



NEWS 'n NOTES

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OCTOBER MEETING

There is **NO general meeting in October** due to the CHSSC Fall Dinner on Sunday, October 18. Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 4.

IN THE NEWS

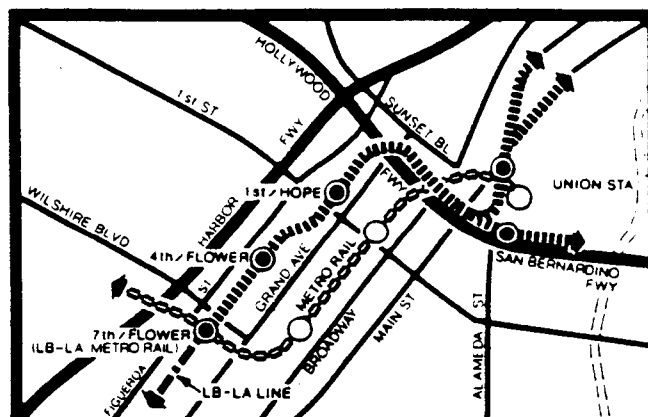
CORRECTION TO THE LAST NEWS 'N NOTES: Please accept my apologies, Dorothy Siu, for overlooking your name as one of the hardworking volunteers at the August 8 Book Sale at the Castelar School Playground.

(Note: Anyone having a "bone to pick" with me, please bring it to my attention so that it doesn't happen again.)

MARJORIE CHAN. Marjorie has relocated to Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio. She is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Asian Languages.

DINING OUT. Ron Jung's third summer get together was on August 27, 1987 at Taix French Restaurant. Taix was celebrating their 60th anniversary during the month of August. Those who came out had a great time.

FREEWAY ROUTE. The Los Angeles County Transportation Commission had three open houses regarding the Pasadena/Los Angeles Light Rail Route. Angi Ma Wong, Jerry Smart, Alvina Lew, and Jem Lew were among those who attended the September 17 meeting. There are four proposed routes, one of which impacts us greatly. The "Freeway Route" proposes to come from downtown at street level, tunnel under the 101 (Hollywood Freeway), come up at Grand Avenue by the Board of Education and elevated (concrete posts) to clear the Hill Street on-ramp and somehow get along the park to Union Station. This will eventually connect with Metro Rail. The proposal is in the preliminary stage. Angi has written a letter to Mr. Rick Richmon, Executive Director, to strongly oppose this route. Her letter was hand delivered to the secretary. Of the four proposed routes, Angi states that this is the least favorable of all the plans. Hopefully with Angi's strong letter, this proposal would be opposed. Let's hope for the best!



Freeway Route (Can connect with all 4 main alternatives)

ASIAN WEEK EXPANDS COVERAGE WITH NEW LOS ANGELES OFFICE. Due to the tremendous demand for English-language news coverage of this huge community, Asian Week last week announced the opening of editorial and advertising offices in Los Angeles, to give better service to the needs of Asian Americans throughout the Southland. The office is located at 808 North Spring Street, Suite 628, Los Angeles, CA 90012; telephone is (213) 621-2311.

HANFORD GROUP COMES TO L. A. CHINATOWN. On Sunday, September 20, all 39 of the Hanford group arrived here for a tour of L. A. Chinatown with the help of docents (Al Soo Hoo, Munson Kwok, Howard Chan, John and Lola Ng, Don Loo, Howard Hew) and hosts/hostesses (Suellen Cheng, Angi Ma Wong, Mary Yee, Sylvia and Jim Soo Hoo, Isobel and Chong Lew, Dorothy Siu, Lillian Fong, George and Edith Shue, Ernest and Grace Fong, Sam Chan, Cy Wong, Robert Lee, and Susie Ling). Arriving about 11:00, the Hanford group had a 15 minute bus tour of Old Chinatown with the helpful assistance of Gene Moy on board, followed by a slide show (narrated by Gene Moy) at the CACA building, "dim sum" lunch at Grandview Gardens (a mere show of just 59 people), quick group picture taken at the statue of Dr. Sun Yat Sen, then back to CACA where the group was broken down into six smaller groups to begin touring the sites about Chinatown. They even managed to fit in some shopping for our guests. As we would have guessed it, Refreshment Chair, Sylvia Soo Hoo, you did it again! Sylvia provided a cool drink at the CACA Lodge to quench the thirst and cool down everyone that was present on this rather warm day. On a beautiful green table cloth, Sylvia arranged baby's breath, cups, and napkins to surround her punch bowl. She added a special touch of 7-Up and sherbert to her punch. (Thanks for the very beautiful layout!) And word was out that our Hanford member, Camille Wing, made her purchase of a few tea sets before boarding her bus back to Hanford at 4:10 p.m. (For those of you who missed the Society's Hanford trip in May, Camille Wing was one of our docents.) Also, before the tour, President Angi Ma Wong presented Alice Stevenson a copy of Linking Our Lives and in return the Hanford group passed out buttons on their Moon Festival. All in all, it was a great success! (I'm sorry to have missed it!) Many thanks to each of you who came through as docents on such short notice as well as those who came out to give a warm reception for the Hanford group. (Pat yourself on the back! Job well done! When's the next tour???)

