SCFA Spring Festivals Celebration Dinner

On 11th March 2016, SCFA organized the Spring Festivals Celebration Dinner at the Antica Ballroom, Orchard Parade Hotel. The function attracted more than 160 participants. Guests started to arrive as the reception started at 6.30pm. The officials from Chinese Embassy arrived at 7pm while the Chinese Ambassador HE Mr Chen Xiaodong and his wife arrived at 7.30pm and kicked start the Gala Dinner.

SCFA President Phua Kok Khoo gave a welcoming speech. He said, the mission of SCFA is to promote friendship relations between Singapore and China. Chinese ethnic constitutes 75% of Singapore population. And along with the rising of China, SCFA should work more closely with the Chinese Embassy, in order to contribute more in fields such as culture, education, history, economy and etc.

HE Mr Chen Xiaodong expressed his gratitude towards the great efforts done by SCFA in promoting the China-Singapore friendship relations in his speech. He also wished that Chinese Embassy and SCFA will continue to work together and more closely, to further strengthen the friendship relations between China and Singapore.

After the speeches was the crosstalk performance presented by famous crosstalk masters, Mr Zhao Yan and Mr Fu Qiang. There was also a Karaoke on stage session, for guests to perform their favourite songs. The Dinner ended at 10pm and attracted more than 160 participants from various fields and organizations.
2016年4月23日（星期六）下午2点30分，我会联合怡和轩俱乐部、新加坡中国商会和陈嘉庚基金会，在怡和轩俱乐部二楼，举办了题为《谈谈新加坡2016财政预算案如何协助中小企业》的讲座。新加坡国立大学李光耀公共政策学院顾清扬教授作为演讲嘉宾，从国际化、创新和如何利用政府资助中小型企业政策等方面，分析了今年的财政预算案，并与参会听众现场进行交流互动。国立大学李光耀公共政策学院中国项目主任、陈嘉庚基金理事陈抗教授担任了讲座主席。近100人参加了活动。活动于当天下午6时结束。

The talk “How Singapore Budget 2016 will help SMEs” was successfully held at the Ee Hoe Hean Club, on 23rd April 2016. The talk was co-organized by SCFA, the Ee Hoe Hean Club, Singapore China Business Association and Tan Kah Kee Foundation, and was conducted by Prof Gu Qingyang from Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, NUS. He analyzed the Singapore Budget 2016 from the points of view such as internationalization, innovation and how to benefit from the government policies in supporting SMEs. The Talk was chaired by Prof Chen Kang, the Director of MPAM and Chinese Executive Education, Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, NUS. The Talk ended at around 5pm, attracted around 100 audiences.

2016年5月7日（星期六）下午，由怡和轩俱乐部主办，我会与新加坡中国商会协办的题为《一带一路——解析习近平的外交、内政棋局》的讲座，在怡和轩俱乐部二楼。讲座由国大东亚研究所高级研究员陈刚博士主讲。陈博士从中国历史的角度来归纳中国外交的周期，并从国际局势和中国内部概况两个方面进行讲解。讲座由我会会长潘国驹教授主持，吸引了近250名听众参加。

On 7th May 2016 afternoon, SCFA, the Ee Hoe Hean Club and Singapore China Business Association co-organized a talk themed “One Belt One Road: Analysis of Xi Jinping’s Strategy on Diplomacy & Internal Policy” at the Ee Hoe Hean Club. Dr Chen Gang, a research fellow from East Asian Institute, NUS, illustrated the cycles of China’s history in foreign affairs, and explained the “One Belt One Road” policy from the current international situation of China and its internal policy. The Talk was chaired by President Phua Kok Khoo, attracted around 250 audiences.

