



Yee Hong Community Wellness Foundation

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ON YOUR MARK, GET SET, GO! CENTENARIANS GET OUT TO WALK & ROLL!

TORONTO - Today, Yee Hong brought the community together once again for its seventh annual fundraising Walk & Roll. Six Centenarian Yee Hong resident seniors (age ranging from 100 – 109 years old) led the crowd at the starting line to kick-off the start of the 2005 Tour East Holidays Yee Hong Family Walk & Roll. Yee Hong staff, resident seniors, community groups, corporate sponsors, politicians and dignitaries came together as well to parade the streets with their colleagues and families to celebrate a community's hard work and dedication.

Yee Hong is proud to have Tour East Holidays as this year's Walk & Roll's title sponsor. "We walk everyday; however, the steps we take today represent something much more significant. Each step you make today increases the quality of life for the seniors and their families within our community... The origami cranes that were made by Yee Hong's very own seniors spread health and prosperity to the community and Tour East Holidays is proud to be a part of this meaningful event", said Rita Tsang, President and Chief Executive Officer of Tour East Holidays. "This is not just a day to raise money for Yee Hong, but also a great opportunity for you to spend some quality time with your family, friends and loved ones", stated the three event committee co-chairs, Horace Chan from TD Canada Trust, David Poon from HSBC Bank Canada and John Man from RBC Financial Group.

Dr. Joseph Wong, Founder and Chair of Yee Hong Community Wellness Foundation and Yee Hong Centre for Geriatric Care and Helen Lu, Member of the Board of Directors, rallied the crowd with a little challenge of their own. Dr. Joseph Wong and Helen Lu walked the 4km challenge while joggers tried to beat their time by doubling the distance (8km). After the walk, an array of activities and entertainment was lined up for the remainder of the afternoon; which included the TD Canada Trust Obstacle Challenge, Shop Til You Drop Treasure Market and game booths for people of all ages.

Established in October of 1994, the Yee Hong Centre for Geriatric Care is a non-profit, charitable organization that provides quality services and exceptional programs for seniors. Currently, with all four centres fully operational, Yee Hong continues to provide culturally appropriate services to seniors not just within the Chinese community, but also those in the South Asian, Japanese, Filipino, Vietnamese and Portuguese communities. The Yee Hong Community Wellness Foundation raises all necessary funds to cover the operation expenses of all services and programs of the Yee Hong Centre for Geriatric Care.

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