

Oo Syak Gee Lu Society Newsletter

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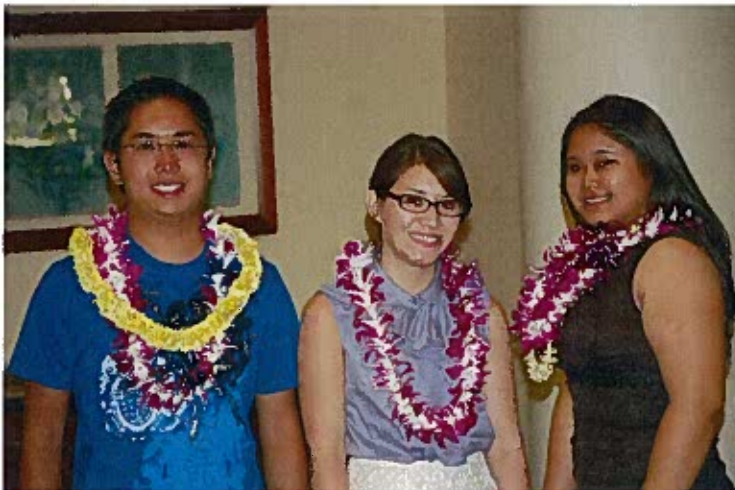
2009-10 Scholarship Award Dinner



Four Oo Syak Gee Lu student members each received \$1,000 cash scholarships at our scholarship dinner held in July at Mandalay

Restaurant. Our range of students' ambitions are from the creative arts to business and pharmacy. All of our students are very well rounded academically through their volunteer work and extra curricular activities.

This year, our winners are Cynthia Ann Chang, Morgen Lai On Chang, Nicholas Bradley Chang, and Teralyn Gar Ling Chang. *(Please turn to page 4 for more information on these scholars.)*



From L-R: Nicholas Bradley Chang, Cynthia Ann Chang, Teralyn Ga Ling Chang. *(Not pictured: Morgen Lai On Chang)*

Annual Christmas Luncheon Coming Up!

Believe it or not, Christmas will creep up around the corner really soon! This means that we are planning our annual Christmas Luncheon. This year, it will be held at 12 noon at the Empress Restaurant at Cultural Plaza on Saturday, December 5, 2009.

As usual, all members are FREE, and non-members are only \$10.00 per person. We will begin taking reservations at the next Board of Directors meeting on October 18th.

If you are making a reservation for your entire family, you will need to provide all the names of members who will attend. Payments for non-members are due immediately after making reservations. Please make checks payable to "Oo Syak Gee Lu Society". **NOTE: If you RSVP by email, your reservation may not be completely confirmed until you receive a reply.**



ANNUAL CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

Place: Empress Restaurant
(2nd floor, Chinese Cultural Plaza)
Date: Saturday, December 5th
Time: 12:00pm
RSVP: October 18 – November 21
Contact: Connie Mark at 455-5221 or
connie.mark@gmail.com

Who's Who in Oo Syak Gee Lu Society

2009 Officers:

President	Alvin G.K. Chang
1 st Vice Pres	Duane K.F. Chang
2 nd Vice Pres	Donna N. Chang
Treasurer	Daryl H.K. Hu
English Secretary	Constance K.H. Mark
Chinese Secretary	Jamie M.Y. Chang
Ex-Past President	Kenneth K.C. Chang

2009 Board of Directors:

Mildred Ai-Chang	Roy K.S. Chang
Clayton K.L. Chang	Shirleen W.Y. Chang
Edmund W. K. Chang	Wah Jip Chang
Ellen M. Chang	Ethel Chang Chow
Evelyn Y. Chang	Jocelyn Chang Chuck*
Margaret M.H. Chang	Harold K. C. Hu
Paulette K.Q. Chang	Edith P.S. Won

* Indicates new directors.

Honorary Directors:

2008 Maile K. Chang
2007 Wah Chock Chang

An Honorary Director is a member who has been recognized as a benefactor to the Society through outstanding services, such as serving as an officer or director. This award is the highest that the Society bestows. This non-voting position award is presented for the life of the individual.

