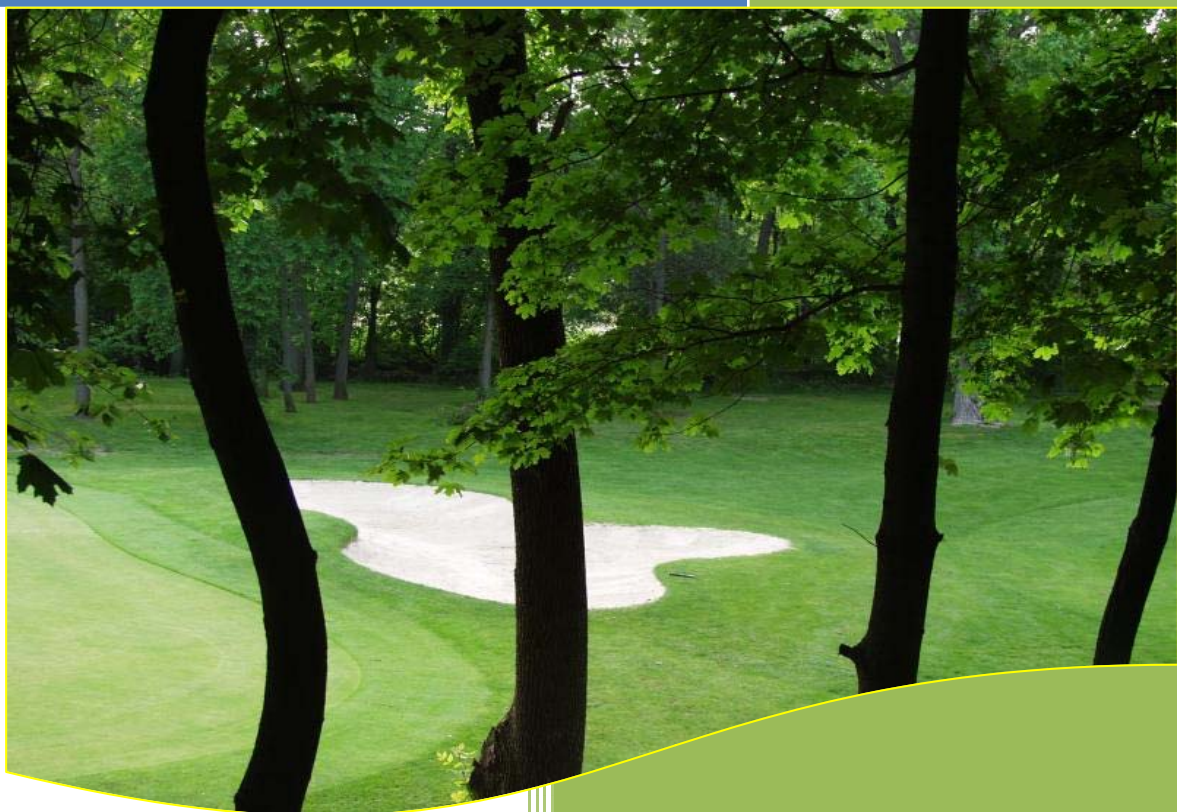


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CAGT Participating in UT 2010 APAH Month Celebration

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APAHM, Asian Pacific American Heritage Month, is celebrated in May to commemorate the contributions of people of Asian and Pacific Islander descent in the United States.

Due to college summer vacation starting in May, most universities and colleges celebrate APAHM prior to the month of May. This year, The University of Toledo celebrates APAHM from late March to late April.

CAGT is invited to participate in the APAHM Art Exhibition at UT's Multicultural Student Center, which is located in the Student Union, room 2500.



CAGT is calling for art work. Please send a picture of your art work (maximum of 2 pieces of painting, calligraphy, or photography) in jpg to Jing Meyer at jing.meyer@utoledo.edu by Sunday March 14. The art work should be original and not previously shown at UT. A committee will select the art work for the exhibition.

