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**Membership Newsletter**

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## July 4<sup>th</sup> Parade Needs You!



We are asking you to come join CBC and many other Chinese American organizations to march in the Fremont July 4<sup>th</sup> parade. This year's theme is "Celebrate America" to be held in Central Fremont. See page 6 for more details.

## *Enjoy the summer!*

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## President's Message



*By Gerry Low-Sabado  
(Message from Spring Celebration Program; event held on April 21, 2012)*

Dear Members, Honored Guests, Friends & Supporters,

Welcome to Citizens for Better Community's 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring Celebration! Many thanks to the 33 founding members who had the vision and commitment to establish this organization 20 years ago "to initiate, sponsor, and promote community events which will affect the well being of Chinese Americans." Over the years CBC has become a model of excellence that encompasses the community-at-large. Today we are 325 members strong from many cultures and have had the honor of being presented with the "Community Partner of the Year Award" by California State Assembly Member Bob Wieckowski to recognize Citizens for Better Community's accomplishments.

We appreciate all of our generous sponsors and supporters. You make our mission possible. Kathy Jang, our Executive Director, has been an inspiration and guiding force for CBC and for me over the years. Kudos to all of the past and present CBC Board Members and General Members for your time, efforts, and work to bring to fruition CBC's vision to be a model of excellence in community service. I am amazed by all the many meetings, projects, events, and volunteer hours that you devote yourselves to in support of CBC, to many other organizations, and to people in need. The success of our CBC Toastmasters Youth Leadership Program is due to the fine work and direction of Irene Yung and her dedicated Team. Likewise, the success of the CBC Internship Program is due to the diligent direction of Anna

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Muh and all the community leaders who have given our interns invaluable work experience opportunities.

Congratulations to this year's Citizen of the Year, Bernie Dutra, who founded OneChild which helps to provide new clothes and school supplies to less fortunate children. Congratulations also to Volunteer of the Year, Anna Wang, who is Vice President and one of the founding members of Friends of Children with Special Needs which brings help, support, education, and respect to children with special needs and their families.

Thank you to Spring Celebration co-chairs Richard Li and event designer Sharon Yap of Sharon Yap Design. CBC appreciates all those who helped to plan and create a fun program and raffle for tonight. Special Thanks to New York based Architect and Fashion Designer Teddy Lee for joining our program and showcasing some of his fashion designs.

Since becoming President of CBC and during this auspicious Year of the Dragon, I am honored to have met so many of our guests and long time supporters. I have seen how others have benefited from your commitment, generosity, and celebration of diversity. I thank you all. You have shown us that we ARE a part of one world and that we all CAN Share the Same Dream. Your understanding, expertise, leadership, and heart have helped to make our community and beyond a better place to live in. I think that makes us ALL "Citizens for Better Community!"

With Great Gratitude,

*Gerry Low-Sabado*

Gerry Low-Sabado  
CBC President 2011-2012

## 2012 Spring Celebration Sponsors

CBC would like to extend their sincerest appreciation to the sponsors for their generous support and contributions to the Spring Celebration.

### Silver Sponsors

- East West Bank
- Milpitas Square, LLC

### Bronze Sponsors

- Chevron Energy Solutions
- Robson Homes
- Washington Hospital

### Table Sponsors

- Asian Business Alliance
- Assembly Member Bob Wieckowski
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- CBC Youth Group
- CCAA & UCPCM
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- Dutra Enterprises
- Fremont Firefighters, Local 1689
- Ivy Commercial/Tim Tran
- "Nina's Modeling Agency"
- Ohlone College
- Steve & Amy Cho
- Peter & Lily Mei
- Richard & Anna Muh
- Randy & Gerry Low-Sabado
- Henry Yin & Sharon Tom
- Albert & Anna Wang

We also express our gratitude to our prize donors and in-kind sponsors. Your charitable gifts are greatly appreciated and are a testament to your devotion to CBC and the community.

