



# NEWS 'n NOTES

CHINESE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

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*THE CHINESE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA  
AND  
THE FRIENDS OF THE CHINATOWN LIBRARY  
PRESENT*

*DR. FRANKLIN NG*

**EDITOR-IN-CHIEF  
ASIAN AMERICAN ENCYCLOPEDIA  
ON**

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3, 1996  
CASTELAR SCHOOL MULTIPURPOSE ROOM  
840 YALE STREET, LOS ANGELES CHINATOWN  
COLLEGE & HILL ST (Enter parking on College Street)**

**6:30 P.M. - MEET THE EDITOR**

**NOTE DISPLAY OF THE ENCYCLOPEDIA**

**TIME 7:00 P.M. PRESENTATION BY DR. NG**

**CHANGE**

**8:00 P.M. REFRESHMENTS**

**8:15 P.M. CHSSC BUSINESS MEETING**

**Dr. Ng received his undergraduate degree at Johns Hopkins and advanced degrees in East Asian Studies and History from Harvard and the University of Chicago. Currently he is a Professor, Dept. of Anthropology at California State University at Fresno. He was a contributor to the recent Chinese Historical Society of Southern California publication *ORIGINS & DESTINATIONS*.**

## TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP WITH CHSSC.....

Year 1996 will be even more exciting with three big projects in full swing and we invite your participation: World War II Project, Shrine Preservation Phase II, and the Visitors Center. Plus the meetings, dinners, field trips, special events, and publications. Dues for the 1996 calendar year can be paid now. Remember, dues are the major income for keeping our administrative and project operations going. Help us keep the Society BIG, FAST, and the BEST.

Please complete & return the membership form as soon as possible. SHOWCASES ARE STILL NEEDED - Our Heritage and Visitors Center needs showcases to display more of our artifacts, documents, etc. Do you happen to have one or two in your garage? Do you know of any businesses that have closed and may have some showcases stored in their garages? Please let us know or tell them of our need. Folding chairs and folding tables are also on the Wish List. Call and leave your message on the CHSSC office phone - 213-621-3171.

HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE held at 411 Bernard Street on December 2nd was another huge success. We hope more CHSSC members will show up to support the Society. Please mark your calendars now---Saturday, February 17, 1996. Yes, that is also the day of the Chinese New Year Parade. Please let us know if you can come by early to help set up, if you can stay and march in the parade, and then return to buy some of the novel gifts, and also if you can help close up after the parade. We appreciate all the hours that Ben and Doreen Chan Nakayama and her family put in to make this a good fundraiser. Thank you also to Cy Wong, Elsie Inase, Victor Nicassio, Daniel Munoz, Eugene Moy and his family as well as each and every CHSSC member and friends who have helped and continue to help clean up before each event. We need new faces and extra hands to help. Please come and join in on the fun. Offer of free walking tours of Chinatown were taken by 12 visitors with docents Bill Chun-Hoon and Cy Wong. Dr. Frank Jobe, the famous surgeon who takes care of many athletes, was one of the tourists. Another was a special education teacher from San Bernardino school who was helping her daughter with a school project on China and Chinese culture. She was overwhelmed with the wealth of information she received on the tour.

Thank you to the over 100 sorority sisters and fraternity brothers who volunteered to help. The sorority was Chi Alpha Delta from UCLA. The fraternities included Pi Alpha Phi from UC Riverside, Omega Sigma Tau from UCLA, and Alpha Chi Phi from different universities and colleges. The early group showed up at 7 a.m. to help set up tables and chairs. The middle group walked the Chinatown streets passing out flyers. The late group helped with dismantling and general cleanup. Thank you, students, one and all. We really appreciated your help!

CHRISTMAS POTLUCK replaced the regular monthly meeting on Dec. 6. Over 80 members and friends brought food and the holiday spirit to a room full of warmth and friendship. Thanks to Johnny Yee and Sue Yee for supplying the decorations. Cy, with the support of President Irvin Lai and other members, led the group in singing carols. A good time was had by all.

Chinese Historical Society of Southern California Building Fund  
\$1-A-DAY-PER YEAR Program

PLEDGES (October-December 1995)

Gold (\$10,000 and above; \$2,000/year for 5 years)

Los Angeles Chinatown Corporation

Super Bronze (\$2,500 and above; \$500/year for 5 years)

Elmo Gambarana  
Albert and Margaret Lew

Bronze (\$1,000 and above; \$350/year for 3 years))

Susan Dickson  
Tom Eng  
Lillian Lee Hom-Kim  
John and Lola Ng  
George and Edith Sheu  
James and Sylvia Soo Hoo  
George and Helen Wan  
Pauline Renee Wong  
Sue Yee

Founder (\$500 and above; \$100/year for 5 years)

anonymous

**\$1-A-DAY-A YEAR  
1996**

**STATUS: \$8,330**

**GOAL I: \$35,000  
(Mortgage & expenses)**

**+**

**GOAL II: \$30,000  
(Program & Staffing)**

DONATIONS

Bronze (\$1,000 and above)

