



NEWS 'n NOTES

CHINESE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

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May 1992

Due to the civil unrest in Los Angeles the latter part of April, CHSSC President Tom McDannold made an executive decision to cancel the May general meeting for the purpose of the safety and well being of our members and their families. The membership was informed by way of the April News 'n Notes. We apologize if you did not get your last newsletter in time to know that the meeting was cancelled. Under the circumstances, every effort possible was made to insure that members were advised in sufficient time. We hope that everyone was safe and spared from harm or loss.

Any one for dinner? We will have an installation dinner and reception to honor our first scholarship recipient at 6:30 p.m. sharp (just prior to our general meeting) in the multi-purpose room, Castelar School. The cost is \$3 per person. Please be on time as we wish to conduct our general meeting as close as possible to our 7:30 p.m. start time. We look forward to seeing many of you to honor and recognize this fine recipient. Just think, some of us have not seen one another since our March general meeting. This is a good time to catch up on our fellowship. We hope to see you all there!

PROGRAM - Annual Meeting/Elections/Installation

Wednesday, June 3, 1992
Multi-purpose Room - 7:30 p.m.
Castelar School
840 Yale Street
Los Angeles Chinatown

(Parking is available on the school playground. Enter on College and Hill Streets.)

Tonight's program we will present the following: (1) Ms. Patricia Leung, a Junior majoring in Political Science at UC Riverside, as the recipient of the first scholarship offered by the Chinese Historical Society of Southern California, (2) the revised By-Laws, which you received in the March News 'n Notes, will be voted on for approval, (3) the election and installation of the slate of Officers and Board members nominated to serve CHSSC from July 1, 1992 to June 30, 1993 and (4) "show 'n share" time -- we encourage members to bring and share any photos of past events captured on film.

Due to the cancellation of the May meeting and the numerous

business at hand for tonight, we have decided to address the progress and accomplishments that the Society has made for the year (July 1, 1991 to June 30, 1992) by providing copies of the written committee reports that would have been presented this evening. [Copies are available for pick up at the back table.]

Our original program for the June meeting (as you recall from the "Calendar of Events and Programs--9/91-8/92" distributed prior to September, 1991), was Dr. Philip Leung of California State University, Los Angeles who was to speak on the "Chinese in the Global Village". Once again, both the May and June meetings were affected by the civil unrest in the city. Dr. Leung's program will be rescheduled for the fall.

Note: Be sure to bring your copy of the By-Laws Revision to the June general meeting (enclosed in your March News 'n Notes).

1992-1993 SLATE FOR CHSSC BOARD

President	Sue Yee
Vice President	Don Loo
Secretary	Jim Fong
Membership Secretary	Mary Yee
Treasurer	Paul Louie
Financial Secretary	Franklin Mah
Board	Bill Chun-Hoon
	Tom Eng
	Irvin Lai
	Robert Large
	Beverly Hom Tsao
	Catalina Wong
Board Incumbents	Eugene Cooper
	Stanley Mu
	Cy Wong
	Dexter Wong

Nominations will be accepted from the floor.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS - We invite you to attend "ORIGINS AND DESTINATIONS" - A conference on Chinese Americans will be held August 28-30 at California State University, Los Angeles, 5151 State University Drive, Los Angeles, CA 90032. The conference will explore the past, present, and future of these dynamic peoples in a three-day symposium composed of several parallel sessions, workshops, exhibits, and media presentations. There will be ample opportunity for interactions and discussions among attendees. Topics include regional history, political activism, women, interethnic relations, primary source materials, performing arts, the Chinese exclusion, literature, Chinese language education, the social transformation, entrepreneurship, and archeology. Workshops will present "Chinese American Identity: Changes in a Changing World", "Curriculum Development", and "Museums". Registration

fees: \$20 advance registration, \$30 on-site registration, \$15 students. Advance registration forms must be received by July 25, 1992. Check is payable to CHSSC, P. O. Box 862647, Los Angeles, CA 90086-2647. Cost includes all sessions, Friday reception, and all coffee and tea breaks. Optional lunch (\$6) and Chinese light buffet (\$8) on Saturday. Cancellation policy: full refunds if notification is before August 10. No refund thereafter. University accommodations available. Walking tour of Los Angeles Chinatown is scheduled for Friday, August 28, 1:00-4:00 p.m. Cost is \$5. For additional conference information, call CHSSC at (213) 621-3171.

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It's not too late to become a member. Dues are \$15 member; \$5 additional, same household, or senior; \$25 institutional member; and \$200 life member. Dues are payable to CHSSC. Mail to Mary Yee, Membership Secretary, 4721 Konya Drive, Torrance, CA 90503.

