

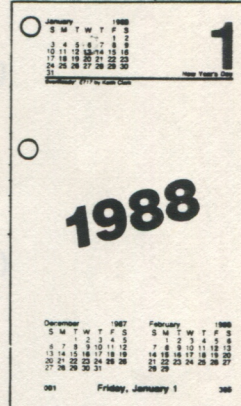


NEWS 'n NOTES

CHINESE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

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December 1987



JANUARY MEETING

DATE: Wednesday, January 6, 1988

TIME: 7:30 p.m.

PLACE: Castelar School, 840 Yale Street, Los Angeles Chinatown (park on school grounds — enter on College Street between Hill and Yale Streets). Meeting is in the multi-purpose room.

PROGRAM: Installation of 1988 Board, Calendar of Events, and Public Strategy Planning

On the program of our January 6 meeting we have the installation ceremony for our new Board. Officers and Board members will be sworn in by a respected leader of our community. Come lend support as the Board brings into a new year which promises to be packed with interesting programs, events and projects.

As it tries to organize activities that fulfill the objectives of the Society, the Board needs directions and feedback from its general membership. We are poised to undertake several important projects, e.g., Museum of Chinese American History (MCAH) and the publication of a new book. It then becomes important that the Board hear your voice.

After the ceremony and picture taking, we are going to a public strategy and planning session. The agenda would cover some or all of the following topics:

(1) Calendar of Events

- o Program of monthly meetings
 - Suggestions for speakers
 - Should we have more "applied" topics? For example, workshops on oral history on how to preserve your own historical documents . . .
- o Annual events
 - Chinese New Year Parade
 - 10-K Run
 - Lotus Festival
 - Spring and Fall dinners . . .
- o 50th Anniversary of New Chinatown
- o Field trip?

(1) Calendar of Events (con't)

- o What else?
 - More Society activities?
 - More potlucks and organized dinners?
 - Picnic?

This is your chance to let the Society know of your support for your pet activities.

(2) Projects

- o Museum
- o New book
- o Historical and photographic preservation

(3) Organizational structure

Is it time to prepare for a new organizational and administrative structure as the Society grows, gets recognition and therefore, has to cope with mounting obligations in addition to the projects cited above?

Come voice your opinions if you think this is going to be another dull business meeting. Think again! Come participate in a lively discussion as we all take the hopping pulse of a dynamic society. Come show your care and concern.

HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL THERE !!!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Fellow Society Members,

What an eventful year it has been for the Society! For the first time in our history, our membership exceeded 400! In February, Coors sponsored the Society's float celebrating "Linking Our Lives -- Chinese in Los Angeles: 135 Years" in the Golden Dragon Parade in Chinatown during the Chinese New Year festivities; a loyal and hardy group of us got up in the wee hours of the morning to help with the 10K run. Our general meeting that month featured a book party for Him Mark Lai, Russell Leong, and Jean Pang Yip to publicize their new publication, A History Reclaimed. That event was jointly sponsored with UCLA's Asian American Studies Center.

Abe Hoffman gave the presentation on Charles Tong Sing, the first Chinese American Arctic explorer at our March general meeting. That month also marked the donation of artifacts, books and tools to the Society by 102-year old pioneer farmer, Sam Chang. In April, Peter Kwong enlightened us on the political and labor history of New York's Chinatown from the 1930s to 1950s.

Spring and summer were busy months for us, even though we traditionally do not meet during July and August. In May, about a dozen Society members pumped Pepsi at a Cinco de Mayo booth in El Pueblo de Los Angeles State Historic Park. Chalsa Loo came down from San Francisco to share her knowledge on the Chinese community there. At the end of that month a large contingent of Society members took a field trip to Hanford where we toured the town, ate world-class gourmet as well as home style Chinese food in China Alley, visited the Chinese theatre, a real life vegetable farm and the Tulare Historical Museum.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE (con't)

In June, Roberta Greenwood highlighted our general meeting with "From Canton to California" and dedicated Society members participated in a weekend retreat to discuss the future goals and directions of the Society. Jointly with the Friends of the Chinatown Library, we sponsored two standing-room-only slide presentations in July by modern explorer, How Man Wong. The Society also hosted a walking tour for members of the Los Angeles City Historical Society.

