



ECCCA JUNE 2012 NEWSLETTER

President's Message

I am pleased to report that many activities are being planned for the second half of the year. Your support and participation of these activities are appreciated. If you can spend a few hours of your time to help out some of these events, please do not hesitate to contact the event organizers or let Janny Chow knows. Here is my brief report on various association activities:

Chinese Village and the Carrousel of the Nations

In conjunction with the celebration of the Carrousel of the Nations, the Chinese Village will be held on Saturday, June 23rd and Sunday, June 24th. Planning for this activity is underway under the direction of the organizers, Ralph Wong and Catherine Fung. The Lion Dance will kick off the event at 11:30 a.m. Members dressed in traditional Chinese costume will participate in the dragon parade (1:30 pm on Saturday and 2:30 pm on Sunday). The cultural performances including Tai Chi, Chinese Traditional Dances, Chinese instruments and songs will be conducted throughout the day. Children will be entertained by wearing and painting dragon masks. The main hall will also have several displays including refreshments. Red Sail Restaurant will provide Chinese food services to the public in the rear of the building. Danny Law will also conduct food demonstrations during the two days event. The closing time will be 7:30 p.m. We look forward to your participation to make the Chinese Village a success.

Canada Day Parade

Under the banner of the Chinese Community of Windsor, three Chinese associations including Chinese Benevolent Association (CBA), Chinese Association of Greater Windsor (CAGW) and our association will participate in this year's Canada Day Parade on Sunday, July 1st. Our Dragon Dance team will lead the parade and follow by CAGW Waist Drum Dance Group. CBA will organize the "drum and gong" group. We definitely need volunteers to help out as dragon dancers, photographers, drivers, etc. Please contact the Jian Li or the association if you are interested to assist this important event. A luncheon organized for all volunteers will be held in the association after the parade.

August Community Event

In order to celebrate the 65th anniversary of the establishment of the Chinese Immigrant Act and also honour the families of Chinese veterans in Windsor, a social evening is planned for Sunday, August 26. We also take this opportunity to bring the Chinese community groups in the city together for a social gathering. This event will be held at the Caboto Club. The program will commence at 5:00 P.M. with a buffet dinner around 5:30 P.M. After a brief ceremony, cultural performances will be conducted by various community groups and dancing under the tune of a DJ team will follow. Tickets will be on sale soon. It will be \$20 per adult and \$5 for senior citizen. Children under 12 years of age will be charged \$5 for a pizza dinner. Please mark your calendar to attend this meaningful event. The organizer is Ron Lam. Catherine Fung and Mable Cheng are coordinating the cultural performance program. We are seeking volunteers to assist association in this important community outreach activity.

New Horizons for Seniors Program

The Board is pleased to inform you that we have received a federal government funding of \$25,000.00 for the establishment of a Seniors Centre at the association. This centre will provide needed services to Chinese seniors in Windsor and Essex County. Our thanks to Albert Lo for leading the planning team for a successful application. A kick-off meeting was held in May and established a preliminary program to go forward. A committee was formed including the following members, Ron Lam (Chair), Ralph Wong (Vice Chair), Albert Lo, Catherine Fung, Shirley Jeun and Katherine Chan. A portion of the funding will be used to furnish the rear portion of the association building. The work will be administrated by the association's Building Committee (Stephen Tsui, Ron Lam, Jian Li and Peter Lui).

Summer students will be hired to assist the committee members in organizing various programs and activities.

Summer Student Applications

We have received government funding for two summer student positions. These positions are open to senior high school students or university students. Students must return to school in September this year in order to be qualified for the funding.

Qualification & Responsibility: Mature student (Senior Year High School students or University students) are required to carry out market research and conduct interviews with respect to the Association's Senior Centre development program as well as the publication of the Chinese Business and Professional Directory. Applicants should be able to speak English and Cantonese or Mandarin. In addition, the applicants may be required to carry out office duties or other works within the association as directed by the Board of Directors and Committee/Program Chairpersons.

Qualified applicants will attend an interview with the Selection Committee.

Please e-mail application and resume, no later than Friday, June 22, 2012 to:

Essex County Chinese Canadian Association
1420 Tecumseh Road East, Windsor, ON N8W 1C1
Fax : (519) 252-1320, E-mail: info@eccca.net

Social Day – Saturday, July 14th

A social gathering of our members will be held on Saturday, July 14 from 1:00 p.m. to 11:00 pm at the association. Mah-jong, dancing and karaoke, etc. will be part of the program. The Senior Centre Committee will also invite other Chinese senior citizens to this event. The organizer is Allen Liu. Details will follow.

Annual Golf Day – Wednesday , August 22nd

The annual fundraising golf tournament will be held on Wednesday, August 22 at the Sutton Creek Golf & Country Club. Tentatively, shotgun starts at 12:00 noon. Dinner will be held at the Red Sail Restaurant. The cost is \$150 per golfer including green fee, cart, dinner and prizes. Please contact Stephen Tsui or Janny Chow if you are interested to participate. Stephen Tsui, Thomas Wong, Wayne Chan and Danny Law are the organizers. Flyer for the event will be available shortly.

CIBC Run for the Cure & Dr. Michael Lai Walk-A-Thon

The association will participate in two health-related fundraising activities this year. CIBC Run for the Cure (Fundraising for Breast Cancer research) will be held on Sunday, September 30th and the date for the Dr. Michael Lai Walk-A-Thon (Fundraising for hospital facilities) is not yet known. Many members participated in these events in previous year. We look forward to your continued support. Betty-Lee Daigle and Mable Cheung will be the Co-Chairs for these activities. Details will follow.

Volunteer Appreciation Day – Saturday, September 15th

Many members have volunteered their valuable time to assist the association in various ways and capacity. They are cordially invited to attend a Volunteer Appreciation Day on September 15th at the association. Details will follow.

Membership Programs

Monday	7:30 to 9:30 pm	Ballroom Dance Class 1 st Hour : Line Dancing, 2 nd Hour : Ball Room Dancing
Tuesday	6:30 to 8:30 pm	Mandarin Class

Thursday	7:30 to 10:30 pm	International Ballroom Dance Class
Friday	7:00 to 11:00 pm 7:30 to 9:30 pm	Bridge Club Chinese Literature & Calligraphy Class
Saturday	10:00 am to 12:00 pm	Adult Fitness Dance Class
Sunday	9:30 to 11:30 am 1:00 to 3:00 pm 3:30 to 5:00 pm	Tai Chi Class Choir Yoga

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Director	Mable Cheung
Director	Thomas Wong

Membership Dues

Please remit your 2012 membership due at your earliest convenience. The fee is \$20 for Family Member and \$10 for Single. Senior membership is \$10 (voluntarily). Membership income contributes significantly to the association's operation.

List of Donors : Please refer to the attached copy.