## CBC Recognizes CBC's Citizen and Volunteer of the Year

Citizen of the Year

Volunteer of the Year



Bernie Dutra



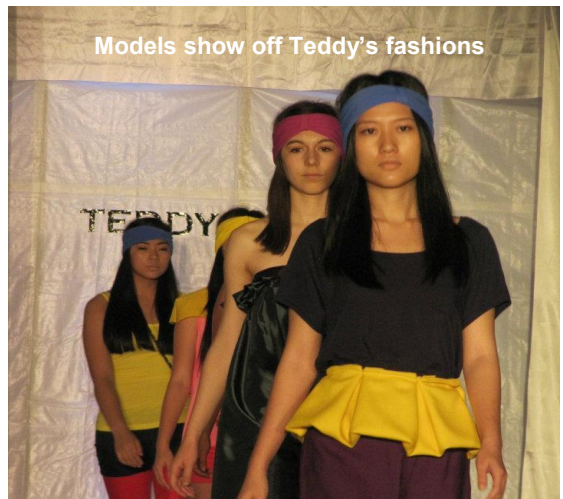
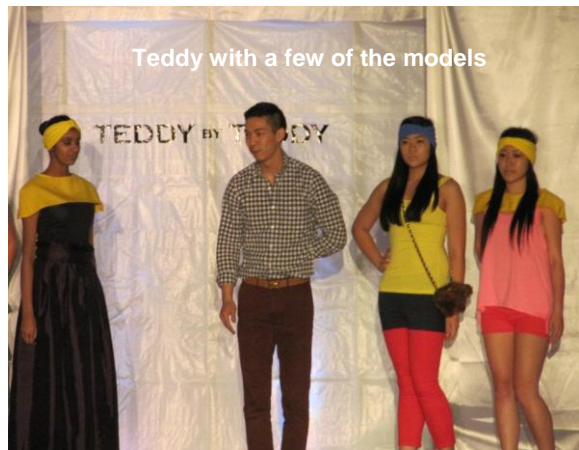
Anna Wang

Bernie Dutra and Anna Wang were both honored at CBC's 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring Celebration held on Saturday, April 21, 2012.

*Congratulations  
Bernie and Anna!*

## 2012 Spring Celebration

Photos Courtesy of Amber DelaCruz



*CBC thanks everyone who made it a successful event!*



## Abode Services Volunteer Appreciation Reception

By Irene Yung  
CBC Youth Group Chair

*“Because everyone should have a home”*

The CBC Youth Group was invited to Abode Services Volunteer Appreciation Reception which was held on April 26, 2012. Certificates of Recognition for group volunteers were prepared by the offices of Senator Ellen Corbett and Assembly Member Bob Wieckowski.

CBC Youth Group has two wonderful meal service coordinators, Margaret Ma and Fendi Fuh, along with eight high school students who carry on Abode Services' mission to “end homelessness by assisting low-income, un-housed people, including those with special needs, to secure stable, supportive housing, and to be advocates for the removal of the causes of homelessness.”



CBC provides eight meal services in a year. Four adults and eight high school students volunteer to serve the dinner meals. Margaret Ma and Fendi Fuh coordinate and purchase the food products for Abode Services. During the meal-serving event, the adults help and supervise the student volunteers. The students acquire skills in cutting, washing, preparing, serving, and cleaning for the homeless. This serves as an excellent learning experience for the students not only to learn the food preparation process, but also to fully understand the extent of two commonly overused words—thank you—from un-housed individuals. Thus, the students gain new insight in how fortunate they are.



I would like to take this great opportunity to thank Margaret Ma and Fendi Fuh, parents, and high school students who continuously volunteer at the Abode Services and improve the well-being of our community.

## Fremont Dentist Installed as the 38th President of the California Society of Pediatric Dentistry



*Submitted by Suzanne Chan*

Steve Chan, D.D.S was installed as President of the California Society of Pediatric Dentistry on March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2012. He has been in private practice for 27 years in the City of Fremont, California specializing in pediatric dentistry.

The California Society of Pediatric Dentistry is the state's leading advocate for the optimal oral health of infants, children, and adolescents, including those with special needs. The Society serves its members and represents the specialty of Pediatric Dentistry in California to achieve excellence in practice, education, and research.

Dr. Chan is a past President of the California Dental Association. He also serves as a Regent for the American College of Dentists, the oldest honor society for the profession in the United States. Dr. Chan is an active community and civic leader.

Dr. Chan's wife, Suzanne, is a Councilmember for the City of Fremont. His son Scott is an internet video producer/director. His son Tracy is starting his own company on consumer analytics.

