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OCCA 2013 Annual Picnic Announcement

Dear all OCCA members and friends,

The OCCA is excited again to be part of your summer this year. The Summer Picnic is on June 22 (Saturday) and we would like to cordially invite you and your family to join fellow community members in this fun filled summer picnic. There will be a lot of food, barbecue (BBQ), games and fun for everyone.

Your participation is the key to make this event a very successful one. Let us join together and enjoy the summer.

Location: Mary H. Harriman Memorial Park (Meadow Ave, Harriman, NY 10926)

Date: June 22 (Saturday), Rain or Shine

Time: 11am -5 pm

This summer picnic includes various sports, games, riddles, contests, and entertainment throughout the day. We will be voting for a "Best Dish" for the picnic so please bring a favorite dish of yours and a drink for sharing and competition.

Preventing Heatstroke Tips



Heatstroke is the leading cause of non-crash, vehicle-related deaths for children. On average, every 10 days a child dies from heatstroke in a vehicle.

Reduce the number of deaths from heatstroke by remembering to **ACT**.

A: Avoid heatstroke-related injury and death by never leaving your child alone in a car, not even for a minute. And make sure to keep your car locked when you're not in it so kids don't get in on their own.

C: Create reminders by putting something in the back of your car next to your child such as a briefcase, a purse or a cell phone that is needed at your final destination. This is especially important if you're not following your normal routine.

T: Take action. If you see a child alone in a car, call 911. Emergency personnel want you to call. They are trained to respond to these situations. One call could save a life.



中文学校 Field Day 集锦 (15-Jun-2013)

The activities of the first OCCA Field Day were a huge success. There were a total fourteen events including origami and face painting to Frog Jump Game and the Egg Relay Game. The Field Day was enjoyed by all those students who participated. The older children and other volunteers were set to run the activities also found themselves enjoying them as much as the younger children did. The greatest part of Field Day was the goldfish awarded to all the students upon completion of all the Field Day events. The children were so excited to bring home live goldfish.



Shuttlecock Game



Origami Masters: Li Na & Tracy



Face Painting Artist Juliet Babyak



Frog Jump Game



Go Fishing



Bowling Game



Potato Sacks



Ball Toss



Taking home live goldfish



Washer Toss



Donkey & Tail

中文学校历史溯源

Brief History of OCCS

万事开头难，何况白手兴办学校？设置课程，招收学生，募捐教师，添置教材教具……哪一项不需要投入大量的时间和精力？但是却因此每做一件事，都是有新鲜的趣味。每星期日下午，中文学校开始之前，家长们分工合作，排桌椅，整理教室。教学开始后，家长们便聚集在 St. Paul 教会的厨房，分享示范各人专长与讲座（日後會与大家分享一些当年的话题）。学生除了学习语言教学之外，当年有丰富的课外文化教学（见附图）。如中国摺纸，毛笔字，中国画，初期中文电脑和学生最喜爱的-中国民间故事。每次听完故事后，学生们都画一幅铅笔画，描写故事中的主角。这样，他们就对故事有特别的记忆。因为华人协会与中文学校初建立，缺乏资源和联系。为了1988年春節联欢会筹备，中文学校学生们课余合作自制一个狮子头，用于新年舞狮之用。虽然成品并不如商品美观，却因是自己制造的，特别感觉满足。并带来合作的经验，有决心就能克服困难。学生们也增加对上中文学校的兴趣。这狮子头和尾使用了好几年。附图就是那狮子的照片，取自当年新闻报。

学生曾经学习过的民间故事文化课有如中国出名小说，水浒传，和中国古蹟，西安兵马俑，等。附图包括一些学生课后的铅笔画。今天看来还津津有味。（梁北生）

---纽约橙郡华人协会/中文学校历届會長/校長---

	會長	校長
1986-1987		關惠蓮
1987-1988	林瓊華	梁北生
1988-1989	林瓊華 馬宏昂	梁北生
1989-1990	梁北生	林啟岩
1990-1991	梁北生	林常曾
1991-1992	關惠蓮	盧同威 宋銘孫
1992-1993	林啟岩	宋銘孫
1993-1994	林啟岩	宋銘孫
1994-1995	邱偉民	方教正
1995-1996	邱偉民	方教正
1996-1997	劉錦隆	方教正
1997-1998	方教正	郭建新
1998-1999	方教正	郭建新
1999-2000	于健中	王淑美
2000-2001	于健中	王淑美
2001-2002	王淑美	朱天民
2002-2003	王淑美	姚國偉
2003-2004	符明發	姚國偉
2004-2005	符明發	劉東舟
2005-2006	符明發	劉東舟 何謙
2006-2007	劉東舟	何謙
2007-2008	劉東舟	凌珊珊
2008-2009	劉東舟	魯平
2009-2010	劉東舟	魯平
2010-2011	社金林	宋建成
2011-2012	社金林	宋建成
2012-2013	魯平	許國揚
2013-2014	蔣清平	何謙

