

Halton Region Chinese Canadian Association

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2011 Annual General Meeting

Sunday, December 18, 2011, 1:00 pm Red Maple Buffet Restaurant, Burlington

Guest Speaker: Maimouna Younglai-Case
"I Survived Qingdao Summer Camp"

AGENDA

1. Minutes of 2010 Annual General Meeting

Motion: "That the Minutes of the 2010 Annual General Meeting be approved."

2. President's Report

Motion: "That the President's Report be received."

3. Treasurer's Report

Motion: "That the Treasurer's Report be received."

4. Election of Board of Directors

Motion: "That the following members be elected to the Board of Directors for the term of 2012-2013:

"Ms Jing Guo

"Ms Paula Lam

"Mr Johnathan Lang

"Mr Jason Lok

"Mr Paul Viscusi."

(Note: They will join the following current Board members whose term expires on December 31, 2012:

Mr Allon Lo, President

Mrs Mary Lui, Past President

Mrs Frances Chui, Secretary

Mr Ho Wong, Treasurer

Ms Amy Ho

Mr Louis Tsai.)

- 5. Results of the Ideas Forum, November 20, 2011
- 6. Other Businesses
 - Chinese New Year Gala—Saturday, January 28, 2012, Summit Garden Seafood Restaurant, in support of HRCCA new programs
 - Award of 2011 HRCCA Scholarships
- 7. Adjournment

Motion: "That the 2011 Annual General Meeting be adjourned."

Minutes of 2010 Annual General Meeting

December 19, 2010, 11:30 am, Red Maple Buffet Restaurant, Burlington

1. Minutes of 2009 Annual General Meeting

Motion: "That the Minutes of the 2009 Annual General Meeting be approved."

Moved by Alex Lui and seconded by Allan Lo. Carried unanimously.

2. President's Report

Allan Lo as the sitting President of HRCCA noted an increased participation/attendance in HRCCA's functions in 2010, but the active membership level remained rather stagnant. He stressed the organization has to be more inclusive and democratic in order to encourage more new local residents to participate.

Motion: "That the President's Report be received."

Moved by Eddie Shao and seconded by Frank Tong. Carried unanimously.

3. Treasurer's Report

Ho Wong gave a brief summary of the financial situation of HRCCA . Details of the treasurer's report and financial statement were listed in the AGM annual report and agenda.

Motion: "That the Treasurer's Report be received."

Moved by Connie Lee and seconded by Susan Liang. Carried unanimously.

4. Constitution and By-laws No. 1 and 2

Motion: "That the Proposed Constitution for the Halton Region Chinese Canadian Association, as circulated prior to the Annual General Meeting, be approved."

Moved by Eddie Shao and seconded by Mary Lui. Carried unanimously.

There was an amendment to Bylaw No.2 on Scholarship circulated prior to the commencement of the AGM. Discussion ensued and the following motion was put forward.

Motion: "That Proposed Association By-laws No. 2, as circulated prior to the Annual General Meeting, be amended by replacing the last sentence with 'In the event that a Selection Committee member has a family member or close relative among the applicants, that person is to step down from the Selection Committee.'"

Moved by Brian Ericksson and seconded by Judy Shao. Carried.

Motion: "That Proposed Association By-laws No. 1 and 2 as circulated prior to the Annual General Meeting and as amended, be approved."

Moved by Doris Wong and seconded by Connie Lee. Carried unanimously.

5. Election of 2011-2012 Board of Directors

Motion: "That the following members be elected as the Association's Board of Directors for the term of 2011-2012:

President—Mr Allan Lo Past President—Mrs Mary Lui Secretary—Mrs Frances Chui Treasurer—Mr Ho Wong Director—Ms Amy Ho Director—Dr Alex Lui Director—Mr Louis Tsai Director—Mrs Shirley Wong"

Moved by Eddie Shao and seconded by Chiang Wong. Carried unanimously.

6. Other Businesses and Announcements

- The Chinese New Year 10th Anniversary Fundraising Dinner will be held on Sunday, February 13, 2011 at Burlington Convention Centre, in support of Oakville Hospital Foundation's campaign for the new Oakville-Trafalgar Memorial Hospital. Mary Lui, the event coordinator, gave a brief highlight of the upcoming event and emphasized the importance of the future role of the new hospital in Halton Region.
- The award of 2010 HRCCA Scholarship going to Andrew Wong was announced, which will be formally presented at the CNY event.

7. Adjournment

Motion: "That the 2010 Annual General Meeting be adjourned."