## SBCC Scholarship Luncheon

By Dr. Victor Gin  
SBCC President 2011-2012

Greetings Members of CBC! I am happy to report that we once again had a great Scholarship Luncheon honoring the recipients of South Bay Chinese Club's annual scholarships, totaling \$10,750.00 this year. We appreciate CBC's continued monetary support of this event. Although the official deadline for the major fundraiser for our scholarships will have passed by the time you read this, our annual golf tournament can still use more players. Please contact me personally at [docgin2002@hotmail.com](mailto:docgin2002@hotmail.com) if you can still join us on Sunday, May 20, 2012. As my tenure as president rapidly approaches, I want to thank all the members and friends at CBC for working with us as our sister organization over the last year. I'm sure you are all very familiar with our next year's president, Steve Cho. We'll look forward to another exciting year of making new memories to share with CBC. Please be sure to check our website ([www.sbccclub.org](http://www.sbccclub.org)) for updates and articles about our past and upcoming events. Have a great summer!

### Note:

The SBCC Scholarship Luncheon was held on Saturday, April 28 at the Courtyard by Marriott in Newark-Silicon Valley. CBC's scholarship donation was awarded to Ms. Kerry Liou. Kerry sent the following acknowledgement to CBC:

*"Dear Citizens for Better Community,*

*I am honored to be the recipient of the 2012 Citizens for Better Community Scholarship for Community Service. Thanks to your support I am able to attend my dream school!*

*I am ecstatic to begin my undergraduate career as a freshman at the University of Southern California. My plans at this stage are to complete a major in Accounting. USC's Leventhal School of Accounting is one of the finest programs in the country and I consider myself fortunate to be able to attend.*

*Growing up in a privileged community has not only offered financial and academic challenges, but it has more importantly made me realize the value of a college education. It has inspired me, also, to give back to the community to provide those who are less privileged with the same enjoyable opportunities.*

*I would like to express my deepest appreciation toward Citizens for Better Community for both offering me this generous scholarship and for providing great opportunities for its members. Through CBC, I have learned the importance of effective communication in Toastmasters Youth Leadership Program, the importance of helping the under-privileged in volunteer food-services, and the importance of humility in my internship for State Senate Majority Leader, Ellen Corbett.*

*Working as a volunteer in my community throughout my high school career, I enjoyed helping people who were uninformed about the community services available to them. I hope to be able to serve in a position sometime in the future where I might have more ability to help those less fortunate and under-represented." – Kerry Liou*



## CBC Welcomes New Members

Hsu H. Chang  
Yih-Ru (Irene) Cheng  
Tsu-Ju and Salinda Chin & Family  
David and Michelle Chou & Family  
Jui-Lin Hsu and Ming Chen & Family  
Daphne Huang and Henry Leung & Family  
David and Judy Lam & Family  
Chao-Chun Li and Chiu-Feng Ho & Family  
Daniel and May Liu & Family  
Jessica Seto  
Hsing Tzu Tai and Sui Sing Poon & Family  
Yiochian and Jwo-suey Tao & Family  
Min Tsuei  
Albert Wang  
Sandy Wang  
Jeanne Wong  
Hung-hsin Wu and Shu-hui Lin & Family  
Jeanie Yan  
John Zhang and Lily Ji and Family

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

## Upcoming Events....

### CBC's 2012 Toastmasters Youth Summer Leadership Program

By Irene Yung  
CBC Youth Group Chair

Toastmasters Youth Summer Leadership Program Opening Ceremony will be held on **Saturday, June 16, 2012**, at 8:30 a.m. at the Friends of Children with Special Needs (FCSN). The four excellent Toastmasters Coaches and Assistant Coaches will be participating and leading the "Demo Meeting Role." The Demo Meeting is to show students how a Toastmasters meeting is conducted. In the beginning, rolers will explain their roles before acting.

Coaches strive to create different activities to make this program as enjoyable as possible. After four weeks of the training program, the Closing Ceremony will be held on **Saturday, July 14** (the fifth week). The students will conduct a "Program Contest" and "Graduation Ceremony." This amazing opportunity allows parents to see their children build self-confidence and improve their public speaking skills in such a short period of time. The graduation lunch party will follow.

This is a fun and meaningful Youth Summer Leadership Program for the high school students. All parents are invited to the Opening and Graduation Ceremonies. There will be approximately 130 people in attendance for both activities.

### Come to the Fremont July 4<sup>th</sup> Parade

By Amy Cho

Plan now to see the Fremont July 4<sup>th</sup> parade! Even better, if you feel like being part of the parade this year, you are welcome to come and march, too. CBC will coordinate our members as well as those from several other local Chinese American organizations. We often hear Fremont citizens saying how much they look forward to seeing the Chinese Americans turn out. This year, Citizens for Better Community, South Bay Chinese Club, and Friends of Children with Special Needs are already planning to join the parade. There will be several more organizations joining us as the day approaches.

