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Membership Newsletter

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July - September 2015

Join us for 3rd Annual Mid Autumn Festival



When: Friday, Sept. 18, 2015
Where: World Gourmet Buffet
6010 Stevenson Blvd
Fremont, CA 94538
Time: 6:30 p.m. – 10 p.m.
Ticket: \$40/person

Come join CBC and Fremont Rotary Club for their 3rd Annual Joint Event. See page 6 for more details and ticket information.

President's Message



By Ivy Wu

Dear CBC Members and Friends,

It is hard to believe that summer is almost halfway over! Since we do not have meeting every month this year, we have not been able to touch base with each other much, and I do miss everyone!

This summer seems to be exceptionally busy due to the many ongoing discussions among various chat groups that I have been invited to join lately. Most of these chat groups are made up of Chinese American parents from Mainland China who have young children in school. They have been alerted to the potential consequences if Chinese Americans remain inactive and apathetic towards social, economical, political, educational and other issues in the society-at-large; and they are asking for guidance and support to get involved and be heard.

CBC has been looked upon as a Big Brother by many. I am hoping that CBC will act in a capacity, not so much as the leader, but as a role model to these parents. I would like everyone to see how CBC participates in helping the City of Fremont and neighboring cities make progress towards being a better, safer, greener, more vibrant and healthier community for all. I would like these parent groups to learn from us so that they could also find ways to help build up their schools, cities and communities.

At the same time, I hope CBC members will be able to learn from these young parents to relate and communicate with each other better. Maybe we can

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start our own chat group by using WeChat (although that may get too overwhelming!), or we can share our lives and thoughts by simply going to CBC Facebook page at:

<https://www.facebook.com/CitizensForBetterCommunity> and posting our photos and messages there.

If you do not have a Facebook account, but would like to share messages with or via CBC, please feel free to contact me at ivy826wu@gmail.com, and I would be happy to work with you to share the message on CBC Facebook for you.

Perhaps you would like to meet with CBC members. You are more than welcome to come to our regular meetings which are currently held on the first Wednesday of every other month, 7:30pm - 8:30pm, at Carlton Plaza (3800 Walnut Avenue, Fremont, CA 94538). See dates of upcoming meetings on page 7 of this newsletter.

Better yet, please come join us at our upcoming joint Mid-Autumn Festival Celebration with Fremont Rotary on **September 18, 2015**, 6:30 p.m. – 10 p.m. at World Gourmet Buffet. There will be all-you-can-eat food, entertainments, raffle drawings and dancing! Find out more about this event and sign up here:

<http://www.cbcsfbay.org/2015-mid-autumn-festival-celebration/>.

Hope to see many of you at the event!

Sincerely,

Ivy Wu
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CBC President 2014-2015

Toastmasters Youth Leadership Program a Success!

By Anna Muh

What a team!!! We did it successfully again. Seeing the students grow and learn the public speaking, organization and leadership skill over the 5 weeks is the best reward to all of us.

The core team put a lot of effort into this program, your dedication and support really touched my heart. I know you didn't have to do it since most of us don't have kids in the program anymore but you still give your 100% to support this program. Without you, this program won't run so smoothly and successfully. I truly appreciate your help.

This is a relatively small team but it is so powerful and efficient. Jenny Gau single handedly got the student binder in place. Anny Kan and Albert Wu were on site every single week. Wing Ng lost a lot of sleep over the meeting/facility logistics. Steve Cho got the awards in place and secured all judges for the program contest. Wendy Wong made sure we had good food with the best price and no waste. She even drafted her daughter Rachael to help out. Richard Muh got all the material from Toastmasters and made thousands of copies of the class material. And of course our courageous leader - CBC President Ivy Wu, always gives us and the program the encouragement and best support.

Thank you all!!!

