

## 世余青年組會議

青年組委員余寶珍

世余青年會議主題如何鼓勵青年活躍參與堂所。會議不僅有青年人出席，也有老一代宗親的參與。要青年活躍參與堂所，我們相信上一代長者的幫助和鼓勵是非常重要的。希望我們的提議和理想能生根發芽，順利成功。

### 世余青年組提議:

- 1。舉辦各余風采堂的青年交流節目
- 2。組織青年組中國尋根旅遊團
- 3。開展友導計劃
- 4。啟動青年義工計劃
- 5。邀請嘉賓于網絡研討會上演講
- 6。贊助青年助學金以鼓勵青年學習國語/粵語
- 7。創建青年組 Facebook 聯絡網頁
- 8。舉辦青年組夏令營
- 9。出版青年組網上月刊



*Jim Yee, President of Vancouver Yee Society, and super volunteer Esther Yue with Interim World Yee Youth executive committee members (left to right, Emily, Vanessa, Jaime, & Megan \*missing Kimberly and Andrew)*

## World Yee Youth Conference Report

The Youth Conference was held between lunch and dinner at the Floata Seafood Restaurant on Aug 5, 2012. The first part was a Youth Forum with speakers Judge Bill Yee and Professor Henry Yu (see separate report). Then youth delegates convened to discuss the formation of a World Yee Youth Committee. This led to the election of an Interim Executive Committee, with the rest of the delegates opting to become Supporting Members.

### Interim executive committee

Emily Yee (Phoenix, AZ)  
Megan Yee (Phoenix, AZ)  
Kimberly Yee (Vancouver, BC)  
Jaime Yee (Vancouver, BC)

Vanessa Yu (Vancouver, BC)  
Andrew Wong (Vancouver, BC)

## Supporting members

Carina Yee (Vancouver, BC), Cameron Yee (Vancouver, BC), Alvina Yee (Vancouver, BC), David Yee (Phoenix, AZ), Amanda Yee (Vancouver, BC), Cindy Yee (Toronto, ON), Daniel Yee (Toronto, ON), Jenny Yee (Singapore/Vancouver), Harvey Yee (Vancouver, BC)

## Intention

To foster a youth presence in the Yee Society that would help the make the Yee Society sustainable in the long term and to provide opportunities for young members to network and establish friendships around the globe.

## Proposed Ideas

1. Cultural exchange program between international Yee chapters where visitors would be provided with a host/contact person
2. Organize group trip to China (i.e. \$99 1-week tour of Beijing/Shanghai offered through Government of China) to trace our roots and enrich our understanding of Chinese culture
3. Initiate a mentorship program that will partner students with other students (younger with older) and professional to provide guidance on post-secondary education and career development
4. Initiate a volunteer program to provide opportunities for youth to gain volunteer experience and fulfill volunteer requirements at school, e.g., link up with SUCCESS and other Chinese organizations
5. Invite guest speakers to give webinars that will be accessible to everyone and potentially more presentations to a live audience that will be shared online.

6. Sponsor a language bursary program to support development of Mandarin/Cantonese language skills, and invest in language learning materials (i.e. books, CD, etc.) that would be available for loan and/or subsidize language courses
7. Start a World Yee Youth Facebook group that will link existing society related Facebook pages
8. Organize a summer camp (weekend to one week duration) to engage with other youth members
9. Publish a monthly online newsletter that will be distributed to the Youth mailing list as well as individual Yee chapter leaders.

## Conclusion

The Vancouver meeting showed promise in developing a stronger youth engagement in the Yee Society. Not only were youth themselves present but there was also interest from older generations. We feel it is important for this society to benefit its members on a personal level to make it successful and encourage active participation. Following this initial effort, we hope to see our ideas take root and mature into enriching opportunities for Yee Youth around the world.

Vanessa Yu  
Interim World Yee Youth executive committee

