



Carolinan Chinese Chamber of Commerce

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FROM THE CHAMBER PRESIDENT



This first issue of the Carolinas Chinese Chamber of Commerce (CCCC) newsletter is a big congratulation to every member for the many activities we hosted, sponsored and supported, which enhanced CCCC profile, deepened our integration with communities and helped increase the cultural and economic interactions between the Carolinas and China.

Our members are the key to our success. Every one of us has been diligent in promoting CCCC cores and making our community a better place. Some of the members deserved to be highlighted include: Lihong Yu, Meiyu Wang, and Ya Liu. Lihong is the first Chinese entrepreneur to win the CWTA (Carolina World Trade Association) Leadership in International Commerce Award. Meiyu is a colorful vocal artist that has been the center of several successful concerts showing off Chinese styles. Ya won the election for Cary town council as a first-time candidate. A political breakthrough for the local Chinese community!

Our engagement and partnership with local governments and main-stream businesses have been strong. One example is that our South Carolina Chapter held a series of great events. We met with SC governor and Lt. governor, discussed how the US-China trade tensions impacted Carolinian businesses, and how CCCC help Chinese companies better integrate with local economy.

We are also excited about the many high-profile members that joined the CCCC family recently and I firmly believe that CCCC will play a bigger role in growing local economy, promoting greater benefits for each member, and acting as a better bridge between the Carolinas and China.

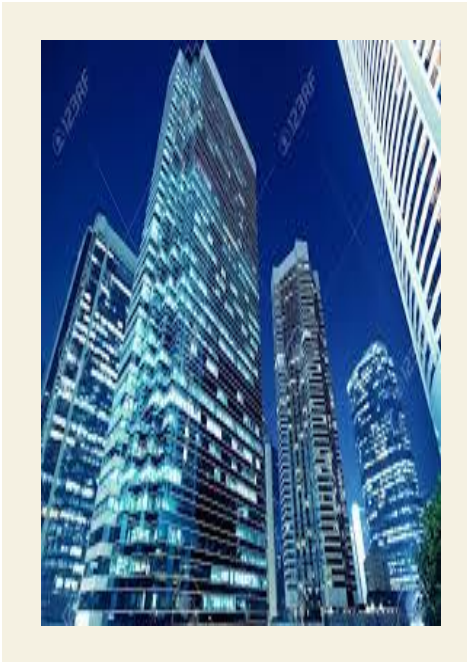
Keep up the good work!

Michael Wang

WARM WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

- Chen, Richard
- Chen, Zefeng
- Colmer, Daisy W, Colmer CPA, PLLC
- Dong, Jinli, 360 Health Care
- Hui, Yau Shun, Hui Kim Design and Architecture PLLC
- Lastein, Kelton, RESPEC LLC
- Liu, Leo, T & G Matthews LLC
- Miao, Mike, Pacific Asiana
- Shen, Fanshan
- Ta, Louis, Law Office of Louis Ta PLLC
- Wang, Jane, 杭州众联同创信息咨询有限公司
- Wang, Peicheng, Great Zhaimen LLC
- Woo, Henry, Healthcare SC, LLC
- Zhang, Mark, Consulting
- Zhang, Hongtao, Scott Insurance
- Zhou, Li, NYZ Costruction
- Zhu, Shia, Honey Nest Properties LLC





KEY EVENT COMING UP AT CCCC

Carolina's Chinese Chamber of Commerce (CCCC) Round Table

This key event will discuss concerns and expectations by Chinese businesses in North Carolina. Guests will include business elites from Asian communities, members of North Carolina Commerce Department and local officials.

Date: November 2nd, 2:00pm to 4:00pm

Address: 122 N Hamilton St, High Point, NC 27260. (Free parking on weekend on the parking lots near the building.)

As a nonprofit organization, CCCC is committed to bridge and promote cross-border trade and investment activities between the U.S. and China. It has been successfully advocated and serviced the Chinese business community in Carolinas for years. The regular forums hold by CCCC have connected Chinese entrepreneurs directly with local authorities. We strongly believe that, your concerns are CCCC's concerns and your expectations are CCCC's expectations.

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING AT CCCC

In the triangle area:

March 2nd, tax seminar, featuring Steve Niu, Triangle Accounting Group.

