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CPCA Conference

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CPCA is going to hold its first conference on the 19th of June, 1993. The conference will feature three CPCA member presentations on laser applications, telecommunications and house structures. The speakers are experts and have many years of experience in their respective fields. Each presentation will be given in 20 minutes followed by 5 minute discussions. Soft drinks and refreshments will be provided after the presentations. You may bring your family along so they could enjoy themselves in the garden outside the seminar room, if weather permits.

Time: 2:00pm 19 June 1993, Saturday
Venue: Seminar Room, Anatomy Department, Monash University, Clayton (see attached map)

Presentation 1: Laser and its applications
(2:00 - 2:25pm) Speaker: Dr. Qiang Zhu,
Spectra-Physics Inc.

Presentation 2: Introduction to House Structures
(2:25 - 2:50pm) Speaker: Li-Gong Zhou, Architect.

Presentation 3: Telecommunications: the Key to Global Village of the 21st Century
(2:50 - 3:15pm) Speaker: Don Xia, Senior Researcher Telecom Australia Research Labs.

Brief News

Huan Liu

Since the last issue, many things have occurred. Here we will bring you to the current status of our CPCA, its activities

and future plans. First, what happened? An Easter picnic party was successfully organized by Qiang Zhu at the Yarra river bank. Our president, Guimin Liu and vice president, Don Xia had a live interview at a local radio station, 3ZZZ. With Yibing Chen's skillful organization, two rounds of family-weekends were held. The number of families in the second one doubled. Eight new members have joined us. We have 44 members now. The committee held a meeting on 22, April, discussed issues on establishing relationships with nonpolitical organizations in Australia and China, and what we can do in the future. A survey was conducted after the meeting. Its results are published here. Based on the survey, a brochure about CPCA will be prepared and made available to all members, and sent off to potential interested parties. We also made an initial contact with the education office of the Chinese General Consulate in Melbourne. All these events are described individually below. Second, what will happen? Please refer to Upcoming Events for events you're interested in. Last, we would like to hear from you about what we can/should do. We want to make CPCA active and successful together with you.

First Meeting with an Outside Organization

Jianfeng Jing

As one of the purposes of our organization is to facilitate scientific, cultural and economic exchanges between China and Australia, the committee decided to explore the possibility of non-political co-operation with the education office of the Chinese consulate in Melbourne. A meeting between the members of the committee and the consuls was arranged

for Saturday, the 8 May 1993, 3 o'clock p.m., at the education office in 40 Milburn Grove, St Kilda. Five of the six committee members took part in the meeting. Zhu Qiang was absent because of other business matters. The meeting took place in a friendly atmosphere. It began with the participants exchanging information of their name, work and other general background. As we were informed, the education office have three staff members, Mrs. Guo Yi Qing is the chief officer of the office. She is assisted by her junior colleague, Mr. Guan Zhi Shan. There is also Mr. Consul Dai Cheng Tai, who we knew before.

Currently, the Melbourne consulate consists of approximately 30 staff personnel. It has five offices: consular affairs, commerce, cultural exchange, foreign affairs and education. As the open policy was advanced, the task of the consulate is changing quickly. Now, delegations from China coming to Australia (in fact also to other countries) don't need to inform the consulate in advance anymore. For the education office, the tradi-

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tional task of supervising overseas Chinese students is being changed to promoting international education exchange. New tasks such as advising non-Chinese speaking students on matters related to learning Chinese are emerging. It emerged from the discussion that Monash University is preparing to form a Sister-University partnership with Nanjing University, with a visit of the President of the Nanjing University. Prof. Qu scheduled to visit Monash by the end of this year. Yun Nan University is contemplating the idea of forming a partnership with the Latrobe University.

On some policy matters it was said the privately funded students who are studying in regular universities are to receive the same service from the education office as for those state-funded ones. Currently, for those contemplating returning to China to work, the state education commission can no longer provide placement. The education office will provide help to establish the initial contact, but students are asked to find their jobs in a "two-way" selection process. The committee members also presented proposal for helping those members who are interested in working for a short term in China, and in inviting distinguished guests to speak to the club. The Consuls expressed their interest and promised co-operation where possible. We also discussed the professionals home stay program. It was agreed, that a regular information exchange should take place in areas interesting to both sides.

