



NEWS 'n NOTES

CHINESE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

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DATE: Wednesday, Sept. 4, 1985

TIME: 7:30 P.M.

PLACE: Castelar School -- Multi-purpose Room
840 Yale St., Los Angeles Chinatown

(Park on school grounds; enter from College St. between Hill and Yale)

AGENDA: September Fashion Show; Fall dinner meeting; report on Hawaii trip

PROGRAM: "AN EVENING WITH RUTHANNE LUM MCCUNN" AND A BOOK PARTY!!

Co-sponsored by CHSSC and the Friends of the Chinatown Library (see accompanying flyer)

The Society and Friends of the Chinatown Library are pleased to have Mrs. McCunn as guest speaker. A CHSSC member from San Francisco and author of four books, she will relate her experiences in writing her soon-to-be-published book "SOLE SURVIVOR"; the story of Lim Poon, a courageous merchant seaman who holds the world's record for the longest survival alone at sea -- 133 days, or almost 4½ months.

Mrs. McCunn will autograph her books at the end of the program. She has generously offered a discount to anyone who purchases or orders any of her books that evening.

	Reg. price	With discount (tax incl.)
1. <u>An Illustrated History of Chinese in America</u>	\$ 6.95	\$ 6.00
2. <u>Thousand Pieces of Gold</u> (Hardback)	10.95	10.00
(Paperback)	5.95	5.00
3. <u>Pie-Biter</u> (for children)	11.95	9.00
4. <u>Sole Survivor</u> (Hardback)	14.95	10.00
(Paperback)	6.95	5.00

CALLING ALL BAKERS!!

To all the Society's excellent cooks and bakers --- please make your favorite "goodies" to add an extra touch to this special evening. Call Bernice Sam, (213) 292-8386 to let her ^{know} what you are bringing to the meeting.

Refreshments will be served at the end of the program.

LOTUS BLOSSOMS, PINEAPPLES, AND CHSSC -- a great combination that comes together each July. Again, the Society's booth at the Lotus Festival was a success, due to the efforts and hard work of Chairperson Cindy Fong, her committee, and their numerous assistants. Not only was there a net profit of \$900.00, but the booth also won first prize for its decorative appeal, in large part because of Glen Yee's artistic abilities. In addition to a blue ribbon, the first prize gives the winner first choice the following year of booth location and sale item(s). The Society extends a big "thank you" to the following: Doreen Chan, Mary Chu, Kaza Dong, Cindy Fong, Lillian Fong, Elmo Gambarana, Beverly Hom, Kipham Kan, Mr. & Mrs. Loy Kwok, Munson and Suellen Kwok, Bob Large, Bob Lee, Barkley Lee, Dawes Lee, Gil Leong, Don Loo, Emma and Paul Louie, Franklin Mah, Gene Moy, Beverly Picazo, Howard and Marilyn Quon, Jerry Shue, Susan Sing, Dorothy Siu, Luci Suehiro, Elsie Wong, Maye Wong, Ruth and Tyrus Wong, Marie Wong, the Yee family (Chuck, George, Glenn, Johnny, Johnson, Lydia, Mark, Mary, Mimi), Sue & Ward Yee, Caroline Yeh.

Chairperson Cindy is giving advance notice to Society members and friends -- be ready for Lotus Festival 1986 -- mentally, and most certainly physically!

