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## PRESIDENTS' MESSAGE

SEPTEMBER 2013

Where did the summer go? CCLI hosted a wonderful evening of cultural entertainment at this year's Chinese American Night on August 4th at Eisenhower Park. As always, our Center's current students and alumni contributed their talents to the show. The Lion Troupe did a fantastic Lion and Dragon number and our Dance Troupe did a beautiful ribbon production number that included kids and adults of all ages. It was a great finale to the summer.

In the weeks after this event, our Board members and teachers prepared for the beginning of school. The main room at the Center received a fresh coat of paint. The closets were cleaned out and replenished with new supplies. Much needed repairs were made in the bathrooms and to the lighting fixtures. Last but not least, the language teachers met to discuss and implement the new school year's curriculum. This year will be an exciting year for the school with a hands on focus on the Chinese culture.

Be sure to drop by on September 20th for our monthly presentation on protecting yourself and your loved ones from elder financial abuse. The next day on September 21st we will be having our Fall Tag Sale. Be sure to drop off any unwanted household items on the 20th. The proceeds go back to the Center for our programs. If you can volunteer a few hours to help us man the tables, we can definitely use the help.

We are looking for volunteers!! If you have any special talents (computers, marketing, fundraising, grant writing, fixing things, martial arts / sports, proofing, etc.) or if you would like to learn something new, please consider volunteering with the Center. We can use your help!!

Jim Vogel & Mona Ng, Co-Presidents

## SAVE THE DATE

**September 20, 2013**

**September Meeting / Protect Yourself and Your Loved Ones from Elder Financial Abuse**

**September 21, 2013**

**Tag Sale CCLI \_ 9 - 4pm**

**September 29, 2013**

**CCLI Open House**

**October 18, 2013**

**October Meeting / Nancy James Photographic Journey to Nepal, Tibet, China and Inner Mongolia**

**ATTEND OUR SEPTEMBER MEETING, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2013 7:30 PM**

**PROTECT YOURSELF AND YOUR LOVED ONES**

**FROM ELDER FINANCIAL ABUSE!**

How many of us have heard horrific, true stories about the scams and schemes of those who prey upon us and our loved ones to defraud us of our hard earned lifesavings?

How can this be prevented from happening? There are too many true instances where people have been defrauded of huge amounts of money through unscrupulous people. Those victims are often too embarrassed to admit it. So we never hear of it and do not have the knowledge to arm ourselves properly.

Please do not miss September's monthly meeting to learn how to avoid becoming victims and to prevent your loved ones in particular, the elderly, from being victimized as well.



You will discover that our speaker, John Rotondi, is extremely interesting and knowledgeable.

He will give us the insight and knowledge he has acquired through his work in this extraordinary field of discovering financial fraud. It is through his work that he has gained this unique knowledge which he will share with us at our

September monthly meeting. John Rotondi has worked in the financial services industry for over 18 years, as both a regulator and compliance officer. John Rotondi is a Certified Public Accountant, Certified Fraud Examiner and Certified Anti-Money Laundering Specialist who earned a BS in Finance and an MBA from St. John's University.



**DO NOT MISS THIS VERY IMPORTANT MEETING WHICH WILL SAVE YOU AND YOUR LOVED ONES FROM BEING VICTIMS OF FINANCIAL FRAUD!**

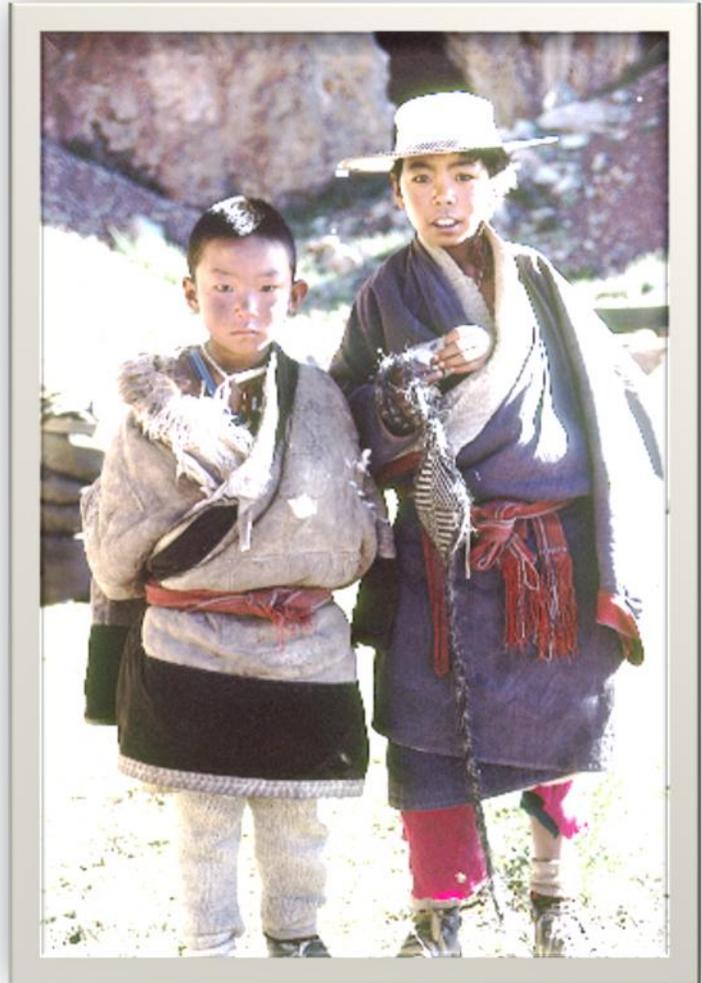
**We look forward to seeing you all at this month's riveting program on Friday, September 20, 2013 at 7:30 PM!**

**REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED! CHILDREN WELCOME!**

## **ATTEND OUR OCTOBER MEETING, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18!**

### **ENJOY AN ARMCHAIR VISIT TO NEPAL, TIBET, CHINA AND INNER MONGOLIA WITH NANCY JAMES!**

Please join us at our monthly meeting on Friday, October 18, as we visit Nepal, Tibet, China and Inner Mongolia through the stunning, unbelievable and exquisite photography of Nancy James, our prize winning, internationally known, resident professional photographer and videographer. Nancy James has a burning passion for International Studies which has led her to travel extensively throughout the world, taking photographs which bring alive the lives of citizens of remote areas who are not impacted as yet by the 20<sup>th</sup> century. Nancy's travels with research teams to remote areas of the world has given her the opportunity to photograph fascinating ancient cultures which are still around but not really a part of our world. Nancy's stunning photographs of the inhabitants, their families and their culture will bring new meaning to the word "awesome". Please invite your



families and friends to our October meeting which promises to be an extraordinary meeting. All children are welcome to attend. Refreshments will be served!

## **TAG SALE FALL SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21**

Our Spring Tag sale was such a success, we will be doing one on Saturday, September 21st with a rain date of September 28th. So, mark your calendars! As you are cleaning out your attics, basements and closets this summer, remember to set aside your gently used household items for our Tag Sale. All the proceeds go back to our programs and classes that CCLI provide for all our members.

**DONATIONS NEEDED** \_ Drop off will be Friday, September 20<sup>th</sup> between 7-8pm

## CHINESE AMERICAN NIGHT, AUGUST 4, 2013

Our Chinese American Night 2014 was completely amazing! The stars were aligned to give us the most glorious evening of the entire summer! Our audience of thousands turned out in full force to enjoy it all. There was huge interest in our preshow on the lawn which included a Chinese puppet show, a major Tai Chi class demonstration, musicians, calligraphers and great arts and crafts for the children. A scholarship presentation as well as an honoree ceremony for outstanding Chinese American citizens took place that evening prior to the show.

Our audience enjoyed CCLI's energetic, exuberant lions and dragon dancers who become more skillful every year. Well known Pianist Liu Jian came from the People's Republic of China to perform and to compose an original piano composition on stage amazing the audience with his talent.

The New York Chinese Chorus treated the audience to a lovely medley of Chinese favorites. The audience was delighted with the talents of the Authentic Shaolin Kung Fu Troupe whose Kung Fu Master Gregg Zilb broke a spear using only the muscles in his neck. This is an ancient Shaolin move seldom seen today.

A brick juggler, a plate spinner and a contortionist were also entertaining and were enjoyed by all. Soprano Lauren Haber, who is not Chinese learned to sing "Jasmine" in Mandarin specifically for a duet with Tenor Arthur Lai. The Peking Opera double sword dancer moved gracefully through his dance. One of the most memorable performances of the evening was the dance performed by our CCLI Chinese Traditional Dancers who wowed the audience with their drums and multicolored ribbons fluttering in the wind.



## **MANY THANKS TO ALL FOR YOUR HARD WORK!**

For twenty seven 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 Chinese American Night is due entirely to all the hard work 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!

