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October 30, 2015

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October 30, 2015

Dear Friends,

Welcome to the Gold Mountain Celebration and 28th Anniversary of the Chinese American Council of Sacramento.

Founded over a quarter of a century ago by Frank Fat and a number of other Chinese community leaders, the Chinese American Council of Sacramento has built a stronger Chinese American community through leadership, civic engagement, cultural activities, and advocacy. The Chinese American Council has improved our community by contributing to a number of programs that assist children, immigrants, and schools.

I am honored to congratulate California Supreme Court Chief Justice Tani Cantil-Sakauye for receiving the 2015 Frank Fat Founder's Award. I also congratulate Sylvia Sun Minnick on her induction into the Chinese American Council of Sacramento Hall of Fame. Their leadership has greatly benefited our community, our State, and our Nation.

Best wishes for a wonderful celebration on the 28th Anniversary of the Chinese American Council of Sacramento.

Sincerely

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DORIS MATSUI

Member of Congress



October 30, 2015

Ms. Honey Lum President The Chinese American Council of Sacramento Post Office Box 22583 Sacramento, CA 95822



Dear Friends:

It is my pleasure to congratulate the Chinese American Council of Sacramento (CACS) on the occasion of the 28th Anniversary Gold Mountain Celebration.

Since its founding, CACS has served as a prominent voice for Chinese Americans in the Sacramento region. Throughout the years, the organization has raised awareness and advocated for opportunity with its active involvement in scholarship, civic, historical and cultural programs. Fostering understanding and relationships, CACS' outstanding record of service has made profound contributions to Sacramento's social landscape.

Congratulations to the CACS honorees: California Chief Justice Tani Cantil-Sakauye, recipient of the 2015 Frank Fat Founder's Award and former Stockton City Councilwoman and author Sylvia Sun Minnick, recipient of the 2015 Hall of Fame award. We are all inspired by your visionary leadership and achievements which have made an important mark in our world.

It is with a deep sense of gratitude that I extend my best wishes to the membership and friends of CACS for its dedication and accomplishments. Best wishes for continued future success.

Very truly yours,

JOHN CHIANG California State Treasurer

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October 30, 2015

Dear Guests:

It is my honor to welcome you all to the Chinese American Council of Sacramento's 28th Annual Gold Mountain Celebration. I am excited that California Chief Justice Tani Cantil-Sakauye will be awarded the Frank Fat Founder's Award, and that community advocate and author Sylvia Sun-Minnick will be inducted into the Frank Fat Hall of Fame. Both have made significant contributions to the State of California and I am thankful that CACS is recognizing them for their efforts.

Let us celebrate CACS and its 28 years of providing a voice for the Chinese Americans in the greater Sacramento area.

Sincerely,

Jim Cooper

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MAYOR

CITY OF SACRAMENTO

October 30, 2015

Greetings!

As Mayor of the city of Sacramento, it gives me great pleasure to welcome you to the 28th Anniversary Gold Mountain Celebration of the Chinese American Council of Sacramento (CACS).

On behalf of the city of Sacramento, I would like to extend my thanks to CACS for its work in the community. The efforts made to promote civic responsibility, leadership, and cultural understanding are tremendously appreciated. Our city continues to benefit from your outstanding public service and investments in our youth and Chinese American community.

I would like to recognize this evening's honorees, California Chief Justice Tani Cantil-Sakauye receiving the Frank Fat Founders Award and Sylvia Sun-Minnick being inducted into the Frank Fat Hall of Fame. Your tireless work is commendable and I thank you for outstanding contributions.

Best wishes for a memorable and successful event!

Sincerely,

Kevin Johnson Mayor



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CACS President's



Dear Friends, Community Leaders, and Sponsors,

Welcome to the Chinese American Council of Sacramento's 28th anniversary. The Gold Mountain Celebration Dinner was created in 2004 by Past President, the late Dr. Douglas Yee, to reflect the rich heritage of the Chinese in Sacramento and California. The name "Gold Mountain" or "Gum San" is the historical name the Chinese gave to California during the Gold Rush in the 1800s. With this celebration, we honor those Chinese pioneers who have contributed to the development of this region.



We congratulate Chief Justice Tani Cantil-Sakauye, recipient of the 2015 "Frank Fat Founder's Award" which is the most prestigious award given annually to someone with outstanding community service. Chief Justice Tani Cantil-Sakauye commitment to the Asian Pacific Islander community over the years is unsurpassed. In addition, we congratulate civic leader Sylvia Sun-Minnick as inductee into the CACS Hall of Fame to join other Chinese American leaders who are pioneers and have built significant foundations to bridge regional accomplishments. Both honorees significantly contribute to public policy and civic engagement to the "Quality of Life" in California's diverse communities.