For more pictures taken by Albert Wu at the TYLP Closing Ceremony, visit <http://www.cbcsfbay.org/news/>



SBCSC Annual Scholarship Banquet

Submitted by Joe Woo, SBCSC Scholarship Chairman

On Wednesday, April 22, 2015, the South Bay Chinese Service Club (SBCSC) awarded \$12,500 in scholarships to graduating high school seniors of Chinese descent at the 46th annual SBCSC Scholarship Banquet held at the Union City Mayflower Restaurant. Club Vice-President Randy Sabado greeted the graduates and praised them for their outstanding academic records and participation in community activities. Honored guests included Alameda County Supervisor Scott Haggerty, Vice-Mayor of Fremont Suzanne Chan, and Fremont City Councilmember Lily Mei.

The Award ceremony commenced with Alameda County Supervisor Scott Haggerty presenting Certificates of Special Recognition to the scholarship award recipients in his District; followed by Francisco Presiado, representing California State Assemblymember Kansen Chu, presenting Certificates of Recognition to the award recipients in his district. Although unable to attend the banquet, U.S. Congressman Mike Honda, Congressman Eric Swalwell, State Senator Bob Wieckowski, and State Assemblymember Bill Quirk all provided Certificates of Recognition ahead of time to be distributed to the students during the award ceremony.

The graduating students and their parents were addressed by keynote speaker, **Carrie Discar**, who was a graduate of Mission San Jose High School. She earned her B.S. degree in Electrical Engineering from UC



San Diego, and is currently serving as Business Director for GiveTeens20, a non-profit educational organization. In her speech, Carrie encouraged the graduating seniors to leverage what they excel at school and combine it with their passion (even if it is playing video games) to explore their future career, just like some of her friends who launched a successful start-up company creating products that they loved.

The 16 scholarship winners this year is an impressive group of scholars representing 5 high schools. Their average unweighted GPA is 3.8 and the average weighted GPA is 4.3. The Award recipients have taken a total of 219 AP classes and honor classes.

Together they have amassed almost 6,000 community service hours. In this group, there are 5 National Merit Finalists, 9 AP Scholars, and 3 students with perfect unweighted 4.0 GPA's.

The 2015 SBCSC Scholarship Recipients are:

\$2,000 Scholarship Recipients

- Lynnea Shuck, Mission San Jose High School – Howard Tom Award for Top Honors

\$1,000 Scholarship Recipients

- Andrew Tan, Irvington High School – Karl Ngan Award for Leadership
- Kevin Zeng, Mission San Jose High School – CBC Award for Community Service
- Ashley Chang, James Logan High School – York Gin Memorial Scholarship
- Greg Chi, Irvington High School – Fremont Bank Award for Economics/Finance
- Entung Enya Kuo, Irvington High School – Comcast Award for Journalism

\$500 Best Essay Award

- Julia Jen, American High School – Dutra Enterprises Award for Best Essay

\$500 Scholarship Recipients

- Megan Chau, James Logan High School
- Emily Chu, James Logan High School
- Christopher Fan, Irvington High School
- Julia Jen, American High School
- Aileen Jiang, James Logan High School
- Qianhui Loo, Washington High School
- Katherine Mei, Mission San Jose High School
- Cari Gan, Mission San Jose High School
- Michael Quan, American High School
- Priscilla Wu, James Logan High School



APAPA Presents Suzanne Chan with Mentorship Award

Suzanne Chan, Vice Mayor - City of Fremont -- on May 28, 2015 was awarded the first "Judge Stewart Hing Mentorship of the Year Award" from the Asian Pacific American Public Affairs organization. She also received recognition certificates for this award by Assemblyman Evan Low, State Senator Bob Wieckowski. In addition, US Congressman Eric Swalwell and US Congressman Mike Honda presented her with a US flag which flew at the nation's Capitol to commemorate the recognition.

Sue was also recently named to the Board of the California League of Cities. More than 30 applicants applied for this open position. She serves as the President of the Asian Pacific Islander Caucus of the California League of Cities. She also serves as the President of the Asian Pacific American Municipal Officers of the national League of Cities.



World Journal – CBC Board Member Peggy Chiou was sworn in as the new President of Association of Northern California Chinese Schools (7-25-2015)

中校聯合會換屆 邱佩芝接會長
記者周喆／密爾比達報導



中校聯合會會長交接。左起新會長邱佩芝、監交人馬鍾麟、卸任會長陳安東。（記者周喆／攝影）

Fremont July 4th Parade

Photos Courtesy of Steve Cho



Upcoming Events...

