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CBC & Fremont Rotary Moon Festival Celebration

Join us for the 2nd Annual joint event on **Friday, September 5, 2014.**

Order your tickets before *August 20, 2014*, for a discounted price. The evening will include a 12-course Chinese meal, moon cake, door prizes, performances, entertainment and dancing to the live music of Tim Reilly's Canyon Band!

Sponsors will be recognized at the event as well as banners of Sponsors who contribute more than \$500 will be displayed.

See page 5 for more details and ticket information. Please contact Kathy Jang at kjang@cbcsfbay.org for additional information.

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President's Message

By Ivy Wu



Dear CBC Board, Members and Friends,

CBC kicked off this summer with CBC Toastmasters Youth Leadership Program (TYLP). Under the leadership of Anna Muh and Wing Ng, and with a powerful Coaching Team headed by Albert Mo, forty-six high school students and their parents participated in the opening of the event on June 21, 2014.



CBC is also honored to have different guests visiting us at our monthly meetings: Mr. Vinnie Bacon - Fremont Vice Mayor, Mr. Lou Riordan - Program Specialist of StopWaste, Mr. Raj Salwan - Fremont City Councilmember, Ms. Eva Lu - an active parent volunteer).



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From the Fremont Energy Challenge presentation made by Mr. Lou Riordan, CBC has learned about this city-wide initiative, and wants to encourage residents to monitor and evaluate energy usage.



From June 2014 through September 2014, Fremont residents who want to eliminate energy waste in their homes can sign up for the free Home Energy Analyzer and raise money for the community – for each signup, \$5 will be donated to the Fremont libraries. Residents will also receive coupons for discounts on energy efficient products at local home improvement store Dale Hardware once they sign up for the Home Energy Analyzer.

To learn more about the Fremont Energy Challenge, visit its website at FremontEnergyChallenge.eventbrite.com or call (510)891-6554.

We hope you were able to join us at a couple of other events that CBC just hosted:

CBC Toastmasters Youth Leadership Program – Closing Ceremony on July 26, 2014 (see page 3 for related article)

Summer BBQ/Picnic – Joint Event with SBCC for CBC members and families - July 27, 2014 (see page 4 for article)

An upcoming event is the Chinese Moon Festival Celebration – joint event with Fremont Rotary (see page 5 for more info). It was such a huge success last year that CBC and Fremont Rotary decided to do it jointly again this year. There will be a lot of fun, food, and friends! It will be a lovely evening with an “Ode to the Moon” Contest and dancing with Tim Reilly’s Canyon Band. Don’t miss out!



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CBC always looks forward to opportunities to work with more people and organizations to make our community better. If you have any ideas or suggestions for activities or projects that will benefit our community, please contact our Executive Director, Kathy Jang - kjang@cbcsfbay.org, or feel free to visit us at our regular monthly meetings.

Blessings,

Ivy Wu

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CBC President 2013-2014



**Toastmasters Youth Leadership Program
Graduation ~ July 26, 2014
Graduates, Coaches, and Judges**

Trapped in a blender

By William Marshak,
Tri-City Voice article, July 29, 2014

Confronted by the daunting impromptu challenge of describing how you would feel if shrunk to miniature stature and placed below the whirling blades of a blender filled with fruits and/or vegetables, most of us would be stymied. However, participants in a five-week Youth Leadership Program hosted by Citizens for Better Community (CBC) and Toastmasters International, and sponsored by McGrath RentCorp, were up to that and similar challenges.

A series of presentations, both prepared and unrehearsed, demonstrated the skills of four student classes that regaled an audience of parents, visitors and fellow students at graduation ceremonies on July 26th with speeches on a variety of topics from hashtag instructions and selfies to a critique of contemporary music lyrics. The word of the day was Enthusiastic and, whenever used, a rhythmic foot stomp ensued.

Speakers were eloquent, humorous and serious, spanning a spectrum of delivery patterns from energetic, thoughtful and even silence. One speaker, confronted with a challenge of what to do if she discovered a car filled with money, but no one inside or in sight, was overwhelmed by the thought, pondering the implications; after much thought and a response of why and who would do such a thing, she left the podium in a profound and moving quandary. Even for Toastmasters, not all answers are filled with words!

