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July 2016

13 Scholarships Awarded; Nichole Sun Scores National Essay 3rd History Preservation is a Civil Right; so Gor Pushes Cultural Tourism Education Two L.A. Lodge Summer Associates Selected

July 4 Independence Day... 

L. A. Lodge Fourth of July

First Saturday July 2, 2016

Los Angeles Lodge Business Meeting
3+ to 5 pm, at 415 Bamboo Lane

Guests; Our Fundraiser; National Board Report
Citizenship, Community; Membership; Chung Wah

L.A. Lodge Party A Potluck
415 Bamboo Lane, Chinatown, 5:30 pm

Bring a Dish for 8-10 or \$10

ALL MEMBERS, FRIENDS, FAMILY OF ALL LODGES
WELCOME! BUT MUST RSVP & SIGN UP DISHES PLEASE

GAMES NIGHT FOLLOWS UNTIL ?

Cards, MJ, Disco, whatever

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Yee, wishbone168@hotmail.com.

Greater San Gabriel Valley Lodge

Second Mon. July 11, 2016,

Board Meet 6:30 PM; Dinner after 7:00 PM;

Empress Harbor Restaurant

111 N. Atlantic, 3rd floor #305, Monterey Park

All Members & Friends, All Lodges, \$15 ea,

John Y. Wong, jw@jwcommercial.com; Charles Mau, takmau888@gmail.com

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Don't Miss

L.A. Lodge Fundraiser, July 10, 6pm @\$50 per
Capitol Seafood, Monterey Park

Contact: Wishbone168@hotmail.com

Report from National Board

National Pres. Gor, National VP Gong, and PNP Kwok introduced the concept that Preservation of Chinese American History and Culture is essentially now a civil rights issue. As America begins to stress its Diversity as a virtue, groups failing to research, find stories, and promote them to the mainstream will become invisible, and essentially "fall off the table" in terms of the fullest participation in American life. Thus stepping away from such public education is equivalent to less than the "fullest enjoyment of our Citizenship." The new tool for the Board to consider, and possibly undertaken in the future, is the application of cultural tourism, a means of inserting such education in an enjoyable and entertaining manner. "We are the only ones who can do this," stated Gor. He gave the reasons that we are nationally situated, that we are over 121 years old and span the cultural history we seek to espouse, and we already are collecting stories and advocating for curricula changes through VP Bob Gin's Education Committee. So we had a lot of expertise [cont. NB page 2]

Annual Essay/Scholarship Awards [by Winston Wu]

The joint LA and GSGV Lodges high school student awards ceremony was held on Saturday, June 4 at the Los Angeles Lodge. The event was to award thirteen \$500 scholarships to qualified high school seniors who applied for our scholarships and to recognize those high school students who are winners of the Alliance national essay contest. A separate local judging panel also rated the same essays for local awards. A list of scholarship recipients and essay contest winners will appear in this newsletter.

The scholarship committee consists of Charles Mau and Scott Kwong of GSGV Lodge along with Winston Wu and Alice Wong (chair) of LA Lodge. The criteria for the scholarship selections are academic (GPA and standard test scores), leadership, extracurricular activities, financial need, personal essay, recommendation, interview and other factors. The local essay contest judging panel consists of Susan Dickson, Scott Kwong and Sandra Jung under the local essay contest coordinator, Elizabeth Wu. The judging criteria are adhesiveness to the essay topic, originality, grammar and English usage. The participating essayists have 90 minutes (laptop) or two hours (blue book) to write a 500-word limit essay on surprise topic [cont. Awards, p. 2]

Awards [cont. from p. 1]

There were 157 students representing 16 lodges from across the United States participated in this year's contest. This year's winners include Cory Wu (L.A. Lodge) and Nichole Sun (GSGV Lodge) in First Place and Andrew Lam (L.A.) and Sabrina Sy (GSGV) for Merit. Ms. Sun is also the National 3rd Place Winner.