Address change: Randall, Maureen, and Kate Bloch
12720 Burbank Boulevard, #101
Valley Village, CA 91607
(818) 980-4386

To include in the 1992 CHSSC Membership Roster, which was sent out with the last newsletter, please add the following for your information:

CHSSC MAILING ADDRESS	CHSSC OFFICE
P. O. Box 862647	969 North Broadway
Los Angeles, CA 90086-2647	Los Angeles, CA 90012
	(213) 621-3171

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CHSSC MUGS FOR SALE! These porcelain mugs, very suitable for tea or coffee (or whatever you like), are cream in color with CHSSC logo in Chinese red. Don't miss out on adding this item to your collection. They're great gifts for that special person! Cost is \$4 members, \$5 non-members. They will be available at each general meeting, board meeting, and at the CHSSC office. For information, contact Tom Eng (818) 458-7155 or (310) 826-6084.

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MERGING ONE GALLERY presents a group show by four artists entitled Passage. This show is a proposal for a public art project which is to take place in Chinatown once the artists receive the funding from the Los Angeles Cultural Affairs Department. This show will be unique in that it is the first public art proposal earmarked specifically for the Chinese community and produced solely by Chinese and Chinese-American artists. The four artists are Diana Wong, a multi-media painter and printmaker; Hing Alan Cheung, a painter and writer; Carol Nye, photographer; and Betty Phoenix Wan, a multi-media installation artist. Diana Wong and Carol Nye are members of CHSSC.

Merging One Gallery is located at 1547 Sixth Street, Santa Monica. Hours are 10:30-5:30 Tuesday through Saturday. For more information, contact Cecelia Davidson or Diana Wong (310) 395-0033.

ANNOUNCEMENTS - MAYOR'S PROPOSED 1992-1993 BUDGET - SEVERE CUT IN LIBRARY SERVICES; REDUCE SERVICE FROM 6 DAYS/WEEK TO 4 DAYS/WEEK AT ALL 56 COMMUNITY BRANCH LIBRARIES. We need our library services to remain open 6 days a week. Write letters or get petitions signed and mail to your City Council against library budget cuts.

Honorable Council of the City of Los Angeles
Los Angeles City Hall
200 North Spring Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

WE ARE CONCERNED CITIZENS AGAINST LIBRARY BUDGET CUTS.

The library is a clearing house for information and a store house of information for our taxpayers, our students, our youngsters, and ... we do care for our senior citizens. For the young citizens, the challenge of the future is in their hands. We have got to educate them the best we can. As often heard: "The mind is a terrible thing to waste."

Write your letter today or go out and get signatures on petitions!

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LOS ANGELES CHINESE-AMERICANS ANNOUNCE RIOT RELIEF FUND - In response to the many urgent needs in the aftermath of the recent civil disturbance in Los Angeles, the Chinese-American community here has set up a relief fund to aid communities and individuals who were victimized. The Los Angeles Relief Fund is based at and will be administered by the Chinatown Service Center. The following community-based organizations have endorsed this effort: Chinese Consolidated Benevolent Association, Chinese American Citizens Alliance, Southern California Chinese Lawyers Association, Los Angeles Chinese Chamber of Commerce, Southern California Chinese Grocers Association, Chinatown Public Safety Association, and the National Association of Chinese American Bankers. Contributions should be sent to the Chinatown Service Center, 600 North Broadway, Suite A, Los Angeles, CA 90012, Attention: Los Angeles Relief Fund. Checks should be made payable to the "CSC-Los Angeles Relief Fund." The Chinatown Service Center is a non-profit 501(3)(c) organization and donations are tax deductible.

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NINTH NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF THE ASSOCIATION FOR ASIAN AMERICAN STUDIES "Diversity, Representation, and Empowerment: Asian American Studies in the 1990's" - May 28-31 - Fairmont Hotel, San Jose, CA. Information, call Alex Yamato (408) 924-5751.

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FRIENDS OF THE CHINATOWN LIBRARY "ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS DINNER" Friday, May 29 - 6:30 p.m. meeting/7:00 p.m. dinner - Shangri-La Restaurant, 313 South Boylston Street, Los Angeles (213) 250-2288. Cost \$20. Check is payable to the Friends of the Chinatown Library, 536 West College Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012. Your check will confirm your reservation. Deadline: May 22.

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DANCES WITH LITERATURE - Friday, May 29, 6:00 p.m., Sam Woo Seafood Restaurant, 140 West Valley Boulevard, D-4th floor, San Gabriel, CA (818) 571-8686 - A night of fun and fine arts. Party and dance

with famous Chinese artists, writers, community leaders, and Hollywood stars! Sponsored by Chinese Writer's Association of Southern California. Event includes dinner, dance performance, traditional Chinese performance, joke telling by Chinese celebrities, entertaining auction, karaoke, dance party, and raffle ticket drawings. Tickets are \$25 per person, may be purchased at Sweetened Deals Clothing Store, 945 North Hill Street, LA, (213) 617-0906 or 680-3276. All revenue from ticket sales go to support art events/functions sponsored by the Chinese Writer's Association. More information, call Lisa Yang (213) 258-6849.

