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TAFSD/TACC 14th Anniversary Celebration & Fundraising Dinner

In order to generate sufficient funds to provide the best services possible to our community, TAFSD/TACC is planning to hold a fundraising event at its 14th anniversary celebration on Saturday, March 5th, 2011. There will be a wonderful string quartet concert performed by four talented Taiwan-born musicians (Please see inside page for details). Ticket price is \$100 per person. TAFSD/TACC sincerely appreciates your continuous support and hope you can join us in this fundraising event.

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Dr. Lin Chia-Long (center) after his talk at TACC



Presentation by Dr. Ming T. Tsuang at the Understanding Science Seminar Series



Team Taiwan at Susan Komen Race for Cure



Life Experience Seminar about Tax issues



Preparation for New Year Eve's Party



Everyone is so concentrated in one of the computer classes



Dr. Sheng-Ping Chang (center) after his talk about Taiwan's first test tube baby



"Formosa Betrayed" discussed in Documentary/Movie Study Series

Fan Elected New President of TAFSD

Sao-Tah Fan was born in Tao-Yuan County, Taiwan. He received his B.S. degree in Plant Pathology from Taiwan's National Chung-Hsing University, M.S. in Microbiology from Southern Illinois University-Carbondale, and Ph.D. in Immunology from University of Pennsylvania. After graduation, he came to the Scripps Research Institute in La Jolla to engage in biomedical research. Since his retirement, Dr. Fan has been dedicating his time doing volunteer work for Taiwanese American Community. For the past 7 years, he has served as the executive director of TAFSD and TACC.



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TAFSD/TACC 14th Anniversary Celebration & Fundraising Dinner

**Time: 03/05/11, Saturday,
6:00PM**

Ticket: \$100 (tax deductible)

6:00PM Dinner Buffet

7:30PM Anniversary Ceremony

8:00PM String Quartet

Mei-Ching Huang, a native of Taiwan, A former student of Keng-Yuen Tseng at the Peabody Institute of Johns Hopkins University, she has won numerous awards and prizes, including first prize in the Marbury Violin Competition, a prize winner in the National Symphony Orchestra Young Soloists Competition, Yale Gordon Concerto Competition, and Hellam Young Artists Competition, and was a finalist in the Michael Hill International Violin Competition in New Zealand. Ms. Huang received her bachelor's degree from the Peabody Institute, where she was concertmaster of the Peabody Concert Orchestra. She was a scholarship student at The Juilliard School where she received a master degree. Currently, she is a violinist in the San Diego Symphony.

Dr. Pei-Chun Tsai of Tainan, Taiwan, won the first prize in the 1990 and 1992 Taiwan National Violin Competition, and was also a three time first-prize winner of the Tainan Violin Competition. In addition to her performing career, Pei-Chun is a devoted teacher and holds a Suzuki Teaching Certificate from the School for Strings. Pei-Chun completed her Bachelor and Master degrees in Music at the Juilliard School. She received her DMA in violin performance from the City University of New York. She is a tenured member of the San Diego Symphony and plays on a 1910 violin by Alfredo Contino.

Dr. Chi-Yuan Chen, born in Taipei, began violin study at the age of 6 and made his public debut in Taiwan at age 10. The following year, he switched to viola and shortly thereafter made his string quartet debut in Hong Kong at the City Cultural Center. Prior to his arrival in the United States in 1998, Mr. Chen performed as principal violist with a number of orchestras in Taiwan including the Taipei Metropolitan Symphony, Taiwan String Orchestra, the Taipei Opera Symphony Orchestra, and the Taipei Century Orchestra, among others. Among 194 international applicants, he was also qualified as one of the four top players for the Metropolitan Orchestra's assistant principal viola position. As a soloist, Dr. Chen performed concerti with the National Symphony Orchestra of Taiwan,



Violinist
Mei-Ching Huang



Violinist
Pei-Chun Tsai



Violist
Chi-Yuan Chen



Cellist
Chia-Ling Chien

the Taipei Civic Symphony Orchestra and the National Defense Symphony Orchestra. Dr. Chen holds a Doctoral degree from State University of New York at Stony Brook; both a Bachelor and a Master degree from the New England Conservatory, where he received highest distinction on both degrees. His teachers include Ben Lin, James Dunham, Martha Katz, Katherine Murdock and Nobuko Imai.

Chia-Ling Chien currently holds the Associate Principal Cello position of the San Diego Symphony under Music Director, Jahja Ling. Chia-Ling began playing the piano at the age of six, and cello at the age of nine. She has won several major awards in both piano and cello competitions in Taiwan. In 2003, Ms. Chien was awarded merit scholarship to attend Cleveland Institute of Music, where she received both her Bachelor and Master of Music. Her festival appearances included Idyllwild Arts Academy Summer Program, Pacific Music Festival, 2002 and 2004, Blossom Music Festival, three-year fellowship at Aspen Music Festival and School from 2005 to 2007, Sarasota Music Festival and Perlman Music Program.



Understanding Science Seminar Series (XV) & Book Club

Date: January 23, 2010, Sunday 2:30PM
Topic: First Successful Test-tube Baby and Status of Assisted Reproductive Medicine in Taiwan
Speaker: Professor Sheng-Ping Chang

“April 16, 1985 marked a milestone in Taiwan’s assisted reproductive medicine, when in vitro fertilization had successfully led to the birth of ‘Little Brother Chang,’ who is now a doctoral student at National Taiwan University studying life sciences. Although this is not his first time attending ‘test-tube baby’ gathering activities, he still used his seemed eternal name ‘Little Brother Chang,’ and not to reveal his real name. His godfather, Dr. Sheng-Ping Chang, Taipei Veterans General Hospital where he is director of the Reproductive Medicine Division, said that globally there are more than 300,000 test-tube babies, and they have all developed into normal adults as usual. In Tai-

pei Veterans General Hospital, there had been 3267 births through assisted reproductive processes, many ...- Liberty Times, Sunday, November 7, 2010.”