Report on Easter BBQ

Qiang Zhu

On April 9, Good Friday, CPCA organised second all members social gathering at Yarra river bank. The bright sunny sky completely cleared all the doubts over whether the gathering should be held outdoor. More than fifty people attended including some prospective members such as Dr. Zhang Xiao-Qing from Melbourne University. As BBQ was going on, people started to exhibit their products of skilled cooking. The smells and

looks of the food guaranteed that anyone was on diet that day would have a break for several hours. New and old faces were mingled together. Kids were playing happily with the excitement of meeting new friends as well. Members left with smiles.

Report on Radio Interview

Don Xia

On the night of April 22, 1993, CPCA president Dr. Guimin Liu was interviewed by Ms. Xiaofeng Guo and Mr. Tien Feng of Radio Australia and Melbourne 3ZZZ (92.3FM), a special radio station devoted to multicultural and aired in many ethnic languages including Mandarin Chinese and Cantonese. The mandarin program is on air every thursday evening from 10-11pm. The introduction and promotion of CPCA by our president over air to a greater Melbourne Chinese community was well received, which is having a positive impact of CPCA regarding helping it reach out to and raise its profile among a larger Chinese community in Melbourne area. As a vice president of CPCA, I was present during the interview. We've received some membership applications afterwards.

Family Weekends

周末小聚

程一兵

继三月第一次周末小聚活动后,有二十五名会员报名参加了CPCA五月份组织的周末聚会。五个小组连同家属一起,参加活动的人数超过了六十人,实乃本会兴旺发达之象征。经几个小组召集人的多方联系及精心安排,此次活动搞得有声有色,真可谓八仙过海,各显神通。

孙守义小组安排了周末晚间聚会。几家人聚在一起,吃的吃,聊的聊,有的听音乐,有的玩游戏。辛劳了一周的人们,能与朋友们在一起过这样一个悠闲的良宵,真够诗情画意的了。施浩组另有一番高招。只见女士们在用麻将"围城",男士们用纸牌"升级",孩子们则玩乒乓球和计算机游戏,真是各得其乐。意想不到的事都发生在蒋三平小组了。一会员因有事不得不退出活动,另一会员因汽车突然抛锚欲来不能。面对不利形势,组长当机立断,全组剩余人员转移,向"友军"靠拢。这样一来,难怪夏克农小组的气势在此次活动中独占鳌头了。他们不仅汇集了三平的余部,而且还吸引了几个会外朋友加盟。在 Ringwood Park 的草地上,十家二十多人浸浴着早秋那温暖的阳光共进午餐,一同欣赏市郊的田园风光,不亦乐乎。第五组由周志平组织将在下个周末聚会。

真是一个愉快的周末。许多朋友于是说:"周末小聚不仅丰富了我们的业余生活,而且增进了朋友间的友谊。这样的活动我们愿意参加。"既然是这样,CPCA将于七月下旬再组织第三次周末小聚活动,具体安排,请候通知。尽管这次活动刚过,一些会员已经对如何组织下次活动出谋划策了。有的提议专为单身会员组织一组,还有的提议将有兴趣去滑雪的会员组织一组等等。对此,您有什么建议呢?

Committee Meeting Report and Survey Results

Jianfeng Jing & Guimin Liu

The committee of the CPCA met on 22 April 1993 to discuss avenues of improving our contact with professional organizations in PR China. The committee members tentatively agreed that we

could provide the following services to professionals and professional bodies in China. All these will require the support of the members. Hence the committee decided to conduct a survey among the members. A questionnaire was mailed to each of the 42 members in early May.

It was proposed at the above mentioned meeting, that CPCA can provide the following services: 1. Technical and general consulting to research and industrial organizations in China. Since the members of CPCA are highly qualified professionals, the committee believes that there is scope for CPCA to provide consulting service to organizations in China. The committee suggested that CPCA as an organization might assume the role of an agency in setting up a contract between a client organization in China and an Australian service provider, such as a member or a group of members or an external organization.

2. Exchange of short term visits with relevant organizations in China (perhaps as an extension of your home visit). The committee believes that it is of interest for the members to establish a network of professional contacts with Chinese organizations. Or vice versa, to help professionals in China establish links with Australian organizations. With this project, CPCA seeks to establish links with such organizations through the individual efforts of its members, and to facilitate the exchange of information between Chinese organizations and CPCA, the members and member's affiliated organizations.

3. Inviting distinguished persons to speak in a seminar to the members. The purpose of this program is to enhance the members' awareness of the developments in China by inviting one or two highly distinguished persons to speak to the members in a seminar, while they are in Australia for other businesses. This will also help to raise CPCA's profile in China by making CPCA known to high profile people in China.

