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Candle Light Vigil in Support of Taiwan's Wild Strawberry Student Protesters



On Saturday, December 6, nearly 100 members of San Diego's Taiwanese American community showed up at TACC for the memorable candle light vigil. The evening event was organized jointly by SDTCA, NAPA-SD and NATWA-GSD in support of freedom-loving students. The students had been peacefully protesting the government's violation of citizens' freedom of speech and assembly in Taiwan during the visit of a low-ranking Chinese official to Taiwan in early December.

Formal TAFSD President professor Ching-Chih Chan served as the moderator for the vigil. After a brief video presentation portraying the student protest movement, several people shared their views of the protest and government's repressive responses. Among them were Chris and Sue Fan who just returned from Taipei and had personally witnessed the government's violation of protesters' freedom and police brutality toward peaceful protesters. In addition, UCSD Taiwanese student representatives explained why their generation had been known as the strawberry one. Being born in the affluent 1980's of Taiwan, they had been considered to be spoiled and not unlike strawberries are only pretty on the outside but soft inside. However, with their protest movement in Taiwan the young people have since proven that they care and will stand up for their rights and Taiwan's future. And, they have proudly called their protest the Wild Strawberry Movement.

The mood of the evening was solemn. There was much sadness about the regress of Taiwan's democratic development since Ma Ing-jeou's becoming the nation's president in May. The fact that even young people of the Strawberry generation have become politically active reflects not only the public's anxiety about Taiwan's becoming less democratic but also its fear of Taiwan's ultimately turning into a part of the Communist-ruled China.

Through the use of IT technology, we were able to have the entire proceeding broadcasted live globally. And, thanks to the arrangement of Chris and Sue Fan, San Diego TV News 6 sent a report team to cover the vigil and subsequently reported the event at 10 P.M.

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*UCSD Students Support
Taiwan's Wild Strawberry
Student Protesters*



*11/15/08 Donors Appreciation Dinner
Dr. Tong-Ching Tsai (L) &
Prof. De-Min Wu Serving Food*



*New Year Eve Party (12/31/08)
Sing Auld Lang Syne*



Count Down to New Year

Chen Elected New President of TAFSD

Kun-Mu Chen received his B.S. degree from the Department of Electrical Engineering of National Taiwan University in 1955. He earned a Ph.D. degree in Applied Physics from Harvard University in 1960. He moved to East Lansing, Michigan in 1964 and began his teaching and research career at Michigan State University until his retirement in 1999. Professor Chen had published more than 300 scientific papers and had received numerous awards including Outstanding Faculty Award, Excellent Research

Award and the Science and Engineering Achievement Award from the Taiwanese American Foundation in 1984. At MSU, he and his wife, Shun-Shun, had been extremely helpful to all the Taiwanese students. Their house was known as the "Taiwan Center" at MSU. They moved to San Diego in 2005.



Honors & Awards Committee Announcement

High School Scholarship

Since 1997, TAFSD has been awarding yearly three or four scholarships to high school seniors of San Diego County. This year there will be at least four \$500 scholarships. Applicants are evaluated in terms of their academic achievements, service to the community, and leadership ability. Two of the scholarships, however, are reserved for qualified applicants with financial needs. The deadline for application is April 15, 2009. Application forms can be downloaded from the TACC website: www.taiwancenter.com

Taiwan Trip Award

TAFSD presents annually a Taiwan Trip Award to a student selected from the Greater San Diego Science and Engineering Fair in March. The Award winner will receive up to \$2,000 for a sponsored trip to Taiwan. The Award offers the winner an excellent opportunity to learn the richness and diversity of the Taiwanese culture.

Mother's Day Special Award

In 2002, TAFSD established a "Kuan Chen Memorial Fund" and began to grant a \$2000 cash award annually to a deserving special mother in the Greater

San Diego area. The recipient of the Award will be honored at the 2009 Mother's Day celebration.

Mao-Chun Memorial Fund

This fund was established in 2004 to provide assistance to children with cerebral palsy in the greater San Diego area. The "Mao-Chun Memorial Fund" will award \$700 cash each year to one cerebral palsy suffering child under 14, or an organization engaged in the therapy, caring, or education of children with cerebral palsy.