My personal thanks to all of the sponsors, donors, and volunteers for your support and assistance. Your generous proceeds will support youth leadership, educational programs, and cultivate understanding and preservation of Chinese American history and culture. This year part of your funds will go towards supporting the Cantonese and Mandarin Immersion language programs in Sacramento. The programs are taught in two of Sacramento's most economically challenged neighborhoods.

Finally, my deepest appreciation for the CACS Board and Advisors for your commitment, teamwork, and dedication to accomplish our programs. I especially thank the event Co-chairs, Anne Luong and Franc Martinez for planning our dinner. Have an enjoyable evening.

Very best,

Honey Lum

2015 CACS President

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Program

Registration and Social 5:30 pm

6:30 pm **Lion Dance**

Welcome Remarks and Introductions 6:40 pm

• Honey Lum, President

• Anne Luong & Franc Martinez Gold Mountain Celebration Co-Chairs

Master of Ceremonies:

• Lonnie Wong, Reporter, KTXL - Fox 40

7:00 pm **Dinner and Entertainment**

7:30 - 9:00 pm **Presentation of**

The 2015 Frank Fat Founder's Award

• 2015 Hall of Fame Honoree

Grand Prize & Raffle Drawing

Closing Remarks

Chinese American Council of Sacramento

CACS Mission

The Chinese American Council of Sacramento is a nonprofit organization established to serve the needs of Sacramento's Chinese American Community and is committed to building a stronger Chinese American presence through leadership in advocacy, civic, and cultural activities.

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Frank Fat Founder's Award

Recipient for 2015



Chief Justice Tani Gorre Cantil-Sakauye was sworn into office on January 3, 2011 as the 28th Chief Justice of the State of California. She is the first Asian-Filipina American and the second woman to serve as the state's chief justice. At the time of her nomination, she had served more than 20 years on California trial and appellate courts, including 6 years on the Court of Appeal.

As leader of California's judicial branch of government and chair of the Judicial Council, Chief Justice Cantil-Sakauye has focused on improving the public's access to justice, building partnerships to lead the judicial branch out of the state's worst fiscal crisis since the Great Depression, and using ongoing self-assessment to improve the branch's efficiency, effectiveness, transparency, and accountability. She has also

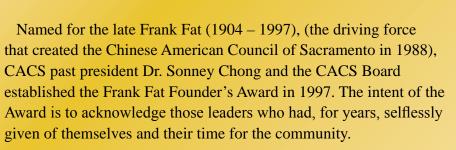
taken a leadership role in revitalizing civic learning and engagement in the state.

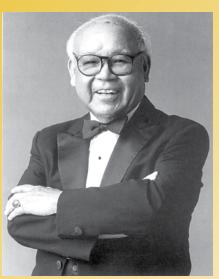
In 2013 the Chief Justice introduced Vision for Access 3D—calling for access to justice to be physical, remote, and equal. She appointed a working group to develop a plan to provide a consistent statewide approach to ensure language access for all limited English proficient court users in California. When the Judicial Council adopted the language access plan in January 2015, the Chief Justice appointed Supreme Court Associate Justice Mariano-Florentino Cuéllar to chair the Language Access Implementation Task Force. In 2014, the Chief Justice created the Futures Commission, chaired by Associate Supreme Court Associate Justice Carol A. Corrigan, to take a fresh look at the state's legal infrastructure and to recommend ways to deliver justice and court services more efficiently without compromising fairness or due process.

In another major initiative, the Chief Justice has taken a leadership role in promoting civic awareness and engagement in California. She launched the Power of Democracy initiative to promote civics literacy in California's schools. The committee overseeing the initiative includes representatives from all three levels of the California courts, the State Bar, and local bar associations, as well as local and state education organizations. The project included the California Task Force on K-12 Civic Learning, which was appointed by the Chief Justice and State Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Torlakson. The task force's final report is a blueprint to guide future policy discussions and possible legislation to improve K-12 civic learning in California. In addition, the Chief Justice, in collaboration with the State Superintendent of Public Instruction annually presents the Civic Learning Award to those schools that serve as models in promoting civics education. In 2015, California Secretary of State Alex Padilla began joining the Chief Justice in making public appearances to promote civic engagement around the state.

Introduction to

The Frank Fat Founder's Award





The Frank Fat Founder's Award is the highest award given by CACS. Only one worthy individual is presented this award at the annual CACS Gold Mountain Celebration.

Candidates for the Frank Fat Founders Award must be a member/organization of the Sacramento community in good standing and have qualities exemplifying the founding spirit of CACS, which include:

- Being a strong, positive role model for youth, demonstrating good citizenship and patriotism.
- Being a strong representative of the Asian Pacific Islander (API) community to the Greater Sacramento community.
- Display a pattern of unselfish behavior which place the well-being of the API community before personal feelings.
- Has performed outstanding service to the API community for an extended period of time.