Moved by Doris Wong and seconded by Doris Chiang. Carried unanimously

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2011 Activities and Special Events

Activities/Events	Date & Location		
Saturday Mandarin Class	Weekly at Blakelock High School, Oakville		
Sunday Recreation	Weekly at Brant Hills Community Centre, Burlington		
Chinese New Year Fundraising Banquet	February 13, 2011 at Burlington Convention Centre in support of the new Oakville-Trafalgar Memorial Hospital		
Halton Multicultural Council "Halton Meets East" Annual Fundraising Gala	April 30, 2011 at St Volodyrmyr Cultural Centre in Oakville, supported by HRCCA and attended by several Directors and members		
Multiculturalism Day	June 24, 2011 at Bronte Creek Provincial Park, Oakville		
HRCCA Scholarship Program	Annual award winner announced in June 2011		
Oakville Dragon Boat Festival - HRCCA Team	August 14, 2011 at Kelso Conservation Park, Milton		
Mid Autumn Festival	September 17, 2011 at Burlington Seniors Centre		
Ideas Forum	November 20, 2011 at Brant Hills Community Centre, Burlington		
Christmas Luncheon & Annual General Meeting	December 18, 2011 at Red Maple Restaurant in Burlington		
Halton Police Chief Forum	Two to three times annually at Halton Regional Centre		

President's Report

Allan Lo

As we celebrate the tenth anniversary of HRCCA, one could not help but wonder what will the next ten years be like for our organization. Indeed we are at a crossroad and we need to move forward with new ideas, new programs and more importantly, a renewed sense of purpose and value. We will need our members' help in formalizing a vision and a mission statement for HRCCA in the coming year. We will move forward positively in an inclusive and democratic environment. We will provide better service and support for our members based on our core value and objectives. We will make HRCCA a strong and united voice for all Chinese Canadians in Halton Region. And it is my extreme pleasure to welcome some young, energetic and passionate members to our Board of Directors in the coming years. With your help, we WILL grow the tree that was planted ten years ago. Thank you ALL.

Treasurer's Report

Ho Wong

The operations in 2011 resulted in a surplus of \$2,337.38. Net revenues form membership fees, the gym program and the Chinese New Year event supported operating expenses and other programs.

Programs	2010 Net Amount			2011 Net Amount
Membership Fees	\$1,410.00	\$1,240.00	\$10.00	\$1,230.00
Operating Expenses	(\$500.73)	\$148.49	\$591.58	(\$443.09)
Gym Program	\$1,342.22	\$6,237.00	\$4,962.33	\$1,274.67
Chinese New Year Event	\$1,330.45	\$61,858.38	\$60,545.51	\$1,312.87
Summer Picnic	(\$892.01)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Mid-Autumn Festival	(\$416.40)	\$2,389.55	\$2,681.92	(\$292.37)
Dragon Boat Festival	(\$570.00)	\$940.00	\$1,265.40	(\$325.40)
Ideas Forum	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$425.30	(\$425.30)
GIC Interests	\$14.94	\$6.00	\$0.00	\$6.00
Total	\$1,718.47	\$72,819.42	\$70,482.04	\$2,337.38

As of December 18, 2011, HRCCA has total assets in the amount of \$19,628.66 in operating funds, a Disaster Relief Reserve Fund of \$915.00, and a Scholarship Endowment Fund of \$23,159.36 (as of December 31, 2010).

Assets & Funds	2010 Balance	2011 Revenues	2011 Expenses	2011 Net Amount	2011 Balance
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Cash and Bank Account	\$12,983.21	\$72,813.42	\$70,482.04	\$2,331.38	\$15,314.59
GIC	\$4,308.07	\$6.00	\$0.00	\$6.00	\$4,314.07
Total Assets	\$17,291.28	\$72,819.42	\$70,482.04	\$2,337.38	\$19,628.66
Disaster Relief Reserve Fund	\$915.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$915.00
	2009 Balance	2010 Revenues	2010 Expenses	2010 Net Amount	2010 Balance
Scholarship Endowment Fund	\$21,007.03	\$3,152.33	\$1,000.00	\$2,152.33	\$23,159.36

AS of December 18, 2011, there are 100 active members and 46 inactive ones (who have not renewed their membership for the past three years but remain on the Association's mailing list).

Introducing New Members of the Board

Jing Guo is an undergraduate student at McMaster University. She is representing the raising young generation of the Mandarin speaking Chinese Canadians. After winning the HRCCA scholarship this year, she has gotten to know more about the Association and wants to get involved and contribute her skills/experiences to help HRCCA grow.

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Paula Lam is the Public Education Coordinator at SAVIS (the Sexual Assault and Violence Intervention Services of Halton). She also works as a crisis line counsellor for assaulted women and seniors. She holds a Master of Arts degree in Sociology from the University of Toronto and has worked for various social service agencies in areas such as education, child welfare, and diversity and equity. She has experience with event coordination and volunteer management and a passion for social justice and working with youth.

