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### **Editors Words:**

Despite this summer being grey and rainy, our centre still managed to make use of the few good days to organise our outdoor activities. At the same time serving our Chinese members is the main aim and we have obtained some results

### **Activities**

1. With the few warm and sunny days the centre went on a few day trips to "Freeport" brand names outlet shopping, Southend on sea, Lavender farm and Hunstanton.
2. 8/9/07 our Dragon dancers performed on the river bank to celebrate the dragon boat festival. They demonstrated TaiChi, TaiChi fan and traditional dances. We received very good feedback.
3. Monthly older members birthday lunches are very successful. Besides our own older members, we were joined with COPE members and on 30/8 we have over 60 members for lunch.
4. With the grant from Help The Aged, we bought a batch of keep-fit equipments, like foot and body massagers, stepper, mill tread and exercise bicycle. Feel free to come in and make use of them.
5. Every Saturday from 10am – 12noon we started free English class.
6. In addition from 5/10, Permanent Resident English Test course is changed from Monday to Friday 9.00am – 12.00noon, 3 hours per week for 10 weeks course, total fee is £15. Due to preparation for course work, any interested people please contact Wang Ying on 07796196162.
7. Any members over 65 , please register and go for FLU injection.
8. Our centre operates an "open-out Scheme" for the police. If you have any need to contact the police do let us know, we can do it directly for you.
9. Our website have reached nearly 10,000 hits in June alone this year. Thanks to our IT member, Mr Steven Cheong's efforts.

### **Special Activities**

1. On 30/9, to celebrate our mid autumn festival we are holding a BBQ in the front of our centre. At the same time Radio 209 is launching their opening on FM 105. To listen to our community news every week 3.00pm, please turn to FM105, any

member interested to announce our community news on our behalf please contact centre.

2. 7/10, AGM at 1.00pm, please try to turn up for this meeting. We have lots of news to announce, follow by free dinner in the evening.

### **Future Activities**

1. In liaison with Diversity Service, we plan to have child care project, Employment workshops will be run by council staff. Interested party please contact centre.
2. Have initial meeting with housing staff regarding housing register and future old people's home project, centre will keep you informed of further progress.
3. Since we moved into Citylife, we have been successfully dealing with housing, benefits and immigration cases, especially bank charges. Any members felt you are charged unfairly during the last 5 years can contact us to get your money back. We have been explained of the refund procedure.
4. End of November our chairman is taking a visiting group on cultural exchange. Any member interested please contact centre.
5. From October, our community café is opened to members, 7 days a week from 10.00am to 4.00pm.
6. Since the take over of minibus from CVS, we have more activities and use of the vehicle, will contact other organisation for a newer minibus. Any member who needs to hire a 14 sitters can contact centre.