

ACMA Charitable TrustFarewell from me

In May 2008, I wrote to you about the ACMA Charitable Trust Appeal for the China Earthquake Fund. I am pleased to report the Charitable Trust has raised \$20150.00 towards the China Earthquake Fund. On behalf of the Trust, I would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank and acknowledge the generous donation received so far from the following individuals:

Drs Andrew Tan, Kar Leng Tan, Peng K Ho, Henry Kan, K Y Quek, Wah Cheung, Stephen Hing, Eric Wong, David Har, Ken Saw, Laurence Lau, Bian S Lee, Kitty Watt, Anthony Kwan, Eric Chai, Yiu Kee Ho, Patricia Lim, Ban Nee Lim, Norman Soo.
Mr Geoff McIntyre, Mrs Ann Chiew and Rose Tan.

I took up the role as Chairman of the ACMA Charitable Trust since 9 February 2004. It has been a rewarding journey. I have learned a lot and gained valuable experience.

Building upon past achievements, I set my priority to restore the equilibrium of this noble organisation. So after over four full years, together, with the support of ACMA members, ACMA Management Committee, other friends and the Board of Trustees we collectively made a difference and we were able to accomplish the following:

- 1 Amended the ACMA Charitable Trust Deed to satisfy the Dept of Gaming & Racing
- 2 Secured charitable fundraising authority to conduct fundraising for charitable purposes from the public of NSW
- 3 Secured GST concessions from 1 July 2005
- 4 Extended Indemnity insurance cover for the Board of Trustees
- 5 Held regular Trust meetings
- 6 Instituted communication via mailout/webpage to ACMA members raising awareness of the Charitable Trust
- 7 Raised funds for baby Fu Wen Yu Appeal
- 8 Organised co-sponsored transcultural mental health competency workshop
- 9 Conducted fundraising for China Earthquake Appeal Fund

I would like to personally acknowledge my fellow trustees and volunteers Mr Geoff McIntyre, Dr Kai Yan Quek, Prof Wai-On Phoon, Mr James Lee and the late Dr Fook Ying Chiew for all their guidance, support and sage advice extended to me during my term as Chairman.

Sadly, after 15 years of outstanding service, Mr McIntyre, our longest serving Hon Treasurer and Trustee since June 1993 will be retiring. On behalf of ACMA Charitable Trust, I would like to say special thanks to Mr Geoff McIntyre for his many contributions, commitment and dedication in every one of the manifold roles he filled. I wish Geoff and his wife Ann all the very best. My thanks to the auditor Mr Alex Hopkins for his assistance over the past years. My thanks also to ACMA Management Committee for their assistance in particular the large mailout and other administrative tasks.

I appreciate the privilege and honour of having served as Chairman of the ACMA Charitable Trust since February 2004. Under the Trust Deed, the responsibility for the succession of the Trust falls on the Principal, the President of ACMA acting by the majority resolution(s) of the Management Committee members.

As I write, the Principal has not indicated to the Charitable Trust of any new Trustee appointments. Consequently, I regret that I am unable to introduce new Trustees to you before my retirement in October 2008.

Finally, thank you to all ACMA members and friends for your charitable giving and support, I encourage you to donate to the ACMA Charitable Trust over the coming year.

In closing, I would like to thank my dear wife Rose for her encouragement and support.

Dr Patrick Tan
Chairman, ACMA Charitable Trust
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