

## *Festive 'Hissterical' Joys*

The Lunar New year is all about reunions and people coming together to celebrate new beginnings. In the spirit of unity, SASCO hosted a joint Lunar New Year celebration lunch between all our Active Ageing Centres. With their spirits as high as their chopsticks during the exhilarating 'Yusheng' round, our seniors ushered in the Year of the Snake.

Our seniors got to spend great quality time with one another, as well as meet fresh new faces from the other centres. Coincidentally, a few of our seniors were in fact truly reunited after many long years through this event! It was truly a blast from the past.



There is no better way to round off a big celebration than with a lucky draw. Like a snake eyeing its prey, with eyes shimmering like scales, our seniors were poised and on maximum alert, ready for their lucky draw number to be called. With each number called, the venue was rumbling with loud cheers of joy along heavy sighs of disappointment. Nevertheless, congratulations to all our lucky winners!



Through all our generous sponsors of the event, we were able to pull off a large scale celebration for our seniors, the first of its kind in SASCO's history. From the venue, to the food, to the decorations and prizes, we thank all the sponsors for making this event possible.

For those who have seen our previous newsletter, you would know that we have fully transformed our dementia care model at SASCO@TelokBlangah. Here is what their Lunar New Year looked like: a cosy, sit-down pineapple tart making session – a familiar activity that holds many fond memories of their loved ones for many of our seniors. The newly refurbished homely environment certainly added to the warmth and family spirit of the festive season.



With the zesty smell of the pineapple past in the air and the softness of the cookie dough in the palm of their hands, our seniors bonded over their experiences associated with the iconic snack. From helping their mothers make pineapple tarts, to delivering jars to the people around them, to receiving tarts from their favourite neighbours – their memories were endless and whilst faded, the emotions they felt back then lingers on.



With more festivities to come, we thank everyone for their support which allows our seniors to enjoy all the holidays with bright smiles, surrounded by people. With this, we take this opportunity to showcase one of our seniors at our Active Ageing Centres who shares his Chinese calligraphy skills with his peers.

Some of his original work has been given to our major donors and supporters, and we are grateful to him for wanting to give back to the community that supports our cause. Here we have 87 year old Mr Goh Boon Kye, holding up his artwork with the words '感恩' (read as Gan En) which means Gratitude in Mandarin, dedicated to all of you reading this.



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