The scholarship committee also wants to acknowledge all the local essay prize donors and the generous scholarship fund donors, George W. Tom Memorial Scholarship, C.A.C.A. Foundation 751 Legacy Fund, Greater San Gabriel Valley Lodge, LACACA Community Action, Robert & Edith Jung Memorial Scholarship, Gladys Lowe Memorial Scholarship, Poh Tang Ong Yeow Memorial Scholarship (Betty Yeow), Betty and Andrew Sit, Fanny Chan, Munson and Suellen Cheng Kwok, Wolfpack Climbing Corporation and Winston Wu.

Congratulations

To Hon. **Ted Lieu**, officially pinning on in DC his eagles of a full Colonel in the USAF Reserves. To Judge **Ronald Lew**, with his first grandson in the Lew line, named **Parker David Ronald Lew**. "Parker" comes from Mamie's father Parker Gee, a founder and first president of Houston Lodge.

Welcome

To **Sharon Lu** and **Angela Yang**, the Summer Associates for Los Angeles Lodge. To L.A. New Members **Richard Mai**, **King Cheung**, **Diane Tan**. King is returning after hiatus.

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and influence on the new content of this method already. "We can be a facilitator," stressed Gor. Other key players of the Board are Rick Eng and Eugene Moy, L.A. Lodge National Rep. This "information-only" segment was a first presentation to the Board with no action yet required. Continuing discussions on this idea are scheduled for Los Angeles at the highest national level with government agencies and tour promoters in early July.

The new National Photo Collection Project has been launched. The activity was discussed at Seattle convention when it was noticed that the National Archive had a singular lack of imaging material, long known to be a popular product of every event and activity. Thus a new national historical education program had been in the planning overseen by Historian Suellen Cheng and NE Susan Dickson. Originally, the objective was meant to retrieve mainly National Lodge photos and documents, but as the Local Lodges input on their participation, the proposed program seems to be serving as a catalyst for every Local to do its own thing as well! The goal is to create a body of collection accessible for public use; Cheng and Dickson have worked on the paperwork that C.A.C.A. can use to support the ultimate goal. The test demonstration will take place initially at the most senior Lodges, S.F., Oakland, and L.A., with L.A. leading off in July-December timeframe.

The major action is a sad one in that, after due diligence, the Board had to move to suspend Tucson Lodge for extended inaction. On the other hand, VP Helen Ying announced that two new groups are emerging: the expected "rechartering" of New York Lodge championed by up and coming Boston leaders Wilson and Esther Lee, and the "revival" of Orange County (CA) Lodge off suspension, being groomed by Bob Gin.

In other reports, EVP Chin reported that 157 participated in the Essay Contest nationwide, with First Award going to Iris Wong from Oakland and surprisingly, Second Place going to Samantha Lin of New York (where there is not yet an active Lodge!) This year 25% of the entries were east of the Mississippi. On Chicago convention planning, final dates are not set but seem to be moving to the week

before Labor Day, namely late August for affordability and availability of venues. Hotel room cost will be under \$120 (before taxes) but budgeting forecasts that registration may be up to \$400. In a new business action, Pres. Gor appointed an ad hoc business committee to work on strategic planning for the real estate portfolio, naming RE Virginia Gee, with PNP's Gee, Foo, Kwok. The move was triggered by a modest proposal from VP Gong for an opportunity to lease a DC office space at good rate and continuing tenant issues at one of the S.F. properties.

L.A. President Annie Yee was present and invited members of the National Lodge to the July 10 Building Anniversary Dinner and Fundraiser. There is a high prospect that National President Gor and some others will appear. In other actions affecting Southern California, the six paintings of the C.A.C.A./CAM Biennial Art Contest have been requested for long term loan to Councilman David Ryu for his office, and the request has been granted by National Board, the owner. In the course on reporting Essay Contest results, Executive VP Davace Chin, Nichole Sun, sponsored by GSGV Lodge, was third award national winner.

