



NEWS & NOTES

CHINESE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

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H A P P Y N E W Y E A R T O O N E A N D A L L !!

FEBRUARY MEETING

DATE: WEDNESDAY, FEB. 5, 1986

TIME: 7:30 P.M.

PLACE: Castelar School, 840 Yale St., Los Angeles Chinatown
(Park on school grounds -- enter on College St., between Hill and Yale Sts.)

AGENDA: Committee reports, Media Watch, Chinese New Year Parade and 10K Firecracker Run, Field Trip to San Francisco, CHSSC museum project.

PROGRAM: "THE RISING TIDE OF ANTI-ASIAN VIOLENCE"

Speaker: Paul Louie, former senior consultant with Los Angeles County Human Relations Commission.

* "More to come," is the fear of Asians in America, as we enter the
* second half of the '80's. Many incidents of anti-Asian violence
* have occurred in the past few years, and there are feelings that
* these incidents may escalate.
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* What incidents of violence have occurred? Where, and to whom? Why
* is this happening at this time? What are the causes? Are the Chinese
* included as victims? What can be done?
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* Mr. Louie will show slides of anti-Asian ethnic slurs, vandalism,
* and violence. Illustrations from the printed media will be displayed.
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* Come and join us -- find out what is happening in your community, and
* in other Asian communities throughout America.
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MEMBERSHIP DUES

Single memberships are now \$15.00, with spouse, \$20.00; senior citizens and students, \$5.00; Life Membership, \$200.00; Patrons, \$500.00.

Renewals of memberships are due now for 1986. Make checks payable to CHSSC, and mail to Mary Yee, 4721 Konya Drive, Torrance, Ca. 90503.

IN LOVING TRIBUTE

With great sadness, CHSSC reports the death on Christmas morning, Dec. 25th, of George Yee, founding member and past president of the Society. Memorial services were held on Saturday, Dec. 28, at Green Hills Memorial Park in Rancho Palos Verdes. Among the beautiful tributes given by several of George's friends was the touching eulogy by Eugene Moy representing the Society, and the loving and tender tribute by George's sons, David and Allen.

Those we hold most dear
never truly leave us
they live on
in the kindnesses they showed,
the comfort they shared
and the love they brought
into our lives.

...from a Hallmark card

George Yee was many things to many people. To his parents, he was a loyal and respectful son. To his family, he was a loving husband, a devoted father and grandfather, a wonderful brother, a kind and caring uncle. To his many friends, and all who knew him even slightly, he was a shining example of courage and selflessness in spite of pain and illness caused by the enemy, cancer, that pursued him relentlessly for seven years. Through this long struggle, there was always the love and support of his devoted wife Elsie and his family.

To the Society, George was a pillar of strength and support. His dedication was overwhelming -- he served on numerous committees throughout the years and, unfailingly, did an outstanding job. For the Society's semi-annual dinners, George provided his special brand of zany-but-wonderful humor which added so much to the enjoyment of these events. During his term as CHSSC president in 1977, several significant projects were accomplished -- the Society's impressive logo was initiated and adopted in April; the first issue of Gum Saan Journal was published in August; the memorable first trip to the Mother Lode country in October; and the Society's very first Christmas party has now become an annual tradition.

George's last contribution to CHSSC was a completed article on the history of the produce market in Los Angeles, to be published in a forthcoming issue of the Gum Saan Journal. Throughout the Society's first ten years (1975-85), George was always ready with a helping hand, whether it was the Lotus Festival, the Walking Tour and self-guiding map of Chinatown (designed by George and his committee), the Chinese New Year Parade, or the beautiful red-and-gold banner displayed at numerous events, George was there, sharing his experience, expertise, and exuberance. And all because he wanted the Society to be the biggest and the best. Because of him, today we are the BIGGEST and the BEST!!

To his family, his friends, and to the Society, George has left a wonderful legacy -- a legacy of love, dedication, courage, a fighting spirit, and beautiful memories of a man standing tall -- a prince of a fellow, a king among men

A PERSONAL NOTE FROM THE EDITOR.....

Tucked inside my Christmas card from the Yee family was this note -- "Margie - your past letters and words of praise have inspired me. Thank you very much."

George

Truthfully, it was the other way around, dear friend -- you inspired me, and everyone else whose life you touched so gently, yet so deeply, with your courage, your dedica-

tion, and your strength of character.

"Vaya con Dios", my friend -- "Go with God", and sleep peacefully in that eternal rest which you have earned so well while here on earth. We love you and will keep your memory warm in our hearts -- always.....

