

# **OO SYAK GEE LU SOCIETY NEWSLETTER**

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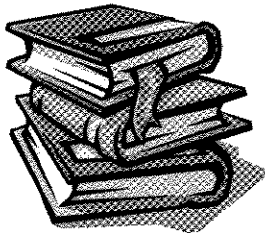


***Oo Syak Gee Lu Society***  
***Founded December 1897, Incorporated 1955***

Website Address: [www.geocities.com/echang55](http://www.geocities.com/echang55)

## **IT'S SCHOLARSHIP TIME AGAIN**

### **FOUR SCHOLARSHIPS TO BE AWARDED IN 2005**



**I**n its seventh year, four \$1000 scholarships will again be awarded to deserving Oo Syak Gee Lu Society student members. As usual, there is very little effort needed to complete the application form. However, starting this year, the application forms are not attached. You will find the forms on our Oo Syak web site at [www.geocities.com/echang55](http://www.geocities.com/echang55).

Parents, grandparents, uncles and aunts, please tell your applicant to visit the web site to copy the forms. The completed application form and high school or college transcript can be scanned and submitted as an e-mail attachment or mailed. Originals are not necessary.

If you are not yet a member, you can still apply for membership before the May 21, 2005 scholarship application deadline. To apply for Oo Syak Gee Lu Society membership, please call Ed Chang at 623-5910 (H) or 543-4227(W). The one-time membership application fee is just \$5.

Please don't wait until the last minute. Get your scholarship application in way before the May 21, 2005 deadline. The winners will be introduced at our July 9, 2005 Scholarship Awards Dinner. The location and other details will be announced later.

## OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS FOR THE YEAR 2005

Officers and Directors for 2005 are as follows:

President:	Edith P.S. Won
1 <sup>st</sup> VP:	Kenneth K.C. Chang
2 <sup>nd</sup> VP:	Gertrude C. Yee
Treasurer:	Daryl H. K. Hu
English Sec.:	Constance K.H. Mark
Chinese Sec.:	Wah Chock Chang
Directors:	Mildred Ai-Chang
	Alvin G.K. Chang
	Christine M. Chang
	Donna N. Chang
	Edmund W. K. Chang
	Ellen M. Chang
	Margaret M.H. Chang
	Wah Jip Chang
	Harold K. C. Hu
	Raymond K. H. Young
	Maile K. Chang (ex-officio)

Congratulations to Edith Won and the rest of the Officers and Directors.



Officers l-r: Front: Edith Won, Kenneth Chang, Trudy Yee; Back: Connie Mark, Daryl Hu, and Wah Chock Chang.



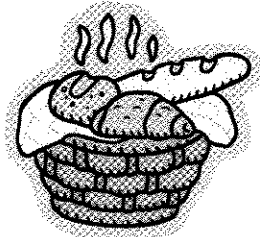
The Oo Syak Board of Directors.

## 2005 ANNUAL BANQUET

The Oo Syak Gee Lu Society Annual Banquet will be on Saturday, August 13, 2005, starting sharply at 5:30 p.m. and will be held again at the Hee Hing Restaurant at 449 Kapahulu Ave. Again, our society will be supplementing the cost of the banquet. For a member to purchase a table, the cost is \$150.00. In case a whole table cannot be purchased the cost is \$15.00 per member and \$30.00 for non-member guests. We strongly encourage all members to purchase whole tables. The price is right, and it creates less confusion for the banquet committee.

Unfortunately, the Hee Hing Restaurant table limit is 42. Reservations and payment will be on a "first come, first served" basis. Once the 42 tables are reserved, no further reservations will be taken.

To make reservations, call Connie Mark at 455-5221, as soon as possible. Mail your checks to Connie Mark, 2386 Auhuhu Street, Pearl City, HI 96782. The payment check must be received no later than 7 calendar days after the reservations are taken. If not, your table reservation will be cancelled.



The menu includes an 8-course Chinese dinner plus rice & dessert. The courses are as follows:

- Diced Winter melon Soup
- Steamed Fresh Salmon with Black Bean Sauce
- Boneless Duck with traditional Jai
- Taro Pot Roast Pork
- Steamed Chicken with regular Ham & Greens
- Stuffed Black Mushroom with Fishcake
- Honey Walnut Shrimp
- Scallop Taro Puff

### **CHENG FAMILY 2810<sup>th</sup> YEAR CELEBRATION IN ZHENGHOU**

**M**ember Basilio Chen traveled from San Francisco to give the Board and guests a PowerPoint presentation on January 23, 2005 of his experiences at the Cheng Family celebration. His presentation was very informative providing the audience with much family information.



The previous photo is of Basilio Chen during his presentation.

### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS ARE NOW "CLOSED"**



**I**n a special Board of Directors (BOD) meeting on March 26, 2005, the Board of Directors voted to "close" the quarterly meetings to the members. The vote was 8 yes, 7 no, and 1 abstained to close the BOD meetings.

However, it was decided to invite the members to lunch only after the meeting. The BOD meeting is scheduled from 11:00 a.m. to 12 noon. The members can join the BOD after the meeting is over at about 12 noon. Members joining the BOD for lunch must wait away from the meeting or in some cases outside the restaurant.

