



# Newsletter



OCTOBER, 2011

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**November 5, 2011 11:45 AM**  
**FIRST MEETING OF THE SEASON**

Singing Bamboo Restaurant  
West Palm Beach, FL  
11:45 AM.

**Mid November**  
**Start of**

**CHINESE FILM PROGRAM**  
**at Palm Beach State College**  
Palm Beach Gardens campus library  
Date and time to be announced

**January 21, 2012 11:45 AM**  
**CHINESE NEW YEAR CELEBRATION**

Singing Bamboo Restaurant  
West Palm Beach, FL

**February 19, 2012**  
**SPRING GALA PERFORMANCE**  
Palm Beach State College  
Eissey Theater  
Palm Beach Gardens, FL  
Details to be announced later

**April/May 2012 11:45 AM**  
**ANNUAL CHAPTER BUSINESS MEETING**

Singing Bamboo Restaurant  
West Palm Beach, FL  
Date to be determined

**April 26-27, 2012**  
**US-CHINA RELATIONS SEMINAR**

Washington Plaza Hotel  
Washington, DC

**May 2012**  
**CHINA TOUR PLANNED**

## NOVEMBER 5, 2011

Join us for the first meeting of the 2011-2012 season which promises to be another busy schedule for our chapter. Marylou Brunetta is looking forward to reporting on her first experience in China where she participated in the World Championship Triathlon in Beijing.

Jack and Jianying Hanscom will be reporting on their 4 months travels all over China while visiting some of Jianying's relatives and enjoying new experiences. Luncheon cost is \$18 all inclusive, per person for members and guests if paid in advance; \$20 at the door. Non members \$25. You know Dominic will provide another outstanding dining experience. Please send reservations and checks payable to USCPFA SE Florida to Marge Ketter, 7088 SE Rivers Edge St., Jupiter FL as early as possible.



## CHINESE FILM PROGRAM

David Pena, chapter First Vice President, and Director of the Library Learning Center at the Palm Beach Gardens campus of Palm Beach State College has acquired several classic Chinese films and will launch the first screening sometime in November. Date, time and movie to be shown will be announced soon. The first showing will probably be on a Saturday and will be in the movie room of the PBSC Library.

## CHINESE NEW YEAR CELEBRATION LUNCHEON

The Chinese Year of the Dragon begins on January 23, 2012. We will celebrate with our Dragon luncheon on Saturday, January 21, at the Singing Bamboo as we have done for many years. We may even feature our funky raffle at no cost to participants in honor of this most auspicious event.

## SPRING GALA PERFORMANCE

Another outstanding performance at the Eissey Theater, PBSC Gardens Campus, is being planned by David Pena and Monica Shang. Presently the event is scheduled for February 19, 2012, and details will follow as they develop. A silent auction will be featured again and you have time to decide what you would like to donate for this fun fund raiser.



## ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

As required by chapter bylaws each year we have a business meeting when members are brought up to date on the financial status of the chapter and other activities. The meeting will be held in April if possible, however, if Olympic Heights High School Chinese course produces qualifiers for our student scholarships their school schedule may require the meeting be delayed no later than early May because some chapter members are planning a tour to China during the month of May.



## US-CHINA RELATIONS SEMINAR

In 2012 another exciting US-China Relations Seminar will be held in Washington D.C. on April 26-27 at the Washington Plaza Hotel. The theme is “Hands Together”. The Seminar is an outstanding program sponsored by the National board and speakers come from academia, government, and business. Highlights of the Seminars are briefings at the U.S. State Department, and if the Embassy schedule permits, a reception hosted by the PRC Embassy officials. Watch the US-China Review and our chapter website for details as they develop.



## PLANNED CHINA TOUR

Several members of the chapter are interested in a tour to China most likely in mid-May. The itinerary will start in Beijing for those first timers who will want to experience the Great Wall and Imperial Palace. At this time talk is of sites along the Silk Road, including Dunhuang and Urumqi but the itinerary has not been finalized. Another suggestion has been a train trip from Hainan Island up to Beijing, with stops at selected cities along the way. Stay tuned for more on this tour and let us know if you are interested.



## PAST EVENTS

For those of you who may not have attended the April 30, 2011 meeting or have forgotten, the chapter bylaws were amended to change the name to USCPFA Southeast Florida chapter to better reflect our membership residency. Officers for the next two-year term were elected as follows:

President - Marge Ketter

First Vice President - David Pena

Secretary-Treasurer - Dolores Panaro

Vice President-Art & Culture - Christine Aylward

Vice President-Business - Marty Penn

Vice President-Chinese Community Liaison - Monica Shang

Vice President-Communications - Joan Gates

Vice President-Government - Dan O'Connell

## CHINESE CORNER

A revitalized Chinese Corner meeting group is now under the direction of Paul Hill, a new member of our chapter, with the able assistance of Jack Hanscom. The CC meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month from 2-4 PM at the West Palm Beach Library. Discussions are held on Chinese language and culture, speakers are invited, and travelogues featured. Each meeting ends with a short social with tea and cookies.



## USCPFA NATIONAL CONVENTION

The National Convention of the USCPFA was held in Kansas City MO from September 16-18, and was attended by David Pena and Marty and Nancy Penn. Youxie representative Xie Yuan came from Beijing, Ms Duan Jun attended from the PRC Embassy, as well as a Consul from the Chicago PRC Consulate. Details will be in a forthcoming US-China Review. (Pictures provided by Linda Hanley)



# USCPFA NATIONAL CONVENTION



Outgoing President, Robert Sanborn / New President, Diana Greer



## MEMBERSHIPS

**Memberships expire 12/31/11 Please send your dues payable to USCPFA SE Florida** prior to that date in the amounts shown below, to Marge Ketter, 7088 SE Rivers Edge St., Jupiter FL 33458. We welcome as new members anyone who is interested in our goal of promoting friendship and understanding between the peoples of China and the United States and agrees with our Statement of Principles. Membership includes the quarterly *US-CHINA REVIEW*.

Couple \$30      Individual \$24      Student \$12      Business \$100

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