

OCTOBER 2015

Salute to WWII Flying Tigers in China

Presentation by Pedro Chan

Wednesday, October 7, 2015 - 6:30 p.m.

Castelar Elementary School
840 Yale Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012

Free parking - enter via College Street

Refreshments will be served

This event is free and open to the public

Since 2007, Pedro Chan has been collecting and donating thousands of Flying Tigers and WWII artifacts to both Chinese and American museums. Currently, he is serving as an adviser to the Pacific Aviation Museum, Pearl Harbor, Chinese American Museum of Los Angeles and Flying Tigers Historical Organization in the United States. He is also the Honorary Director of Kunming Flying Tigers Museum and advisor to the Zhijing Flying Tigers Museum, Hunan, China.

Chan is also the organizer of a photo exhibition of "Salute to WWII Flying Tigers in China", which debuted on Capitol Hill, Washington, DC in November 2014 and is currently on tour at a number of libraries and museums.

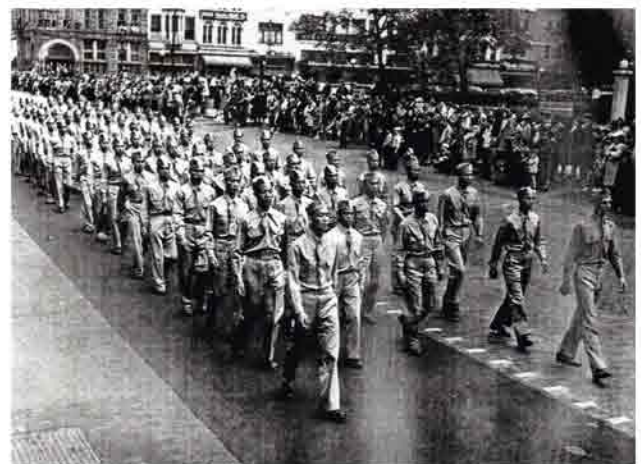
"Flying Tigers" is the general name for The American Volunteer Groups (AVG), China Air Task Force (CATF) and the Fourteenth Army Air Force (14th AAF). They were all under the command of General Claire Lee Chennault to aid China against the invading Japanese.

On December 7, 1941, Japan attacked Pearl Harbor, which led the United States' entry into WWII. The U.S. and China became allies. Therefore, the volunteer AVG was disbanded and the CATF of the U.S. Army Air Forces, officially took over air operations in China. In early March, 1943, the 14th AAF was activated and replaced the CATF.

The Flying Tigers gradually controlled the sky and gained air superiority, finally winning the war! Today, the legacy of the heroic Flying Tigers still lives on and will be remembered for the better relations of U.S. and China.



Servicing P40 aircraft, L.-R.: Kee J. Pon, unknown, Pak On Lee
Photo courtesy of Pak On Lee Collection





The Annual CHSSC BBQ

Annual Summer Barbecue on August 22, 2015 was very well attended. This barbecue is a CHSSC tradition that allows us to connect with our members and enjoy some good food. Although it was a hot day, everyone was in good spirits, and we are glad that they were there to see all the new projects we have been working on in the past year.

Many attendees went on to attend ballroom dancing lessons hosted by our friends over at CACA and later Chinatown Summer Nights in the evening.

Thanks to O.C. Lee for taking pictures of our very good looking members and volunteers. Hope to see you all again next year!



Reserve Your Seat Now!

Saturday, October 17, 2015
The 40th Anniversary Banquet
Chinese Historical Society
of Southern California

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Mission Statement

The Chinese Historical Society of Southern California was organized in November 1975. The purposes of the Society are:

- 1) to bring together people with a mutual interest in the important history and historical role of Chinese and Chinese Americans in southern California;
- 2) to pursue, preserve and communicate knowledge of this history; and
- 3) to promote the heritage of the Chinese and Chinese American community in support of a better appreciation of the rich, multicultural society of the United States.



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The Chinese Historical Society of Southern California is celebrating its 40th Anniversary on Saturday, October 17, 2015

- The 40th Anniversary Celebration will be held at the Hilton of Los Angeles/San Gabriel Hotel, located 225 West Valley Blvd., San Gabriel, CA 91776.
- The theme of the dinner is “Looking Back, Moving Forward: CHSSC at 40,” inspired by Susan Dickson in her examination of Gum Saan Journals.
- The focus of our celebration is based on the four “P”: people, place, programs, and publications. People: we’re saluting the three founders of the Chinese Historical Society (Paul Louie, William Mason and Paul DeFalla) and the 106 Charter Members who joined in the period between November 1, 1975 and December 31, 1976. Place: the Chinatown Heritage Center was purchased twenty years ago and has served as the headquarters of CHSSC since. Programs: Golden Dragon Parade (Chinese New Year); Ching Ming, Golden Spike Awards, genealogy workshops; monthly speakers at Castelar, Chinatown tours. Publications: publications produced by CHSSC can be considered not only the biography of Chinese Americans in Southern California, but also the life of the Society. News ‘N Notes is the monthly newsletter of the Chinese Historical Society of Southern California and the Gum Saan Journal is the semi-annual and annual publications that feature a range of scholarly explorations of the historical, cultural and humanistic aspects of Chinese American experiences, particularly relating to Southern California, and popular writing on contemporary issues of relevance to the Chinese American community.
- The dinner will salute those Charter Members special award recognition.

