

## **Chinese Historical Society** of Southern California

### Spring Dinner Meeting

SATURDAY, APRIL 19, 1986

5:30pm SOCIAL

CASA DE ORIENTE RESTAURANT

6:00pm DINNER

2000 WEST MAIN STREET

RESERVATION REQUIRED ALHAMBRA, CALIFORNIA

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CHINESE GOLD:

A NEW LOOK AT THE CHINESE IMMIGRANT EXPERIENCE IN AMERICA

Speaker: Professor Sandy Lydon

Sandy Lydon, professor of history at Cabrillo College, will present a slide illustrated program based on research from his recently published book, Chinese Gold: The Chinese in the Monterey Bay Region. He traces their history from the arrival of the fishing people in the early 1850s.

Professor Lydon smashes the myths and sterotypes long attached to Chinese immigrants and uncovers some long-buried truths. While many historians have portrayed the Chinese as mere "sojourners" to the Gold Mountain, Prof. Lydon depicts their struggle to make America their home despite immigration restrictions and other formidable legal barriers. He tells of their role in the development of the region's fishing, agriculture, railroad and merchandising industries.

This promises to be an evening you'll long remember...coming up fast....April 19, 1986.

For additional information: Emma Louie 664-3808 Mary Yee 542-2409 Suellen Kwok 828-6911



# NEWS'n NOTES

## CHINESE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

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March 1986

#### WANTED -- A HOME FOR CHSSC

During the last 10 years, the Society has grown from a mere concept in the minds of a small group of individuals to a truly significant reality. Our growth has been outstanding -- the membership has increased noticeably; projects for the current year and the near future are at an all-time high; community involvement has been impressive; and the Society has been recognized by persons from all walks of life and by organizations near and far. However, we are without a home, a space to call our own.

The Society is sending out a call for help in finding a vacant location in or near Chinatown -- a place for storage, for Board meetings, for committee meetings, for working on small projects, and a place for the Society's official mailing address. The Board will consider whatever is available (preferably donated space) -- a vacant store, 1-2 rooms in an office building, a small house, etc. Please call Vice-president Angi Wong, (213)299-9265, if you have any ideas, suggestions or information that will give CHSSC a much-needed home.

#### ATTENTION - EL PUEBLO MUSEUM WATCHERS!

Please do <u>not</u> write letters to State officials at this time. The \$93,000 grant proposal is not being considered during the current session. However, the proposal will be re-submitted later this year, when the outcome will be more favorable to CHSSC. For further details, call Munson Kwok, (213)828-6911.

#### WHO'S IN THE NEWS

Best wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement to Paul Louie, who worked with the County of Los Angeles for many years.

Congratulations to member Walter Haskell, who received the Sweepstakes Award for his sound film at the February 8 annual dinner of the Southwest 8MM Camera Club.

#### CHINESE HERITAGE DAY

Recently, the Ventura County Community College District declared February 7 as Chinese Heritage Day. There are plans for a special celebration come next February.

#### ANGELENO HEIGHTS CENTENNIAL (1886-1986)

"1986 marks the Centennial of Angeleno Heights. In honor of this event, the Carroll Avenue Restoration Found tion is joining with the Angeleno Heights Community Organization in a combined tour and celebration weekend. Beginning on Friday, May 16 from seven to eleven there will be a Sherlock Holmes Mystery Cotillion to be held at two historic Victorian homes on the 1300 block of Carroll Avenue. On Saturday and Sunday, May 17 and 18 there will be the traditional tour of historic houses on the hill, culminating in a "Grand Centennial Parade" to be held on Sunday afternoon from one to two o'clock. The Los Angeles Times has agreed to reprint a page from the Times of 1886. We expect a great deal of publicity for the event and cordially extend an invitation to you to take part in the celebration."

#### INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON FAMILY STRENGTHS

Our Society will be participating in an exhibit on international culture and American subcultures at the Airport Hilton on April 20. Included will be historical family photographs and a slide show of the history of the Chinese in Los Angeles.

The exhibit will be part of the Family Festival which will preceed the International Conference on Family Strengths to be held on April 20-22 at the Airport Hilton in Los Angeles and sponsored by Pepperdine University. The Family Festival will be held on Sunday, April 20, from 1 to 4 p.m. in a ballroom at the Hilton. The conference has been developed to appeal to the general public and the Family Festival will be basically a cultural affair with booths emphasizing cultural issues.

CHSSC members will be manning the Society booth. We hope to see some of our other members there.

#### CHALLENGING BARRIERS TO ACHIEVEMENT

The 8th Annual National Association for Asian and Pacific American Education (NAAPAE) Conference will be held in Los Angeles from April 24 to April 26 at the New Otani Hotel in Little Tokyo.

Challenging Barriers to Achievement is the theme and the co-sponsors are Alhambra School District and UCLA Asian-American Studies Dept. Invited speakers include:

Dr. Sammy Lee, 1948 & 1952 Olympic Diving Gold Metalist

Ms. Terry Dozier, National Teacher of the Year

Ms. Jo Uehara, Legislative Director for the National YMCA

Hon. Augustus F. Hawkins, Chairman, House Education and Labor Committee

Hon. Mike Woo, Councilman Los Angeles City Council

Hon. Bill Honig, Superintendent California Public Schools

Ms. Carol Whitten, Director, Office of Bilingual Education and Language Minority Affairs

Hon. Lily Lee Chen, Councilwoman, Monterey Park

Six mini-institutes will be offered at the NAAPAE Conference.

Of special interest to us are:

-Asian Pacific American Women: Discovering Roots, Facing New Challenges

Presenter: Dr. Judy M. Chu, Professor, Asian American Studies, UCLA; Member, Garvey School Board; Linking Our Lives co-author.

#### -100 Years of Little Tokyo

Presenter: George Kiriyama, Past President & Founder of Japanese Historical Society of Southern California; Assistant Principal, Gardena Adult Community School, LAUSD; member of CHSSC

#### -A Historical Tour of Los Angeles Chinatown

Presenter: CHSSC members

Docents for the historical tour of Los Angeles Chinatown are needed. The tour itself will probably begin at 2:30 P.M. on Thursday, April 24 and end by 5:30 P.M. with possibly a nohost Chinese dinner with our tourists. If anyone is interested, please call Ella Quan----(day)269-0456, (evening)291-5388.

#### CHINESE AGRICULTURAL PIONEERS EXHIBIT

The Chinese Historical Society of Southern California, California State University at Long Beach, University of California at Davis, and the Chinese American Council of the Orange County Historical and Cultural Foundation are the co-sponsors of this exhibit with a mini-grant from the California Council for the Humanities.

The exhibit will be displayed during the month of May in conjunction with the Asian Pacific American Heritage Week activities. More details will be forthcoming in our next News 'n Notes.

#### HAVE YOU RENEWED YOUR MEMBERSHIP???? BRING IN A NEW MEMBER!!

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP To: Mary Yee     Membership CHSSC     4721 Konya Drive     Torrance, CA 90503	CHINESE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF SO.CAL Please accept my application for membership as a Member in the Chinese Historical Society of Southern California.
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