



News 'n Notes

Chinese Historical Society of Southern California

Appreciation of our Chinese American heritage ~ A non-profit organization

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PROGRAM

Wednesday, October 6, 1999

7:00 P.M.

CASTELAR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Multi-purpose Room

840 Yale Street

(Park on playground. Enter on College Street
between Hill and Yale Streets)

ANCESTRAL PORTRAITS

as a

RESOURCE IN GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH

by

Professor Eugene Cooper, U.S.C.

Professor Cooper will show slides of ancestral portraits photographed during his recent fieldwork in China. He will demonstrate how such portraits may be used to unravel the complexity of local kinship relations / and patterns. Bring your family portraits for analysts.

SPECIAL MEETING - EVERYONE IS WELCOME

November, 1999 will be the beginning of CHSSC's 25th year. At 8:30 p.m., after the above program, a meeting will be convened for all interested parties to help develop some programs for our 25th anniversary which will culminate in November, 2000. Please plan to stay and give us your input.

WELCOME, JOSHUA MICHAEL QUAN

Congratulations to Virginia and Richard Quan, proud parents of Joshua Michael Quan, born June 29, 1999, weighing 7 lbs. 12 ozs, 21 inches long. He is the baby brother of Matthew (age 11), Andrew (age 10), Megan (age 8) and Christopher (age 2 yrs. 5 months).

DONATIONS NEEDED FOR FALL DINNER DRAWING

Any donations over \$25 will be appreciated for the drawing at the upcoming Fall Dinner on October 29th. Please let us know ahead of time so that you can be acknowledged on the program. For info, call Winifred Lew, 323-466-2294, or leave a message on the office phone, 323-222-0856.

"THANK YOU" for the DELICIOUS SEPTEMBER REFRESHMENTS to Margie Lew, Winifred Lew, Ruth Lung, Cy Wong, Frieda Wong, Johnny Yee, and Martha Yee.

PART TIME POSITION OPEN at CHSSC office. Please read the flyer and pass the information on to anyone you know who might be interested.

TO RECENT DONORS towards the BUILDING FUND, a SPECIAL 'THANK YOU.'

Anonymous	\$200	Irvin R. Lai	\$2000
Karen H. Chao, O.D.	\$50	George Y. Lee	\$250
Lupe / Frank Chee	\$20	Wanda Leong	\$20
Susan K. Coats	\$36.50	Margie / Albert Lew	\$5000
Evelyn / Ed Cucchiarella	\$50	Milly / Steve C.K. Liu	\$10,000
Dragon / Sue Yee	\$128	Ruth Lung	\$100
Eastern International Bank	\$200	Joyce / Dr. Ming Mar	\$5000
Cindy Fong / Charles Wong	\$1000	Thomas B. Moy	\$200
Jane Hadama	\$115	Doreen / Ben Nakayama	\$1000
Beverly Hom-Tsao	\$50	Clara K. Tom	\$500
Elsie Inase	\$50	Jolene / Robert Turner	\$25
Richard Jiu	\$100	Dolores / Delbert Wong	\$1000
Kiphan Kan / Richard Smith	\$50	Yep H. Wong	\$100
Lester E. Kim	\$75	Robert Woo	\$200
Lynn C. Kronzek	\$25		

ALL donations to our Building Fund are greatly appreciated.



CHINESE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
presents its

1999 FALL DINNER

"CONFRONTING THE PAST: INSIGHTS INTO GROWING UP IN COMMUNIST CHINA"

with **LEE CHEN**

Lee Chen grew up in Inner Mongolia during China's Cultural Revolution and performed with Mao Tse Tung's Propaganda Performance Troupe. Her multi-media performance recounts her adventures in China and provides a fresh perspective on the challenges faced by Chinese immigrants today.

Friday, October 29th 6:00 p.m.

Empress Pavilion Restaurant

**Bamboo Plaza, 988 N. Hill Street, 2nd floor
Los Angeles Chinatown**

***Includes:* Nine-course Chinese Banquet
Drawings / Door Prizes
Entertainment
Warm hospitality of the CHSSC**

**The CHSSC is a non-profit 501 (c) 3 organization
Of every \$40 ticket, \$20 is tax deductible to benefit the CHSSC**

For further information, contact:

Ella Quan (323) 255-6487

Winifred Lew (323) 466-2294

Susan Dickson (626) 792-8454

CHSSC (323) 222-0856

PLEASE MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS AND PAYMENT BY OCTOBER 22nd

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Please reserve _____ seat(s) @ \$40.00 \$ _____
Please reserve _____ table(s) @ \$400.00 \$ _____
I am unable to attend, but enclosed is my tax-deductible contribution of: \$ _____

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone _____

Please list attendees sitting together on the back of this form

Make checks for total amount payable to: CHSSC, PO Box 862647, Los Angeles CA 90086-2647

Chinese Historical Society of Southern California
JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

Administrative Assistant

Immediate Need

Application deadline: opened until filled

Job Description.

