SCCS Newsletter



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Enjoy the summer vacation and See you in September!

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Community News

- On May 18th, SCCS (Southeastern Connecticut Chinese School) held its 33rd annual Talent Show at ELHS auditorium. There were 27 performances ranging from singing, dancing, stage plays, to story-telling. Please read more from the report on page 2.
- With the close of the talent show curtain, SCCS finished the 2013 - 2014 academic year. We thank all the teachers for their hard work, and congratulate all students for their achievements. Please look for an announcement in middle of August for registration information for the upcoming 2014-2015 academic year.
- SCCS will provide summer Chinese classes for those who want to continue their Chinese learning in the summer. Please contact Mr. Dehua Chen (<u>dchen@ctsccs.org</u>) for registration.



SCCS Talent Show

- SECCCS (Southeastern Connecticut Chinese Culture Society) and SCCS will jointly hold an annual Day of Family Sports and Picnic on June 14th at Washington Park in Groton, CT. This event is open to all SECCCS members, and SCCS teachers, students and parents. Please register here.
- During the summer, several SCCS Chinese teachers will go to Jinan University in Guangzhou, China and an StarTalk Teaching Program in Maine for their continuous educational training in Chinese teaching.

2014 SCCS Talent Show Commentary

Shush... be quiet. Listen, the rain just stopped. Watch, the flowers started blossoming. Spring was here and the annual Talent Show was about to begin. Our lovely young students came out to the stage with smiles.

The song of <Just Like You> from the famous singer – Ms. Yuchun Li's album and performed by two pretty host-esses enlightened the audience immediately. The beautiful dresses of girls in <Dai Minority Dance> had one wondering whether it was also a fashion show. I would recommend we have a Fashion Award in future talent shows. I highly complimented the little girl in <Jazz Dance> not only for her wonderful dancing but also for her mature appearance on stage.

Next, we saw how SCCS kids graded their parents in <Let Us Appraise Our Dads>, which I am sure will remind us that we shall continue to serve as examples for our kids. Two students in <My Chinese Dream> spoke what is in the minds of those who live in overseas. I was very pleased to see many students from lower grades telling stories in Chinese at the show. It was indeed challenging for them to tell stories in Chinese, but it's an important way to practice one's spoken Chinese. You should start thinking to prepare a story for your child to tell in Chinese in the next talent show.

What a surprise to see a group of modern overseas teenagers accurately replicating the feeling of people in the era of Republic of China (1921-1949) in their performance of <See a Friend Off>. Another surprise at the end... The famous Buddhist monk* and his apprentices came overseas to the stage in the play of <New Version of Pilgrimage to the West>. If you want to know what happens to them in our community, please come back to see our next talent show in 2015. (唐僧 is a famous Tang dynasty Buddhist monk and translator, who lived in Xuanzang era (602 - 664 A.D.) and traveled to India during 629 - 645 A.D.)



Violin Class (Ms. Julie Tan)



Chinese1B Class (Ms. Joyce Tan)



Dancing Class (Ms. Emily Tan)



Little Crayon (Ms. Helen Gu)



My Chinese Dream

Derek Shen and Connor Riodan



See a Friend OffSee Paul Chang, Victoria Chen, Jason Feng, Christine Jahn, Benjamin Xie



New Version of <Pilgrimage To the West> Chinese 5I Class (Ms. Liurong Luo)



Flute Class (Ms. Catherine Wu)



Arianna Xie and Summer Sit

SCCS Held Its First "Panda Cup" International Chess Tournament

The First SCCS "Panda Cup" International Chess tournament was held on April 21st and 28th. This tournament aims to inspire our students and children in our community to learn to play chess and to pro-

vide a platform for them to gain competition experience. Participants included SCCS students in Mr. Edward Yang's Chess classes and children in our community. During the competition, the players respected each other, discussed strategies and moves after each match, and learned valuable lessons from each other. Winners were selected based on accumulative scores over two days. For group I of 5 to 8 year-old players, the winners are Charles Yang, Jiong Li, David Lu. Matthew Hryn, Avni Kabra and Riddhi Venkatesh: For group II of over 8 year old players, the winners are Samuel Yang, Aden Lu, David Li, Aditya Kalva, Lucas Chrostowski, and Charles Zhang. (By Coach Edward Yang)











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