

Spring 2012





Although the last winter has been relatively mild by Canadian standards, spring is always a welcomed sight. On behalf of the board of directors of ACCE, I wish to extend my warmest greetings to you.

Message from the President

Since the last edition of Entrepreneurs News, we had our annual celebrations of Christmas and the Chinese New Year on December 8, 2011 and February 2, 2012, respectively. In both events, everyone was treated with ample dosages of fun, entertainment, music, prizes, food, and drinks. According to the feedback of our guests and members, they especially enjoyed the creative plays presented during these two events. They were the ACCE re-interpretation of the classic tales of "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs" and the "The Ten Brothers", performed by our talented Board of Directors. My roles in plays were especially memorable – those who recall my costumes for these plays would know why!

We have also hosted a number of networking and educational events during the first part of this year. On February 23 2012, we held our Winners Club gathering at the Angus Glen Golf Club sponsored by HSBC Bank Canada. Many past winners came to network and share the experiences of their busy entrepreneur lives, and everyone showed tremendous interest in the insights and expert opinions of HSBC's analysts on the global business challenges. Then, on March 23, 2012, a creative networking event entitled "Linsanity and Learn" took place at a local sports bar, where attendees had the opportunity to expand their business network and take in the basketball game on television.



On April 4, 2012, we had an excellent joint interactive luncheon on immigration initiatives with the Honorable Jason Kenney, Minister of Citizenship and Immigration, at the Radisson Plaza Hotel in Mississauga. The event was co-hosted by ACCE and the Indo-Canada Chamber of Commerce. It was very informative and well-attended. ACCE will continue to collaborate with our partners to promote multiculturalism for Canadians of different ethnic backgrounds.

Looking ahead, our signature annual event, the 2012 ACCE Chinese Canadian Entrepreneur Awards Gala will be held on April 14, 2012 at Hilton Suites, Markham. On this evening, the very best in entrepreneurship in the Chinese Canadian community from coast to coast will be recognized and honoured. It will be well-attended by officials from all levels of government, business leaders, entrepreneurs, professionals, and community celebrities. Our independent judging panel has worked tirelessly on reviewing the numerous deserving and extraordinary nominees and selecting this year's impressive batch of winners. We are all eager to learn who they are and to hear their unique and remarkable success stories. All in all, this year's Gala is expected to be another overwhelming success, and I look forward to seeing you there.

The list of high-caliber events does not stop after the signature Awards Gala. We will have our next Winners' Club gathering sponsored by BDC on May 8, 2012 at the fine dining "School Restaurant" in Markham. It's an event that our winners are looking forward to touch base with each other and also cultivate our bonding and relationship and potential business synergy. More importantly, the newly selected 2012 Award Winners will be welcomed to the Winners Club for the first time.

We will have a multicultural reception in Vancouver on May 17, 2012 and the first Business Forum of this year will be held on June 2, 2012 at the Scarborough Civic Centre in Toronto. Last but not least, one of our favourite annual events, the ACCE Golf Classic will be held on July 10, 2012 at Angus Glen Golf Club. To take full advantage of these great programs and activities, please ensure that you sign on to become an ACCE member if you have not done so already.

It goes without saying that none of these events will be possible without the generous and continuous assistance of our members, sponsors, volunteers, directors and staff. I want to thank all of you for your contributions to make each of these events so successful.

As you can see, this is truly an exciting time of year for ACCE as we continue to further our role as a leading National Business Association to recognize the contribution and accomplishment of Chinese Canadian Entrepreneurs and to promote the spirit of social responsibility. I look forward to your continuing support.



Alan Kwong President

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2011 ACCE Christmas Celebration was held on December 8, 2011 at Regal Chinese Cuisine & Banquet Hall. ACCE directors presented Christmas songs and "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs" to the full house of guests .

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The 2012 ACCE Chinese New Year Celebration was held on February 2, 2012 at Diamond Banquet Hall. The God of Fortune gave out red packets (lai si) to 300 attendees including newly appointed Consul General of Consulate General of the People's Republic of China in Toronto, Mr. Fang Li and his wife Madam Gao Lijuan.