The Chinese Historical Society of Southern California (CHSSC) seeks a motivated individual to provide part time office and project assistance. Candidate shall support the daily operations of the programs of the Society under the supervision of the president or his/her designee. Duties shall include most aspects of clerical office operations. Candidate may schedule, coordinate and conduct walking tours. Candidate may also assist in the operation of the Society's Visitor Center and in its fundraising administration. There may be some coordination of volunteers and interns. Initially, work days shall be Thursday through Saturday, for a total of 12-18 hours per week.

Qualifications.

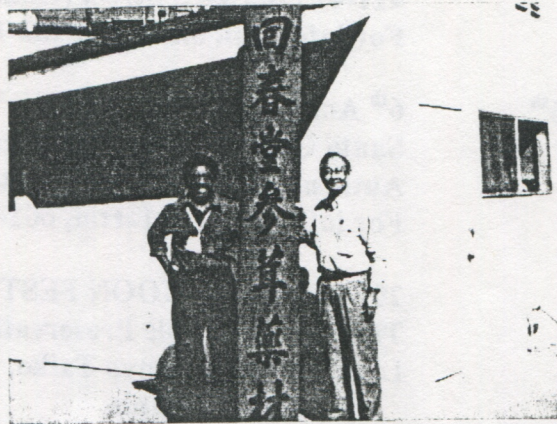
High school graduate. Minimum of a two years' college or the equivalent in one or more of the following disciplines required: humanities, social sciences, business administration, or related subjects, is highly preferred. Good writing and very strong oral communications skills shall be required, with bilingual language skills (Cantonese or Mandarin) desirable. Familiarity with office computer tools, software and other office machines must be demonstrated. Candidate must show interests compatible with the goals of the Society. Very good interpersonal, team building, and organizing skills are a plus.

Employment Conditions: Range of \$8-12 per hour. No benefits except 3 paid national holidays. Parking and other work expenses paid. Job may grow to full time.

Application Process

Applicants can inquire, FAX resume and information to the Society at (323) 222-0856. Or mail to: CHSSC Personnel Committee, P.O. Box 862647, Los Angeles, CA. 90086-2647. Or e-mail to Munson Kwok at <munsonak@aol.com>, entitling your message "CHSSC job". Applicants are expected to submit resume, including school and prior job history, and references (1-job or school related, 1-character). Interview of finalists may be conducted by the Personnel Committee. *The Society is a educational, not-for-profit corporation based in Los Angeles Chinatown, serving the community for 24 years.*

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Left to right, Cy Wong and Dr. Wing Mar

CHINESE HERB STORE IN CALIFORNIA

This striking sign with its hand-crafted Chinese calligraphy carved out of California redwood was recovered from a barn in a cherry orchard near Lodi, California. In the late 19th or early 20th centuries in the western United States, Chinese characters done in sculptured intaglio on wood were used frequently for advertising and identification purposes. This sign-board was used to identify a Chinese-operated general store dealing medicinal herbs located in or near Old Chinatown in Stockton, California.

In 1906, Giovanni Zignego purchased a block of buildings which included the herb store. At his death, the property was inherited by his son, Paul. Eventually, the building was purchased by the State of California to be torn down to make way for a cross-town freeway.

Loosely translated, the sign reads: "A complete general store for herbs that will help regain and maintain your general health." From scant information received to date regarding its age, the signboard was possibly made in the early 1900s. Further research should bring forth data to authenticate the specific time.

The Chinese Historical Society of Southern California would like to thank Dr William and Mrs. Eunice Renwick, and Dr. Ken Gene & Mrs. Josie Mar for donating this valuable historical artifact for our forthcoming exhibits on the outstanding contributions made by Chinese American in the important fields of pharmacology, biotechnology, and direct health care services to our communities. CHSSC also thanks Dr. Wing Mar for obtaining the sign for us, to Eugene Moy for transporting it from Stockton to our Heritage and Visitors Center, and to Margie and Albert Lew for renovating it.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Saturday – Sept. 25th

1 p.m. – 4 p.m.

Free admission

Sat., Sun. – Sept. 25th, 26th

3 shows daily

\$1.00 per show

Saturday, Oct. 2nd

12 noon – 5 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 6th

7:00 p.m.

Free Admission

Friday, Oct. 29th

6:00 p.m.

\$40 per person

MOON FESTIVAL

Arts and Crafts for Children

CHSSC Heritage & Visitors Center

411-415 Bernard Street (Chinatown)

For info: Call office 323-222-0856

6th Annual "HART OF THE WEST"

Santa Clarita Valley Historical Society

Authentic Civil War re-enacted battle

For info: Cathy Martin, 661-259-0059

20th ANNUAL MOON FESTIVAL

The Taoist Temple Preservation Society

**Lion dancers, Gummy Taiko, Food, Crafts, Tours of
Taoist Temple.**

Hanford, CA -- Phone 559-582-4508

CHSSC MONTHLY MEETING

Castelar Elementary School

Park on playground (see announcement)

1999 FALL DINNER

Chinese Historical Society of So. Calif.

Empress Pavilion Restaurant

(See attached flyer)

**NEWS 'n NOTES DEADLINE: All articles must be in to the P.O. Box by the 15th of the
Month to be considered in that month's News 'n Notes.**