Sponsorship Opportunities

Table sponsorships—the dinner brochures identify six sponsorship levels.

Congratulatory ad/message—do you have a special message for the Chinese Historical Society at 40? Or, for Charter Members? Provide an ad for the event program book or CHSSC can create a special graphical message for you for inclusion in the program book. Details are in the dinner brochure.

Centerpieces—decorative centerpieces for the dining tables can add celebration and sparkle to the event venue. Consider sponsoring the centerpieces and receive public recognition in print and during the presentation. Contact Fenton Eng for more information.

Silent Auction and Raffle Items—please consider donation items for our silent auction and raffle. The Auction and Raffle co-Chairs Marian Chew and Helen Quon have written a special request:

We need your help with donation of items for our Raffle and Silent Auction. All donated items must be valued at \$15 or more. Some examples are: gift certificates, tickets to events, small appliances, gift sets or gift baskets). With dinner brochure in hand, you can ask the businesses you frequent to sponsor a table, buy an ad for the dinner program, or donate their merchandise for our gift baskets. Your help is much appreciated!



Yes, we will support the
Chinese Historical Society of Southern California as a:

☐ **Diamond Sponsor \$5,500**

- Your Company Name and/or logo as Diamond Sponsor on all promotional materials for the event
- History Panel Sponsorship (CHSSC Timeline display)
- Reserved PREMIER VIP Tables for twenty (20) at the dinner
- Full-page ad (Back Cover) in the 40th Anniversary Banquet Program
- Web Banner with link to Company Website
- Recognition in the 40th Anniversary Banquet Program
- Special Stage Recognition at the Dinner

☐ **Platinum Sponsor \$4,500**

- Your Company Name and/or logo as Platinum Sponsor on all promotional materials for the event
- History Panel Sponsorship (CHSSC Timeline display)
- Reserved PREMIER VIP Table for ten (10) at the dinner
- One Full-page ad in the 40th Anniversary Program
- Web Banner with link to Company Website
- Recognition in the 40th Anniversary Banquet Program
- Special Stage Recognition at the Dinner

☐ **Gold Sponsor \$4,000**

- Your Company Name and/or logo as Gold Sponsor on all promotional materials for the event
- Reserved PREFERRED Table for ten (10) at the dinner
- One Full-page ad in the 40th Anniversary Banquet Program Book
- Web Banner with link to Company Website
- Recognition in the 40th Anniversary Banquet Program
- Special Recognition at the Dinner

☐ **VIP Reception Sponsor \$3,000**

- Your Company Name and/or logo as VIP Reception Sponsor on all promotional materials for the event
- Reserved Table for ten (10) at the dinner
- Recognition in the 40th Anniversary Banquet Program
- Special Recognition at the Dinner

☐ **Silver Sponsor \$2,000**

- Your Company Name and/or logo as Silver Sponsor on all promotional materials for the event
- Reserved Table for ten (10) at the dinner
- Recognition in the 40th Anniversary Banquet Program
- Special Recognition at the Dinner

☐ **Entertainment Sponsor \$1,500**

- Your Company Name and/or logo as Entertainment Sponsor on all promotional materials for the event
- Reserved Table for four (4) at the dinner
- Recognition in the 40th Anniversary Banquet Program
- Special Recognition at the Dinner

☐ **Individual Ticket**

- Member Rate Ticket \$125
- Non-Member Rate Ticket \$150

☐ **Ad/Congratulatory Message**

(Deadline: October 1st, 2015. File Type: JPEG, 300 dpi)

- Back Cover \$1,000 – 8 1/4" w x 10 3/4" h
- Inside Cover \$750 – 7" w x 10" h
- Full Page \$500 – 7" w x 10" h
- Half Page \$300 – 7" w x 5" h
- Quarter Page \$250 – 3 1/2" w x 5" h
- Business Card \$100 – 3 1/2" w x 2" h

- ☐ I/we will not be able to attend, but please accept my donation in the amount of \$ _____

Name _____ Title _____

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Total contribution \$ _____

RSVP by October 3, 2015 and email
Table Guest list to CHSSC @hotmail.com.

