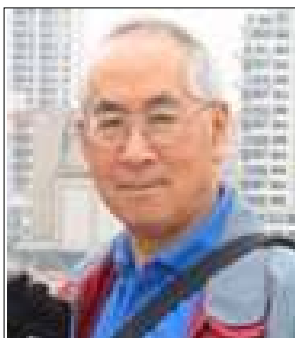
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What has been going on since my last report?

During this period the Tung Jung Association has been involved in the following fund raising activities:

- Sculpture Gift to the NZ Olympic Team
- Snow Storm relief Funds
- Sichuan Earthquake disaster relief Funds

It was heartening to see our members getting behind these fund raising activities. This demonstrates that we care for our fellow Chinese in time of tragedy in China

During this period the association lost three valuable members – Henry Chan, Nelson Young, and Peter Chong (Vice President). All three passed away suddenly. We regret their passing and extend to members of their families the association's sympathy at their loss.

Their obituaries appear elsewhere in the newsletter.

Gordon Wu and I also attended a reception at the Chinese Embassy to farewell His Excellency the Ambassador of China Mr Zhang Yuan Yuan. A film on the conception and building of the Olympic Aquatics Centre known as the "Water Cube" was shown. The structural design of the building is based on the natural formation of soap bubbles giving it a random, organic appearance.

The annual Qing Ming commemorative service was celebrated at Karori Cemetery where food and incense were gifted to the deceased; and about 100 people attended a banquet at the Regal Restaurant in the evening.

In June, Gordon Wu, Robert Ting and Joe Chang spent several days sprucing up the bottom flat for letting. Their effort saved the association about twelve hundred dollars.

On Sunday 22 June Stan Chan gave an introduction to Chinese Painting and Calligraphy at the club room. Those who attended were given a good appreciation of this art. It was disappointing so few members attended.

On Tuesday 8 July, Wang Zhonghua First Secretary & Director of Consular section accompanied by Kevin Tse (Poon Fah Association) made a goodwill visit to our clubroom.

The Annual General Meeting of the Association has been set for 17 August in our rooms at 33 Torrens Terrace, Mount Cook, Wellington. If you are interested in joining the committee, please let me or any of the committee know and your name will be put on the nomination list. All contact details can be found on this newsletter. Continuity for Tung Jung into the future is vital and new members are required to fill vacancies left by retiring members.

I would like to thank the Executive for their support and contribution towards the smooth management of the Association's affairs. I also acknowledge the contributions made by Peter Kohing who is retiring from the committee and the contribution Jocelyn Gee and Peter Moon made in remodelling and publishing the newsletters.

See you all on Sunday 17 August at the AGM.

Sam Kwok

**Donations and
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Thank you**

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Donations given in memory of
Nelson Young

Donations given in memory of
Peter Chong

Sam Kwok
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Harry Wong
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Helene Wong
Frank Wong

Merlin & Molly Wong
Roy Gee
for their continued support

Coming Events

17th August 2008

**Annual General Meeting
2 pm**

**Tung Association Meeting Room
33 Torrens Terrace**

**Followed by
Afternoon tea**



*The new signage, created and hand made by
Gordon Wu and Howard Chung. Fixed to building by
Matt Fah.*

A Big Thank You

會長報告

自從我上一次的會長報告以後會館的情況如下！

在這期間“東埔會館”已經參與下列的資金籌措活動：

- 雕刻繪與 紐西蘭奧運會代表隊
- 暴風雪救災籌款
- 四川地震救災籌款

它正在激勵我們會員去參加或支持這些籌款活動。這也證明我們關心中國和中國人所發生的悲劇。

在這段期間，會館失去了三位寶貴的會員- Henry Chan, Nelson Young, and Peter Chong (副會長)。他們三位全都是突然離世，我們對此深表遺憾以及已經向他們的家庭表達了我們深切的慰問。

有關他們以往的生活情況會刊登在時事通訊中。

吳道揚先生和我亦都參加了中國領事館員 Mr. Zhang Yuan Yuan 大使所舉辦的辭別宴會，當時並放映了有關奧運場館“水立方 Water Cube”和介紹了這座建築物的結構和建築概念，這建築外觀設計是根據自然肥皂泡沫的形成而給與隨意但有系統的安排。

