

The speech of Ms Ellen Louie, Chairperson of ANHF on February 16, 2012

Welcome everyone. My name is Ellen Louie and I am the new Chairperson of ANHF.

I am very happy to inform you that on 5 February 2012 ANHF had its AGM and at that meeting a new Board of Trustees was elected. That new Board comprises of myself as Chairperson, Mei Mei Tse as Vice Chairperson, Monica Chu as Secretary, Andrew Gock as Treasurer and Bernard Tse as Trustee/Director. Unfortunately due to his work commitments as a sole general practitioner, Bernard is not able to be here today.

Our long serving Chairman Hatton Kwok and another trustee Charles Ng have both retired from the Board.

Since it was formed in 1980, ANHF has seen tremendous growth and expansion to serve the growing Chinese population. We are extremely lucky that the original founding Trustees of the Foundation, one of which was my father Yick Chong Louie, had the foresight to see the needs of the Chinese elderly and establish such a good and beneficial cause. We the new Board hope to be able to continue the good work and legacy of our predecessors. They had all worked selflessly for the benefit of the Foundation and we hope to be able to emulate their good work.

We the new Board are lucky to take over the Foundation at this time because it is already such a widely and respected organisation.

My immediate predecessor Hatton Kwok was the Foundation's long serving Chairman and was in fact also one of the original Trustees, worked tirelessly for the Foundation and during his time the Foundation was able to expand to include the new LCACC at Hurstville and LCG at Campsie. I hope to be able to learn and achieve a little of what Hatton has been able to do.

Today we have here also the Foundation's General manager Ada Cheng and Principal director of Nursing and various department heads eg...

I would like to express our gratitude to the dedicated staff of the Foundation and it is the staff who help make the organisation such a good strong and successful organisation.

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Ms Ellen Louie – Chairman

Ms. Ellen Louie's professional background is in the legal sector. Ellen has practised as a solicitor for over 25 years in the Sydney CBD and currently has her own law practice. She holds a Bachelor of Laws and Masters of Law from the University of Sydney.

Through her family Ellen has been associated with the Foundation since its inception and has been the Foundation's legal advisor for many years. Ellen officially joined the Board of Directors and Trustees in July 2009.

Ellen recognises the difficulties and problems faced by the elderly, particularly those from non speaking English backgrounds and the constraints imposed by their language and diet, and the growing demand for aged care. There is a need to help the elderly live their lives joyfully and to the fullest and to support and assist their families.

Ellen hopes to continue the good work and legacy established by her predecessors and the dedicated and loyal staff and volunteers of the Foundation. Her vision as Chairman is for the Foundation to be able to provide total integrated quality and cost efficient aged care to the Chinese elderly in all areas of Sydney and to be a leading provider in aged care.



Agnes Mimi Tse – Vice Chairman

Mrs Tse joined the Board of Directors and Trustees in 2002. She is the Director of Public Relations and event organiser of all fundraising activities. Since 1990, Mei Mei has been the Director and Public Relations executive with the Australian Society of Performing Arts and played an active role in raising funds for building the Chow Cho Poon Nursing Home and other community organisations. Mei Mei is also the Director and Treasurer of the Lee Yuen Chinese Opera and Drama Association since 1996, and the executive committee member of the Institute of Traditional Chinese & Popular Music Association in 2010. Her dedication, integrity and extensive network of community liaisons are invaluable to the Foundation.

Mei Mei share the vision of ANHF and takes pride to be part of ANHF team, with the support of the board members, staff and the Chinese community, she will try her best to raise funds and resources to continue the pursuit of excellence in the provision of quality culturally appropriate care for the Aged.



Mrs. Monica Chu – Hon. Secretary

Mrs Chu graduated with a Bachelor degree in Commerce major in accounting. She joined the Board of Directors of ANHF in January 2008 and became a Trustee of the Foundation in 2009. Although her interest is not in accounting, her academic background provides good stead for her various portfolios in the audit sub-committee

and Governance sub-committee within the Foundation as well as her positions as the Board Treasurer in 2008/2009 and Board Secretary in 2008 to date. Her other commitments within the Chinese Community include: Treasurer of Wayin Network (1999), Chairman of the management committee of the Chinese Catholic Community Homes Ltd. (2003-2005), President of the Lions Club of Sydney Pacific Inc. (2010) and Council Chairman of the Australian Chinese Charity Foundation Inc.(2009 to date).

Since joining the Board of Directors / Trustees of ANHF, the Foundation has experienced many changes. The ongoing opportunities made available to the Foundation and the subsequent challenges may have appeared daunting. However, she has relished these changes and challenges, with the belief that it is these changes and challenges which have motivated the Board, as well as Management, to restructure and corporatize ANHF in order to cope with the increasing demands from the aged Chinese Australian community and government funding bodies.

The completion of the state of art Lucy Chieng Aged Care Centre has taken the organisation to a new era of the modernisation of ANHF. It is her wish that ANHF's "ageing in place" concept will continue to thrive and expand. For now in the immediate future, it is important for the organisation to reflect on the lessons learned and consolidate the administration and financial structure for further long term expansion of ANHF's services to the community.

Mrs Chu takes pride in the dedication, teamwork and integrity of ANHF's senior management and its frontline staff. It is most rewarding for her to witness the appreciation and happy faces of the ANHF elderly service recipients and their carers.



Mr. Andrew Gock - Treasurer

Andrew graduated from the University of Technology in Sydney with a Bachelor of Business (Majoring in Accounting and Sub-Major in Information Systems). He is a CPA in public practice, specialising in the provision of accounting and taxation services. He is also an Authorised Representative to Count Financial Limited and offers financial planning in his practice.

Andrew joined the Board of Directors, as Treasurer and Trustee, in February 2010. His aspiration is to ensure that the legacy of the original founders and past trustees of ANHF is sustained and enhanced for generations to come. The original mission was "to establish a charity founded and endowed for the purpose of taking care of the sick, elderly and needy people of the Australian community". Over the last 30 years, the ANHF has grown from a single residential aged care provider to a high quality multi-service aged care provider. ANHF is well recognised and respected within the community.

Prior to joining the Board of Directors, Andrew assisted the ANHF with their accounting requirements. Through this initial involvement, Andrew has witnessed the

dedication and professionalism and enthusiasm of the staff and volunteers of the ANHF.

Andrew Gock said, "It is a privilege to be involved with ANHF. I believe ANHF is one of the best aged care facilities offering specific culinary and cultural needs to our elderly Chinese community. ANHF is blessed to have so much support from the community and all levels of Government. I aim to listen and continue to serve the Chinese community through my entrusted position and work with the ANHF".



Dr. Bernard Hing-Yat Tse – Trustee / director

Dr Tse is a registered general practitioner in NSW. He has been a visiting doctor at eight nursing homes in the inner west of Sydney. He is a member of the Medication Advisory Committee of Bernard Chan Nursing Home and Chow Cho Poon Nursing Home since 2004 and recently LCACC. He takes great joy in being able to serve the elderly members of our society, looking after their health and helping them live life to the fullest.

ANHF has been providing high quality care for older people in the Australian Chinese Community for over 30 years. The dedication and care of the staff has earned its excellent reputation and strong support in the community. Dr Tse is honoured to serve with an organisation of such distinctions.