



CNY CULTURAL WEEK RECEIVES WARM RECEPTION



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The evening celebration saw guests entertained with UMP orchestral and cultural performances by the students, as well as the staging of a lion dance, 24 Festive Drums, Diabolo and 1Malaysia dance.

Aside from the evening celebration, Tan said the university's Chinese associations would be opening booths on campus to introduce and sell a variety of Chinese goods and delicacies throughout the festive month.

"Such an activity would also help introduce the university to the community at large, exhibit students' creativity and foster better relationship between students and the community," said Tan.

Present to grace the occasion were Chairman of Pahang's Metal & Steel Association, Dato' Kent Lew; President of Pahang Chinese Cultural Association, Dato' Lee Jin Xian; President of Kuantan Basketball Association, Rendy Yup; and UMP Mandarin Association Advisor, Chong Ah Kow.

Over 500 Universiti Malaysia Pahang (UMP) community members from various ethnic backgrounds gathered together to celebrate Chinese New Year (CNY) at the parking bay of Residential Colleges 1 & 3 at the university's Gambang campus on February 12 this year.

The celebration, themed "1UMP", was organized by the Arts & Culture Unit of the CNY Secretariat, in collaboration with the Department of Students' Affair & Alumni.

Guests attending the gathering were celebrated with a lively atmosphere, and the venue was enlivened with decorations of CNY traditions with full display of Chinese cultural heritage.

"Students are encouraged to foster cross cultural unity through organizing

of such a programme and activity. The younger generation must also learn to uphold inter-ethnic relationship for the sake of the country's economic, social and political stability," said the Vice-Chancellor in his speech text, read by Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic & International), Professor Dr Badhrulhisham Abdul Aziz, at the official opening of the gathering.

"Hence, the Government's 1Malaysia concept encompasses the right platform to empower a national race – the Malaysian race," said the Vice-Chancellor.

Event organizing chairman Tan Jun Liang said with such a programme, university students will get to share their cultural experience through activities, exhibitions and direct sales on campus.

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