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THE CHINA SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA invites you and your friends to its June 1 dinner meeting at Golden Dragon Restaurant, 960 North Broadway, Los Angeles Chinatown. Social time 6:15 p.m., dinner 7:00 p.m. Cost: \$10 members, \$12 guests. Following dinner, the evening's program is "A Report on the Development of Chinese Music from 1950 to 1980" featuring Professor Yu Run Mao as speaker. Professor Mao has a Master of Science with major in violin and minor in composition from Julliard School of Music, 1948. Former position, first violinist, Shanghai Symphony Orchestra. Visiting professor at Brigham Young University teaching tonal harmony, ear-training orchestration and Chinese music since 1949. Also, visiting scholar lecturing on Chinese music in many United States colleges and universities.

Information, call Rina Rae Sherman (213) 936-0327 or Lloyd Noakes (213) 663-9511.

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COMMUNITY CELEBRATIONS FEATURED ON JUNE EPISODE OF "CALIFORNIA'S GOLD" will air on Sunday, June 7, at 7:30 p.m. Featured will be the 112th Bok Kai Parade Festival in Marysville, believed to be California's oldest parade. Marysville is a former mining town in Yuba County. The celebration honors Bok Eye, the Chinese god of water, with a display of colorful lion dancers, loud firecrackers, taiko drummers, and a 150-foot-long dragon.

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CONFERENCE OF CALIFORNIA HISTORICAL SOCIETIES 1992 ANNUAL MEETING - RIVERSIDE - June 25-28. ??, call (714) 684-3534 or (714) 686-6307.

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EAST WEST PLAYERS SUMMER WORKSHOP PROGRAM is celebrating its 12th year. The workshop offers six weeks of intensive training to beginning and intermediate acting students who wish to develop their theatrical skills and an understanding of professional theatre. The workshop is designed to guide actors in all aspects of the theatre arts -- in a stimulating environment that encourages participants to challenge themselves physically, mentally, vocally and creatively. Participants must attend all daytime classes and evening rehearsals. Workshop begins July 6-August 16. For more information, call (213) 660-0366.

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FRONTIER FAITHS - Church, Temple, and Synagogue in Los Angeles, 1846-1888, by Michael E. Engh, S.J. This 352-page volume offers new insight into community-building and the complex beginnings of racial and ethnic diversity in Los Angeles. Cost: \$32.50 plus

\$2.25 for shipping and handling (\$.75 for each additional book).
Mail orders to University of New Mexico Press, Order Department,
1720 Lomas Boulevard, NE, Albuquerque, NM 87131-1591 or fax 1-800-
622-8667, use order code PF17. Information: (505) 277-4810.

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SAINT MARK'S TREASURED CHINESE RECIPES - 1991 202P, \$12.50
Consisting of mostly Cantonese cooking, this cookbook offers many
favorites from jook, dim sum to sai-woo duck. Back in print again,
with 451 recipes (new, old, and revised), it has a durable jacket,
numbered pages and an alphabetized index. Foreword to the book
invokes this thought: "for this is how our mothers and
grandmothers nourished their families and traditionally celebrated
life in a Chinese culture". Historical, rich, full of insights and
a classic.

Make donations payable to: St. Mark's United Methodist Church, c/o
Blanche Ah Tye; 2211 Fernvale Drive, Stockton, CA 95207.
Add \$1.50 for postage; deduct 50 cents for each extra copy.

CALENDAR

June 17 CHSSC BOARD MEETING - 6:30-8:30 p.m. Meeting at the
 CHSSC Office, 969 North Broadway, Los Angeles.
 Parking is available at Castelar School or Mandarin
 and Bamboo Plazas.

July 1 and August 5 ******* NO CHSSC GENERAL MEETING *******
 (General meetings are not held two months
 out of the year.)

July 11-12 **LOTUS FESTIVAL - Volunteers are urgently needed!**
 Come and help sell our pineapples-on-a-stick.
 Come and enjoy the food, sun, people, and have
 fun. Help Society raise funds to support our
 other activities.
 Contact: Bob Large (818) 287-5620.

August CHSSC PICNIC (date, time, and place to be
 announced) - We're looking for a picnic chair
 or co-chairs. Interested? Please call
 Suellen Cheng (310) 645-1369 or
 Beverly Hom Tsao (818) 336-7900.

August 28-30 **"CHINESE AMERICANS: ORIGINS AND DESTINATIONS",**
 NATIONAL CHINESE AMERICAN STUDIES CONFERENCE -
 CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, LOS ANGELES.
 WE NEED YOUR HELP!!! Volunteers are very necessary
 in helping to bring this conference together -- both
 now and the days of the conference. Please help by
 identifying areas where you can best serve. We need
 all the help available!
 Contact: Stan Mu (818) 346-2196.

September 12 **MOON FESTIVAL - Contact: Sue Yee (818) 799-8396.**

Items for News 'n Notes are always welcome! Please submit in
writing no later than the 15th of each month to: Bev Hom Tsao,
15744-25 Tetley Street, Hacienda Heights, CA 91745.

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