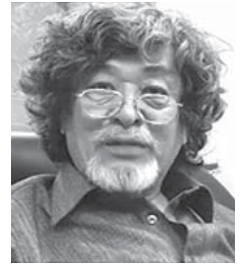
TAFSD Key Financial Information (Year to Date ended September 30, 2008)

| | General Fund | Permanent Site Fund | Kuan Chen Memorial Fund | Children Speical Needs Fund | Total |
|--------------------------|--------------|---------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------|
| Contribution | 8,880 | 1 99,597 | 0 | 0 | \$208,477 |
| Other Support Investment | 77,275 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$77,275 |
| Income | 8,793 | (225,974) | (12,263) | (1,746) | \$(231,190) |
| Expenses (-) | (190,070) | 0 | (4,000) | (700) | \$(194,770) |
| Net Operating Surplus | (95,122) | (26,377) | (16,263) | (2,446) | \$(140,208) |
| Fund Balance | \$259,498 | \$3,197,177 | \$45,696 | \$6,448 | \$3,508,819 |

TACC Special Seminar

Taiwan, Japan, and the US Relationships

Speaker: WC Huang & Sebo Hsu
Time: 01/18/09 (Sun) 2:00 -5:15PM



Wen-shiong Huang, born in Taiwan, MA from Maji University in Japan, is the Chairperson, Japan Chapter of World United Formosans for Independence (WUFI) and an Adjunct Professor at a University in Japan.

Sebo Hsu, born in Taiwan and a physician, is the publisher of Taiwan Tribune, New Jersey in the US. He was the Chairperson, The US Chapter of World United Formosans for Independence (WUFI) and the Chairperson of Standing Committee of FAPA.

Health Seminar

Pediatric Health, Illnesses and Myths

Speaker: Jennie Ou, M.D
Date: 02/21/09 (Sat) 2:00 PM



Children are unique and complex beings. They bring love and joy to parents, but also present them with the challenge of how best to care for them. Parents are inundated with advice on this matter, but don't always know which advice to follow and which may be based on misconception and myth. Furthermore, children often become sick or hurt, and it may be difficult for parents to know when the situation may be serious and the child should be evaluated by a pediatrician, or when only watchful waiting is needed. This lecture will help to clarify some of these points and aid parents in caring for their children.

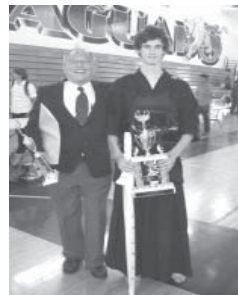
Dr. Ou graduated from Stanford University with a Bachelor of Science in Biology. She subsequently went on to medical school at the University of California, San Diego, followed by an internship and residency in Pediatrics with the University of California, Irvine. After completing her training, she moved back to San Diego to practice with the Sharp Rees-Stealy Medical Group, and has been working out of their Rancho Bernardo office for the last 4 and a half years. Dr. Ou is board-certified in Pediatrics and a member of the American Academy of Pediatrics. She loves working with kids and helping to keep them safe, healthy and happy!

TACC Kendo News

On November 23, TACC Kendo member, Will Stocker won the second place in Southern California Individual Kendo Championship in age 17 and under, 4 Kyu division at Long Beach, California. He received a beautiful trophy and a brand new Shinai for his outstanding achievement. Congratulation to Will for his glorious victory!



Three members of TACC, (from left) Will Stocker, Taku Okano and Ray Liu proudly hold their Kendo rank promotion certificates. They have been promoted to 4 Kyu, 1 Kyu and 1 Dan (Shodan black belt) respectively. Others who were promoted and not shown in the picture are Daren Liu 4 Kyu, Evelyn Liu 4 Kyu and James Hou 1 Kyu.



Smiling Will and his coach Lin Sensei (Fred) who also received a third place trophy in 4 Dan and up division championship.

Hiking Club

Time: 01/03/09 (Sat) Place: Carlsbad City Trail
Gathering place: Crossing Golf Course Parking Lot
Gathering time: 01/03/2009 9:00 AM

Time: 01/17/09 (Sat) Place: Torrey Pine State Reserve
Gathering place: State Park Road Side Parking Lot
Gathering time: 01/17/2009 9:00 AM

Time: 02/07/09 (Sat) Place: Miramar Lake
Gathering place: Miramar Lake Parking Lot
Gathering time: 02/07/2009 9:00 AM

Time: 02/20/09 (Fri) Place: Lake Poway
Gathering place: Lake Poway Parking Lot
Gathering time: 02/20/2009 9:00 AM

Time: 03/07/09 (Sat) Place: Torrey Pine State Reserve
Gathering place: State Park Road Side Parking Lot
Gathering time: 03/07/2009 9:00 AM

Time: 3/20/09 (Fri) Place: Palomar Mountain
Gathering place: San Marcos Ralph Market Plaza
Gathering time: 3/20/2009 9:00 AM

**If you need a ride to the hiking place,
please pay \$5.00 to the driver.**

Book Club

Date: 01/25/09 (Sun) 2:00 PM

Speaker: Edward Cheng

Book to be discussed: Origins, Fourteen Billion Years of Cosmic Evolution

**Author: Neil deGrasse Tyson and Donald Goldsmith,
W.W. Norton & Company (2004)**

Neil deGrasse Tyson is an astrophysicist and director of New York City's Hayden Planetarium. Donald Goldsmith is an astronomy writer in Berkeley, California, and the author of more than 20 books. This book describes in laymen's language the 14 billion years of cosmic evolution (based on our solar years). The detailed knowledge of what happened in the universe, such as the formation of matter, chemical elements, the suns, and the planets, as well as the laws of the universe that governs all matters is given in this book.