3rd Place Essay [by Nichole Sun, abridged]

When my mom initially took the job at Arleta High School, she used to come home and complain how her high school students could not even do simple algebra. They had trouble grasping basic concepts that I had mastered in middle school. I laughed at these anecdotes because I thought they were lazy and foolish. Then came college application time. Her students began writing personal statements and I helped to edit them. As I edited, spelling and grammar fell away, and I saw their stories.

They had simple stories, but these simple stories completely changed my view of who they were. One girl spoke of the anger she felt toward her mother as a child. When she was little and her family went to McDonalds, she would always ask for one of the big combos that came with everything. Every single time, her mother would tell her no and every time, she would go home angry at her mother for not giving her what she wanted. Now older, she reflects on these moments and realized her mom said no, not because she didn't want to buy it, but because she wasn't able to afford it. There were more stories. While they worried about homework, they were also worrying about how they were going to feed their siblings that night. While they worried about project deadlines, they also worried about paying bills or fitting in a night shift.

These were kids the same age as me. They were kids who had been forced to become adults. These teenagers do not have the same opportunities I do. They don't have the luxury of a mom who will practice the multiplication table with them all night, because their moms have to work another shift to pay for dinner. They do not have the luxury of test prep classes or extra tutoring. Affirmative action is needed so that these students and their future children have a chance at a life where they don't need to worry about these things.

As a Chinese American, I can sympathize with the critics of affirmative action. I know that it will be harder for me to be accepted into a college because of my race. However, I can also admit that I was blessed with opportunities and an environment that kids like my mom's students don't have. Affirmative action gives them a shot at the life I was fortunate enough to be born into.###

Another View: Thoughts and Observations on the 2016 DC Legislative Education Trip [by Charles Mau]

Once again, this year, we had a very large delegation from C.A.C.A. in its annual Legislative Education sojourn in Washington DC. The mailing list shows that there were 28 in our Team, with 15 first-timers. One could feel the extra energy and excitement among these new members as they went about figuring the ways around DC via the Metro or simply through the latest technology UBER. Ed Gor, the Team Leader, was the overall coordinator of our daily activities, including organized events for the API Heritage Month and

congressional office visits by team members. Cathy Lee (Seattle) did a great job scheduling and updating the congressional office appointments while Charles Mau (GSGV) helped assist the newcomers in all other aspects drawing from his previous experiences. Munson and Suellen Kwok were instrumental in anchoring the team spirit by helping out the younger members with thoughtful advices.

Since Congress was in recess during that week, we expected only to meet with the staff representatives in their offices. For this year, we had two major talking points to present to the lawmakers. The first issue concerns birthright citizenship that was a “hot” immigration-related topic in the primary election season, and that we will get assurance from the Members not to weaken if the issue comes up at all in the future. This constitutional provision as embodied in the 14th Amendment withstood the challenge in the Supreme Court in the historic US vs Wong Kim Ark case (1898). Without this birthright, the Chinese American population would have been decimated during the Chinese Exclusion Act era. The second issues centers on a Congressional Bill HR-2817 that will extend the Historic Preservation Fund (HPF) to 2025, for which we will ask the Members to support and be a co-sponsor. The Fund, established in 1975 and derived from fees to off-shore oil exploration, has been used to provide grants to preserve and maintain approved local historic sites and programs. We would also encourage the lawmakers to work towards providing equitable funding to “under-served” communities including Chinese Americans.

The general impression I got from these office visits is that the staff members, irrespective of which party they belong to, were all quite receptive to our requests, perhaps because both issues are not at this stage potentially very divisive in this presidential election year. In particular, the office of Judy Chu promised that the Congresswoman will be a co-sponsor of HR-2817.