4. Professionals home stay program. This program is designed to accommodate professional visitors from China to

stay at a CPCA member's home for a short period. This will provide opportunities for members to get current information of China and make friends with prominent professionals (broadly defined) from China. The visitors may also get your help and information about Australia. It is voluntary to participate in this program. A small fee may be paid to the member by the visitor to compensate the cost. If appropriate, the visitor may be invited to give a seminar to all CPCA members.

5. Short term job opportunities information service. The committee proposed to provide a service to the members who wish to work temporarily in China.

MAY 1993 MEMBER SURVEY RESULTS

Out of the 42 questionnaires, 26 have been filled in and returned to CPCA. The survey results are summarized with the questionnaire in the following. The number of the same answers to each question is given in the bracket before that answer. Brackets without any number indicate that no one ticked those answers. For some questions, a few people ticked two boxes. Three of the 26 returned forms late and are not included here.

A. Consulting services.

A.1 Do you think CPCA should/can provide such services [16] CPCA should shouldn't don't care [8] CPCA can can't [2] don't know

A.2 [21] I am willing to participate [2] I am not willing to. If you want to participate, in what area is your expertise? There are 19 answers which will be categorized in the near future.

A.3 Should CPCA charge [13] 10% [2] 20% [3] 5% [3] other _____ of face value for the agency role

B. Short term visits

B.1 Do you plan to visit professional/ industrial organizations when you visit your relatives in China? [19] Yes [3] No

B.2 Are you willing to share your information with other members [23] Yes No

B.3 Can you provide help to professionals in China to establish a link with a corresponding Australian organization [19] Yes [4] No

C. Distinguished guest speakers

C.1 Do you think such a program is helpful for you [21] Yes [1] No

C.2 Do you know anyone who is a distinguished person in his fields Please specify name, title, contact address etc.? 4 people gave the names & addresses.

D. Professionals home stay program

D.1 Do you think this is a worthwhile program? [18] Yes [2] No [2] don't know

D.2 Are you interested to participate in the Professionals Home Stay Program? [13] Yes [6] No

D.3 How many times per year would you like to accommodate visitors from this program? Among the 13 who said yes to D.2, most answered twice a year.

D.4 How many visitors can you accommodate each time? [1-2] visitors each time.

D.5 How long at most can the visitors stay at your home each time? [3-7] days.

D.6 Will you be able to provide transportation to/from the airport for the visitor? [9] Yes [2] No

D.7 How much would you like to charge each visitor per day? (\$5, \$10, \$20?). If you choose not to charge the visitor, this will be made known to him. Charge A\$[0 - 20].

D.8 Could you provide breakfast & dinner to the visitor? [11] Yes No

E. Short term job opportunities program

E.1 Are you interested in working in China for a short period [14] Yes [8] No

E.2 Can you provide related information to CPCA for distribution [10] Yes [10] No

E.3 Do you wish your address and affiliation made known to professional and official (but not commercial) organizations.

To official organizations (Australian and Chinese) [18] Yes [5] No

To professional organizations (Australian and Chinese) [19] Yes [4] No

ACTION

The committee will meet soon to discuss the survey results and decide what programs to carry out and how. We will keep you informed.

New Members

Since March 1993, CPCA has accepted eight new members which are listed below. We would like to extend our warm welcome to them here and hope they will enthusiastically participate and enjoy the club activities in the future.

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Members' Profile

John Chen

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sity of Wollongong, Australia. M.E. in Communication Engineering, awarded in 1985, Xi'an Jiaotong University, PRC. B.E. in Electrical Engineering, awarded in 1982, Xi'an Jiaotong University, PRC. Currently with BHP Research, Melbourne Laboratories. Field of interests includes: image processing, signal processing, microwave, industrial measurement instrumentation.

Sanping Jiang

I spent almost four years in a ceramic capacitors factory before I went to the Department of Inorganic materials and Technology, South China Institute of Technology, (now called South China University of Technology) I graduated in early 1982 and at the same time was granted a scholarship for overseas study from the High Commission of Education. I went to the City University, London in Sept., 1983 and obtained Ph.D. in electrochemistry in 1987 under supervision of Prof. A.C.C. Tseung. The following three years I spent as a post-doc at Essex University. I joined CSIRO in Feb. 1991 in the Division of Materials Science and Technology, located in Clayton. My current research area is the Solid Oxide Fuel Cells, which is an alternative and more efficient way to produce electricity using electrochemical principle. I am primarily interested in the area related to the electrochemistry and electrochemical engineering such as fuel cells, electrodeposition, and environmental protection. I have published about 20 papers. I enjoy badminton, table tennis, traveling and camping. Traveling is my favorite. I am married and expecting a baby very soon!