每年一度的清明節拜祭活動在 Karori 墓地舉行，我們與先人奉上了食物和香燭，當日還有大約 100 人參加了在豪苑酒家所舉辦的宴會。

在六月份，吳道揚, Robert Ting, Joe Chang 他們用了幾天時間紛紛了最低層要出租的單位，因為他們的無私付出令會館節省了大約一千二百元。

在六月 22 日星期日 Stan Chan 在俱樂部室介紹了中國畫及書法，這是一個機會讓更多會員加探討這方的藝術藝術知識，但令人很失望的只有很少數會員出席。

在七月 8 日星期二，領事館一等秘書/領事部主任“王中華先生”連同香花會館 Mr. Kevin Tse 參觀了我們的會館。

年度會館會議將於在八月 17 日在會館舉行地址: 33 Torrens Terrace, Mount Cook, Wellington. 如果您有興趣參加委員會，請告訴我或者任何一個委員會知道，而且您的名字將會被放在提名表內，所有的連絡資料能在這時事通訊上找到，為維持東埔會館的將來的正常運作是須要新會員去填補已退休會員留下的空位。

我想要謝謝所有會館員工及職員為會館作出的支持和貢獻。我也感謝退休委員 Mr. Peter Kohing 對會館作出之貢獻和感謝 Jocelyn Gee and Peter Moon 為本次的時事通訊作政稿和出版。

八月 17 日星期日在 AGM 見！ 郭煥章 會長

2008 年七月



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1 June 2008

Dear Sam,

Please pass on to your members my very grateful thanks for the kind message and most beautiful flower you sent on Henry's death.

Henry loved being involved in your work and important celebrations and in making new friendships and renewing old ones.

Yours sincerely Mary Chan

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TUNG JUNG ASSOCIATION OF NZ INC.

中秋節

Mid Autumn Festival
Dinner

(Moon Festival)

九月,十四日,星期日,
Sunday 14th September 2008

康康酒家

Big Thumb Restaurant

9 Allen Street (off Courtenay Place)
6.30pm

Make a date with friends and family
on this auspicious occasion.

\$30 per person - Lucky draws,
Raffles etc.

(Presented by Gordon Wu on behalf of The Tung Jung Association of New Zealand at Henry's Funeral.)



18 April 2008

Good morning, Ladies and gentlemen.

My name is Gordon Wu and I am the immediate past president of the Tung Jung Association of New Zealand based in Wellington. This Association was founded by our immigrant forefathers from the counties of Dongguan and Zengcheng in southern China and which provided them with mutual help and camaraderie.

Today, I am here on behalf of the Tung Jung Association and the Wellington Branch of the NZ Chinese Association.

Henry was born in Guangzhou of Jungsen origin, and arrived in NZ as a war refugee with his mother to join his father in Auckland in May 1940. He was educated at Remuera District School, Auckland Grammar School and graduated at the University of Canterbury. He taught history at Colenso High School in Napier and at Massey University before undertaking postgraduate studies in Chinese history at the School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London.

He was a lecturer in Chinese history at the University of Newcastle, NSW. On retirement was appointed an Honorary Associate of the Department of Chinese and South East Asian Studies School of Language and Cultures and

the School of Philosophical and Historical Inquiry.

As previous speakers have mentioned Henry's academic career, I won't repeat them again, but...

Through his interest in Asian studies, and particularly in the backgrounds of Zengcheng New Zealanders, in 2004 he was granted a National Library Research Fellowship at the Alexander Turnbull Library in Wellington.

It was at this time, about 2003, that the NZ Prime Minister apologised to the descendants of the Poll Tax payers for the wrongs that the past NZ Labour Governments had done to the NZ Chinese and in announcing that a trust would be set up to manage the funds made available by Government for projects to benefit the Chinese community.

As the Research Fellow, Henry came to New Zealand to begin the project recording the history of Zengcheng New Zealanders, enlisting the help of the Tung Jung Association. This was my first contact with him. His drive and attitude was so infectious that he soon had the whole Tung Jung Association committee together with many members working with him on his project.

He attended our meetings and when he found out that it was the Association's 80th anniversary in the year 2006, he suggested that we combine his project and the Association's anniversary in producing a book about the history of Zengcheng New Zealanders and apply to the Poll Tax Heritage Trust for funds to offset printing costs. The rest is now history.