March 16th, immigration seminar, featuring Edward Mu, Law Office of Yuanyue Mu.

April 6th, real estate investment and 1031 exchange seminar by Hannah Chan of Cary Raleigh Realty, and Mingjun Zhu, CPA.

April 28th, commercial real estate investment and commercial loan seminar by Maggie Quan, Beverly Keith, David Wilkins.

May 11th, timber investment 101, by Jimmy Lee and Michael Wang.

June 22nd, private equity and hedge fund seminar by Alex Wang and Lu Yang.

July 13th, finance and commerce seminar by Tony Zhang.

In July, a delegation from Zhejiang University, a top university in China, visited the Research Triangle area. It was headed by Matt Wang, an ex-IBM top executive in China. They were warmly welcomed by CCCC RTP chapter members, including Hannah Chan, Leo Chan and Edward Mu.

October 4th, CCCC members hosted a "Building Bridges with China" event.

October 5th, Asian Night with Meiyu Wang, held in NC State University Steward Theatre, was a great success. This concert featured Ms. Meiyu Wang based on Chinese traditional culture, other Chinese ethnic arts and American elements.

October 9th, the town of Cary elected its first Asian American to the Town Council on Tuesday night, first-time candidate Ya Liu who emigrated to the U.S. from China in 2003. Ya, a CCCC member, is also a board member of the Chinese-

American Friendship Association of North Carolina and helped organize the Taste of China and LIGHTUP festivals in Raleigh and Chapel Hill.



In Charlotte area:

In April, Ms Minister Xu from the Chinese Embassy visited Charlotte and CCCC help organize a productive meeting for Ms Xu to meet with the local officials.

In May, CCCC 2019 charity golf event happened, dedicating the \$6000 proceeds to the Catawba Lands Conservancy.

July 13th, Lihong Yu, PHT CEO, shared her story of entrepreneurial success in Asian library.

Thursday Aug 15, CCCC members joined a fundraising event at Marriott Charlotte Northlake for Charlotte City Council member Dimple Ajmera.

September 14th, CCCC member participated in the Art Poetry & Music event held in the CPCC Halton Theater in Charlotte.

September 18th, Charlotte monthly social hour.



In other areas:

September 6th in Greenville, the SC Chapter organized a very successful “Chinese Business Roundtable Forum on the site of the law firm Wyche. Government officials, industrial experts, Executives from Chinese companies in SC and many CCCC SC members over 40 people attended this forum and had an in-depth discussion about the opportunities and challenges Chinese companies face currently and resources/help available for them. Lt. Governor of SC also addressed the crowd and praised CCCC for facilitating the meeting.



September 18th, Dottie Li was one of the witnesses speaking about how to increase economic opportunities at an event organized by the Congress Committee on small business.

From July 30 to August 3, Jane Zheng, Myrtle Beach, SC, participated in a tour as a CCCC representative to promote the connection and cooperation between the Carolinas and the Liaoning Province in China.

CCCC MEMBER NEWS



LIHONG YU, FOUNDER AND PRESIDENT OF PHT INTERNATIONAL, won CWTA (Carolina World Trade Association) Leadership in International Commerce Award on June 12th. She is the first Chinese to be awarded this honor.

Since the founding in 1993, PHT International has earned a reputation as a reliable business partner, consistently going above and beyond the expectations of its customers. This achievement directly results from the continuous efforts of Lihong.

During the early 1990s Lihong saw the opportunity to fill the gap between the United States chemical market and the Far East. With a mere \$5000, Lihong established PHT International in 1993 in Charlotte, North Carolina. Zeroing in on delivering cost-effective, high-quality chemical products directly to western companies, PHT has steadily grown from its humble beginning, reaching \$100 million in annual sales in recent time. In the meantime Lihong has ensured every PHT product and package held to its high standards, and PHT has become a well-known leader in quality and reliability.



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Oct. 15-17, group trip to Capital Hill, White House and Chinese Embassy

Oct. 24, Retirement Investment Seminar, Charlotte

Nov. 2, Semi-annual social event, Greensboro

Nov. 10, Seminar- Financing/Commercial loan, Charlotte

Nov. 16, Will & Trust - the Importance of Estate Planning seminar

Dec. 6, Year end holiday celebration, Myrtle Beach Resort



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