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Friday, October 11, 2019 New Happy Garden Restaurant



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October 11, 2019

Dear Friends,

I am pleased to welcome you to the Chinese American Council of Sacramento's (CACS) Annual Gold Mountain Celebration.

The Chinese American Council of Sacramento has been an inspiring voice of the Chinese and greater API community in Sacramento for decades. Through the organization's important advocacy for social justice and rights for the greater API community, CACS has been able to ensure that our cultural heritages are preserved and honored.

I would like to also extend my sincerest commendations to the evening's honorees. Congratulations to this year's Hall of Fame Honoree, Mary Tsukamoto. Her memory and legacy continue to be honored by everyone in our community. Congratulations to Frank Fat Founder's Awardee, Stephanie Nguyen, whose leadership and advocacy has positively impacted the lives of so many. Tonight's honorees are pillars in our community, and they embody the spirit and goals of the Chinese American Council of Sacramento.

Please accept my best wishes for a wonderful evening. I trust it will be a great event.

Sincerely,

Doris O. Matsui

Member of Congress

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October 11, 2019

Dear Friends:

On behalf of the Asian and Pacific Islander (API) Legislative Caucus, I am pleased to welcome you to the Chinese American Council of Sacramento (CACS) Annual Gold Mountain Celebration.

For over thirty years, CACS has made a significant impact in the Sacramento region through their philanthropic efforts and support of cultural, historical and language programs. This organization's commitment to promoting awareness of the contributions of Chinese Americans and other Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders is to be commended.

The API Legislative Caucus congratulates the scholarship recipients who have demonstrated their creativity and compassion on the topic of diversity and inclusion. We also extend our congratulations to Elk Grove Councilmember Stephanie Nguyen, recipient of the Frank Fat's Founder's Award and educator and civil rights activist Mary Tsukamoto, awarded as a Hall of Fame Honoree.

We appreciate the impressive and important work of CACS and send our best wishes for a wonderful celebration!

Sincerely,

David Chin

DAVID CHIU Assemblymember, 17th A.D. Chair, API Legislative Caucus

California Legislature

Dear Friends,

It is our distinct honor to welcome you to the Chinese American Council of Sacramento's (CACS) Gold Mountain Celebration. Thank you to the CACS Foundation, sponsors, and all the incredible people who helped make this event possible.

Tonight, we celebrate two API women who embody the tenacity and passion woven into the collective API experience. Mary Tsukamoto's legacy as a staunch advocate and firebrand will endure both in our community and across the nation. Stephanie Nguyen, the first API woman to serve on the Elk Grove City Council, continues to be a champion for our immigrant and refugee populations throughout the greater Sacramento region. Congratulations to the honorees and family members!

Gold Mountain represents the curiosity and gumption which led Chinese immigrants to California during the Gold Rush. As we come together tonight and celebrate the impactful work of CACS and the entire API community in Sacramento, we are humbled by the openness of CACS to the waves of immigrants who continue to travel to California in search of a brighter future. Your commitment to empowering and serving those in need uplifts us all.

Thank you again to CACS and the hard working members of the Foundation, community volunteers, and sponsors for making this great event happen each year. Enjoy the celebration!

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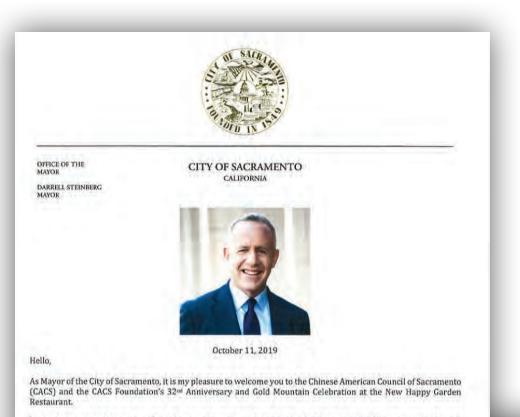
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Congratulations and thank you for 32 years of service and dedication to Sacramento's API community through leadership, advocacy, cultural and historical activities and awareness. I commend CACS for continuing to be the voice for this community and addressing legislation that impacts social justice, discrimination, human rights, and voter education for all.

I would also like to thank the organizers, sponsors and planners whose contributions will assure the success of this year's event. On behalf of the City of Sacramento, I welcome you all and extend best wishes for a memorable event and many more years of service!

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Darrell Steinberg Mayor, City of Sacramento

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> On behalf of the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors, I am pleased to join the efforts in congratulating the Chinese American Council of Sacramento on tonight's annual Gold Mountain Celebration.