In my association with Henry over the ensuing years before the publication of this book, I gradually got to know what drove him. His passion for getting things right and done properly, like not infringing on copyright laws etc. proved to be a nightmare. We had to write many letters to people seeking their permission to use or copy photographs. With well-reasoned arguments people gradually began to appreciate his motives and began to recognise the value of what he was doing. He would cajole, suggest, drive, entice, encourage, praise, persisting with the village coordinators to get their write ups in on time for deadline publishing.

Before his project on the Zengcheng NZers history, there were very few recorded family histories about the Chinese in NZ. When word got around about Henry's project, suddenly everyone wanted to be part of it. He was the catalyst to get the NZ Chinese community into action and encouraged many Chinese families to research and record their own family histories.

Henry's numerous trips to NZ for interviews and to oversee the progress of the publication of "Zengcheng New Zealanders....." was at his own expense. No remuneration was given to him by any party involved in the book. Such was his sacrifice and dedication.

All of us in New Zealand are very sadden and shocked at his sudden passing.

It was his drive, his input, his passion and most importantly, his influence that has resulted in such a lot of information that has now been recorded either in oral history or in written form. Without his influence, this information would have been lost to future generations.

Mary, Sebastian, Kerrii, Grace and Rupert, you may have lost a husband, father and grandfather but the reminders that surround you demonstrate how he has enriched the lives of so many. I hope this will bring you constant comfort and pride.

On behalf of the NZ Tung Jung Association and the Wellington branch of the NZ Chinese Association, I convey to you our sincere condolences. I am sure that many other Chinese New Zealanders share our views and would wish to pass on their sympathies and thanks to the man who had raised the awareness of our Chinese heritage in the community.



Thank you

(Composed in collaboration with Sam Kwok and Allen Chang)



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Wong Yue Fun & Wong Yey Kum



Dear Granddad,

We have had lots of special times together. You have been the best Granddad. We played games together and had lots of fun. Thank you for teaching me to write my numbers in Chinese and play card games on the computer. Today it is very sad that you have to go. So now goodbye. Lots of kisses and cuddles.

Love Madison, Hugo, Eliza and Tash.

The following is the tribute paid to their Father by his children Vicky and Malcom.

As a young lad, in his early 20s, Dad used to take the same route every day from the fruit and veggie markets back up to his father's shop in Karori. Along Aro Street was another fruit shop owned by the Kan family. Dad used to drive past and wave at a young girl - Mary Kan - or it may have been Mum's younger sisters who used to stop the truck as school patrols so that Dad would have time to stop and wave.

The Chinese community was relatively small in those days and they got to know each other at 21sts and parties. I can't remember hearing too many stories about those days but I do remember Dad saying that his father-in-law made him trim a case of cabbage before he was allowed to take Mum out on a date. He must have been OK at trimming cabbages because he married Mum 3 years later in August 1964.

Dad was always organized and just prior to this he bought his first family home in Parkvale Road in Karori, ready for him and Mum to move in as soon as they got married.

In the early days of his marriage he also enjoyed marlin fishing in the Bay of Islands with his friends as well as a few rounds of golf. Unfortunately, these pursuits became a lower priority once Dad started his family.

As children we remember Dad to be very hard working.

He often woke at 5.00am to go to the markets, and didn't close the shop until late in the evenings. On Sunday afternoon he would sit in the lounge and do his bookwork, and for the remainder of the weekend manage the garden, trim the hedge and help manage household affairs. Because of the long hours, holidays were not a regular occurrence Dad's hard work helped grow the business and build a financial base for our family.

Whilst we were growing up we remember Dad having a few treats for himself. He had a keen interest in cars and he enjoyed driving. He had a good relationship with Mercedes Benz in Wellington and was probably one of their better customers.

On more than one occasion Mum would come home and open the garage to find a brand new car that Dad had brought for her.

He had a sweet tooth and an insatiable appetite for chocolate fish, pineapple lumps and Buzz bars. It became quite a pastime for us kids to devour them while he wasn't there and in the end he had to hid them from us ... but we always managed to find them in his favourite hiding places ... under the bed, in his car, in his sock drawers.