JIM CHARLTON. Angi Ma Wong and Jean Bruce Poole will be meeting with Mr. Jim Charlton, Chief Historian for the National Park Service, on Thursday, September 24, at 1:30 p.m. to inform and to give him a tour of our museum site and a little history of the Chinese.

AAJA. "Making A Difference" is the theme of the First National Convention of the Asian American Journalists Association in Los Angeles on September 23-26, 1987 at the Los Angeles Hilton. In the next few days, this convention will have much to share with its members, friends, and supporters of the Asian American Journalists Association. There will be workshops and panel sessions focusing on the media, the Asian Pacific communities, and the world of business, law, and politics; not to mention the many exhibit booths, news clips, screenings, luncheon meetings, silent auction, and social gatherings planned for the evenings.

CHSSC participated two days (September 24-25) at the convention by having our first convention booth displaying our book, Linking Our Lives, many photos, self-guided tour maps of Los Angeles Chinatown, CHSSC membership forms,

slide presentation, and souvenir books from the 1987 Chinese New Year celebration. The Society thanks the following members for volunteering their time to work at the booth on Thursday and/or Friday: Franklin Mah, Kipham Kan, Mark Mehlert, Angi Ma Wong, Lillian Fong, Howard Hew, Anita Jeung, and Beverly Hom. Special thanks to coordinator, Franklin Mah, for his hard work (with the helpful assistance of Suellen Cheng) and Kipham Kan for all her help in setting up the exhibits.

"The East in The West", a guided bus and walking tour of Los Angeles' Asian Communities: Chinatown, Little Tokyo, and Koreatown, scheduled for Saturday afternoon had to be cancelled at the last minute due to poor response. (The tour requires a minimum of 25 participants.) Special thanks to Mark Mehlert who worked so hard with AAJA and the bus tour company to line up the tours of the various communities and Angi Ma Wong for her beautiful design of the bus tour flyer and posters announcing this event.

U. S. ASIANS. This Asian American television show will be premiering on Monday, September 28, on KSCI (Channel 18) at 7:30-8:00 p.m. Produced by Rainbow Video Productions, this program (in English) will bring you the best of fashion, entertainment, sports, personal profiles, cultural events, and restaurant reviews. It should be moving to Saturday in October but at this time we do not have that information.

MUSEUM NEWS

The following donations to the Chinese American Museum Fund have recently been made: Christie Phillips (\$25), William Byrne Paullin (\$25), Ed and Evelyn Cucchiarella (\$200), Ernest Chann (\$20), Linda Lum (\$25), and Betty Tong (\$150). The Museum Committee and Munson Kwok (Chair) expresses great appreciation for this support. We are pleased to note that some \$1,123.41 of the \$40,000 challenge has been matched to date.

The Museum Committee of the Museum of Chinese American History is pleased to announce the appointment of Dr. Patricia Lin, Professor of Asian American Studies, California State University, Long Beach, as Co-Chair. Dr. Lin is Chairperson of the first Museum planning workshop to take place late in October. Participation in this workshop is by invitation only, and several CHSSC members will be involved. The objectives are a peer review of work to date, and the beginning of discussions on themes, focus, and possible major exhibits.

The first major research effort has just been completed at the Museum. The historical timeline of the Los Angeles Chinese, consisting of five chapters, has just been finished after months of effort. Those on the History Committee team have included Suellen Cheng, Professor Patricia Lin, Emma Louie, Dr. Ruby Ling Louie, William M. Mason, Professor Tom McDannold, Jean Bruce Poole, and Professor Charles Y. Wong. Congratulations! CHSSC members will be seeing more of this work in months to come.

BOARD BRIEFS

"REACHING OUT". As with the last issue of News 'n Notes, this issue, too, we are inaugurating what we will call our "REACHING OUT" section. In it we will feature ways in which you may volunteer your time and talents to help the

community. This will be the primary method by which the Board of the CHSSC will solicit volunteers to help it in staffing special committees, helping out at events, and serve as our representative at meetings. However, you readers may also use this feature to appeal to the membership for worthwhile causes. We have a lot of members and a lot of talent out there. Let's lend a helping hand!

o **Chinatown Docents:** The Society is down to only a few people who have the experience in leading groups around Chinatown. We are planning to expand on this pool of docents. We had a very good turnout for our docent training on Sunday, September 13. Many came to listen, to learn, and to help. We need more like you! If you are interested in learning what docent training is all about, please contact: Munson or Suellen Kwok (213) 828-6911. (We're giving Gene Moy a "baby" break!)

