

## Chinese Culture Showcased at VA Diversity Day Event



At the invitation of VA Northern Indiana Health Care System Diversity Advisory Committee and the Office of EEO, the Chinese Association presented a Chinese Culture Display at its annual picnic held at its Fort Wayne location on August 14 from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The display showcased some quintessential Chinese artifacts and crafts such as watercolor landscape paintings, painted screens, bamboo slice scrolls, paper cuts, traditional Chinese costume, tea sets, and calligraphy art. As the VA employees ate lunch, they had the opportunity to look at these items and learn about China. There were several other diversity booths at the Diversity Day event: the native American culture booth, the Latino culture booth, the African-American culture booth, and the VA disability booth; each of them presented unique cultural heritages. All the senior VA administrators came to the picnic and the diversity booths. The weather was quite congenial, luckily, with breeze blowing throughout the event. Thanks to the tall and leafy trees, all the booths were generously shaded. Several Association members participated in this event. It was a good experience for us not only to introduce Chinese culture to the community, but to build bridges among different ethnic groups within VA and the Fort Wayne community.

Photo link:

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