



GREATER AKRON CHAMBER & CITSLINC INTERNATIONAL

April 9 – April 17, 2010

April 10 – April 18, 2010

China Tour – Visa Application Instructions

A visa will be required to take part in the Greater Akron Chamber's trip to China. In order to obtain your visa, you will need to submit the two-page application, one passport photo and a passport valid through at least October 16, 2010, with at least one blank visa page. The Chamber will provide each passenger the two-page application form, which may be filled out either online, typed, or in black ink. There are two options to obtain a Chinese visa.

Option #1

Drop off or mail in the two-page "Visa Application Form of the People's Republic of China" to the Greater Akron Chamber **no earlier than** February 2, 2010 and no later than February 22, 2010 with a check made out to the Greater Akron Chamber for the \$165 per person processing fee. If you choose this option, you are required to **only fill in** these sections: **1.1, 1.7, 4.1, 4.2, 4.5**, and your **signature** with **date** at the bottom of page two. Along with your completed application form, you **must** temporarily relinquish your actual passport and submit one **passport style** photo to us. (Non US citizens must also temporarily relinquish their LPR card; Chinese born passengers may be required to provide an additional document) The Chamber will attach your photo to your application and then forward your materials out-of-state, to the appropriate Chinese Embassy for completion. Your application paperwork and photo remain on file with the Chinese government and are not returned to you. The turnaround process is approximately 21-days and your passport will have a Chinese visa placard permanently pasted inside. The Greater Akron Chamber will notify you to arrange transfer of your passport back into your hands once everything is complete. From this point on, you will retain your passport and carry it with you all throughout China.

Option #2

Submit a "Visa Application Form of the People's Republic of China" directly to your nearest Chinese Embassy or Consulate. You are responsible for all fees, action, compliance and follow-through to obtain the visa prior to your departure date. The Chinese Embassy may be stricter or may require you to fill out the entire application. You must still temporarily forfeit your valid passport with one passport photo, and may be asked to submit a copy of your travel ticket, hotel contacts or other documentation.