Date: 02/22/09 (Sun) 2:00 PM

Speaker: Jau-Fang Wu

Book to be discussed: "I don't want to be born Chinese again"

Author: Joe Chung

Chung was born in mid-1960's Hong Kong and graduated with a B.A. from The Chinese University of Hong Kong. In 1991 he returned to the university to study Social Science. When Beijing regime jailed dissident Wei, Jingsheng in 1979, Chung realized the extreme brutality of the Chinese Communist party-state and began his in-depth research on and observation of China.

The book was initially published in Taipei in November 2007. It quickly became the "Number one Forbidden Book" in China. By October 2008, it had been reprinted over a dozen times.

There are 29 articles in the book. The first explains the book title. It was based on an opinion poll conducted by

a major Chinese web site beginning on September 4, 2006. Only one question was asked: "If there is reincarnation, would you like to be Chinese again?" The survey was then the most sensitive one in the 50+ years of Chinese Communist rule. When the Chinese authorities ordered the poll to end on September, a total of 11,271 responses had been collected. Out of the total, 65.1% had indicated that they would not want to be reborn Chinese.

Date: 03/29/09 (Sun) 2:00 PM

Speaker: Ching-Chih Chen

Book to be discussed: How Taiwan Became Chinese: Dutch, Spanish and Han Colonization in the Seventeenth Century

Author: Tonio Andrade

Andrade, currently Emory University professor, received his Ph.D. in history at Yale University.

The book examines the 17th-century transformation of Taiwan from a little-known backwater island, sparsely inhabited by aborigines and visited mainly by pirates and fishermen, to a productive colony that was home to more than 100,000 Han/Chinese colonists, who grew rice and sugar for export on world markets. Utilizing primarily Dutch, Spanish, Japanese and Chinese sources, Andrade argues that Europeans started the large-scale Chinese colonization of the island. While the Spanish established a base in northern Taiwan for not quite two decades after 1626, the Dutch colony in the south, which lasted from 1623 to 1662, was the more important one. The Dutch relied on Chinese colonists for "food, entrepreneurship, translation, labor and administrative help, while Chinese colonists relied upon the Dutch for protection from belligerent aborigines and other Chinese groups, such as pirates." This is a system that Andrade calls "co-colonization".

