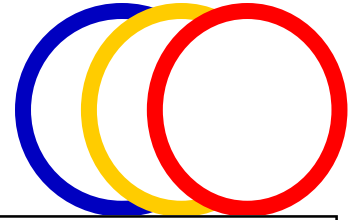




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Angela Tan (right) and her friends performed a Chinese Dance called 'Little Apple' for the guests.



Above photo: Choy-sun (Fortune God) making his round to present ang-pow to every guest. Right photo: Consul General of Malaysia Mr. Mohd Adli sends his greetings to all the guests.



Above: Happy Tay and his wife Theresa.

EVENTS TO WATCH.....

- Brunei Spring Night -April 25, 2015
- Annual Picnic-July 11, 2015
- Singapore National Day-Aug 15, 2015
- Malaysia National Day-Sep 05, 2015
- Christmas Party-Dec 05, 2015
- New Year's Eve Dinner-Dec 31, 2015

BINGO Night—TBA

(Above dates are subject to change)

Monthly Activities: Pot-Luck on every last Saturday of the month @ MSBCA Club House.



Left photo: Directors Richard Liew and Miew Leng Teo sharing the duty of being the Emcee for the evening.



Winners of the \$1,000.00 Cash Prize Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Chung, flanked by President Fanny Chua and Past President Christopher Chung, who presented the prize on behalf of the donor Hon. Advisory Yeo Sing Lim.

Left photo: President Fanny Chua on her welcoming speech

Message from the President....

(Edited. Full text version released through HQ emailing system)



Dear Members,

How the time has flown! Spring is officially here, even though spring weather came about a month earlier. Buds and flowers bloomed a couple of weeks earlier, beautifying our landscapes in early spring.

MSBCA celebrated Chinese New Year on 21st February. Many thanks to the Directors and all those who supported us by being sponsors, donating prizes, with special thanks to Mr Yeo Seng Lim, who donated a large sum of monetary gift for our main raffle prize. Grateful thanks too to all of you who attended the event, supporting us with your attendance.

A reminder that at our clubhouse we host a pot luck at the last Saturday of every month. We invite more of you to attend, to join us in fellowship, enjoy home cooking, karaoke and dancing. This is for members only though guests can be invited. Another event I would like to bring to your attention is ballroom dancing. Every Sunday we offer ballroom lessons at the clubhouse, with a qualified ballroom tutor. Right now there is an intermediate ballroom class going and we are hoping to start a beginner's class. At this moment we have one or two couples interested, and will start the beginners class when more couples are interested in joining. Please let us know if you are keenly interested. Starting a zumba and line dancing class are also in the works. More details will follow soon.

Lastly, thank you to Angela Tan and her friends (pictured) for volunteering their time to perform for MSBCA at Parker Place Shopping Centre in Richmond on February 22, 2015.

Best regards,

Mrs. Fanny Chua, President



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Obituary



His full name is Orville Elliot (However, he loved to be called Bill) He translated on Feb. 15th 2015 at the Royal Columbian Hospital, in New Westminster, BC., he was 82 years young.

He was a professor of Physical Anthropology at University of Victoria where he retired and moved out to Vancouver. He also taught at University of Singapore Medical School on Anatomy and Population Genetics and John's Hopkins Med. School in the US.

A memorial service, officiated by Michael Greenidge was held at the Pink Pearl Restaurant on March 28th, 2015, well attended by immediate families, relatives and friends.

The Malaysia Singapore & Brunei Cultural Association, Vancouver, British Columbia wishes to extend their deepest sympathy to the people of Singapore and to the many Singaporeans living here in Canada, for their loss of **Mr. Lee Kuan Yew**, First Prime Minister, from 1959-1990. He died on March 21, 2015, at the age of 91.



From the Editor's desk...

I would like to use this column to express my sincere thank you to Co-founder and Past President Mr. Guilbert Ho (pictured) for his past involvement with this Association. He has stepped down from the position of Hon. Advisor after holding the title for over 10 years. Upon invitation, he never hesitated to attend board meetings to give advice on important issues facing the Association. He also presided in many Annual General Meetings as Chairperson.