Heritage tours focused on Chinese American historic sites were the topic of a panel discussion on the first day of the 1882 Symposium. The success of this program, in my view, will depend on how one package and promote the tours, depending on the ancestry and education background of the target customers. This will have to be well thought out and planned.

During our stay in Washington, the weather was unstable, gloomy and rainy at one moment and sunny at another. Strangely, that appeared to help with maintaining our stamina as we walked the Capitol corridors, unlike last year at this time when the weather was hot and humid. As a result, we seemed to have more energy and enthusiasm during our evening debriefing sessions.

SB 10 Passed; Signed by Brown

Senate Bill 10, authored by Sen. Richard Lara of Commerce, was signed by Gov. Brown June 10. SB 10 to allow all California families regardless of immigration status to have access to affordable health care, under Covered California. Undocumented immigrants and those under the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) will now be able to obtain coverage as a matter of State public health. As a matter of a legal requirement, the bill also seeks a administrative federal 1332 waiver to allow this coverage, i.e. the funding, by the Affordable Care Act itself. This action should also free those previously excluded from crowding the State’s emergency rooms. The State action restored provisions stripped from the federal Affordable Care Act to placate right-wing opposers and to facilitate passage. “This Bill was definitely needed from the standpoint of all State educators,” reflected Community College Trustee Mike Eng on Friday, “It had become a priority item for Senate Leader Senator Kevin de Leon and State Speaker Anthony Rendon.” As an example, Culver City USD Board VP Katherine Paspalis echoed Eng, “all children should have a right to get an education and all children should have the right to receive healthcare.” “This is a watershed moment for California’s immigrants and for the nation.” California Immigrant Policy ED Cynthia Buiza said, “By removing the unjust exclusion of undocumented immigrants and DACA recipients from Covered California, we have set another

powerful precedent for other states to take action...” [Partly from *Culver City News*, June 16, 2016].

Election Outcomes

In races important to C.A.C.A. or with Lodge endorsements, Brian **Urias**, endorsed by L.A. Lodge and vying for 48th Assembly, missed the runoff by 60 votes. GSGV Lodge’s Bro. **Jack Orswell** ran far short of incumbent Rep. **Judy Chu** (66%) at 28% of the vote in the predominantly Democratic 27th District. Incumbency ruled as Reps. **Schiff, Royce, Becerra, Sherman, Lieu, Napolitano, Takano, Roybal-Allard, Maxine Waters, Lowenthal, Cardenas** of L.A. County also gained reelection by polling far greater than 50% of the vote. **Knight** in the Antelope Valley and **Hall** in Compton to replace Janice Hahn face elections in November. Minority Leader **Pelosi** easily prevailed in San Francisco and **Matsui** in Sacramento, but **Honda** in San Jose faced another tough November fight, trailing by 180 votes in the primary. State-wide, **Kamala Harris** easily led **Loretta Sanchez** into the November battle for U.S. Senator to replace the Hon. Barbara Boxer. Long-time APA Leader **Warren Furutani** was a distant second by over 10,000 votes in the Carson 35th State Senate District. He had indicated, “The aim was to come in second at this time.” On the other hand, **Ling-Ling Chang** had an easy time of it (44%) for the Republican majority 29th Senate, but must run it off in November, and **Mike Antonovich** appears headed for Sacramento in the 25th Burbank-Claremont State Senate seat. Again with popular incumbency, Assembly Speaker **Rendon** was easily reelected. So were **Chiu** and **Ting** in San Francisco. In Torrance, **Al Muratsuchi**, long time activist, prevailed at 48% against the incumbent but must endure a November runoff in the 66th Assembly, while Philip Chen edged into second in the 55th Assembly. In the L.A. Supervisory races, **Ms. Hahn** just missed the 50% mark and must run again.

A most intriguing race being closely watched in S.F. Chinatown is the State Senate battle between **Jane Kim**, Korean American progressive against **Scott Weiner**, a progressive/moderate. Separated by only 3,500 votes after a late boost to Kim from Bernie Sanders, a mild upset occurred because Weiner was expected to win in a landslide, which may forecast a sea change leftward in Bay Area politics which may affect the rest of the State and Nation later.