o **Photographic Group:** If you have an interest or talent in photography, the Society is looking for you! We are trying to develop a pool of photographers to help us with projects within the Society. Some of these will include copying photographs, cover Society events, photograph old buildings, and others to be developed. If any of this sounds interesting to you, you have the experience or talent, or you just want to learn, give us a call. We need people from all areas. Supplies will be furnished or reimbursed. Contact Franklin Mah at (213) 372-9421.

o **A Home for the Society:** Office space ? or ?? At our general meeting on September 2, our big issue on the agenda was office space for CHSSC. We had a very lengthy discussion on the pro's and con's. We took a vote, by a show of hands, and it was decided that "yes" we do want to get office space. The Office Space Committee (chaired by Kipham Kan) will come together again to review the comments that came out of this discussion and will report back to the membership with its findings. Shortly, they would like to arrange a meeting with Mr. Wilbur Woo to talk further. Therefore, if you have friends in Chinatown, friends in high places, or know of anyone who owns property or empty office space in Chinatown, please contact Kipham Kan (213) 839-9233. "Let's do it!"

o **Elections:** It's that time again! Elections are just around the corner! CHSSC is looking for five officers (President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Membership Secretary) and five new Board members. Officers are elected every year and Board members are elected every two years. Anyone interested in running for office or have nominations should contact one of the members of the Nominating Committee: Ella Quan (Chair), Munson Kwok, or Mary Yee. Names should be submitted no later than Thursday, October 15.

CONGRATULATIONS

CHSSC member, Jane Chung, had her fifth grandchild. Her daughter, Sue Fawn Chung, and son-in-law, Alan Solomon, had their second child, another boy. The baby was named Alexander Moss Solomon. Sue Fawn Chung is an Associate Professor and Director of International Programs at the University of Nevada in Las Vegas. Her late father, Walter Chung, was a CHSSC member and played on the Chinese baseball team. Also, he started The Globe Paper Company.

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ANNIVERSARIES.

Marjorie and Bill Chun Hoon celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary at a family gathering on Friday, September 11. Bill is the Principal at Castelar.

Angi Ma and Norman Wong celebrated their 20th wedding anniversary on September 2. Norman sent a bouquet of yellow long stem roses to Angi's office. Angi brought her roses to the September general meeting for all to enjoy.

WEDDING. CHSSC member, Patricia Ann Sales, tied the knot with Steve Zeider on July 18, 1987.

ENGAGEMENT. Good news!! Congratulations to Society members, Ben Nakayama and Doreen Chan. They're engaged! (Good move, Ben!!!) Happy planning . . . you two! Wedding date is to be announced later. Ben recently joined CHSSC. Ben is a Gas Analyst at Southern California Gas Company and Doreen is a Secretary for the Los Angeles Unified School District.

THANK YOUS

Special thanks to new life member, Ken Chan of East-West Federal Bank, for providing pre-sorting of the News 'n Notes. For each mailing, we save 1¼¢. In last month's mailing, we saved \$49.35.

Refreshment thanks are extended to Jim and Sylvia Soo Hoo, Alice Hom, and Lillian Fong. The beautiful floral arrangements were in celebration of Angi and Norman Wong's 20th anniversary. Sam Chan of Orange County, who owns a flower shop, supplied the bouquet and other flowers which decorated the refreshment table. Thanks so much, Sylvia, for the good food and lovely table arrangements for all to enjoy at our first general meeting following our summer break. Can we expect more of this? You'll spoil us good!

Thanks to the following members who came out to Mary Yee's on Saturday morning, September 12, to help with the mailing of the Fall Dinner flyer: Howard Chan, Franklin Mah, Lillian Fong, Suellen Cheng, Al Soo Hoo, Mary Yee, Howard Hew, Kipham Kan, and Beverly Hom. And thank you, Mary and family, for the delicious lunch!

Docent Trainers (Munson and Suellen Kwok, Gene Moy, and Charles Wong) want to thank the following members who came out Sunday afternoon on September 13 for docent training: Ron Jung, Howard Hew, Beverly Hom, Richard Smith, Don Loo, Franklin Mah, John and Lola Ng, Mark Mehlert, Anna Lowrey, Al Soo Hoo, Howard Chan, and Lina Fong.

CALENDAR

Sat. - Wed.
9/12 - 10/21

"Strangers in a Strange Land" a photographic exhibition of Carol Nye's work at Seewald's Photographic Art Gallery, 1114 North Highway 101, Leucadia, CA (619) 942-5671

CALENDAR (con't)

Thurs. only
10/1, 8, 15, 22
7:00-10:00 p.m.