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Johnathan Lang is an undergraduate student at McMaster University studying Honours Bachelor of Commerce. He has been a part of HRCCA for many years, volunteering and participating in many different events. Joining the Board of Directors of 2012 is an exciting new level of involvement where he hopes to help HRCCA grow as a community organization.

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Jason Lok is a graduate from McMaster University and has worked in the web and creative media industry for the past 10 years. Aside from sports and outdoor activities, he invests time to develop relationships in life coaching, equipping upcoming leaders at his home church and engaging people in communities. As a Canadianborn Chinese, Jason has a keen interest for Chinese cuisine, appreciation for his heritage, and trying to keep up with modern trends and culture from the East.

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Paul Viscusi has been a volunteer for many years for various organizations. His interest in Chinese culture and bringing people together to build connections through leadership will help HRCCA grow. His recent initiative to lead the Ideas Forum will hopefully help integrate members through new activities and social events. Paul has an education background in Police Foundations and Insurance.

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The Board continues to look for new Directors to help shape and invigorate the Association. If you are interested in becoming a member of the Board, please contact any Director.

2011 Highlights

Sunday Recreation

HRCCA offers both badminton and line dance activities every Sunday from 3 to 5pm at Brant Hills Community Centre in Burlington. All members and their children 12 years and older



are welcome. Currently there are about 30 participants each Sunday. The fee is \$50 every 3 calendar months for each active member, who is allowed to bring one child (age 18 or under) free of charge. In spite of the increase in rental fees for the facility, the program continues to be self-sufficient. Come join us and have fun!

Chinese New Year Fund-raising Dinner

With a larger venue at the Burlington Convention Centre, this year's gala dinner was able to host over 500 guests and raised \$25,744 for

the Oakville Hospital Foundation to support the new Oakville Trafalgar hospital. The food was catered by Summer Garden Seafood Restaurant, our long-time partner in CNY events and maintained its high standards.



The entertainment program was highly praised with its feature performance of the traditional Chinese art "Face Changing" by Harry Hu, a fashion show by Adrian Wu, and numerous cultural dances and songs.



Jing Guo of Aldershot High School in Burlington was selected as the winner of the 2011 HRCCA Scholarship Award. Jing is an exceptional student who excels in many aspects of her life. Her leadership roles included creating a Global Awareness committee within the student council to promote multiculturalism with an emphasis on Chinese culture, raising funds for various worthy causes, designing and coordinating a student voice forum, and leading the Link crew which organizes activities and orientation for new grade 9 students. Jing has also spent many hours volunteering

for the Elder Life Program and emergency department at Joseph Brant Hospital, and other charitable organizations such as the Canadian Diabetes Association and the Kidney Foundation. In spite of her busy school and extracurricular activities, she works part-time at restaurants to supplement her family's modest income. She is attending McMaster University majoring in Life Sciences. This year the scholarship was awarded in memory of Mrs Lily Chan.



Through the generosity of the Chan family, a special one-time secondary award in memory of Mrs Lily Chan has also been made to Ilish Chan of E. C. Drury High School in Milton. Ilish has been helping Chinese students learn English at the Milton Baptist Church where he promotes Chinese culture. In addition, he is a 5-year veteran goalie on a multi-cultural team in the Toronto Power Wheelchair hockey league. Chan is studying Geography at the University of Guelph.

Dragon Boat Competition

What lt season!!! was another great year of paddling. We had a lot of new faces this year and paddled really well. Thank you to all those who came and hope to see you again



next year. If you would like more information or are interested in joining the team for 2012, please e-mail John Lang at lang.johnathan@gmail.com. Take care and have a great New Year!

Mid-Autumn Festival

Our Mid-Autumn Festival Celebration was held on September. 17, 2011 at the Burlington Senior Center and it was attended by over 170 guests, performers and volunteers. This year we returned to the dinner, show and dance format after two years of experimentation with the variety show format. Either format has its own merit but our goal will be to reach out to as many members and guests as possible. Family and children will continue to be our main focus. As seen in the photo, kids always have a blast with Chang-Er.



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Objectives 宗旨

Promoting multi-culturalism, fostering understanding, interaction and harmony between Chinese Community and society at large 提倡多元文化, 促進華人與其他社區間的和諧交往與了解

Promoting and preserving Chinese culture and heritage 推廣和保存中華文化與傳統

Promoting active citizenship and providing support to other local non-profit and charitable organizations and community projects 提高公民意識及支持其他非牟利或慈善團體的社區活動

Identifying and addressing relevant social, cultural, educational and recreational issues and needs 致力於各有關社會, 文化, 教育及文娛康樂事宜

Promoting networking among the Chinese community 加強華人社區的人際關係網

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