2009 Committees:

Financial Committee

Chairperson: Harold Hu
Clayton Chang, Wah Jip Chang, Daryl Hu

PR & Membership / Scholarship Committee

Chairperson: Jamie Chang
Mildred Ai-Chang, Donna Chang, Ellen Chang,
Hubert Chang, Edith Won

Banquet & Events Committee

Co-chairpersons: Constance Mark and Donna Chang
Margaret Chang, Paulette Chang, Shirleen Chang

Nominating Committee

Chairperson: Edmund Chang
Evelyn Chang, Maile Chang, Ethel Chow

Bylaws & Review Committee

Chairpersons: Duane Chang
Donna Chang, Edmund Chang, Ellen Chang,
Roy Chang, Shirleen Chang

Meet Our Board of Directors Part 2

We were introduced to half of our Board of Directors in our last issue. Here's the remaining half of this year's BOD.

Roy K.S. Chang – Roy has his own law firm and represents clients who have been injured in various types of motor vehicle, slip and fall, and product-related accidents. He also enjoys going for walks with his wife Anna.

Wah Jip Chang – Wah Jip has been enjoying his retirement life. He keeps too busy during the day that he can't name them all. You'll be able to find him at Kahala Mall talking stocks with his cup of Starbucks.

Ethel Chang Chow – Ethel is retired and has a very active lifestyle. She engages in activities such as tai chi, qi-gong, hula, and computers. She has a green thumb with plants, and enjoys watches movies and playing cards.

Jocelyn Chang Chuck – Jocelyn has a double master's degree in Counseling & Guidance and Educations Curriculum & Instructions. She currently works as a Management Analyst for the Army. Her favorite hobby and sport is horseback riding.

Harold K.C. Hu – Harold is also retired. He stays home, reads the newspaper and magazines, watches TV, and goes shopping. His favorite hobby is lawn bowling.

Edith P.S. Won – Edith is retired from Kamehameha Investment Corp. She currently is working for her son's dental office as an Admin Manager. She is very active in the Chinese community and presently assisting in publishing a Centennial Book for the Mun Lun School.

If you have news or information that you would like to share about a current member or yourself, please contact our newsletter editor Jamie Chang at (808) 373-1714 or email her at jmechang@yahoo.com.



Members Corner

- **Edith Chang Dung** – Edith passed away this past April. She has been a long time member of OSGL. Her daughter says that her mother was very proud to carry the Chang name. Edith had eight brothers and sisters.
- **Flora Loui Chang** – Flora was hospitalized in June for an infected colon, and has had some complications following her surgery. She is now recuperating in a skilled nursing facility at Maluhia Care Home and receiving physical and occupational therapy.
- **Eunice Lum Chang Chun** – Eunice passed away in July. She is one of our long time members, and was one of the tenants of the old Kamakela headquarters/rooming house. She recalls much of the history of the Kamakela property. In her 80's, Mrs. Chun has helped Oo Syak to know its history. She has provided various stories and translations about Oo Syak Gee Lu Society. She has generously donated the beautiful silk Oo Syak banquet banner that is shown on our web page and showcased at each of our annual banquets in August. She also lived at our society's hall on Kukui Street when she was young.
- **Maureen Lowe Chang** – Maureen is the wife of BOD Clayton Chang, and suffered a major fall down a flight of stairs. She had surgery on her broken shoulder and hospitalized for four nights. She is currently receiving outpatient physical therapy.



Mrs. Eunice Lum Chang Chun with the beautiful silk banner donated to Oo Syak Gee Lu Society. (Picture taken in 2003)

NEW MEMBER:

Our newest member is **Patricia Wai Mee Chang Wong**. She is the daughter of Gilbert Pat Tate Chang and Loretta Hee Chang. Other members in her family include Raymond C.F. Chang (uncle), Terrence W.L. Chang (brother), Barbara Chang (sister-in-law), Eric W.L Chang (brother), and nieces Susan Elizabeth Chang, Cynthia Ann Chang, Robin Chang, and Carina Chang.



Double Ten Parade

The Double Ten Parade is coming up in October. Double Ten is a national holiday for the People's Republic of China, very similar to America's Fourth of July. It is an honor to their nationalism and freedom from the communist China.