"The Art of Dim Sum" - a four-session UCLA Extension course featuring demonstrations of such delicacies as curry patties, sesame seed balls, and Chinese steam cakes, will meet at a private residence in Brentwood. Fee: \$180. Instructor S. T. Ting Wong, who has taught in Shanghai, Hong Kong, and New York will also demonstrate Szechuan dumplings with spicy sauce, shrimp fragrant tingling bells and tsoon tse rice dumplings. For further information, call the Division of Culinary Arts, (213) 206-8120.

Sat. - Sun.
10/3 - 11/15

"Nature Recycled" - handmade papers by Pale Tom. Reception Saturday, October 3, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. at the Pacific Asian Museum, Foyer Gallery, 46 North Los Robles Avenue, Pasadena, CA 91101 (818) 449-2742. Foyer Gallery Hours: Wednesday - Sunday 12:00 - 5:00 Artwork available for purchase.

Mon., 10/5
6:15 p.m.

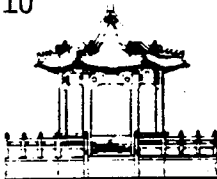
The China Society of Southern California invite you to a dinner at Golden Dragon Restaurant to hear **Professor Eugene Cooper on his "Adventures with Chinese Bureaucracy"**. Guests \$10.

Eugene is, of course, a member of CHSSC and the Friends of the Chinatown Library and active in the Museum of Chinese American History.

Wed., 10/7
7:30 p.m.

CHSSC Board Meeting at Kipham's.
9051 Cattaraugus Avenue, #5
Los Angeles, CA 90034 (213) 839-9233

Sat. 10/10



Riverside Pavilion Dedication

If you missed signing up at our September meeting, it's not too late to do so. Please refer to "Dedication Week Schedule" and other sheets attached. Also see **COMING EVENTS** section. For further information, please contact Gene Moy (818) 289-2067 (weeknights 7:00-11:00 p.m.).

Thurs., 10/15
6:00 p.m. Cocktails
7:00 p.m. Dinner

The **Asian Pacific American Support Group (APASG)** of USC will hold its **Third Annual Awards Dinner** at the Biltmore Hotel (Biltmore Bowl Room) in Los Angeles. Proceeds from this dinner will be earmarked for the APASG Scholarship Endowment Fund. Keynote speaker is Mr. George Takei, actor and community leader. Five outstanding individuals will be honored at the dinner. The recipients are: Edgardo de la Vega, D.D.S., Filipino community leader; Yen N. Do, founder and editor of Nguoi Viet, the largest Vietnamese/American newspaper; David Hyun, President

CALENDAR (con't)

of David Hyun Associates; Mary Takagaki, 20-year USC staff member; and Wilbur Woo, Board of Directors, Cathay Bank. (Both Messrs. Hyun and Woo were past program speakers at our CHSSC general meetings. Mr. Woo spoke at last month's program.) Dinner tickets: \$75. RSVP deadline: October 8. For additional information, please contact Lana Chin (213) 743-4999 or Dawn Kita (213) 743-6110.

Fri., 10/16
7:00 p.m.

"Special" Meeting of Fall Dinner Committee (by invitation only!) You know who you are! You know where!!

Sun., 10/18
5:00 p.m. Cocktails
5:30 p.m. Dinner

CHSSC Fall Dinner!!!

New Won Kok Restaurant
2411 North Broadway, Los Angeles
(see COMING EVENTS - **"THE SPIRIT OF CHINATOWN LIVES ON!"**)

Fri. - Sun.,
11/20 - 11/22

A National Conference sponsored by The Organization of Chinese American Women (OCAW) presents **"Chinese American Women: Today and Tomorrow"** to be held at the Sheraton Universal Hotel, Universal City. (See attached flyer.) For further information or registration brochure, contact Helen Wang (818) 289-6730 (eve.) or Barbara Lee (818) 285-2128 (day) or write OCAW, P. O. Box 3278, Alhambra, CA 91803. Or you may wish to contact CHSSC member, Linda Lum, (818) 280-3859. Linda is the OCAW President, L. A. Chapter.

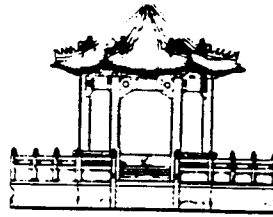
Thurs. - Sat.
9/3 - 11/7

Irvine Fine Arts Center **"Poetics of the Chinese Brush"** presents the following special events on 10/17, 10/24, and 9/30-11/14 at 4601 Walnut Avenue, Irvine, CA 92714 (714) 552-7078.

Saturday, 10/17 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. \$40 **"Magic of the Brush"** (Catherine Yi-yu Cho Woo, noted painted, poet and lecturer. Lecture, painting workshop, garden tour at Sherman Library and Gardens. Lunch included and some materials.

