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You are Cordially Invited to...

31st Annual Spring Celebration
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RABBIT HOPS • CBC TOPS

Please join us for a joint CBC/CBCF fundraiser on
Saturday, April 29, 2023
Pearl Bay Restaurant
43635 Boscell Road, Fremont
Reception 6:00pm
Dinner, Program & Entertainment 6:45pm

**Online Ticket Reservation
available in March!**

President's Message

By Henry Liang
CBC President 2022-2023



Dear CBC Members and Friends,

Happy Lunar New Year of the Rabbit! May this new year bring you and your loved ones' happiness, health, and prosperity!

As you know, last year marked a significant milestone for CBC as we celebrated our 30th anniversary. I want to extend a special thank you to past president and co-founder, Dr. Herbert Chiu, for his tireless efforts to help establish and nurture our organization.

My daughter attended CBC Gavel Club in 2018. I watched her grow and flourish in her newfound confidence and leadership abilities taught by CBC Gavel Club. I was grateful to then-President Charles Liu for extending an invitation to me to attend a few CBC meetings as a guest. I was immediately struck by the passion and dedication of CBC members toward its mission of making a positive impact in Fremont and beyond. Charles inspired me to become a lifetime member.

Fast forward to today. I am greatly honored to be elected as the 31st President of CBC. I am humbled by this opportunity to serve and work alongside each and every one of you to make a better community for the Chinese Americans and citizens at large.

The past three years have been challenging for us all due to the COVID-19 pandemic. With the 2022-2023 term, I want to share my plan and priorities, I am committed to:

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- Meet with each board member in the coming months to see how I can better serve our members. My goal is to ensure that CBC remains a vibrant and thriving organization, and I am eager to hear your thoughts and ideas on how we can achieve this goal.
- Enhance membership engagement and increase membership recruitment. CBC has been a premier organization serving the Chinese Americans and Fremont communities; a strong and dedicated membership will help CBC achieve its goal for the next five, or ten years.
- Expand CBC's digital platform to reach and share our messages with a larger audience. The CBC website was successfully redesigned in 2018, thanks to the efforts by the past president David Lam. However, at present, CBC's social media exposure is still limited.

Last but not least, please mark your calendar for CBC's Spring Celebration on April 29, 2023, "Rabbit Hops – CBC Tops"!

Sincerely,

Henry Liang
CBC President 2022-2023

CBC Spring Celebration "Rabbit Hops – CBC Tops"!

By Spring Celebration Committee

We invite you to join us on **Saturday, April 29, 2023**, from 6 to 9 pm at the Pearl Bay Restaurant in Fremont to celebrate the Year of the Rabbit.

Our theme this year is "Rabbit Hops – CBC Tops"! Plan to join us for an elegant evening of delicious food and cultural entertainment from top notch performers – a lion dance, Music Land School of Music, and a featured performance "Opera Face Changing".

As always, we will honor the following people who make a great difference with, and for the community:

Yang Shao, currently serving on the Fremont City Council, is the recipient of CBC's Distinguished Community Service Award. Over the years, Yang has played an active role in diverse community activities and has made a positive impact in society.

Yonggang Zhang will be awarded CBC's Volunteer of the Year. While currently serving on the Fremont Planning Commission, Yonggang makes time to volunteer in numerous organizations making sure the audio and visual aspects of events run flawlessly. Successful events are credited to his "behind the scenes" work.

Our event wouldn't be complete without nominating and appreciating beneficiaries who do meaningful work in our community. CBC is excited to announce that the three beneficiaries are the following:

- Centerville Free Dining Room
[MORE INFO HERE](#)
- Herald Family Rebuilding Center
[MORE INFO HERE](#)
- California School for the Deaf
[MORE INFO HERE](#)

This is a brief overview of the exciting evening and more is being planned. You won't want to miss this world class event so plan to attend!

Be A Proud Sponsor of Spring Celebration

To support this annual fundraising event, as well as CBC programs that serve youth, seniors, families and the community, you are invited to attend this fun packed culturally rich event. You are also encouraged to become an event sponsor, offer a monetary donation and donate raffle items. CBC would be honored to have your support! The sponsorship levels are as follows:

Platinum
Gold
Silver
Bronze
Table

Visit www.cbcsfbay.org for updated information about the elegant evening. Questions can be emailed to cbcspringcelebration@gmail.com or call 510.770.6160.

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(510) 770-6160
cbcspringcelebration@gmail.com
www.cbcsfbay.org

Attire: Black Tie or Dress Suit for Men
Long Dress or Cheong Sam for Women

Online Ticket Reservation:
www.cbcsfbay.org/31st-annual-cbc-gala-year-rabbit

2022 CBC Distinguished
Community Service Award



Yang Shao

2022 CBC Volunteer
of the Year



Yonggang Zhang

Beneficiaries



角聲護家中心
Herald Family Rebuilding Center

Installation of CBC Officers and Directors

On Saturday, December 10, 2022, CBC hosted their Annual Installation of Officers and Directors Luncheon at the beautiful Metro Crossing Clubhouse. Special thanks to CBC Board member Sue Kwong and her husband for preparing the most delicious grilled steaks, side dishes and hors d'oeuvres; and to Cecilia Leon for the abundance of delicious home-made pasta salad. To pair with the steaks, Wei Zhou/Ai King Sonoma County Winery poured tasty wine samples of Zinfandel and Petite Sirah.