Speeches were evaluated by fellow students and scored by a panel of judges Ro Khanna, Kay Emanuele and David Bonaccorsi led by Head Judge Steve Cho. Bonaccorsi spoke to the assemblage of the importance of retaining connections with ethnic roots while embracing the ability to communicate with everyone. A ceremony followed in which a representative of each class delivered a final graduation speech. All participants received graduation certificates and applauded their achievements, led by Master of Ceremony and member of Class #4, Truman Leung.

Awards for outstanding achievement were received by:

Speech

Gold: Trisha Agrawal
Silver: Pranav Munjal
Bronze: Joshua Chan
Bronze: Jerry Lai

Evaluation

Gold: David Hsu
Silver: Raymond Zhuang
Bronze: Nikhil George
Bronze: Alex Tian

Table Topics (Impromptu)

Gold: James Zhuang
Silver: Victor Zhou
Bronze: Amy Cui
Bronze: Frances Lin

Most Improved Toastmaster

Victor Zhou (Class #1)
Jerry Lai (Class #2)
Wei Liu (Class #3)
Diane Wang (Class #4)

Graduation Speakers

Pranav Parameswaran (Class #1)
Brenda Wu (Class #2)
Emily Hsu (Class #3)
Lesley Lu (Class #4)

Special thanks were extended by CBC President Ivy Wu to Program Directors: Anna Muh and Wing Ng; Site Manager, Albert Wu; Class 1 - Head Coach Albert Mo and Assistant Coach Richard Muh; Class 2 - Coach Claudia Ritarossi and Assistant Coach Mary Verghese; Class 3 - Coach Susan Brooks; Class 4 - Coach Robert Kaiser and Assistant Coach Trich Gray; Volunteer Team Leaders: Kathy Jang, Amanda Kwan, Jenny Gau, Anny Kan, Margaret Ma, Wendy Wong, Sharon Jiang.

Note: The blender question was answered adroitly with the comment that just as in life, many things are whirling about good and bad - and it is up to each of us to reach out and grab the good things.

Welcome New CBC Members

Jean Bhatia
Yowmin Chang
Cheung Lai and Kin Ching & Family
Limas Lin and Sue Chen & Family
Meili Hsu
Yu-Chuan Kuo & Family
Ruchira Munjal
Bhagauathy Narayanan and Parameswaran
Krishnamani & Family
Jeffrey Shih
Hongbo Sun and Min Zhou & Family
Grace Xiaomin Yuan

Thank you for joining us in helping to make our community a better place to live.

Summertime BBQ

On July 27, CBC and sister organization South Bay Chinese Club (SBCC) held their annual barbecue at the Quail Run Clubhouse in Fremont. Over 100 members and guests shared happy times, meeting and catching up, while enjoying the foods and desserts. Our summer weather has been beautiful and it was every bit the same that Sunday.

This year, Joe Zerda and Randy Sabado slaved over the BBQ grill and barbecued hot dogs, hamburgers, and honey chicken wings. For the few who wanted a meatless option, veggie burgers were provided. Thanks to Joe and Randy for their excellent BBQ'ng skills.



CBC interns, who are working in legislators' offices this summer, held a meeting at the clubhouse prior to the BBQ. The interns shared their individual experiences thus far with coordinators Anna Muh and Steve Cho. The interns also joined in the BBQ afterwards.



There were more new faces this year. Some parents of the CBC interns were able to attend. It was a great time to chat with both old and new friends.



Thank you to Steve and Amy Cho for organizing this wonderful BBQ once again and to all those in attendance and making it such a nice event!

News from SBCC

*By Mary K. Lim,
2014-2015 SBCC President*

South Bay Chinese Club (SBCC) in May, was awarded by Fremont Bank one of 50 grants to local nonprofits. This \$10,000 award recognized the South Bay Chinese Club members' 50 years of dedication to the social and culture well-being of the Tri-Cities area.

South Bay Chinese Club and its Service component, South Bay Chinese Service Club, have recognized with Scholarship and Awards exemplary graduating high school students of Chinese descent.