With most of us back from our vacations, we jumped right into September by discussing our overwhelmingly voting to investigate an office space in Chinatown for the Society. Wilbur Woo shared his experiences with us at our general meeting. The Hanford Showoffs and Seniors took us up on our invitation to visit Los Angeles and we hosted a day-long walking tour for a busload of them. At the end of the month we sponsored a booth at the first annual convention of Asian American Journalists.

Going full steam, more than a dozen of us drove to Riverside for the celebration in that city honoring Chinese American pioneers. What a weekend that was! We walked in the parade, peopled a booth in the hot sun, circulated petitions to support the preservation of Redlands Chinatown, had our photos taken with Secretary of State, March Fong Eu, listened attentively to Maxine Hong Kingston as she read excerpts from her new book, and chanted a dedication in the rain at the Jensen-Alvarado Ranch which was built by Chinese masons. And if that weekend wasn't enough, we hosted our fall dinner meeting at New Won Kok, featuring Paul Chace as our speaker with the topic "With Pulpit and Pen — Ng Poon Chew". The Society honored two brothers, Fung Chow Chan and Lun Chan, as pioneers in banking and business at the same dinner. Special out-of-town advisors, Jack Tchen, Raymond Liu, and Him Mark Lai, joined our museum committee members in an intensive two-day planning workshop to discuss and decide motifs, themes and concepts of the Museum of Chinese American History at the El Pueblo de Los Angeles State Historic Monument.

Jack Tchen remained in town a few days longer to be our feature speaker at our November general meeting on the landmark Paul Siu's book, The Chinese Laundryman: A Study of Social Isolation.

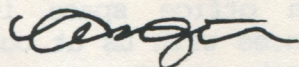
And here we are at the end of another year. We lost some dear friends in 1987, among them our dearly beloved Chuck Yee whose enthusiasm and love for the Society will always be an inspiration to us all for many years to come and who will be continually missed. Al Lew had a close call but is up and around and Board Member Bob Large had a triple bypass from which he is recovering nicely at this time. But fortunately, our Society's members celebrated more happy occasions this year — the weddings, engagements, and births are just too many to enumerate!

Although I have already written letters to members of the Board individually, I wish to publicly thank all of them for their steadfast support, outstanding work, enthusiasm and energy that they have all given to the Society this year. We tackled many critical issues in the past twelve months, issues that will affect the future of this organization for many years to come. I am grateful to and appreciate greatly each of you who has volunteered so much of your time and special talent to organization, mailings, meetings and every one of our activities. Together we have succeeded because we have shared the same goals and a common vision for the Society. Please accept my heartfelt thanks, Mary, Suellen, Al, Kipham, Bob, Marji, Mark, Lillian, Beverly, and Howard. I would be remiss if I did not also thank past presidents Munson Kwok, Ella Quan, and Gene Moy, whose wisdom and experience have guided me through this term.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE (con't)

To the members of the Society, I thank all of you for your confidence and trust by re-electing me to a second term as your president. You and this organization have my love and loyalty and I will continue to serve you to the best of my experience and ability in 1988. May all of you and your families enjoy the celebration of love, peace, joy, goodwill, and good health throughout this holiday season and the new year.

Sincerely,



Angi Ma Wong
December 2, 1987

IN THE NEWS

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS / BOARD MEMBERS FOR 1988

President	-	Angi Ma Wong	
Vice President	-	Kipham Kan	
Secretary	-	Franklin Mah	
Membership Secretary	-	Suellen Cheng	
Treasurer	-	Beverly Picazo	
Board Members	-	Lillian Fong	Paul Louie
		Beverly Hom	Al Soo Hoo
		Bob Large	

CHSA SILVER ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION 1988

The Chinese Historical Society of America celebrates its 25th anniversary on January 16 in San Francisco. As part of the Silver Anniversary Celebration, a fund-raising silent and live auction will provide all an opportunity to obtain some unique works of Asian artifacts and collectables as well as contribute to CHSA's Permanent Home Fund. Additional celebration activities include a special museum open house, an evening banquet and program, a commemorative publication provided by Thomas Chinn, a slide show by Philip Choy and Daniel Chu, and special publication sales. President Angi Ma Wong will be in attendance. If other people are going up independently, they could sit at the same table as Angi. For further information, please contact Angi at (213) 541-1809.

