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Words from CAAA President

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Dear all,

Time flies. It has been 15 years since CAAA promoted abacus in the United States, and this year we are going to have the 17th assessment test. In this prosperous year of tiger, I wish we will consistently devote our passion and support to extend this precious skill and culture.

The 2010 Annual Meeting came out as a success. I am very appreciate everyone's support and help, especially our division presidents, board members, parents, students and advisors who had participated in this event. Furthermore, I want to express my cordial welcome our new members to join our CAAA team.

We have already completed many successful events this year (please see attached file) Please visit our website www.caaa-abacus.org for event pictures and assessment test application forms.

Fundraising – Gift Coupons (Scrip)

A thank you to our senior volunteers, Mr. and Mrs. Kwong, they have raised \$1,296.00 for CAAA in 2009. We hope our members to persistently support fundraising and purchasing gift coupons in 99 Ranch or Marina Food. Please call Mrs. Nancy Kwong at 408-865-0278 or email gki@yahoo.com.

Scholarship

A thank you to our advisor Tina Wu, she offers \$1,000.00 for scholarship this year. Besides, CAAA provides \$2,000.00 and the scholarship amount is increasing to \$3,000.00 this year.

Annual Assessment Test and Award Ceremony

The CAAA annual assessment test poster, flyer, application form, testing rules and teacher's notice have been completed and also posted on CAAA website. The poster, flyer, application form, testing rules and teacher's notice already mailed to each division presidents and teachers. Please post the posters and flyers in classrooms, schools, libraries, and supermarkets and your students. Teachers can download the forms on CAAA website to students and parents, and encourage them to participate.

Please reserve the dates of test and award ceremony. Please remind parents to reserve the dates as well. I hope all teachers, students and parents can participate in CAAA events.

Test Registration Deadline: 04/12/2010

Testing Date and Time: Midwest, 05/14/2010 (Friday)
Southern CA, 05/15/2010 (Saturday)
Southeast, 05/15/2010 (Saturday)
Northern CA, 05/16/2010 (Sunday)

Awards Ceremony Date:

Midwest, 06/04/2010 (Friday)
Southern CA, 06/05/2010 (Saturday)
Southeast, 06/05/2010 (Saturday)
Northern CA, 06/06/2010 (Sunday)

Summer International Events

1. International Mental Arithmetic Invitational Competition will be held on July 25, 2010 in Taipei County Cultural Center by Taiwan Chamber of Commerce, to celebrate 2010 International Abacus Day.
2. The Taiwan Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring the International Abacus Teacher's Seminar and Teaching Study Camp will be held on July 25 and 26 in Taipei City, Taiwan. This event will benefit abacus teachers to attend, and interested teachers can arrange their schedules earlier to attend this event. For those who are interested in signing up for the first and second events, please contact the Northern California President, Shioh-Jy Hsieh.
3. In order to attend both events and reduce any inconveniences to parents, teachers, and family, our association is planning an "International Cultural Exchange Trip" from July 25 to July 31, which will explore Taiwan culture and enjoy family time together.

4. The Chinese Academy of the Abacus is sponsoring The 2010 World City Cup – Abacus, Mental Arithmetic and Mathematics Competition will be held in Taichung from July 31 to August 2, 2010. Students who have mental arithmetic level 5 and higher all can attend. For those who are interested in signing up for the third and fourth events, please contact the Southern California President, Carolyn An.

*** The four summer international events and the 17th abacus and mental arithmetic assessment test application forms and scholarship forms will be completed soon, and please visit our website for more details.

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