台灣中心2009年冬季活動表/TACC WINTER 2009 CLUB ACTIVITY

| 活動名稱 Activity Name | 日期/時間 Date/Time | 內容 Content | 聯絡 Contacts |
|-------------------------------------|--|--|---|
| 夏威夷舞俱樂部 Hawaii Dance Club | 週五 Friday 12:00pm | 美麗、有趣的舞蹈。歡迎大家來參加。 Come join us for interesting and beautiful dance ! | 負責人: 程靈芸 (858)793-3672 |
| 土風舞俱樂部 Folk Dance Club | 週二 Tuesday 7:00pm | 動人的音樂, 曼妙的舞姿, 歡迎大家來共舞... Come join us for beautiful music and dance... | 負責人: 凌佳弘 Ling, John (858)486-3067 |
| 台灣中心長輩會 Senior Group | 週三 Wednesday 10:30am | 週三活動: 太極拳、氣功、手語運動、午餐、合唱、排舞、交際舞、聊天。年度活動: 野餐、出遊。終身會費: 每人\$10。 Are you over 55 years old? Join us for a leisure afternoon. | 負責人: 林坤鎮 Lin, Kuen Chen (619)482-7088 |
| 排舞俱樂部 Line Dance Club | 週四 Thursday 6:00pm | 排舞教學, 歡迎各位有興趣的鄉親報名。 Teaching Line Dance, Everybody is welcomed. | 負責人: 高維 Vivian Chiang (858)481-9130 |
| 婦女與婦女之友俱樂部 Women and Friend Club | 週五 Friday 2:00pm | 氣功及舞劍術、另外不定期安排烹飪及其他活動 | 負責人: 陳美女 Chen, Mary (858)792-0938 |
| 歌仔戲俱樂部 Taiwanese Opera Club | 週六 Saturday 10:30am | 發揚台灣民俗音樂戲劇, 延續台灣文化精粹。凡對台灣音樂、歌仔戲有興趣者, 歡迎踴躍參與, 共同切磋鑽研! | 負責人: 吳姬華 (858) 513-9441 |
| 橋牌俱樂部 Bridge Club | 週二 Tuesday 2:00pm | 活化腦細胞、訓練邏輯、分析、思考、判斷能力的好機會 老少咸宜, 歡迎您來參加。歡迎初學者加入! Train your logic and analyze ability while having fun. | 負責人: 陳秋山 Chen, Chiu-Shan (858) 454-8429 |
| 健行俱樂部 Hiking Club | 每月第二與第四個星期五 Friday | 歡迎大家一起來, 有興趣參加者請洽負責人。 | 負責人: 黃宜修 Huang, Yi-Shiou (858)674-7397 |
| 卡拉OK俱樂部 Karaoke Club | 週二 Tuesday 1:00pm 每月最後一個週六 5:00pm | 每週二, 1-6pm 舞會和 Pot Luck Dinner: 3/28/09 歡迎大家一起來自由歡唱 | 負責人: 盛素雲 Sue Sheng (619)472-1629 |
| 攝影俱樂部 Photo Club | 週三 Wednesday 3:30pm | 攝影經驗交流, 歡迎大家攜帶記憶卡或是照片前來分享。 Please bring your memory cards or pictures to share. | 負責人: 黃獻麟 (858)560-8884 |
| 書法俱樂部 Calligraphy Club | 週四 Thursday 10:00am | 喜愛書法的朋友, 齊聚一堂練習切磋。歡迎加入。 | 負責人: 徐嘉莉 Lo, Grace (858) 485-8164 |
| 電腦俱樂部 Computer Club | 週六 Saturday 12:00pm | 讓同鄉們在輕鬆共享午餐的氣氛下可交流並學習新的電腦技能。 教學與討論內容將視參與者需要設定, 初級與進階教材將按月輪替安排。 | 負責人: 張芷茵 (858) 560-8884 |
| 太鼓俱樂部 Taiko Club | 週一 Monday 7:00pm | 學習日本擊鼓技術。不需經驗, 年齡程度不拘。免費課程! All ages and levels are encouraged to join. Free classes. Website: http://www.naruwantaiko.org | 負責人: Diana Wu NaruwanTaiko@gmail.com |

台灣中心2009冬季課程表/TACC WINTER 2009 CLASS TABLE

| 課程 Class | 日期 Date | 時間 Time | 內容 Class Description | 老師 Instructor | 費用 Fee | 備註 Note |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|--|--------------------|---|---|
| 太極拳班 Tai Ji Quan | 隨時加入 Join Anytime | 週日(Sun) 4:00pm - 5:30pm (吳式) | 吳氏氣功太極拳三十七式及氣功太極劍 Traditional 37-posture Tai Ji Quan for self-defense and health | 胡應禮 | \$50 for 10 classes | 打卡制 Member Card |
| 劍道班 Kendo | 請預先向台灣中心報名 | 週五 (Fri) 6:00pm - 7:30pm Beginner | 由林富德老師 (劍道五段) 擔任指導, 歡迎各年齡層對劍道有興趣者參加 Welcome all ages and levels Chief instructor Frederick Lin,(Kendo 5-den) | 林富德 Fred Lin | \$40 for 8 classes | 打卡制 Member Card |
| | | 週五 (Fri) 7:30pm - 9:30pm Regular | | | | |
| 有氧舞蹈班 Aerobics Class | 隨時加入 Join Anytime | 週二 (Tue) 10:00am - 12:00pm | 有氧運動, 地板操, 新潮舞步 Aerobics, Flooring, New Dance | 吳淑宜 Suzy Wu | \$50 for 10 classes | 打卡制 Member Card |
| | | 週五 (Fri) 10:00am - 12:00pm | | | | |
| 中級台語班 Taiwanese | 隨時加入 Join Anytime | 週三 (Wed) 1:00pm | 台語詩詞, 聲韻, 會話 Taiwanese Poems, Phonetics, Conversation | 黃獻麟 Steve Huang | \$50 for 10 classes | 打卡制 Member Card |
| 英文口音矯正班 Accent Reduction | 隨時加入 Join Anytime | 請洽老師 Please Contact Instructor | 矯正你的英文口音 Reduce your English accent | 陳姿安 Joanne Chen | 請洽老師 Please Contact Instructor 858-380-8538 | |
| 古箏班 Guzheng Class | 詳情請洽老師 Please Contact Instructor | 週六 (Sat) 10:00am - 6:00pm | 基本彈箏技巧 *可向老師租購古箏 The basics of playing traditional Chinese Instrument, Guzheng. **Rental is available | 李清 Cathy Lee | 請洽老師 Please Contact Instructor | Contact: 李清 Cathy Lee 760-805-8880 |