CULTURE CENTER

Should the Society consider participating in a selection process now underway for the best Cultural and Community Center plan? The Society may wish to review the various plans beforehand and seek to endorse one, if desired. The formal presentation of plans will be Wednesday, January 27 (time to be announced), at the Chinatown Library. Each plan must show some evidence of community support. Anyone interested should attend meeting and give his/her input. For information and guidance, please contact Munson Kwok (213) 828-6911.

MEMBERSHIP

Our 1987 membership total is 408 as of the last Board meeting on December 8. This number includes 87 life members.

MEMBERSHIP (con't)

Just a reminder . . . don't forget to renew your membership for 1988! If questions, please contact Suellen Cheng (213) 828-6911.

Members . . . please update your copy of the CHSSC Roster!

Cy Wong - 1609½ South Gramercy Place, Los Angeles, CA 90019

SOCIETY MUSEUM COMMITTEE

Society is looking for a few good people to serve on the "Society" Museum Committee. Need commitment! There are several factors to consider in your decision to be on this committee: (1) Time? (2) Know or want to learn the issues? (Lot of catch up within a few months.) (3) Need to make recommendations to Society and Board. Interested? Come to the meetings! If interested, contact Kipham Kan (213) 839-9233.

DEDICATION OF BOOK TO JOHNNY YEE / FROM HENRY (HANK) BEHRENS

Henry (Hank) Behrens, CHSSC member, handed Johnny Yee a book at the Christmas party on December 2. It said: To John Yee "American Seaman mentioned in this book were off the S. S. President Harrison. I was one of them."

Henry (Hank) Behrens.

On Pearl Harbor Day "Empire of the Sun", a Steven Spielberg film was released based on J. G. Ballard's novel in Southern California theatres. It was about a World War II POW Camp outside of Shanghai, China. Lunghwa POW Camp is where the Japanese kept the American, Dutch, and British prisoners.

Hank is still an active seaman. Last ship M/V President Lincoln Far East run to Japan, Hong Kong, and Taiwan in February, 1987. He attended Lunghwa POW Reunion in London, April 10, 1987. Hank is a retired principal of Santa Monica High School. His wife, June, is also a retired teacher and writer of children books (Gung Hay Fat Choy, "Chinese New Year", President Ronald Reagan; new books: Passover and Whales of the World).

GET WELL WISHES, etc.

Society member, Dorothy Siu, who was taken ill last month has been home and is doing fine. We're happy to see you up and around, Dorothy!

Board Member, Robert (Bob) Large, had a triple bypass last month and is now resting at home. Bob is doing just fine. We miss you, Bob! Everyone wishes you a quick recovery!

Society member, Florence Jung, suffered a stroke and was hospitalized on Sunday, December 13. Her son, Ron Jung, said his mother is resting comfortably. Society wishes her well, plenty of rest and a very speedy recovery!

SYMPATHY is extended to the family of CHSSC life member, Katherine Cheung. Her husband, George B. Young, passed away recently. Katherine was an outstanding aviatrix of her time. She was admitted to an exclusive organization of women flyers which Amelia Earhart was president. Daughter and son-in-law, Doris and Ben Wong, are also members of CHSSC. Doris Wong received some money in memory of her father and she donated it to the Friends of the Chinatown Library.

THANK YOUS

Bob Large thanks everyone for the "get well" card.

Thanks so much to:

. . . Johnson Yee for the three bagfuls of chayote squash which you brought to the November 4 general meeting. As some of you may know, Johnson grows these in his yard.