South Bay Chinese Club founded in 1965 will celebrate 50 years of continued community service with a variety of activities during the 2014-15 year. These events will be civic and social opportunities for fun and fellowship.

We invite you, Citizens of Better Community, to become members of South Bay Chinese Club, and to participate in our fund raising activities and events to preserve the culture and customs of the Chinese heritage, to promote the general welfare of the community and civic responsibilities of the American way of life.

For more information on South Bay Chinese Club, visit www.sbccclub.org.



MOON FESTIVAL CELEBRATION 2014
中秋晚會

**Come join CBC and Fremont Rotary Club in our
 2nd Annual Joint Event**

Entertainment and Dance with Tim Reilly's Canyon Band

**Are you interested in entering our "Ode to the Moon" Contest?
 If you would like sing, dance, tell jokes, recite poem, or do any moon-
 themed act, please contact Lena Zee at:
 lenazee@att.net / (510)421-6666**

Light Dinner and Drinks will be Served / Door Prizes will be Offered
歡迎大家與"華益社"及"扶輪社"共度中秋佳節- 晚餐, 表演比賽, 舞會, 抽獎

DATE: Friday, Sept. 5, 2014
TIME: 7:00pm Check-In
 7:30pm - 10:30pm Program & Dinner
PLACE: Prince of Peace Lutheran Church
 38451 Fremont Blvd., Fremont, CA 94536
PARKING: IN THE BACK

TICKET:
 \$30 before 8/20/14
 \$35 after 8/20/14
 No tickets will be sold at the door
 Children under10: free of charge
 (pick up your ticket at the door)

*For questions regarding tickets, please contact Ms. Kathy Jang at kjang@cbcsfbay.org.
 To purchase tickets, please return the bottom portion and mail it with your check to:
 CBC, P.O. Box 1, Fremont, CA 94537 Attn: Ms. Kathy Jang*

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Tel: _____

No. of Adults: _____ No. of Children Under 10: _____

Total Tickets: _____ Check No.: _____

Rotary President: president.rotarycluboffremont@gmail.com
 CBC President: ivy826wu@gmail.com

Upcoming Events...

Charity Concert

By Emery Kong

Herald Cancer Care Network, celebrating its 10th anniversary, and Heart of Hope Asian American Hospice Care (HHAHC), a new non-profit hospice in its planning stage, will co-host a charity concert at Canaan Taiwanese Christian Church (4405 Fortran Ct., San Jose, CA 95134) between 1:30 and 4:30 p.m. on **Saturday, August 23, 2014**.

The charity concert will include piano, violin, and flute performances and a musical drama showing a patient's peaceful ending with hospice care. The program and musical drama will be presented in Mandarin. In addition, there will be a silent auction and a reception after the concert.

Tickets are available at \$50 (VIP) and \$20 (regular) by calling (408) 986-8584. The proceeds will go to the start-up fund of the Heart of Hope Asian American Hospice Care, which will provide holistic care to terminally ill Asian Americans in the South Bay Area (including the Tri-City Area) when it's licensed.

Heart of Hope Asian American Hospice Care is in Phase Two of its fund-raising effort to raise an additional \$350,000 for the start-up fund. The hospice hopes to recruit 350 donors, each donating \$1,000 toward the start-up fund. However, any amount of donation will be greatly appreciated. For more details, please visit www.HeartOfHopeHospice.org or contact (408)986-8584.

Donations can be made payable to HHAHC and mailed to:

1922 The Alameda, Suite 215
San Jose, CA 95126

A tax-deductible receipt will be provided by the hospice.

Hope HEART OF HOPE
ASIAN AMERICAN HOSPICE CARE



Homeless Shelter Meal Service

Submitted by Sharon Jiang

The CBC Youth Group serves meals at Sunrise Village in Fremont. The Homeless Shelter Meal Service allows high school students to participate in preparing and serving food to the homeless people. This is a good learning experience for the students and they will receive community service hours upon completion.

There are 3 meal services remaining for the year.

- **Sunday, Aug 31st** (Dinner)
- Sunday, Sep 21st (Lunch)
- Sunday, Nov 16th (Lunch)

For more information, please contact at sharonjiang@sbcglobal.net.

