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Greetings from the President

Happy New Year to all! I hope you all had a joyous holiday with your family and friends.

Our annual Christmas celebration was well attended by our members. The celebration began with numerous delicious food offerings bought by our members and friends. Then we enjoyed watching the intricate movements of our Chinese dancers in their gorgeous costumes. Their new costumes added color and beauty to their dances.

Their performances were truly beautiful works of art. Our Chinese Language School students also did a great job in their presentation. The children especially enjoyed the balloon making and the tricks demonstrated by the magician. Everyone especially the children waited and enjoyed the visit by Santa. I would like to thank Lee-May Little and Juliet Sun for planning and coordinating this event.

Our next event will be a celebration of Chinese New Year. We will be sharing this event with our community. VCCAA will be holding this event on February 10th 2007 from 2pm to 4pm at Constitution Park in the Pavilion area. Constitution Park is on Carmen Drive in Camarillo. The New Year celebration will include Classical Chinese dancers, Lion dancing and demonstration, a Chinese calligraphy booth and a Chinese souvenir booth. The celebration is open and free to all in the community. I feel that celebrating Chinese New Year in this manner enables VCCAA to educate and spread our culture in the community. We would appreciate if all our members can try to attend and help us in this celebration.

Wishing you all a happy and prosperous Chinese New Year!

Barbara Chieu

President 2006-2007



Christmas Party!

By Juliet Sun Simmons & Lee-May Little

We were glad to have about 200 people attend our annual Christmas Party on December 9th, 2006. The members brought tasty and creative dishes to share, and everyone enjoyed the delicious food. Mrs. Lu's dance group entertained us. At the party the dancers were presented with their Gold and Silver Awards that they won in the recent Southern California Chinese Dance Competition. We are all very impressed with their achievements and are really proud of them. Also a big thank you is in store to the Chinese School for their poem. Then we had Gymie-Jo

the Clown to cheer the children with animal balloons and magic tricks. The evening ended with a surprise visit by Santa, who brought gifts for all the children. Thank you to all the people who helped make this holiday event successful, and a special thank you to our MC's, Christine Yim and Simon Lee.

You can find lots of pictures of this event on our web site, www.vccaa.org/pictures/xmas06/index.html.

Scholarship News

By Vivian Goo, Scholarship Chair

The forms for the VCCAA 2007 scholarships can be found on our VCCAA web-site. All members of VCCAA families that are eligible are encouraged to apply. Also scholarship forms will be sent to all High Schools located in West Ventura County in December 2006. All students that attend schools in West Ventura County may also apply. Students applying who are VCCAA family members will be eligible to compete for the following scholarships:

One- \$500 VCCAA Scholarship that is open to all West Ventura County Students

One- \$750 William Soo Hoo Scholarship

One- \$750 Tony Chen Scholarship

Additional VCCAA \$500 scholarships that may be available during the year as funds may become available

One- \$500 scholarship will be awarded to an eligible high school senior in our youth group that has continually participated in supporting VCCAA in our activities

The deadline for applications is March 30, 2007.

Scholarship applications have been sent to West Ventura County schools.

Upcoming Event Chinese New Year Party

When: Saturday, February 10, 2:00 PM

Where: Constitution Park, Camarillo

Carmen Dr. and Paseo Camarillo

Contact: Barbara Chieu (805) 987-1893

We will be celebrating Chinese New Year by having a demonstration by the Lion Dance group and a

performance by our Chinese dancers at Constitution Park in Camarillo. This event will be open to the public and will be free. This event will be held on February 10th 2007 from 2pm to 3:30pm. We may also sell non food item to raise money for our organization.

Upcoming Event

Easter Egg Hunt

When: Saturday, April 7, 12:30 PM

Where: Ling Ranch

3748 Groves Pl., Somis

(805) 386-4188

Contact: Lesley Sule (805) 445-9425

The Annual Easter Egg Hunt is on! Join us on Saturday, April 7th, 2007 at the Ling Ranch at 12:30 PM for BBQ, Games and the Hunt. For each child

participating, please bring an Easter basket and 2 dozen filled Easter eggs. We will be providing a simple BBQ lunch for all and games for the kids. We look forward to seeing all of you then!

Lesley Sule
Easter Egg Hunt Chairman

VCCAA Membership News

By Leslie Ling Sule, VCCAA Membership

The new membership directory for 2006-2007 has been sent out to everyone. If you have not received a copy, please let us know. Since the publication of this directory, we have new members who have joined us. We look forward to meeting all of you at our future events.

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Chinese Language School

By Lee-May Little, Chinese School Principle

We can't believe that the first semester has gone so quickly. Everyone is preparing for final exams. The second semester will start February 9.

Our next big event will be our annual Speech Context, to be held in April.

Our Conversational Class teacher, Ms. Dolly Lee, is leaving us to pursue personal interests. We are very

sorry to see her go. She has been one of our most dedicated teachers for many years. Best wishes to her on her future endeavors.

Ms. Ying Chen will be joining our teaching staff for the second semester..

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GPA _____ Highest SAT I Score _____

Is your GPA based on a 4-point or a 5-point system? (circle one) 4 or 5

SAT II Subject & Scores _____
ACT (if applicable) Score _____
AP Subject & Scores _____

College/University major that you plan to claim _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Requirements for applying for Scholarships:

College bound and senior on February 1, 2007 at high schools within West Ventura County
Or VCCAA family member.

One essay on What I am doing now and what I am going to do seven years from now.

One essay describing what kind of role you have played in promoting the understanding of
Chinese cultural heritage and/or suggestion to VCCAA that it can play to improve the
harmony between ethnic groups in a multicultural community.

Complete this application, attach your two essays, official sealed school transcript, and copy
of SAT I, SAT II, ACT(if applicable) and AP score sheet.

List of varsity sport, other extra curricula activities and any special honours.

All applications must be **postmarked on or before March 30, 2007 mail to:**

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Upcoming Events

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Easter Egg Hunt	April 7, 2007 Saturday, 12:30 PM	Ling Ranch 3748 Groves Pl., Somis	Lesley Sule (805) 445-9425
Memorial Day Picnic	May 28, 2007 Monday, 11:00 AM	Pleasant Valley Park 1030 Temple Ave, Camarillo	Leslie Jue (805) 525-9562



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