. . . EVERYONE who came out on December 2 and who made a dish (or dishes) for our Annual Christmas Potluck Party. And to those of you who didn't come with a dish, thanks for your \$5 (or \$3). And special thanks to Allen Dong who was unable to attend the Christmas party but he did send his dish via Carlos and Beverly Picazo. And special warm thanks go to Mary Yee and her merry helpers who added their finishing touches to make it all so nice for us all to enjoy!

. . . David Lauren (Helen Morrison's friend) for providing the music at our Christmas party.

. . . Cy Wong for leading us in the Christmas carols.

CALENDAR

Saturday, November 7 thru Sunday, December 27 - Keisho Okayama/Richard Yokomi: Contemporary Art on display at the Doizaki Gallery at JACCC (Japanese American Cultural and Community Center) 244 South San Pedro Street, Los Angeles (213) 628-2725. Gallery hours: 12:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. daily; closed Mondays. Admission is free.

Thursday, December 24 - 28th Annual Los Angeles County Christmas Program (9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. at the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion, Music Center) Free to the public!! (This includes free parking for the one day!) Sponsored by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors through the Music and Performing Arts Commission. Simulcast KCET and KUSC F.M. Note: Don't fret! If you miss it this year, there's always next year!

Friday, December 25 - Christmas Day! . . . Merry Christmas!!

Friday, January 1 - New Year's Day! . . . Happy New Year!!

. . . through Sunday, January 3 - Los Angeles County Museum of Art, 5905 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles:

The Quest for Eternity: Chinese Ceramic Sculptures from the People's Republic of China - this special exhibition is on view through 1/3/88 of 160 striking examples of Chinese funerary sculpture from the Neolithic period to the Ming Dynasty.

Note: Docent tours (1 hour) are also available at the museum -tours are offered every Thursday and Friday at 1:00 p.m. and every Saturday and Sunday at 11:00 a.m. in the Ahmanson Building.

. . . through Sunday, January 3 - Pacific Asia Museum, 46 North Los Robles Avenue, Pasadena (818 - 449-2742): "Taking Refuge in L. A. - Life in a Vietnamese Buddhist Temple" - an exhibit of photographs by Don Farber in the Foyer Gallery.

CALENDAR (con't)

Sunday, January 10 - The Los Angeles Chinese Women's Club Juniors (LACWCJ) Swap Meet at PCC. If you want further information or have questions regarding the time of the swap meet, drop off of your donated items, volunteers to help, etc., please contact Doreen or Bev (see "Want Ads"). Proceeds from the swap meet will be donated to the Chinese American Museum Fund.

Wednesday, January 13 - CHSSC Board Meeting — 7:30 p.m. — where? Please confirm meeting place, date and time with Angi Ma Wong (213) 541-1809 or Kipham Kan (213) 839-9233.

Saturday, January 16 - Overseas Chinese Archaeology Symposium - Bally's Hotel, Reno Nevada. Anyone interested in the archaeology and heritage of the Chinese in America are invited to attend this symposium. For further information, please contact Paul Chace at Paul G. Chace & Associates (619) 743-8609. (see attached flyer)

Tuesday, January 19 - Friends of the Chinatown Library General Meeting — 5:30 p.m. optional dinner at Hop Li, 7:00 p.m. meeting in the Community Room. For further information, please contact Ruby Ling Louie (213) 628-2496.

Saturday, January 23 and 30 - Classes on clay sculpture. Mr. Will David will demonstrate his technique in clay sculpture at the Pacific Asia Museum courtyard at 2:30 p.m.

Saturdays (ongoing) - Classes on Tai Chi. Mr. Chao-li Chi teaches this ancient art of exercise which promotes relaxation and rejuvenation. Classes begin 8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. every Saturday. Cost is \$6 per session; first session is free.

Wednesday, January 27 - Culture Center Public Meeting at Chinatown Library. For more information, contact Munson Kwok (213) 828-6911. (see "In the News")

Saturday, February 13 - Chinese New Year Parade - start time: 4:00 p.m. Details forthcoming at February meeting.