Stanley and Dora Lau, \$2,000  
Ella Y. Quan

Founder (\$500 and above)

Bill and Jean Jong (completes pledge)  
Thomas and Elizabeth McDannold

Sponsor (\$100 and above)

Elsie Inase  
John and Mary Jane Linn  
Paul and Emma Louie  
Beverly Chow Luedtke  
Allan T. Wong  
Stanley Shu

Other

Betty Jean Brombach  
Georgia Woo Oswald  
Ed and Geraldine Wood

**DEEP APOLOGIES** to Clarence Lee and his family for an error in announcing that Clarence had passed on. Clarence is in good health. We apologize to the entire family for printing the misinformed statement.

**HELEN MORRISON** sends her regards via Elmo Gambarana to everyone and gave us her new phone number: 213-380-3210. Yes, she's the same Helen Morrison who used to bake a variety of goodies for our monthly meetings. Her address is still the same: Temple Park Convalescent Hospital, 2411 W. Temple Street, Los Angeles, CA 90006.

**COMING EVENTS**

Sunday, Dec. 24, 1995

**OPEN HOUSE AT 411 BERNARD STREET** . Yes, it's Christmas eve, but it's also the 4th Sunday of the month. Come see the new exhibits that Roberta Greenwood's crew helped us set up.

Saturday, Jan. 6, 1996

**WORLD WAR II VETS** are invited to a Breakfast Reunion from 9:30 A.M. to noon at 411 Bernard St. The CHSSC WW II Polaroid Vets Scrapbook will be on display. Come and help us add to and preserve the history of the Chinese in America and Southern California.

Saturday, Jan. 13, 1996

**CHINESE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF GREATER SAN DIEGO AND BAJA CALIFORNIA** proudly announces the Grand Opening of their museum from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Following will be a great party at the Marriott Hotel (Harbor Drive) in the evening. Call Murray Lee, 619-272-2366 or write to P.O. Box 99626, San Diego 92169.

Tuesday, Jan. 16, 1996

UCR Asian and Pacific Islander Awareness Month invites you to the **Community Faire at the Univ. of Calif. Riverside** from 9 am to 4 p.m. FREE. Call by Wed., December 20 or call Roland Coloma at 909-787-7272 or 909-787-7274.

Saturday, Jan. 20, 1996

**AUTRY MUSEUM OF WESTERN HERITAGE** presents a conference...Los Angeles History: Old Venues, New Vistas from 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Call 213-222-0546 for more information.

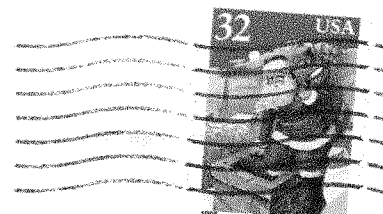
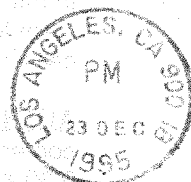
Saturday and Sunday  
March 23-24, 1996

**BOK KAI FESTIVAL** - Mark the dates of March 23-24, 1996, on your calendar for the 1996 Bok Kai Festival. This traditional Marysville Chinese community celebration has been held since 1880. The festival events are a grand Saturday and Sunday party. We are looking forward again to having a Society delegation marching in the historic Bok Kai Parade on Saturday morning and enjoying the many other festivities. A local banquet dinner is planned. Members will assemble in Marysville, 45 miles north of Sacramento, on Saturday morning. Travel arrangements and motel reservations are best made individually. Johnny Yee will lead a side-trip to historic Chinese locations in the Mother Lode for those with an extra day or two for touring. Contact Paul Chace (619-743-8609) or Johnny Yee (818-572-0459) for more details.

## 1996 CHINESE NEW YEAR EVENT SCHEDULE

Tuesday, Jan. 16	<b>Press Conference-Los Angeles Chinatown</b> Empress Pavilion Restaurant
Saturday, Jan. 20	<b>Miss L.A. Chinatown Fashion Show</b> Omni Los Angeles Hotel
Saturday, February 3	<b>Miss L.A. Chinatown Pageant</b> Westin Bonaventure Hotel
Saturday, February 10	<b>Little King &amp; Queen Contest</b> Castelar Elementary School
Friday, Saturday, Sunday February 16-18	<b>Street Fair / Carnival</b> L. A. Chinatown
Saturday, February 17	<b>CHSSC Boutique</b> 411 Bernard Street
Saturday, February 17	<b>Golden Dragon Parade</b> L. A. Chinatown - on Broadway
Monday, February 19	<b>CHINESE NEW YEAR YEAR OF THE RAT 4694</b>
Friday, February 23	<b>Chinese New Year Banquet</b>
Sunday, February 25	<b>Firecracker 5K / 10K Race</b>
Friday, March 1	<b>Golf Tournament</b>

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