SAVE's 12th Annual Breakfast

This year, the event will be held on Friday, **September 26, 2014** from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. at the Hilton Newark/Fremont. This year's program will help support the creation of SAVE's (Safe Alternatives to Violent Environments) Community Center which will provide on-site comprehensive services in an environment that is safe, nurturing and empowering. The Center will be a place where victims can get immediate, in-person crisis counseling, where her children may safely play while she gets help, where an advocate will provide her with restraining order help, and much more. For additional event information, please contact SAVE at (510)574-2250 or development@save-dv.org.

Washington Hospital's Top Hat

The Top Hat gala celebration will be held on **Saturday, October 11, 2014** in a grand tent on the grounds of Washington West. The event will feature an elegant cocktail reception, a spectacular four-course dinner, entertainment, live auction and dancing. Proceeds from this year's gala will support Washington's Special Care Nursery. Washington's Special Care Nursery is the only Level II intermediate intensive care nursery in southern Alameda County. Funds raised from Top Hat will help to equip the Nursery with the latest in medical equipment and will also support the needs of patient families. Call John R. McCoy at (510) 791-3428 or john_mccoy@whhs.com for more information.

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."

2013-2014 Board Directory

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- Internship Program:** Anna Muh.....(510) 468-6666
- Spring Celebration:** Richard Li(650) 207-3804

2013-2014 Board of Directors

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| Lily Mei | Henry Yin |
| Nina Moore | Irene Yung |
| Anna Muh | Lena Zee |

CBC MEMBERSHIP NEWSLETTER

We welcome your questions, comments and feedback. You may send them to Citizens for Better Community, P.O. Box 1, Fremont, CA 94537, or you may contact Kathy Jang, Executive Director, at (510) 790-0740, or email kjang25@yahoo.com.

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Committee: Dr. Herbert Chiu, Steve Cho, Dr. Albert Wang

Contributors: Steve Cho, Sharon Jiang, Emery Kong, Judy Lam, Mary K. Lim, William Marshak, Ivy Wu

Upcoming CBC Meetings

**Note: Prior to each meeting, there will be set-up and a social "hour" from 7:15 p.m. Meetings begin at 7:30 p.m. at Carlton Plaza, 3800 Walnut Avenue, Fremont.*

- ~ Wednesday, September 3, 2014*
- ~ Wednesday, October 1, 2014*
- ~ Wednesday, November 5, 2014*

General meeting from 7:30 p.m. is open to guests and CBC members. To be followed by a meeting for the Board.

Calendar of Events

Heart of Hope Charity Concert

When: **Saturday, August 23, 2014 (1:30 pm)**
Where: Canaan Taiwanese Christian Church
4405 Fortran Ct., San Jose
Contact: For tickets or more info (408)986-8584

Homeless Shelter Meal Service

When: **Sunday, August 31, 2014 (dinner)**
Contact: sharonjiang@sbcglobal.net

CBC and Fremont Rotary Moon Festival

When: **Friday, September 5, 2014 (7 pm)**
Where: Prince of Peace Lutheran Church
38451 Fremont Blvd, Fremont
Contact: kjang25@yahoo.com

SAVE Breakfast Eye Opener

When: **Friday, September 26, 2014 (7:30 am)**
Where: Hilton Newark/Fremont
39000 Balentine Drive, Newark
Contact: development@save-dv.org

Rotary Chili CookOff

When: **Sunday, October 5, 2014 (11 am – 5 pm)**
Where: Newpark Mall
2086 Newpark Mall, Newark
Contact: www.fremontchilicookoff.org

Washington Hospital's Top Hat Gala

When: **Saturday, October 11, 2014 (6 pm)**
Where: Grand Tent at Washington West
2500 Mowry Avenue, Fremont
Contact: John R. McCoy at (510) 791-3428

SAVE THE DATE

CBC'S Spring Celebration
Saturday, April 25, 2015
Fremont Marriott

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION / RENEWAL (November 1, 2014– October 31, 2015)

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

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| <input type="checkbox"/> \$50 Corporate/Organization | |
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