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PRESIDENTS' MESSAGE

AUGUST 2014

What a summer it has been so far! Even with the Center closed down for renovations, the Center activities continue. Our seniors have been attending the Funday Monday activities at the North Hempstead Beach Park in Port Washington. Hundreds of seniors all over Long Island come out for a day of fun - Mahjong, Line Dancing, Tai Chi, Zumba, vendors to visit and food to taste. Practice rehearsals for our dancers performing at Chinese American Night were temporarily moved to Temple Emmanuel thanks to the generosity of the Center's dear friend, Rabbi Widom. Our Thursday evening Mahjong and Ping Pong has also been moved temporarily to a community center thanks to our Vice-Chairman, Helen Chin.

Renovations at the Center are moving along. To date, the electrical and plumbing work is almost completed and the sheetrock and concrete work will be done next. Our goal is to have everything completed and inspected by September. We have to give a special shout out to George Wing for overseeing the work at the Center. Since the work started at the Center, George has been making daily trips to the Center to check on their work. Now that George is down in Florida, he is still calling to find out how the work is going. Thank you George!

Lido Beach was cancelled due to the weather but Chinese American Night went on successfully. The day was cloudy but by early evening, the sun came out and so did the crowd. What a wonderful evening of entertainment it turned out to be. Congratulations to all our scholarship winners who received their awards at Chinese American Night. We wish them much success in college and hope they come back during their breaks to visit us.

September is right around the corner. Don't miss the opportunity to clean out your closets for the Center's Fall Tag Sale. Your junk will provide some needed funds to help replenish the monies for the renovations.

Mona Ng and Jim Vogel

SAVE THE DATE

September 21

School Opening

TBD

Fall Tag Sale

SCHOOL REGISTRATION

Register early for classes. Classes fill up **very quickly** and space is limited. Classes are filled on a first-come, first-served basis. Send in your registration and membership if you are interested in enrolling in any of the sessions. Make checks payable to Chinese Center on Long Island. Please go to our website <http://ccli.yolasite.com> for further information on class schedule and tuition. First day of school is on September 21, 2014.

CHINESE AMERICAN NIGHT ON AUGUST 3, 2014

Our Chinese American Night 2014 was awesome! Helen Chin who has emceed and coordinated this event for the past 29 years may not have been here physically but she was here mentally, spiritually and sending all the good chi she could muster here at the Eisenhower Park. Even as of 5pm, the skies were

cloudy and getting darker and darker. Next thing I know, I saw blue skies peeking out, and most importantly NO RAIN. Despite the cloudy evening, we had at least a thousand people who came out to enjoy tonight's program.

In our preshow on the lawn, we had a Chinese puppet show in the middle of the lawn, a major Tai Chi class demonstration, Cao Bao An musicians showing the Chinese instruments, young junior speakers demonstration and great arts and crafts for the children. Then on the other side of the stage, scholarships were presented to deserving young individuals organized by Robert Wong, coordinator. Just before the program



New York Chinese Chorus.



Cao Bao An Chinese Orchestra.



Scholarship recipients & committee: from left, Lily Lee, Tuey Chung, Rose Lem, Jones Wong, Bailey Choy, Bob Wong, Remington Chan, Linda Sau, Matthew Yuen, Bradley Choy.



Takala Land Hip Hop Troupe.



Honorees: from left, Douglas Lee, Josephine Fung, Helen Yang, Jennifer Chiu, Marco Liu, Tai Wang, James Vogel, Freeman Su, Joe Chang, Mona Ng.



Shaolin Martial Arts Troupe.



Arthur Lai.

Color guard: from left, Peter Gong, Richard Gong, Jimmy Maryou.



Wen Ling Cheng.



Pianist Di Yi Tang.



Taiwan's Fei Fan.

Chinese lion engaging the audience.



World Journal coverage of Chinese American Night.



