

FDAWU Celebrates LNY With Old Folks



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"Old folks are worth a fortune with silver in their hair, gold in their teeth, stones in their kidneys, lead in their feet and gas in their stomachs."

So goes a limerick for society's agers.

In an era where Corporate Social Responsibility is emerging as a key area of focus for many corporations and organisations throughout the world, the Food, Drinks and Allied Workers' Union, too, has been in the forefront of community service.

On 25 January 2010, FDAWU and Sheraton Towers hosted a Lunar New Year Luncheon for FDAWU's adopted charity,

Geylang East Home for the Aged.

Mr Heng Chee How, NTUC Deputy Secretary-General and FDAWU Executive Secretary, together with Mr Steven Long, General Manager of Sheraton Towers, presented hongbaos and goodie bags to the 25 seniors from the Home who came to the luncheon.

FDAWU President Abdul Subhan noted that the luncheon gave the residents of the Home "the opportunity to fine-dine with good food, good ambience, and good service".



Young NTUC Cares To Be Green



By **Vanessa Teo**

Going green is no longer for "adults only" as proven by the large number of youths participating in the 2009 United Nations Climate Change Conference, commonly known as the Copenhagen Summit.

One continent away, Young NTUC is also reaching out to passionate green activists. On 30 January 2010, Young NTUC organised COOL IT!@COP15, where members from ECO Singapore came to NTUC Centre to share their experience at the Copenhagen Summit.

At the sharing session, Youth Development Unit's Deputy Director Steve Tan reaffirmed Young NTUC's support for ECO Singapore's cause, and its stand to help save the environment.

"Young NTUC is looking at what more we can do to contribute to the Labour Movement and the community. Environmental issues have always featured on our agenda, but even more so now given the increasingly clear impact of global warming. With this involvement with ECO



their daily lives to help generate awareness on the importance of saving the environment.

"Through this sharing session, I now know what happened at the Copenhagen Summit. Young NTUC always organises events that are very engaging and current that makes me keen to join in their activities," said Mr T Mohamed Elliyas, 44, a manager and Building Construction and Timber Industries Employees' Union member.

Singapore, Young NTUC signals our serious intention to help advance the cause for the betterment of our future generations," said Mr Tan.

ECO Singapore team members shared what took place at the Copenhagen Summit and encouraged participants to go green in

Young NTUC is working on a series of programmes to support its cause to go green. Their next programme will be Run 350, happening on 20 March 2010 when all proceeds from the run will go towards Young NTUC's Garden City "Plant A Tree" programme.

Log on to www.yntuc.sg/run350 to support Young NTUC's efforts to go green.

Reaching Out To You

“Having such a high carbon dioxide level in our environment is dangerous. It's good to create awareness that we need to bring the level down back to 350 parts per million.”

Isaac Lee, 31, Youth Worker and Young Amalgamated Union of Statutory Board Employees member