



# Shenyang Star

The Newsletter of the International Club of Shenyang  
October/November 2013

## Upcoming Events

October 27 - Halloween Party

October 29 - Book Club

November 11 - Monthly Lunch

November 23 - ICS FUNdraiser

December 8 - Children's  
Christmas Party

December 9 - Monthly Lunch &  
Annual Meeting



*If we all did the things we were  
capable of, we would astound  
ourselves - Thomas Edison*

*Believe you can and you're  
halfway there - Theodore  
Roosevelt*



### *On this day....*

November 6 - Abraham Lincoln  
was elected President in 1860

November 8 - 'Dracula' creator  
Bram Stoker was born in 1847

## Winter is coming!

I have finally packed away my sandals and accepted that winter is coming, so that means the Fundraiser is coming up followed closely by Christmas.

Lots of events to attend, Children's Christmas Party, Monthly Lunches, Annual Meeting, these events are organised by volunteers, can you help in 2014? ICS members change quickly as expats arrive and leave Shenyang, we are saying goodbye to many people at the end of this year.

ICS needs new people to come forward and help organise and co-ordinate. There is no need to commit to a regular weekly or monthly schedule, if you have an idea for just one lunch or new event/outing in 2014 we would love to hear from you and share your plans with everyone.

Maybe you just want to send in some information that you wish to share with other members for publication in the newsletter. Lets get some new volunteers, so ICS can continue into 2014.

Claire Williams  
ICS President

## MONTHLY LUNCH - NOVEMBER 11, 2013 AT 12:00

Join us for our monthly lunch where we will enjoy a delicious  
**All-You-Can-Eat Buffet** (including salads & desserts)

**When:** Monday, November 11th, 2013

**Where:** **Royale Café**, 'NEW' New World Garden Clubhouse  
Block 1, 7-19 South San Hao Street, Shenyang  
沈阳市和平区南三好街 7-19 号1 门新世界花园

**Time:** 12 Noon - Lunch & Fellowship

**Cost:** ICS Members - 100 RMB, Non-members - 120 RMB each

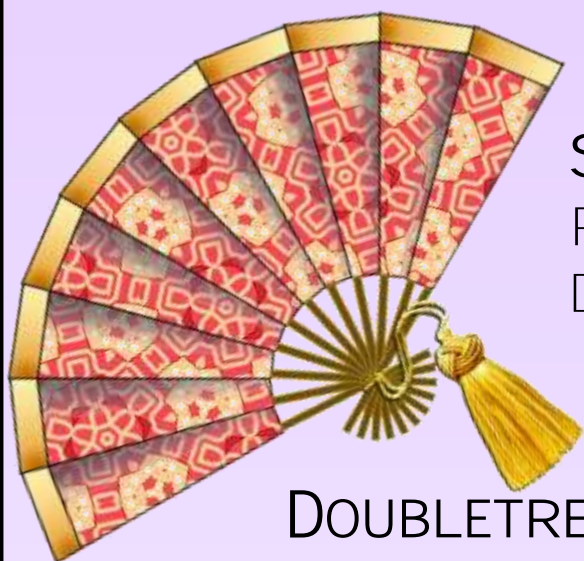
**To reserve:** Please email Daniela LeCroy at [danilecroy12@yahoo.com](mailto:danilecroy12@yahoo.com)  
By Friday 8th November

*If you reserve and do not show up, you are still responsible for payment so that  
the other club members are not responsible. Thank you for understanding.*



International Club of Shenyang

# CHARITY FUNDRAISER



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2013

Reception 6:00 - 7:00pm

Dinner begins at 7:00pm

DOUBLETREE BY HILTON SHENYANG  
89 Fengyutan Street, Shenhe District

**TICKETS ON SALE NOW**

Tickets are 250RMB per person.

Join us for the reception, dinner, raffle and silent auction.

Tickets can be purchased at ICS Activities or by contacting  
Claire Williams (claire\_1971@hotmail.co.uk) or Julie Tovey (jctovey@aol.com),  
or any other ICS Committee member.



International Club of Shenyang supports local organizations, including Dream Home Orphanage,  
LIGHT, Shenyang School for the Blind, and the He Eye Hospital/Delos Foundation.  
In 2013, we have donated more than 70,000RMB to improve the lives of children in Shenyang.

# ICS NEEDS YOU

ICS is a VOLUNTEER organization! We have more than 120 members now, many will only be in Shenyang for a few years. Our membership rotates, and so we need volunteers to rotate too. We are looking for members to get involved with our committee work and activities in 2014.

