

## The 50th Anniversary of HKFYG

In 2010, the Federation celebrated its Golden Jubilee and used the opportunity to celebrate and thank members, friends, partners and the general public for their support and encouragement as needed services were rendered to the young people of Hong Kong. Two main events were organised and a commemorative book was published.



### The 50th Anniversary Walkathon

5,000 walkers took part in the HKFYG 50th Anniversary Walkathon on 28 November 2010. The walk exemplified partnership while also raising money through sponsorship for the Youth Support Fund. The route was 10km from Shatin's Hong Kong Science Park to Taiipo Waterfront Park. Chief Secretary for Administration, the Hon. Henry Tang, GBM, GBS, JP, was the Guest of Honour at the Kick-off Ceremony.



### The 50th Anniversary Gala Dinner

The 50th Anniversary Gala Dinner was held on 6 December 2010 at the Convention Hall of the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre. The Federation was privileged to have the Hon. Donald Tsang, GBM, Chief Executive and Mr. Peng Qinghua, Minister of the Liaison Office, as Guests of Honour. Over 600 government dignitaries, community and business leaders, sponsors, partners and friends joined in celebration and to affirm their continued support for the young people of Hong Kong. The night was graced by wonderful dance and vocal performances, including a stirring rendition of "You Raise Me Up" to echo the theme of the evening, sung by Dr. Moses Cheng, GBS, OBE, JP, Chairman of the Education Commission, accompanied by the HKFYG Hong Kong Melody Makers. Mr. Raymond Young, JP, Permanent Secretary for Home Affairs and a former member of the Federation, Mr. Anthony Chow, SBS, JP, also sang. A 30 strong troupe made up of current members of the Federation and students from the Hong Kong Academy for Performing Arts performed a dance which depicted the aspirations of young people, temptations and seeking help with the community's support. Proceeds of the dinner also went towards the setting up of the Youth Support Fund.



### You Raise Me Up

A special commemorative publication, *You Raise Me Up*, was released. 50 past colleagues, partners, volunteers and supporters, aged between 20 and 60, who had been closely related to the Federation, shared their reflections and experiences of Federation services. The book was divided into four sections, entitled, Opportunities, Gratitude, A Mission to Pass On and Raising Up.



## 2011 China Week on “A Century of China since the 1911 Revolution”

With 2011 marking the centenary of China’s 1911 Revolution, a new initiative was started this year. Called “China Week” the plan is to have a week dedicated to Chinese culture and history just before the summer vacation. The purpose is to help young people learn more about their traditional heritage and hopefully inspire their sense of identity and belonging.



Sponsored by Hopewell Holdings Ltd., Hopewell Highway Infrastructure Ltd. and Oregon Scientific Hong Kong Ltd., the inaugural “China Week” was launched on 21 May with the theme, “A Century of China since the 1911 Revolution”. The launch was graced by Guests of Honour, Mr. Kenneth Chen, JP, Under Secretary for Education, Mr. Li Jiyi (Vice-minister, Department of Youth Work, Liaison Office of CPG

in HKSAR), and Mr. Yu Kwok-chun, SBS, JP (Member of the Standing Committee of the Chinese People’s Political Consultative Conference National Committee).

The overall programme of the week consisted of four parts:

### “A Century of China” Multimedia Production

Partnering with RTHK, the Multimedia Production depicted China’s historical journey over the past 100 years, illustrated through audio-visual productions and live performances. The Financial Secretary, the Hon. John Tsang, GBM, JP, was the Guest of Honour at the first show on 4 July 2011 at the sponsored venue, Star Hall, Kowloonbay International Trade and Exhibition Centre.



### “A Century of China” Historical Figures Study Competition

The Competition was sponsored by the Committee on the Promotion of Civic Education, co-organised with The Hong Kong Institute for Promotion of Chinese Culture. Primary and secondary school pupils took part in the competition to learn about important historical figures from 160 years of Chinese history through their own research.

### Rising Sun: Musical on Sun Yat-sen’s Time in Hong Kong

Co-organised with Spring-Time Experimental Theatre, the audience witnessed the Late-Qing period when Sun Yat-sen and his comrades began their revolutionary journey while in Hong Kong.

### “A Century of China” through Films

In conjunction with film distributors Southern Film Co., Ltd, Media Asia Film Distribution Co., Ltd, Gala Film Distribution Ltd and We Pictures, a series of films were shown to highlight the various stages of China’s history. Very often the showings were followed up with discussion groups.