Bro. Thomas Wong Sends Us a Letter:

(Wong is one of our youngest up and coming community leaders).

Dear Friends,

As many of you know, I'm officially running for re-election to the San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District this November.

I'm proud of our accomplishments at the District over the past 3.5 years. On the board, I've led unprecedented efforts to help conserve water resources during our historic drought, including providing more than \$2 million to the local community in grants, rebates and other incentive programs, while maintaining the lowest water rate in the region, and making advancements towards a reliable water supply for generations to come.

As many of you also know, campaigns and successful re-elections cost money. I hope you'll be able to join me at my upcoming July fundraiser. Official invite to follow, but please save the date! (July 13, 6pm. C.A.C.A. Table).

With your help, we'll continue building a sustainable and vibrant community.

*Thomas Wong
for San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District*

Concert Fundraiser by CACAYC for *World Vision*

On June 5, 2016, the San Fernando Valley CACAYC (SFV Youth Council) held a World Vision Benefit Concert at the Mandarin Baptist Church to raise money for Syrian refugees. There was a wonderful mix of performances, ranging from group dances to vocal solos to a guzheng piece. The concert was a big success; \$5544 was raised to help provide relief to those affected by the Syrian civil war. The project leaders and MCs were Carleton Zhao and Nichole Sun.



First row (from left to right): Shirly Wang, Jade Chen, Cory Wu, Hans Zhang, Starr Yang, Nichole Sun, Leo Sun, Robert Liu, Cynthia Lu; Second row: May Gu, Winston Wu, Albert Hu, Albert Liu, Austin Lin, Ada Hu, Cathy Chen, Hope Su, Carleton Zhao



Antoinette Pepitone

Cathy Chen

Rim of Valley Launched in Congress

Rep. Adam Schiff announced June 14 that he and Sen. Barbara Boxer are introducing the Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act. The Senate and House bill numbers are pending. This legislation will add more than 193,000 acres of the so-called Rim of the (San Fernando) Valley Corridor to the Santa Monica Mountains

National Recreation Area (SMMNRA). The Rim goes from the Simi Hills and Santa Susanna Mountains eastward to the Verdugo and San Gabriel Mountains. The National Park Service began the mandated study in 2010 and delivered its report to Congress this February after considerable public input. Schiff noted, "The Rim of the Valley is the critical bridge between the urban city centers and suburbs in the Los Angeles basin and the spectacular wilderness beyond, and our bill will help protect these lands for generations." The bill will enable the NPS and the community to better protect natural resources and



habitats, and provide members of the community with improved access to nature for recreational and educational purposes.

By nature of the geography of the Rim proposal and the need to include the headquarters at El Pueblo, as reported here this "habitat" will include Los Angeles Chinatown. A close examination of the proposed map [see figure] indicates that both New and Old Chinatown and Chinese American Museum will become part of the cultural resources of the SMMNRA, as will all of Elysian Park except Dodger Stadium. Schiff's report indicates that with passage, the NPS will be able to implement capital improvements, study ecosystems, participate and provide technical assistance in conservation and recreation planning, help finance projects protecting important resources.

Schiff's announcement stresses that the expansion of the boundaries, as with the existing SMMNRA, will not require a land owner to participate in any conservation or recreation activities, and will not put any additional restrictions on property owners. It will respect the rights of property owners and local land use authorities.

GSGV Lodge Welcomes the Boston Lodge President Sister Esther Lee and National Rep Wilson Lee.

