

NEWS 'n NOTES

CHINESE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

AUGUST, 1980

NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON CHINESE AMERICAN STUDIES Announcing the 1980 National Conference on Chinese American Studies, Oct. 9 - 11, 1980, Chinese Culture Center, Holiday Inn, 3rd Floor, Portsmouth Square, San Francisco Chinatown. The Conference is jointly sponsored by the Chinese Historical So. of America and the Chinese Culture Foundation. The schedule is:

THURSDAY, OCT. 9 - Opening - Morning & Afternoon Sessions Viewing of Exhibition.

FRIDAY, OCT. 10 -

SATURDAY, OCT. 11

Morning & Afternoon Sessions Banquet, - Empress of China Restaurant

Morning Sessions, Closing Meeting of Historical Societies

REGISTRATION FEE, full conference
Participants Free
Members of Sponsors \$10

Non-members \$15 Senior citizens, students \$5

BANQUET cost to be determined, probably \$10-\$15.

The opening address will be given by UCLA Professor Alex Saxton. Papers partly sponsored by the Society will be given by Suellen Cheng and David Chan. Other participating Society members are Charles Wong, June Mei, Prof. Lucie Hirata, Paul Chace, Nancy Wey, Phil Choy, H. Mark Lai, Prof. S.S. Tsai. Our recent speaker, Eve Armentrout-Ma will also be speaking.

The Full detailed program will be available at the September meeting. Between 10-20 Society members have already expressed intentions to go. The Board has declared that the trip will have the status of Field Trip. Details on hotels and transportation (possible car-pools?) will be discussed at the September meeting.

THE CHINESE OF AMERICA, 1785-1980. October 3, - December 13, 1980. Chinese Culture Center, Holiday Inn, Portsmouth Square, San Francisco Chinatown. Over 300 panels of photographs, graphics and captions are divided into the three sections that comprise the exhibition; The Coming, 1785-1882; Exclusion, 1882-1943; and River of Many Streams, 1943 - 1980. Social, economic, cultural and historical perspectives are used to provide a vivid and probing account of the Chinese American experience. Interspersed are groups of artifacts, including a very rare Chinese puppet theatre and a joss house from the turn of the century. The Exhibition is scheduled to travel to various cities, probably without the artifacts. It may yet come to L.A. The show will be in its best presentation at this opening. The Society has contributed photos to this Exhibition through the Hirata task force.

Munson Kwok

POSTCARD PRESENTATION The Board has voted to support and assist David Chan in developing his talk, "A Postcard View of Chinatown", recently given at a Society meeting, as a slide presentation for the National Conference.

CO-SPONSOR - The Chinese Historical Society of Southern California has become a co-sponsor of a Conference on: Asian Immigration to the United States: Historical and Contemporary Issues, to be held at USC in December. Conference coordinator is Society Member Don Nakanishi. Our \$100 support kicks off the conference matching fund campaign for grant moneys from the California Council for the Humanities. More on this later on.

ARCHIVAL & COLLECTION COMMITTEE - Over the last few years, the Society has accumulated quite a number of archival-Quality items. The most significant contribution has been the Robert Nash Collection, composed of manuscripts, notes and photographs pertaining to the Chinese fishing industry along our Pacific coast. Other noteworthy items include a set of reproductions of lithographs from Harper's Weekly depicting Chinese; a three inch thick Account book from an 1880's Chinese work camp; a set of early postcards showing Chinese and Chinatowns, plus a number of valuable books and journals contributed by several Society members.

In order to protect and preserve our growing collection, the Board of Directors at its June meeting approved a budget of \$164.00 to purchase museum-type boxes and envelopes. From this initial preservation project, an Archival & Collections Committee, loosely composed of Munson Kwok, Paul Louie, Jerry Shue and Gene Moy, will begin a cataloging and acquisitions program; it is hoped that an important library and documents collection can be developed, to be available for academic research.

Eugene Moy

LOTUS FESTIVAL - We are pleased to announce that our recent Pineapple/Cantaloupe Concession at the Lotus Festival held at Echo Park on July 12th & 13th, netted our CHSSC a much needed \$1,030.00. The two day event was a beehive of activity for all the members who so diligently contributed their time and efforts in making this a great Fund Raiser.

We wish to thank each and everyone who really "pitched in." The concession took a real team effort to be successful and as usual our hardworking members, families and friends responded in the hours of need.

The only detrimental effects were that we had an unexpected Labor Dispute which tied up the docks. Thus our ability to secure the pineapples were very limited. Besides having to pay premium prices for the pineapples, we had a ready crew of John and Chuck Yee and Bob Lee scavenging all the local markets in the Echo Park area for the elusive pineapples which they obtained only through extraneous efforts.

A much deserved vote of appreciation goes to a great staff for their contribution in manning the booth, cutting and setting up the booths.

Howard Quon, Chairman

GOLDEN WOK - Mark your Calender - The Golden Wok Cooking Contest & Culinary Art Exhibition is around the corner. No entry fee. Members are encouraged to enter the amateur cooking contest or Culinary Art show. Further information and applications will be available at the General meeting - Wednesday, September 3rd.

FIESTA!! Historical Society of the Centinella Valley, Sunday, September 21, 2 - 5pm, Centinela Adobe, 7634 Midfield, Westchester. Entertainment, historical exhibits and demonstrations - free.

NEWS 'n NOTES - Our thanks and appreciation to Margie Lew for her outstanding and diligent editorial work on the News 'n Notes since its inception. We really appreciate all her efforts. She has taken on the task of editoring the Golden Wok annual, and will no longer handle this paper.

News 'n Notes will be published each month, containing details of coming events, community affairs and news items pertaining to Society members.

Please send all information to Mary Yee, 4721 Konya Drive, Torrance, Ca. 90503.

MEMBERSHIP - Some members have yet to renew their 1980 membership. Please send in your dues now. Why not also invite a friend to join our Society.

George Yee, Membership Sec.

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

ACTIVE MEMBER \$10.00

CONTRIBUTING MEMBER \$ 5.00

STUDENT/SR.CIT.(60 YRS)

INSTITUTIONAL \$25.00

MEMBER

LIFE MEMBER \$100.00

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Please accept my application for membership as member in the Chinese Historical Society of Southern California.

Enclosed is my remittance in the amount of __ for annual dues.
Name

Firm Affiliation(if applicable)___Address(Street)

(City) (State)

Telephone

Date

Date

Zip Code

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CHINESE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

Date:

First Wednesday, September 3, 1980

Time:

7:30 p.m. sharp

Place: Note:

CHINESE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH (SEPT. ONLY)

825 N. Hill Street Los Angeles Chinatown

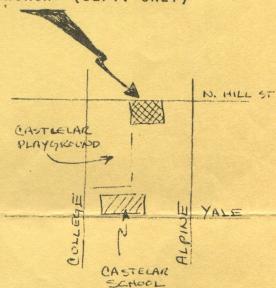
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AGENDA

Lotus Festival
National Conference on
Chinese American Studies
Golden Wok
L.A. Bicentennial
Oral History



Program

DR. JUDY CHU

INDO-CHINESE "BOAT PEOPLE" REFUGEES IN CALIFORNIA

Since 1975 over 382,000 Indo-Chinese refugees -- many of whom are ethnic Chinese "boat people" refugees -- have been admitted to the United States. Of these, nearly a third have settled in California and the largest concentration is in Los Angeles County. Dr. Judy Chu, who has been studying the refugees for the past several years, will present an up to day account of their unfolding human drama; and impact upon American society and Chinese American history.

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