



Chinese American Council of Sacramento & CACS Foundation

May 2019

CACS Foundation and Locke Foundation Jointly Present

Author Lecture Event

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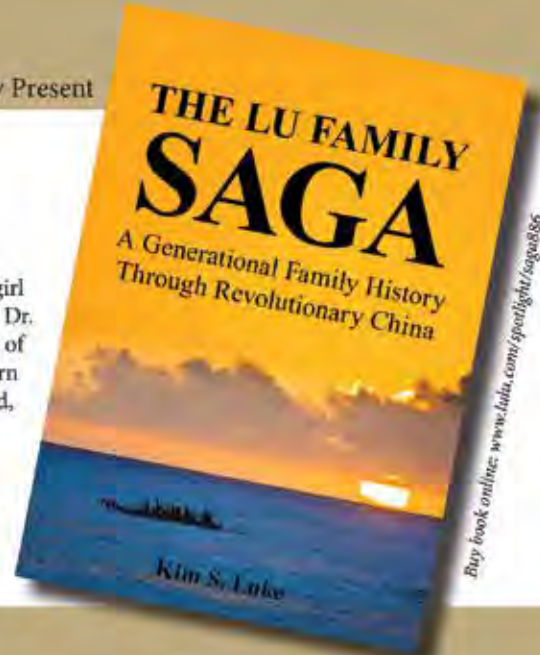
Kim Luke



The Lu Family Saga is an autobiography of a young girl whose great-grandfather, Lu Haodong, plotted alongside Dr. Sun Yat-sen to overturn the feeble Qing Dynasty, the last of the Chinese Dynasties. Generations later, the girl was born into a world still in turmoil. She and her family struggled, suffered, and survived.

Join us to meet a local author Kim Luke, who made Sacramento home after escaping Revolutionary China.

Hor d'oeuvres, tea and refreshments will be served.



Buy book online: www.lulu.com/spotlight/sagus86

Date: Saturday, June 1, 2019

Time: 1:00pm to 3:00pm

Special introduction by Roger Fong (former Sacramento County Assessor).

Book signing by author after lecture

Location: Jan Ying Museum, 13947 Main Street, Locke, CA 95690

(Locke is less than 1 mile north of Walnut Grove on the River Road)

Fee: \$15.00 per person

RSVP/information: Joyce Eng at 916-995-1186, or jeng916@sbcglobal.net



Fashion in Tradition

The Chinese American Council of Sacramento Foundation and the Folsom Historical Society will present "Fashion in Tradition," a benefit Chinese fashion show and luncheon on Sunday, July 21, from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Happy Garden Restaurant, 5731 Stockton Boulevard, in Sacramento.

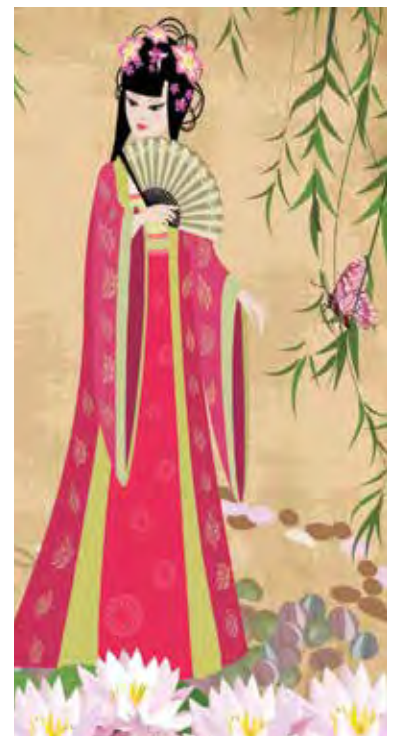
The fashion show will present exquisitely embroidered Chinese garments from the private collection of Karun Yee, dating back to the Qing dynasty (1644-1912). Garments and photographs from the archives of the Folsom History Museum will also be presented. The luncheon will feature fine Chinese Mandarin and Cantonese dishes.

Proceeds from the event will benefit the restoration of the historically significant

Chan House, home of the future Chinese Heritage Museum in historic Folsom. The Chinese Heritage Museum will join the family of Folsom Historical Society museums, which include the Folsom History Museum (823 Sutter St.) and Pioneer Village, an outdoor interpretive center (196 Wool St.)