As in the past years, we were very fortunate to have retired Honorable Judge Keith Fudenna join us as he installed the incoming CBC Officers and Directors.

Congratulations to the Executive Board of Officers for 2022-2023:

President: Henry Liang
Vice President: Yajing Zhang
Treasurer: Julie Wang
Secretary: Wilson Hu
Immediate Past President: Herbert Chiu



The Officers and Directors have committed their valuable time during the past year by attending monthly Board meetings and coordinating various events. With the dedication from the Officers and Directors, CBC has become an organization that is well recognized within the community. CBC acknowledged the past Board members as well those continuing on the Board. Three new Board members were welcomed and CBC looks forward to their fresh ideas. The list of 2022-2023 Board of Directors can be found on page 9.



Christmas Gifts to the Needy

By Irene Ho of Line Dance Together with Bonnie

Line Dance Together with Bonnie is an active line dance group in the Tri-City Area. Team members are students of Bonnie who come from all over the world, regardless of age, gender, or race. They have common hobbies such as dancing, music, and sports. Members care for each other and the community that they all live in!



During the last Christmas holiday, members collected over 50 gifts with the intention of donating them to the needy. A big thank you to CBC for facilitating the gift transfer through the Tri-City Salvation Army in Newark. The gifts were distributed to the low income volunteers and bell ringers.



CBC and IdeaBand's 30th Anniversary Celebration

CBC and IdeaBand, both formed in 1992, celebrated their 30th Anniversary on December 16, 2022. To kick off the holiday season, over 200 people attended and enjoyed a delicious dinner from Newark Buffet followed by an evening of live music and dancing. Thank you to all of the volunteers who helped make this a fun and memorable evening!



Lunar New Year Celebration

By Sue Kwong, CBC Board member

On Saturday, January 28, 2023, the City of Fremont hosted its first Lunar New Year celebration at the Downtown Event Center. The weather was beautiful and the turnout was great!

As people enjoyed the sunshine, the day was very festive with Chinese performances, food trucks, craft activities for the children, story-telling, “Kung Fu Panda” movie, live music and singing.

CBC participated in this event by sponsoring a table. Many people, from different ethnic backgrounds, visited to learn about our club and programs. A bright yellow whistle, printed with “We Belong” and donated from SFOCAUSE to use for safety purposes, was blown by President Henry Liang to attract peoples’ attention to our booth. As people came to our booth, we had a scratcher game with a few lucky winners winning a monetary prize or chocolate gold coins; many scratchers revealed a good fortune for the New Year. The individually wrapped whistles were available for the taking, along with a writing pen in CBC’s color – purple, which had CBC’s logo and website printed on it. These freebies brought people much joy and delight.

It’s exciting to see that Lunar New Year celebrations have become more popular in America.



CBC Gavel Club Contests

By Midji Rovetta, Gavel Club Coordinator

CBC will be hosting its 2023 Gavel Club Contest on **Saturday, April 1, 2023**, from 1 to 4:30 pm. This contest will take place outdoors at Quarry Lakes in Fremont. We hope to have all 18 students participate in this contest.

There will be a Middle School and High School category, each having a sub-category of Prepared Speech and Table Topic Contest. Two winners will be chosen in each category to represent our club in the Inter Gavel Club contest to be held on **Saturday, April 15, 2023**, where 6 clubs will be competing this year.

CBC will be hosting this Inter Gavel Club contest for the first time. Since this is an outdoor event, and as part of the requirement of the Inter Gavel Club contest, the contestants will deliver his or her speech without a mask, or wearing a clear plastic shield, generously donated by CBC Immediate Past President, Dr. Herbert Chiu. As you may know, facial expression is one of the most important elements of speech presentation, to express emotion and other non-verbal communication.

For more information about CBC’s Gavel Club, click [HERE](#).

South Bay Chinese Service Club Scholarships



By Jane Lin, SBCC Scholarship Chair

For the past 52 years, the South Bay Chinese and Chinese Service Club have awarded scholarships to exemplary high school students of Chinese descent.

The Scholarship Program is now accepting applications from graduating seniors residing in Fremont, Newark or Union City, CA are eligible to apply. Click [HERE](#) to go to the Scholarship Information page for more information and to submit a request for the link to the online application form. Deadline to receive the completed application form is **Friday, February 24, 2023**.

The scholarship awards will be presented during the scholarship banquet to be held on **Wednesday, April 19, 2023**, from 6 pm at the Pearl Bay Restaurant in Fremont. We will follow Alameda County CDC health protocols in ensuring a safe and exciting event.