These activities were also supported by the China Soong Ching Ling Foundation, Home Affairs Bureau, the Education Bureau and the Leisure and Cultural Services Department.



## Caring Dragons in Taiwan

Since 2000, the Federation has been organising the Dragon Series, bringing together young people of Chinese origin from around the world to learn more about their heritage and culture, while also building networks of mutual support. So far, the Dragon Series have held events in Beijing, Shanghai and Hong Kong. These have included, the "Dragon Dance at the Great Wall", "Music of the Dragons", "Dragons in China: World Chinese Youth Forum", "Dragons at Shanghai Huangpu" and the "Dragon Jamboree," with some more than ten thousand young Chinese participants. All these activities have been organised in collaboration with the All-China Youth Federation (ACYF), and with the support of The Dragon Foundation.



In July 2011, the 6th Dragon Series – "Caring Dragons in Taiwan" was organised in Taiwan for the first time by the Federation and the ACYF, in partnership with World Vision Hong Kong, the Junior Chamber International Taiwan and World Vision Taiwan and with the sponsorship of The Dragon Foundation and the Prince Jewellery and Watch Company.

A Commissioning Ceremony was held on 27 July at the Hong Kong International Airport and officiating guests were the Acting Chief Secretary for Administration, Dr. the Hon. York Chow, GBS, JP, Mr. Wang Zhimin, Deputy Director, Liaison Office of the Central People's Government in the HKSAR, Mr. Stanley Hui, JP, CEO of the

Airport Authority Hong Kong, Mr. Jimmy Tang, Chairman of Prince Jewellery and Watch Company and Ms. Agnes Ting, Chief Operating Officer of World Vision Hong Kong.

Five hundred Chinese young people and "Famine Ambassadors" gathered in Taipei, Kaohsiung and Pingtung counties from 27 July to 1 August, to explore issues of poverty and offer volunteer support for the needy around the world. Participants were from the Mainland, Hong Kong, Macau, Taiwan, as well as Australia, Brunei Darussalam, Canada, France, Indonesia, Japan, Malaysia, New Zealand, Philippines, Singapore, Sweden, Thailand, the Netherlands, the United Kingdom and the United States.



Activities during the six days included:

### The World Chinese Youth Forum

The Forum took place in the afternoon of 30 July at the Taipei International Convention Centre. Professor Stephen Y.L. Cheung, BBS, JP, Dean and Professor (Chair) of Finance, School of Business, Hong Kong Baptist University, Dr. Thomas Chan Sze-tong, Honorary President, World Vision International – China Office and Professor Kate Wang Yeong-tsy, Director of Graduate Institute of Social Work, National Taiwan Normal University spoke about poverty issues, sharing insight and experience on reducing poverty, and explained how young people could contribute to poverty alleviation.

### Community Service at the Majia Farm

Participants did voluntary work in Rinari, a new community for the 480 homeless families whose aboriginal villages were hit by Typhoon Morakot. They did simple building work, cleaning and farming, and

paid visits to elderly single people. They also played with 200 aboriginal children, introducing different cultures and customs. Through this community service, they explored the outcomes of the relocation programme and of the tripartite collaboration between government, non-governmental organisations and the aboriginal people.

### "30 Hour Famine" of World Vision Taiwan

The participants took part in the "30 Hour Famine" organised by World Vision Taiwan, fasting for nine hours to better understand the real meaning of hunger and to think how to reduce poverty-related social problems on their return home.

### Dragon Dance

At the "Hero Rally" of the "30 Hour Famine", the participants performed a dragon dance. This spectacular dance has been an integral part of all events in the Dragon Series.

## Dialogue Sessions with Policy Makers

Since 1997, the Federation has been organising a forum whereby young people could engage in dialogue with prominent government officials. A very popular event, this year four sessions were held after the release of the 2010-2011 Policy Address. A number of challenging and controversial topics were discussed. The sessions were as follows:



1. with the **Secretary for Education, the Hon. Michael Suen Ming-yeung, GBS, JP** on Education Policies (15 October 2010 with an attendance of over 400 young people)
2. with the **Secretary for Labour and Welfare, the Hon. Matthew Cheung Kin-chung, GBS, JP** on issues related to welfare and employment (18 October 2010 with an attendance of over 400 young people)
3. with the **Secretary for Food and Health, Dr. the Hon. York Chow Yat-ngok, GBS, JP** on questions related to health policy (19 October 2010 with an attendance of over 400 students)
4. with the **Secretary for Transport and Housing, the Hon. Eva Cheng, GBS, JP** on issues related to transport and housing (23 October 2010 with an attendance of over 300 students)

After the release of the 2011-2012 Budget, the **Financial Secretary, the Hon. John Tsang Chun-wah, GBM, JP** met with more than 500 students on 25 February 2011.



