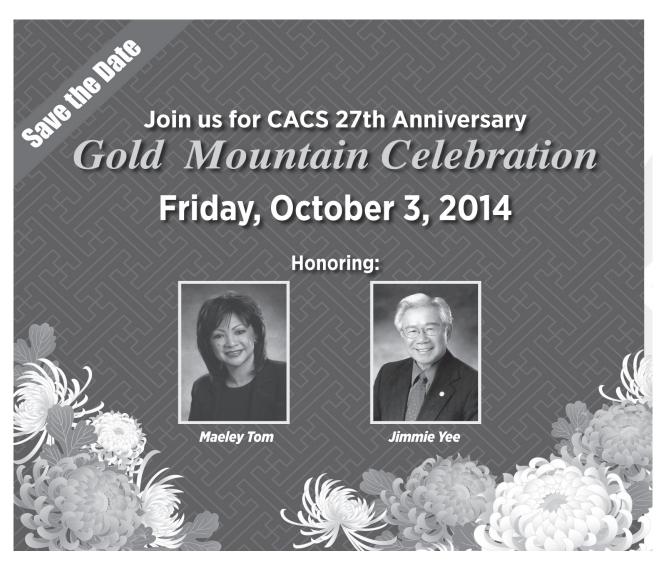
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2014 CACS Frank Fat Founder's Award Honoree and Hall Of Fame Inductee Maeley Tom & Jimmie Yee

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The Chinese American Council of Sacramento proudly acknowledges **Maeley L. Tom** and **Jimmy Yee** as this year's Gold Mountain Celebration Honorees.

Congratulations to Maeley Tom for receiving the 2014 Frank Fat Founder's Award. This prestigious annual award is presented to an individual who has been a monumental influence as a leader in the API community.

Ms. Tom currently serves on the California State Personnel Board. She spent 20 years in the California State Legislature holding the unique distinction of serving in executive ranking staff positions of both houses, Chief Administrative Officer of the California State Assembly and subsequently as the Chief of Staff to the Senate President Pro Tem.

Ms. Tom has played a major role in helping the API community unite as one voice when there was a lack of political presence in California. Ms. Tom participated in the 1988 convention where for the first time in history, US presidential candidates addressed Asian Pacific Islander American (APIA) issues in a national public forum. She has also provided API representation to the campaigns of Clinton/Gore as well as Governor Jerry Brown and was selected by President Ronald Reagan to serve on his Advisory Committee on Women's Business Ownership. She was appointed by President Bill Clinton to serve as a US delegate to the United Nations Women's World Conference Platform Committee in New York in 1995. She served on Governor Gray Davis' California Advisory Task Force on Diversity and was appointed as the first Asian American to serve on the California State Personnel Board in its 64 years history.

The 2014 CACS Hall Of Fame Inductee is Sacramento County Supervisor Jimmie Yee,

currently serving his 2nd term. He has been a major influence in the API community demonstrating his hard work and sense of integrity. Many of the landmark buildings in Sacramento can be attributed to Mr. Yee's architectural firm he started in 1966, including the Sacramento Convention Center, Capitol Bank, Riverview Plaza and Sutter General Hospital, to name a few.

In 1992, Mr. Yee was elected to three 4-year terms on the Sacramento City Council representing Council District Four. In 1999, he was unanimously selected to serve as Acting Mayor to fulfill the remainder term of the late Mayor Serna in 2000. Over the years, Mr. Yee has been active with many organizations and causes throughout the Sacramento community. He organized the first Asian bone marrow drive in the United States in 1989, resulting in more then 2,500 people registering. He is a life member of the Chinese American Council of Sacramento.

We are excited to celebrate Maeley Tom's and Supervisor Jimmie Yee's lifetime accomplishments.



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