One of Dad's key goals was to provide us with a good education and broad experience in life.

While he couldn't physically be there during many of our interests and pursuits because of the demands of the business he made sure that as his

children we didn't miss out. We all had the opportunity to pursue sporting interests, music and ballet for the girls.

I personally remember being one of the first kids in my soccer team to get a new pair of Adidas soccer boots, and the time in my first year of secondary school at Wellington College when I made it to the athletics finals. Dad claimed it was his Genes from which I got my speed and then proceeded to present me with some running spikes that he had used 30 years before when he ran at the same school finals. I remember accepting them gracefully and running in them, but didn't have the heart to tell him that I thought they belonged in a museum. It wasn't long before I was brought a new pair of running shoes.

When Vicky attended Massey university, Mum and Dad would often drive her up and down to Massey, shifting furniture and luggage, making sure she was well settled, and when Kate got homesick studying down at Otago University, Dad would ensure she had all the emotional and financial support that she needed.

All of Dad's children traveled, lived and worked overseas. Mum and Dad ensured they visited us all on at least one occasion, seeing our environment, where we lived and meeting our new friends in the life we had made outside of New Zealand. He encouraged us to pursue our own and not his goals.

As we became older, and moved into working careers Dad was still there. Even, if it was simply as a sounding board for important decisions.

He helped Vicky and Kate search out and negotiate the purchase of their first homes, spending hours on weekends at open homes. Once we all moved our own respective houses, Dad was often then lugging boxes, unpacking and helping in the garden.

Despite the long hours of work and the limited time for his own interests whilst we were growing up, Dad seldom complained. He always worked hard to support us in the family business.

In Dad's final days before his passing, he never complained once of his disease or the pain. He was strong and was more concerned about the effect his illness had on our family than his own deteriorating condition and misfortune.

Dad sold the business in 1994 at the age of 55. I think this was the first time that Dad had had any

media attention. I found 2 articles in the Western News and another in the Evening Post about how closing of his shop was an end of an era, after being part of the Karori community for over 36 years. A letter we received recently from the Marsden Village Retailers said "many of his customers have fond memories of shopping for their produce and he provided some of the young people from the locality to work in the shop and taught them how to deal with people, work as a member of a team, handle money and pack and arrange fruit and produce".

Whilst Dad had more time available after selling the business he didn't retire completely. He always needed to keep busy and was enticed out of retirement and worked part time for Chans, Moore Wilsons and more recently Thorndon New World.

With his spare time he continued with his involvement with Rotary and also became active with the Tung Jung Association and became a volunteer bus driver for the Karori Community Bus Service.

Over the last few years Dad started to play table tennis and learnt how to use a computer. He went to senior net classes and learnt how to email and use the internet, which became very useful for his work with the Tung Jung and emailing us with any news he and Mum had.

He renewed his interest in golf and it was only 3 weeks ago that he was loving his new tailor-made club, because despite his interesting swing he could still hit the ball 230m.

In 2001 Dad's first grandchild was born.

From this point onwards a significant amount of Dad's time was spent visiting, playing, talking and exchanging emails and photos with the new generation of "Chongs".

Today he has 4 grandchildren Madison, Hugo, Eliza and Natasha who love him dearly and cherish the time they have spent with him.

Dad, we love you and miss you.

Thanks for everything you have given us. You have been a wonderful father, Grandfather and husband and will always be in our thoughts.

Peter is survived by his wife Mary, children Malcolm, Vicky, Kate and Anthony & grandchildren.

This is my second and last article on Dentistry. After 38 years as a Dentist it never ceases to amaze me how little some people know regarding how to clean their teeth and gums effectively. The mouth is the gateway for all food and is appreciated for a very short while as it passes through the lips to be ground and mulched and chewed into smaller pieces by the teeth, swirled around by the tongue, washed with saliva before disappearing down the oesophagus (throat) into the stomach. Thus you really only enjoy your food for a very short while. After this time all food left behind in the mouth becomes a nuisance. Not only will it start to smell and breakdown, but will quickly become a source and nutrients for the many billions of bacteria and yeasts that frequent the mouth. I am sure you all know what meat can taste and smell like when flossed out from between teeth a few days after it has been eaten.