YOUTH PROGRAMS

For Students 7th – 12th grade
(Summer and School Year Programs)

More information and registration: [HERE](#)

Public Speaking: Learn by doing, Impromptu speaking, Body language, Voice and words, Preparing and Presenting

Leadership Skills: Learn together, Conduct meetings, Officer elections, Provide Feedback, Supporting your peers

Summer Toastmasters Youth Leadership Program (TYLP)

A 5-week program based on Toastmasters' curriculum. Led by outstanding coaches, it recreates the Toastmaster experience to build speaking and leadership skills.

5 Saturdays: June 10 – July 15, 2023
(no class on 7/1/23)

Time: 9 am – 12 pm

Location: In Person @ Central Park, Lake Elizabeth, Fremont

Gavel Club*

(Sept 2023 – May 2024)

No classes in December and summer
***Must have completed CBC Summer TYLP**

Gavel Clubs are a way of providing the full Toastmasters experience to students under 18 years of age, with an excellent opportunity for community service.

Saturdays: 1st & 3rd Saturday of each month

Time: 1:30 pm – 3:30 pm

Location: TBA



Homeless Shelter Meal Service Schedule for 2023

CBC has been preparing and serving meals to the unsheltered for a few years now under the coordination efforts of CBC member, Sherry Chang and lead chefs, Sam and Yvonne Ng. This is a good learning experience and great opportunity for high school students to participate and to help the community. Students will receive community service hours for volunteering.

The meal services scheduled for 2023 are as follows:

- Sunday, April 9 (lunch)
- Sunday, July 30 (dinner)
- Saturday, September 30 (dinner)

For more information or to sign up, please contact sherry.y.chang@gmail.com.

Upcoming CBC Meetings

CBC Board of Directors meet on the first Wednesday of each month (except in March). CBC members or guests from the community are welcome to attend the general meeting starting at 7:30 p.m. The regular Board meeting for the Officers and Directors immediately follows the general meeting. The upcoming meeting dates are as follows:

- ~ Wednesday, March 8, 2023
- ~ Wednesday, April 5, 2023
- ~ Wednesday, May 3, 2023

Email cbcoutreach20@gmail.com to request meeting location or virtual meeting information.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION / RENEWAL (January 1, 2023– December 31, 2023)

If you like what you see in this newsletter and want to remain informed, please join CBC. Please check one of the following and include a check payable to *CBC* and send to: *CBC, Membership, P. O. Box 1, Fremont, CA 94537-0001*. Or visit www.cbcsfbay.org for online membership.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> \$25 Family | <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$50 Corporate/Organization | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$100 Individual: Life Membership | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$200 Family: Life Membership | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$500 Corporate/Organization: Life Membership | |

Please complete the following member(s) (contact person) information:

Member: _____
Last Name First Name

Spouse: _____
Last Name First Name

Address: _____
Street City State Zip

Home Phone # Cell Phone # e-mail

CBC’s Mission Statement:

“To initiate, sponsor and promote community events, which will affect the well being of Chinese Americans with an emphasis on education, health, business and community involvement.”

CBC’s Vision Statement:

“CBC will be a model of excellence in community service by facilitation and motivating Chinese American involvement in the community.”

2022-2023 Board Directory

President: Henry Liang

Vice President: Yajing Zhang

Secretary: Wilson Hu

Treasurer: Julie Wang

Past President: Herbert Chiu

Legal Counsel: David Sheen

Executive Director: Kathy Jang

**2022-2023
Board of Directors**

Herbert Chiu

Teresa Eng

Brian Goodman

Whisky Ho

Wilson Hu

Kathy Kimberlin

Sue Kwong

Cecilia Leon

Ying-Min Li

Henry Liang

Charles Liu

Chunchi Ma

Lily Mei

Anna Muh

Wing Ng

Midji Rovetta

Yang Shao

Virginia Tam

Albert Wang

Julie Wang

Renee Wei

Henry Yin

Lena Zee

Yajing Zhang

Yonggang Zhang

Committees

Education: Yang Shao & Yajing Zhang

Health: Herbert Chiu & Sue Kwong

Business: Henry Yin & Chunchi Ma

Community Involvement: Albert Wang

Membership: Wing Ng & Sue Kwong

Youth Internship: Charles Liu

TYLP/Gavel Club: Midji Rovetta & Brian Goodman

Culture Exchange & Social Activities: Lena Zee & Cecilia Leon

Spring Celebration: Herbert Chiu & Kathy Kimberlin

Any of the above Committee members can be contacted by calling (510) 770-6160.

CBC NEWSLETTER

We welcome your questions, comments and feedback. You may send them to CBC, P.O. Box 1, Fremont, CA 94537, or you may contact Kathy Jang, Executive Director, at (510) 770-6160, or email cbcoutreach20@gmail.com.

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