Individuals nominated for the Frank Fat Founders Award must have demonstrated a high level of leadership, involvement, and commitment to the API community and its organizations and projects for an extended period of time; to have had extensive involvement with one or more of the following:

- **Programs/projects preserving the culture and history of the APIs.**
- Advocate for civil right issues beneficial to the rights and well-being of APIs, both locally and abroad.
- Humanitarian accomplishments benefiting the API Community.
- Constructive activities that raise the awareness of the community toward APIs.

Hall of Fame

Honoree for 2015

2015 Hall of Fame Sylvia Sun Minnick

ylvia Sun Minnick family's connection to California reaches many generations from her great grandfather who emigrated from China in 1869, her grandmother born in Oakland in 1889 and her mother in Alviso in 1912. Sylvia was born in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia and moved to the US as a young girl. She graduated from San Francisco's Lowell High School in San Francisco, received her Associate of Art Degree from San Joaquin Delta College and both her Bachelor of Arts (Magna Cum Laude) and Master of Arts (Summa Cum Laude) in History at the California State University of Sacramento. Sylvia's has since touched on many fields in her life: She has been a research historian, author, educator and publisher. She

retired as a California State employee working for departments such as Caltrans, Corrections, Parks & Recreation and ending her career at the State as Assistant Director of Aging. Sylvia is an author of the following books: the criticallyacclaimed SAMFOW: The San Joaquin Chinese Legacy; Stockton's Chinese Community and Stockton Crown Jewel: The Bob Hope/Fox California and her latest novel Never a Burnt Bridge: A Personal Memoir. Sylvia is seen as an activist applying wisdom and wit, sprinkling humor in her lectures and analogies in her writings. She is the first Asian-American woman to be elected to Stockton's City Council. During her 2 years with the Council she organized graffiti paint-out projects, created an International Business Etiquette seminar, won two commercial lawsuits against unethical landlords housing drug dealers and prostitutes and began a quality of life clean-up for the residential and commercial sections of downtown Stockton. Sylvia holds memberships in many historic and Chinese organizations. Her toughest and most sustaining effort was the establishment of the non-profit Quan Ying Foundation. It was created to salvage and renovate a dilapidated historical building that had been home to squatters. Quan Ying Low Income Senior Apartments provides housing, security and wellness for Stockton's downtown Chinese and other nationalities. Sylvia's attributes and accomplishments include: First female president of the all-male Chinese Benevolent Association of Stockton the first Asian elected to Stockton City Council; the first woman admitted to the all-male Yosemite Club (founded in 1888). She has been recognized with: 2000 Stockton Chinese Citizen of the Year and the 1994 CSUS Alumni Distinguished Service Award.

CACS is proud to honor Ms. Minnick with the 2015 CACS Hall of Fame Award.

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Frank Fat Founder's Award Recipients