Brother Wilson and Sister Esther Lee from Boston were in town, and our Lodge extended a most warm welcome at our June 13 monthly meeting. As we all know, Boston Lodge President

Esther and National Rep Wilson have been on the road most the year organizing and visiting



various lodges all over the country, and their unbounded energy and enthusiasm are to be applauded. During the meeting, President John Wong was finally able to present a



congratulatory plaque from our Lodge to the Lee's for chartering the new Boston Lodge in December, 2014. Two days later, they joined us and members of L.A. Lodge at KT Café

L.A. Calls Orators to Contest

The Annual Oratorical Speech Contest, sponsored by the Los Angeles Lodge, will provide articulate students the opportunity to showcase their talents before a mock appellate court assembly. The Speech Contest will take place on Saturday, July 30, 2016, at the Alhambra Unified School District, Board Room, 1515 West Mission Road, Alhambra, CA 91803 at 9:00am. Qualifying contestants will be given the topic(s) several weeks before the contest. The Speech Contest is open to area high school and college students age 17 to 24. There will be one top winner who will receive \$500.00, and recognition for honorable mentions. Please email cacalalodge@gmail.com for registration information, application, or if you have any questions. Deadline to register will be Friday, July 8, 2016. Spots are limited.

Blossom Blooming [M. Kwok, Editor]



Blossom Plaza (corner of College and Broadway replacing the famed *Little Joe's*) is poised to be a distinctive landmark of the Los Angeles Chinatown district for the next 50 years, whether the community is ready

or not! The architect has attempted to create an architectural masterpiece attractive to the eye. In many ways it is successful with harmonious multi-color schemes and textures, slightly angular facades, setbacks and projections, and differing window patterns, all to dissuade the viewer from sensing the massiveness of basic rectangular block structures. A street-to-roof simu-lated tile mural is a central statement marking the entrance.

In a recognition to Los Angeles history, the track of the discovered *Zanja Madre* pipe during construction is marked in the main passage to the Gold Line, to the credit of the developer and no doubt to the insistence of Council District 1. Still to be determined is whether pieces of the pipe will be on public display as once promised.

However, it is beyond dispute that this architect and developer have failed on many accounts to meet commitments to the community once promised over a decade and a half ago by the City to enable the progress of this plan and gain community acquiescence, namely to link the *Gold Line Station* directly to Broadway and the heart of Chinatown with an exciting “friendly” ramp esplanade, including a larger cultural performance space. Several factors may

be at fault, including the sweeping decision of Gov. Brown to eradicate redevelopment investments in California not too long ago wiping out Chinatown Project and the corporate memory, perhaps the inability of the City to follow through and remember these community requirements and to oversight properly the developer. Perhaps the community was too silent at the wrong time after the project area committee went away.

Left and Right:

L: An explanade or corridor?

R: Can you do a lion dance rou-tine around the square planters on the stage?



Is this a gentle sloping explanade from the Gold Line Station to Broadway?? (in the background.) And oh by the way, just where is the ADP compliant ramp anyway? (It's not in this picture.)

Does this scene invite you to walk from the Station into Chinatown?? Is this really Chinatown?

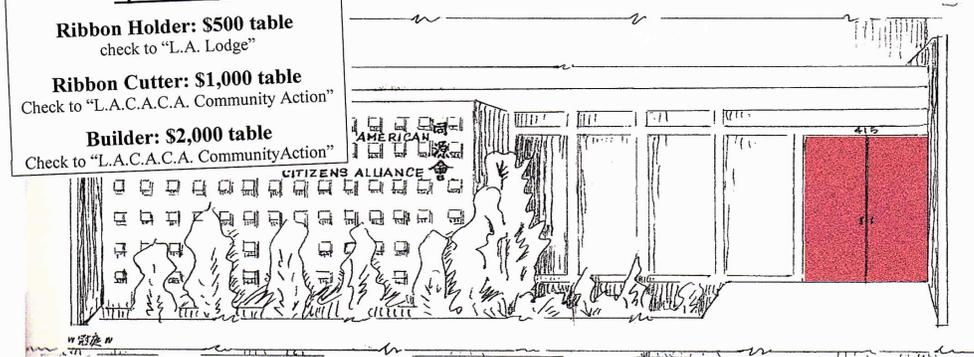


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Sunday, July 10, 2016 - Reception 5:30 pm - Dinner 6:00 pm

