



Young Surveyors Group

Sr Chris Mook YSG Committee Chairman

All about “DREAM”

In this last report as Chairman of YSG, I want to share my recent thoughts about the word I have been emphasising throughout this year – “DREAM”. I had thought about how to write this commentary since the dinner during our YSG Study Tour to Harbin.



During the dinner, in view of the presence of younger members and students seated around the table, an experienced member asked us about our dreams. He shared that some of his friends who were going to retire felt lucky that instead of just lounging around, they chose to spend their lives achieving their dreams.

Most of us enjoy travelling around the world to enjoy the wonderful moods of Vienna's music legacy and tasting the best wine and food in Japan and France, for instance. However, these pleasures may not last long because we can only enjoy the “fruits of dreams” that others used their lifetimes to achieve. In other words, these are someone else's dreams, not ours.

Speaking of “fruits of dreams,” I remember a photo recently taken by a famous local writer, Daisy Wong, to raise funds for a senior citizens' centre. In the photo, Daisy encounters some difficulties and sits down for a break. Several seniors, who had already overcome difficulties in

their lives and obtained their “fruits of dreams,” surround and try to cheer her up.

In view of this, trying hard to obtain one's “fruits of dreams” not only adds colour to one's life, but also cheers up other people's lives.

Now, going back to the dinner in Harbin: I was amazed by a younger member who stated during the dinner that one of his dreams was to serve as a consultant. He cheered up when a client went to him with problems and enjoyed each and every step he took with his client to solve his problem. As this member now works for a consultancy firm, he could declare that he had achieved his “fruits of dreams” by becoming a surveyor.



SIR's Performance on 23 September for CIC Construction Safety Week

It is my turn to spell out my dreams. I recall two of them, which I shared with secondary school students during the HKIS Career Talk on 12 October. One of them was becoming a member of the surveyors' band, S!R, which writes and performs its original songs to cheer people up. Another one was to become a YSG leader.

As YSG Chairman, I thank the YSG committee, co-opted members, and university students for their vital assistance during the Career Expo/Talks, YSG CPD, dragon boat team races, YSG study tours, YSG Annual Dinner, and all other YSG/joint professional events that aimed to fulfill the Y-S-G theme during the 2016-17 year:

- Y:** youth innovation for introducing the surveying profession to students and the public.
- S:** search for interesting topics that are relevant to the surveying profession.
- G:** gathering younger surveyors for YSG events and letting them network with each other.

It is my pleasure to share members' great works in the form of a video, “理想... 你想?” in the link below:

<https://youtu.be/SBZTJ4AsOQQ>

Last, I hope that YSG will continue to strive to achieve that “DREAM”.



HKIS Career Talk on 12 October

Career-Sharing at CityU (6 October)

CityU's Division of Building Science and Technology is offering a government-funded associate degree in surveying. Together with other professionals, YSG was invited by CityU's Building and Construction Society to provide a career talk to over 100 newly-enrolled students.

Thanks go to our Vice Chairman, Sr Refeal Leung, and YSG Committee members Sr Alex Yu and Sr Kirsten Lam for joining me at this event to present the obligations of and opportunities and prospects for building, general practice, and quantity surveyors.



YSG Study Tour 2017 – Harbin (14-19 October)

This year, 18 members joined our study tour to Harbin, China with an aim to explore opportunities for and appreciate the real estate development there. We visited the following sites/organisations:

1. 哈爾濱工業大學(建築學院)
2. 哈爾濱大劇院
3. 哈爾濱規劃展覽館
4. 哈爾濱城鄉規劃局
5. 哈爾濱工商業聯合會房地產商會
6. TGT Harbin Data Centre

It was a fruitful tour and thanks go to the YSG Study Tour Sub-committee, including YSG Honorary Secretary Sr Karen Wong; YSG

Committee members Sr Joanmi Li, Sr Frank Poon, Winnie Mak, Sr Kendy Cheuk, and Matthew Chan; YSG Co-opted members Sr Tim Wong and Candy Ho; and students Tansy Cheung, Tiffany Lau, and Camman Chan for their great efforts in organising this activity.

A detailed report of this tour will be published in the next issue of *Surveyors Times*.



Photo of the Month

YSG@ YSG Meeting (20 October)

(PS: after working hard throughout the year with our committee, co-opted members, and student representatives to serve the needs of YSG members, it was my pleasure to enjoy a nice meal during the YSG meeting prior to the 17 November YSG AGM. Special thanks go to our President, Sr Thomas Ho, for sharing the bill with me!)



Wanted: Young Surveying Guys and Gals!

If you are interested in being a guest speaker at a career talk or an OC or helper during YSG events, please kindly e-mail us at ysg@hkis.org.hk. Please also feel free to attend our monthly regular meetings and refer to our Facebook page, "HKIS Young Surveyors Group 香港測量師學會青年組," for the latest information.

The date of the upcoming YSG meeting is as follows:

17/11/2017 (Fri) AGM (venue: SLC)



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