During the celebration, Ambassador Cui awarded certificates of excellence to five Chinese Students and Scholars Associations (CSSAs) from the University of Tennessee, University of Virginia, George Washington University, Virginia Commonwealth University and Johns Hopkins University (Washington Campus), and joined the students to watch the cultural programs performed by them.

Minister Li Kexin and heads of various sections of the Chinese embassy were present. Over 100 representatives of Chinese students from more than 20 universities and scientific research institutes from the states of Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, Delaware, North Carolina, Tennessee and Washington, D.C. attended