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Greetings from the President

The Mid-Autumn Festival was attended by more than 200 people. It was a pleasure to watch so many of our members enjoy the delicious food and watch the performance our talented dancers and the students from our Chinese Language School.



Our Halloween event brought out many of our young members and their families. Members were treated to games, a curry chicken dinner and drinks. Many of the kids and some adults wore elaborate costumes in the spirit of Halloween. Winners as well as participants of the Halloween costume contest received prizes for their effort.

At this event and at the Mid-Autumn Festival, we sold Chester Restaurant gift certificates. The profits from the selling of these gift certificates and the monies received from the advertising by our sponsors, represent the sources of our revenue to execute our programs. We are pleased to announce that with the help and generosity of our members, all of the Chester Restaurant certificates were sold. Kudos to Vivian Goo and Alice Ginn for their salesmanship. VCCAA will be receiving \$1500.00 from the sale of these certificates.

Our next event is the annual Christmas Celebration. Please bring a dish and your family to enjoy a program consisting of our Chinese dancers, VCCAA Chinese Language School student and a visit from Santa.

VCCAA and I wish all our members and their families a joyous holiday season and a Happy New Year.

Barbara Chieu

President 2007-2008

Halloween Party

Our Halloween Party on October 27th 2007 was attended by many of our members and their children. The children participated in many games and activities and enjoyed a delicious curry chicken dinner. Many children and adults wore cute and elaborate costumes. A costume contest was held and judged by the VCCAA youth group. All participants and winner received a prize.

VCCAA directories were distributed. We thank Lesley Ling Sule for doing a great job in putting together

the directory. Chester Restaurant gift certificates were also sold. We are happy to report that we have sold all the certificates. We would like to thank Vivian Goo and Alice Ginn for their effort.

We would like to thank La Raine Kang and her committee, Mike Kang, Edna Tanita, Suzie and Leslie Jue and the VCCAA youth group for organizing and helping the children to have a great time.

Mid-Autumn Festival

By Judy Schechter, Event Chair

More than 200 people attended our Mid-Autumn Festival on September 29th 2007. Members brought tasty and creative dishes that was shared and enjoyed by all. VCCAA provided mooncakes and drinks. We were entertained by the VCCAA dancers under the direction of Mrs. Lu and the students from the Chinese Language School under the guidance of Mrs. Lee-May Little . Vivian

Goo and Alice Ginn sold Chester Asia Restaurant gift certificates. We would like to thank Judy Schechter and her committee for their organization of this event. The youth group did an excellent job in setting and cleaning up facility. Thank to Mrs. Stella Ling for purchasing the delicious mooncakes.

Upcoming Event

Christmas Paty

When: Saturday, December 15, 6:00 PM

**Where: Camarillo Heights School
35 Catalina Drive, Camarillo**

Contact: Juliet Sun (805) 482-5835

Our annual Christmas Celebration will be held on December 15th 2007 at Camarillo Heights School located at 35 Catalina Drive in Camarillo. The festivities will begin at 6:00pm. Please bring your family and a dish to be shared with ten people. Our chairmen, Juliet Sun and Lee-May Little have planned

a program that includes performances by our VCCAA dancers and students from our Chinese Language School. A visit by Santa with gifts for our young members will conclude our Christmas Celebration.

Juliet Sun and Lee-May Little
Chairmen

Upcoming Event

Chinese New Year Celebration

When: Saturday, February 2, 2:00 PM

Where: Constitution Park

Carmen and Paseo Drive

Contact: Barbara Chieu (805) 987-1893

VCCAA will be celebrating the Year of the Rat, 4706, by presenting a program on February 2nd 2008 from 2pm to 4pm at Constitution Park in Camarillo. Constitution Park is located on Carmen Drive. The program will include Classical Chinese dancers, Lion

dancing and demonstration, a Chinese calligraphy booth and a Chinese souvenir booth.

We will be selling Chinese calligraphy banner and Chinese souvenirs to benefit VCCAA.

The program will be free and open to all in the community. We ask that anyone wanting to sit for the performances, to bring their own chairs. Any member able to help in this celebration, please contact Barbara Chieu 805-987-1893.

Youth Group Summer Party

By Christine Yim, President VCCAA Youth Group

Every year, the Youth Group gets together and throws a Back-to-School bash to celebrate another year of Chinese School. This year, Helena Baghchehsarai graciously invited us to her house for a pool party. We swam, played video games, watched Rush Hour 3, and ate...a lot! Special thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Baghchehsarai for letting us come over and Mrs. Little for the barbeque.

The reason why we hold an annual Back-to-School party is because we want the new and old students to come together, hang out, and get to know one another. We also discuss Youth Group responsibilities such as setting and cleaning up at different VCCAA events and festivals. We had a good turnout for both the Halloween Party and the Mid-Autumn Festival. Keep it up you guys! I hope to see all of you at the next event!

VCCAA Membership News

By Leslie Ling Sule, VCCAA Membership

We look forward to seeing you at all of our events. The 2007-2008 Membership Directory is now available! If you haven't already received a copy, keep your eyes on your mailbox. We've even had one new member join since our directory went to press. Please add this information to your membership lists.

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We'll see you at our next event!

Chinese Language School

By Lee-May Little, Chinese School Principal

Our Chinese School started September 7th, and it is so exciting to see 23 new faces. Even more thrilling, we have 17 high school students who have signed up to earn credit in their high schools toward their language requirement. A lot of students have told me that their credit class teacher, Ms. Irene Sy, really makes Chinese history, culture, and geography very interesting, opens their eyes to this unique, ancient land. We are very fortunate to have her teaching at our school. Keep up the good work, Irene, you make us proud.

We also want to welcome two wonderful new teachers. They are Ms. Juliet Sun, who teaches Pin-in I, and Ms. Wei-Hong Lee, who teaches Pin-Yin II.

The Chinese School would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr. S. K. Leong for donating a total of \$1000 in Staples gift certificate. He is a great benefactor of our High School Credit Class. We have used his gift card to reward our speech contest winners, and also to promote the Credit Class activities. We really appreciate Mr. Leong's generosity and support.

Lee May Little

Chester's Asia Chinese Restaurant Gift Certificates

By Vivian Goo

Thanks to our many members who love to eat at Chester's Asia Chinese Restaurant, we have sold all of

our Chester's Gift Certificates. Thank you Chester's Asia Chinese Restaurant for your continuous support of VCCAA!

VCCAA 2008 Scholarships

By Vivian Goo, President Scholarship Chair

VCCAA will be awarding 3 or more scholarships in 2008. The scholarships will range from \$500 to \$750 each. One scholarship will be awarded to a student attending a West Ventura County High School. The other scholarships are available to VCCAA family members. The scholarship application forms are enclosed in this newsletter and may also be obtained on the VCCAA web-site or from your West Ventura County High School scholarship counselor. All scholarship applications must be mailed to :

VCCAA Scholarship Committee
P.O. Box 806
Camarillo, CA 93011

and must be post marked on or before March 14, 2008. Please call Vivian Goo at (805) 482-6074 if you have any questions. The VCCAA would like to thank the Tony Chen family and the Angela Soo Hoo family for their generous and continuous support of our VCCAA scholarship program.

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