Wednesday, February 17 - Gung Hay Fat Choy! (Happy New Year!) Year of the Dragon (4686).

Monday, March 21 - Annual AAPAA Media Awards Dinner at the Beverly Hilton Hotel. U. S. Senator Daniel K. Inouye will be the recipient of the AAPAA Lifetime Achievement Award. He will be recognized for his accomplishments and impact as a positive role model. For further information, please call the Association of Asian/Pacific American Artists (AAPAA) at (213) 745-7016 or 745-7017.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Some members were not able to attend the December 2 Christmas party due to a lack of transportation. In the future, whether it be for meetings or any CHSSC function, try carpooling! Give your friends a hand! You never know, you may need a friendly hand some day!!

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WANT ADS

Reminders for the 1987 Board Members: Your "How To" notes are due to Angi Ma Wong at the January meeting. Also due are items for the Society Archives to Suellen Cheng.

All **BILLS "outstanding"** should be submitted before year end to Treasurer, Kipham Kan. Any questions, please call (213) 839-9233.

There is still room to **sign up for refreshments** through June, 1988. Please call Sylvia Soo Hoo, Refreshment Chair, (213) 221-5573 for information and schedule.

Have you been wanting to do a little house cleaning? garage cleaning? Here's your chance! We're here to help. The Los Angeles Chinese Women's Club Juniors will have its **SWAP MEET** at PCC (Pasadena City College) on Sunday, January 10, 1988. If you have things to **donate to the LACWCJ'S swap meet**, please bring them to CHSSC's January 6, 1988 general meeting and look for Doreen or Bev. If you have questions or want further information, please contact Doreen Chan (213) 726-9064 or Bev Hom (818) 336-7900.

EDITOR'S NOTE - Thank You! Thank You! Thank You!

Staff contributors to N'nN: Angi Ma Wong, Kipham Kan, Lillian Fong, Helen Morrison, Munson Kwok, Suellen Cheng, Bob Large, Johnny Yee, and Paul Chace.

November 20 Mailing Session Supporters: Kipham Kan, Richard Smith, Franklin Mah, Lillian Fong, Doreen Chan, Ben Nakayama, and Al Soo Hoo.

"Bits of news" for News 'n Notes are always welcome! Please submit in writing or by phone to Bev Hom (818) 336-7900 no later than the 15th of the month. Because of space limitations and/or news items received after the 15th, your item may not appear in this issue of N'nN. Also, news items submitted are printed at the discretion of the editor.

SEASON'S GREETING . . . Wishing you and yours a beautiful holiday season and a new year of peace and happiness!

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Beverly M. Hom
News 'n Notes Editor



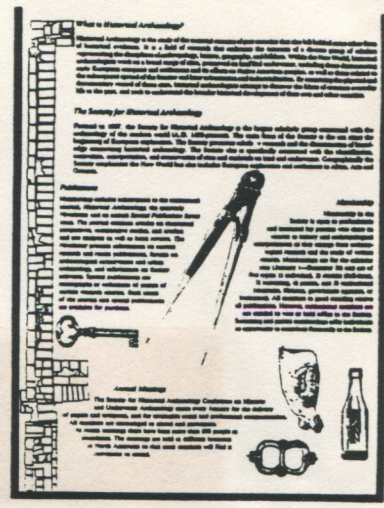
OVERSEAS CHINESE AND ASIAN ARCHAEOLOGY
A Symposium, 16 January 1988, Bally's Hotel, Reno, Nevada

ANNUAL MEETING
SOCIETY FOR HISTORICAL ARCHAEOLOGY
January 13th - 17th, 1988
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Please **POST** the enclosed Overseas Chinese Archaeology Symposium notice. Everyone interested in the archaeology and heritage of the Chinese in America are invited to attend the Symposium on Saturday, 16 January 1988, at Bally's in Reno. Attached is the SHA meeting registration form. (Thursday and Friday are filled with other topical programs on historical archaeology.)

The Overseas Chinese Research Group informally organized within the Society for Historical Archaeology in January 1983 to promote scholarship. Participation from other fields has enriched the group and all our perspectives. Please join in.

