



Chinese Cultural Society of Stockton

市作頓中華文化協會

For the dissemination of things Chinese:
Learning—Customs—Arts and Crafts
Exhibits and Presentations

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May 2012



Congratulations to the New CCSS Board of Directors



The new CCSS Board of Directors (*pictured left to right*): Kat Meissner, Jeri Wong, Miranda Wong, Colleen Lee, Tongly Loth, Cynthia Lau and Spencer Chu. Retired Judge Frank Kim did the installation at the April 29, 2012 Spring Banquet. *Not pictured*: Les Fong and July Kang.

Congratulations to the Citizen of the Year: Francis Lau



Congratulations to the 2012 Scholarship Recipients



Francis Lau, 2012 Citizen of the Year, also served as the Grand Marshal of the Chinese New Year Celebration Parade at the event on Sunday, February 26, 2012.

Scholarship recipients (*pictured from left to right*): Jamie Wong, Dale Dong, Garrett Wong, Hannah Quihan Li, Jennifer Kuan and Chris Low. *Not pictured*: Ethan Chang. Scholarships awarded totaled \$7,050. The Chinese community has a right to be proud of our CCSS scholars. None of them is below the top 20 in their class and we count among them three valedictorians - from Edison, Lincoln and Tokay! Four aspire to be doctors; two plan to become pharmacists and one wants to go into social work.

Calendar Events and Things of Interest

(Look for Future CCSS Events in Future Issues)

- **Saturday, May 19, 2012.** Living History Day in Fiddletown. For more info, www.fiddletown.info or contact Alice Kaiser 209.245.6042.
- **Saturday, May 19, 2012.** Zhong Hua Mandarin School Open House. Classroom observation 9am to 11am. Program, information and fall registration 11am to 12 noon. 212 E. Lafayette St., Stockton. More info: 209.462.6442.
- **Sunday, May 20, 2012.** Pacific Rim Street Fest (A celebration of Asian Pacific Rim heritage). 10am to 5pm. Old Sacramento and Westfield Downtown Plaza. For more info, www.pacificrimstreetfest.com or Laurie Hensley 916.451.6200 or info@pacificrimstreetfest.com.

Membership Dues Increase

At the May meeting of the Board of Directors earlier this month, the Board decided that a small dues increase was warranted to help cover the cost of rising postage, envelopes and labels. Dues have not been raised for over 15 years! Effective October 1, 2012, dues will increase as follows:

Individual \$20
Family \$30

The student category will no longer be effective. Membership runs from January 1 to December 31 of each year. Please use the form below to pay for your dues now if you haven't done so!

Chinese Culture Camp

The Chinese Benevolent Association (CBA) will hold their Chinese Culture Camp, a summer day camp for children entering grades 1 to 6 in the fall, from June 25 to June 29 (Monday through Friday), 8:30am to 12:30pm (light snack included) at the Confucius Church of Stockton, 212 E. Lafayette St., Stockton. There will be Chinese folk and lion dancing, calligraphy and brush painting, Chinese yo-yo, music, crafts, abacus and cooking, with a performance and reception on Friday at 11:30am. Cost: CBA members \$60; non-members \$75. Volunteers may also be needed to help with the camp activities. For more information, call 209.462.6442 (Tue, Wed Thu from 9am to 12noon) or email cbaconfuciuschurch@att.net.



Congratulations, Elizabeth Yip Blanchard

by
Conrad Mar

Dr. Elizabeth Yip Blanchard, a former Delta College instructor and psychologist, upon retirement, was appointed to the Stockton Port Board of Commissioners. Dr. Blanchard, also known as "Bette Yip" by many from Stockton's Chinatown, was elected by her peers as chairperson to one of Stockton's most prestigious boards. Dr. Blanchard raised all three of her children in Stockton and all have distinguished themselves professionally - a medical doctor, an attorney and a certified public accountant. Dr. Blanchard's achievements and leadership in the community continue to present a role model for generations to come.

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From left to right: Chairman Robert Blumke, Commissioner Tim Smith, Commissioner C. Jay Shi, Board member right Commissioner "Bette" Yip, Commissioner Stephen Griffin, Port Director Richard Adams, Commissioner Gary Christensen, and Commissioner Victor Ma

Make This Your Newsletter!

If you have any articles (100 words or less), personal stories, accomplishments of other members to share, pictures or topics of interest you would like published (subject to the Editor's and/or the CCSS Board's approval), the submission deadline is the **15th** of each month. Submit via email ccs4you@att.net or to the PO Box, ATTN: Editor.

CCSS Membership Application 2012

NAME _____ Phone _____

ADDRESS _____ New

CITY/ZIP _____ Renewal

Email Address: _____

Individual \$15 Family or Organization \$25 Student \$10

I would like to help with: Education Scholarship Committee
Events Telephoning New Year Festival
Other _____

Make out check to CCSS and send to: Spencer Chu
CCSS Membership Director
PO Box 692035, Stockton CA 95269-2035

DATE _____

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