The Chinese Heritage Museum is being established to recognize the many contributions the Chinese have made in Folsom and California. Those contributions will be on display in the Chan House at 719 Sutter Street, which was the home of Howard Chan Sr. and Mabel Chan, descendants of Oak Chin Chan, a Chinese immigrant who arrived in Folsom in 1852 and became a prominent business man and the Chinese

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Foundation President Cathy Wei, scholarship recipient Zernaz Waig and Council President Alex Eng

APSEA Scholarship Winner

On Wednesday, May 1, 2019, CACS Council and Foundation sponsored Zernaz Waig, from Armijo High School, with a \$1,000 scholarship and 1/2 table at the APSEA Annual Scholarship Gala at the Tsakopoulos Library Galleria. Zernaz is multilingual and has traveled to Greece and Afghanistan to translate for refugees. Her ability to converse in other languages is a valuable asset throughout her volunteer work at the Lao Family Community Development, Arman Hope Foundation, and Fairfield Youth Commission. Zernaz plans to pursue a degree in business administration and nursing.



Honey Lum, Mona Pasquil, Yen Marshall, Alex Eng, Joyce Eng, Sandy Louey and Lucy Oback



CACS Council and the CACS Foundation supports ARI Inc Lunar New Years dinner held at the Happy Garden Restaurant on 1/31/2019. Assembly-member Jim Cooper and Nilda Valmores of My Sister's House were the honorees that evening! Both Assemblymembers Cooper and Evan Low both donated \$5,000 each to ARI Inc!



ARI Inc. Lunar New Years honorees Nilda Valmores of My Sister's House and Assemblymember Jim Cooper

Foundation President's Message

Dear CACS Members and Friends,

After a long and wet winter, we started the spring of 2019 with fully stocked reservoirs and ready for a prosperous year. CACS Foundation started the 501 (c) 3 application three years ago in May of 2016. Coincidentally, our federal nonprofit tax-exempt status was finally approved on October 12, 2018 – the date we held our Gold Mountain Celebration last year! With the 501(c) 3 status, CACS Foundation is enhanced with more opportunities and resources to carry on our mission.

CACS Foundation will continue our focus of historical, cultural and educational activities. We are planning quite a few exciting events for you. On June 1, CACS Foundation will join forces with Locke Foundation to present an interesting author lecture event, featuring Kim Luke, a past President of CACS and her new book "The Lu Family Saga: A Generational Family History Through Revolutionary China". On July 21, don't miss our 2nd annual "Fashion in Tradition" Chinese fashion show and luncheon, benefiting the future Folsom Chinese Heritage Museum and Folsom Historical Society.

With the 150th anniversary of the Transcontinental Railroad, 2019 brings the most significant national recognition of Chinese American achievements. CACS Foundation

will be part of the Crocker Art Museum's Race to Promontory Exhibition and family festival day on June 23.

Please save the date for our signature Gold Mountain Celebration on Friday, October 11, 2019. More detailed information about all of our events is inside this newsletter or on our website www.CACSweb.org.

Our programs depend on your generosity. Your donation will be fully tax-deductable now!

We are also calling for your help! Come and volunteer at our many exciting and rewarding activities. If you have any suggestions or ideas for CACS Foundation, please feel free to contact me at cweidesign@gmail.com.

All of our Best,



Cathy Wei

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CACS Foundation, President

Sacramento County History Day

By Karun Yee

The History Day program is designed to promote interest in history by developing skills in historical research and critical thinking including improving reading, writing and presentation skills.

This year's theme is "Triumph and Tragedy". It provides the students with the opportunity to examine many topics and learn how people and groups overcame conflict and worked together to solve problems. This day brings together the hard work and effort the team members, parents and their coaches in producing an exhibit they can be proud of.

The project categories were posters, documentaries, essays, websites, and dramatic performance. Judging was based on 60% historical quality, 20 % presentation, and 20% on adherence to the theme and special award focus.

The age range was grades 4-5, 6-8 and 9-12. The students and exhibits are required to be present facing a panel of judges. Over 22 schools and over 200 students participated in this special learning experience.

The pleasure of meeting and talking with so many talented students started 8 am at Inderkum High School on March 2, 2019. Special judge orientation started well over a week prior viewing websites and documentaries online. Actual interviews were done during the day followed by the awards ceremony in the late afternoon.

I am proud to announce the winners of the Chinese American Council of Sacramento Foundation special awards; Christina Yao for a poster; "The Great Chinese Famine".

Seira Landrum and Olivia Lee for an exhibit; "The Great Mao Xedong and Distribution of the Chinese People". Holly Yang for a dramatization; "Love and Legacy of Soong Ching Ling". Her outstanding performance of the cultural revolution as seen through the eyes of the wife of Sun Yet Sen was a unique peek into Chinese history.

