

On behalf of the Board of Directors of ACCE, I wish to extend my very best wishes for 2013 and the year of the snake. Be happy, healthy, wealthy, and well! Although the snow has yet to thaw and there's still a chill in the air, spring will be upon us soon enough. Before looking ahead, I should take a moment to recap all the recent exciting activities, programs and events within ACCE.

Message from the President



Our annual Christmas Celebration and Chinese New Year Celebration were held on December 6, 2012 and February 19, 2013, respectively. In the fine tradition of ACCE, we celebrated these joyous occasions with our unique mix of fun, entertainment, networking, food, drink, and prizes. My most memorable moment was when past President Royson Ng took to the stage to dance "Gangnam Style" at the Christmas Celebration.

On the snowy evening of January 21, 2013, we held a Winner's Club dinner at The School restaurant in Markham. The intimate atmosphere of the venue was conducive to great networking and discussion, and evening was highlighted by insightful presentations from the event sponsor, HSBC. Despite poor road conditions, the event was very well-attended by the winners of the Chinese Canadian Entrepreneur Awards from the past 16 years and other guests.

On February 25, 2013, ACCE held a reception to launch our Mainland Initiative. The purpose of this initiative is to add Chinese Canadian entrepreneurs with ties to Mainland China to our membership base. We strongly believe such members will both benefit greatly from everything ACCE has to offer and add to the rich fabric of our Association. The reception was attended by over 50 successful entrepreneurs with ties to Mainland China. Dr. Songnian Zhou, Chair of the Mainland Initiative, received very positive feedback from the event and we are very excited to welcome more new members to the ACCE family.

Soon thereafter, ACCE joined forces with the Toronto Region Board of Trade and Indo-Canada Chamber of Commerce to co-organize the Diversity Business Forum which was held on March 4, 2013 in Mississauga. The diversity business forum provided the numerous attendees with tremendous opportunities to make new contacts and cultivate previous relationships across various ethnic groups.

Looking ahead, the 2013 ACCE Chinese Canadian Entrepreneur Awards Gala is drawing imminently near. It will be held on March 23, 2013 at the Hilton Suites in Markham. The Awards Gala is ACCE's premier signature event and the 2013 Awards will mark its 17th anniversary. On this evening, the very best in entrepreneurship in the Chinese Canadian community from coast to coast will be recognized and honoured.

After the Awards Gala, ACCE's summer events include the 2013 ACCE West Coast Diversity Business Networking to be held on April 25, 2013 at the River Rock Casino Resort in Richmond, BC; the 2013 ACCE Business Forum to be held on May 18, 2013 at the Scarborough Civic Centre, and the 2013 ACCE Golf Classic to be held on July 9, 2013 at Angus Glen Golf Club in Markham. Please visit our website www.acce.ca for more details on these events along with various networking and educational seminars.

It goes without saying that none of these events will be possible without the generous and continuous assistance of our sponsors, volunteers, directors, advisors and staff. I want to thank each of them for their contributions for making each of these events so successful.

Alan Kwong
President



▲ The 2013 ACCE Chinese New Year Celebration (Back row from left): MP Joe Daniel; The Honourable Victor Oh, Senator of Canada; David Cohen - God of Fortune; Stephen Siu, Hong Kong Economic & Trade Office (Canada); (Front row, left 2): Deputy Consul - General Madam Wu Dong Mei, the Consulate General of the P.R. China in Toronto; Alan Kwong, President of ACCE; Lena Ma, 2009 Miss World Canada.



- ▲ 2012 ACCE Christmas Celebration was held at Diamond Banquet Hall on December 6, 2012 with a great turnout of more than 250 guests. (Back row from left): Councillor Castro Liu, Town of Richmond Hill; Wei Li; Deputy Mayor Jack Heath, City of Markham; David Cohen; Consul Jinhua Hu, the Consulate General of the P.R. China in Toronto. (Front row from left): Rae Cowan of Centennial College; Josephine Au; Emily Houdi; The Honourable Michael Chan, Ontario Minister of Culture, Tourism and Sport and Minister of Citizenship and Immigration; Alan Kwong, President of ACCE; Gloria Lo, Director of Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office (Canada) and Karen Ng.

- ▼ The media conference to announce the recipient of the 2013 ACCE Lifetime Achievement Award was held on February 13, 2013 at RBC Centre. (From left): Norman Morris, Chair of the 2013 ACCE Lifetime Achievement Award Selection Committee; Tina Sarellas, Regional Vice-President, Commercial Financial Services of RBC Royal Bank; Michael Lee-Chin, Recipient of 2013 ACCE Lifetime Achievement Award; Alan Kwong, President of ACCE; John Man, Vice-President, Commercial Financial Services / Managing Director, Asian Banking, Ontario of RBC Royal Bank; Peter Lawler, Senior Vice-President, Financing & Consulting, Ontario of BDC.



- ▲ ACCE Board of directors and advisors with Gloria Lo, Director of Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office (Canada) (Front row 3rd from left) at 2012 ACCE Christmas Celebration.