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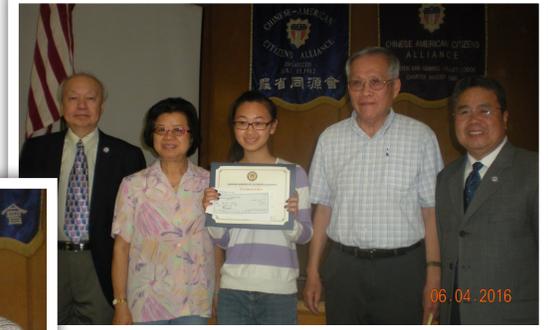
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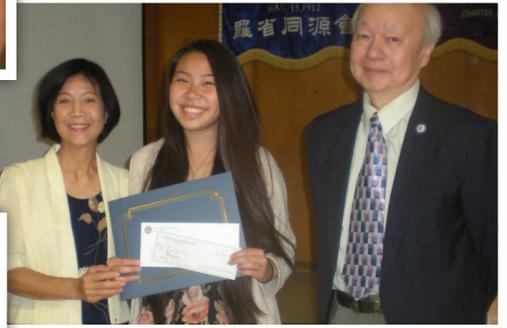
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← Kyla Celine Quielos with Wolfpack Climbing Corp. Scholarship
 → Sandy Situ with George W. Tom Scholarship presented by Pres. Annie Yee



→ Mirasol Sison with the Winston K. Wu Scholarship
 ↓ Everybody: winners, donors, sponsors, friends, lodge leaders and committee



↑ Helen Wong with the Gladys Lowe Scholarship presented the first time by Mildred Lowe

C.A.C.A. IN THE COMMUNITY



1. Joint Lodge outing at Pasadena Playhouse
2. L.A. Lodge, community sponsors, at CAUSE 2016 Leadership Academy Kickoff
3. National President Edmond Gor presents certificate for Sis. Nancy Yee as "Parent of the Year" to L.A. President Annie Yee. [S. Cheng photo]
4. C.A.C.A. at Chinese-American Elected Officials (CEO) 2016 Installation. Many CEO members are also C.A.C.A. members
5. The C.A.C.A. Table at CEO, including Hon Mike Fong, Carol Kwan, John Chiang, Henry Lo, Thomas Wong, Evan Low (S.F. Bay Area Assembly).
6. Bro. George Carney with Summer Associates Angela Yang and Sharon Lu [S. Cheng photo]
7. Hon. Mike Fong officiates at annual Friends of Chinatown Library Scholarship Dinner. There were C.A.C.A. winners also: Cai, Situ, and Yin



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Lodges & L. A. Community Calendar

- **Los Angeles Lodge Meet and Fourth of July** 1st Sat. July 2, 2016. 5:30 pm to ?. *At the Lodge*. 415 Bamboo Ln, Chinatown, Annie Yee, wishbone168@hotmail.com. Al Soo-Hoo alsoohoo@msn.com: Potluck, a dish for 8-10 or \$10. Bring family & friends.
- **L.A. Lodge: 60th Anniversary: Building the Building @ 415 Bamboo**. Sun. July 10. 5:30p. *Capital Seafood*. 755 W. Garvey, MP. History of L.A. Lodge. A fundraiser at \$50 per. Tables \$500, \$1000, \$2000. cacalalodge@gmail.com or Annie, alsoohoo@msn.com
- **GSGV Monthly Meeting/Dinner**. 2d Mon. July 11, 6 p *Empress Harbor*. 111 N. Atlantic, #305, Monterey Park. John Y. Wong, jw@jwcommercial.com; Charles Mau, takmau888@gmail.com. \$15 ea. All Lodges, all Members friends welcome.
- **So. CA Oratorical Speech Contest**. Sat, Jul 30 9a, *Alhambra Unified School District, Board Room*, 1515 W Mission Rd, Alhambra, CA 91803
- **C.A.C.A. History Photo Digitizing Day** Wed. Aug 3, 2016, 10:00 am to 4:00 pm at the Los Angeles Lodge. Bring photos for scanning. Contact Susan Dickson at 626-792-8454 or give/loan digitized materials to Suellen, suellenck@aol.com and Susan, sgdickson@sbcglobal.net
- **So. CA. Times Bulletin night**. 3rd (or 4th) Wed. July 20. Items due **Sunday**, July 17, 12N. To Kwok, Winston Wu, or Philip Young. Next dates Jul. 20, Aug. 17, Sep. 14TBD, Oct. 26. pyoung90012@gmail.com, wuwins@gmail.com.