## **LET'S PAINT!**

On Saturday, August 17th, the troops came out to give the Center's main room a fresh coat of paint. Everyone had their rollers and brushes ready to paint after they prepped the place by putting down the plastic to cover the floors, unscrewed the doorknobs and used painters tape to cover the chair railings and mirrors. With the music blasting, the crew worked hard at putting the final touches. Mission accomplished! The room is all ready for the first of school. Thank you to our volunteers Donna Chan and her family - Ted, Brendan and Cailin, thank you also to Alex Fong and Jones Wong, my daughters Kelly and Stefanie Ng for making this a fun project to do!



## **CONDOLENCES**

Our deepest condolences to Pamela Lee for the recent passing of her husband Walter. Pamela is the daughter of the Center's long time member Helen Chan.

## **GET WELL WISHES**

We hear Cathy Jue has been under the weather recently. Wishes to you, Cathy for a speedy recovery.

## 2013 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, Helen Chin, Mona Ng, Ellen Gee, and Shirley Shing for taking time out from their busy schedules to help with judging all the essays and assisting with the awards and presentation process.

Robert Wong and Lily Lee  
Scholarship Coordinators

**Christopher Lo**

Rockville Centre, NY

Winner of the High School Senior

Arthur Lem Scholarship

Enrolled at Binghamton University



**Leland Chan**

New York, NY

Winner of the High School Senior

Seow Dun & Alice Li Scholarship

Enrolled at Tulane University



**Brendan Chan**

Seaford, NY

Winner of the High School Senior

David Wong Scholarship

Enrolled at Iona College



**Aidan Logan**

Garden City, NY

Winner of the Grades 9, 10, 11

Arthur Lem Scholarship



**Puilam Cheng**

Franklin Square, NY

Runner-up of the Grades 9, 10, 11

Arthur Lem Scholarship



**Annie Vogel**

West Hempstead, NY

Honorable Mention

of the Grades 9, 10, 11

Arthur Lem Scholarship



**Theresa Vogel**

West Hempstead, NY

Honorable Mention

of the Grades 9, 10, 11

Arthur Lem Scholarship



## **BALLROOM DANCE LESSONS AND SOCIAL DANCING**

**Date:** **September** – 7 and 21, 2013.

**October** – 5 and 26, 2013.

**Time:** Class I (Advanced) – 7:30 PM to 8:30PM - Rumba

Class II (Basic) - 8:30PM to 9:30 PM – International Tango

Social Dancing and Refreshment – 9:30PM to 11:30 PM

**Fees:** For the Fall Semester (September 2013 to January 2014), inclusive of refreshment and social dancing, \$140.00 per couple (please note that, for insurance purpose, you must be a currently paid-up CCLI member). If you wish to take both lessons, \$80.00 per couple will be added. For joining social dancing only, the cost is \$6.00 per couple.

**Note** It is not too late to join the Ballroom dance classes, please sign up by e-mailing or calling Theresa Wing.

### **Please note the following information regarding our classes:**

- The 7:30 class will learn the advanced Rumba, while the 8:30 class will learn the basic International Tango;
- Arrive at the center 5 minutes early, so that we can start the class on time;
- Volunteer your service in bringing refreshments (due to the lack of students, we have very limited funds, please donate the refreshments to the club) at least once per semester. We need fruit, cakes, other snacks, water, soda, paper goods, etc., please discuss with Theresa Wing before rendering your service;
- If you have any good ballroom dance music CDs, please lend them to the dance club so that we can have a greater variety of music.
- Please wear dancing shoes during classes and social dancing.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to call Theresa Wing at (516) 333-0739 or Veronica Yan at (516) 485-3929. You may also send e-mail messages to Theresa Wing, [wing62@verizon.net](mailto:wing62@verizon.net).

## **SENIOR NEWS**

Wednesdays, September 11 & September 25, 2013 10:30 – 2:30

Wednesdays, October 9 & October 23, 2013 10:30 – 2:30

On August 22, Senior members followed the fun tradition, begun by the Long Island Chinese Circle, of going to a lobster fest. This meant having lunch at an old fashioned style Chinese restaurant called King Yum. This favorite restaurant of several LICC members serves the Cantonese style lobster that we well remember. Thirty attendees feasted on individual plates of lobster on our 4<sup>th</sup> annual outing.

### **COCONUT GELATIN DESSERT FROM MAPLE PAU**

4 packets powdered gelatin (Knox unflavored gelatin) less than 4 tablespoons total

1 cup lukewarm water

1 ½ cups water

1 cup sugar

1 can ( 14 ounce) coconut milk

2 ½ cups milk

Sprinkle 4 packages gelatin over 1 cup of lukewarm water and let sit for a few minutes. Stir well and set aside.

Heat 1 ½ cups of water, sugar and coconut milk, until hot. Stir until the sugar is dissolved.