Dignitaries, guests, ACCE directors and advisors at Chinese New Year Celebration. Front row from left: Councillor Alex Chiu; Councillor Howard Shore; MP Costas Menegakis; Alan Kwong, President of ACCE; Madam Gao Li Juan; Consul General Mr. Feng Li; MP Rathika Sitsabaiesan; Regional Councillor Joe Li; John Man; Councillor Castro Liu; Tracie Cheung and Jeffrey Shek, MCs of the night.

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ACCE Diversity Networking featuring Toronto 2015 Pan/Parapan Am Games Business Opportunities Information Session was held on February 8, 2012 at Centennial College. This event was supported by 15 organizations. From left: Eddy Jagan, President of Kennedy Road Business Improvement Area; Jason Li, Enterprise Toronto; Andy Merchant, President of Canada-Pakistan Business Council; Alan Kwong, President of ACCE; Bammy Wong, President of Asian Business Network Association; Stephen Chu, President of Mississauga Chinese Business Association; Ben Hum, President of North American Association of Asian Professionals and Benson Sy, Taiwan Entrepreneurs Society Taipei/Toronto.

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Paul Saunders, President of Merx Networks Inc.; Ian Troop, CEO of TO2015; Alan Kwong, President of ACCE; Bill Zakarow, Director of Procuremnet, TO2015 and John McKendrick, Senior Vice President, AFP and Major Projects at ACCE Diversity Networking.



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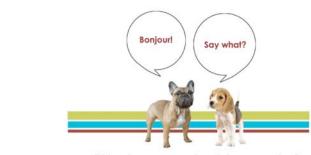
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Steering committee members of the 2012 ACCE Chinese Canadian Entrepreneur Awards. Front row from left: David Kuo, John Man, Alan Kwong, Tina Woo, Brian Love, Adrian Cheung, Teresa Tazumi, Kam Lo and Norman Morris. Back row from left: Rae Cowan, Wilbert Lai, Yang-Hai Wang, Joanna Lo, Karen Ng, Andy Yap, Royson Ng, Kenneth Ng, Edmund Tin and Michael Yeh.

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ACCE and Indo-Canada Chamber of Commerce co-organized Interactive Luncheon with Honourable Jason Kenney on April 4, 2012 at Grand Victorian Convention Centre, Radisson Plaza, Mississauga.







Linsanity & Learn – Seminar, Multicultural Networking was held on March 23, 2012 at Boston Pizza, Markham.

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The 2012 ACCE Winners' Club reception sponsored by HSBC Bank Canada was held on February 23, 2012 at Angus Glen Golf Club. First row, left 3 & 4: Peter Kwok, Deputy Director of Hong Kong Economic & Trade Office (HKETO) and The Honourable Michael Chan, Ontario Minister of Tourism, Culture and Sport.

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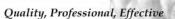
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ACCE directors and guests at the 2012 Chinese New Year Banquet with Premier of Ontario Dalton McGuinty.

Z. Toronto Board of Trade's Annual Dinner. ACCE board of directors with David Agnew (left 1), President of Seneca College and the Honourable Brad Duguid (left 2), Ontario Ministry of Economic Development and Innovation.

ACCE directors and guests at Mayor Frank Scarpitti's 2012 Chinese New Year Dinner.

4. ACCE directors and guests at Welcome dinner for the new Chinese Consul General Fang Li.

ACCE is pleased to be one of the supporting partners of the HKCBA Business Networking Morning Workshop – "Hong Kong: Your Business Platform in Asia" on March 2, 2012 at Mississauga Living Arts Centre.

The Honourable Jason Kenney, Minister of Citizenship, Immigration and Multiculturalism visited Kam Ko of Kobotic. Kam is the 2007 Chinese Canadian Entrepreneur Awards - Most Innovative Award winner and also a director of ACCE.











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I want to nominate someone for 2013 ACCE Award.

Event Calendar

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Date	Event
Thursday, May 17, 2012	2012 ACCE Diversity Networking - BC
Saturday, June 2, 2012	2012 ACCE Diversity Business Forum Scarborough Civic Centre 150 Borough Drive, Toronto, ON
Thursday, June 14, 2012	2012 ACCE Appreciation Dinner
Tuesday, July 10, 2012	2012 ACCE Golf Classic Angus Glen Golf Course 10080 Kennedy Road, Markham, ON

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