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10th ANNIVERSARY YEAR

# CHINESE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

1985

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Dear Members,

With this letter, I am pleased to present a facsimile of our stationery for 1985. The only difference is that our logo is in red ink on real letter sheets.

As you can see, we herald the 10th year. Such a slight milestone should be celebrated modestly. However, our young Society's early years have paralleled an explosive resurgence in Los Angeles Chinatown and the Chinese American community, and, as a group who preserves history, it does seem proper to mark the occasion of our first decade. As a popular historian has said, "You don't know where you're going if you don't know where you've been."

For the 10th year, we have listed the past presidents, who symbolize the progress of our Society over the past decade. As you can see, they are:

## PAST PRESIDENTS

Stan Lau  
George Yee  
Gerald Shue  
Chuck Yee  
Eugene Moy

Stan Lau, Founding President, 1975-6  
George Yee, 1977  
Gerald Shue, 1978-9  
Chuck Yee, 1980-1  
Eugene Moy, 1982-3

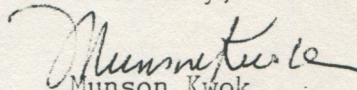
For members, enclosed in this package should be:

2 Gum Saan Journals, June and Dec. 1984  
1 February meeting notice and News and Notes  
1 Roster of 1984 Members.

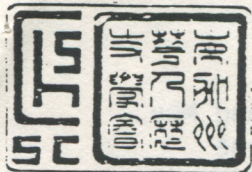
We intend to publish a phone list of members in a few months.

Best wishes for a happy and prosperous Year of the Ox 4683.

Sincerely,

  
Munson Kwok  
1985 President





# NEWS 'n NOTES

## CHINESE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

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### REGULAR MEETING

DATE: Wednesday, February 6, 1985  
TIME: 7:30 P.M.  
PLACE: Castelar School, Multipurpose Room  
840 Yale Street  
Los Angeles Chinatown

Park on school grounds. Enter on College Street between N. Hill and Yale Streets.

AGENDA: Chinese New Year parade, annual Firecracker 10K Run

Program: An Interview With Gerald Jann, Editor of Jade Magazine

Mr. Jann is the editor-publisher-owner of the popular Jade Magazine. He will be interviewed by Paul Louie, touching on subjects such as Mr. Jann's boyhood in the Hollywood area, the social activities of the Chinese in that period of time, the beginnings and development of Jade Magazine during its 10-year existence.

### CHSSC's FIRST BOOK!

"Linking Our Lives", the Society's very first published book, is fresh off the press, and was ready for distribution at the January meeting. The book was a joint venture of the American Asian Studies Center of UCLA and CHSSC, and is very specially dedicated to Helen Young, who passed away in 1982. Helen was a faithful member of the Society, a dedicated leader and hard-working participant in Chinatown and other ethnic communities, a truly shining example of the Chinese American woman. Copies of the book were presented to Helen's husband Art and her son Hobart. A copy was also given to the Friends of the Chinatown Library.

"Linking Our Lives" may be ordered through the Society (details are elsewhere in the newsletter). Remember that Valentine's Day is almost here. What better gift than a copy for all the special ladies in your life? Or for Mother's Day, or a birthday, or for any other reason?

CHSSC extends special thanks to Ella Quan for her dedication as Book Coordinator. Many thanks, also, to the following for their time and expertise in putting together this attractive book, well-illustrated and beautifully written:

### CONTRIBUTORS:

Lucie Cheng  
Suellen Cheng  
Judy Chu  
Feelie Lee

Marjorie Lee  
Susie Ling  
Elaine Lou  
Sucheta Mazumdar



BOOK COMMITTEE: Ella Y. Quan, Chairperson  
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Margie Lew

Linda Lum  
Eugene Wong Moy  
Susan Sing  
Angela Ma Wong  
Earl Wong

#### WHO'S IN THE NEWS

...Those who attended the Society's annual Christmas party in December were treated to a special performance by Mr. David Lauren, celebrated pianist. David began his musical studies at age 7, and held his debut performance in his hometown of Lancaster, Calif. five years later. Throughout his musical career, which included a full scholarship for a year's piano study in Paris, David won many awards. "Obviously a born musician and pianist... a happy combination of intuition and seriousness", states Nadian Boulanger, renowned teacher at the Conservatoire National Superieur de Paris.

