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President's Message



Dear Mun Lun School Alumni and Friends:

It is a great honor to be installed as the first woman President of Mo Hock Ke Lock Bo dba Mun Lun School, in its illustrious 111-year history. I am humbled by this responsibility but am so grateful to such a supportive Board of Directors that have pledged their continued guidance and assistance for the next two years of my term.

As I mentioned in our recent Installation dinner at Lobster King Restaurant on Feb. 6, 2022, there is a Chinese saying that states, “時勢造英雄” meaning, “heroes are made at the time of misfortune,” or you might say, “crisis produces heroes.” This so aptly describes our Leaders these past two years, our immediate past President Baldwin Au, our English Secretary Velma Akinaka for the last six years, and our Principal Lily Shan. They have courageously steered us through over two years of the Pandemic. On behalf of Mun Lun School, former President Baldwin Au applied for and received our CARES Act forgivable loans and grants, so that we could have a completely refurbished and Covid complied school environment. Director Tom Lai updated our Wi-Fi system so that we were able to conduct our Chinese classes online in the worst of times, and return to in-class teaching, when we were able to return safely to the classroom. Our Buildings and Grounds Director, and former president, Howard Lau, worked tirelessly to ensure that our roof would shelter us in all weather conditions.

My goal this year is to listen to our Principal and faculty needs, make their initiatives our Board initiatives, and to support them as much as we can. That may include increasing the cost of our low tuition, provide an equitable wage increase for our faculty and staff, initiating our own A+ after school program to generate more income for our school and programs, continue to provide more digital online classes, and expand our Saturday afternoon enrichment class offerings, etc. We are grateful to our Webmaster and Director Barry Wong, who maintained our Mun Lun School.org website and Newsletter these several years. Please check our website for more information and news.

Our Board of Directors is constantly looking for new members/directors who can help us in this constantly changing and challenging environment. If you would like to help us, please don't hesitate to contact me. You will be more than welcomed.

The highlight of this year so far, was the celebration of our 50th year at this Maunakea Street location on Sunday, March 27, 2022. An Open House to invited guests was planned, along with lion dance, short program, a slide show of the history of our school, and a snack box and commemorative pen for attendees. See accompanying news of this event by Baldwin Au in this newsletter.

As we move forward into the next hundred years, we are reminded of our vision to provide the teaching of Chinese language, arts and culture to the youth of Hawaii and be an active and vital part of the Chinese community in Hawaii. Pope John Paul II once said: “Remember the past with gratitude. Live the present with enthusiasm. Look forward to the future with confidence.” We can do this with all of your help. “加油Jia you!”

Let us “Move forward with enthusiasm and grit!”

謝謝大家 With my deepest gratitude to you all,
Maylani Chang, President
Mo Hock Ke Lock Bo dba Mun Lun School

Principal's Message



As the fireworks lit up the sky, we welcomed the Year of the Tiger. 2022 is the year that asks to be marked, not only as Mun Lun School's 50th-year celebration of its Maunakea campus but also because Mun Lun School students took home composition awards again in a national composition competition which was organized by the

Consulate General of the People's Republic of China in Los Angeles and the Chinese School Association in the United States.

March 27 was a special and momentous day. We were very excited to see students and parents participating in our school's open house for the 50th-year celebration of its Maunakea campus. Since the pandemic, online learning has been continuing for over 2 years. The open house was a great opportunity for us to get together to celebrate in person, not on zoom, and I was very honored to be part of this happy gathering.

During the transition period between morning and afternoon sessions, we welcomed all parents and students with a commemorative souvenir pen, prepared snack boxes, and different activities for our students to give them a hands-on experience such as Chinese ink wash painting, shadow play, digital art, clay animation, and 3D printing pen. It was amazing to see students use new technology to present artwork with Chinese elements. While we are promoting traditional Chinese art, why don't we try to combine them with new tech such as digital Chinese landscape art?

A while ago, Mun Lun School students participated in a national composition competition and took 13 composition awards home. In this competition, all the first place, second place and third place winners received a fine gift from the Consulate General of the People's Republic of China in Los Angeles, such as an Apple pencil, SanDisk 1TB extreme portable SSD, etc.