Toothbrushes

Always use a small soft bristle headed toothbrush with bristles the same height. Multifil types are best and avoid very hard bristle ones (sometimes called smokers toothbrushes).

Always start brushing with a dry toothbrush (you can never achieve this if you only have one toothbrush) unless you only clean your teeth every two days.

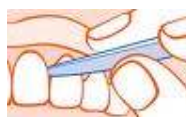
For the average person after breakfast and before bed at night should suffice. However, there is no harm if you clean them after lunch too.

If you have an electric toothbrush use it at one end of the day only. Night time is best. I have seen many patients who clean very badly with electric toothbrushes. It gives them a false sense of security - because it is electric.



Dental Floss (Tape):

The use of floss/tape is essential if you are to clean effectively. The wider flosses/tapes are best. If you do happen to have a thin floss then just double or triple it to make it thicker. Also keep the working piece of your floss/tape short - that is the piece you are working with between the fingers of your left and right hand. If in doubt ask your dentist or dental hygienist. They should have brochures to give you.



Interproximal Brushes/Dental Sticks:

These dental aids are very suitable for older people who have larger triangular gaps between their teeth. Interproximal brushes come in various sizes and it is best that you ask your Dentist or Dental Hygienist which ones are best for you. These products are not well stocked by some chemists and now many dentists will either sell or given them to you.

Very popular among the Chinese, is the "toothpick". I know most Chinese Restaurants have them on the counter. These are not the best aid to remove food and can be damaging to the gum. The reason they are used is that the person already has periodontal disease (recession of the gums) and this is why they use toothpicks.

Mouthwashes:

There are now many brands of these on the market. There is no doubt that those containing Chlorohexidine Gluconate are the best. Many mouthwashes have a very high alcohol content and are not so effective. Some are to break down dental plaque and others are to prevent dental plaque forming. There is no mouthwash that can remove dental calculus - this must be done by a dental professional.

Always read the label to see if it is a before or after mouthwash and how long it should be present in the mouth.



Denture Wearers:

Remember your dentures also need regular cleaning. You can get dental plaque and calculus forming on your dentures and will find your dentures do not fit so well, also you can get "denture sore mouth" that can be very painful.

I recommend soaking them at least once a day in a denture cleaning solution and not wearing them to bed. Your oral tissues need a rest like your feet do. Most people don't wear their shoes to bed do they? A good nail brush is ideal for cleaning dentures.



Toothpaste:

There are as many brands of toothpaste as mouthwashes now on the market.

Always use a fluoridated toothpaste. The benefits of fluoride are well researched and proven. Fluoride alone has been responsible for the rapid decline in dental cavities and decay. However there are large cities in New Zealand still without fluoride in the town water supply and Christchurch is one of these places.

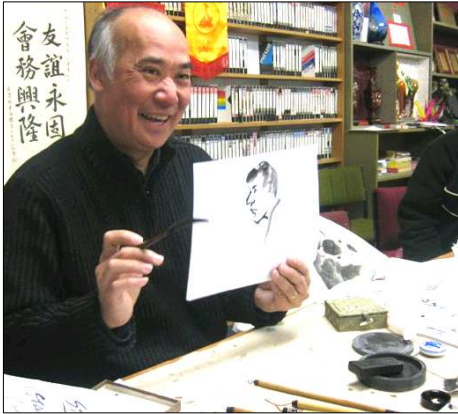
Some patients suffer from sensitivity especially around the gum margins of the teeth. This is usually the result of recession caused by either periodontal disease together with bad toothbrushing actions or acidic foods and drinks (i.e. Coke and Cola). There are some very helpful brochures printed by dental companies. Ask your professional for these. These recommended toothpastes for these patients is one that contains strontium fluoride that helps the tooth strengthen to ward off the sensitivity. Do not expect instant relief and it could take some time.

I hope these helpful hints in the two dental articles I have written will be of benefit to you all, but remember, do see your Dental Professional as they should know best your individual needs and situation.

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Calligraphy with Stan Chan



Social Committee

Peter Chong
&
Elaine Wong
(Chinese New Year
2008)



Raffle Winners



1. Paweena Singboorana
2. Valerie Clouston
3. Kaye Wong
4. Linda Wong
&
Mary Chong
5. Guest