For the April 24 meeting date only, you **MUST** call Connie Mark (455-5221) at least 10 days before the lunch. For other meeting dates, you **MUST** call Kenneth Chang or Donna Chang (537-4015) at least 10 days before the meeting, if you want to attend the lunch after the meeting.

Board of Directors meetings for the rest of the year are scheduled for the following dates:

- April 24, 2005, at Hee Hing
- July 17, 2005
- October 16, 2005

## RECOVERING MEMBERS

**D**uane Chang reported that his niece Paris A. Chang received a heart transplant in January and is recovering. We will report on her condition as we receive it. Our prayers go out to her and her family for a speedy and complete recovery.

**D**ominic Chang is recovering from surgery. Dominic was our treasurer for many years. We wish him a complete recovery.

## NEW MEMBERS

**W**e welcome our newest members Gary C.H. Chang and his daughter Corey A.S.J. Chang, and his sisters Deanna Chang, Audrey T. Chang Fu, and Gwendolyn M. Chang Fu. The siblings are the children of the late Kenneth Kam Chew Chang and Margaret Y.Y. Chong Chang. Their grandfather is the late Chang Hee, and their first cousin is Ethel Chang Chow.

Welcome to new members Charlene L. Young and Charlotte Chang Kop. Charlene's husband is Director and past-President Raymond Young. Charlotte's uncle is Chang Apana, the HPD detective whom the idea of character Charlie Chan originated. Her cousin is Dai Fun Chang.

## DONATIONS

**O**ur charitable donations over the past year have included the Palolo Chinese Home, the Miss Chinatown Pageant, the Narcissus Pageant, the United Chinese Society Hawaii Chinese Ching Ming Celebration, the Frank DeLima's Student Enrichment Program, and the

United Chinese Society/Red Cross Tsunami Relief Fund.

## HAWAIIAN CHINESE MULTICULTURAL MUSEUM & ARCHIVES

**T**he museum has re-opened in the Maunakea Marketplace, 1120 Maunakea Street, Suite 280, in Chinatown. James G.Y. Ho, President and Historian of the museum, invites you to the re-opening. They are open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday to Saturday and the admission is only \$3 per person.



James Ho and Ellen Chang during the museum grand re-opening event.

## THIS NEWSLETTER

**I**f you have any Society announcements that you would like included in this newsletter, please contact Ed Chang at 623-5910. Suggestions will also be appreciated.

## OO SYAK GEE LU WEB SITE

**P**lease visit our web site at <[WWW.geocities.com/echang55](http://WWW.geocities.com/echang55)>. Very few, if any, Hawaii Chinese societies claim they have a web site. On it we have the latest news and history of our society.

## **President's Message**

### **Kung Hee Sun Nien Fai Lock. Happy Chinese New Year!**

I want to thank Maile Chang for serving as our president for the past three years. She has been a dedicated long-time member of **Oo Syak Gee Lu Society**.

It is an honor for me to serve as your president for 2005. The officers and directors look forward to your continued support. We invite all of you to share your thoughts and ideas regarding our society's direction.

I would like to make the following acknowledgements and thank these friends and members for their service, time and efforts:

The Honorable Judge Herbert Shimabukuro for his services of swearing in the officers and directors at our annual installation meetings, accompanied by his lovely wife, Lillian.

Your newsletter serves a purpose of informing members of the society's activities. And for those of you who are computer savvy, check out our website. ([www.geocities.com/echang55](http://www.geocities.com/echang55)). We thank Edmund Chang and his able staff for initiating this program and for their continued effort to keep you and others informed. Any news you would like to see published, please contact Ed. Our long-time member, Wah Jip Chang was recently elected president of the Mo Hock Ke Lock Bo and was installed on January 14. This organization founded the Mun Lun School, whose purpose is to educate our children in the Chinese language and its culture. He was also recently elected president of the Gook Doo Sam Heong Society. Congratulations.

The **public relations and membership committee** under the leadership of Edmund Chang has been very successful and active in getting new members, young and old, here and abroad to join Oo Syak. Another accomplishment was the establishment of a scholarship program to aid our young members pursuing higher education. This is a worthy program and we encourage our young members to participate.

The **banquet committee**, under the direction of Donna Chang and Constance Mark, co-chairpersons, has selected the various restaurants to hold our meetings, thereby supporting the Chinese community economically. Their biggest task is the planning and coordinating of our annual banquet, which

has been a great success, judging from the attendance this past event last year as compared to years past. We anticipate a larger attendance this year.

Lastly, we must not forget our **budget and assets management committee** under the guidance of **Harold Hu**. This team keeps a watchful eye on our finances and investments. And it is this committee that makes important decisions with our investments, which generate the income and revenues that support our general activities, including contributions to various outside programs.

Anyone interested in serving on any of these committees, please contact its chairman, or you may send us your written suggestions for consideration.

Edmund Chang	623-5910	Donna Chang	537-4015
Constance Mark	455-5221	Harold Hu	839-5404

I look forward to a successful year with the support and commitment of the officers, directors and committee members. And I wish all the members of Oo Syak Gee Lu Society and their families a very Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year.

Edith P. S. Won