



Newsletter

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Message from the President



Blessed, Thankful, Dedicated...

These words best summarize my thoughts and feelings as I reflect upon the last two years serving as your President. The See Dai Doo Society is a complex working organization with many moving parts. It is further complicated by the many personalities who take on various roles in order to make our organization better and stronger each and every day.

I am truly blessed to have been elected to serve this wonderful organization for the past two years. Many friendships have been formed and much work has been done to help make our programs worthwhile and fun for the members. Numerous members stepped up when called upon or volunteered without asking to chair projects or help with everyday tasks. I would like to express my gratitude to all of the chairpersons who helped to put together some of the most enjoyable projects and events for See Dai Doo.

I am thankful for the support of my fellow officers for faithfully carrying out the duties of their respective offices. My heartfelt appreciation also goes to all of the chairpersons who worked so hard to ensure that the many events of the Society were planned and carried out to create a memorable experience for all who participated. Although all of the chairpersons deserve recognition individually, I would like to take this opportunity to highlight two chairpersons who are retiring from their positions.

Blossom Wong has chaired the Bingo program for the last four years, but has been involved in it for almost 20 years. Her team has worked tirelessly to create a fun and exciting experience for all of the seniors who attend. *Continued on pg. 2*

SDDS Installation of 2019 Officers and Trustees

Tuesday January 1, 2019,
12:00 PM
@ SDDS Great Hall

SDDS General Membership Meeting

Wednesday February 13, 2019,
7:30 PM
@ SDDS Great Hall

Officers

Leonard J.K.H. Kam
Lucy M. Wong
Vivian B.Y. Ing Loo
Beverly M. Wong
Tina Y. T. Wong Au

President
Vice President
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Asst. English Secretary
Chinese Secretary

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Wendy Mow
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Robert W.C. Wong
Norma Yim Acopan

Asst. Chinese Secretary
Treasurer
Asst. Treasurer
Auditor
Asst. Auditor

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D'Wayne B.F. Wong, Vice-Chair
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Robert Kuwahara has served as the Photography chair for the past four years. He had a team of photographers who attended many of the events so that they could capture the memorable moments to preserve for posterity. Bob is not even a member of See Dai Doo, but served as if he was a member. He offered valuable input into many of the events and provided photos to members who attended these events. He truly captured the essence of many participants at these events.

Serving as an officer or chairperson is not an easy task. You can't please everyone, but I can say with confidence that we all worked hard to make this a memorable year for all. Allow me to acknowledge Wendy Chun (Bowling), Lynn Imperial (Charity Walk), Robert Wong (Ching Ming), Betsy Lum (Christmas Caroling), Charlene Chang (Christmas Party), Lisa Kam (Dragon Boat), Wendy Mow (Education/Installation), Baldwin Au (Historical), Robert Ching (Mandarin), Milton Yee (Membership), Lauren Ching (Newsletter), Anna Chung (Palolo Home Visitation), Lucy Wong (Picnic), Norma Acopan (Spring Banquet/Meeting snack), Jeanette Kuwahara/Linda Lau/Michael Ling (Tai Chi), Stephen Tom (Bylaws/Veterans Appreciation), Thomas Lai (Video), and Florence Au (Welfare). Each of these individuals deserve our heartfelt appreciation for going above and beyond to bring more activities to the membership. Many of our members were also assisted by their spouses who are not SDDS members. I would like to acknowledge James Acopan and Donald Lau for always being the first ones to lend a hand and go the extra mile to help make our events so memorable. I dare say that they participated and helped as if they were members!

There is one last group of people that I want to acknowledge. My sisters-in-law, Lynn Imperial, Debi Flores, Cindy Ching, and Lauren Ching were always there to help in any capacity. For their help and the help of my nephews I am truly grateful. My daughter, Lisa stepped up when we needed a Dragon Boat chair, even though she was 5,000 miles away at college. She even helped out when she was home on breaks. My last thank you to my wife, Lori. She rolled up her sleeves and assisted me with whatever needed to be done. My thanks for being a great sounding board and support system to me.

Now that my term is coming to an end, I find myself reflecting on all of our accomplishments as well as areas where work continues to be done. And so, I now dedicate myself to working with your new administration to continue the legacy of See Dai Doo Society. I am dedicated to helping us move forward in the 21st century and beyond. Only through our combined efforts will we ensure that our organization will continue to flourish. Join me as we embark on the next chapter of See Dai Doo Society.

New Members



New member receives her See Dai Doo Society membership card at the Directors meeting on November 7, 2018. From left: VP Lucy Wong, Sponsor Wendy Chun, sponsor/spouse Kevin Chun, new member Charlene Leong Chun, and membership chair Milton Yee.



New members receive their See Dai Doo Society membership cards at the Directors meeting on September 5, 2018. From left: Sponsor Dorinda Won, VP Lucy Wong, new members Trent Cayetano and Reece Cayetano, sponsor Audrey Won and membership chair Milton Yee.

— “Challenge of the Villages” Bowling Tournament, August 19, 2018 —

By Wendy Chun

On August 19, 2018 the tournament was held at Ft. Shafter Bowling Alley. Because it was Cosmic Bowling, it was quite dark and noisy with loud music and flashing colored lights. It took a while to adjust to them. We had 8 teams this year with the oldest bowler, Lally Psak, being 91 years old. When she bowled a strike, the cheers went out!