The following roles are open:

**President**  
**Vice President**  
**Charity Committee**  
**Children's Committee**  
**Newsletter Editor**  
**Monthly Lunch Organizers**  
**Country Representatives: Germany, Japan**



If we cannot find volunteers for our work, then some of it may not happen next year. Please take a few minutes to think about how you can become involved with ICS. For questions or comments, please contact Claire Williams at [claire\\_1971@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:claire_1971@hotmail.co.uk) or 158 4043 2037.



## ICS CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY



**SAVE THE DATE**

**SUNDAY 8TH DECEMBER 2013**

**TIME AND VENUE TO BE ANNOUNCED**



### MEMBERSHIP DISCOUNT

**Pasqua Winery** comes from Verona, Italy - the city of Romeo and Juliet. This family business is the 3rd largest vineyard in Italy. It is the preferred wine of AC Milan football club and has won a number of international awards.

And now, you can get to taste Pasqua wine, right here in Shenyang! Pasqua Shenyang is the only distributor of Pasqua wine in China. We have a wide variety of red, white, sparkling and sweet wine available for purchase: the AMARONE (red), PRIMITIVO (red), SOAVE (white), PROSCCECO (Sparkling white), BARDOLINO (red) and MOSCATO ASTI (sweet). For more information, do visit the website at [www.pasqua.it](http://www.pasqua.it)

ICS members will get a 20% discount off retail prices. For bulk purchases of more than 5 cartons (6 bottles per carton), a higher discount will be given.

You can contact Lawrence Tan at China mobile 15002414355 for wine purchases.

# CHARITY REPORT

## JOIN THE CHARITY COMMITTEE **\*URGENT REQUEST\***

New members are urgently needed to help on the Charity Committee, if you are interested, please contact Claire at [claire\\_1971@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:claire_1971@hotmail.co.uk)

It is a small group who decide on the annual charity budget for ICS, plan activities, oversee surgery candidate requests and donations, and coordinate our work in the charity groups. This committee meets about 3 times a year, but coordinates through email communication. This is a great way to get involved in the International Club, and in giving back through our charity work.

**DREAM HOME** - A Christmas party will be organised towards the end of November, we will take gifts and enjoy party games with the children.

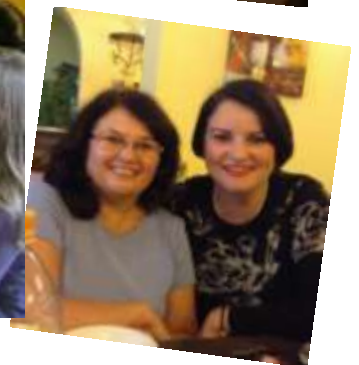
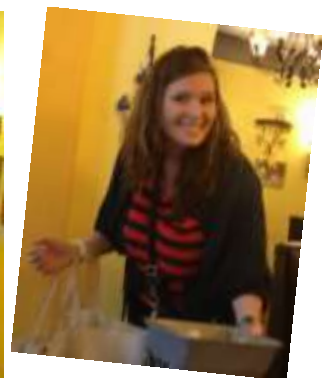
**DELOS** – In last month's newsletter we told you about a 5 year old boy, Li Baicheng, from Anshan who was born with cataracts in both eyes. ICS donated 5,000 RMB towards the 30,000 RMB cost and now the rest of the money has been raised by other organizations and companies. Li Baicheng will get operated on this month, he will go to the HE Eye Hospital on Wednesday or Thursday and if he has no health problems will get the operation soon after, good news!

**SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND** – Recently it was International Day for the Blind. The local government opened a Library for the Blind in Shenyang. It is the first and only branch of National Libraries for the Blind in Shenyang. The building is 3,000 square meters with 4,000 Braille and big print books. There are also 2,000 audio books and a movie theater for both blind and sighted people. Students from the Blind School celebrated the day by visiting the new library and enjoyed the books then a movie, "Atom the Astro Boy". The students were very happy! Kazumi is planning a visit with ICS next year.

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## OCTOBER MONTHLY LUNCH

Thank you to Julie Ward for organising the October monthly lunch at C12 and also to Angela Sorrell for baking Pumpkin cupcakes for everyone to celebrate Daniela's birthday.



## CHARITY FUNDRAISER

We hope see you at the Charity Fundraiser on Saturday, November 23 at the Doubletree by Hilton Shenyang. We will be treated to a fantastic meal from chef, Andreas Bruck.