Kelly Zhang	1st Prize
San Lam Ashley Weng	1st Prize
Wenjing Mo	1st Prize
Jia Wen Nie	1st Prize
Enze He	2nd Prize
Selena Chen	2nd Prize
Niki Ouyang	2nd Prize
Ying Yin Situ	2nd Prize
Jessica Lau	2nd Prize
Chloe Guan	3rd Prize
Sien Xie	Encouragement Award
Emily Yim	Encouragement Award
Andrew Fang	Encouragement Award

From the past till now, we have always given gifts and awards each semester to outstanding students, the most improved students, high-performing students, etc. Especially this year, I greatly appreciate Marine Toys for Tots for their generous donations. It had been a while since I last contacted them, but I finally received their email, and asked me to pick up more than a hundred toys from the Marine Corps. Some toys can help imagination development, building or creating things including but not limited to crafty items, sports equipment, and building materials. Furthermore, there are some gifts that are very practical for our upper-grade students. I can't wait to see their big smiles and that smile is our motivation!

In a blink of an eye, summer is coming soon and we are very thrilled to introduce our full-day summer program on Saturdays to immerse yourself in Chinese culture, activities, and art. Also, there is exciting news to share with everyone. Since we have real-time online Chinese classes, we have received students from Maui, Kauai, and Big Island who register for our Chinese programs and other enrichment classes. It is undoubtedly the best gift for us in the Year of the Tiger! We will continue to make the school thrive!

Thank you,
Lily Shan, Principal

50th Year Celebration

With the sounds of drums, cymbals and gongs echoing in our hallways and classrooms, *Sifu* Kelfred Chang '80 Lions of the Majestic Culture and the Arts Association blessed our celebration of the 50 years the Mun Lun School Maunakea Street campus has been in existence. Our Master of Ceremony Wesley Fong began the program with a welcome and introduction of special guests from government and civic organizations, followed by an oral history of the school. The program was presented twice to accommodate Covid protocols. The audience was greeted with remarks by President Maylani Lum '62 Chang and Principal Lily Shan. The special guests were presented brush paintings done by the teachers and students at the school. A slide show was prepared by Cy Feng to give the audience a quick visual history of our school's 111-year existence, followed by entertainment by the students. The guests were impressed with the art displays throughout the classrooms and the fresh appearance of the school.

Chuck Tsui and Ed Wong were recognized for all their time that they volunteered to help beautify the school during the pandemic period.

The late Wah Jip '39 and Frances Chang were recognized for their \$50,000 donation, in which the Assembly Hall was named in their honor. Wilbert '65 and Queenie Chee were recognized for their \$20,000 donation in which the Friendship Hall was named in their honor.

Baldwin Au completed the program by acknowledging those who volunteered to put this event together; Velma Chong '61 Akinaka, Lana Lum '60 Au, Gordon Au, Maylani Lum '62 Chang, Wilbert Chee '65, Lily Lam '74 Chu, Cy Feng, Wesley Fong, Cheryl Chun '60 Kong, Howard Lau '69, Luane Fong '58 Lau, Lily Shan, Baldwin Au, Robert Akinaka, Florence Au, Melvin Kong, Jay Chang, and Arnold Lee.

Velma Chong '61 & Robert Akinaka, Wesley Fong, and Cy Feng were among those who helped defray the cost of the celebration. The program also acknowledged the many donors that gave donations to the school.

At the end of the program, the guests were shown the items that were going to be put in a time capsule for the students of the Class of 2072. These included the yearbooks celebrating the 25th, 50th, 75th and the 100th anniversaries of the school, an issue of the Honolulu Star-Advertiser, the guest sign-in sheets for this event, a 50th anniversary Mun Lun School commemorative pen, a copy of the program, a thumb drive of the video and pictures of our celebration, and a message from the students of the Class of 2022 to the students of 2072.

Each guest was given a commemorative pen and a snack box containing *gon lo mein* and a *char siu bao*.

At the end of the program, the audience was wished a "Happy Mun Lun School Day".