Thank you, David, for your beautiful performance which added a special meaning to the Christmas event, and thanks to Helen Morrison for introducing this charming and talented young man to CHSSC.

....Congratulations to Ruby Louie, who received a special honor on Dec. 3, when the Friends of California Libraries held its 20th Birthday Celebration at the Bonaventure Hotel. Ruby was the planner and coordinator of the luncheon, which was attended by librarians and library representatives from all parts of California. The event was a tremendous success, and the honor was well-deserved.

Another well-deserved honor will be extended to Ruby on Feb. 22 when the Asian Pacific Women's Network will hold its 4th Annual Women Warriors Awards Banquet at the Hyatt Regency Hote. Ruby, who will be receiving her award for her dedication to community service, is one of nine Asian women to be honored. Anyone interested in attending may call Dolores Wong for reservations at 662-6081.

#### THE SOCIETY THANKS.....

CHSSC members and friends extend a "thank you" to author and member Ruthanne Lum Mccunn for her generous offer of a 50% discount on her three published books --- THOUSAND PIECES OF GOLD, PIE-BITER, and AN ILLUSTRATED HISTORY OF THE CHINESE IN AMERICA. 120 books were ordered, and all were inscribed or autographed, as requested, and mailed in good time for Christmas-giving.

#### SOS SENT OUT .....AND ANSWERED!

Ye Editor is happy to announce that her call for help with the News 'n Notes has received at least one answer. Helen Morrison has graciously offered to be co-editor, and will write the newsletter on alternate months, beginning with the February and March issues. This will be a temporary arrangement, as the Society is still looking for a full or part-time editor. Anyone interested? Call Munson Kwok, 828-6911. News items may be sent to Helen at 124½ S. Normandie Ave., Los Angeles 90004, or Margie Lew, 2346 No. Indiana Ave., Los Angeles 90032.

WANTED -- Used Christmas cards, greeting cards, calendar pictures. Call Margie Lew, 222-4375, or bring to CHSSC meeting.



## THANK YOU

Thanks to Susan Sing for her efforts to sell the the 1985 Chinese Women of America Calendar, by Judy Yung and The Association of Chinese Teachers (TACT). We sold 51 to members and friends in a successful program to help raise money for TACT (and a little bit for our own projects.)

## DONATIONS

Member Ruby Ling Louie, acting in her capacity as a Board member for the Friends of California Libraries, has donated \$50 in appreciation for the historical walking tour of Chinatown given by Emma Louie and Suellen Kwok to attendees of the statewide convention on 3 December. Thanks to Dr. Louie and to the California Friends.

Member Ron Jung has given us a donation of \$25. Thanks, Ron.

Mr. and Mrs. Patrick P. Wong have donated \$50 to CHSSC in loving memory of Mrs. Som She Chang.

## NELLIE YEE CHUNG MEMORIAL

Recently, a great pioneer Chinese American lady, Nellie Yee Chung, passed on at age 96. Born in Ventura, she lived over 70 years in Los Angeles. The family, in recognition of the importance of Chinese American history and the value of preserving and disseminating that knowledge, has graciously recommended that any donations in her memory be made to CHSSC. Accordingly, we have received \$1010, which sum is dedicated to the El Pueblo Chinese American Museum project. In gratitude, we list the following donors:

Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Wong	Mrs. Wong Yip Shiun Hap
Dr. and Mrs. Arthur Chong	Mrs. Mo Poon Chang
Mr. and Mrs. Clement Joe	Mr. Robert Chang
Mr. and Mrs. George C.P. Lee	Mrs. Nancy Hung
Chinese Grace Baptist Church	Mrs. Rose Leung and family
Mr. and Mrs. Forest Yee & family	Mr. Sam Chang and family
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Mr and Mrs. Peter Yuen and family	Mr. and Mrs. Munson Kwok
Mrs. H.T. Yuen	Mrs. Carrie Loo Lei
	Mrs. Eileen Chang



## 10TH ANNIVERSARY

Chair Evelyn Cucchiarella has called a meeting for January 29, 7 PM, at Castelar School Teachers' Room to plan the exciting activities for the 10th. All welcome to attend. So far, a lot of things are on the drawing board. Come add to them (or subtract). Let's join together and make the year special. Evelyn (213)726-1035.