In 2012, the silent auction and raffle items included gift certificates, gym/spa packages, jewellery, wine, traditional Chinese items like papercuts, vases and scrolls, and those gorgeous Kimonos! We raised over 34,000 RMB.



***If you are willing to donate an item or a service to the Charity Fundraiser, we would greatly appreciate it. All event proceeds will directly support our charity work in 2014, and it does make a difference. There is a letter at the end of this newsletter if you know of anyone who would like to help.***

Questions? Volunteers? Donations? Contact Claire Williams (claire\_1971@hotmail.co.uk)

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## MEMBERSHIP

### Reduced Membership Fee for the remainder of 2013 – 75 RMB per person

ICS is a non-profit organization established by volunteers to help foreigners living in Shenyang to meet each other through various activities. Most months, there is a luncheon at a different local restaurant or location, classes in various subjects, interest groups, and other activities according to our members' interests. ***So far this year, we have over 120 members from 22 countries!***

The Club is led by a committee of volunteers that coordinates activities for members, their children and families. All members are welcome to help plan and organize, especially since we are all volunteers and are coming together for a positive experience.

ICS supports Dream Home Orphanage, the He Eye Hospital/DELOS Foundation, the Shenyang School for the Blind, and LIGHT children's programs. At Dream Home, we provide activities for the children and specifically support young people living independently in an apartment. Individual members visit the orphanage on a monthly basis to build relationships and provide needed support to the children and staff. When possible, the ICS works with the He Eye Hospital & the DELOS Foundation to provide funds for cataract and other eye operations for those children whose families cannot afford them. The School for the Blind has benefited from ICS generosity through Braille sets, a special typewriter, eyeglasses for children with weak-sighted eyes, and touch books for their classrooms and library. With LIGHT, we help fund surgeries for children and make donations when possible.

All these activities can only be carried out if there are enough volunteers committed to work together. If you are willing to do something with ICS, please don't hesitate to contact someone on the committee. Volunteers are always needed and welcomed. *When we work together, we can do more.* So, whether you are "long in Shenyang or short in Shenyang", we welcome your participation and suggestions.

***Membership registration can be done at a Monthly Lunch with Veronique, our Membership Coordinator, or by contacting your country representative on the ICS Committee.***

# REGULAR CLUB ACTIVITIES

Members organize regular weekly or monthly activities for the membership. You are asked to complete your membership registration before attending. Thank you.

## Yoga

These classes need to be paid in advance

**Wednesday class:** held in Somerset Residence from 10:00am to 11:00am.

**Thursday class *Spaces Available*:** held in Wobo Yuan from 1:30pm to 2:30pm

Contact Veronique at [pyrouault@yahoo.fr](mailto:pyrouault@yahoo.fr)



## Mahjong \*New Time\*

Mondays from 12:00pm - 3.30pm (except on the days of a Monthly Lunch) at Heidi's 1.

Please contact Veronique at [pyrouault@yahoo.fr](mailto:pyrouault@yahoo.fr) in advance to check there are enough players.

## Beginners Mahjong (in English) \*New\*

Veronique would like to start a new class for anyone who is interested in learning to play Mahjong (not on Mondays or Fridays), to be held in someone's home.

For more information contact Veronique at [pyrouault@yahoo.fr](mailto:pyrouault@yahoo.fr)

## Mexican Train Dominoes

Fridays, 9:00am - 12:30pm. Any number welcome.

Contact Veronique at [pyrouault@yahoo.fr](mailto:pyrouault@yahoo.fr).

## Scrabble Group (in English)

Tuesdays, 10:00am - 1:00pm. All are welcome.

Contact Yvonne at [von.evans@btinternet.com](mailto:von.evans@btinternet.com)

## Book Club

The Book Club meets one evening per month to discuss a particular book. Most read the book in English, but they can be read in any language.

**October** - Brain on Fire: My Month of Madness by Susannah Cahalan

**November** - Tortilla Curtain by T.C. Boyle

**December** - In the Shadow of the Banyan by Vaddey Ratner

The next meeting will be held in O'Reilly's, Liuwei Lu at 7:30 PM on Tuesday, October 29th, 2013.

Contact Kristy at [brookskr73@gmail.com](mailto:brookskr73@gmail.com).



## Painting Class

Friday afternoons from 2:00pm to 4:30pm at Somerset Residence. All participants must pay the fees for a period of 2 months in advance.