Hua (Helen) Shi

I was born in a well-educated family with both parents being university lecturers. I finished high school in 1977 in Shenyang, Liaoning Province. Following the footsteps of my parents, I entered Northeastern University (then Northeast University of Technology) in February 1978 and got my B.Eng. in Jan. 1982 and M.Sc. in July 1984 from the same University. I met Kenong Xia as a senior at the Univ. and married him in April 1985.

I came to Australia, after 2 months of married life, to study for a Ph.D in the Dept. of Metallurgy and Materials Engineering at the University of Wollongong, and added Dr. to my title in 1990. I worked as a Research Fellow at Monash University for 6 months before joining Moldflow Company. At Moldflow, I worked as a software development engineer on computer modelling and simulating shrinkage behaviour of injection molding plastics. Recently, I resigned from Moldflow and started with CSIRO, the Division of Manufacturing Technology at Preston, as a Research Scientist to work on composite die for diecasting processing. Although long driving each day to work, I feel quite happy with the new job because it is expected to make use of both my computer skills and metallurgy background. A large number of happy family members surround me here, including my mother, my husband Kenong XIA, my lovely 22-month old daughter Jinghan XIA, a younger sister Hao SHI (a lecturer with VUT), and brother-in-law Deming SHU (who is working with BHP Research-ML). I love sports (a former baseball player with Shengyang City Team). My hobbies include travelling, party organizing, coin and stamp collections and money spending.

Kenong Xia

Currently a lecturer in the Department of Mechanical and Manufacturing Engineering at the University of Melbourne, I received my B. Eng. in 1982 and M. Sc. in 1984, both in materials science, from the Northeastern University in Shenyang (The University was actually called Northeast Institute of Technology and just changed its name last April.) I went to study at the University of Southern California in 1985 and was conferred a Ph.D. in Materials Science in 1988. From 1988 to 1992, I was a research scientist with Comalco Research Center, working on processing of metal matrix composites. I joined the University of Melbourne in 1993. My research interests include development, processing and mechanical properties of metallic, ceramic and composite materials. Other than working, I enjoy reading, music

(classic, Chinese folk songs, and traditional Beijing opera), basketball, swimming, Ping Pong, volleyball, skiing, skating, soccer, hiking, watching NBA and American football, playing Wei Qi, going to parties (rather than organizing them as in the case of my wife), and playing with my daughter.

Li-Gong Zhou

Born and grown up in a family of engineers in Guangzhou, China, Li-Gong followed the family tradition and decided to be an architect. In 1985 he obtained an Architecture Bachelor Degree from Qinghua University in Beijing and was awarded with a Master Degree in 1988 at South China Institute of Technology in Guangdong. Soon after he emigrated to Australia to pursue his architectural career. Starting as an artist of perspective rendering for real estate advertisement, he has emerged as an experienced building designer involved with wide range of projects varying from conventional residence to large scale commercial development. In his practice, he displays exceptional skill in graphics and CAD drafting and has become a valuable member of Design Works, Australia. His hobbies are Wei Qi (Go game), home improvement, basketball and tennis.

Upcoming Events

1. Seminars in June (See separate announcement), please contact Dr. Guimin Liu for further information (guimin@resmel.bhp.com.au, or 566-7257(w), 803-7876(h)).
2. Skiing Outing, please contact Dr. Kenong Xia (kenong_xia@muwayf.unimelb.edu.au, or 344-6664(w), 873-3616(h)) if interested, as soon as you can.
3. Family Weekend in July, please contact Dr. Yi-Bing Chen (cheng@eng2.eng.monash.edu.au, or 565-4903(w), 802-9727(h)).
4. Karaoke Dinner Party in August. If there is enough interest, this will be orga-

nized in August. Please relay your interests or suggestions to Dr. Guimin Liu (guimin@resmel.bhp.com.au, or 566-7257(w), 803-7876(h)).

5. There will be a party for the Mid-Autumn Festival. Details later. Suggestions are welcome.

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