Welcome to New Members

Mingsheng Li (mli@bgsu.edu)



Services/Wealth Management & Planning

Individual & Family Members:

Chunhua Sheng, Haiwen Zhou, Neil Sampson, Yu-fen Guo, Donald Spiegel, Steve Fish, Kim Fish, Qinghong Li, Jiang Tian, Jiakai Li, and Ying Li.

New business member: Billstein Financial

2010 CAGT Board, Committees, and Events

Shanhe Jiang (yangstarr@yahoo.com)

华协选出新一届理事会

CAGT held its Annual Meeting from 6:30 to 8:30 PM on Friday, February 12, 2010 at the Chinese Center of Toledo (aka Chinese School). Attendees shared delicious food and camaraderie prior to the business portion of the meeting. CAGT president Shanhe Jiang and other board/committee members reported CAGT events held in 2009. At the meeting, the winners of CAGT Outstanding Service Award and Chinese Culture and Language Award were announced and prizes/awards were presented. Three board members (Luanne Billstein, Jiquan Chen, and Peter You) were retired. Linda Bode, Lingyu Chen, and Fan Dong were elected as the new board members. Jing Meyer was elected for her second term being a board member. Qi Wang was elected as new secretary of CAGT.

CAGT's first regular board meeting was held from 6:30 to 8:30 PM on Friday, March 5, 2010 at the Chinese Center of Toledo. CAGT 2010 committees and events were discussed and established. The committees and events are posted on CAGT's website. The CAGT board welcomes its members and friends to participate in the events such as the Chinese New Year party, Fall Music Festival, Winter Legacies Program, picnics and a variety of social activity groups.

Committees in 2010

Committee	Chair	Contact information
Election committee	Fan Dong	Fan.dong@utoledo.edu
Service Award Committee	Jiquan Chen	jiquan.chen@utoledo.edu
Scholarship Committee	Lynn (Ye) Liang	liangye_1999@yahoo.com
Kids Activities Committee	Linda Bode	Linda.bode@utoledo.edu
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Public Relations and Outreach	Linda Bode	Linda.bode@utoledo.edu
Membership Committee	Mingsheng Li	mli@bgsu.edu
Newsletter	Peter You & Luanne Billstein	peteryouut@yahoo.com ; luannebillstein@sbcglobal.net
Seminar Committee	Qi Wang	wangqi_19@yahoo.com
Choir	Fong Wei & Chaoxin Hou	fongfong299@yahoo.com ; chaoxin92@yahoo.com
Social Activity Facilitator	Zhun (Tony) Chen	tonychen_2000@yahoo.com
Sunshine Committee	Chaoxin Hou	chaoxin92@yahoo.com
Cultural Exchange Committee	Amy (Min) Chen	minchen1111@hotmail.com

Events in 2010

Event	Approximate time	Chair & Contact Information
Census	Jan.- July	Hewen Slak, HSLAK@yahoo.com
Asian Health Month	March-April	Hewen Slak, HSLAK@yahoo.com
Sister City International Festival	March	Amy Chen, minchen1111@hotmail.com
Asian Pacific American Heritage Month	March -May	Jing (Jinghua) Meyer jmeyer13@UTNet.UToledo.Edu
Spring Picnic	April – May, 2010	Xiang Jiang joyjiang2003@yahoo.com Meng Zhang mengzhang18@yahoo.com
Dragon Boat Races	July 24, 2010	Luanne Billstein (Coordinator and China Village) luannebillstein@sbcglobal.net Tom Fridrick (co-captain) tfridrick@aol.com Tony Chen (co-captain), tonychen_2000@yahoo.com
Fall Picnic	September 2010	Qian Ling appleblossomqian@aol.com Liping Mo liping_m@yahoo.com
Taste of Diversity	September 2010	Jing Meyer jmeyer13@UTNet.UToledo.Edu
Fall Music Festival	October – November, 2010	Lingyu Chen, LingYu.Chen@utoledo.edu
Winter Legacies	Around New Year 2011	Jing (Jinghua) Meyer jmeyer13@UTNet.UToledo.Edu Amy Chen minchen1111@hotmail.com
2011 Chinese New Year Party	February 2011	Shanhe Jiang, Yangstarr@yahoo.com Ye Liang, liangye_1999@yahoo.com



CAGT Presents at Perrysburg Global Summit

Peter You (peteryouut@yahoo.com)

Invited by the Global Summit Steering Committee of Perrysburg Global Initiative, CAGT participated in a community event on February 4, 2010. The purpose of this event for community citizens, organizations and businesses was to educate, encourage, respect, accept and celebrate diversity in our community.