Remove from heat.

Add 2 ½ cups milk and stir until well mixed. Pour into 9x13 pan. Allow to cool slightly before putting it in the refrigerator for about 2 hours.

## MEMBERSHIP DUES 2013-2014

As we continue to strive for excellent programs, community service and meeting the needs of all our members, your continued support in the Center is important. Membership dues are \$50.00 per year (September – August) for an entire family. Kindly send your remittance as soon as possible to the address below.

KEEP THIS PORTION FOR YOUR RECORDS

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2012-2013 Annual Membership Dues

PAID \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



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2013-2014 Membership

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last) (First) (Middle Initial)

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(City) (State) (Zip Code)

Home Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

*EMAIL IS OUR PREFERRED WAY TO CONTACT OUR MEMBERS. WE DO NOT SHARE THIS LIST WITH ANYONE.*

Membership Fee \$50 per year Individual \_\_\_\_\_ Family \_\_\_\_\_

Send Check to: Betty Leong  
106 Patton Blvd  
New Hyde Park, NY 11040.

\* Please check whether you would like to receive monthly newsletter via postal or email \*



Postal



Email

**\*\*Please mail your updated email address to [ccliChan@aol.com](mailto:ccliChan@aol.com) \*\***

# CCLI SEPTEMBER 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7 Ballroom Dancing 7:30pm
8 First day of Chinese School Classes	9	10	11 Senior Club 10:30AM	12 Ping Pong/ Mah Jong – 7:00 PM	13	14 CCLI Toastmasters 10-11:30 AM  CCLI Young Public Speakers 10-Noon
15	16	17	18	19 Ping Pong/ Mah Jong – 7:00 PM	20 CCLI Monthly Meeting 7:30PM  Tag Sale drop off 7-8pm	21 CCLI Tag Sale 9-4pm  CCLI Young Public Speakers 10-Noon  Ballroom Dancing 7:30pm
22	23	24	25 Senior Club 10:30AM	26 Ping Pong/ Mah Jong – 7:00 PM	27	28 CCLI Toastmasters 10-11:30 AM  CCLI Young Public Speakers 10-Noon
29 CCLI Open House	30					

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# CCLI OCTOBER 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> Ping Pong/ Mah Jong – 7:00 PM	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> Ballroom Dancing 7:30pm
<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> Senior Club 10:30AM	<b>10</b> Ping Pong/ Mah Jong – 7:00 PM	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> CCLI Toastmasters 10-11:30 AM  CCLI Young Public Speakers 10-Noon
<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> Ping Pong/ Mah Jong – 7:00 PM	<b>18</b> CCLI MONTHLY MEETING NANCY JAMES	<b>19</b> CCLI Young Public Speakers 10-Noon
<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> Senior Club 10:30AM	<b>24</b> Ping Pong/ Mah Jong – 7:00 PM	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> CCLI Toastmasters 10-11:30 AM CCLI Young  Public Speakers 10-Noon  Ballroom Dancing 7:30pm
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# STUDENT REGISTRATION FORM

## 2013 – 2014

Name of Student \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Telephone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Work Telephone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

*EMAIL IS OUR PREFERRED WAY TO CONTACT OUR MEMBERS. WE DO NOT SHARE THIS LIST WITH ANYONE.*

Emergency Contact Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Telephone(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Waiver: I give permission for CCLI to use any photos taken at the Center and at CCLI events for purposes of illustration, advertising, promotion, display, or publication, and for any other lawful purpose.

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of student or parent/guardian authorization

**ANNUAL MANDARIN AND CANTONESE TUITION (1 ½ HOUR):**

*1st family member \$350; additional sibling, parent or seniors \$260, non-member \$50 additional. Tuition includes registration and journal fee. Books and materials are not included in tuition.*

**ANNUAL TRADITIONAL DANCE TUITION (1 HOUR):**

*\$380, non-member \$100 additional. Tuition includes registration and journal fee.*

Late Registration fee of \$50 for all returning students after September.  
Refund policy: No refund after attendance of first class.

**MANDARIN \$350/\$260**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Adult Advanced
- \_\_\_\_\_ Adult Intermediate
- \_\_\_\_\_ Adult Beginner
- \_\_\_\_\_ Teen
- \_\_\_\_\_ Children Beginner 4
- \_\_\_\_\_ Children Beginner 3
- \_\_\_\_\_ Children Beginner 2
- \_\_\_\_\_ Children Beginner 1

**CANTONESE \$350/\$260**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Kindergarten
- \_\_\_\_\_ Beginner
- \_\_\_\_\_ Intermediate
- \_\_\_\_\_ Advanced

**DANCE \$380**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Petite (3-5 yrs)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Junior Petite (6-8 yrs)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Junior (9-11 yrs)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Teen
- \_\_\_\_\_ Senior

\_\_\_\_\_ **PRESCHOOL \$400/\$310**

(Tuition includes materials, registration and journal fee).

