



*With the seniors from Tai Pei Old People's Home (seated) during the lunch: (L-R) Grand Copthorne Waterfront Revenue Manager Mr Caspar Lim; Director of Housekeeping & Laundry Mr Eric Koh; Housekeeping Executive Mr Foo Chuan Shen (in the God of Fortune costume); General Manager Mr Cheong Hai Poh; CDL Group CEO Mr Sherman Kwek; Director of Engineering & Capital Projects Singapore Mr Leo Hee Swee; CDL Group Chief Strategy Officer and Hong Leong Foundation Governor Mr Kwek Eik Sheng; Cluster Assistant Director of Marketing Communications Mr Gilbert Ong; and Hong Leong Foundation Governor Mr Ong Pang Boon.*

31 January 2018 - A group of 50 elderly people lightly dusted in flour and dressed in chef's attire complete with chef's hats and aprons, spent a morning preparing butter cookies and pineapple tarts as an attentive chef hovered over them with watchful eyes.

This was the scene at Hong Leong Foundation's annual charity event at Grand Copthorne Waterfront, where a baking workshop was organised by the Foundation for its elderly beneficiaries.



*Pastry Chef Jason Goh teaching Mr Kwek Eik Sheng (left), Mr Ong Pang Boon (third from left) and Madam Chong Ah Inn, 80, from Tai Pei Old People's Home, as they their hand at strawberry butter cookies.*



*(L-R) Hong Leong Asia Internal Audit Mr Ken Yeo; Grand Copthorne Waterfront Assistant Manager of Marketing Communications Ms Lee Ji Cheng; and Mr Tay Ah Bah from St Vincent's Home striking a pose for the camera.*

## **Hong Leong Foundation Ushers Lunar New Year With Lo Hei And Fun-And-Bake Workshop With Seniors**





*Grand Copthorne Waterfront Executive Chef Mr David Toh (left photo) and CDL Customer Service Ms Elsie Wong (right photo) helping seniors with the cookies.*



The seniors aged 62 to 95 from Tai Pei Old People's Home and St Vincent's Home were first shown a baking demonstration by Pastry Chef Jason Goh, before partnering with some 35 staff volunteers from member companies in Hong Leong Group as they learned to prepare the popular treats. The seniors were then treated to a delicious buffet spread and entertained with song and dance performances by the staff volunteers themselves.

"We always look forward to engaging different sectors of the community. While monetary support is important, what can make a profound difference to people's lives is really our sincere gestures. We all appreciate when someone takes the time and effort to make that heart-to-heart connection and that's what we want to do with our seniors today," said Mr Kwek Eik Sheng, a governor of Hong Leong Foundation who was also among the volunteers and senior executives at today's event.

"It's always fun when we bond over food. This workshop also gives our seniors a chance to express themselves through baking. We hope this helps to boost their overall well-being. It's so good to see our seniors and volunteers sharing a wonderful time together, creating "sweet" memories," he said.



*Beneficiaries and staff volunteers, with Mr Kwek Eik Sheng and Mr Ong Pang Boon ushering in the Lunar New Year with a prosperous Lo Hei.*



*Mr Sherman Kwek (centre) serving the seniors food and drinks from the lunch buffet.*



*Adding to the festive atmosphere, the Grand Copthorne Waterfront team entertained the seniors with song performances.*



*Mr Cheong Hai Poh entertaining the elderly before the Fun-and-Bake Workshop commenced.*

As part of its annual charity event, Hong Leong Foundation made cash contributions of more than S\$453,000 to 3,778 recipients of the Ministry of Social and Family Development's ComCare Long-Term Assistance scheme.

With this event, Hong Leong Foundation capped off its charity activities with donations totalling nearly S\$2 million for the year 2017.