- ◆ 70 Yuan per person with 7 participants OR
- ◆ 80 Yuan per person with 6 participants

If there are others interested in a painting class, Veronique can try to arrange another class if somebody can provide a location. Contact Veronique at [pyrouault@yahoo.fr](mailto:pyrouault@yahoo.fr)

## Calligraphy Class

Thursday afternoons 1.30pm - 3.30pm

10 classes to be paid in advance, 80 RMB per week

Held at Barbara's Classroom, near East Gate of Riverside Gardens –Wuai Jie

Contact Barbara at [lishuang1009@163.com](mailto:lishuang1009@163.com)

Please bring your own materials, (brushes etc) or you can buy from the teacher.

Class provides details into why Chinese characters are a certain shape, history behind them and how to write correctly.

## Tai Qi

Friday afternoons 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm at Wobo Palace

Contact Veronique Rouault at [pyrouault@yahoo.fr](mailto:pyrouault@yahoo.fr)

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### USEFUL WEBSITES

Just click on the link to open automatically.

[www.internationalclubshenyang.sitew.com](http://www.internationalclubshenyang.sitew.com)

[www.shenyangexpat.canalblog.com](http://www.shenyangexpat.canalblog.com)

[www.expatacular.com/group/shenyang-expats](http://www.expatacular.com/group/shenyang-expats)

[www.facebook.com](http://www.facebook.com) - Look for "Shenyang Expats" and ask to join this group

[map.google.com](http://map.google.com) - Shenyang and beyond

# International Club of Shenyang 2013 Charity Fundraiser

2013年沈阳国际俱乐部慈善资金募集



September 18, 2013

2013年9月 18日

Dear Sir/Madam:

尊敬的先生们/女士们

The International Club of Shenyang is a group of more than 120 members and their families from 20 different countries who come together for fun, fellowship, support and charitable giving. Each year, we plan a fundraiser to raise money for our charitable activities. These include financial and other contributions to the Dream Home Orphanage, LIGHT foster care program, the He Eye Hospital / DELOS Foundation, and the Shenyang School for the Blind. Our focus is on improving the lives of local children. In 2013, we have given more than 70,000RMB to these charities. And we are planning for more in 2014.

沈阳国际俱乐部是由120多位来自于18个不同国家及家庭的会员组成的，组织目的旨在为大家提供娱乐、交友、支持和慈善捐赠的平台。沈阳国际俱乐部每年定期举办慈善资金募集活动。我们以捐款和捐物的形式为包括梦想之家孤儿院、光明寄养计划、何氏眼科/迪落斯基金和沈阳盲人学校等提供帮助。慈善活动聚焦于提高本土孩童的生活质量。于2013年，我们的慈善捐款总额超过七万元人民币，我们希望在您的参与下于2014年帮助更多的孩子。

On November 23, we will host a fundraiser at the Doubletree by Hilton Shenyang. This fundraiser will include a silent auction and raffle in which members and guests will bid on select items. We hope they will enjoy the spirit of the event and pay handsomely to support our charities. Will you consider making a donation to support our endeavours?

2013年11月23日，我们将在沈阳希尔顿逸林酒店举办大型慈善资金募集活动。本次活动包括无声竞拍（美式传统活动，无声拍卖指不出声的拍卖。买方在某拍卖物品的价格单上写自己想要的价格和自己的名字，这张纸在买方之间传递。在拍卖结束时，该物品由价高者得。）、抽奖、及慈善项目投标等。我们希望大家尽享慈善之夜的同时也能够慷慨捐助我们的慈善事业。如贵公司有意以慈善形式宣传或促销您的企业及产品，我们诚挚邀请您加入我们！

In 2012, we received items such as gift certificates, fine clothing, spa packages, jewellery, bottles of wine, diecast models, scrolls and papercutting designs, meal vouchers and more. We raised 34,000RMB through the silent auction and raffle. Thus far for our 2013 event, our donations include a Chinese painting, Japanese kimonos, tea sets, restaurant certificates and more.

我们在2012年度收到的捐助项目包括各种礼券、服装、SPA礼包、首饰、红酒、模型、书画剪纸、餐券等等。我们于无声竞拍和抽奖环节募集了三万四千元人民币。2013年的慈善活动我们已收到的捐助物品包括中国国画、日本和服、茶具、餐厅礼券等。

Please consider working with ICS to make this event successful. I look forward to hearing from you at your earliest convenience. Thank you so much for your time.

沈阳国际俱乐部期待您的参与并携手成功！我将静候您参与慈善的佳音。感谢您于百忙之中阅读我们的邀请信。

Sincerely,

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Your name here