

Having just been elected as President of ACCE at the Annual General Meeting held on September 18, 2014, I am delighted to extend my greetings to you in my first President's Message. I look forward to meeting all the members whom I have not yet had the pleasure of meeting and to sharing the stories of our entrepreneurial journeys.

Message from the President



Irwin Li

Irwin Li
 President

As a past winner of the ACCE Awards, it gives me great honour and pleasure to now lead ACCE. I would be remiss if I did not acknowledge and recognize the outstanding leadership of our Immediate Past President, Mr. Alan Kwong during the past four years. It is my goal to build on his great work to date and to bring ACCE to even greater heights – a most challenging endeavour in which I sincerely hope to have your support and assistance.

Since the last edition of Entrepreneur News, there has been no shortage of exciting activities, programs and events within ACCE. One of our most popular events, the ACCE Annual Golf Classic, was held on June 26, 2014 at the Mandarin Golf & Country Club. The many members, sponsors and attendees thoroughly enjoyed a day on the links on a beautiful sunny day, followed by networking and prize draws and dinner in the clubhouse.

As mentioned, our Annual General Meeting was held in September alongside a special Appreciation Dinner for our sponsors and volunteers. I especially wish to welcome the newly-elected Directors to the Board, and look forward to working with this outstanding team.

The Mainland Initiative Committee was also hard at work in hosting two very successful seminars on July 27, 2014 and November 2, 2014 at the North York Civic Centre. Our guest speakers shared their expertise on the important business topics of business legal issues and human resource management with the attendees.

Another exciting event took place on October 9, 2014 when the fourth annual West Coast Gala was held at the Fairmont Waterfront Hotel in Vancouver. The event was an overwhelming success and was attended by over 200 guests, comprising of government officials from various levels of government and leaders from the Chinese Canadian business community in British Columbia.

Looking ahead, our annual Christmas Celebration will be held on December 4, 2014; after which the Chinese New Year Celebration will be held on February 17, 2015. In the fine tradition of ACCE, we will be celebrating these occasions with fun, entertainment, music, food, and drink. I look forward to seeing you at these celebrations.

Last but not least, the planning and coordination of our annual signature event, the ACCE Chinese Canadian Entrepreneur Awards is in high gear. The 2015 ACCE Awards Gala will be the 19th annual event, and will be held on March 7, 2015 at the Markham Hilton Suites. On this evening, the very best in entrepreneurship in the Chinese Canadian community from coast to coast will be recognized and honoured. I hope you have already submitted your nominations of deserving entrepreneurs for these awards.

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 every one of our events a success.

On behalf of the Board of Directors of ACCE, I wish everyone the very best for the holidays season, and a very happy, healthy, and prosperous 2015.





The 2014 ACCE Golf Classic was held on June 26, 2014 at The Mandarin Golf and Country Club. The winners of the tournament are as follows: 1st Place Team: Irwin Li, John Martini, Gary Ward & Paul Moseley; 2nd Place Team: Gin Siow, Sonny Wu, Cheng-Chung Yuan & Tony Gulotta; 3rd Place Team: Stan Sue, Justin Fong, Sam Xia & Bob Hastings; Men's Longest Drive: Chris McLeish; Ladies Longest Drive: Xiya Li; Men's Closest to the Pin: John Martini & Justin Fong; Ladies Closest to the Pin: Judy Lee & Xiya Li.



1st Place Team: (From left) Irwin Li, John Martini & Gary Ward.

Irwin Li (Middle) presented trophies to 2nd place team members: (from left) Gin Siow, Sonny Wu, Tony Gulotta & Cheng-Chung Yuan.



3rd Place Team: (From left) Stan Sue & Bob Hastings.



2014 ACCE Mandarin Speaking Business Legal Issue Seminar was held on July 27, 2014 at North York Civic Centre. (From left): Karen Ng, Michael Li, Bang-Gu Jiang, Warren Zheng & Songnian Zhou.



Multicultural Mega Networking - Networking With The World was held on August 14, 2014 at the Royal Ontario Museum. The event was organized by Toronto Region Board of Trade in association with ACCE, The British Canadian Chamber of Trade and Commerce, Canada Pakistan Business Council, Turkish Canadian Chamber of Commerce and other associations.



2014 ACCE Appreciation Dinner was held on September 18, 2014 at Casa Victoria. Stephen Bald, BDC presented appreciation plaques to 2014 ACCE Chinese Canadian Entrepreneur Awards major sponsors.



Alan Kwong presented appreciation certificates to program sponsors.



Consul General Fang Li, Consulate General of the PRC in Toronto (Front row, middle) presented appreciation certificates to volunteers.



2014 ACCE West Coast Gala was held on October 9, 2014 at Fairmont Waterfront Hotel, B.C. (Front row from left): Cassandra Dorrington; Sandra Tam; Gloria Lo; MP Wai Young; Amiee Chan; Catherine Yuen and Karen Ng. (Back row from left): Alan Kwong; Councillor Raymond Louie; MLA Richard Lee; Acting Consul General Run Long Mao, Consulate General of the PRC in Vancouver; Irwin Li, President of ACCE; Gerard Edwards; Joshua Huen; Councillor Chak Au and Councillor George Affleck.



ACCE President Irwin Li presented ACCE 2nd West Coast Scholarship to Nicola Lam, 4th year commerce student with specialization in Marketing at the University of British Columbia.



Sponsors and ACCE President Irwin Li (left 4) at 2014 West Coast Gala.