H.T. Chen & Dancers



Traditional Dance Company: from left, Cloe Southard, Theresa Vogel, Lieren Dart, Annie Vogel.

began, the following seven organizations were honored and recognized by the Nassau County Executive Office: Chinese Center on Long Island, Buddhist Tzu Chi Charitable Foundation, WAC Lighting, World Journal Newspaper, Chinese American Association of North Hempstead, Inc., Organization of Chinese Americans, Long Island Chapter, and the Chinese Cultural Association of Long Island, Inc. for their outstanding achievements. Check out the TV link: <http://video.sinovision.net/?id=23325> – our CCLI dancers are pictured and Mona Ng was videoed too.

This is the 30th year, the Chinese Center on Long Island, Inc. has coordinated and cosponsored Nassau County's Chinese American Night. The two-hour live stage show featured some of the best of Chinese traditional and modern Chinese American performances. Our skillful CCLI lion troupe under Lion Master Randy Yung began the show to bring us good luck and power. The New York Chinese Chorus treated the audience to three lovely Chinese favorites conducted by renowned Wu Guo Jun accompanied by pianist, Eric Liu. The fun and yet precision dance movements by the CCLI Chinese Folk Dance Company were amazing. A special treat was performed by Taiwan's Fei Fan who presented the Changing Faces, a well-kept secret from the Szechuan Province. Tenor opera singer Arthur Lai wowed the audience with his extraordinary voice. You Tube hip hop sensation Takala Land was hip. Cao Bao An's instrumentalists showcased the different Chinese instruments in their three beautiful and upbeat musical selections. The exciting talents of the Shaolin Warriors, Inc. troupe under 35th generation Shaolin Warrior Monk Master Heng Cheng were fierce, strong and made the stage shake every time they jumped. (Next time, I'm going to sit with the audience where I'll feel safer!) H.T. Chen, a renowned Chinese American contemporary choreographer presented three exquisite dances addressing the themes of love and independence. Award winning vocalist Wen Ling Cheng accompanied by her student, Alice Zhao on piano, sang a lovely song called "Moon Piano". The evening ended on the nimble fingers of a leading young pianist of China, Di Yi Tang, who played wonderfully and effortlessly, the "One Hundred Birds Worshipping the Phoenix", a song typically played with an orchestra imitating the different sounds of birds.

MANY THANKS TO ALL FOR YOUR HARD WORK!

For thirty years, the Chinese Center on Long Island has successfully coordinated and sponsored Chinese American Night of Nassau County's International Music Night Series for the enjoyment of the residents of the Long Island community at large. During these years, our shows have attracted ever increasing audiences introducing them to the best of China's culture and performing arts.

The great success of this year's Chinese American Night is due entirely to all the hard work and coordination of all our performing youngsters, alumni performers, instructors, chauffeuring parents, coordinators, fundraisers, publicity team members, talent scouts, grant writers, supporters, volunteers, CCLI officers, directors, advisors, members, families and friends! Thank you all for your great enthusiasm, extremely hard work and outstanding volunteer efforts. Special thank you to Helen Chin, who although was not present at this year's Chinese American night, went above and beyond to coordinate this event behind the scenes!

Shirley Shing

100 CLUB

The 2014 - 2015 season starts September 2014. If you are interested in reserving your numbers, please send in a check to the attention of Chinese Center on Long Island. Each number is \$20. Please indicate your numbers with 2 alternate numbers in case your first number has already been picked by someone already. The check should be mailed to: Mona Ng, 88 Bethel Road, Albertson, NY 11507. Half of the funds from the 100 Club are used to the support the programs of the Center, the other half is returned to the winners.

Mona Ng, 100 Club Coordinator

2014 ARTHUR LEM, DUN & ALICE LI, AND DAVID WONG SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

This year the high caliber and wide scope of all the application documents was very impressive. It was especially gratifying to read how the young CCLI generation felt about the Center and their experiences through the years. There is a recurring theme that the Center is providing a Chinese identity and a cultural background for them, and has taught them how to spread the Chinese culture through Traditional Dance or Lion Troupe performances. They are leaders in their schools and their communities as well as leaders at CCLI. They are role models for the younger ones that are starting out at the Center. CCLI is very proud of all the scholarship winners. Thanks to Patricia Leung, Janice Chew, Jones Wong, Judy Chan, Ellen Gee, Linda Sau, and Tuey Chung for taking time out from their busy schedules to help with judging all the essays and assisting with the awards and presentation process.