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摺紙



初期中文電腦



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中文学校 OCCS Fire Drill

六月一日上午十点二十分，铃声大作，在副校长 Ken Chan 的主导下，中文学校 Fire Drill 正式开始。学生们，老师们及家长们在校长何谦，协会董事吴开文和吴康建的引导下，安静而有序地离开教室经由不同的紧急出口在室外指定的集合地点集合。老师们清点各自班上人数，Chan 副校长也于此同时逐一检查每一个教室。在确定所有学生及家长都聚集在室外指定的各集合地点之后，Chan 副校长给出“Clear”信号。得益于老师们的细心协助，以往 Fire Drill 的经验，本次 Fire Drill 举办得非常成功！

何谦校长感谢各位学生，老师及家长在这次活动中的积极协助。她指出，“教书育人是我们中文学校很重要的工作，但维护学生安全更重要。”



中文学校 Bake Sale

中文学校一月一次的 Bake Sale 在 PTA 的主持下于六月一日课间休期间举行。家长们为了支持中文学校，特意烘烤了新鲜糕点以供义卖。此次她们为学生们带来了 Cup Cake，饼干，Brownie 等健康食品。

PTA 是中文学校一支非常活跃的家长团队，在 Mary Ann McCullough 太太的领导下默默的支持中文学校的工作，而 Bake Sale 则是 PTA 的经典之作。



OCCS's Student Christy Lau Takes AP Chinese Exam

Orange County Chinese School had its first student take the AP Chinese Language and Culture Exam last month, Christy Lau, a Warwick Valley High School senior. She will be graduating from OCCS this month, after having attended and studied Chinese with the school for almost 10 years.

According to Christy, the AP exam was very similar to the SAT II Chinese test, with just a few more components. She said that she felt very prepared for the test, and was thankful to OCCS for having taught her so much. For Christy the exam served as a means to measure her Chinese capacity after years of learning and mastering the language. Hoping for a 5 on the exam, the highest possible grade, Christy still plans on studying Chinese during college. The AP Chinese Language and Culture Exam consists of two sections. Section one is all multiple choice questions, which focuses on listening and reading. Section two is free response, in the form of writing and speaking. The test lasts around two hours and 15 minutes and is all computer-based. That is, the student reads from the computer screen, listens through headphones, types using the keyboard, and speaks into a microphone. Any student interested in this exam should visit the College Board website to get further information and practice.

毕业生寄语

又是一个学业丰收的季节，又是一个振奋人心的时刻！刘嘉敏，蒋苏珊和施家玮三位同学今年六月将以优异的成绩从我们橙郡中文学校毕业了！刘嘉敏同学是我们中文学校创办二十多年来第一个参加中文 AP 考试，并取得优秀成绩的学生；蒋苏珊同学也参加了中国汉办举办的 HSK 汉语水平考试和中文 SAT 考试，并取得了良好成绩；施家玮同学不但积极参加中文学校的各项活动，而且是一个孩子们喜爱的抖空竹小老师。刘嘉敏，蒋苏珊和施家玮三位都是勤奋刻苦的优秀学生，中文学校以你们为骄傲！中学毕业只是人生道路上的一个驿站，今后有更广阔的天地任你们驰骋，有更美好的前程任你们去展望。我们全体老师和在校的每一位同学们都衷心地祝愿刘嘉敏，施家玮和蒋苏珊三位同学愉快地走进他们的梦想大学校园，带着我们中文学校那些美好和难忘的记忆，开始他们人生的另一个全新的，成功的旅程。刘嘉敏，施家玮和蒋苏珊：我们为你们喝彩，我们为你们加油！（何谦）



L to R: Christy, Susan, and James



Car Wash Sign Prepared By Robert Hui



Volunteering is fun!



Team Effort

OCCA Car Wash

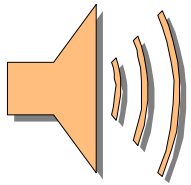
On June 15, 2013, OCCA organized a car wash event at the Chinese School. The Car Wash was a one of the new way for OCCA to raise fund for Chinese School. The car wash gave students and volunteers a chance to reconnect, have fun, and give back to their OCCA community as well. There was no set price for the car wash; all the money raised was from the generous donations given to us by the patrons. With that, the OCCA also gave away free Chapstick and free soy sauce and vinegar to anybody who had their car washed. The car wash, altogether, was a success with all the funds raised, but also in allowing the whole OCCA to come together and work for a better future for the Association.

Special Thanks to the following individuals who contributed their precious time to the Car Wash event:

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| Jessie shih | Christy Shih |
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High School Seniors in Service



Announcements

Do you have an advertisement you would like included in next two issues? Here's what to do...

Submitting ads for inclusion in the Newsletter:

- ❖ Ad deadline for hardcopy will be the last Monday of each month.
- ❖ Ads will not be rerun each month. Ads will need to be resubmitted for the following month.
- ❖ Ads must include the following information (ads missing this information may not be printed)
 - Title
 - Category: Cars & Cycles; Commuters; Donations/Volunteers; Free Giveaways; Merchandise for Sale; Real Estate for Sale; Real Estate for Rent; Services or Wanted
 - Description
 - Price
 - Contact Name
 - Contact Phone Number
 - Ads can be submitted by emailing xiuquanshi25@gmail.com or jiangq01@gmail.com.

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