## PHONES

We are preparing a CHSSC members' phone list to go with the roster you are receiving. If you wish to be unlisted, notify Kaza Dong at (213)754-9728, promptly, before Feb. 15.

## LINKING OUR LIVES

The book has arrived! It is a reality! An attractive orange colored paperback with lots of photos and memories. The following rates are available:

Quantity	Discount	Price per book	Price with sales tax (CA+LA:x1.0655)	Price with mailing & handling (+\$1.50per book)
1-5	0%(retail)	\$ 9.95	\$10.60	\$12.10
1-5	10%(CHSSC Members ONLY)	8.96	9.54	11.04
6-30	15%	8.46	9.01	10.51
30+	For group or large volume discounts see			

Ella Quan  
CHSSC Book Dept.  
4205 S. LaSalle Avenue  
Los Angeles, CA 90062

Mailing and handling charges are necessary on all mail orders.

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## MEMBERSHIP

As of January 9, 1985, the new membership classes and fees are:

ACTIVE MEMBER	\$15	LIFE MEMBER	\$200
ADDITIONAL FAMILY MEMBER(same address)	\$ 5	LIFE MEMBER WITH SPOUSE	\$300
CONTRIBUTING MEMBER (Student or senior citizen--age 60 yrs)	\$ 5	CORPORATE MEMBER (annual)	\$500
INSTITUTIONAL MEMBER	\$25	LIFE PATRON (individual)	\$500

The new classes are Corporate, intended for major supporters who are businesses, etc., and Life Patrons, who will receive appropriate CHSSC gifts upon joining this higher level of life membership.



# CALENDAR

JAN 29 7PM. 10th Anniversary Committee, Castelar School. Park on  
(Tues) grounds.

FEB 2 Miss Los Angeles Chinatown Beauty Pageant.(213)617-0396

FEB 6 7:30 PM. Regular Meeting:An interview with Gerald Jann  
(Wed) Conducted by Paul Louie.

FEB 10 8AM. Chinatown 7th Firecracker 10K Run.  
(Sun) 2PM. Japanese American Hist. Soc. Genealogy Workshop.  
Sterry Elementary School.Kay Ikeda (818)246-8873.

FEB 16 4PM. Golden Dragon New Year Parade. We march again!!  
(Sat.) Sign up with Elmo G. (213) 666-4496. HONORARY GRAND MARSHAL:Ella  
Quan!!

FEB 16-17 Carnival, Outdoor entertainment for Year of Ox 4683.

FEB 15-17 Southern California Symposium of Conference of  
California Historical Societies. Santa Monica  
Miramar Hotel. Registration Feb 15 2PM.

FEB 20 First day, Year of the Ox 4683.

FEB 20 10AM. Ceremonies at Riverside Chinatown site.

FEB 21 7:30PM. Board of Directors Meeting. Castelar. All welcome.  
(Thurs)

MAR 6 7:30PM. Regular Meeting. Castelar School. Prof.Tom  
McDannold. "Los Angeles Chinatown 1870-1950."

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## RENEW

Your membership now. Join in the important 10th year. Rates  
listed above.

## APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP (RENEWAL)

CHINESE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

To: Kaza Dong Please accept my application for  
Membership CHSSC membership as a \_\_\_\_\_ Member in  
1522 W. 124th Street the Chinese Historical Society of  
Los Angeles, CA 90047 Southern California.

ACTIVE	\$ 15	Enclosed is my remittance in the amount
ADDITIONAL	5	of \$ _____ for annual dues.
CONTRIBUTING	5	
INSTITUTIONAL	25	Name _____
LIFE	200	
LIFE & SPOUSE	300	Firm Affiliation _____
CORPORATE ANNU.	500	
LIFE PATRON	500	Address _____

The Society is a non-profit organization supported solely by dues and contributions. Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_