Some people are not interested in parades. Some are crazy about them. As one who used to be more or less uninterested, I can personally tell you that once you are actually marching in the parade, you become 'electrified.' Find your friends and join in the parade!

To give you some background about the Fremont July 4<sup>th</sup> parades...this will be the fourteenth year of our city's parade. This year the parade will be the same one mile long route as last year and will be held in Central Fremont in the future downtown area. There are usually some 80 entries, including bands, drill and dance teams, floats, clowns, antique cars to name a few. Thousands of people will watch the star spangled excitement of creative floats, specialty units, and marching musical units. Although the parade takes place on **Wednesday, July 4, 2012**, 10 a.m. and ends by 12 noon, those who participate in the parade usually need to assemble by around 8:30 a.m. The theme this year is "Celebrate America!"

Please wear your purple T-shirt if you are a CBC member and have one. Otherwise, it will be great if you can wear red, white and blue. Members of other organizations joining CBC will wear their club T-shirts or uniforms, too. CBC will provide flags for waving to all participants. Remember: Whenever possible, try to wear Red/White/Blue. This is the day we celebrate America's birthday!

Please call Amy or Steve Cho at (510)797-6426 if you have any questions about joining the parade. We're looking forward to seeing you there bright and early!

### Summer Time Fun... at the 12th Annual BBQ

The annual summer BBQ with the South Bay Chinese Club will soon be approaching! Come and enjoy the afternoon with great friends and delicious food. Please RSVP by Wednesday, July 25<sup>th</sup>.

**Date:** **Sunday, July 29, 2012**

**Time:** Noon – 3 p.m.

**Where:** Quail Run Clubhouse ~ 33873 Whimbrel, Fremont

**RSVP to:** Steve & Amy Cho (510)797-6426

**Cost:** Free for CBC/SBCC members; \$5/guest

# Come Join Us!

## 2011-2012 Directory

**President:**  
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**Internship Program:** Anna Muh.....(510) 468-6666

**Spring Celebration:** Richard Li .....(408) 965-5252

## 2011-2012 Board of Directors

Cecilia Chang	Lisa Quan
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Cecilia Leon	April Xie
Richard Li	Sharon Yap
Lily Mei	Maria Yee
Nina Moore	Henry Yin
Anna Muh	Irene Yung
Wing Ng	Lena Zee

## **MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION / RENEWAL (November 1, 2011 – October 31, 2012)**

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"/> \$20 Individual                               | <input type="checkbox"/> New     |
| <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	Chinese Name
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Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name	First Name	Chinese Name
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Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Street	City	State	Zip
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Home Phone #	Office Phone #	e-mail
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## Citizens for Better Community

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Help save China Camp State Park from closing...  
Visit <http://www.friendsofchinacamp.org> 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."*

## Calendar of Events

### **Ohlone College Foundation Luncheon**

When: Saturday, June 2, 2012 (11 am)  
Where: Ohlone College Newark Campus  
Contact: (510) 659-6020 or [www.coy.ohlone.edu](http://www.coy.ohlone.edu)

### **Toastmasters Youth Leadership Program Opening and Closing Ceremonies**

When: Saturday, June 16, 2012 (8:30 am)  
When: Saturday, July 14, 2012 (9 am)  
Where: Friends of Children with Special Needs

### **Relay for Life**

When: Saturday, June 30, 2012  
Where: California School for the Deaf

### **Fremont's July 4<sup>th</sup> Parade**

When: Wednesday, July 4, 2012 (10 am)  
Where: Central Fremont (same route as last year)  
Contact: Steve or Amy Cho (510) 797-6426

### **CBC/SBCC Summer BBQ**

When: Sunday, July 29, 2012 (noon)  
Where: Quail Run Clubhouse  
Contact: Steve or Amy Cho (510) 797-6426

## Upcoming CBC Meetings

**\*Note: Prior to each meeting, there will be set-up and a social "hour" from 7:15 pm.**

### **CBC Board Meeting**

Wednesday, June 6, 2012  
Place: Carlton Plaza – 7:30 pm

### **CBC Board Meeting**

Wednesday, July 11, 2012 (to be confirmed)  
Place: Carlton Plaza – 7:30 pm

### **CBC Board Meeting**

Wednesday, August 1, 2012  
Place: Carlton Plaza – 7:30 pm

### **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](mailto:kjang25@yahoo.com).

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