

# 2009 TYAF Outstanding Service Award

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梁醫師自 2003 年即義務任教華府台灣語文學校成年日文高級二班，算起來已有七年。在這七年當中，梁醫師每星期日下午風雨無阻，自己開車來學校，甚至連暑假及自己頸部受傷期間，也不休假照常授課。他教學非常靈活巧妙有創意，除了採用課本會話教材、文章閱讀外，也選用本地日文報紙 Dr. Noriko Hunter 及其他作家的現代專欄作品補充。不僅如此，他除教授日語、文章外，也講解日本社會、文化、風俗、歷史、及音樂來增廣學生的視野，讓學生聽得津津有味，如浴春風。他也非常用心來修改學生所寫的作文，努力提昇學生日文寫作能力。他認真教學，關心學生學習進度的精神，實在令人欽佩。華府[台灣人青少年才藝基金會] 特此頒發「最佳社區服務獎」給梁醫師，來感謝伊長久

以來對咱社區的傑出貢獻。

醫學界的人士大概都知道，梁醫師是台灣撲滅瘧疾(Malaria) 的大功臣。戰後初期瘧疾在台灣極為流行，1947 年梁醫師在潮州瘧疾研究所所長任內，領導全國防瘧衛生工作人員，以身作則，上山下海，不眠不休，終把瘧疾撲滅，建立大功。梁醫師在台灣撲滅瘧疾成功之後，應世界衛生組織 (World Health Organization (WHO)) 之邀擔任瘧疾防治顧問，以大公無私的精神，貢獻台灣人的智慧及經驗，協助中南美洲各國瘧疾防治及撲滅的工作，建樹良多，受到各國的肯定，是咱台灣人的驕傲!

梁醫師 於 1921 年 4 月在基隆市友蚋區鹿寮村偏僻的鄉下出生，友蚋是炭礦村莊。去年剛渡過米壽(八十八歲)。Sensei 自幼即聰穎過人，四年就以第一名成績完成五年初級學業，先後考上州立台北二中(今成功高中)，台北高等學校，及台北帝大(今台大) 醫學系。1950 年梁醫師獲得洛克菲勒獎學金到美國 Johns Hopkins 大學公共衛生學院進修，攻讀公共衛生，旋獲碩士學位。梁醫師十三歲時父母早逝，與弟弟梁永三博士皆由極有愛心的叔父及孀孀栽培成長，資質聰慧加上努力不輟，終能成就一番大事業。梁醫師雖然已近九十高齡，但身體硬朗記憶良好，近年來還日夜照顧健康欠佳的夫人，細心體貼，毫無怨語，愛心表現，堪作後輩的模範，這是伊平凡中偉大的見證。

# 2009 TYAF Outstanding Taiwanese American Youth Award

## Lynn Wu 吳琇琳



My Taiwanese background is the foundation of my cultural, academic, and family life. I'm active in the sports and extra-curricular activities that my high school offers, Taiwanese classes and extra-curricular teaching at the Washington DC Taiwanese School, and volunteering in my community. As a junior at the charmingly diverse Annandale High School, my identity as a Taiwanese American defines me in countless ways and trails me wherever I go.

To begin, I've always been one of those kids who are all-around pretty good at sports. As a little girl, I remember taking ballet and tap dance classes. Quite honestly, they weren't especially exciting for a tomboy who would rather climb trees and play tag than prance around in a tutu or tap shoes. So, I became involved with the sport of tae kwon do at a local dojo. Three years later, I had punched, kicked, and jabbed my way all the way up to a brown belt, along with two years participating in the "best of the best" demo team. By then, in the fifth grade, I had discovered a passion for another sport: horseback riding. I was absolutely in love with horses and wished to ride one cantering across a field, just like in the movies. Well, I certainly learned to ride like the wind at my riding school, while participating in a few small in-school horse shows. Beginning in high school, I participated in Varsity cheerleading and sprinted on the Varsity track and field team for the Annandale Atoms. I am also a member of the National Honor Society.

I have been a student at the Washington DC Taiwanese School since the tender age of two. At first, this was definitely a compulsory activity every Sunday. I'm not going to lie about enjoying Taiwanese School as a kid. Seriously, normal young children who already attend five days of regular school per week are typically displeased if forced to attend another school on the weekends where they must learn tedious aspects of language. Gradually and eventually, as I reached an age where I began understanding the significance of my native tongue, culture, and background, I actually began to enjoy Taiwanese school. A couple of years ago, I started coaching a mini-cheer squad in Taiwanese School; showing them cheers in English and Taiwanese, mini-stunts, and tumbling skills for a performance in front of a large audience a couple of times a year. We always have a blast and I feel exceedingly proud of our team.

Furthermore, I have also volunteered outside of the Taiwanese community by assisting at my local public library, a thrift shop that receives money and donations on behalf of Capital Hospice, and at the Fairfax INOVA Hospital.

Whenever I go back to Taiwan with my family, I feel a great sense of belonging. I'm ecstatic to be surrounded by people who look like me and speak the language that my parents have contributed so much effort to instill in my everyday dialogue. Even so, I know that the people walking around in the streets of Taiwan and even my relatives regard me as a foreigner; an American who looks Taiwanese but doesn't behave or stand like a Taiwanese girl, who speaks flawless Mandarin and can carry a legitimate conversation with a person her age, but can hardly read street signs and newspaper articles, much less write a paragraph, and a granddaughter who understand everything her "akofng" says in Taiwanese, but responds in Mandarin because it would take too long for her to find the right words in Taiwanese. Because of this, I know that I am a Taiwanese-American. Because of this, I know that I belong in a world where writing essays in English and conversing with my parents in Taiwanese and Mandarin meet in a perfect mix of language, lifestyle, and culture.

*Lynn Wu is the daughter of Dr. Bill and Li-Ing Wu (吳倍茂, 劉麗英夫婦).*

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## Jonathan Jang 張語哲



Jonathan Jang is a first generation Taiwanese American that currently lives with his family in Potomac, Maryland. Born in Iowa City, Iowa, he has learned to take pride in his culture. He hopes he is able to take what he has learned about his culture and apply it to his future as well as to others in the Taiwanese community.

Jonathan Jang is currently a senior at Winston Churchill High School. Throughout his high school experience, he takes pride in his participation of various activities Churchill has to offer to its students. In his junior and senior year, Jonathan has been a member of the National Honor Society, the Science National Honor Society and the Academy of Creative Arts. *Jonathan is currently the vice president of the History club. Through this club, he hopes to achieve a greater understanding of life for people in the earlier time periods by*

*analyzing documentations. He is also an active member of the Biology Club and the Environmental Club. These both clubs help him educate others about how to make the world a better place for people to live. Both inside and outside of school, Jonathan is an enthusiastic cello and tennis player. As the principal chair for his school orchestra, Jonathan performed in numerous concerts and a musical production in school. This year, Jonathan Jang participated in the Miss Saigon musical production. Outside of school, Jonathan has been a member of the Maryland Classic Youth Orchestra for 7 years as well as competing in many statewide competitions such as All-State Music Orchestra. Jonathan shows the same enthusiasm he has for cello towards tennis. In school, Jonathan is a member of the varsity tennis team that won the county championship last season. Outside of school, he enjoys playing in tennis tournaments which include WACTA and USTA.*

Jonathan would like to thank his friends and family for supporting *him all the time*. Jonathan hopes that he is able to continue his success and is greatly honored to have received this award. He will be attending Emory University this fall with his sister and his cousin.

*Jonathan Jang is the son of Mr. Jounwern and Pei-Ling Jang (張仲文, 李培鈴夫婦).*