

時間真快一晃到美國已經有 23 年,12 年前,由於選擇做一份華人報紙,讓我有更多機會接觸了各類政治經濟文化人士,我曾經被紐約、芝加哥還有休斯頓大城市華人社團媒體邀請過,最後還是堅持留在克利夫蘭,因為我喜歡大克利夫蘭這座城市,它的文化與人文在美國獨一無二;一個城市由 150 個世界各國各地民族居住,其中各個族裔的文化傳承就讓人看的眼花繚亂,如果一個人去享受這燦爛的文化,那麼這輩子一定活的精彩。

克利夫蘭是俄亥俄州西部最大城市,在 60 年代在美國也是經濟文化排列前茅的城市,它就像很多美麗城市一樣,雖然看上去沒有紐約的繁華,沒有芝加哥的摩登,沒有休斯頓的現代,但是如果你真的仔細品味克利夫蘭的文化,你會發現,它真的不一樣,它所有大城市具有的甚至大城市沒有的,它的醫院與藝術館是世界頂級的,它還是美國搖滾樂的故鄉,伊利華報還在搖滾樂的劇院 Agora 舉辦過 10 周年慶祝。



這里我想給讀者介紹近幾年來,本報與環球華人服務公司提供的克利夫蘭 1-2 天的旅遊服務:(基本客人來自中國)介紹克利夫蘭的政治經濟與文化。克利夫蘭人文氣息很濃,新建開放免費的藝術館,現代氣派,這里有世界頂級的名人藝術作品,也是美國著名藝術館之一,廣泛收集了前哥倫布藝術、歐洲、亞洲、印度的藝術作品。另外是休閒的森林公園——庫雅荷加谷國家公園,記載了俄亥俄州的歷史,看上去更像一座休閒公園,周末到處都是騎車、徒步、遊玩的人。而且這個公園不收取任何費用。

遊客們 2 天可以看看玩大克利夫蘭,一個人收費\$200 起(四人一組)還有如果你喜歡的美國的音樂,那就不妨去搖滾名人堂看看,那棟建築是華人貝律明先生的作品。克利夫蘭的音樂大廳還有已有百年歷史的自由超市,克利夫蘭有太多好的地方讓您遊覽。

克里夫蘭(Cleveland)位於伊利湖南岸,凱霍加河的河口,昔日西儲地的範圍內,距離賓州 100 公里,是俄亥俄州凱霍加縣的首府。開埠於 1796 年,歷史上由於運河和鐵路交匯,成為了製造業中心。在大型工業衰退後,成為了金融、保險和醫療中心。

克里夫蘭在 20 世紀 50 年代曾擁有多達 100 余萬的人口,克利夫蘭為美國第 45 大城市,俄亥俄州第二大城市。它是輻員數縣、俄亥俄最大的都會區。

無論是城市居民或者旅客,都可以在當年富裕居民的投資中得益。這表現在各種文娛設施中,而善心人的捐贈也為建立一個龐大的公共圖書館系統添磚添瓦。近年的投資亦為市中心增加了新的景點,例如克里夫蘭印地安人的主場(Jacobs Field)、搖滾樂名人堂和僅次於紐約市林肯中心的演藝中心(Playhouse Square Center)。根據《經濟學人》在 2005 年進行的研究顯示,克里夫蘭與匹茲堡同列美國最佳居住城市。該市亦為美國本土最佳商務會議城市。[5]但該市亦受到各

種挑戰,特別是在部分社區貧窮集中趨勢和籌募公共教育經費及維持其水平等的困難。當地居民稱為 Clevelanders。該市的外號包括森林城、西儲都會(Metropolis of the Western Reserve)、搖滾世界之都(The Rock 'n' Roll Capital of the World) 克里夫蘭因 1796 年 7 月 22 日康乃狄克地產公司測量員摩西·克里夫蘭來此建城而得名。1836 年克里夫蘭成立,最初僅位於[[凱霍加河]東岸。



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The First Dragon Global CLE/China Global Cross Cultural Exchange is a three Generation Craciun Dream that is coming true now.

It took three generations of Craciun "Pioneering" Dreamers to deliver their Dream to the world. And it took all of that time for everything in the world to become prepared, including me, to deliver the dream of my immigrant ancestors to the world.

It began when Grandpa Craciun first arrived in the USA to "pioneer" 111 years ago and he met with the Chinese immigrants on West Third Street where they bonded to protect and feed their families. At the time my grandfather was starving to build the first Romanian Orthodox church in the Americas, across the street from where I was born at 62nd Street on Detroit Avenue. The history of Chinese and Romanian friendship has evolved earnestly over many centuries and the Craciun's, throughout our history, have revealed in it with their Chinese friends.

The Dream was kept alive in his son, my father, John J. Craciun Jr. Late in his life my father, who suffered greatly as a veteran of WWII, shared his father's and his Dream with me, which I did not understand. My father, to say the least, was very forceful where his ancestral Dreams were concerned. To fulfill their Dream, in 1985, my

father sent me to China to "Pioneer" and to study Chinese Culture. My father & mentor died 11 months after I arrived in China. But not before I received his final letter to me in Macau where I was studying Mao, Sun Yat Sen, the Father of China, and Deng Xiaoping. In it he demanded that I die working to fulfill his and his father's Dream.

