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Dinner with Dr M tomorrow

TOMORROW, Jinjang and Kepong residents will have the opportunity to dine with former Prime Minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad at a "Chinese New Year Celebration Dinner 2004" to be held at Padang Besar Jinjang, Kuala Lumpur from 7.30pm.

The organising committee has lined up several programmes for the night, including a performance by local Chinese artistes before the arrival of the guest-of-honour.

The dinner will start after a speech by Dr Mahathir. During the meal, the crowd will be entertained with a Shanghai acrobatic show until 10.30pm.

Organised by the Kuala Lumpur Chinese Assembly Hall (KLCAH), the Chinese New Year dinner is one of the fundraising activities by the two-year-old association, which hopes to raise RM300,000 to RM400,000 to cover the cost of setting up the association and an office, and run its activities.

At a recent Press conference in Jinjang, honorary chairman for the dinner Datuk Tan Tiong Hong said the objective of the dinner was to get people from various organisations and communities together.

Also present was KLCAH president Datuk Liew Poon Siak, fundraising committee organising chairman Datuk Lim Choon Se, treasurer Datuk Low Kok Chuan and other committee members.

"All Muslims and non-Muslims are encouraged to come in big groups to honour and support our former Prime Minister who had done so much for Malaysians.

"We are expecting about 4,000 people to attend. The tables are not priced but the public can donate any amount they wish to book them," said KLCAH secretary Ng Thien Phing.

Those interested can call the assembly hall at 03-21415579 or fax 03-21484549.