Each year, members of OSGL participate in a short parade around the Chinese Cultural Plaza, followed by a luncheon provided by the Society. The parade is usually preceded by an acknowledgement by the state of Hawaii and the local Chinese Chamber of Commerce. It is a very short parade around the block and usually takes no more than 20 minutes to walk around the block, ending with a lei presentation to Dr. Sun Yet Sen statue.

We are hoping to get embroidered hats for all parade participants. If you are interested in participating in the parade to commemorate the Double Ten national holiday, please call Ellen Chang at 623-5910 no later than September 26th.

Date: 9:30am
 October 4th
 RSVP: Ellen Chang
 623-5910

- Meet at Chinese Cultrual Plaza Courtyard.
- Wear your Oo Syak Gee Lu Tshirts

2009-10 Scholarship Winners

CYNTHIA ANN CHANG

Parents: Terrence Wing Lok Chang and Barbara Bott Chang

Grandparents: Gilbert Pat Tate Chang and Loretta Sun Yew Chang



Cynthia Chang receiving her scholarship award with Scholarship Committee Chairperson Jamie Chang, and OSGL President Alvin Chang.

Cynthia and her family are from Downers Grove, Illinois. Although receiving the Oo Syak Gee Lu Scholarship last year, she was not able to attend this dinner.

Entering her last year of college at University of Iowa, Cynthia will be majoring in Art History and Museum Studies, and has been enrolled in the honors program at the University where students are able to network and meet with potential employers. Being in the Honors Program, Cynthia has maintained at least a 3.5 GPA for the past three semesters, which has led her to qualify for the Dean's List.

This summer Cynthia earned an internship at the Gallery's Choice art gallery in Downers Grove, Illinois. In the fall, she will be interning at the University of Iowa's Museum of Natural History. Through these internships, Cynthia will be able to enhance her experience and knowledge in the business side of the art world through grant writing, promoting gallery events, and cataloging slides and images of museum artifacts.

Cynthia's goal for the future is not only attend graduate school, but to preserve what is in the past – just like many art museums. She is not only looking at it from an art perspective by preserving artwork masterpieces, but she sees a cultural preservation to create understanding and to prevent prejudices that grows from ignorance in different societies.



Cynthia's family (from L-R): Cynthia, father Terrence, grandmother Loretta, grandfather Gilbert, sisters Susan and Robyn, and mother Barbara.

MORGEN LAI ON CHANG

Parents: Anthony Kai Ung Chang and Lisa Madelon Konove

Grandparents: Robert Hoo Kin Chang and Ethel Chew Chang

Morgen is in her third year at Macalester University in Saint Paul, Minnesota, and this is the third time she is receiving the OSGL Scholarship. She has finally declared a major in Sociology, with minors in Chinese and Dance. This year, she struggled with familial, social, and educational issues. However, through some self evaluation and support of her close knit family, Morgen found a way to overcome these issues and balance all three.

She continues to do well in school with a cumulative GPA of 3.67. Last year Morgen won a Chinese poetry contest with her school. This year, she got a Chinese essay published in the U.S.A. China Tribune. She also volunteers at the Minghua Chinese School for story reading. This past fall, Morgen started a read-aloud book club (*cont'd next page*)



Morgen next to the Stone Arch Bridge in Minneapolis.

2009-10 Scholarship Winners (cont'd)

among students on campus, and is a DJ of an island music radio show.

Morgen is still very passionate about dance. This summer, she will be volunteering and performing with a professional theater and movement artists in the Twin Cities where she will learn how they work and create original pieces. Her plans after finishing college in two more years is to take a break and travel before heading back to graduate school.

*"To the Oo Syak Society and Scholarship Committee: Thank you so much for once again supporting me in my educational and career pursuits. I am having fun discovering the Twin Cities in my summer away from home, but the further away I get, the more I appreciate the relationships I've built with friends and family in Hawaii. Thank you for staying close!
Sincerely, Morgen Chang"*



Father Anthony Chang, receiving Morgen's scholarship with Scholarship Committee Chairperson Jamie Chang, and OSGL President Alvin Chang.