He told me, before my departure into the unknown, that China, after England, Germany and Japan, would become the new Number Two Economy on earth. His Dream was that me or my son, John J. Craciun IV (Dad named him before he was born), would market the culture of China to the world before or after China became the new Number Two Economy on earth. He explained to me that the global cross cultural exchange would include only American and Chinese cultures and that it was absolutely necessary to enhance the human condition around the world, one person at a time. He further explained that Ignorance breeds fear. Fear breeds prejudice. Prejudice breeds hate. And Hate breeds carnage in all of its forms.

Before my departure to China dad gave me a poem to read, I have never forgotten it and when I think of it I think of my Grandfather and his Dreams for America, Romani, and China. As I

understand it now, Grandpa and Dad took care of America, my Brother Jim took care of Romania, and I have and continue to care for China.

The Dream Poem: "Great it is to believe the Dream when standing in youth by the starry stream, A far greater thing is to fight life through and say at the end, the Dream came true."

Let me ask you, if dreams come true, does it prove there is a God that makes all things happen?

Not until I prayed to fulfill this Dream which I did not understand and yet dedicated my life too, only after living the amazing five year death to life miracle of my 8th child, Baby Grace Noelle Craciun, was The First Dragon born in Cleveland, Ohio.

Within Cleveland, it's cultural and human resources, it has taken years to prepare for such a global dream to be fulfilled and released to the world at this time in our global histories. In the Erie Chinese Journal series of feature story coverage of ITM and The First Dragon? Chinese Cross Cultural Exchange, you have read about the Literature, Chinese art and Calligraphy, and the music that has been prepared and merged with western art to tell the story of Chinese Culture and its living Mythology and lore which is found in its Zodiac characters and the deep insights they share with the human race.

We are now entering the last phase of preparation before ITM releases The First Dragon to the world from The Rock and Roll Capital of the world, Cleveland. ITM Associate and Venturer Lorinda Laughlin Plank is now completing a new Manuscript that will reveal western misconceptions regarding China's profound relationship with the natural world throughout the millennia. A focus on Eastern horticultural practices reveals profound insight into their view of the world and how to live in it and will serve to clarify their contributions to mankind in fields such as medicine, art, literature and philosophy, thus furthering ITM's interest to promote a mutual understanding of cultures through education and entertainment.

Which brings me to the last phase of modern entertainment ITM is now producing new music and dance in Cleveland and New York City and which this new Erie Chinese Journal feature story is presenting to you. Keep in mind, The First Dragon Chinese Cross Cultural Exchange is all about education and entertainment on a global level.

Love with Purpose & Follow Through on
Your Dreams,
Jack Craciun III
CEO of ITMLtd.com



第一條龍讓我看到了第一個開端,這是一個敢於做夢人的堅持,Jack Craciun III,經歷千辛萬苦,久經蟄伏,終於在 2014 年的春暖花開季節我看到了一群人他們不同膚色,但有天賦和共同愛音樂,愛舞蹈,愛搖滾和愛時尚的人,在一起群舞——第一條龍開始正式排演。

認識 JackCraciun III 有 6 年,一個曾經擁有自己的私人飛機享受榮華富貴的人,一下變得一無所有。他靠的是信仰上



天,真的可以贏得世界的尊重,可以在世界舞臺展現風采。
伊利華報在這里衷心希望能在中國在世界的舞臺早日看到第一條龍的風采!

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伊利華報



(本報訊)5 月 1 日,Global Cleveland 隆重舉辦 "You World Starts Here"活動,吸引了上千人參與, 俄州州長 John Kasich, 市長 Frank Jackson, Jogs Ohio President John Moinor, Ohio President John Moinor. Huntington 銀行總裁還有亞裔代表紛紛在講臺上表示要將克利夫蘭打造成有品味有時尚的城市,當晚來自各個民族的文化表演以及大家品嚐美味各國美食,讓克利夫蘭呈現出生機勃勃的熱鬧場面。

當晚本報記者有機會向州長 John Kasich 講述:環球華人服務公司近二年來,接待無數來自中國的考察團與投資團,他們匆匆匆匆匆匆

回去,就是對克利夫蘭等地沒有興趣,希望州長想想辦法,州長介紹 Jogs Ohio President John Moinor 給本報記者,並且希望能有進一步的協商。

Global Cleveland 是一個無盈利組織,他們的宗旨就是為克利夫蘭的繁榮經濟,促進文化交流以及對外交流等服務。

5 月 1 日舉辦的活動是讓人們更瞭解克利夫蘭,克利夫蘭是美國居民最佳居住城市之一,Global Cleveland 他們將在 6 月 24 日去華盛頓介紹克利夫蘭,他們的目標是打造未來的克利夫蘭能像紐約的 Brooklyn.



John Tang 和 韓春來

好朋友對我說過,30 年前她的朋友花了 10 萬美金在紐約中國城購買了一棟 3 個小公寓房子,現在價值 100 多萬。我也有一個夢想,希望未來的克利夫蘭有一天也能有一個讓人喜歡的中國城,因為克利夫蘭它有這個基礎。有興趣願意投資的華人朋友可以與環球華人服務公司聯繫。

5 月 5 日上午與律師 John Tang 一起開會,他在上海 2 年的時間打拼已經小有名氣,他從中國帶到美國來的投資企業有好幾個,另外他還牽線搭橋為中美兩國的經濟繁榮來回奔波。

3 月我在上海與 John Tang 見面,我給他介紹了中國上海華東船務有限公司的董事長韓春來先生,董事長原來是軍人,John 外公也是軍人,大家聊的十分投緣,韓董事長說他是造船、水路運輸,房地產開發經營,房屋租賃,船用物資裝卸等業務,我建議韓董事長一起與我們一起合作,他十分好爽地說沒有問題。



John Tang 和 浦瑛