Saturday, 10/24 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. \$30 **Bus Tour to LACMA, "The Quest for Eternity: Chinese Ceramic Sculpture From the People's Republic of China"**. Includes transportation and Museum admission. Afternoon snack. Pre-registration required.

9/30 - 11/14 (6 Wednesdays) **"The Art of Knot Tying"** (Daisy Lee). Materials included. Must be over 14.



COMING EVENTS

RIVERSIDE PAVILION DEDICATION is soon approaching (October 10).

INTERNATIONAL EVENT — WEEK OF FESTIVITIES PLANNED FOR CHINESE PAVILION DEDICATION; RIVERSIDE CHINATOWN BOOK AND FILM PREMIERE.

The Riverside Chinese Pavilion dedication is one of several major events set to come together the week of 10/4-10/11 designed to honor the area and the state's Pioneer Chinese.

Scheduled to be dedicated that week are the Riverside Chinese Memorial Pavilion; Wong Ho Leun: An American Chinatown, the book and report on the Chinatown Archaeological Dig conducted by the Great Basin Foundation of San Diego; the film depicting the story of the Citrus Belt Chinese pioneers created by the University of California, Riverside, Media Resources Center, When They All Still Live; and the Jensen-Alvarado Ranch's National Register Marker and State Marker.

The bulk of the events were planned to dovetail with the annual Riverside Citrus-Heritage Parade and Festival whose 1987 theme is "A Salute to Riverside's Chinese Heritage." The parade date is set for October 10. The parade is sponsored by the Riverside Chamber of Commerce and the City of Riverside.

It was pure coincidence that the parade was scheduled for October 10, the day of the Chinese Revolution 10/10 Celebration. All of the dedication plans came to center around this date.

Numerous civic organizations have coordinated efforts to participate in honoring the Pioneer Chinese. It is very gratifying to see the pioneers so recognized and honored.

Events are planned by the Chinese Pavilion Committee, the Downtown Association, the Friends of the Riverside Public Library, the Great Basin Foundation of San Diego, the Greater Riverside Chamber of Commerce, the Jensen-Alvarado Ranch Associates, the Riverside Art Museum, the Riverside Live Steamers, the Riverside Municipal Museum, the Riverside Museum Associates, the Riverside Philatelic Society, the Riverside Public Library, the Riverside Symphony Association, and the University of California, Riverside.

They expect some 35,000 people in attendance and some state political figures are also expected to attend.

The following people signed up at the last meeting for the L. A. carpool to Riverside:

Eugene Moy	(818) 289-2067	Angi Ma Wong	(213) 541-1809
Beverly Hom	(818) 336-7900	Doreen Chan (?)	(213) 726-9064
Franklin Mah	(213) 372-9421	Cy Wong	(213) 731-1084
Bob Large	(818) 287-5620	Howard Hew	(818) 843-5943
Don Loo	(213) 208-5382	Lillian Fong	(213) 234-1062
Mary Yee	(213) 542-2409	Dorothy Siu	(213) 734-7518
Kipham Kan	(213) 839-9233	Barkley Lee (?)	(818) 441-4111
Ron Jung (?)	(213) 383-0451		

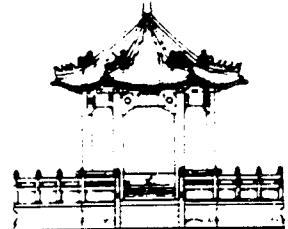
Gene is checking into the final arrangements for Riverside. We have been asked to do two things: participate in the annual Riverside Citrus-Heritage Parade (10:00 a.m.) and set up an information booth for CHSSC. We're calling for strong legs and arms to help us out in the parade. We also need volunteers to help at the CHSSC Information Booth. Both activities are free for non-profit organizations.

The San Gabriel Valley Chinese Cultural Association will be participating with their dragon in the Riverside celebration.

In order to assist Gene with the car/van pools to Riverside, it would be best for each of you to arrange your pools by area as best you can and then one of you should confirm all members in your pool to Gene. If there is no one close to your area, give Gene a call. What is also necessary is that if you wish to stay as one big group, Gene needs to know your arrival time in Riverside. If you choose to be on your own, that is fine. Gene would like to know who to expect there and when so as not to be waiting for a no show. The following criteria need to be addressed: Going Saturday only? Saturday and Sunday? If Saturday only, will you be participating in the parade? By participating, I mean marching in the parade as CHSSC will be towards the front of the parade with our banner, flags, and wearing our 10th anniversary t-shirts (or 10-K Run t-shirts). If you're going on your own, do you want to join up with CHSSC at some point? 10:00 for parade? 1:30 for pavilion dedication ceremony? When and where for dinner? (Need to watch our time here so that we can make it in time for the 7:00 p.m. event.)?