NICHOLAS BRADLEY CHANG

Parents: Bradford Kwock Wo Chang and Corinne E Wun Yee Chang

Grandparents: Edward Tai Wong Chang and Flora Loui Chang

Nicholas is a graduate of Newport High School in Bellevue, Washington, which is ranked as one of the Top 50 U.S. High Schools in the Nations according to Newsweek Magazine. He will be attending Western Washington University in Bellingham, about two hours away from his parents.

This past year in high school, Nick received the "Spirit of the Swan" award for overcoming challenges in his academic career and persevering the rigorous program at Newport High School. He also received the Knight Valor award which is for completion of more than 100 hours of community service at the local food bank, Puget Sound Blood Center, the First Tee of Greater Seattle, and the Bellevue Botanical Garden. Nick also enjoys a good golf game and was on the Varsity Golf team in his junior and senior year, and Junior Varsity team his freshman and sophomore and years. You can be sure he will be hitting the courses here on vacation.

Nick is a bit apprehensive to head off to college and be on his own, but nonetheless, he's very excited. He is looking forward to facing new challenges, and adjusting to a new school environment, new curriculum, new friends, and a new chapter of his life. He plans to major in accounting so he can work in a well-established CPA firm.



Nicholas receiving his scholarship award from OSGL President Alvin Chang.



Nicholas with his mother Corinne, sister Nicole, and father Bradford.

2009-10 Scholarship Winners (cont'd)

TERALYN GA LING CHANG

Parents: Duane Koon Fong Chang and Shirleen Wai Yung Ng Chang

Grandparents: George Tai Hung Chang and Eldora Lau Chang

Teralyn just completed her first year of college at Idaho State University which she calls "the most enjoyable and most difficult experience of her life". She was homesick and missed her family and friends back home in Hawaii. However, with today's technology, she was still able to keep in touch with them on her web-cam. Teralyn quickly learned to become independent and adjusted to college life with new friends and an adopted college family away from home.

Teralyn is a recipient of the Western Undergraduate Education Scholarship. This program allows her to attend a college or university out of the state of Hawaii and pay resident tuition prices if her hometown state does not offer her preferred major. Since she has finally accepted her independence far away from home, and she is already entering her pre-pharmacy program at Idaho State, Teralyn will have to decide whether to continue at Idaho State and pay full out-of-state tuition, or transfer to UH Hilo in 2010 when it becomes an accredited pharmacy school.

No matter where she chooses next year, her long term goal is to achieve a Doctor of Pharmacy degree and become a pharmacist. She is currently working hard to get into the pharmacy program at Idaho State which accepts only a limited amount of students each year. She plans to gain experience by looking for internship positions and volunteering at her relative's pharmacy company.



Teralyn receiving her scholarship award from OSGL President Alvin Chang.



Teralyn's family from L-R: Father Duane, Teralyn, mother Shirleen, grandmother Eldora, and grandfather George.

OO SYAK GEE LU - SPECIAL OFFERS!!!!

SPLENDOR OF CHINA: Each year, OSGL donates to the Chinese Chamber of Commerce for the Annual Narcissus Festival. Since the Splendor of China is a kick-off event for the Narcissus Festival, we receive a few complimentary tickets to the Splendor of China for our members. Please call Donna Chang at 537-4015 if you would like these tickets. We only have a limited number of tickets, and available on a first come, first serve basis.

Even if the Society runs out of free tickets, you can still purchase your discounted tickets for \$5 from the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, or at the Blaisdell Box Office for only \$6.

For more specific and detailed information about the Splendor of China, see the back page of this newsletter, or visit www.splendorofchina.com.

SHAOLIN WARRIORS: The Kung Fu

Masters of China: Tim Bostock Productions presents high-flying martial arts and acrobatics. We received an exclusive offer to Chinese Organizations for half priced tickets (\$30-\$60 regular price) for the 7:30pm show on Thursday, September 24th at the Blaisdell Concert Hall. Tickets can be purchased online at www.ticketmaster.com and use the code **WUSHU**, or call 1-800-745-3000. A maximum of 6 tickets can be purchased per order. Offer is guaranteed to September 11, afterwards subject to availability.

Annual Banquet Recap



This past August was our annual banquet where we were able to get together with family and friends.

We were once again sold out with more than 40 tables. Our emcee Edmund Chang kept us well informed and entertained between courses, since our friend Frank DeLima was unable to make his cameo appearance this year.