During this event, hundreds of students and their parents visited CAGT's cultural booth for information about our organization and Chinese culture such as Calligraphy, Tai Ji, Wei Qi etc. Many students had their passport books (a small pamphlet designed by their global study teachers to collect seals from cultural booths in the event) stamped in our booth and obtained bookmarks with their names written in Chinese on them.

CAGT gave four performances at this event: Tai Chi Sword, Flute Solo, Vocal Duet, and Tibetan Dance. Thanks to those who participated in this event and made it successful.

Cultural Booth: Qi Wang, Bin Jiang, Jing Meyer

Performances: Amy Chen, Anna Che, Lingyu Chen, Aige Guo, Lin Qian, Li xue, Jessica Xei, Qi Wang, Jiquan Chen, and Jing Meyer.



CAGT Members Rewarded for Outstanding Service



Nominated by CAGT members, two members were selected this year by the "Outstanding Service Award" committee, chaired by Jiquan Chen. The recipients of the 2009 Outstanding Service Award are: Shanhe Jiang and Peter You.

Congratulations!

2010 CAGT Chinese Language / Culture Award

Ye Liang (liangye_1999@yahoo.com)

1. Chinese Language Education Award 中文教育奖
Xue qing Zhang (Toledo Chinese School)
Hong Zhu (St. John)
2. Best overall Grades in Chinese Language Study
中文学习 " 成绩优异 " 奖
Hongkui Chen (Toledo Chinese School)
Spencer Crawford (St. John)
3. Excellence In Chinese Language Study and
Community Service
中文学习及社区服务 " 双优 " 奖
Erika Chen (Toledo Chinese School)
Sylvia Chen (Toledo Chinese School)
4. Most Improved Grades in Chinese Language Study 中文学习 " 进步突出 " 奖
Catherine Dong (Toledo Chinese School)
Elizabeth Miller (Toledo Chinese School)
5. Most Effort Contributed to Chinese Language Study 中文学习 " 最努力 " 奖
Huan Liang (Toledo Chinese School)
Dih-lin Wong (St. John)



Cultural Field Trip to Chinese Lantern Festival

Rui Li (rli@utnet.utoledo.edu)

Walking down a street bazaar full of great foods and entertainment and spending time with family and friends during Lantern Festival is a great tradition of Chinese culture. The fifteenth day in the first month of the Chinese lunar calendar, the Lantern Festival, wraps up the half month long celebration of the Spring Festival, aka Chinese New Year.



On February 26th, Sylvania Southview High School and five other local schools made a cultural field trip to the Chinese Lantern Festival Carnival organized by the Confucius Institute at the University of Toledo. About 150 high and middle school students had an opportunity to be part of the tradition by experiencing live entertainment, tasting authentic Chinese food, and engaging in games and Chinese culture activities provided by UT Chinese students and members from the local Chinese community.

All of the participating schools have Chinese language programs in their curriculum. The Confucius Institute, a firm supporter of such programs, strives to provide the students a more vivid and more complete picture of the culture through a Chinese Cultural Month series including a Chinese New Year Celebration, an International Dinner, and the Chinese Lantern Festival Carnival. At the carnival, unique Chinese customs were introduced to the students including a "Red Packet" delivery. A red packet, containing money, is a gift elders give children as a wish of health and happiness. A number of UT professors and local teachers jointly delivered Red Packets to the students at the event.

The Chinese Lantern Festival Carnival sponsored by UTCI and co-hosted by the Chinese Student Union took place in the Ingman Room in the Student Union on the Main Campus of The University of Toledo.