If you have a free Saturday, I would like to invite members of the CACS Foundation to participate in this worthwhile endeavor to encourage our youth to examine history carefully. In the past, Alex Eng, Honey Lum, Brenda Fong, Doug and Karun Yee have served as special award judges.



Fashion in Tradition 2018

By Karun Yee

How you dress gives everyone the first impression of you. That's how people the world over could tell your status in life, unless of course, you were in disguise and were trying to fool someone. Our Chinese fashion show was inspired by this idea. One focus the Chinese American Council of Sacramento Foundation is Historical Preservation. We partnered with the Fiddletown Preservation Society to put a new roof on the Chew Kee herb store. By producing an unusual and fun event, we wanted to increase awareness for this important community project. Karun and Doug Yee collected antique Chinese embroidered robes (plus Joyce Eng) and thought this would be a good opportunity to educate our friends about their historical significance.

On July 14, 2018, CACS and FPS gathered 150 people to witness this beautiful collection and have a delicious lunch at Happy Garden Restaurant. The Chew Kee herb store is the only standing Chinese built rammed-earth store with original contents intact from the 1850s. The show was rehearsed by our models: Anne Leong, Julie Nyugen, Nancy Yee, Julia Yee, Kaeli Kaneshiro, Debra Balagtas, Brenda Fong, Katie Kaneshiro under the guidance of wardrobe mistress Betty Louie and Sue Maggio. The great team of Merlayna Yee Chin and Beth Squire checked guests in. A brief history of Fiddletown was presented. A scrumptious lunch was served. We began the show with Cathy Wei's Chinese history of fashion slide show. Every dynasty had a different style from the Han to the Qing, a period of over 2000 years. From plain to elaborate embellishments marked the time period with unusual fabrics, hairstyles and footwear (bound feet). Karun presented some of her collection in the form of slides because of the fragile nature of the clothing. The parade of models showed each article of clothing emphasizing

ing the delicate artistry. Karun explained what the embroidered symbols meant like the dragon, phoenix, butterflies, bats, various flowers and Buddhist signs.

We also had help from the American Cancer Society Discovery Shop in Lauren Anderson, Bernice Woo, the Fiddletown Preservation Society in Beth Squire, Janet Migliore, Alice Kaiser, Duncan Herring, Rhea Irvine and The Shen Yun Group. Previous promotion of the event was a radio spot with Jim Chong and Karun. A TV Channel 31 spot with Courtney Dempsey, Brenda Fong and Karun on Monday July 9 was a fun experience for both of us. Newspaper articles in Currents thanks to Patty Fong, Locke newsletter (Stuart Walthall,) and API news (Dennis Lee) were printed. The CACS Foundation board was proud to promote this endeavor; John Cho, Franc Martinez, Doug Hsai, Cathy Wei, Honey Lum, Brenda Fong, Greg Jung, Merlayna Yee-Chin, and Karun Yee.

Fashion in Tradition

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mayor of Folsom. The Chan family first rented the property in the 1920s but was not allowed to purchase the home until 1943 when the Chinese Exclusion Act was repealed. Howard Chan, Jr. and June Chan grew up in the home and are still local residents.

Folsom's Chinese history is featured in the Folsom History Museum's newest exhibit, "The Chinese Legacy in Folsom," which runs from May 4 through September 1.

Tickets for the fashion show and luncheon are \$50 per person. They can be purchased online at www.folsomhistoricalsociety.org/events, or by telephone at 916/ 985-2707 between 11 a.m. and 4 p.m., Tuesday through Sunday. The Folsom Historical Society is a 501(c)(3) corporation.



2019 GMC Co-Chair Aubrie Fong and 2017-2019 CACS Foundation President Cathy Wei



2019 CACS Council President Alex Eng and 2019 GMC Co-Chair Greg Jung



MC Sharon Ito and Lonnie Wong



2018 Honorees My Sister's House - Community Service Award, CC Yin & APAPA - FFF Award, & Dan & Tom Chan of General Produce, HOF Honorees



2018 GMC Guest including Nilda Valmores, Community Service Honoree from My Sister's House, Dr. Sonney Chong, Police Chief Daniel Hahn, Councilmen Rick Jennings, Joe Debbs, Linda Lui, Maeley Tom and Sau Vuong



Susan McKee presenting a resolution to 2018 Hall of Fame honoree CC Yin of APAPA



Karun Yee, Cathy Wei and Honey Lum presenting the Hall of Fame Award to Dan and Tom Chan of General Produce



Board of Directors Aubrie Fong, Brenda Fong, Charlie Moy and Joyce Eng

Golden Generation



CACS showcasing traditional Chinese attire. Chinese tradition meets Aztec dancers at the Crocker Art Museum New Year's Celebration, Global Village display, December 31, 2018.