**OTHER PROGRAMS**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Lion Troupe
- \_\_\_\_\_ Chinese Musical Instrument
- \_\_\_\_\_ Ping Pong
- \_\_\_\_\_ Tai Chi

**Office Use Only:**

Member \_\_\_\_\_ Non-Member \_\_\_\_\_  
Date Paid \_\_\_\_\_ Amount \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_



## 2013 – 2014 Chinese Language and Traditional Dance Schedule

Room 1	Room 2	Room 3	Room 4
<b>Adult Advanced</b> 9:30 – 11:00	<b>Children 3 (10-12)</b> 9:00 – 10:30  <b>Teen Dance (11 and up)</b> <b>10:30 – 11:30</b>	<b>Teen</b> 9:00 – 10:30  <b>Teen Dance (11 and up)</b> <b>10:30 – 11:30</b>	<b>Children 1 (6-9)</b> 9:00 – 10:30
<b>Adult Beginner</b> 11:00 – 12:30	<b>Children 1 (6-9)</b> 10:30 – 12:00  <b>Junior Dance (8-11)</b> <b>9:30- 10:30</b> <b>Jr. Petite Dance (6-8)</b> <b>12:30 – 1:30</b>	<b>Children 2 (8-11)</b> 10:30 – 12:00  <b>Junior Dance (8-11)</b> <b>9:30 - 10:30</b>	<b>Cantonese</b> 10:30 – 12:00  <b>Junior Dance (8-11)</b> <b>9:30 – 10:30</b>
<b>Chinese Literature</b> 12:30 – 2:00		<b>Teen Intermediate/Advanced (High School)</b> 12:00 -1:30  <b>Senior Dance</b> <b>11:30 – 12:30</b>	<b>Preschool</b> 12:00 – 1:30  <b>Petite Dance</b> <b>1:30 – 2:30</b>



# **CCLI TAG SALE**

## **September 21st**

**Clean out your home and help make this fundraiser a success at the same time!  
All proceeds go back to CCLI programs.**

**Drop off your donations on  
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20th  
7:00-8:00 PM  
at the Center**

**SUGGESTED ITEMS FOR DONATION:  
(No large furniture, please)**

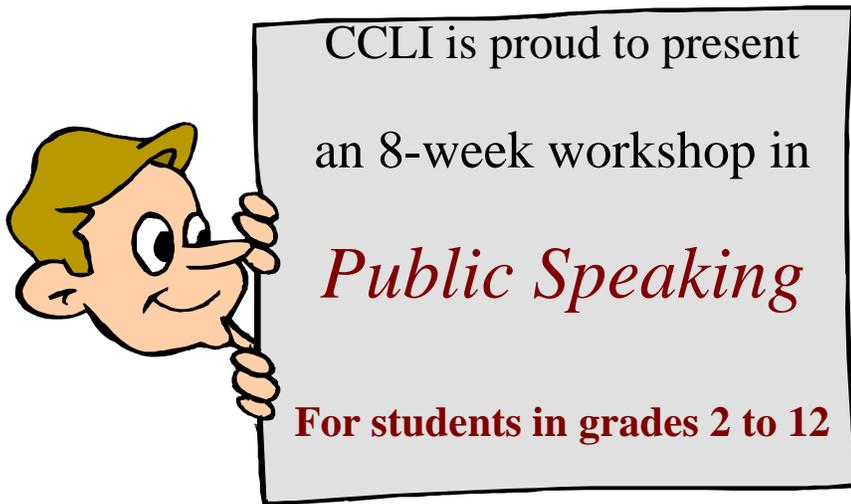
**Kitchen Items, Small Appliances  
Toys, Sports Equipment  
CD's/DVD's, Bicycles, Strollers  
Tools, Computers, Printers  
Gently used clothing and shoes, Bric-a-brac**



**Tag Sale Date: Saturday, September 21st, 9 AM – 4 PM  
Rain Date: Saturday, September 28th**

Any questions? Please call Stephanie at (516) 763-7493.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** for Saturday!  
Please call Stephanie to sign up.  
Letters available for community service hours.  
Shifts available from 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM



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 10:00 AM -12:00 pm.
- The dates are September 14, 21, 28, October 12, 19, 26, November 9, 16
- 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](mailto:htchinus@yahoo.com)