



NEWS 'n NOTES

CHINESE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Appreciation of our Chinese American heritage * A non-profit organization *
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FEBRUARY 1997

PROGRAM

Wednesday, **March 5, 1997 - 7:30 P.M.**
Castelar School - Multipurpose Room
840 Yale Street, Los Angeles Chinatown
(Park on playground. Enter on College Street)
between Hill and Yale Streets

CASTELAR: DEJA VU

Come hear what's been happening in Chinatown from someone who lived in Chinatown as a child and returned as an adult. **DORE HALL WONG**, a first generation Chinese-American, is a daughter of a pioneering Chinatown family. As a former student of Castelar in the 40's and a principal of Castelar in the 90's, she will share her unique perspective. Dore will discuss changes in Chinatown and 30 years of growth.

Come share her remembrances of Castelar and its community.

CHSSC PRESIDENT JEFF TUNG for SCHOOL BOARD

President Jeff has already proven to be a man who gets things done. He is President of the Asian American Commission. He is knowledgeable about the concerns and needs in education. He is efficient, down to earth, and a very caring person. Tell your friends who are living in the Valley, in Board of Education, District 6, to VOTE FOR JEFF TUNG.

VOTE APRIL 8

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Led and organized by our stalwart, Johnny Yee, CHSSC help lead the San Gabriel Valley parade, once again, from San Gabriel to Alhambra (Almanson Park). Trying yet another format, this time the Valley Chinese New Year Parade was scheduled for the MORNING of Feb. 8. Helping Johnny on the lead giant flag was Paul Chace, Paul Yee, Rosalind Yee, and Margie Lew proudly carried forth our one-of-a-kind banner. The unit was properly guided by Cy Wong (right) and Munson Kwok (left) while the mass of the unit consisted of over 50 young precision marchers from teen clubs, Rotary and Lions, and high school clubs. Our massed flag unit had never looked so straight and square as military training must be back in vogue in the high schools!! A good time was had by all, with the Valley Fair and Carnival moving to jam packed Almanson Park. ###
Going, Going, Gone. (By Munson Kwok)

GONE, the two dragons guarding Shanghai Street. Shanghai'ed somewhere.

GONE, the archway title "Shanghai Street."

GONE, "Flora's Bar"

NOW GONE, every bit of Chinese roof tile, every piece of stucco beige wall.

That once was CHINA CITY of the 1930's.

Only rubble remains, 100 year old brick and the ramp connecting the inner sanctum of old F. Suei On, also gone.

Within the last month, demolition of the structures on the corner of Ord and Spring Streets and on the Phillippe's parking lot has been completed, unnoticed (hopefully not unlamented) by all including the Chinese Historical Society of Southern California.

Nye Gallery

Noted photo-artist Carol Nye has extended her remarkable gallery of "Chinese American Women of Los Angeles." Her latest work shows a significant maturation in the mastery of portraiture. She has gone beyond the facade and captured the inner spiritualities of her subjects, their interests, their dedication, the expression of their achievements, and even their relationships with those around them. Study the photos, artfully done. Then read the almost too-long bio-captions on these women. Then looke at the photographs again and the captions fade away. The essence of the captions are there in the images after all, and suddenly words are not needed.

This exhibit should be interesting to CHSSC members and friends because they will know most of the women: Mama Quon, Lily Lee Chen, Dolores Wong, Suellen Cheng, Beth Woo, Deborah Ching, Beulah Quo, Katherine Cheung, Ruby Louie, Ella Quan, Bessie Loo, and Dr. Lois Chi, in no particular order, 12 in all. This traveling gallery debuted in New York City and will be shown at the California State Univ. of Los Angeles Fine Arts Gallery, Feb. 10 through March 3. (by M. Kwok)#####

Fri., Sat., Sun.
Feb. 28 - Mar. 2

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(CHSSC member "Walter Haskell has been a serious amateur movie and video maker for over fifty years, and has screened his work before a large variety of audiences. He has won awards in international, regional, and local competitions, his latest being a Sweepstakes Award for his video documentary "Angels Flight". Mr. Haskell's workshop is scheduled for Friday, Feb. 28 from 3-3:45 p.m.

Wed., March 5
7:30 p.m.

CHSSC MONTHLY MEETING

Castelar School

Mon., March 10

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION DEADLINE

Applications available through Winifred Lew (213-466-2294).

Sat., Sun., Mar. 15, 16

MARYSVILLE BOK KAI FESTIVAL

Sun. - March 16
2 p.m.

"WATER FAMINE OR WATER NEEDS: L.A. & POPULATION GROWTH, 1896-1905"

presented by Abraham Hoffman, PhD.
Mark Taper Auditorium of Central Library. 213-228-7400.
(part of Marie Northrop Lecture Series)

Sun., March 23
Noon to 4 p.m.

HERITAGE & VISITORS CENTER OPEN

411 Bernard Street, L.A. Chinatown
213-222-1918
Free Admission

Fri., April 25

CHSSC's SPRING DINNER

Details to be announced

April

SUNKIST ORANGE FESTIVAL in RIVERSIDE

Details to be announced

Sat., Sun. - July 12, 13

20th LOTUS FESTIVAL

Echo Park Lake
CHSSC plans to have an information booth there. Volunteer your services. Sue (818-799-8396) or Elmo (213-733-2927).

Sat., Sun., Mon., Oct. 11-13

CHINESE AMERICAN STUDIES CONFERENCE

New York City
Details to be announced

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO ATE THEIR DINNER AT THE WILD THYME RESTAURANT IN SOUTH PASADENA ON FEB. 11 th. Over 70 people participated. A good time was had by all. Thanks to Syliva Soo Hoo, Elmo Gambarana and Ruth Lung for all their help. The results of the dinner donations will be made at the next meeting.

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