Council News



CACS Council President Alex Eng and Vice President Honey Lum with Senator Jim Nielsen supports the Invictus Youth Foundation at the Happy Garden Seafood Restaurant on Thursday, April 25, 2019.



Martin Luther King March on 1/21/19 supported by Edith Crawford, Steve Maganini (retired Sac Bee reporter), CC Yin, CACS Board Directors Honey Lum, and Douglas Hsia.

Council Presidents Message

Greetings Fellow CACS Members, Friends, and Loyal Supporters!

The new era of Honorable Frank Fat's legacy lives on! The formation of the CACS Foundation and the CACS Council is working well.

My thanks to Board member and Secretary Keith Johnson, who, through his experience, expertise, and infinite patience, has been guiding us through this period of adjustment. His efforts to ensure that we adhere to the guidelines required of the two organizations has been no small challenge!

Many thanks to Honey Lum, Cathy Wei, and Joyce Eng for their leadership for the last two years; and to the continued loyal support of you, our CACS members as we negotiate these unknown waters!

The Council welcomes, Aubrie Fong (Staff, Assembly member Kevin McCarty), Harry He (Elk Grove Democrats), and Douglas Hsia (Locke Foundation) into its ranks! We look forward to your new perspectives and vitality!

Under the guidance of advisor Kim Tucker (Impact Foundry) the rebuilding of the Council looks very promising! Kim was the moderator for the 2019 Council Retreat and will be following up in the following months.

Please check on the CACS website (cacsweb.org) periodically for the latest news on our progress and the latest word on what is going on in the community.

Warmest Regards,



Alex Eng, 2019 President



Chinese American Council of Sacramento board members attended the Northern California Time of Remembrance at the California Museum to honor Floyd Shimomura and Dr. Maki for their work on the 1988 Redress and apology by US Government (President Ronald Reagan) for incarcerating the Japanese during WW II. Attendees included CACS Officers Honey Lum, Joyce and Alex Eng with Florin JACL Officers Murielle Tsukamoto, Christine Umeda with Honorees Floyd Shimomura (Former JACL National President) and Dr. Mitchell T. Maki.



CACS attended the APAPA Legislative reception on Jan. 28, 2019, at the Sutter Club. Pictured, Cathy Wei, Douglas Hsia, Assembly Member David Chiu, Senator Ling Ling Chang and Honey Lum.

2019 INTERNSHIP & SCHOLARSHIP AWARDEES



FAJAR AKHTER

“A PASSION TO THRIVE IN SERVICE OF OTHERS.”

Fajar is pursuing a political science major at UC Irvine. She helps to lead the local Key Club as part of the Division Leadership Team at district conventions, and enjoys connecting with other students to engage them in meaningful service projects.

CACS Council and Foundation sponsors the \$1,000 APAPA Internship Award for Fajar Akhter to participate as an intern at the State Capitol this summer. Fajar Akhter is pursuing a Political Science major at UC Irvine. She helps to lead the local Key Club as part of the Division Leadership Team at district conventions, and enjoys connecting with other students to engage them in meaningful service projects.



APAPA Internship Awards

By Jim T. Chong

The Annual APAPA Shining Stars 2019 Gala is put together to honor and acknowledge the Interns in order to highlight, advance, and support the future leaders. The event held at the Grand Sheraton in Sacramento was filled with hundreds of people to congratulate the APAPA interns this past year. The CACS is glad to be a Silver Sponsor at this great event and we are proud to have been able to meet one of the students which we were teamed with. The event had many incredible speakers including the State Controller, Betty

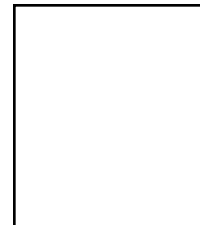
Yee and community leaders as shown on the two photos. Dr Ron Jan, Dr. Sonney Chong, Elk Grove School Board Bobby Singh, Elk Grove City Council Stephanie Nguyen, SCIFA President Linda Liu, SMUD representative Estaban Nava, and CACS Board Members Jim Chong, Honey Lum, Douglas Hsia, and Greg Jung other CACS members and community leaders..

The persistent and consistent support of a community is so vital to the future of where we will be...specifically as Chinese Americans.



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Gold Mountain Celebration
on Friday, October 11, 2019
at New Happy Garden Restaurant

Celebrating

Elk Grove City Council Member & Executive Director of ARI, Inc

Stephanie Nguyen

Civil Rights Activist

Mary Tsukamoto

(Posthumous Award)

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