WHO'S IN THE NEWS

-Riverside member John Ng has retired from teaching after a 35-year career. His last position was with the California Department of Corrections for 15 years.
-Life Member Franklin Mah has resigned from his position as accountant with the Union Oil Company. His plans include a year's stay in Taiwan where he will study Mandarin. The Society extends a "thank you" to Franklin for his expertise in coordinating the Old Photos session on July 27.
-Congratulations to Ruby Ling Louie who has been nominated to be president of the Friends of the Chinatown Library. Other Society members holding office are: Dolores Wong, vice-president; Steve Leong, vice-president of expansion; Suellen Kwok and Ella Leong, newsletter chairpersons; Dorothy Siu, membership chairperson; Margie Lew, historian; Lupe Chee, hostess. The Friends have future plans to expand the library and build a new children's wing.
-Wedding bells and orange blossoms in the air! On June 29th, Carol, daughter of Esther and John Yee, was united in marriage to Curtis Lowe. The beautiful ceremony was held at the First Baptist Church of Alhambra, with a banquet held at the new Mandarin Cove Restaurant in downtown Los Angeles. Curtis is studying for the ministry. Congratulations, Carol and Curtis!
Best wishes, also, to members Eugene Wong Moy and Susan Fong Sing on their marriage on August 10. The lovely ceremony was held in Pasadena, with a reception attended by many of the happy couple's friends. Gene is a past president of CHSSC and a city planner for Burbank. Susan is an art professor at Glendale College.

PACIFIC ASIA MUSEUM

Many thanks to Gilbert Leong, who volunteered as guide for 60 members at a recent tour of the Pacific Asia Museum, whose new courtyard was designed by none other than -- you guessed it!-- one Gilbert Leong! On display at the time was an unusual collection of snuff bottles, and a wonderful historic jade exhibit. Thanks, also, to Evelyn Cucchiarella for coordinating the tour and luncheon.

CONDOLENCES

The Society extends deepest sympathy to the Yee family on the loss of Lee Shee Yee, mother of members Johnny, George, Chuck, Joe and Johnson. Mrs. Yee was 93 years of age, and a true Chinese pioneer woman. In addition to her children and a large number of grandchildren, Mrs. Yee is survived by her husband, Tung Chaw-Lai Yee. This year marked the 74th anniversary of their marriage.

ADDRESS CHANGES

All members should notify Kaza Dong (213) 754-9728 of changes of address or phone numbers to ensure that newsletters, flyers, etc. are mailed correctly.

NEW MEMBERS

Welcome to the following new members: Emery Wong, Life Member #57; East West Federal Bank, institutional member; George Au, Angela Hom, Dr. Ki-Pham Kan, Linda Lue, Ann C. Noah, E. McFadd, Dr. Franklin Tom, Carol Nye, John Stone.

DONATIONS

A number of donations have been received, and the Society acknowledges and thanks the following:

\$205.00	In memory of Lee Shee Yee from her family and friends (Tung Yee, husband; son George Yee and family; Howard and Marilyn Quon, Muson and Suellen Kwok, Mr. and Mrs. Dong Lam)
20.00	In memory of Victor Quan from Anna Lowery and Mr. & Mrs. Yan Lee
100.00	Everett and Annamarie Hager
10.00	Jeannette Young
20.00	Nellie Wong
15.00	Helen Soo Hoo
20.00	Ann and Spencer Chan, in honor of the recent bride and groom, Gene Moy and Susan Sing

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Saturday, Sept. 21 - Chinese Fashion Show and Luncheon
The Castaway - 1250 Harvard Road, Burbank
(flyers will be mailed soon)

Saturday, Oct. 19 - Fall dinner - celebrating the Society's 10th anniversary.
Golden Shark Restaurant, Monterey Park. More details will be forthcoming.

NOTE: Donations of raffle prizes ~~for FASHION SHOW~~ are needed. Please call Kaza Dong (213) 754-9728

EXHIBITS

Pacific Asia Museum, 46 N. Los Robles Ave., Pasadena

Now through Feb. 23, 1986 - CHINESE JADE: THE IMAGE FROM WITHIN
200 fine antique jade carvings from the Museum's permanent collection and private collections in the U.S. and China

Now through Dec. 30, 1985 - CHINA TRADE EXHIBITION
Commemorating the Bicentennial of the commencement of America-China trade; featuring paintings and ship models from the 1840's, '50's, and '60's.

These are two of the many excellent Asian exhibits and events at the Museum. Call (818)449-2742 for calendar of events. Museum hours are from noon-5 P.M., Wed.-Sun. Adults, \$1.50; seniors, \$1.00; children under 12, no charge. Free admission on the third Saturday of each month.