Past Events



Media conference to mark the official kick off for nominations for the 2015 ACCE Chinese Canadian Entrepreneur Awards was held on October 22, 2014 at The School Fine Dining. (First row from left): Barkin Sayiner, Nick Choi, Frank Venturo, Avi Malliah, Peter Lawler, Irwin Li, Judy Lee, Christina Lo, Stephen Bald; (Second row from left): Andy Yap, Kitty lu, Alan Hamm, Sandra Tam, Edmund Tin, Peter Ou, Norman Morris, Chelsea Jin, Karen Ng; (Third row from left): Royson Ng, Vernier Tao, Jeffrey Kang, Edward Hiew, Arthur Chan, Michael Li, Jeffrey Shek.



2014 ACCE Most Innovative Award winner, Peter Ou, Founder & CEO of Honson Pharmatech Group presented a speech to promote the nomination drive for the 2015 ACCE Chinese Canadian Entrepreneur Awards.



ACCE Networking to Learn Luncheon – "How Do You Make Innovation Part of Your Business Strategy?" was held on September 10, 2014 at Shangri-la Convention Centre, Markham. (From left): Ana Chan, Alan Kwong, Kevin Au-Yeung, David Fung, Carol Caughlin, Karen Ng and Sandra Tam.



2014 ACCE Mandarin Speaking Human Resource Management Seminar was held on November 2, 2014 at North York Civic Centre. (From left): Karen Ng, Edward Hiew, Veronica Ding, Edmund Tin, Bin Ji and Michael Li.



2014 ACCE Winners' Club was held on November 13, 2014 at The School Fine Dining, sponsored by Deloitte LLP & CIBC. Guests, past award winners and ACCE Board of Directors are shown. (Front left 5 and 9): The Honourable David Zimmer, Ontario Minister of Aboriginal Affairs and Gloria Lo, Director of Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office (Canada).

The 2014 Annual General Meeting where six new directors join the Board of Directors: Kevin Au-Yeung, Bill Chen, Kevin Fan, Chelsea Jin, Michael Li and Eddie Rei. (Front row from left): Karen Ng, Chelsea Jin, Alan Kwong, Irwin Li, Amanda Yeung Collucci, Joanna Lo and Sandra Tam. (Middle row from left): Wilbert Lai, Edward Hiew, Jeffrey Kang, Kitty lu, Ambrose Choy, Kevin Fan and Michael Li. (Back row from left): Edmund Tin, Tim Chuang, Alan Hamm and Kevin Au-Yeung.





Event Calendar

Date	Event
Tuesday February 17, 2015	ACCE Chinese New Year Party Royale Fine Dining & Banquet 648 Silver Star Boulevard, Scarborough, ON
Saturday March 7, 2015	2015 ACCE Chinese Canadian Entrepreneur Awards Gala Hilton Suite Hotel 8500 Warden Ave, Markham, ON
Saturday April 25, 2015	2015 ACCE Business Forum North York Civic Centre 5100 Yonge St, North York, ON

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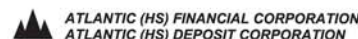
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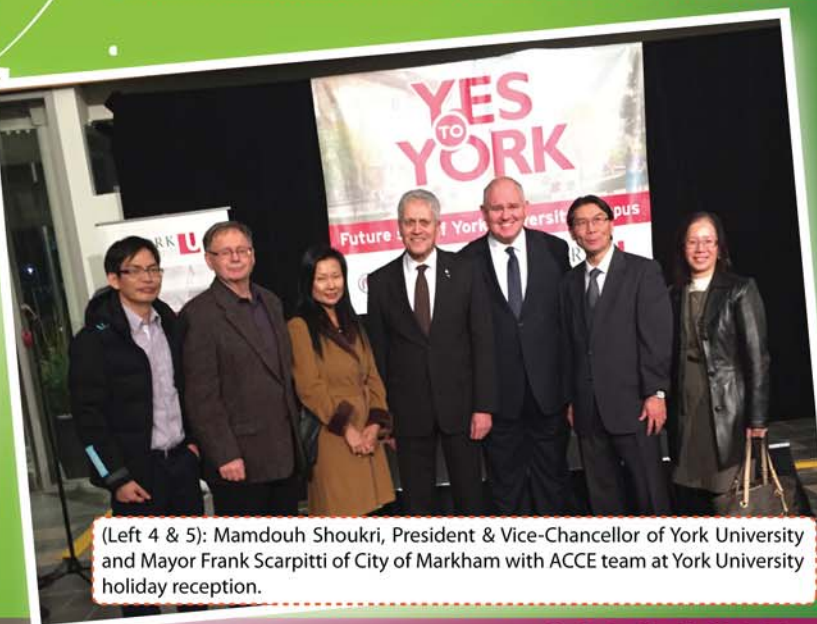
Irwin Li, President of ACCE at Prime Minister Stephen Harper's official visit to China 2014.



ACCE directors at BDC 15th Anniversary celebration was held on September 18, 2014. (From left): Karen Ng, Tina Woo, Peter Lawler, Alan Kwong, Edmund Tin and Stephen Bald.



Nanhai - Markham Trade and Investment Seminar, ACCE directors and Executive Mayor Deng Weigen, Nanhai District (Left 3).



(Left 4 & 5): Mamdouh Shoukri, President & Vice-Chancellor of York University and Mayor Frank Scarpitti of City of Markham with ACCE team at York University holiday reception.

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