Directions to Riverside:

Take 10 Freeway (East) to Ontario.
 Take 15 Freeway (South) to the 60 Freeway (East) to Riverside.
 Take 91 Freeway (South) to the 7th Street offramp.
 Turn RIGHT on 7th Street to Lemon Street.
 Turn RIGHT on Lemon Street to 6th Street.
 Turn LEFT on 6th Street.



Gathering place is Riverside Public Library (3581 7th Street, Riverside).

There's quite a schedule planned for Saturday. For what information we have so far, please see attached pages and map at back.

Other: Numerous items will be sold, i.e., Wong Ho Leun Horse, reproduction in bronze of Riverside Chinatown, dig artifacts, pin/pendant (\$35 + tax), standing horse (\$40 + tax). For further information, please call Wendy Eads (714) 683-4418.

"THE SPIRIT OF CHINATOWN LIVES ON!" is the theme of this year's Fall Dinner on Sunday, October 18. No host cocktails at 5:00 p.m. The nine-course banquet will begin at 5:30 p.m. at the New Won Kok Restaurant. Parking is available behind the restaurant and the Bank of America building. The cost is \$25 per person, tax and tip included. Reservations are required and the deadline is October 8. MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Mistress of Ceremonies is actress and media personality, Pat Li. The program, illustrated with slides, is entitled "With Pulpit & Pen: A Bold New Voice for

America — From Los Angeles: The Beginning Years of Ng Poon Chew's Glorious Career in Los Angeles" will be presented by Paul G. Chace. Chace is a Society member and an anthropologist at the University of California, Riverside, studying Overseas Chinese culture and will share the story of the early Los Angeles minister, editor, and orator, Dr. Ng Poon Chew (1866-1931), whose long career makes him a candidate for the most famous Chinese-American in the United States.

Two distinguished brothers, Fung Chow Chan and Lun F. Chan, will be honored that evening.

So, hurry! Don't miss our big dinner for the year. Invite your family, friends, and love ones.

GET TOGETHER DINNERS, ETC. Ron of the "Keep in Touch Events" would like to expand the culture of dining to cultural arts (places to see if you know of any of these types of places). No age limit. Open to all! Any interest? Give him a call — Ron Jung (213) 383-0451.

FIRST CHSSC PICNIC has been rescheduled. Sorry for the change in plans. It's good to know that we've gotten many of you excited and hopefully excited enough to give us a helping hand when we begin planning this big event. Due to numerous activities coming together next month, it would be best to plan our first picnic in the early part of 1988. With time permitting, we will advise our members once we have pinpointed our new date. So, for now, we hope the excitement is still within you and that you will want to give us your support. Any and all interested parties should contact coordinators, Ron Jung (213) 383-0451 or Bev Hom (818) 336-7900. (By the way, for those of you who attended the dinner at Seafood King in late July, we have your name! You're on our helpers list!)

WANT ADS

Interested in back issues of the Gum Saan Journal? You're in luck! Margie Lew is the keeper of Gum Saan Journals (1977 to present). The cost is \$2.00 per copy. Special price for larger quantities. Anyone interested should contact Margie at (213) 222-4375. Margie would be happy to have you take them off her hands.

Christmas time is rolling around. Have you thought about what to buy for that certain someone? Well, we're here to help. Don't forget your Society products. They're great gifts! Here's a sample of what we have available ...

LINKING OUR LIVES: Chinese American Women of Los Angeles

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Chinese Historical Society of Southern California

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SEEDS OF PASSAGE: CHINESE OCCUPATIONS IN SAN DIEGO, 1870-1900 by DR. JUDITH LIU

Dr. Judith Liu, a member of the Chinese Historical Society of Southern California, is the author of *Seeds of Passage: Chinese Occupations in San Diego, 1870-1900*. This book is available for purchase at the Chinese Historical Society of Southern California.

In 1848, the discovery of gold at Sutter's Mill began a great influx of young men to California. They came from all walks of life and from all parts of the globe. Among them were the Chinese. Like thousands of others, the Chinese came to seek their fortune in the gold fields, many finding their own individual paths. However, unlike most, these Chinese had no intention of returning home. They were determined to stay in California. After making their fortune, the immigrants had every intention of returning to China. Visas of many nations and a special permit to the United States had been issued to thousands of young men to America.

Immigrants who settled up in the Chinese, beginning as early as the first century B.C., the Chinese traveled to Southern California. However, few returned across the Pacific to seek their fortune and the 19th.

Although reports of Chinese immigrants in the United States as early as 1773 are recorded, significant immigration from China did not occur until the mid-nineteenth century. The first of gold was not the only reason to emigrate. China's decline in the Opium Wars of the 19th century, China's "closed door" policy. The opening of China to western powers, was coupled with corrupt government, corruption, and to the gradual decline of the Qing Dynasty. In addition, these problems caused economic, a western China, with increasing floods and drought that occurred from 1840 to 1880.

