



NEWS 'n NOTES

CHINESE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Appreciation of our Chinese American heritage * A non-profit organization *
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OCTOBER 1996

PROGRAM

Wednesday, November 2, 1996 - 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

"WINDS OF CHANGE: CHINESE AMERICAN PARTICIPATION IN WORLD WAR II"

A narrated 30-min. slide show, produced by Christina Lim and Sheldon H. Lim, presents an overview of WWII veterans representing all Branches of the Armed Forces. Christina and Sheldon are also co-authors of the book, In the Shadow of the Tiger, which focuses solely on the largest unit of Chinese American veterans from any war: the 407th Air Service Squadron, 14th Air Service Group, U.S. Army Air Force, WWII.

Copies of In the Shadow of the Tiger will be available for purchase at the cost of \$32.00 per book. CHSSC will benefit from each book sale.

BUILDING FUND DONATIONS AND INSTALLMENTS TO PLEDGES:

LILLIAN FONG	\$1,000.00
IRVIN LAI	\$2,000.00
AL & MARGARET LEW	\$ 500.00
FRANKLIN MAH	\$1,000.00

All pledges are due now. Donations are also welcomed.

1997 MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE PAYABLE NOW. To not miss out on any of the exciting programs and projects of CHSSC, send in your renewal now and bring in a new member. Remember, the Gum Saan Journal is extra.

VETERANS' REGISTRATION DRIVE - Wanted: World War II Vets to add to and preserve the history of the Chinese in America and Southern California. We will be interviewing each and every Saturday from October 1996 through March 1997 (except Nov. 30 and Dec. 28) from 9:00 a.m.-12 noon at 411 Bernard St. Bring photos in uniform and induction/discharge papers! For more info, call Suellen Cheng 213-626-5240, Jim Fong 213-295-0616, Irvin Lai 213-735-1331, or Marjorie Lee 310-676-4288 or 310-825-5043.

DIRECTORY OF VETERANS SERVICES, a very useful and informative pamphlet by the Los Angeles County Department of Military and Veterans Affairs is available free of charge through Jim Fong. Pick up your free copy from the Heritage & Visitors Center at 411 Bernard St. on Saturdays between 9 am and noon from now through March 1997 (closed Nov. 30 and Dec. 28).

CONGRATULATIONS TO GRANDPARENTS SYLVIA & JAMES SOOHOO on the birth of their second grandchild. **Melissa Erin Kelly Minahan** was born Sunday, October 13 at 5:30 a.m. weighting 9 lbs. 4 oz. and 20 inches long. **Proud parents are Kristin & Jeremiah Minahan.**

BOOKS FOR SALE @ MEETINGS & DINNERS

AN AMERICAN CHINATOWN - two volumes

LINKING OUR LIVES

SWEET BAMBOO

ORIGINS & DESTINATIONS

THOUSAND PIECES OF GOLD

WOODEN FISH SONGS(one hardbound copy left)

THE MAI WAH SOCIETY of BUTTE, MONTANA, one of 12 applicants in the country to receive grant funds from the Johana Favrot Fund for Historic Preservation, used the \$3,000 grant to retain a professional exhibit curator and designer to prepare plans of an interpretive exhibit using Asian artifacts found in the Wah Chiong Tai Co. and Mai Wah Noodle Parlor buildings. The Society also received a \$1500 grant from Seattle-based A Territory Resource to cover publication costs for a brochure on Chinese immigration to Southwest Montana. This grant along with a previous grant of \$1,000 from the ARCO Foundation resulted in a recently published 24-page **The Butte Chinese**, which is now available for \$3 a copy from The Mai Wah Society, 17 W. Mercury Street, Butte, MT 59701.

BURBANK HISTORICAL SOCIETY announces that Burbank City Hall has been placed on the National Register. On July 22, the City of Burbank received confirmation from the State Office of Historic Preservation in Sacramento that City Hall had met the criteria for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places. City Hall now joins the Post Office on Olive Avenue and less than 10 other structures in the San Fernando Valley meriting this special recognition. (About Times, BHS Newsletter, Summer/Fall 1996.)

HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF CENTINELA VALLEY. Gladys Waddingham (also an active CHSSC member) has a sales room in her home where all proceeds go to organizations. Almost anything is on sale – antique booklets, steam iron, Christmas things. Name it--they have it. For more info, call Gladys at (213)757-1154.

CALIFORNIA GOLD DISCOVERY TO STATEHOOD SESQUICENTENNIAL upcoming events:
Nov. 29, Dec. 6, 13, 20 Cornish Christmas Celebration - Grass Valley. See historic downtown Grass Valley decorated for Christmas with street vendors dressed in period costume, music, art, food and entertainment by Cornish clogging dancers. (Grass Valley Downtown Association - 916-272-8315)

ENJOY A GREAT DINNER AND HELP A TERRIFIC CAUSE!