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Founded under the leadership of Frank Fat and several leaders of the Chinese community, the Chinese American Council of Sacramento has worked diligently for more than three decades to preserve and promote Chinese American heritage as well as contributed in many ways to the prosperity of the greater Sacramento community through advocacy for social justice, efforts to build cultural understanding and promote continuous civic engagement.

On behalf of the Board, it gives me great pleasure to congratulate this year's honorees:

Frank Fat Founder's Award to Stephanie Nguyen and Hall of Fame Honoree to Mary Tsukamoto.

The above-mentioned honorees are exemplary leaders that have shown dedicated service to the community. Please accept congratulations behalf of the Board of Supervisors for a notable celebration.

Sincerely, al

PATRICK D. KENNEDY Sacramento County Supervisor Board Chair PATRICK KENNEDY SUPERVISOR SECOND DISTRICT

Presidents' Message

Greetings Community Leaders, Friends and Sponsors of the Chinese American Council of Sacramento:

Welcome to our annual Gold Mountain Celebration dinner event this year. It is our honor to induct posthumously Mary Tsukamoto into the CACS Hall of Fame for her tireless work for civil liberties. As a civil rights activist she played a crucial role in grassroots efforts leading to the passage of the Civil Liberties Act of 1988.

Tonight, we honor Ms. Stephanie Nguyen, with the 2019 Frank Fat Founder's Lifetime Achievement Award. Ms. Nguyen's leadership as Executive Director of the Asian Resources, Inc. and the first Asian American women to serve on the Elk Grove City Council has done much to address issues and programs critical in the API Community.

This year CACS Foundation is very excited to introduce the inaugural CACS Scholarships. 3 very talented students from John F Kennedy High School will be winners of the scholarships.

Congratulations to our honorees and winners!

We extend our personal thanks to each of the CACS Council and CACS Foundation Board Members and Advisors. Their dedication and commitment help to achieve meaningful outcomes and fulfill our respective goals as we build a stronger community.

Finally, we thank you! Have an enjoyable evening.



Alex Eng 2019 President

Chinese American Council of Sacramento

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Cathy Wei 2019 President CACS Foundation





New Happy Garden Restaurant 5731 Stockton Blvd, Sacramento, CA 95824 October 11, 2019

	5:30pm	Registration and Social
	6:30pm	Welcome Remarks
2	7:00pm	Dinner
- 1/10 -	7:30pm	Presentation of 2019 Awards Presentation of CACS Scholarship
1	8:30pm	Grand Prizes and Raffle Drawing

Closing Remarks

Masters of Ceremonies

• Lonnie Wong

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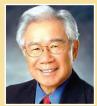
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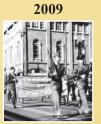
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Philip Choy



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Frank Fat



Dr. Edna Mae Fong





Dr. Henry Yee

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Frank Fat Founder's Award Honoree for 2019 Stephanie Nguyen



As the Executive Director for Asian Resources, Inc. (ARI), Stephanie Nguyen has dedicated her career to ensuring that the underserved and the low-income communities have access to resources and have the adequate support that will get them one step closer to self-sufficiency. In an era of diminished resources, She currently manages 4 facilities that provide services to the low income community. Stephanie thrives on expanding the possibilities for community development by emphasizing creative ways to use existing resources more effectively.

Prior to ARI, Stephanie was the Director of the Sacramento Asian Pacific Chamber (SAC C) Foundation where she implemented programs that would help build and develop leadership skills for young Asian Pacific Islanders (API) understands their individual strengths. The goal was to increase the quality of API leaders in Sacramento. In addition, she fostered relationships with donors to invest their charitable donations to worthy programs that would cultivate the underserved communities.

Stephanie credits her life experiences from growing up in a lowincome family household to her professional experience where she has

built the drive and passion to continue to work in the community to bridge the gap between those less fortunate than her to resources that can help them become sufficient

Stephanie's passion for the community and social justice includes serving in a leadership capacity for several organizations in Sacramento. Stephanie has served on the

District Attorney's Multi Cultural Council, California Exposition Cultural Advisory Council, OCA and the Pacific Rim Street Festival Foundation. She is currently on the Sheriffs

Community Advisory Board, Vice Chair for the Council of Asian Pacific Islander Together for Advocacy and Leadership (CAPITAL), Advisor to the Full Circle Project and To'utupu'o e'out Felenite Association (TOFA) and a member of the JuvenileJustice Commission.

On February 2, 2017, Stephanie was unanimously appointed to serve as the Councilmember for District 4 in the City of Elk Grove making her the first Asian women to serve as a Councilmember for the City of Elk Grove. On November 6, 2018 she was elected with 65 of votes to continue her term as the only women on the Elk Grove City Council.