We also want to thank Norman Ng for making all the delicious rice cake crackers and iso peanuts for us to enjoy.

If you missed the banquet this year, try to get in on it next year. Mark in on your calendar already for August 2010!



Scrumptious appetizers and house special cake noodles for long life!

OSGL Still Going "Green"

Oo Syak Gee Lu is still on our way to "go green"! We have been sending out our newsletters and a few announcements electronically through email. Printing on paper is becoming a clutter and a wast of trees. Paying for the price of postage is creeping higher and higher each year. The number of newsletters I mail via postal mail has gotten slightly less, but I think we can go a little more paperless around here. You will get the same news, same stories, same announcements. But the best part is when you view it online, it will also be in COLOR!!!!

Thank you to all of you who have already signed up to "Go Green". You are not only eco-conscious, but you are helping the society save money one penny at a time.

If you would like to receive our newsletters via email and save a few trees, send an email to Jamie Chang at jmechang@yahoo.com, with "OSGL EMAIL" in the subject line. If you have already signed up to go green, and are still receiving "snail-mailed" newsletters, send another email. It may not have gor through, or may have been overlooked. And while you are at it, make sure that your records are updated, please call our Membership Chairperson Jamie Chang at 373-1714 or email her at jmechang@yahoo.com.



Note Your Calendars!

Date	Event	Location / Time	Contact
Oct 3-4	Splendor of China	Neal Blaisdell Center /	
Oct 4	Double Ten Parade	Chinese Cultural Plaza Courtyard / 9:30am	Ellen Chang by 9/26 **
Oct 18	Board of Directors Meeting	Camellia Restaurant (McCully St) / 11:00am	Duane Chang by 10/8 *
Nov 15	General Election Meeting	Wah Kung / Mapunapuna Ethnic Village (Old 99 Ranch Plaza) / 11:00am	Duane Chang by 11/5 *
Dec 5	Annual Christmas Luncheon	Empress Restaurant (Chinese Cultural Plaza, 2 nd Floor) / 12 noon	Connie Mark +
Jan 10	Installation Meeting	Hee Hing Restaurant (Kapahulu) / 11:00am	Duane Chang by 12/30 *
Jan 24	Board of Directors Meeting	TBD / TBD	Duane Chang by 1/14*

* To RSVP for Board of Directors meetings, please call Duane Chang at 734-8899 or email duane.chang@hawaiiantel.net by the deadlines listed above beginning one month prior to the event.

** Parade Information: Call Ellen Chang at 623-5910.

+ Annual Christmas Luncheon: Call Connie Mark at 455-5221 beginning 10/18/09.



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Moving??? *If you are moving, or if your address has changed, please notify Jamie Chang at jmechang@yahoo.com or call 373-1714 so you can continue to be in the loop and receive newsletters and information about our Society.*

Splendor of China 2009

Photo courtesy: Splendor of China



Sponsored by the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, the Splendor of China 2009 is a cultural festival for the entire family. It will be held October 3rd and 4th at the Neal Blaisdell Center Exhibition Hall.

There will be more than 130 booths of shopping, food, and cultural exhibits. It is also the first public appearance debut for the 2010 Narcissus Queen contestants. A variety of entertainment such as Chinese folk dancing, acrobatic pole lion dances, and demonstrations by world famous Qigong master from Taiwan. There will also be a chance to learn about acupuncture, calligraphy, your genealogy, and chop carving. For the past few years, the Splendor of China featured a Chinese dog show! Kungfu, martial arts, and Chinese lion dances are all a part of this celebration. You won't want to miss this event!

Presale discounted tickets for \$5 are available at the Chinese Chamber of Commerce office, otherwise it will be \$6 at the Blaisdell Box Office. For more information about this event, go to www.splendorofchina.com.

** See special Oo Syak Gee Lu offer on page 6!!!!*

SPLENDOR OF CHINA

When: Saturday, October 4th
10:00am – 9:00pm
Sunday, October 5th
10:00am – 5:00pm

Where: Neal Blaisdell Center, Exhibition Hall

Cost: \$6.00 General Admission
Children under 8 years old are FREE!