## The 13th Coming of Age Ceremony

The age of 18 symbolises the attainment of adulthood with all the rights and responsibilities with which that is associated. Since 1997, the Federation has been organising a Coming of Age Ceremony, which also celebrates the community's recognition and trust upon a new generation.



This year, over 100 young people joined the "I Love 18 Party" on 28 December 2010 to celebrate their 18th birthday together. Under the theme of "Commitment", they pledged their responsibility to the community, and wrote down their wishes for the future.



## Summer Youth Programmes

Over 4,000 classes and activities were organised by the 22 Youth S.P.O.Ts and other service units over the summer.



These included thematic programmes which comprised a cultural exchange programme in Taiwan with young people from overseas to study issues of poverty; New Media Training Courses co-organised by The Journalism and Media Studies Centre of The University of Hong Kong, National Geographic, Asia News Agency, ONN and EyePress; as well as an *cappella* summer course which provided training and performance opportunities.

In commemoration of the centenary of China's early revolution, numerous programmes were held under the banner of 2011 China Week on "A Century of China since the 1911 Revolution". Included in the programmes were a series of sponsored national education activities and a multi-media production of 100 years of Chinese history on 4 and 5 July 2011.

In order to ensure that more underprivileged young people could participate, a new subsidy scheme was offered, thus ensuring that more youth could have an enjoyable summer!



## The Dragon Foundation

Since 2000, the commitment of The Dragon Foundation has been to bringing together young ethnically Chinese people from around the world, nurturing their sense of identity, building networks and offering them opportunities to develop their potential to be leaders. Managed by a Board of Directors, the Foundation is provided secretariat support by the Federation.



The Foundation's annual signature events include:

### Dragon 100 Young Chinese Leaders Forum 2010

Focusing on helping young Chinese leaders from around the world to learn and experience more of their Chinese culture and heritage, the Dragon 100 Forum has been running since 2002.

The Forum in 2010 chose as its theme, "Exploring Shanghai and World Expo – Building our Future". The 100 delegates from 17 different geographical locations, attended this nine day programme and spent three days in Hong Kong and six days in Shanghai. All the delegates were nominated by their own universities or through organisations and were selected by a Panel headed up by the Delegation Leader Mr. David Lan Hong-tsung, GBS, ISO, JP, a Director of the Foundation.

### Lecture Series for Youth Leaders

Since 2000, the Foundation has invited internationally renowned individuals to share their experiences, expertise and wisdom through the "Lecture Series for Youth Leaders". Previous speakers have included Nobel Laureates, distinguished scientists and artists.

The first session in the Series this year was held on 20 May 2011, in which Mr. Ko Lai-chak and Mr. Li Ching, members of the Hong Kong Table-tennis Team and awardees of Outstanding Young Persons Award, had an animated exchange with the young audience.

### The Dragon Foundation Mission Hills Golf Tournament

With kind support of Mr. Tenniel Chu, a Member of the Programme and Fund Raising Committee and Executive Director of Mission Hills Golf Club, the Foundation was able to organise a Charity Golf Tournament for the second time this year. Held as a major fundraising event, the Tournament was held on 15 April 2011 at the World Cup Course, Mission Hills Golf Club Shenzhen Clubhouse.

Community leaders, professionals and celebrities took part in a closely contested tournament as they competed for various awards. The Hon. Ambrose Lee Siu-kyong, GBS, IDSM, JP, Secretary for Security, Dr. Vincent Lo Hong-sui, GBS, JP, Chairman of Shui On Group, Professor Ma Si-hang, GBS, JP from China Strategic Holdings Ltd. and Mr. Peter Wong Tung-shun, JP, Chief Executive of The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited, joined this event as the Guests of Honour. The Tournament managed to raise over HK\$600,000.