Previous

Hall of Fame Honorees





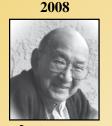
















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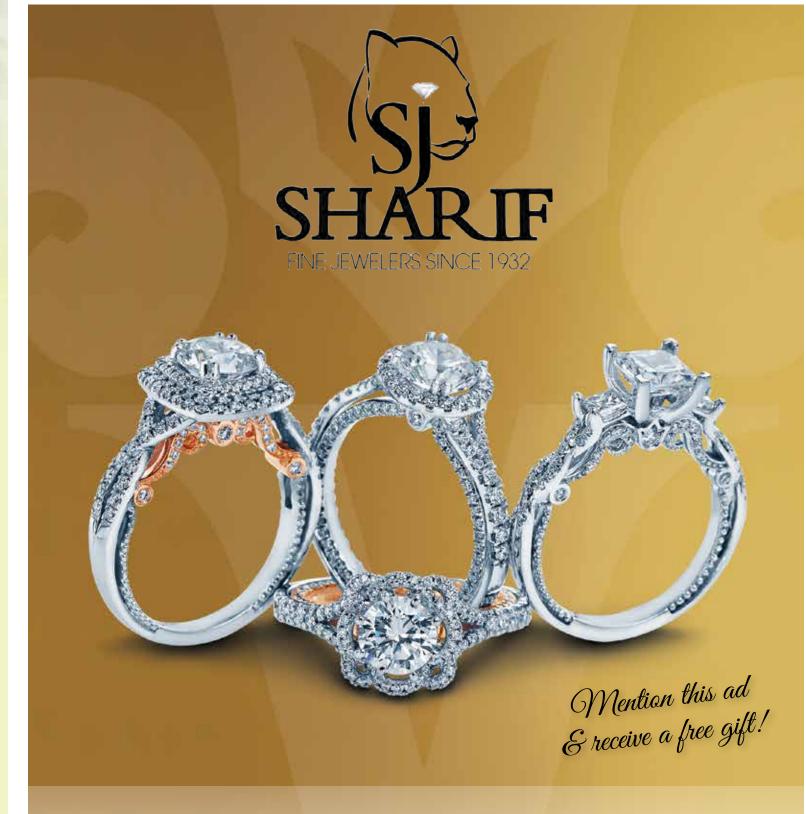
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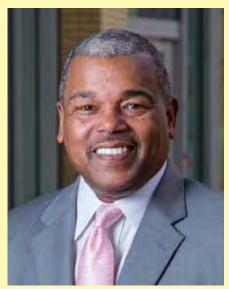
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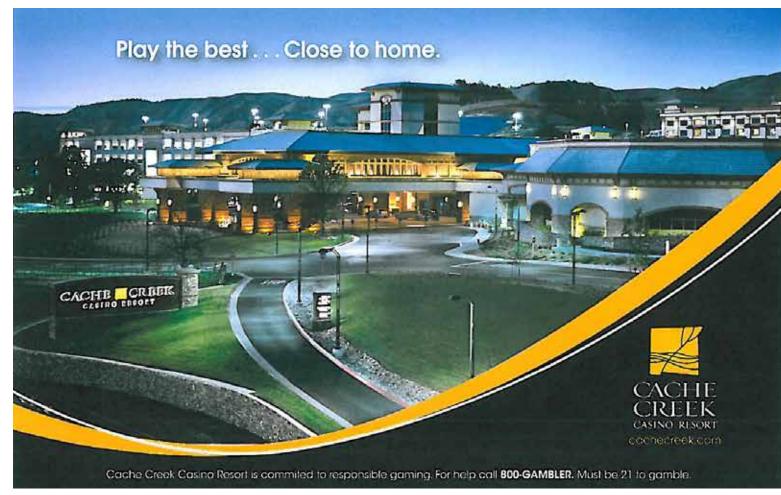












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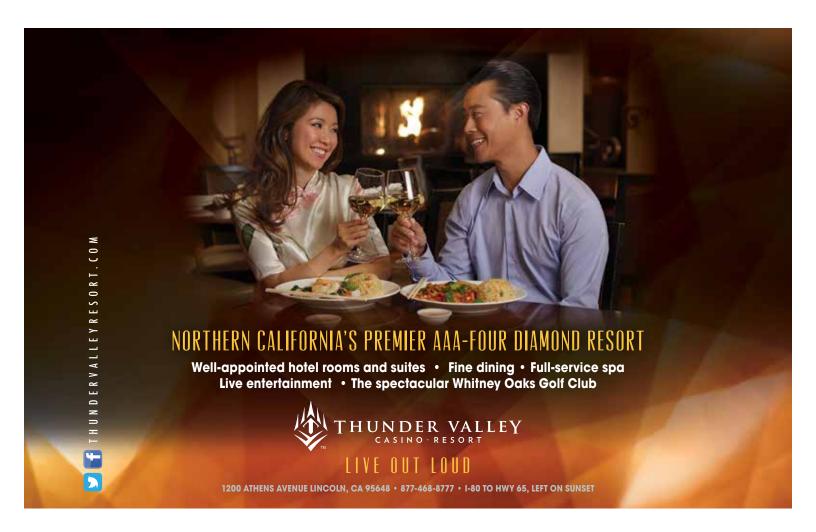
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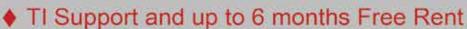
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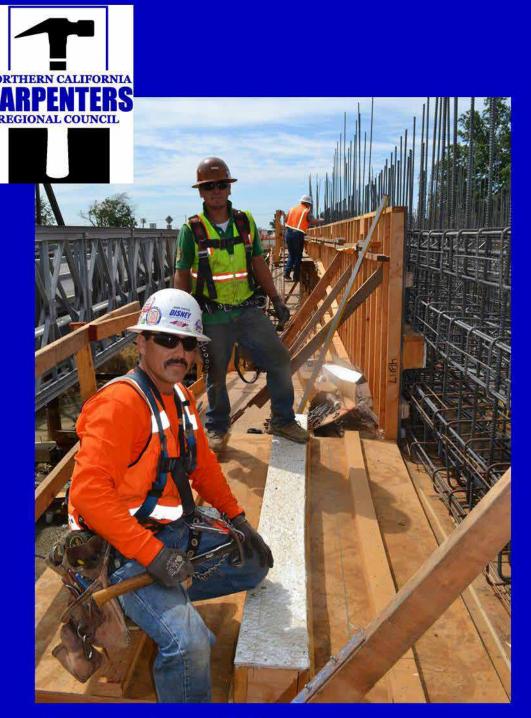
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