GEORGE YEE MEMORIAL FUND

The following have donated to the Society in memory of George Yee:

Doreen Chan	\$ 10	Ray and Sue Lue	\$75
Lillian Fong	10	Kay and Miyoko Nakagiri	25
Alice Hom and Elsie Wong	20	Carlos and Beverly Picazo	10
Clarence and Agatha Chinn	40	Harry and Ella Quan	10
Grace Chow	20	Alice Wain	20
Bill and Majorie Chun-Hoon	20	Delbert and Dolores Wong	20
Larry and Elie Corrick	25	Tyrus and Ruth Wong	50
Allen and Kaza Dong,	50	Art Young	20
Kenny and Kathy Dong		Paul Chace	10
Robert and Wendy Eng	25	Ronald and Helen Yee	50
Elmo Gambarana	10	Paul and Emma Louie	15
Robert and Lucy Ito	50	Wing and Grace Ho	25
Edwin and Beulah Kwoh	25	Gladys Waddingham	25
Stanley and Dora Lau	10	John and Esther Yee	75
Bill and Joyce Lee	15	Howard and June King	25
Albert and Margie Lew	25	Munson and Suellen Kwok	20
AEROSPACE CORP. employees	115	Loy and Pearl Kwok	20

SOCIETY DONATIONS

The Society thanks Leon Leon (\$5) and Marjorie Lee (\$15) for recent donations. Also Jean Bruce Poole (\$100) for her "Life Membership update." Jean Poole, and Munson and Suellen Kwok, have become Founding Donors of the El Pueblo Museum.

CHINA SOCIETY

The China Society's February 3 dinner program will feature Member Doreen Chan reprising her slide presentation of our historical Fashion Show. At Hong Kong Low, 6:15PM social, 7PM dinner. China Society members \$8, others \$9. Checks (payable to China Society of So. Cal.) and reservations by Jan. 29 to Mrs. Charles Eifler, 4526 Alumni Ave., Los Angeles, 90041. Phone (213) 256-3365. This is a chance to catch our January program if you missed it. And celebrate the Chinese New Year with Lion Dances too.

CHINESE NEW YEAR.

The year of the TIGER, 4684, begins February 9th.

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FOUNDING DONORS
EL PUEBLO CHINESE AMERICAN MUSEUM

We invite interested Society members and friends to join in providing the seed money for starting the Museum development. The Society is committed to moving this project forward. Currently the Fund contains over \$5000. The seed money goal is \$20000. Mininum \$1000 donation (tax deduct.) Since seed \$\$\$'s are extra valuable, FOUNDING DONORS will be appropriately recognized as special friends of the Museum. For further details please call Munson Kwok, (213) 828-6911.

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WHO'S IN THE NEWS

-Welcome to Howard Chan, Life Member #66.
-Congratulations and best wishes to Edwin and Beulah Kwoh on the celebration of their 40th anniversary and Edwin's 70th birthday. Many, many more happy ones to a charming couple.
-Kaza Dong is recuperating nicely at home after a 2-week stay in the hospital. Get well soon, Kaza, and be sure to follow the doctor's orders -- and rest!!

FIELD TRIP

Plans are being finalized for the Society's field trip to San Francisco. However, the date has been changed to late April or early May. Evelyn Cucchiarella will notify all those who have signed up for the trip. Call Evie, (213)726-1035 for details.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Feb. 9 - Sunday "The Power of Place: Los Angeles" - UCLA Professor Dolores Hayden
Prof. Hayden's lecture will highlight the work sites which were significant to the economic history of Los Angeles, and will present a history of laborers and immigrants in southern California. This event is sponsored by Los Angeles Conservancy.
Time: 3:00 P.M.
Place: Embassy Theatre, 815 S. Grand Ave., Los Angeles
Reservations are a "must", and may be obtained by calling 623-CITY.
- Feb. 15 - Saturday Chinese New Year Parade. Sign up at the February meeting, and join in the fun! All marchers should meet at Spring and Ord Sts. at 3 P.M. It may be cold, so dress warmly. This is a good opportunity to wear the colorful CHSSC T-shirts and membership pins. Show your colors! (Note: Please wear dark-color pants.)
- Feb. 14-16, - Friday to Sunday "Back From the Past: Restoring Downtown Hanford", sponsored by the Conference of California Historical Societies 1986 Southern Symposium.
Registration: \$12.00, plus room and meals. Reservation deadline - Feb. 1. Call Munson Kwok, (213)828-6911 for details.

BOARD MEETINGS

CHSSC Board meetings are held on the Wednesday following the monthly meeting at the home of Vice-President Angi Wong, 5420 Chariton Ave., Los Angeles. All are welcome.

GEORGE YEE MEMORIAL

Anyone wishing to make a donation to the George Yee Memorial Fund may send their checks to:

CHSSC		True Light Presbyterian Church
1648 Redcliff St.	or	2500 Griffin Ave.
Los Angeles, Ca 90026		Los Angeles, Ca 90031

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP (RENEWAL): CHINESE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF SO. CAL.

To: Mary Yee

Membership CHSSC
4721 Konya Drive
Torrance, CA 90503

Please accept my application for membership as a _____ Member in the Chinese Historical Society of So. Cal.

Enclosed is my remittance in the amount of \$ _____ for dues.

ACTIVE, annual	\$ 15
ADDITIONAL(spouse/same h'se)	5
CONTRIBUTING(senior citizen over 60 yrs; students)ann'l	5
INSTITUTIONAL, annual	25
LIFE	200
LIFE & SPOUSE	300
CORPORATE, annual	500
LIFE PATRON	500

Name _____

Firm/affiliation _____

Address _____

City _____ St _____ Zip _____

The Society is a non-profit organization supported mainly by dues and contributions.

Phone () _____ Date _____

Interested in _____

I'll help with _____

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