Hall of Fame Honoree for 2019

2019 Hall of Fame Mary Dakuzaku Tsukamoto

A mary Dakuzaku Tsukamoto (1915 – 1998) born in San Francisco to parents from Okinawa. When she was ten years old, the family moved to Florin, California and grew strawberries and grapes. Mary and her brother and sisters attended the segregated Florin Grammar School. Mary's ultimate decision to become a teacher was heavily influenced by a kind and caring high school teacher, Mabel Barron, who helped her attend the College of the Pacific in Stockton, CA. In December 1941 Japan bombed Pearl Harbor and the United States entered World War II. Fear, panic, racism, prejudice, greed, and lack of political leadership resulted in the forced removal and imprisonment of 120,000 Americans of Japanese

ancestry from the west coast. Over 70% were American citizens. Most lost their farms, homes and property. The hardship and humiliation of being imprisoned fueled much of Mary's passion for justice as a teacher, community leader, and civil rights activist. Mary, an articulate leader worked tirelessly for civil liberties. She played a crucial role in grassroots efforts leading to the passage of the Civil Liberties Act of 1988. The redress bill allowed the U.S. government to apologize for "the grave injustice ... to both citizens and permanent residents of Japanese ancestry..." and to provide compensation for..." the incalculable losses in education and job training, all of which resulted in significant human suffering for these fundamental violations of basic civil liberties and constitutional rights of these individuals of Japanese ancestry..." Mary was honored at the National JACL Convention in 1992, 1997 the CA Site Senate designated as a Notable Californian, 2005 the National Women's history Project honored her. The consummate educator, Mary knew the power of learning from experience, knowing the history, and sharing the stories of people's lives. Mary taught in Elk Grove for 26 years. In 1992 the Mary Tsukamoto Elementary School is a tribute to Mary's work in establishing cultural and educational programs. Mary's hope for the future to use the Japanese incarceration experience, the courage, resilience, and patriotism of these people unjustly placed in concentration camps. Her strong belief in community, culture, and history, remains through the Japanese-American Collection at Sacramento State University, her book, We the People: A Story of Internment in America. (co-author Elizabeth Pinkerton), Time of Remembrance Program at the California History Museum "never again" should citizens lose their fundamental rights. CACS is honored to induct Mary into CACS 2019 Hall of Fame.





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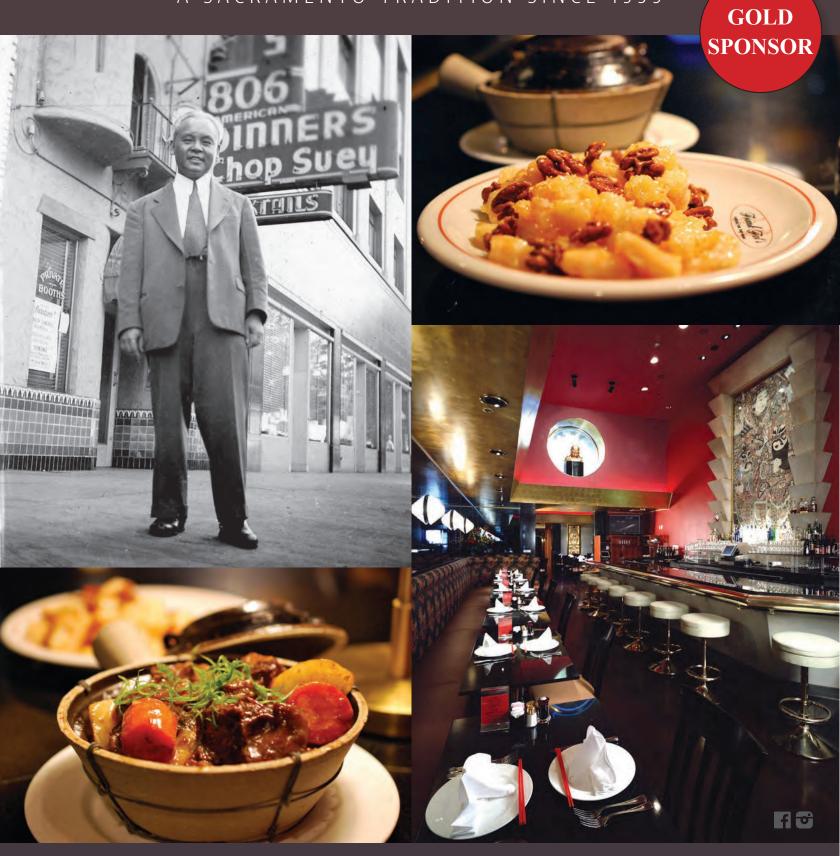
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