□ **Chinese American Museum (CAM)**. Tues.-Sun. 10a-3p. Free. *El Pueblo Monument* 425 N. Los Angeles St. (entrance on Sanchez St.) Pop up events: at <http://camla.org>. Til Oct: *Tales of the Distant Past: Story of the Hong Kong and Chinese Diaspora (to North America)*. A Tribute to the Tung Wah Group of Hospitals of Hong Kong.

□ **CAM & CHSSC & CFHGSC**. Save the date June 25-26, 9am for "Family History Workshop" to be held at *CSU-LA*, 5151 State University Drive L. A., Cal 90032. Later further details such as location and parking at cfhgsc@gmail.com or www.Chinesefamilyhistory.org. or CAM at www.camla.org/familyties. Will examine role of Chinese language, genealogy, and genealogy (in China) for beginners. Must register on CAM website above, \$50 for 2 days.

● **Undiscovered Chinatown Series**. Series. 1st Sat. July 2.10:30 am. Guided walking tours by BID. \$20. 213-680-0243. www.chinatownla.com

● **APABA Free Legal Advice**. 2nd Tues. at *MP Bruggemeyer Lib. Friends Room*. Check times and dates at www.apaba.org.

○ **INDEPENDENCE DAY**. July 4

● **City of Los Angeles Lotus Festival**. Sat./Sun. Jul 9-10. *Echo Park*. Free. Food, festival, fun, Dragon Boat races (maybe).

● **VIP Cantonese Opera Fundraiser: Chinese Parents of Disabled (CPAC)**. Sun. Jul. 10, 1:30p. *Rosemead High Aud*. 9063 E. Mission. Rosemead. \$\$

● **Thomas Wong for Reelection**. Wed. Jul. 13, 6p. *NBC Seafood*, 404 S. Atlantic Bl. Mont Pk, \$100 but CACA table: rickeng562@gmail.com.

● **Summer Nights**. 3d Sat. of Summer. 3d Sat. July 16, 5-12mid to *Central and West Plazas*, LA Chinatown. Performers, DJ, Foodtrucks. Free.

● **Bro Paul Wong's 3-month Touring & Trekking "Tibet Himalayas Base Camp and Other Parts of China"** Sun. July 17, 2p M.P. Lib. Free

● **LEAP Leadership Awards Gala**. Thu. Jul. 21, 5:30 p *Omni Hotel*, 251 S. Olive, L.A. \$250. RSVP by 7/6 to gtoy@leap.org.

● **CHSSC: Pilgrimage to Sing Peak Yosemite**. Jul 22-23; to Jul 27 hikers. <http://www.chssc.org/Events/Pilgrimage.aspx>

● **Chinese Family History Group (CFHGSC)**. Sat. TBD 7/23? @10a. Normally @ *L.A. Lodge* but at *CSULA* 6/25. Free but join us www.chinesefamilyhistory.org. or <http://goo.gl/GvAD9l>. [See also CAM above for Family History Workshop].