Abode Services to Receive Funds from Celebrity Impersonation Contest

CBC Board member David Bonaccorsi was the winner of the Celebrity Impersonation Contest at CBC's Spring Celebration in April. Mr. Bonaccorsi chose Abode Services as his charity of choice to receive a portion of the funds raised from the contest.

On **Tuesday, August 11, 2015**, at noon, David Bonaccorsi, CBC members and friends will gather at Sunrise Village Emergency Shelter at 588 Brown Road in Fremont, to present a check to Abode Services for the HOPE Project. The HOPE Project Mobile Health Clinic, in partnership with Tri-City Health Center, provides health and social services to people in southern and eastern Alameda County experiencing homelessness. A tour of the Shelter will follow.



“All White Casino Night” Hosted by GiveTeens20

Join GiveTeens20 for a great evening of gaming, socializing, and supporting GiveTeens20's work of preparing the future workforce. The event will take place on **Thursday, August 13, 2015**, from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. at Magnussen Lexus of Fremont (5600 Cushing Parkway, Fremont). Come dressed in all in white or anything neutral.

GT20's Mission is to encourage and equip teens by providing no-cost, easy to use tools and resources to help them find their career fit. Each dollar raised will be matched thanks to a \$50,000 matching fund grant through The San Diego Foundation. Your participation will support teens by increasing availability of the GT20 in-class presentation, improve the UI/UX of the GT20 website and create additional content for the www.gt20.org website.

Tickets are \$75 per person available through EventBrite, <http://www.eventbrite.com/e/all-in-white-casino-night-to-support-giveteens20-tickets-17143758443?aff=es2>

FFUN Parent/Student Workshops

Fremont Families United Network (FFUN) will host its first annual event on **Saturday, August 22, 2015**, from 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. FFUN is a group of community members that have come together to support the emotional, physical, social, academic, and mental health needs of our Fremont community. Students and parents will be able to choose the workshop they would like to attend. The one-hour workshops will be discussing Effective Communication, Healthy Relationships & Healthy Students. The workshops are geared towards Jr. High and High School parents and students.

The event will be held at Mission Valley ROP (5019 Stevenson Blvd, Fremont) from 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. The event will be free; but a \$5 donation per participant is encouraged to cover facilities, insurance and other possible costs.

To register, visit <https://fremontfun.wordpress.com/kick-off-2015-2016-school-year-with-ffun-registration/>

Homeless Shelter Meal Service

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 2 meal services remaining for the year.

- **Saturday, August 29 (lunch)**
- Sunday, November 29 (dinner)

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

SBCC to Celebrate 50th Anniversary

On Saturday, **September 12, 2015**, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Fremont Senior Center (in Fremont Central Park), enjoy a Chinese buffet lunch with South Bay Chinese Club (SBCC), CBC's sister club, as they celebrate 50 years of friendship and service. There will be a historical presentation of SBCC from its inception in 1965 to present day. Founders and charter members of the club will be recognized and all of SBCC's activities will be chronicled, bringing back fond memories of past events. You will receive a commemorative souvenir created just for this event and perhaps win one of several door prizes.

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The cost is \$15 per person; free to charter members & children under 10 years of age. Please RSVP by Saturday, September 5, 2015, online at club website www.SouthbayChineseClub.org with credit card purchase or send completed form with check payable to SBCC to Willy Yichoy, 35623 Barnard Drive, Fremont, CA 94536.

For more information, please contact Steve or Amy Cho at (510) 797-6426, ascinc@mindspring.com or amycho@yahoo.com.

CBC and Fremont Rotary Club to host Mid Autumn Festival

On **Friday, September 18, 2015**, Citizens for Better Community and Fremont Rotary will be hosting their 3rd Annual joint event. This year, the event will be held at World Gourmet Buffet with All You Can Eat dinner. Check-in will begin from 6:30 p.m. and the program and dinner will start at 7 p.m. and end at 10 p.m. Raffle prizes will be offered. Entertainment and dance with the Dream Achievers Band. These young musicians with autism will share their gift of music.