Enjoy a fantastic meal in a warm, cozy ambience and leave
HAVING HELPED EARN PERHAPS
HUNDREDS OF DOLLARS FOR

Chinese Historical Society
of
Southern California

To benefit Special Projects

TAKE OUT ITEMS COUNT TOO!
Amazing! A fund-raising event where you can just relax and enjoy delicious dining with those close to you and then **PAY YOUR CHECK AND TIP AND KNOW THAT YOU'VE ASSISTED YOUR GROUP TO MEET ITS FINANCIAL GOAL.**

When you arrive, please inform your host or hostess that you are here for a **Charity Night.**

Elmo (213) 733-2927
Sylvia (213) 221-5573

(RESERVATIONS ARE ENCOURAGED
BUT NOT REQUIRED)

Bring your family and friends to dine at

WILD THYME
CAFE and BAKERY

Wild Thyme Cafe & Bakery at
805 Fair Oaks in South Pasadena

Wednesday, November 13, 1996

3 - 9 PM

*Wild Thyme is located on Fair Oaks @ Hope St.
(between Pasadena Frwy 110 and Mission St.)
From Pasadena Frwy, use FAIR OAKS off-ramp.
Proceed south 1 long block, R.H. side.*

Fabulous gourmet-preparation and wildly imaginative food combinations are waiting for you. Cozy cafe atmosphere and a fascinating menu will delight your family and friends.

We offer incredible giant Brittany crepes and the latest in pastas, pizzas and salads are served-up long-side inventive beef, chicken and seafood entrees. The service and surroundings are up-scale and European cafe-friendly, but nothing on this menu exceeds \$9.95. We cater to tykes of all sizes, too.

Come join us. We'll help you meet your fund-raising goals in great style.



COMING EVENTS

Saturday, Oct. 26, Nov. 2,
Nov. 9, Nov. 16, Nov. 23
9 a.m. - Noon

Sunday, Oct. 27, Nov. 24
Noon - 4 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 1
6 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 6
7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 9-24
2-5 pm

Wednesday, Nov. 13
3 p.m. - 9 p.m.

CHINESE AMERICAN WORLD WAR II VETERANS OF SO. CALIF. Research Project. L.A. Chinatown Heritage and Visitors Center, 411 Bernard Street, Chinatown. 213-621-3171.

VISITORS, WELCOME!! - The Heritage & Visitors Center will be open to welcome all members, friends and visitors. 411 Bernard Street, Chinatown.

"DIGGING HISTORY", CHSSC Fall Dinner. Empress Pavilion Restaurant, 988 N. Hill St., Chinatown.

CHSSC's MONTHLY MEETING at Castelar School's multi-purpose room.

EXPRESSIONISTIC CHINATOWN paintings in exhibition, L.A. Chinatown Heritage and Visitors Center, 411 Bernard Street. Opening reception on Nov. 9, then open Nov. 10-24 from 12-4 pm, closed Mon-Tues. Auction on Nov. 24. Artist Mai Diep Lawrence is an active member of CHSSC. She is donating some of her paintings to the Society to help raise money for the Heritage & Visitors Center. In exhibiting this collection, she wishes to illuminate the beauty of Chinese architecture and the wholesome lifestyle in Chinatown.

FUNDRAISER SOCIAL - Member Sylvia Soo Hoo and Ways & Means Chair Elmo Gambarana have reserved this date for another fun dinner social at Wild Thyme in Pasadena. (See the flyer.) Come join us for dinner. CHSSC gets a percentage of the net profit without doing the cooking and serving.

MOON FESTIVAL REFLECTIONS. How did you celebrate the Moon Festival this year? If you were in the vicinity of the Castelar School & Chinatown Library the weekend of Sept. 28, 29, you would have enjoyed a lively balloon-billowing festival from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. It offered varied live stage entertainment for both adults and children, fun rides for the kids, and both community and commercial booths of all types. Stories of the Moon Lady legends were told by different storytellers. Griffith Observatory supplied telescopes for a viewing of the moon. Free moon cake and tea were served at the conclusion of each day's program. Dedicated volunteers who helped Sue Yee and the sponsor, Chinese Chamber of Commerce, were Elmo Gambarana, Ella Quan, Ward Yee, and Brandon Yu. (Elmo Gambarana)

"THANK YOU " FOR THE OCTOBER MEETING REFRESHMENTS to LUPE & FRANK CHEE, SUELLEN CHENG, LILLIAN FONG, MARGIE LEW, RUTH LUNG, JEFFREY TUNG, DOLORES WONG, NANCY ZAUN.

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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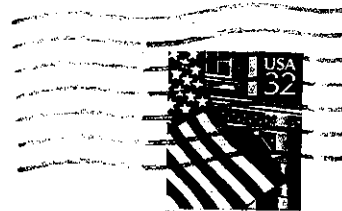


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