Praised as godfather of Taiwan’s Test-tube babies, Dr. Sheng-Ping Chang graduated from Kaohsiung Medical University with a medical doctoral degree in 1971. He then joined Taipei Veterans General Hospital, and practiced within Department of Obstetrics/Gynecology. During 1982-1983, he did research in the United States where he specialized in the field of in-vitro fertilization at Department of OB/GYN, University of Southern California, in Los Angeles, California. Dr. Chang has since been Director of the Reproductive Endocrinology Division, Taipei Veteran Hospital, and has taught at the School of Medicine, National Yang Ming University, and been a professor of clinical medicine at National Defense University in Taipei.



Art Exhibition

“SURFACE” EXHIBITION

Artist: Jean Kao, Susan Peng Huang, Suling Kuo, Justin Wang, Sue Cheng, Sherry Lin, Eileen Chen, Tay Lee and Huan Su

Date: 01/29/11 - 03/27/11



Culture and History Lecture Series (XLII) & Book Club

Date: March 20, 2010, Sunday 2:00PM

Topic: Two Modern Poets under Suppression in Taiwan

Speaker: Professor Wai-lim Yip

Called by Jerome Rothenberg "The linking figure between American modernism (in-the-line-of-Pound) and Chinese traditions and practices," Wai-lim Yip has been active as a bicultural poet, translator, critic and theorist with special contributions to East-West comparative literature, aesthetics and comparative poetics between Taiwan and America for over 45 years. He was born in Kwangtung Province, China, in 1937. He received his BA, MA in English in Taiwan, MFA from the University of Iowa and PhD in Comparative Literature from Princeton University. Before Taiwan, in Hong Kong in the 1950's, spurred by his friends Kunnan and Wuxie, and together, they founded a modernist movement with their magazines HaowangJiao (Cape of Good Hope) and Xinsichao (New Trends). His poems "Fugue" and "Descending" written there have exerted considerable influence in Hong Kong and in Taiwan. During his tenure in Taiwan, as a major participant in both Xiandai Wenxue (Modern Literature) and Chuangshiji (The Epoch Poetry Society), he became a leading modernist poet and theorist and has won many

literary prizes, including an award from the Ministry of Education and recognition as one of the Ten Major Modern Chinese Poets.

Professor Yip has written more than 50 books in two languages, many of which have been widely read in Taiwan, Hong Kong, and, after the 1980's, in China.

In September, 2002, the Main Library of National Taiwan University, his alma mater, had an exhibition of his archives (letters, early drafts, photos, journal notes, publications in magazines, some 45 or so of his books and numerous articles). A small conference on his contributions was held to launch this event.

In 2005, in view of his prolific outstanding achievements, the University of California, San Diego conferred him the title of Distinguished Professor. In March, 2008, a Conference was devoted to his (Chinese) Poetry in Beijing co-hosted by Peking University and Capital Normal University. The Expanded Version of Chinese Poetics was selected into Chinese Archives Library (after the Qing Dynasty imperial library of Four "Vaults" of classics, history, philosophy and literature, and was referred to as New Sikuquanshu).

As of July, 2010, he is retired. An international conference with a poetry reading was launched in May at UCSD to celebrate his achievements.

Health Seminar

Time: 03/26/11, Saturday, 2PM

Topic: Glaucoma

Speaker: Mei-Mei Hsieh, M.D.

Dr. Hsieh received her M.D. from School of Medicine, National Taiwan University. After two years of training in Taiwan, she came to Howard University in Washington DC for her residency. She later received Glaucoma fellowship at Albany Medical Center, New York. Dr. Hsieh had her private practice in Ophthalmology, specialized in Glaucoma, in Washington DC and Albany areas. After retirement, Dr. Hsieh is living in San Diego.

Book Club

January Book Club is held in conjunction with Understanding Science Seminar Series (XV).

Time: 02/20/11, Sunday, 2PM

Speaker: Edward Cheng

Book : The Grand Design

Author: Stephen Hawking and Leonard Mlodinow (Bantam Books, 2010)

The Grand Design is the most recent book published by Cambridge physicist Stephen Hawking, and co-authored with California Institute of Technology physicist, Leonard Mlodinow. It is mainly regarding issues associated with the creation of the universe such as, why is there something rather than nothing? why do we exist? why this particular set of laws and not some other? and so on.

March Book Club is held in conjunction with Culture & History Lecture Series (XLII).

Hiking Club

Date: 01/07/11, Friday, 9AM

Place: Lake Poway

Meet at Lake Poway Parking Lot

Date: 01/22/11, Saturday, 9AM

Place: Carlsbad City Trail

Meet at Crossing Golf Course Parking Lot

Date: 02/04/11, Friday, 9AM

Place: Torrey Pine State Reserve

Meet at State Park Road Side Parking Lot

Date: 02/19/11, Saturday, 9AM

Place: Miramar Lake

Meet at Miramar Lake Parking Lot

Date: 03/04/11, Friday, 9AM

Place: Cowles Mountain – south approach (Navajo)

Meet at Cowles Mountain Trailhead

Date: 03/19/11, Saturday, 9AM

Place: Palomar Mountain

Meet at San Marcos Ralph Market Plaza