To sponsor the event, please contact Kathy Jang at kjang@cbcspbay.org. Sponsors will be recognized at the event as well as banners will be displayed of sponsors who contribute \$500 or more.

To purchase "tickets" via EventBrite, visit <http://www.eventbrite.com/e/2015-mid-autumn-festival-celebration-tickets-17719517554>

To RSVP and pay by check, please make check payable to CBC and mail to: P.O. Box 1, Fremont, CA 94537 along with the names of guests.



SAVE's 13th Annual Breakfast

This year, the Breakfast will be held on **Friday, October 2, 2015**, at the Newark/Fremont DoubleTree by Hilton. The event will start from 7:00 a.m. for networking over coffee and tea in the Grand Ballroom foyer. The program will start at 7:30 a.m. and will be a morning that is sure to engage, inspire, and empower you. Proceeds from the Breakfast will benefit SAVE's many programs and services, including their 30-bed emergency shelter, counseling, children's programs, and much more! For additional event information, please contact Samantha or Tina at (510) 574-2250.

Washington Hospital's Top Hat

The Top Hat gala celebration will be held on **Saturday, October 10, 2015**, in the Grand Tent at Washington West. The event will feature a hosted cocktail reception, dinner, dancing and jazz lounge 'til midnight. Proceeds from this year's gala will help equip the two trauma rooms planned for the Morris Hyman Critical Care Pavilion. When the Pavilion opens in 2018, emergency-room physicians will treat the most critically injured patients in these rooms, which will be equipped with advanced life-saving technology and instrumentation. Rather than being transported out of the Tri-City area, these patients will be stabilized here and treated by a trauma surgeon within the Golden Hour that is so crucial to a healthy recovery. Visit foundation@whhs.com or call (510) 791-3428 for more information.



New Members

Rejesh and Rama Adoni & Family
Daniel Chen
Gene Gan and Zhen Wang & Family
Yuen Han Lee and Tun Yuen Yeung & Family
Steven Li
Charlene Pien and Gary Huang & Family
Priyanka Shingwekar
Esme Wong & Family

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

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.”

2014-2015 Board Directory

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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 kjang@cbcsfbay.org.

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Upcoming CBC Meetings

**Note: Meetings have been changed to bi-monthly with special meetings to be determined.*

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, August 5, 2015
- ~ Wednesday, October 7, 2015
- ~ Wednesday, December 2, 2015

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

Abode Check Presentation & Tour

When: **Tuesday, August 11, 2015 (noon)**
 Where: Sunrise Village
 588 Brown Road, Fremont

GiveTeens20 "All White Casino Night"

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 Where: Magnussen Lexus of Fremont
 5600 Cushing Pkwy, Fremont
 Purchase tickets via EventBrite (see page 5)

FFUN Parent/Student Workshops

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 Register: online via website (see page 5)

Homeless Shelter Meal Service

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 Contact: sharonjiang@sbcglobal.net

SBCC 50th Anniversary

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 Where: Fremont Senior Center
 Contact: Steve or Amy Cho (510) 797-6426,
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amytcho@yahoo.com

CBC/Fremont Rotary Club Annual Event

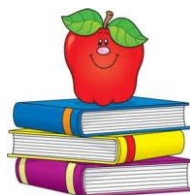
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 Contact: kjang@cbcsfbay.org

SAVE Breakfast Eye Opener

When: **Friday, October 2, 2015 (7 am)**
 Where: Newark/Fremont DoubleTree by Hilton
 39000 Balentine Drive, Newark
 Contact: Samantha or Tina at (510) 574-2250

Washington Hospital's Top Hat Gala

When: **Saturday, October 10, 2015 (6 pm)**
 Where: Grand Tent at Washington West
 2500 Mowry Avenue, Fremont
 Contact: foundation@whhs.com or (510) 791-3428



**Back to School...
Please Drive Safely**

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION / RENEWAL (November 1, 2015– October 31, 2016)

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 |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> \$100 Individual: Life Membership | |
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Please complete the following member(s) (contact person) information:

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