- ▲ ACCE Networking Seminar – “Learning from the Achievers” was held on January 17, 2013. Panel speakers of the event: (Left 3) Amanda Collucci, CEO and founder of Clean4Me Inc. and recipient of 2009 Best Start-up Award; (Left 4) Jean Eng, President and Co-founder of Pure+Simple and 2009 Most Innovative Award winner; (Left 6) Mr. Brian Chan, CEO and founder of C.J. Marketing and 2011 Most Progressive Award winner.



- ▲ ACCE Winner's Club reception sponsored by HSBC was held on January 31, 2013 at The School Fine Dining. (From left): Commercial Consul Jianwei Yu, the Consulate General of the P.R. China in Toronto; Mr. Nigel B. Davis, Senior Vice-President and National Head of Business Banking of HSBC Bank of Canada; The Honourable Michael Chan, Ontario Minister of Culture, Tourism and Sport and Minister of Citizenship and Immigration; Alan Kwong, President of ACCE; MP Costas Menegakis; Peter Kwok, Deputy Director of Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office (Canada); David Kuo, Head of Branch Network, Ontario of HSBC Bank of Canada.



- ▲ Guests, past awards winners and Alan Kwong, President of ACCE at 2013 ACCE Winners' Club reception.



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Date: Saturday, May 18, 2013

Time: 12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Venue: Scarborough Civic Centre

150 Borough Drive, Toronto, ON M1P 4N7

FEE: \$15 (Limited Complimentary Tickets Available Upon Request)

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS:

- Success Stories – ACCE Award Winners 2013
- Networking With the ACCE Award Winners
- 2013 Economic Forecast
- Trade Show
- Government Resources & Information
- Seminars
- Lucky Draws



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Date	Event
Thursday, April 18, 2013	ACCE "Networking to Learn Seminar"
Thursday, April 25, 2013	2013 ACCE West Coast Diversity Business Networking at River Rock Casino Resort in Richmond, BC
Saturday, May 18, 2013	2013 ACCE Business Forum at Scarborough Civic Centre, Toronto
Thursday, June 6, 2013	2013 ACCE Appreciation Dinner
Thursday, July 9, 2013	2013 ACCE Golf Classic at Angus Glen Golf Club, Markham

Events Calendar



GOLF CLASSIC

Date: Tuesday, July 9, 2013

Times: Registration @ 11:00am
Lunch @ 11:30 (noon)
Group Photo @ 1:00pm
Start @ 1:30pm PROMPT
Dinner @ 7:00pm @ Angus Glen

Location: Angus Glen Golf Club
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▲ The 2013 ACCE Chinese New Year Celebration was held on February 19, 2013 at Diamond Banquet Hall. ACCE Board of Directors and VIP guests are shown.



▲ ACCE in partnership with Toronto Region Board of Trade and Indo-Canada Chamber of Commerce organized the Diversity Business Forum which was held on March 4, 2013 at Radisson Plaza Mississauga Toronto Airport. (Left 2 to 4) Jacqueline Baptist, Vice-President of Toronto Region Board of Trade; Alan Kwong, President of ACCE; The Honourable Ed Fast, Minister of International Trade and Minister for the Asia-Pacific Gateway; Naval Bajaj, President of Indo-Canada Chamber of Commerce.



▲ ACCE Mainland Initiative Reception was held on February 24, 2013 at Hilton Suites Hotel, Markham. (Left 5) Dr. Songnian Zhou, Chair of ACCE Mainland Initiative Working Group and director of ACCE with working group members.



▲ Steering committee members of the 2013 ACCE Chinese Canadian Entrepreneur Awards. (Front row from left): David Kuo, Norman Morris, Tina Woo, Alan Kwong, John Man, Kitty lu, Teresa Tazumi and Yang-Hai Wang. (Back row from left): Rae Cowan, Wilbert Lai, Royson Ng, Edmund Tin, Adrian Cheung, Joanna Lo, Karen Ng and Michael Yeh.



▲ John Man, RBC is retiring in March, 2013. ACCE President Alan Kwong presented an appreciation plaque to John Man for his valuable support, guidance and contribution to ACCE for more than 10 years.

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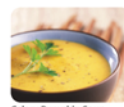
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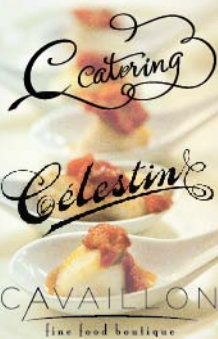
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▲ (Front right 1 and 2) Alan Kwong, President of ACCE and Anne Waldes, President of HKCBA with ACCE Directors and guests at Hong Kong Chinese Business Association (HKCBA) Chinese New Year Ball.



▲ ACCE Directors and Advisors were invited to a dinner with Consul General Mr. Feng Li, the Consulate General of the P.R. China in Toronto. (Right 7)



▲ Minister Michael Chan's Chinese New Year Celebration, ACCE team and guests with Ontario Premier Kathleen Wynne (Back row, left 3).



▲ ACCE Directors and guests at Confederation of Greater Toronto Chinese Business Association Annual Chinese New Year Gala.

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