



C.A.C.A. Greater San Gabriel Valley Lodge The Piazza – December 2018

Lodge Elected Board of Officers for 2019

At the Lodge meeting on November 12, Nominations Chair John Wong presented a slate of 11 Board Officers and 10 Board Associates for those in attendance to cast their ballots. Seeing no other nominations, the Board of Officers and Associates were voted in by acclamation.

The newly elected 2019 Board of Officers are:

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| President: | Sharon M. Wong |
| Vice President: | Sam W. Gee |
| Secretary: | Margaret Leung |
| Assistant Secretary: | Paul Perez |
| Treasurer: | Jason Dhing |
| Financial Secretary: | Scott Kwong |
| Compliance Officer | Hollie Luong |
| Compliance Officer | Mary Wong |
| Marshall: | Jack Orswell |
| Sentinel: | Alice Mah |
| Collector: | Valerie Lee |
| National Rep.: | John Y. Wong |

There will be four new names in our Board of Officers reflecting the desire to bring in new “blood” into the ranks: Margaret Leung, Jason Dhing, Hollie Luong and Jack Orswell. Bro. John Wong will repeat as National Representative as Bro. Charles Mau, the outgoing President, is concurrently serving as NVP of Education in the C.A.C.A. National Board.

The newly elected 2019 Board of Associates are: Alex Ly, Andrew Sit, Angela Lai, Cecilia Huynh, Craig Miller, David Lau, Dean Ng, Pek Chan, Peter Yao, and Sophie Wong.

GSGV Lodge Strongly Supports “Harmony Through Union” Tournament of Roses Parade Float

In our November Lodge meeting, we voted to strongly support the “Harmony Through Union” Rose Parade Float project spearheaded by the Chinese American Heritage Foundation (CAHF). Being Chinese Americans, we all have a critical stake in the success of this campaign that presents a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to tell America and the world via TV broadcast the story of the tremendous contributions Chinese Americans made in the buildup of this country's prosperity, including the construction of the Transcontinental Railroad which is the theme of this float. Sister Esther Lee, of Boston Lodge, is a co-

founder and Chairwoman of Board of Directors of CAHF. Bro. John Wong, GSGV Past President, was recently appointed a Board member of CAHF. [See November Issue of PIAZZA.]

GSGV Lodge voted to donate \$2000 to help fund the float project, and called on its members to make generous donations. To this date, both Bros. Paul Wong and Charles Mau have written \$500 checks to CAHF.



Lodge Donates \$2000 to CAHF. From L: Wilson Lee, Sophie Wong, Charles Mau, Esther Lee, John Wong

Our Lodge also voted to help CAHF recruit volunteers to decorate the float. The plan is to tap into the local high schools that have a very large pool of students willing to help as an extracurricular activity. Bros. Bob Gin, Jason Dhing, Alex Ly and Scott Kwong have been assigned to reach out to these schools.

The PIAZZA will be a Stand-alone Newsletter in January

Starting in January, 2019, this monthly newsletter will be published separately from the SoCal Times. It will mainly be distributed electronically to all members and also published on the Lodge website: <http://www.cacagreatersan gabriel valley.org/htmlPages/newsletter.html>. Very soon, a notification message will be sent to all members, and a hardcopy will only be mailed to those who request it. On behalf of GSGV Lodge, Bro. Charles Mau thanks the LA Lodge Editorial Board for all the good times we had working together to publish, print and "bulletin" the SoCal Times the last few years. It has been a most satisfying experience for our participating brothers and sisters from GSGV.

December 17, 2018 is the 75th Anniversary Day of Repeal of the Chinese Exclusion Act in Congress. GSGV Lodge will be asking the City Councils of Monterey Park and Rosemead to make a commemorative proclamation in their respective 12/21 and 12/27 council meetings. Please come and join in the celebration. For details, contact Brother Charles Mau.