

***2010 Chinese American Doctors Association (CADA) Spring Newsletter
from the President, Dr. Dou Alvin Zhang***

Dear CADA members and friends,

This is the CADA 2010 Spring Newsletter, which I hope finds you in good health and fine spirits. With the 2010 spring coming in, it is my privilege to inform you of CADA's many updates since the 09 Fall Newsletter.



1. Congratulations to Dr. Christopher Shih who has been selected as one of the Board of Directors at Healthy Howard Healthcare Plan.

2. AAHC volunteer clinic officially opened



AAHC volunteer clinic has opened its door on 10/03/09. Over the past 6 months, CADA volunteer physicians, nurses, and medical students have seen more than 90 uninsured Chinese American family members from Howard County, Montgomery County and Frederick County. CADA has received great feedbacks from our communities. Many thanks to our volunteers and your support. If you and your children would like to volunteer in this clinic, please feel free to contact me or Dr. Yen Li who is in charge of non-medical volunteers.

Location: 5070 Dorsey Hall Dr. Suite 101, Ellicott City, MD 21042

Operation Time: Every first and third Saturday, 9-12am.

3. CADA 2010 Spring Assembly

CADA will hold its 2010 Spring Assembly on April 24, 2010. Please mark your calendar. All CADA members, associate members and their families are invited. Dinner will be provided by Hunan Manor restaurant. Various entertainments are planned as well. For all the members who have not paid their membership dues this year, this will be a good time to prepare a check payable to CADA.

Regular Membership: \$100

Resident Membership: \$50

Student Membership: \$20

Associate Membership: \$30

Detailed membership information can be found at www.chineseamericandoctors.org



Location: Linden Hall, 4765 Dorsey Hall Dr., Ellicott City, Maryland 21042

Time: April 24, 2010, Saturday, 5-10pm.

RSVP: adzhang2000@yahoo.com

4. 2010 CADA Chamber Music Benefit Concert

As a partner of AAHC volunteer clinic, CADA is committed to support the AAHC missions with its volunteer physicians and nurses. The success of AAHC depends on the support from its communities, partners and local government. As part of the 2010 AAHC fund raising campaign, CADA is proud to present a **2010 CADA Chamber Music Benefit Concert**. All proceeds from this event will be used to support AAHC volunteer clinic. Hereby, I sincerely invite you and your families to this fantastic music concert for a great cause. All tickets are donation based and are tax deductible.



Location: The Jim Rouse Theater for the Performing Arts, Wilde Lake High School, Columbia, MD 21044

Time: Sunday, May 23, 2010 7:00 PM

Ticket Price (donations): \$20, \$15, \$10 depending on seating arrangement.

Music Program: Directed by Dr. Christopher Shih and Phil Peng. Supported by a group of musicians from Johns Hopkins Peabody Musical Institute and Columbia Chinese Choral Art Society.

CADA ticket contact: Dr. Alvin Zhang, adzhang2000@yahoo.com

A copy of concert flyer will be send to you in a separate email.

5. 2010 Howard County Asian Pacific American (APA) Heritage Month Celebration and Healthfair



Health Fair

CADA is working with Howard County General Hospital to organize a mini healthfair in 2010 APA celebration opening ceremony. It is

estimated that more than 2000 people will participate the opening ceremony. I have reserved 10 booths for the Chinese communities. 6 of them are still available. The booth is free for the non-profit organization and costs \$100 for the for-profit organizations or practice. This could be a good opportunity to present your practice to the Howard County Asian communities. Please contact me if you or your organization are interested in booking a booth. In addition to the healthfair, there are a variety of Asian food service, performances and Asian culture-related activities.

Location: Howard High School, 8700 Old Annapolis Rd, Ellicott City, MD 21045

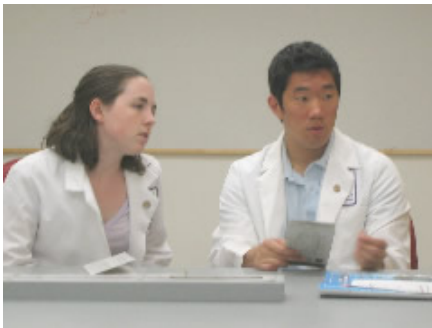
Time: May 8th, 2010, Saturday, 10am to 4pm.

If you are able to help out with the health fair, please let me know.

6. 2009-10 AAHC-CADA flu-shot season concluded



CADA and AAHC have successfully concluded its 2009-2010 regular and H1N1 flu shot season. More than 200 family members from the local Chinese communities have received flu shots through the CADA-AAHC flu shot drive. Many thanks to our volunteer physicians and nurses.



7. CADA-Medical Chinese Curriculum project
2009 CADA-Medical Chinese Curriculum project at University of Maryland School of Medicine has been successfully concluded. Many thanks to Dr. Guofeng Xie for his leadership and volunteers for their dedications. The feedbacks from the medical students are so great that they have invited us back this year. If you are interested in this project, please contact me or Dr. Xie directly.

8. 2010 CADA Party Schedule

After exploring various means to facilitate the friendship among our CADA members and their families, CADA board of directors have planned to host four CADA parties throughout this year. They are scheduled in April (April 24, 2010), July, October, and January (2011). Details of these events will be announced during our 2010 Spring Assembly. Please let us know if you have any suggestions or comments regarding this.

9. Community Education Program

For various logistic reasons, our 2009 CADA Community Healthcare Education Program did not materialize. With the start of 2010, we are planning to restart this excellent tradition at Howard County Chinese School and will expand it to the other Chinese communities as well. Your support is critical for the success of this project. Please let me know if you are able to participate.



10. CADA Community Service Award

CADA strongly believes that the sense of community service starts at young age. For this, we have started an Annual CADA Community Service Award to the best community service performed by our Chinese school graduates from the local Chinese American communities. The 2009 Awards were awarded to a total of 9 students.



Gold award: Kelly Shan (10th grade)

Silver awards: Kevin Chen (10th grade), Sandy Wan (10th grade)

Bronze awards: Connie Chen (10th grade), Leia Gu (10th grade), Joy Li (9th grade), Charlie Yu (10th grade), George Zhang (9th grade), Yolanda Zhang (10th grade)

Congratulations to all these students.

11. Baltimore Anti-Tobacco Grant concluded



CADA has successfully fulfilled two phases of Baltimore Asian Anti-Tobacco grant from Maryland State Health Department. Many thanks to our volunteers and community partners. Health Department is very happy about our accomplishment and CADA has been awarded \$8000 for its effort. Due to the State budget shortage, CADA was unable to finish the other 4 phases of this grant. However, we strongly believe that our efforts have made an impact in our communities and we will continue our strong advocacy against tobacco use in our communities.

12. Dr. Jie Zhang nominated as the CADA Executive Officer.

CADA board of directors has nominated Dr. Jie Zhang as the Executive Officer of CADA. Dr. Jie Zhang graduated from Zhongshan Medical University in China. He worked as a Pathologist in China prior to joining Johns Hopkins as a Human Genetic

researcher. He is the former Principal of Howard County Chinese School and a well established Chinese community leader. His main responsibility at CADA includes CADA operations and assisting CADA president and board of directors to execute CADA missions. CADA board strongly believes that his enthusiasm and experience will be a great asset to CADA. I would like to congratulate and welcome Dr. Jie Zhang to CADA.

With its strong commitment to community service, CADA has grown into a well respected organization in our communities. CADA's success depends on the support from its members, families, volunteers, local Asian communities and local government. Hereby, I would like to personally invite you to join us in our efforts to further promote our CADA objectives!

Thank you and best regards.

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