Political instability and natural disaster caused thousands and moved them to seek a better life in the United States.



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WANT ADS (con't)

If you're interested in any one or all of these items, the following individuals should be contacted:

<u>Linking Our Lives</u> (LOL)*	\$9.95 + S/H	Ella Quan	(213) 291-5388
Gum Saan Journal*	\$2.00/copy	Margie Lew	(213) 222-4375
CHSSC Pin	\$3.00	Bev Picazo	(213) 757-0520
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Welcome any **"bits of news"** for future issues of News 'n Notes. Please submit in writing or by phone to Bev Hom (818) 336-7900 by the 15th of each month for the next issue of News 'n Notes.

WARM WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

We extend our warm CHSSC welcome to the new LIFE member, Kenneth L. Chan, and our four new members Ei May Wong, Ben Nakayama, Mrs. James Yee, and Ronald G. Fung. With the new additions, the CHSSC membership is now 395.

Note: As you can see, our membership is still growing. To date, we have 48 new members. Our goal is to reach the "400" mark. Angi Ma Wong will donate a prize to be given to the 400th member who joins CHSSC this year. The cut-off date is September 30. After October 1, membership dues apply to next year.

EDITOR'S NOTE

Thank you for your continued support in volunteering to assist me with the News 'n Notes:

August 19 News 'n Notes mailing session: Dorothy Siu, Richard Smith, Kipham Kan, Ron Jung, Al Soo Hoo, Suellen and Munson Kwok, and Lillian Fong.

Bits of News for this issue: Sylvia Soo Hoo, Wendy Eads, Elmo Gambarana, Doreen Chan, Munson and Suellen Kwok, Don Loo, Lillian Fong, Al Soo Hoo, Margie Lew, Ron Jung, Angi Ma Wong, Franklin Mah, Gene Moy, and Linda Lum.

HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL ON OCTOBER 10 and 18!

Beverly M. Hom
News 'n Notes Editor

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November 20 - 22, 1987
Sheraton Universal Hotel, Universal City, CA

Preliminary Program

Friday, November 20

Pre-registration

Early Bird Reception

Saturday, November 21

Keynote Speakers: Honorable Mae Yih, State Senator of Oregon
Ms. Pauline Alker, President of CounterPoint, Inc.

General Sessions: Strengthening Ourselves

Achieving Personal Well-Being
Stress Management
Physical Vitality
Financial Stability

Strengthening Our Families

Multigenerational Relationships
Intercultural Conflicts
Dealing With Adolescent Problems

Strengthening Our Careers

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Resolving Discrimination & Harrassment
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Gala Awards Banquet

Sunday, November 22

Conference Wrap-up Breakfast

National Board Meeting

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- Sunday 10/4 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.--Live Steamers, a railroad club, salute Chinese Railroad Heritage with a re-enactment of the Golden Spike Ceremony, Hunter Park.
- For the month of October, the UCR Library will have an exhibit "China in Turmoil", stereographs from the Keystone-Mast collection loaned by the California Museum of Photography.
- Monday 10/5 7:30 p.m.--"The Pilgrims from Gom-Benni: Riverside's pioneer Chinese," a lecture by Harry Lawton, Riverside Public Library, refreshments served
- Tuesday 10/6 11 a.m.--Luncheon hosted by the Greater Riverside Chambers of Commerce, the University of California, Riverside, and the Chinese Pavilion Committee "A Salute to the Citrus Industry and the Pavilion Committee" to honor individuals and groups who have donated money and time to the Riverside Chinese Memorial Project. Raincross Square. Cost has yet to be announced.
- Wednesday 10/7 4-6 p.m.--By-invitation reception at the Pavilion site for the Pavilion Committee and Downtown Association. Time to be announced.
- Thursday 10/8 7:30 p.m.--Dr. Peter C. Y. Leung, professor in the Asian Studies Department, UC Davis and organizer of the Chinese Agriculture Exhibit at the Riverside Municipal Museum, lectures on the Chinese in California Agriculture "One Dollar, One Day", Riverside Public Library.
- Friday 10/9 6:30-9 p.m.-- Private Preview Party of Chinese exhibits and films at the municipal museum, library and art museum with refreshments in each location.
- By-invitation 10-10 Party for Pavilion Committee.
- Saturday 10/10 8 a.m.--by-invitation catered breakfast for officials and guests of the 10-10 Celebration and Pavilion Dedication ceremonies.
- 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.--Riverside Citrus-Heritage Day Festival begins when booths open in Mall and near the new Chinese Memorial Pavilion.
- 10 a.m. Exhibits Open at Municipal Museum, Art Museum and Public Library.
- 10 a.m.--the annual Riverside Citrus-Heritage Parade begins. Theme is "A Salute to Riverside's Chinese Heritage."
- After the parade and throughout the day Lion Dancers and Dragons will perform as well as members of Spring Thunder throughout the festival and on street corners.
- The Riverside Public Library will show films on China during the day.
- 1:30 p.m.--Dedication of the Chinese Memorial Pavilion and the Riverside Chinatown Archaeological Dig Book Wong Ho Leun: An American Chinatown. Officials representing the Republic of China will be present as will Maxine Hong Kingston who wrote a special dedication to the Chinatown book. Many other special guests.
- 3 p.m.-- Maxine Hong Kingston and Harry Lawton will be available to autograph books for a short time at the Great Basin Foundation Booth.
- 3 p.m.--Spring Thunder performs in Municipal Auditorium.
- 5 p.m.--Exhibits and booths close.
- 7 p.m.--The day's culminating events at Municipal Auditorium--"Celebrating our Chinese Heritage": Sponsored by the Friends of the Riverside Public Library Maxine Hong Kingston reads from her new novel, Tripmaster Monkey; premiere of "When They All Still Live" on Riverside's Chinese history featuring veteran actor Victor Wong as the voice of George Wong; book signing; private party by the Great Basin Foundation.
- Sunday 10/11 1 p.m.-4 p.m.--Open House at the Jensen-Alvarado Ranch with the historical designation dedication ceremony at 1:30. The ranch a living historical agricultura museum, which will feature a special Chinese Exhibit for the day. Research has shown that Chinese brick masons and carpenters were on the ranch two years before Riverside was founded. Special tours and champagne reception at the ranch winery. A fitting end to the Dedication Week celebrations.

