

## Consortium of Institutes on Family in the Asian Region Ltd.

## 亞洲區家庭研究聯盟



#### 1. Walk for Family Well-being 2013

CIFA is going to co-organize a fund-raising Walk for Family Well-being 2013 (家庭健步行 2013) with the Academy of Family Therapy (AFT) on 13<sup>th</sup> (Sunday) January, 2013 in the morning with a kick-off ceremony to be officiated by Mr. Patrick NIP Tak Kuen, Director of Social Welfare, at the Hong Kong Girl Guides Association Sandilands Centre. The route will be along the Black's link to Wanchai Gap Park.



Public transportations to Sandilands Centre include bus no. 6, 41A, 63, 66 and 76.

The objectives of this event are:

- i.) to raise fund for CIFA and AFT;
- ii.) to raise public awareness of these two charitable organizations and promote the importance of family well-being; and
- iii.) to provide an opportunity for members, supporters and their families of CIFA/ AFT to enjoy a relaxing walk in the country side.

Apart from the Walk, other related activities will be organized including warm up exercises, towel dance, eco tour to be led by an experienced tour guide, and other attractive activities for participants joining the Walk.

Appeal letters and registration forms will be distributed shortly.

Please mark this event on your diary and join us on this relaxing and healthy activity with your family while at the same time raising funds for promoting family well-being!

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# 2. 3<sup>rd</sup> Regional Symposium at National University of Singapore (11-13<sup>th</sup> December, 2012)

With the continuous effort and input of the Scientific Committee and Organizing Committee, the preparatory work for the Symposium is going on smoothly. The vetting of abstracts has been finalized with 37 papers for oral presentation at concurrent sessions and 25 papers for poster presentation from 11 countries in the region. All concerned parties are working closely to attend to the detailed arrangements with a view to make the Symposium a success.

The online registration is in full swing and the Symposium Secretariat has been receiving enquiries and the number of places is being filled up quickly. Take immediate action to register on line or you will miss this very exciting Symposium.

Please click here for the Invitation to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Regional Symposium 2012

Please note that the registration fee entitles you to, apart from all the programs of the Symposium, daily lunch, two tea breaks on conference days and the Gala Dinner at Resort World Sentosa. Moreover, CIFA members (with paid up membership fee for 2012 and 2013) will enjoy a reduced registration fee. Full member organizations are entitled to register a maximum of 10 participants. For associate members, each will be entitled to register for the Symposium at the reduced rate. When registering, please quote the Membership Number which was provided by the CIFA Secretariat upon membership renewal.

For more details, please look at: <a href="http://www.cifasymposium2012.org">http://www.cifasymposium2012.org</a> and <a href="http://www.cifa-net.org/index.php?option=com">http://www.cifa-net.org/index.php?option=com</a> content&view=article&id=247&Itemid=122

#### 3<sup>rd</sup> CIFA Regional Symposium 2012

Date: 11<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup> December 2012

Venue: National University of Singapore (NUS)

Theme: Asian Families: Innovations in Practice and Policies

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#### 3. 3A Project 2012

Following the announcement of the Second Round Results, arrangements and rundown of the Final Round Adjudication and Award Presentation Ceremony are being finalized. The 8 finalist teams have registered for the Symposium and will present their projects at the Final Round Adjudication on 12<sup>th</sup> December, 2012.

A Sharing Session sponsored by the Singapore National Council of Social Service will be held on 14<sup>th</sup> December, 2012 (Friday) at the Social Service Training Institute in Singapore. Finalist teams will present their projects to exchange experience, knowledge and practice wisdom among professionals and stakeholders from Singapore and other regions who are unable to join the Symposium. Thye Hua Kwan Moral Society, Silver Award Winner of the 3A Project 2010, will also join the Session to share their experience of how to sustain the momentum of their project throughout the past few years.

Other 7 teams which entered the Second Round are encouraged to participate in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Regional Symposium to meet other participants. In appreciation of their enthusiastic participation in the 3A Project 2012, a Certificate of Appreciation will be presented to them at the Award Presentation Ceremony to be held on 12<sup>th</sup> December, 2012 at the Gala Dinner at the Resort World Sentosa.

#### 4. 4<sup>th</sup> CIFA Regional Symposium in 2014

Further to the visit to Soochow University and Suzhou Mental Health Association in Suzhou in June, contacts have been maintained with concerned personnels of the University to confirm their involvement in organizing the 4<sup>th</sup> Regional Symposium. CIFA Council has just received confirmation from the University that it has decided not to co-organize the Symposium. The Council will go through the process of identifying other institutes/organizations in mainland China to co-organize the Symposium.

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#### 5. 《把握先機、健康「家」冕》家庭精神健康講座



香港心理衞生會是一所非牟利的社會服務機構,宗旨是推廣心理衞生教育及提供服務予精神病康復者及智障人士。該會在 2011 年蒙余兆麒殘疾人士基金資助,於 2011 年 5 月至 2013 年 3 月期間在東九龍區舉辦「家家有晴家庭精神健康推廣計劃」,藉以提升區內居民對家庭精神健康的認識和關注、提倡預防和及早處理精神困擾的情況,並宣揚和諧互助的社區氣氛。計劃包括舉辦家庭精神健康公開講座,現誠邀 貴社福機構、教育團體、社工同業或社區人士協助宣傳及蒞臨參與。

日期: 2012 年 11 月 17 日(星期六)

時間: 2:30pm - 4:30pm

地點:基督教家庭服務中心一樓禮堂(九龍觀塘翠屏道3號)

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如有興趣參與講座,請填妥附上之回條,並於 2012 年 10 月 31 日或以前傳真回條至 2348 2428,以便作出安排。如對上述活動有任何查詢或索取活動海報,請致電 2346 3798 與社工吳浩峰先生或社工劉斯雅姑娘聯絡或瀏覽 <a href="http://www.mhahk.org.hk/chi/sub3\_1\_news\_2012.htm#event20112012n3">http://www.mhahk.org.hk/chi/sub3\_1\_news\_2012.htm#event20112012n3</a>

#### **CIFA Members Share:**

If you have recently attended a conference/workshop and would like to share your experience, or would like to share any news about your work that may be of interest to the community, please e-mail to: the secretariat of CIFA, info@cifa-net.org

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