



# NEWS 'N NOTES

Chinese Historical Society of Southern California  
Appreciation of our Chinese American heritage \* A non-profit organization  
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**HAPPY CHINESE NEW YEAR OF THE TIGER 4696**

May the New Year bring you and yours Good Health,  
Long Life, Good Luck, and Good Fortune.

**PROGRAM**

**Wednesday February 4, 1998**

**7:00 P.M.**

**Castelar School - Multipurpose Room  
840 Yale Street, Los Angeles Chinatown  
(Park on playground. Enter on College Street)  
between Hill and Yale Streets**

**Speaker: Clarissa Dong**

**Video: "Mao Mao Litigation"**

Dr. Clarissa Dong, who is from Shanghai, earned her doctoral degree in anthropology from UCLA. In an effort to increase the westerner's awareness of contemporary China, Dr. Dong has founded Shanghai International Film Exchange.

For our February meeting, Dr. Dong will screen a story of a woman laborer from Hunan Province who comes to Shanghai to find the man she claims is the father of her child. The documentary profiles her life as she locates the father and files a paternity suit.

After the 30 minute documentary, Dr. Dong will lead a discussion about what the film shows about contemporary China.

## MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TIME

**Our CHSSC membership year is from January - December. If you have already sent in your membership renewal fee, we thank you. If not, there is still some time before your name is taken off the mailing list. Remember, LIFE members, in order to receive the Gum Saan Journal, you need to send in a total of \$5 for the June and December 1998 issues.**

**WELCOME. NEW LIFE MEMBERS** - Membership Chairman, Cy Wong, announces that Mai Diep Lawrence and Patricia Yaplee, both active veteran society members have joined the ranks of LIFEtime, by being the first in 1998 to pay their initial three hundred dollars each. Welcome aboard, Mai and Patricia, and thank you.

**THANK YOU** for all the delicious refreshments at the January meeting to Susan Dickson, Gilbert Hom, Edith and Bob Jung, Joyce and Bill Leong, Ella Quan, Noel Toy Young, and Helen and George Wan.

**THANK YOU** to Elmo Gambarana for donating an adding machine (with tape) to the Society. It will be well used.

**STUDY TOURS** to the Republic of China. Ellen Wu, a 2nd year MA student in UCLA's Asian American Studies Program is recruiting interviewees for her thesis project. She is looking for past participants whom she can interview or survey about their experiences. She is also looking for historical documents related to the trip, such as the yearbooks / annuals, application forms, registration forms, itinerary handbook, alumni newsletters and reports published by the Overseas Chinese Affairs Commission. If you can help in any way, please contact Ellen at 310-207-3739 or email ellenwu@ucla.edu or by calling the Asian American Studies Center 310-825-5043.

**"SPRING FASHION TRENDS"** will be presented by the Mei Wah Club featuring Draper's & Damon's Spring Collection of exclusive and sensational clothing by designers Graff, Lady Carol Petites, Three Flaggs, St. Germain, Philippe Marquez, to name a few. There will be sizes to fit everyone plus accessories such as purses, shoes and jewelry at affordable prices. Every Mei Wah Club fashion show has been a sell-out. There will be limited seating. **Deadline date is March 8, 1998.** See more details in the Coming Events section of this paper.

### CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILIES and FRIENDS OF

- Walter Wheelock**, one of our earliest members. He brought friends to many of our meetings and fundraising dinners and was a great supporter of CHSSC.
- Mother of Elmo Gambarana** who passed away Saturday, January 3 in New York City where she lived in a high-rise convalescent center. She would have reached her 100th year this summer.
- Helen Morrison**, another of our earlier members, passed away Sunday, January 18, at the age of 91. Many of us will remember her attending all the monthly meetings. For several years, she would bake cakes and muffins at home and bring a plentiful supply to treat us all, often riding the bus to the meetings.

