

CHINESE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

DATE:

FIRST WEDNESDAY, MAY 6, 1981

TIME:

7:30pm sharp

PLACE:

CASTELAR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, Multipurpose Room

850 YALE STREET

LOS ANGELES CHINATOWN

Park on School Playground (Use Entrance on College St.)

AGENDA:

Business Meeting

Program

REMEMBERANCES IN SHOW BUSINESS

MRS. BESSIE LOO

Farm Girl, movie actress, casting director, actor's agent, state commission - all are important experiences in the life of Bessie Loo. Born in Hanford Bessie became one of the first Chinese coeds in UCLA. Bessie became her career as an actress, one of her most notable roles "The Good Earth". During the war she became a casting director and in the past forty years as Hollywood's top agent for Asian actors, especially martial artists. In 1978 Mrs. Loo became a member of the State Economic Development Commission.

Bessie Loo was honored by our Society in 1979 as one of the leading Women pioneers in Southern California.

Mrs. Loo will be interviewed by Mrs. Emma Louie. This will be a very interesting and exciting evening. Plan to attend..

NEWS 'n NOTES

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GREAT BRONZE AGE EXHIBIT

Chinese Historical Society Members are invited to attend a free special showing and reception at the Great Bronze Age Exhibit at the Los Angeles County Museum of Art, 59 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles. The date is Saturday, May 2, 1981, 7 - 10 p.m. Members who wish to attend must submit their names to the museum's guest list. Please inform Helen Young - 283-4532 by April 24, 1981. The Los Angeles exhibit is the only showing for the West Coast. This opportunity should not be missed.

MEMBERSHIP - As of April 1st, over two-thirds of the membership has sent in their Society dues for 1981. Alice Wain says if you have not received a 1981 membership card yet, You are delinquent. Mail it in TODAY. Why fight it unit! December 31st. The Society needs you - Ask a friend to join us.

MARK YOUR CALENDER - MAY DINNER MEETING - Plans are being completed for a dinner meeting to Kickoff the Walking Tour. Date will be May 31st, Sunday, at 6 p.m. at the Golden Palace. Our MC will be Keye Luke. Set the day aside and watch for the flyer.

WALKING TOUR - The first training session for the Walking Tour Docents (guides) will be held on April 25th, Saturday at 10 a.m. If you are interested and have not signed up yet, please contact Jerry Shue.

ORAL HISTORY - WE still need 40 interviews to reach our goal - if you know of any potential interviewees, please contact Suellen Kwok - 828-6911. We also need typists & transcribers to fulfill 225 volunteer hours. -

LOTUS FESTIVAL - It's that time of the year again. On July 11 & 12th, the Society plans to run a food booth at Echo Park selling pineapple on a stick to raise funds. Come out to this multi event and help man the booth, even one or two hours would be a big help! - Contact Howard Quon, Chairman at 393-7339. This is YOUR SOCIETY!

GOLDEN WOK - The current issue of Jade Magazine carries an article and photos of some of the amateur contestants in the Golden Wok Cooking Contest. Among the notable contestants were society members Helen Fong, Sharon Hoy and George Yee. Another article appeared in the Home Section of the L. A. Times on Sharon Hoy.

MISSING ADDRESSES - Membership Chairman Alice Wain is still looking for someone who knows the addresses of the following: Chi Cheng Sun, Golden Goose Publishing, Ardith Krels and D. T. Batch. If you have any information contact Alice Wain 373-1843 (evenings) or 646-8574 (work).

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT - On May 1st, Friday evening, Chuck Yee will be giving a speech to the Fortnighters at the Oneonta Congregation Church in South Pasadena.

DONATION - Our thanks to Harry Okida for donating a box of old Chinese records and books to the Society's Artifact Collection. This is his second donation.

SILENT MOVIE -The Cultural Heritage Foundation will be presenting their sixth annual silent movie showing on Saturday, April 25th at the San Gabriel Auditorium.

"The Great K & A Train Robbery," starring Tom Mix. For information call 222-3150.

NEWS' n NOTES is published each month. If you have an article of interest to the Society members - please send it to Mary Yee, 4721 Konya Dr. Torrance, Ca. 90503.

CHINESE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP 1648 Redcliff St., Los Angeles, California Please accept my application for membership as \$10 ACTIVE MEMBER member in the Chinese ADDITIONAL FAMILY Historical Society of Southern California. MEMBER (SAME ADDRESS) Enclosed is my remittance in the amount of CONTRIBUTING MEMBER \$ 5 (STUDENT & SENIOR for annual dues. CITIZENS-60 YRS) Name Firm Affiliation (if applicable) INSTITUTIONAL MEMBER \$25 Address (Street) Zip Code LIFE MEMBER \$100 (State) (City) Date Telephone

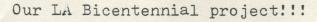
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IT'S COMING SOON!!!

IN FACT, IT'S ALMOST HERE!!!





Our Chinese Historical Society of Southern California is proud to present a community Bicentennial Event, endorsed by the LA 200 Committee of the City of Los Angeles.

From Chinatown and Southland Chinese Americans
To all the people of Southern California

"CHINATOWN LOS ANGELES: YESTERDAY AND TODAY"

A program of guided walking tours designed to be historical, educational, and entertaining. All four past sites of Chinatown will be covered as well as the present Chinatown. A beautiful slide show on the history of Chinese in Southern California is to precede each tour. And a 64 page historical booklet is to be produced with the help of Mr. Bill Mason.

For a joyous birthday celebration and a successful project, we need YOU NOW, our members and friends, to HELP and YOUUNTEER!!!!!!!

*GUIDES (or docents)

Jerry and Gloria Shue need lots of volunteers. A fantastic training program awaits you beginning April 25 for four great Saturdays. Special speakers and materials on the history of Los Angeles, Chinatowns, and the Chinese. Tour techniques. A surprise training day on June 20. All for some of your summer time on part of the thirteen tour Saturdays. Get the details from Jerry. Call now!!! (213)

*PUBLICITY

Interested in PR, selling, graphics, layouts, copy writing, editing, photography, typing? Munson Kwok 828-6911.

*BOOKLET/SLIDE SHOW

Get into Chinatown history close up. Paul Louie 974-7654
664-3808.

*DINNER (May 31)
Immediate help. Ella Quon (213) 291-5388

*GENERAL VOLUNTEERING

Every bit helps. Charles Choy Wong, Project Director at (213) 256-8330, project phone number.

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