Bob Wong
Lily Lee
Scholarship
Coordinators



Aidan Logan
Garden City, NY
Winner of the High School Senior
Arthur Lem Scholarship
Enrolled at the University of Richmond



Puilam Cheng
Franklin Square, NY
Winner of the Seow Dun & Alice Li Scholarship
Enrolled at Cornell University



Remington Chan
New York, NY
Winner of the David Wong
Scholarship
Enrolled at Cornell University



Matthew Yuen
Rockville Centre, NY
High School Senior Honorable Mention
Enrolled at Marist College



Bailey Choy
New Hyde Park, NY
Winner of the Grades 9, 10, 11
Arthur Lem Scholarship



Bradley Choy
New Hyde Park, NY
Runner-up of the Grades 9, 10, 11
Arthur Lem Scholarship

Cameron Chan
New York, NY
Honorable Mention of the Grades 9, 10, 11
Arthur Lem Scholarship



CENTER RENOVATIONS

The renovations at the Center for the bathrooms are progressing. Here's a look at what has been done so far.



Lobby, facing electric service panels



Lobby, facing rest rooms



Lobby, facing entrance to large assembly room



Mop sink & utility sink plumbing

BALLROOM DANCE REMINDER:

We do not have any classes in August. We will resume in September 2014. If you are serious in taking Ballroom Dance lessons to better your health and to improve your body, mind and spirit, now is time to register for the fall semester. For those who have registered and paid in June, thank you very much.

The costs for one semester, 10 lessons over a period of 5 months, inclusive of refreshment and social dancing, are \$140.00 per couple (please note that, for insurance purpose, you must be a currently paid-up CCLI member). If you select to take both lessons, the additional fee is \$80 per couple, i.e., a total of \$220.

In the 2014 Fall Semester, we offer 2 classes as follows: (Subject to be changed)

- **Class I:** 7:30 pm to 8:30pm, an advanced class. Suggested learning – Waltz
- **Class II:** 8:30pm to 9:30pm, an intermediate class. Suggested learning – Rumba

September schedule (Subject to be changed): 9/6/2014 and 9/20/2014

If you have any questions, please contact Theresa Wing, (516) 333-0739 / wing62@verizon.net
Or Veronica Yan, (516) 485-3929

WHO'S COOKING

One of our beloved CCLI Directors, Judy Chan, was recently featured in the August 3rd Sunday edition of the Who's Cooking column in Newsday. She is also featured in the "Red Bean Box" Facebook page. Judy is not only well-known for her delicious cheesecakes but also for her Chinese cooking skills. Her Ma Pao Tofu recipe is featured in the article. Try it out and let us know how yours turned out!

Mona Ng

WHO'S COOKING: JUDY CHAN, BALDWIN

Published: August 1, 2014 10:03 AM

By JOAN REMINICK joan.reminick@newsday.com

Who is your culinary inspiration?

My dad, who passed on when I was 15. He was a great cook. He used to cook all these wonderful Chinese dishes. And every weekend, he would have a traditional American roast beef dinner, which was a family treat.

Where did you grow up?

I was born and raised in Brooklyn. I moved to Baldwin about 35 years ago.

When did you start cooking?

I must have been in grade school. I used to make breakfast for my sisters before they went off to junior high school. I'd make them ramen noodles. Later on, I became known as the official family cook.

How many people do you cook for these days?

Most of the time, it's just myself and my husband, but I love to entertain. I usually have about 12 to 15 people.

What's the last party you threw?

I did a tea party for a bridal shower. I made tea sandwiches, scones -- everything was tea-sized: little pastries with fruit, cream puffs, teeny-tiny cheesecakes.

Do you bake?

I make a wonderful cheesecake. Also cookies and cupcakes. I'm known by all my niece's school friends as Aunt Judy because I baked for my niece's school functions.

When it's just you and your husband at the table, what are some of the dishes you make?

Tonight, I'm making beef with bitter melon. Another dish I make a lot is ma pao tofu. We like tofu and it's so healthy.

It sounds as though your repertoire encompasses both Chinese and non-Chinese dishes.

I try to have them complement one another.

Where do you like to eat out when you're not cooking?

