

cial events on the CUSA calendar but the general body meetings are also fun. The meetings usually start with the reading of upcoming CUSA events on the calendar such as plans for fundraising. Later there will usually be an activity that the creative CUSA staff will already have planned for us. One particular event that I personally enjoy is Chinese game day. On this day the different members of CUSA will bring in the favorite Chinese games like Mah-Jongg, Chinese chess, Chinese yo-yo and much more. For non-Chinese people it is a really enriching opportunity to play some fun games you've never even heard of.

One of the most informative events for non-Chinese members on Chinese culture in CUSA is Chinese Movie night. In addition to showing classic Bruce Lee and Jackie Chan Kung Fu movies they also showed contemporary modern life movies and Chinese art films like "Chung-King express" and "Eat, Drink, Man, Woman." These films show a whole different side of Chinese Culture that most Americans are underexposed to. Some of the movies reflect day-to-day modern life in China and the artistic talents of new age Chinese directors.

CUSA not only provide great entertainment and culture awareness to the student body but also provides a public service. CUSA has provided language assistance to students studying Chinese of all levels. It has provided one on one tutoring with students studying Chinese and has had larger help sessions right

before Chinese final Exams. CUSA has also provided some special services to local elementary schools by visiting them and telling them about Chinese culture, showing students how to use chopsticks, telling them Chinese stories, and introducing them to Chinese popular and traditional music. Also this year, CUSA assisted the East Asia study abroad program with an entertaining Power-Point presentation on general aspects of China. Every semester CUSA will aim to assist different academic programs with a

project as a service to the community.

So after I get done explaining this to my buddies they usually leave me alone and think its pretty cool that I'm interested in something as exotic and fascinating like Chinese culture. Even a few of my friends decided to join.



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