By Baldwin Au

MLS Time Capsule

On April 2, 2022, the Mun Lun School Time Capsule was snapped shut with all the items that the students of the Class of 2022 wanted to leave for the students of the Class of 2072. Enclosed in the time capsule were the 25th, 50th, 75th and the 100th anniversary yearbooks, along with the 50th Anniversary Celebration of our Maunakea Street Campus program, the written speeches, guest list, video, and pictures of the event. In addition, a commemorative pen for that event; a special message from the teachers and students to the Class of 2072; along with a Proclamation by the City & County of Honolulu; and an issue of the March 29, 2022, Star-Advertiser newspaper were put into a weatherproof container.

The Mo Hock Ke Lock Bo Board of Directors took pictures with the time capsule. Students also took pictures with the time capsule. These students will have the best chance to be there 50 years from now and will be able to tell the students how the time capsule was put within the Confucius statue that sits on the ground floor of the school. At 12 noon after pictures were taken, with the use of a pallet jack and wood blocks, the statue of Confucius was elevated high enough to accommodate the time capsule and then lowered back to its original position where it will sit for the next half century.

By Baldwin Au

Box Lunch Event

On Sunday, November 7, 2021, Mun Lun School Alumni & Friends held its second fundraiser Benefit Box Lunch Event. The event was to help defray the cost of recent improvements at our school that included replacing outdated laptops and Wi-Fi base stations, LED fluorescent bulbs in our facility, etc., in order to continue our online and hybrid Chinese classes for our students.

Committee Members included Co-Chairs Cheryl Kong and Maylani Chang; Lana Au, Record Keeper for Sales and Donations; and Velma Akinaka, Secretary.

Our Specialty Bakers and Fryers included Cy Feng & Mom for Chinese pretzels, Wil Chee & Assistant Queenie for Shrimp Chips, Linda Fong for Mango Breads, Florence Au for Almond cookies and Gao, Lana Au for Honey Granola Breads, and Cheryl Kong and helper Arlene Ting for her Custard Pies, Banana Breads, and Boiled Peanuts.

Our Event workers on that day, included Directors Velma Akinaka, Cheryl Kong, Luane Fong, Cy Feng, Kin Ching, & Wesley Fong. Event helpers included Lana Au, Linda Fong, Denis Ting, Florence Au & MLS teacher, Ms. Liang. Our Indispensable Runners to the waiting cars were Jay Chang, Directors/Greeters Baldwin Au, Gordon Au, Donna Chang & Maylani Chang, Alumnus Dennis Young, Principal Lily Shan and teacher Yue Li.

A total of 196 Box Lunches (Faan Hap) were sold for a total of \$3920 at a cost of \$20 per box with \$9 of each box for donation to MLS (i.e., donated to Alumni & Friends account) \$1764

Our Baked goods netted us a total of	\$1435
Monetary Donations received	<u>\$5085</u>
Net Grand total from this Event	\$8284

All of the above volunteers helped to make this event a huge success. It was truly a team effort in every sense of the word.

By Cheryl Kong & Maylani Chang, Benefit Box Lunch Co-Chairs

Board of Directors

2022 Mo Hock Ke Lock Bo

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Maylani Chang '62, President

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Howard Lau '69, Joyce Leung, Grant Nakaya, Lily Tang,

Barry Wong, Douglas Wong '61

2022 Mun Lun School

Principal Lily Shan

Faculty: Xinfang Zhou, Jie Ma, Yui Sui Leung, Jieling Tan,

Xiaoping Fu, Yue Li, Hui Wang, Yinghui Chen, Yingxing

Warneck, Lei Chen, Lena Chen, Katrina Spencer, Jamielyn

Mendame, Helen Lin

Donor List

Thank you to all who donated (August 2021–March 2022) to a grateful Mun Lun School and Mun Lun Alumni Association. Mo Hock Ke Lock Bo dba Mun Lun School is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, ID #99-0075245.