Chat Noir in Rockville Centre is one of my favorites.



MA PAO TOFU

1 tablespoon soy sauce
½ teaspoon sugar
2 tablespoons cornstarch
1 cup chicken broth
1 tablespoon oyster sauce
1 tablespoon canola oil

¼ pound ground pork or ground turkey
2 tablespoons chili garlic sauce
¼ cup frozen petite peas
1 box silken tofu, about 1 pound,
cut into 1-inch cubes
1 scallion stalk, chopped

1. In a small bowl, stir together soy sauce, sugar, cornstarch, chicken broth and oyster sauce. Set aside.

2. Heat oil in nonstick pan. Add the ground pork or turkey, stirring until no longer pink, breaking up with spatula. Cook for 2 to 3 minutes.
3. Add chili garlic sauce to meat mixture; cook another minute.
4. Add the reserved soy sauce mixture. Cook until sauce begins to boil and thicken, about 3 minutes. Stir in peas.
5. Add tofu to mixture, stirring lightly so as not to break up tofu cubes. Cook 2 minutes and then remove from heat.
6. Stir in scallion. Serve over rice. Makes about 4 servings.

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SUMMER FUNDAY MONDAY

In place of the Senior activities at the Center, please attend the Funday Monday activities. All seniors are invited to the Town of North Hempstead Funday Monday's at Beach Park (formerly known as Bar Beach) in Port Washington.

There are 2 more Monday's left, 10 am to 2 pm

Aug 18 - Happy Anniversary FunDay Monday

Aug 25 - Gong HomeTown USA Family Day, a special Salute to the Armed Forces. Our Peter will be there with his Honor Guard.

www.northhempsteadny.gov/FundayMonday Parking is free for seniors on those days.



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3 CHINESE AMERICAN NIGHT	4		6	7	8	
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All activities are held at the Chinese Center on Long Island, 395 Hempstead Turnpike, West Hempstead – unless otherwise noted. All dates and times are subject to change.

IMPORTANT: IN CASE OF BAD WEATHER, call 516-483-7770 for cancellation information.



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SEPTEMBER 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6 Ballroom Dancing 7:30 & 8:30PM
7	8	9	10 Senior Club 10:30AM	11 Ping Pong/ Mah Jong – 7:00 PM	12	13 Young Public Speakers 9:30-11:30AM CCLI Toastmasters 9:30-11:30 AM
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**SEPTEMBER ACTIVITIES PENDING
COMPLETION OF RENOVATIONS**



For students grades 2 to 12

Why should you participate?

- Learn how to improve communication skills
- Learn how to write a speech using an introduction, body and conclusion
- Learn how to organize your thoughts logically
- Learn how to overcome nervousness
- Learn how to be a good listener
- Learn how to evaluate a presentation
- Increase self confidence and self esteem
- Learn by doing; this is a completely interactive program
- Learn how to get your thoughts together and speak extemporaneously
- Learn how to manage time
- Learn how to use vocal variety, body language, gestures and props to enhance your speech



Who will teach this workshop?

Ms. Fern Rashkover, a member of Toastmasters International for the past thirty years will present this workshop. She has taught public speaking to children, teenagers and adults since 1983 in various school, business and community settings. She is a retired elementary school teacher from the NYC Department of Education. For the past five years she has been working in an after school program at P.S. 24 in Flushing, New York teaching public speaking and science to children ages 5 to 11.

More details about this workshop:

- **This workshop will take place at the CCLI on eight Saturdays, from 9:30 AM -11:30 AM**
- **The dates are September 13, 20, 27, October 4, 11, 18, and 25, November 1**
- **The final session will be a Public Speaking Show, where the children will present their original speeches and showcase all aspects of the public speaking skills they have learned.**
- **Maximum class size is 10 students - Register early!**
- **\$15 class fee for the 8 sessions. Center membership is required.**
- **Please make check payable to CCLI; indicate name, age, grade, address, telephone # and mail to:
395 Hempstead Turnpike, West Hempstead, NY 11552.
Questions, contact Helen Chin at (516)-883-8798 or email at htchinus@yahoo.com**

"This is a tentative schedule depending upon completion of CCLI building renovations over the summer."