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2012 SCCS General Member Meeting

Bintao Feng

Members of the Southern Connecticut Chinese School (SCCS) convened for the yearly General Member Meeting on May 6th, 2012 in Southern Connecticut State University's Engleman Hall. During the meeting, the Board of Directors, the School Management Team, and PTA members gave annual reports to members of the school. The results of the general election are as follows:

Jinhua Sun, re-elected as Principal of the SCCS 2012-2013
Henan Cheng, Changjiu Dang, Derong Gu, and Yongnian Sun,
elected to the Board of Directors, 2012-2014
Board Director Yan Huang,
selected by the Board elect as PTA President, 2012-2013

We expect that under the new leadership of the Board of Directors, all members will continue to collaborate to promote an era of new prosperity for the SCCS.



Announcement of Graduation Ceremony

Jianyu Zheng

The third graduation ceremony of the SCCS will be held in auditorium C112 of Engleman Hall from 1:20 to 3:00 on May 13th. The graduation ceremony guest speaker will be Dr. Yuhang Rong, Assistant Dean at the Neag School of Education at the University of Connecticut. During the ceremony, Principal Jinhua Sun will issue diplomas to the graduating class and certificates recognizing academic excellence to various members of the eighth, ninth, and tenth grades. Additionally, the graduating class will perform a violin/poetic recitation rendition of *The Butterfly Lovers* and present the results of their SCCS education. After the graduation ceremony, SCCS will host a celebratory reception for graduating students, parents, and guests.

Announcement of SCCS Chinese Summer Camp

Ninghui Liang

The fourth year of the SCCS Chinese Summer Camp will take place at Southern Connecticut State University from August 13th to August 24th. In addition to two hours of Chinese class, each day of the camp will include classes in math, science, and computer programming and cultural activities such as dance, Kung Fu, drawing, chess, calligraphy, and Chinese arts and crafts. With highly experienced teachers, engaging classes, diverse activities, and a safe and comfortable environment, this summer camp will ensure a happy, relaxed, and meaningful summer experience for both you and your children. For detailed registration information and requirements, please visit the school website: www.ynhchineseschool.org

Teacher Meeting

Ninghui Liang

On April 29th, 2012, the entire SCCS faculty convened for a teachers' meeting. During the meeting, school provost Ninghui Liang arranged end of term activities such as final examinations, parent meetings, and student assessments. Next, teachers discussed the results of the trial run of the textbook series *Easy Steps to Chinese* and provided valuable insights on how best to use these textbooks. Principal Jinhua Sun also attended this meeting and decided to continue award teachers who have reached milestone anniversaries at school. The teacher honorees this year are:

- Shujun Liu 10 years
- Huilin Qi 5 years
- Ning Xie 5 years
- Ruhua Yang 5 years
- Xiaoguang Zhang 5 years



YCT Honorees

Ninghui Liang

On March 25th 2012, the 31 5th grade students of the SCCS participated in the YCT (Youth Chinese Test) at 4th level (the highest). Jason Gao earned a perfect score of 300 points with full scores in the listening, reading, and writing components. Twelve students averaged above 90 percent, who are:

- Jason Gao
- Berkley Fang
- Kevin Li
- Angela Ji
- Andrew Luo
- Christopher Wu
- Svea Cheng
- Lauren Guo
- Cindy Guo
- Eva Hu
- Christine Tong
- Jenny S Wang

In 2011, forty 5th grade students of the SCCS participated in the YCT at 4th level. 22 students averaged above 90 percent. Among those, Sarina Sun and Henry Hu are the highest scorers.



Math Olympiad Competition

Helen Tsai

The math Olympiad Competition for elementary and middle school students is a series of five monthly contests from November to February. Each contest consists of five questions drawn from the following subjects: pre-algebra, geometry, number theory, probability, and statistics. This year, a total of 21 students from SCCS participated in the math Olympiad Competition of Division Elementary; Among the school's participants, Howard Ding was the highest scorer and the following twelve high-scoring students merited top 50% awards:

- | | |
|-----------------|----------------|
| Cai, Francine | Carten, Kane |
| Chin, Ally | Ding, Howard |
| Guo, Jason | Hu, Eva |
| Huang, Andrew | Ji, Angela |
| Loo, Olivia | Lu, Daniel |
| Lu, Jenna | Luo, Justin |
| Ren, Ellen | Song, Angelina |
| Tong, Christine | Wang, Ally |
| Wang, Sydney | Xiao, Connie |
| Yu, Jerry | Zhang, Sophia |
| Zhu, William | |



Upper-grade Scholarship Awards

The goal of the Upper-grade Awards is to sustain and promote the interest of high-school students (Grade 8 and up) in learning Chinese language at SCCS. The following students are awarded in the year of 2011-2012:

Award for Excellence in Chinese Language Learning

10th Grade

- | | |
|---------------|-------------|
| Deng, James | Cao, Elaine |
| Cheung, Cindy | Huo, Junyu |

9th Grade

- | | |
|-------------|------------|
| Ruan, Emily | Kong, Eric |
| Zhao, Lily | |