The Board, along with all the members say 'Thank you'. We hope to continue our close relationship and see you at some of our functions.

Till then. Best...

Richard Liew, Editor/Past President



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NEW MEMBERS:

MSBCA welcome the following new members:

Single: Luke Schellenberg, Mathew Ewert,

Family: Lia Chayadi & Surya Santoso, Luceila Wong, John Chin and Francis Wei, Melvyn & Diana Yeo, Sandra Toh.

2015 Chinese New Year Dinner and Dance
 -by Chelsea Chaki

Every year MSBCA has a big Chinese New Year celebration at the Continental Seafood Restaurant in Richmond. This year, 440 people attended. This is the biggest function MSBCA hosts every year.

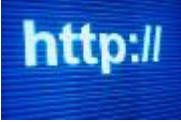


Many people attended wearing their traditional Chinese costumes. When they walked in they got a chance to 'spin-the-wheel' and if they were lucky, they won tickets for a chance to win prizes.

The evening started with the Chinese 'Lion Dance'. The lion dance went from the stage all the way to the back and then back to the stage again so that everyone was able to see. Next came the 'Fortune God' who went around the whole restaurant handing out 'ang pow' to everyone who attended. The 'Lion Dance' and 'Fortune God' are symbols of fortune and prosperity in the Chinese custom. All the children who attended were given 'ang pow' and everyone who were born in the year of the goat were invited to the stage to claim an 'ang pow' too. There was a huge Chinese New Year costume parade that all the ladies who attended wearing a Chinese costume could join. They paraded down every row of tables to show off their beautiful Chinese costumes. Then they were invited to pick an 'ang pow' from the board. Some lucky ladies picked ones with cash inside, WOW! There were two dance performances by Angela Tan's dance Troupe, one was a Malay dance and the other a Chinese dance.

Dinner was a 10-course fare with some traditional Chinese New Year dishes served while all the excitement was going on. The dishes came one at a time and they were all delicious. People were chatting and laughing and having a good time.

Raffle tickets were sold for a chance to win some awesome prizes. There were about 40 raffle prizes, including one top prize of \$1000 Cash and lots of other cash prizes!!! There was also a Member's prize draw, with about 20 prizes and also included lots of cash prizes!!! The evening ended with people dancing to the beat of the band and singers. This year's Chinese New Year Dinner & Dance was a huge success. If you missed all the fun this year, I hope you can join us next year to ring in the 2016 Chinese New Year.

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 Our Webmaster is Mr. Christopher Liang

Annual Picnic
July 11, 2015!!!!

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Members —\$15 per hour
 Definition: Private use by members for family parties and gatherings; not to be rented for second party use. Renter must be present for that period.

Community —\$20 per hour, max.4hrs; \$180.00/day.
 Definition: Non-business type Social Group Meetings, Church Groups, Community Groups.

Business/Corporate—\$25.00 per hour, max. 2hrs;
 Definition: Business being conducted such as for dancing lessons, seminars, marketing and sales.
 Exemption for Regular Renters: \$20.00 per hour.

Rates are subject to change without notice.
 Audio/Visual Equipment not included.
 Capacity: 50 people seating, 90 standing.
Please contact any for the directors for rental.

MEMBERSHIP
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V6X 4C9.
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 Membership Form or visit our website to print the form.

Annual Membership Fee . (From August 01st, current year to July 31st, the following year):

	General	Life
Single/Seniors (60 & over) -	\$25.00	\$250.00
Family (excluding children over 18 years) -	\$30.00	\$300.00

Corporate Rate: \$200.00

Snapshots: Chinese New Year Party, February 21, 2015

by Director SK Chin.



Past President Christopher Chung greeted the Consul General of Malaysia Mr. Mohd Adli (on the left) upon his arrival.
Below photo: Kids waiting to receive the ang-pau from Choy San.



Below photo: MSBCA Cultural Dance Group with Consul General of Malaysia and his wife and President Fanny Chua (third from right).
Left: A happy guest winning a ticket at the prize wheel.