2016年6月31日傍晚7时30分，我会联合北京大学新加坡校友会，假华侨银行大厦举办一场题为《中国宏观经济——改革与发展》的讲座，由北京大学校友委员会副主席、北京大学汇丰商学院院长海闻教授主讲，我会潘国驹会长为讲座主席。讲座吸引了约250人参与。

SCFA and Peking University Alumni Association (Singapore) co-organized a talk themed “China’s Macroeconomy: Reformation and Development” on 31st May 2016 at 7.30pm, at OCBC Centre. The talk was conducted by Prof Hai Wen, the Vice Chairman of Peking University Council and Dean of HSBC Business School, Peking University. SCFA President Phua Kok Khoo chaired the Talk. The Talk attracted around 250 audiences.
### Chongqing Rural Commercial Bank Visiting Singapore

The delegation from Chongqing Rural Commercial Bank led by President Xie Wenhui visited Singapore. SCFA and the Singapore China Business Association co-hosted an exchange meeting with the delegation on 12th May 2016, on 4pm. Both sides discussed and exchanged ideas on the topics of "One Belt One Road" and on the new opportunities brought to SMEs in both Singapore and China under the scheme of “China-Singapore (Chongqing) Demonstration Initiative on Strategic Connectivity". The delegation hosted a dinner for the representatives from SCFA and SCBA after the meeting.

### SCFA AGM 2016 cum Management Committee Election

The SCFA 22nd Annual General Meeting cum Management Committee Election was successfully held at 10am, 5th June 2016, at the 2nd Floor of Ee Hoe Hean Club. A new management committee was elected. Events held during the years were reviewed in the Meeting. The attendants also discussed on what event to be held for the coming year. Buffet was provided after the Meeting.

On 11th June 2016, 11am, the new management committee held the first meeting at the same venue. Prof Phua Kok Khoo was elected as the President of the 11th Management Committee. Mr Ung Gim Sei, Mr Ameerali Jumabhoy, Mr Zulkifli bin Mohammed, Mr Loke Gim Tay and Mr Ong Eng Chang were elected as Vice Presidents. The meeting also approved the proposal to adjust the registration fee and annual fee charges for Ordinary Members.

The full list of 11th Management Committee as below:

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新华网访谈文章

潘国驹：旅游推广的关键在于民间力量

来源：新华网（2016年3月15日）

3月14日，新加坡—中国友好协会会长潘国驹接受新华网专访。新华网发（王刚摄）

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华网新加坡3月15日电（陈丽婷、蒋琰）“旅游推广的关键在于民间力量”，新加坡—中国友好协会会长潘国驹14日就今年5月将在北京召开的首届世界旅游发展大会，接受了新华网专访。

首届世界旅游发展大会由中国政府和联合国世界旅游组织共同主办、国家旅游局和北京市政府共同承办。大会将向世界展示中国发展成就，进一步塑造“美丽中国”旅游形象，宣传中国的旅游资源，与各国分享旅游业的成功经验和做法。

潘国驹说，新中两国在政治、经济、文化层面交往密切。其中在推动旅游等文化交流发展上，除了政府层面的力量外，民间的交流和了解尤为需要。

“新加坡拥有庞大的华人群体，不少新加坡人都是移民二代、三代；新中两地亦有大量留学生双向交流。他们都是推动新中两国文化交流、特别是旅游交往的主要力量。”潘国驹举例说，不少新加坡人是广东、福建等地的移民。这些移民的后代对于祖先所在地的传统文化有着浓厚的兴趣。

他表示，作为推动新中两国友好往来的民间力量之一，新加坡—中国友好协会多年来为两国在旅游、商务等领域的交流与合作做出了贡献。

潘国驹还说，将“一带一路”沿线旅游作为中国旅游开发和推广的重点之一。他说，很多人只知道“一带一路”是个宏大的倡议，但对其沿线的自然、历史和人文景观并不了解，应充分挖掘推广“一带一路”文化内涵，将“一带一路”沿线景点与背后的深厚历史文化相融合，让世界认识“一带一路”背后所蕴含的深厚文化底蕴。

在潘国驹看来，中国有丰富的文化和旅游资源，发展基础非常好。他建议，要在这方面加大推广力度。一是增强海外受众，注重宣传内容的制作和翻译，将中国文化和旅游资源信息用海外受众易于理解的形式表现出来。二是有针对性地加大中国旅游及中国文化对外宣传推广力度。

据悉，本次世界旅游发展大会主题为“旅游促进和平与发展”。届时，大会将邀请世界143个国家的旅游部长、部分国家政府和联合国等国际和地区性组织负责人，以及国外旅游界专家学者出席会议。