

Rockville Chinese School  
洛城中文學校通訊

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This is the third newsletter of the 2006-2007 academic year. This newsletter presents news and views from the Rockville Chinese School community on a monthly basis. If you have any news or information to share with us, please feel free to forward them to our principal Shirley Chow or email to [WuChu2@comcast.net](mailto:WuChu2@comcast.net). Thanks in advance for all of your contributions!

### 春季開課 Spring Semester Begins 1/21

It's hard to believe that the fall semester is already coming to a close! The Spring Semester begins on 1/21/2007. With the beginning of the new semester, please remember the following important points:

- 1) There will be no break between semesters.
- 2) Tuition for the Spring semester is due no later than 1/21. There is no change on the tuition and fees. Jeng Hsu, our registrar will be at the desk to receive your payments.
- 3) For those who consider withdrawal, please notify the school office so that we may keep our record updated.
- 4) Report cards will be ready by Jan. 21, 2007.

### 文藝班報名 Register for Cultural Arts

Returning and new students are reminded that in addition to language classes, the School offers a wide variety of cultural arts and athletic classes for students and adults. The classes not only are a wonderful opportunity to learn more about Chinese culture, but an opportunity to showcase students' talents. A performance and exhibit is scheduled at the end of each semester. Please contact Mr. Simon Li for additional details and updates on new classes. Register now!

**Adult Chorus (洛聲)** - Join one of the premiere Chinese choruses in the area, the Harmony Resonance Chorus, and learn Chinese songs both old and new.

**Adult Line Dance (成人排舞)** - Express yourself and improve your cardiovascular health with your friends through rhythmic movement.

**Chinese Arts and Crafts (中華美勞藝術)** - Enjoy creating traditional Chinese handicrafts, including paper folding and paper cutting.

**Chinese Calligraphy (書法)** - Tired of writing Chinese characters with pencil and pen? Then learn to write using traditional methods with brush and ink.

**Chinese Folk Dance (舞蹈)** - Everyone loves to dance. A wide variety of beautiful costumes are provided for the children to wear during performances.

**Chinese Martial Arts (中國初級功夫, 中國平劇功夫)** - Improve your self-discipline and control as you learn traditional Chinese methods of gong fu (kung fu).

**Chinese Painting (初級國畫, 中級國畫)** - Learn traditional Chinese brush painting techniques to create your own masterpieces.

**Karate (剛柔拳)** - Children and adults learn self-discipline and get plenty of exercise.

**Tai Chi (成人太極拳)** - Keep yourself young! Improve your coordination and balance, and build up your energy using the graceful, stately movements of this ancient exercise.

**Abacus and Mental Arithmetic (珠算 / 心算)** - Learn how to use the abacus, which predates the calculator by thousands of years, while improving your mental arithmetic skills.

**Basketball (籃球)** - Learn individual skills and teamwork in this ever-popular sport. The basketball team attends local tournaments twice a year.

**Volleyball (排球)** - For those who don't get excited about an orange ball and net, how about a white ball and net? The volleyball class is also a great opportunity to learn new athletic skills and teamwork.

Courses that have been offered in the past, and may be offered again in the future include: Chinese musical instrument instruction, Yoga (瑜珈術), yuan ji (康福/元極舞), and aerobic dance (有氧舞蹈).

### 慶祝春節 Chinese New Year is Coming!!

The annual Chinese New Year Celebration will be held on Sunday, February 18 in the evening at the Rio Marriott Hotel. This event has always been a highlight of the school year, and a chance to celebrate with close friends and family. It is not to be missed!! Reserve your table now by calling Lily Fang at 301-738-8495,

### 中華夏令營 Camp China 2007

The Camp China information will be ready for pick-up at White Flint Camp Expo on Sat. 1/27 and Sun. 1/28. There will be 3 and 2-week sessions from 6/25 through 8/3 this year. Children ages 4 to 11 years of age are welcome. Extended care are available to 6 pm daily. The deadline for registration is April 15<sup>th</sup>. ■