Remit form and submit payment to:
CHSSC 411 Bernard Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012
Credit Card payment can be phoned in to 323-222-0856
or mailed to above address.

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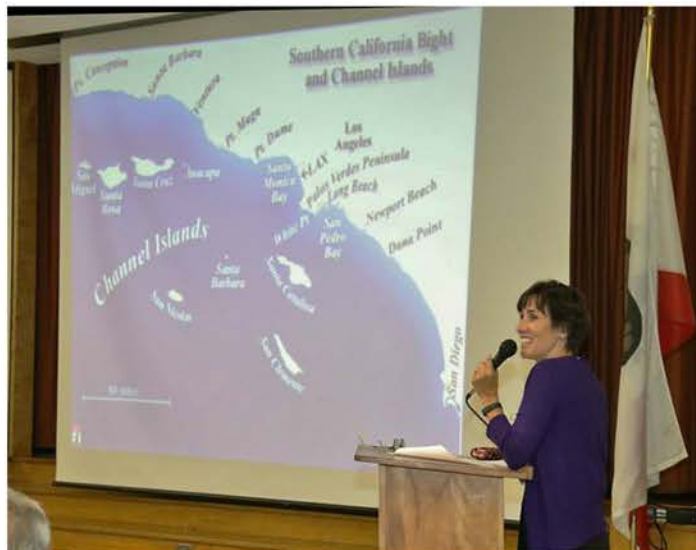
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Isles of Gold: Chinese Abalone Harvesting on California's Channel Islands

Our first meeting since the beginning of summer was on September 2, 2015, and we were excited to see new and familiar faces at our meeting.

Our very own board member and veteran speaker, Linda Bentz, presented her research on how Chinese fishermen in the 1850's fishermen had developed an intensive commercial fishery focused on abundant black abalone stocks on the Channel Islands in California Ventura County.

We would like to thank Norman Wong for presenting us with donations in memory of Angi Ma Wong. Her passion for the CHSSC is something that still impacts us today. We thank her for her many years of service and friendship.





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Community Calendar

Thursday, Oct. 8, 2015 - 7:30 pm

Cheng Foundation Lecture

- The Chinese and the Construction of the Iron Road

The Huntington Library, Rothenberg Hall
1151 Oxford Road, San Marino, CA 91108

Gordon H. Chang, professor of history at Stanford University and co-director of the Chinese Railroad Workers in North America Project, examines the central role Chinese workers played in the construction of the first transcontinental rail line across the United States and about the challenges to recovering their long-lost history. A book signing will follow the talk. Free; no reservations required. Rothenberg Hall.

The Café will be open until 7:15 p.m. prior to this event.

Program attendees can enjoy a select variety of dinner options, desserts, beer, and wine in the new dining venue overlooking the gardens, just steps away from Rothenberg Hall.

www.huntington.org/WebAssets/Templates/calendardetail.aspx?id=20363

Saturday, Oct. 3, 2015 - 12noon - 4:00pm

Moon Festival

South Pasadena Public Library, Library Community Room
1115 El Centro St, South Pasadena, CA 91030

Admission to event and entertainment are free.

Nominal cost for food and some activities. Vouchers can be purchased prior to or at the event. Redeem voucher at the Moon Festival for 10 tickets, good for food and activities. To purchase voucher and for additional information: Estela at 323-255-6888 or email SPCC91030@gmail.com

Come visit the CHSSC booth.

Saturday, October 24, 2015 - 10:00am-12noon

Chinese Family History Group of So. Cal

Digitizing Chinese Characters Workshop

Chinese American Citizens Alliance (CACA)

415 Bamboo Lane, Los Angeles, CA 90012

(close to Phoenix Bakery)

Bring your scraps of paper or documents containing your non-digitized Chinese characters and we will show you how to put them in digital form. The workshop will be hands on, so bring your iPhone, iPad, Android phone / tablet or laptop. We will help you with setting up your device to input Chinese characters. Presented by Ben Lee and Steve Kwok.

www.chinesefamilyhistory.org/next-meeting.html

Wednesday, October 21, 2015 - 6pm-9pm

The Asian Youth Center 26th Anniversary and Awards Dinner

Hilton Los Angeles/San Gabriel Hotel

225 W Valley Blvd, San Gabriel, CA 91776

In commemoration of AYC's 26th Anniversary, this event honors donors and community leaders who have supported AYC's mission of empowering youth and families across Los Angeles County.

Attire: Black Tie Optional

Event Features: A three-course meal, Opportunity Drawing, Silent Auction, and Live Auction.

All proceeds will benefit AYC's education, employment, and social services dedicated to empowering low-income, immigrant, and at-risk youth and families.

asianyouthcenter.org/events.html