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CHINESE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

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NEW OFFICERS FOR 1984

Congratulations to CHSSC's newly-elected officers for the coming year:

President

Munson Kwok

Vice-President

Evelyn Cucchiarella

Secretary Treasurer Membership Mary Yee Ella Y Quan Kaza Dong

Board of Directors Al Lum and George Morris

Board members remaining to fulfill their second year are Marion Fay,

Elmo Gambarana and Don Loo.

The election was held at the Nov. 2 meeting. Thanks to Ann Lau and her nominating committee for coming up with a really fine group of nominees.

THE LADY WAS A FLYER

Guest speaker at the Society's November meeting was Mrs. Katherine Cheung Young, pioneer aviatrix in Los Angeles during the 1930's. Mrs. Young was interviewed by Munson Kwok, and during the course of the interview disclosed many interesting and amusing incidents of her life as a newly-arrived immigrant from China, and her growing-up years in the United States. How she started out to study music and ended up as an airplane pilot was a saga which kept the audience's interest at top level from beginning to end. It was highly evident that Mrs. Young has lost none of her spunk and love of adventure that characterized her young-adult years. She is indeed a lady of great charm and wonderful spirit.

SAFETY AND SECURITY IN CHINATOWN

Recognizing the great need for effective security measures and the lessening of criminal activities in Chinatown, a group of very concerned persons have formed the Chinatown Public Safety Association, a non-profit, tax-exempt community corporation, whose primary purpose is to subsidize the Chinatown Police Substation, located above the Phoenix Bakery on North Broadway. To carry out its goal of providing security for the community, the CPSA will be coordinating crime prevention programs in the Chinatown area, such as organizing block-watching groups in the neighborhood.

At the November meeting, the Society presented to CPSA six framed photos of various locations in the old Chinatown of yesteryear. Accepting for CPSA were Stan Yep and Howard Quon, who expressed their thanks to the Society and its members for the significant gift, and for their support and understanding of the new organization's role as a vital factor in providing security for the community.

Stan and Howard (both CHSSC members) are on the CPSA Board of Directors. They have expressed a hope that perhaps an additional member of the Society would be interested in joining them as Board members. For more information, call Stan at 624-2165, or Howard at 393-7339.

WHO'S IN THE NEWS

.....Congratulations to the Historical Society of Southern California on its 100th anniversary on Nov. 4, 1983. The group had its very first meeting in what was then Chinatown in 1883. Another interesting fact is that two Society members -- Anna Marie Hager and "Dutch" Holland -- were past presidents of the organization, and a third Society member, Marian Louise Parks, is a current member of HSSC's Board of Directors.
....Thanks to Miriam Mathews, former regional librarian with the Los Angeles Public Library, for her donation of 14 books on early and modern Chinese religion and philosophy. A few of the books are editions dating back to the early 1900's, and most likely out-of-print, a fact that enhances their value.

.... A check for \$100 was presented to CHSSC by Art Young for the Society's participation in this year's 10K Firecracker Run, sponsored by the 10K Race Committee during Chinese New Year in February.

.... From a post card received from Chuck and Mary Yee, the two travelers are having the time of their lives on their tour of Mainland China. The Yees will probably have some interesting stories to tell on their return.

.... Membership chairperson Ella Quan reports that the Society now has 312 members. A warm welcome to the following new members:

Grace and Wing Ho Dr. Glenn Ho Gary Shumway Dorothy Dawson Ronald Jung Susan Ling

CAN YOU HELP??

Volunteers are needed to research university theses for obtaining material for articles for the GUM SAAN JOURNAL. For more information, call Ella Quan, 291-5388.

What kind of person are you? Do you have a nose for news? a flair for writing? a sense of involvement? If so, here's the opportunity of a lifetime -- a chance to put your talents to good use. The editorship of the Society's monthly newsletter, News 'n Notes, is being offered to anyone who is interested. This involves a once-a-month undertaking for only 10 months of the year (no issues are published in June or July). Being editor of the newsletter is an important and necessary function, as this is the "tie that binds" all members together on a monthly basis, especially for those who are out-of-town and out-of-state. Anyone interested??? Please call Margie Lew, 222-4375.

"SILK SCREEN" SERIES

"Silk Screen", a PBS series on Asian Americans hosted by actor Robert Ito, has two remaining segments of the six-part series:

"China, Land of My Father" by Felicia Lowe, to be shown on Saturday, Dec. 3, at 9 A.M. A Chinese American searches for her roots in her ancestors' country.

"Tattoo City" and "Emiko" by Emiko Omori, to be shown on Saturday, Dec. 10 at 9 A.M. The ancient art of Japanese tattooing is explored. "Emiko", a 1969 self-portrait of the film maker, asks a random sampling of people to give their opinions of a woman behind the camera.

These programs are being shown on KCET Channel 28.



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REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

DATE: FIRST WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 1983

TIME: 7:30 P.M.

PLACE: CASTELAR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, Multipurpose Room

840 Yale Street

Los Angeles, CA 90012

PARKING on school grounds. Please enter on College Street between Hill Street and Yale Street.

****** CHRISTMAS POTLUCK PARTY********

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COME AND HAVE FUN! COME -- BRING FOOD TO SHARE!!!

CALL POTLUCK CO-CHAIRPERSONS:

Doreen Chan -- 726-9064, Off. 625-6432 Luci Suehiro - 283-3309

If you can't bring food, it's \$3.50/adult \$2.00/child, 12 and under

Please help out by calling co-chairpersons of your attendance. We would appreciate this so we can plan enough food to go around.

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For your entertainment:

COME AND SEE Magic? act by Teddy and Leon Leon

COME WATCH juggling by Alan Louie and Mike Smith

COME HEAR the beautiful singing of Alvin Ing member of AAPAA

COME JOIN IN CHRISTMAS SPIRIT, bring family and friends, and to climax the evening, COME AND SING CHRISTMAS CAROLS.