2010 Census by CAGT

Hewen Slak (hslak@yahoo.com)



Ms. Hewen Slak, on behalf of CAGT, is leading the 2010 Census in Toledo's Asian community. Please see below why the census is important, and please take time to fill out the survey you received in your mail. It only takes 10 minutes to answer 10 questions.

How it impacts the nation The census is a vital US Federal Government project held only every 10 years.

Census information affects the numbers of seats your state occupies in the U.S. House of Representatives. People from many walks of life use census data to advocate for causes, rescue disaster victims, prevent diseases, research markets, and locate pools of skilled workers and more.

What benefits it brings to your community An accurate count of residents can do many things for your community. Better infrastructure. More services. A brighter tomorrow for everyone. In fact, the information the census collects helps to determine how more than \$400 billion dollars of federal funding each year is spent on infrastructure and services like:

- Hospital
- Job training centers
- Schools
- Senior centers
- Bridges, tunnels and other-public works projects
- Emergency services

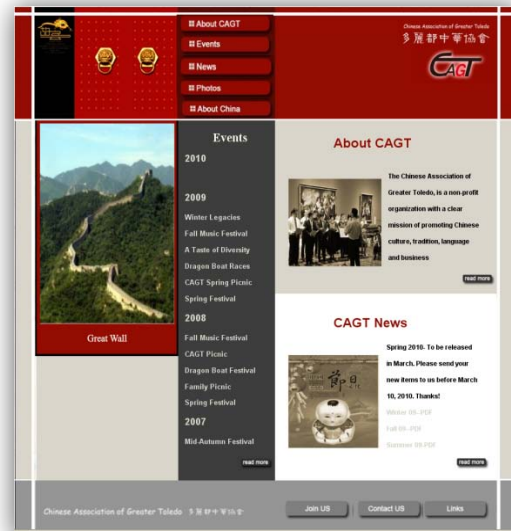
Participation isn't just important—it's mandatory.

Website Redesign

Peter You (peteryouut@yahoo.com)

CAGT has given its website a facelift recently. The new site includes an introduction to the organization, events and news in our community, photo albums of past events, resources, and our contact information. We would like to thank Weiwei Cai, a graduate student in the Judith Herb College of Education, for her volunteerism in redesigning our web site.

We welcome suggestions and input to the content of our website. Visit it today <http://www.toledochinese.org>



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CAGT's Free Health Screening Tests for Minority Health Month

Hewen Slak (hslak@yahoo.com)

Funded by the Ohio Commission on Minority Health, CAGT will host a free health screening test this April 10th, 9 AM-12 PM at the Chinese Alliance Church, 2500 West Central Ave, Toledo Ohio 43606. This event usually is held during April, the Minority Health Month.

Hewen Slak of CAGT and Alan Sue of UT Medical College, will team up to provide tests of blood pressure, glucose, cholesterol and body mass index. In addition to the free tests, there will be a CPR talk from 10-11a. Light refreshments will be provided. Please join us and take full advantage of these free health tests. Volunteers are needed. Please contact: Hewen Slak at or email: hslak@yahoo.com. Below is the event background.

Background In 1989, the Ohio Commission on Minority Health developed the concept of a high-visibility campaign designed to focus on health awareness and disease prevention. In 2000



Minority Health Month became a national celebration. This 30-day campaign, held in April, consists of numerous activities designed to solicit the interest and participation of minorities or providers of health services to minority populations. The minority population is defined as **economically disadvantaged**: African-Americans, Asians, Hispanics, and Native American Indians.

Demonstration of a positive impact on health knowledge, attitudes and/or practices is an expected outcome of all funded activities. Minority Health Month (MHM), established annually by gubernatorial proclamation, focuses attention on the health of Ohio's minority populations. The purposes of the month are to:

- Promote healthy lifestyles;
- Provide crucial information to allow individuals to practice disease prevention;
- Showcase the resources for, and providers of, grass-roots health care and information;
- Highlight the resolution of the disparate health conditions between Ohio 's minority and non-minority populations;
- Gain additional support for the on-going efforts to improve minority health year-round; and
- Increase the opportunity to collaborate with other community resources locally.

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