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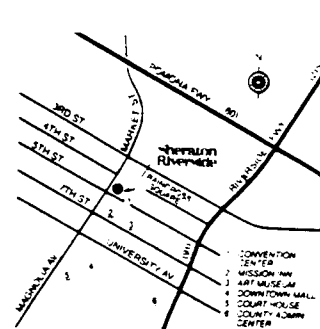
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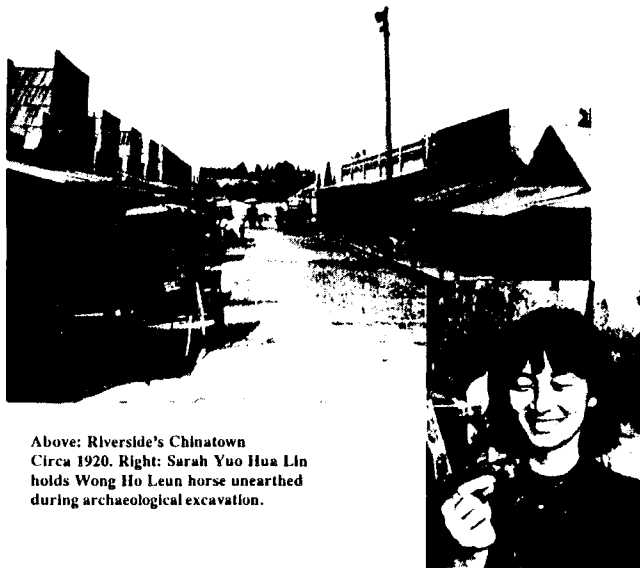
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Above: Riverside's Chinatown Circa 1920. Right: Sarah Yuo Hua Lin holds Wong Ho Leun horse unearthed during archaeological excavation.



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Events begin at 7 p.m., October 10, in the Riverside Municipal Auditorium capping a daylong Ten-Ten Celebration which included the dedication of the Riverside Chinese Memorial Pavilion and the Great Basin Foundation book *Wong Ho Leun: An American Chinatown* on the results of the 1985-86 archaeological excavation of Riverside's Chinatown site.

Ms. Kingston's unprecedented preview of her new book to be published in 1988 by Alfred Knopf is sponsored by the Friends of the Riverside Public Library and is their first program of the season.

The film premiere is sponsored jointly by the University of California, Riverside and The Great Basin Foundation.

Ms. Kingston who wrote the touching dedication to *Wong Ho Leun* and local historian-writer Harry Lawton will be available to sign books for the general public immediately following the evening's presentations.

Celebrating Our Chinese Legacy events end with a private reception for sponsors and guests.



Virginia Wong standing outside the Chee Kung Tong hall in Riverside's Chinatown around 1910.

WONG HO LEUN: An American Chinatown

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To order *Wong Ho Leun: An American Chinatown*. Send a check or money order for \$55 per copy (postmarked before Oct. 10, 1987) plus \$2 shipping and handling to: Great Basin Foundation, 1236 Concord Street, San Diego, CA 92106.

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