8th Grade

- | | |
|-----------------|--------------|
| Zheng, Janet | Liu, Helen |
| Huang, Margaret | Li, Yiheng |
| Liu, Lynn | Jiang, Henry |
| Zhu, Jennifer | |

Award for Diligence and Improvement in Chinese Learning

10th Grade

- | | |
|----------------|---------------|
| Cheng, Anzi | Cheung, Jenny |
| Cheung, Jackie | Wang, Sharon |
| Zheng, Brian | |

9th Grade

- | | |
|---------------|--------------|
| Liu, Victoria | Sun, Lillian |
| Zhao, Claire | Wang, Hannah |
| Yang, Janey | Wang, Max |

8th Grade

- | | |
|-----------------|-------------|
| Zhou, Michael | Han, Austin |
| Gillies, Amelie | Jin, Kevin |

Award for Excellence in Chinese Composition

10th Grade

- | | |
|--------------|---------------|
| Deng, James | Cao, Elaine |
| Huo, Junyu | Cheung, Julie |
| Wang, Sharon | |

9th Grade

- | | |
|-------------|--------------|
| Zhao, Lily | Bian, Sharon |
| Ruan, Emily | |

8th Grade

- | | |
|------------|---------------|
| Li, Yiheng | Zhu, Jennifer |
| Liu, Lynn | Zheng, Janet |
| Liu, Helen | |

Award for Best Attendance and Devotion to Chinese Learning

10th Grade

- | | |
|---------------|----------------|
| Cheng, Anzi | Cheung, Julie |
| Cheung, Cindy | Cheung, Jenny |
| Zheng, Brian | Cheung, Jackie |

9th Grade

- | | |
|--------------|--------------|
| Zhao, Claire | Yang, Yuchen |
| Bian, Sharon | |

8th Grade

- | | |
|-----------------|-------------|
| Jiang, Henry | Han, Austin |
| Huang, Margaret | |

2012 SCCS Chinese New Year Gala

Yi Zeng

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some Gala hosts

traditional Chinese holiday only gained the momentum with this long-awaited gathering.

The dress rehearsal began at 12 noon. Students were busy putting on make-up and changing into costumes. In the backstage, colorful costumes and props, and as well the programs reveals the deep sense of Chinese culture. At the same time of the dress rehearsal, many fun games are ongoing in the cafeteria. Mr. An said that his younger daughter was going to part in the singing performances this evening. The children and parents were very happy to serve the school as volunteers. Kids can win tickets from playing games, and then use the tickets to exchange for various prizes. The school also provides a lot of Chinese food for the students and

parents. Many parents and students expressed great satisfaction at the entertainment activities.

The show began at 3pm. Several guests from outside of SCCS came to watch the performances, accompanied by our school leaders. Principle Sun made the opening statement. Dr, Kennedy, vice

president and provost of Southern Connecticut State University also gave a New Year greeting on stage. The school performances not only included traditional program, but also had some modern program. Students from kindergarteners to our 10th grade students, as well as parents all tried their best to do well on stage. Both performers and audience were

immersed in the rich Chinese culture during those two hours. At the end of the show, each student received a red envelope, the Chinese New Year tradition. Board direct Ning Wei told the Newsletter that “Every year the Chinese New Year celebration event gives us an opportunity to meet someone new people of the community and make new friends.” This year Dr.Carlos Torre, President of New Haven Public School Board of education, and assistant from Senator Blumenthal’s office also came to the reception of the event.

Finally, when we interviewed the PTA President Guangzhi Zhai, she said: "The Chinese New Year Celebration was very successful, many



Dance 《My home is Shigatse》

volunteer parents were actively involved in every step of the event. I hope students, teachers and parents can continue to work together to make our school better.” Indeed, this celebration event provided us a stage to demonstrate how much our students have learned the Chinese language and culture on stage. The process of preparation for party not only improved the cooperation between school and parents and students, but also cultivated the spirit of teamwork, and



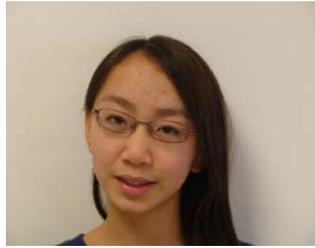
10th graders performing 《Liangzhu》

promoted understanding and friendship between teachers and students.





Deng, James
from Choate Rosemary Hall
studying at SCCS for 10 years



Cao, Elaine
from Dodd Middle School
studying at SCCS for 7 years



Cheung, Jackie
from North Haven High School
studying at SCCS for 10 years

CONGRADULATIONS
Class of 2012 !!!



Huo, Junyu
from Hopkins School
studying at SCCS for 7
years



2012 Graduates with their
Chinese teacher, Jianyu Zheng



Zheng, Brian
from Platt Tech High
School
studying at SCCS for 10
years



Cheung, Cindy
from North Haven High
School
studying at SCCS for 11
years



Cheung, Julie
from North Haven High
School
studying at SCCS for 10
years



Wang, Sharon
from Cheshire High School
studying at SCCS for 10 years



Cheng, Anzi
from Daniel Hand High School
studying at SCCS for 10 years



Cheung, Jenny
from North Haven High School
studying at SCCS for 11 years