\$5,000 and above:

Carlton Chang in Memory of Wah Jip & Frances Chang: \$50,000

Robert and Velma Akinaka: \$8,000

Leighton Jong in Memory of Dr. Lester Yee: \$5,000

Leighton Jong in Memory of Susan Jong: \$5,000

\$1,000–\$4,999:

Rosalind Mau and Eleanor L. Yep

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Maylani Chang, Melvin & Cheryl Kong, Lana Lau, Andrew

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Denise Pang, Gregory Leong, Calvin & Susan Chong Wong, Kin

Ming Ching, Wilbert & Queenie Chee, Wesley & Linda Fong,

Tsung Tsin Association, Bernard Ho in Memory of Carolyn

Ching, Bernard Ho, Leeann W Choy, David Ing, Jensen & Mary

Hee, Wong Leong Doo Benevolent Society, Gordon & Francine

Lee, Mildred Fong Wong, Lawrence Chun, Harry Cheong Yung

Wong, Lenora Lee, Ivan, Eric, & Gary AuYoung

\$99 and below:

Robert & Paulette Wo, Elaine Ngai, Abraham & Linda Kealoha,

Naomi & Terri Andrade, Thomas Wei, Randal & Joyce Suzuki,

Donald & Chyrlene Lee, Alma Ho, Alvira Tom Lee, Amazon,

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Tang, Richard & Charlotte Lee, Douglas & Caroline Yee,

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Madeline Wong, Linda Stringer, Patricia Ching, Geraldine Hirota,

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Xuening Lin, Doris Chun, Jane Naya, Marilyn Chang, Eunice

Terada, Kay Inouye, Emily Chang, Jocelyn Lumsdaine

Save the Date

Hi Alumni and Friends!

Hope you are all doing well! After almost 3 years since our last reunion luncheon due to the pandemic, we are missing all of our MLS family and friends. So make sure to save Friday, November 11, 2022 (Veterans Day), 6 PM for our Alumni & Friends Reunion Dinner at Jade Dynasty Ala Moana. Cost will be \$35 per person or \$350 per table. More details will be forthcoming in our fall newsletter. Hope to see you all there!

Tina Tin, President
Mun Lun School Alumni & Friends



Artifacts for time capsule on display



MHKLB Board of Directors at time capsule placement



The students of 2022 witnessing the time capsule placement



Confucius statue elevated and ready to receive the time capsule



MHKLB Board of Directors at 50th Anniversary Celebration



The Lions of the Majestic Culture & the Arts Association present good luck proclamations to President Maylani Lum '62 Chang (right) and Principal Lily Shan (left)



Council members Carol Fukunaga and Calvin Say present a Proclamation to MLS President Maylani Chang and Principal Lily Shan



Donors Wilbert '65 and Queenie Chee stand by their plaque in our Friendship Hall



Son, Carlton Chang and wife Lorraine pose with plaque honoring parents Wah Jip '39 and Frances Chang at our Assembly Hall



Reception table ready for guests. Student volunteer Reina Chia, Lana Lum '60 Au, Cheryl Chun '60 Kong, Velma Chong '61 Akinaka (standing)



Event Chair Baldwin Au (left) greets Director General Michael Tseng of the Taipei Economic & Cultural Office at our 50th Anniversary Celebration



Students had a clay animation class at the school's Open House



In a brush painting class, one of the students was painting a Panda



MLS students are focusing on their project with a 3D printing pen

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MUN LUN SCHOOL
Summer Enrichment
ENROLL TODAY!

JUNE 11 - JULY 23, 2022

Language & Arts
9:00 AM - 2:45 PM
Saturday

*Early drop-off / Afterschool Care available upon request. (Min. 5 students.)

\$350

The poster features a light blue background with a white border. At the bottom, there is a colorful illustration of a village with yellow and blue houses, green trees, a winding road, and a bright sun in a blue sky with white clouds.



OTHER CLASSES

June 11 - July 23

Beginner's Pinyin
Advance Pinyin + Conversation
Monday - Friday
3:30 pm - 5:00 pm
\$290

Coding
Saturday
3:00 PM - 4:30 PM
\$210

One to One Piano
Saturday
30 Minute (Flexible Schedule)
\$210

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The poster has a light blue background with a white border. It is decorated with various colorful icons: a red stapler, a magnifying glass, a globe, a blue backpack, a purple piano, a blue and red crayon, and a yellow gear with circuit lines. The text is arranged in three white rounded rectangular boxes, each containing details for a different class. The overall theme is educational and creative.