

President's Message:

Happy New Year - Year of the Tiger!

2009 was a fun year for me. I have many fond memories of our events, and I hope that you all feel the same way! Again, this year's events are on the way and you don't want to miss them.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve as DCA President. It has been a humbling experience, and best of all, I got a chance to meet so many wonderful people. With regret, I will have to step down as President in order to join my husband on a sabbatical to Asia. We leave April and will be gone until December 2010. Our Vice President Frances Leung has graciously agreed to step in, and I am forever grateful for her assistance. I look forward to seeing you all at the New Year Banquet. May the Year of the Tiger bring you good health and much happiness! Min Chai

DCA Chinese New Year Banquet – Celebrate Year-of-the-Tiger with us!

Hope you can join us for our traditional New Year Banquet set for February 20, 2010 at the Fortune House Restaurant (), Sacramento. We'll make a few announcements before enjoying a delicious, 9course meal. Also, you are cordially invited to join us for an after-dinner dessert social at the home of William Ja. (Details on attached Flyer and RSVP form for Banquet and dessert social)

2010 Events Calendar

The DCA Board and Events Committee members have planned an excellent series of events for 2010. A brief summary is given below. Additional details will be released soon.

February 20, 2010 - Chinese New Year Banquet April 24, 2010 - Field trip to historic town of Locke,

- and buffet lunch at Kawa Restaurant, Sacramento
- May 22, 2010 DCA Scholarship Awards Reception
- July 31, 2010 Ladies' Night Out, Chocolat, Davis August 30, 2010 - Community Outreach, giving meals at Grace House, Davis
- September 25, 2010 Cultural field trip to S.F. Chinatown's Chinese Historical Society at the Hyatt

October 9, 2010 - Potluck and Board Elections

November13, 2010 - Income Tax & Financial Planning Seminar

2010 DCA Membership Renewal

Many thanks for your support through your annual memberships, DCA Scholarship donations, participation in DCA events, etc. If you have not renewed your membership for 2010, please do so now by using the attached, newly revised Membership Information 2010 Form.

After careful deliberation, your DCA Board has made some adjustments to annual dues. We now offer two categories of membership: Regular, and Lifetime. For details, please see the attached Form. Please use it to add or update member information as needed, and send in your renewal dues. We hope you will continue as members of the DCA community, as we have scheduled exciting events, both new and successful repeats, for 2010. (See Events Calendar at bottom left).

Along with the Membership Information Form, you will also receive an RSVP form for the CNY Banquet as well as a DCA Scholarship Endowment Fund Donation Form. Please use them for submitting member dues, banquet reservations, and donations.

Davis Chinese Association Scholarship Awards for 2009 (\$5,000 total)

Thanks to the support and generosity of donors, the DCA Scholarship Fund was able to award a total of \$5,000 to 8 exceptional graduating seniors of Davis High School. In a *first* for DCA, the Association presented the scholarship awards to the recipients at a special awards reception at the Davis International House on Saturday, May 16, 2009. It was such a successful and wonderful event that the Association will repeat it for 2010.

The 2009 recipients:

Christina Chew - DCA Scholarship Award Shirley Gao - Ying Yung Tsao Memorial Award Mengqi Zhu - Shang Fa Yang Memorial Award Yammy Kung - Leslie Chin Memorial Award Xian Ma - Gregory Chin Memorial Award Ray Zhang - Kwang Ching Liu Memorial Award Wenyu Tang - Mary Ong Lai Memorial Award Irene Mack - DCA Scholarship Award

2010 DCA Scholarship Applications Available Now

DCA Scholarships are open to Davis Senior High School Students of Chinese American descent. New applications are available starting Monday, January 25th at the Davis High School Scholarship Office or from Phyllis Wang at <u>ptwang@dcn.org</u>. Anyone interested is encouraged to apply. Deadline for application submission is April 1, 2010. *Questions? - please contact any member of the* **DCA Executive Board:**

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