### COMING EVENTS

**Wednesday**  
**January 28**

**Chinese New Year of the Tiger 4696**  
Families celebrate in their own homes

**Fri., Sat., Sun.**  
**Jan. 30, 31, Feb. 1**

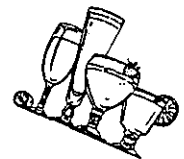
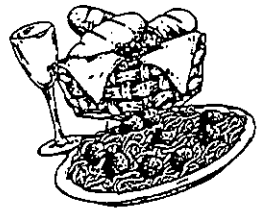
**Chinese New Year Carnival**  
Corner of Cesar Chavez & North Broadway

COME TO A FESTIVE FUN & FOOD  
FUNDRAISER AND HELP A TERRIFIC CAUSE!

Benefiting the

CHINESE HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

at



Tuesday, March 17, 1998  
4:00 to 9:00 p.m.  
Ample free parking available  
(just north of the 110 Freeway)

Bring the whole family or your friends, and enjoy a great Italian meal  
in the company of other members knowing you've helped earn  
much-needed funds for a great organization!



For more info, call: Elmo (213) 733-2927 or Ella (213) 255-6487

*Please notify your server that you are here for Charity Night,  
and give your server the colored dot given to you when entering.  
This will alert the staff that you are here for Charity Night.*

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- Saturday**  
**January 31**  
**Noon - 2 p.m.**      **Golden Dragon Parade**  
Los Angeles Chinatown on 600-1000 blocks of North Broadway  
For info, call Johnny Yee 818-572-0459
- Saturday**  
**January 31, Feb. 1**  
**10 a.m.-6 p.m.**      **Chinatown Street Fair**  
940 North Broadway  
Museum of Chinese American History will have an exhibit.
- Saturday**  
**February 7**  
**11 a.m.**      **Alhambra's Chinese New Year Parade**  
Participants needed.  
Call Johnny Yee 818-572-0459
- Wednesday**  
**February 18**  
**6:30 p.m.**      **CHSSC BOARD MEETING**  
Office above Phoenix Bakery  
Everyone welcomed
- Fri., Sat., Sun.**  
**Feb. 20-22**      **"History---Rebuilt"**  
**Calif. Historical Societies Spring Symposium**  
Sponsored by San Fernando Valley Historical Society  
Tours of historic sites included.  
Info: Call Chuck Tichenor 818-882-8375
- Tuesday**  
**March 17**  
**4 p.m. - 9 p.m.**      **Carmine's Italian Restaurant & Bar**  
Fundraising social for CHSSC  
Info: Call Elmo 213-733-2927 or Ella 213-255-6487
- Sunday**  
**March 22**  
**Noon**  
**\$26**      **Mei Wah Club**  
**"Spring Fashion Trends"**  
Castaway Restaurant  
1250 Harvard Road, Burbank  
Info: Anna Chew (213-851-4160), Pat Mark (213-661-1334),  
Dora Soo Hoo (213-660-2254), Rose Tom (213-665-2840),  
Eleanor Yee (213-624-8984, Lorraine Yee (213-222-3252).
- Friday**  
**May 15**      **CHSSC SPRING DINNER - SAVE THIS DATE**  
**Empress Pavillion**

**NEWS 'n NOTES DEADLINE : All articles must be in to the P.O. Box by the 15th of the month to be considered in that month's News 'n Notes.**

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**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION 1998 Dues**

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Please include me on the membership roster that will be available to members only.

I am interested in helping with:

- Programs     Publications     Research
- Membership/Publicity     Fundraising
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

- GUM SAAN JOURNAL (2 issues annually).....\$5.00
- ACTIVE, annual..... \$ 25.00
- ADDITIONAL, annual..... 10.00  
(spouse, same household)
- CONTRIBUTING, annual..... 10.00  
(senior citizen over 60 years, student)
- INSTITUTIONAL, annual..... 50.00
- LIFE..... 300.00
- CORPORATE, annual ..... 100.00
- LIFE PATRON .....1,000.00
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     General \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Scholarship \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
     Publications \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Shrine \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
     Heritage Center Building Fund \$ \_\_\_\_\_