Paul G. Chace

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- Organized by the Overseas Chinese Research Group as part of the
SOCIETY FOR HISTORICAL ARCHAEOLOGY
1988 Conference on Historical and Underwater Archaeology, 13-17 January 1988
Conference Chair: Donald Hardisty, Univ of Nevada (702) 784-6049; Bally's Hotel (800) 648-5080
- Session I, 8:30-12:00 pm. Chair: Jerry Wylie, U.S. Forest Service, Orem**
Archaeology as Anthropology: Using Historic Archaeology as an Approach for the Study of Ethnicity Among the Overseas Chinese (for Any Ethnic Eastern)
Clark W. Brod and Fred W. Mueller, Jr., Great Basin Foundation, San Diego
- Chinese Occupation in San Diego, 1878-1900*
Judith Liu, University of San Diego
- Chow Kee Seng: The Years of Jimmy Chao*
Julia Costello and Jane Russell Armstrong, Foothill Resource Associates, Metairie Hill
- Chinese American Fishing/Shellfishing Industry Sites at San Clemente Is., 1880-1900*
Stanley R. Berryman and Judy A. Berryman, TMI Environmental Services, San Diego
- "No Chinaman Need Apply": A Case Study of Prejudice and Intimidation in Idaho's Coeur d'Alene Mining District, 1884-1900*
Priscilla Wagers, University of Idaho
- Chasing the Dragon with an Opium Pistol*
James E. Ayers and Michael Gregory, Tucson, Arizona, and Richmond, Virginia
- Opium Paraphernalia and the Role of Opium at Riverside Chinatown*
Jerry Wylie, U.S. Forest Service, Orem

- Session II, 1:30-5:00 pm. Chair: Paul G. Chace, University of California, Riverside**
Bottle Patterns at the Tong Ho Loan Site
John Blanford, University of California, Berkeley
- An Analysis of Personal Adornments from Riverside Chinatown*
Anna C. Noel, County of San Diego
- Chinese Porcelains from Historic Sites of the Late Federal Period*
Alison T. Stanger, Portland State University
- Japanese Colonies in San Jose by 1920 and Other Observations*
R. Paul Hampson, Consulting Archaeologist, Stockton, California
- An Overseas Chinese Ethnic Marker: The Food Snail, *Tritolana**
Paul G. Chace, University of California, Riverside
- Travelling and Movement: Interpreting the Fish Remains from Riverside's Chinatown*
Donna Collins, University of California, Riverside
- Aspects of Subsistence and Medicine in the Riverside Chinatown*
Paul E. Landonvalier II, Heritage Resource Consultants, La Mirada, California
- Recent Bone Research in Northern China*
Roderick Sprague, University of Idaho

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Special Events
Let your first three preferences for each day. Enter "1" for first choice, "2" for second choice, and "3" for third choice in the appropriate blank.

Day	Event	Fee	Preference
Wednesday	(1) Workshop on English Ceramics	\$25	
	(2) Workshop on Tin Cans	\$25	
	(3) Mount Rose Ski Day	\$45	
	(4) Lake Tahoe Tour and Cruise	\$40	
	(5) Opening Night Reception at the Nevada Historical Society, 7 p.m.	1 will attend	
Thursday	(6) Roundtable Luncheon	\$12.50	
	(7) President's Reception, 7 p.m.	1 will attend	
	(8) Monte Carlo Night	\$15	
	(9) Roundtable Luncheon	\$12.50	
Friday	(10) Banquet	\$30	
	(11) Mount Rose Ski Day	\$46	
	(12) Lake Tahoe Tour and Cruise	\$40	
	(13) Emigrant Trail Tour	\$30	
	(14) Comstock Tour	\$26	

Roundtable Luncheon Registration
Let your first three preferences for each day (see reverse side)

Day	1st	2nd	3rd
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Friday			

Program and Abstracts
One copy is included in the registration fee. Additional copies ordered here will be distributed at registration. _____ copies at \$5.00 each.

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