The first place team Panda Bowling Squad, Pun Sa Village; From left: Lester Hee, Shirley Ann Chow, Capt Brandon Hee, Debbie Hee, Irving Hee

Overall:

1st Place: Panda Bowling Squad, Pun Sa Village

2nd Place: Strykers, Cha Inn

3rd Place: The Wonderfals – Jo Bu Tau

Individual:

High score for 3 games: Barrett Won

High score for +65 years old: Wendy Chun

First turkey: Leonard Kam

Fun categories:

Lowest score: Eva Yong Woo

Most gutters on first ball: Audrey Won and Emile Wong

Most splits on first ball: Alina Won Cayetano

First to make spare after gutter ball: Bev Wong

— Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon, November 11, 2018 —

By Leonard Kam

In appreciation for their hard work at events throughout the year, all volunteers were treated to a tasty lunch catered from Taniokas. See Dai Doo wouldn't have as many events if not for all the volunteers.





Veterans Appreciation Luncheon, November 18, 2018

By Stephen Tom

On November 18, 2018, SDDS honored our Veterans at an appreciation luncheon in The Great Hall. Nine new SDDS member veterans (Edward Mung Au, Benjamin P.S. Char, Richard J.P. Ching, Timothy K.T. Ching, Dai Lum Fong, Henry M.H. Leong, Raymond Y.H. Wong, Robert S.U. Wong, and Thomas T. P. Yim) were recognized and inducted in the SDDS' Veterans Roll of Honor. About a hundred SDDS members and guests including Joseph Young, the Honorary Mayor of Chinatown, and Retired Generals and Admiral Calvin Lau, Robert Lee, and Alma Grocki enjoyed the ceremony and a delicious Chinese lunch. Committee Chairman, Stephen Tom, spoke of the current effort to award the Congressional Gold Medal (CGM), our nation's highest honor, to Chinese American Veterans of WWII. Authorization for the CGM is expected to soon be passed, and over 20 SDDS Member Veterans who served in WWII will be processed thereafter to receive the CGM. Special thanks for this event goes to the Veterans' Committee (Wesley Fong, Baldwin Au, Alvin Au, Kin Min Ching, David Wong, Robert Ching and Stephen Tom), Blossom Wong for the table decorations, and Florence Au for the lunch service.



SDDS Christmas Party, December 8, 2018

By Cindy Ching

To kick off the holiday season, almost 200 members gathered at the Great Hall for an evening of fellowship and fun. Children and adults enjoyed games before dinner and were awed by fancy balloon animals. There was even an impromptu Christmas caroling contest.

Guests were treated to an ono dinner featuring Hawaiian food made by James and Norma Acopan. After dinner, Santa stopped by and children (age eight and under) were lucky to visit with and receive a present from Santa. Everyone enjoyed cake and soft serve ice cream for dessert and had a chance to win door prizes.

The party was chaired by Charlene Chang who had the help of many volunteers. Special thanks goes to James and Norma Acopan for taking charge of the food and games and Florence Au for being the emcee and getting all the door prizes. It was a great chance to connect with other members and share some holiday cheer.



Christmas Caroling, December 14, 2018

By Betsy Lum

On Friday, December 14, 2018, forty-five (45) SDDS members sang a medley of familiar Christmas carols, chatted with patients and staff, and enjoyed the company of one another. We were greeted by staff members Brenda Hiramoto, Director of Nursing and Melissa Mullen. President Leonard Kam presented a donation to the staff on behalf of SDDS. The carolers, festooned in Christmas colors, red Santa hats, antler horns, and reindeer bells, visited patients on the third and fourth floors of the hospital, singing to the delight of both patients and staff. Musical accompaniment by Theresa Chun, Shirley Yoshida and Barbara Chong on the piano, erhu and bells, and ably led by Choirmistresses Lucy Wong, Donna Chang and Patricia Anderson, the SDDS carolers were full of the Christmas spirit. An annual event since 1993, organized by Theresa Chun, Betsy Lum, and husband William Lum (President 1993-1994), President Leonard Kam shared his hope that the event and gathering of SDDS members continue for another 25 years as the activity is a clear and enduring example of the Society's mission of service and fellowship. Special thanks to Audrey Au, who donated bells for SDDS caroling, Emilia Collins, for the Christmas ornaments she gave to the patients and staff, and Theresa Chun, Dolores Yuen, Carol Lau for delicious home-baked desserts. The group returned to SDDS hall for a hearty Korean bento and dessert. A wonderful way for our Society to end 2018 community service. Happy Holidays to all!



Movie Night



Friday, January 11, 2019

@ the SDSS Great Hall

7:00 p.m. Academic talk by Douglas Chong

7:30 p.m. Showing of **Crazy Rich Asians**

Night in Chinatown Parade

If you are interested in marching with SDDS, please sign up on the form on the SDDS bulletin board.

Date: Saturday, February 2, 2019

Time: 3:30 p.m.

Place: Meet at the State Capitol grounds

SEE DAI DOO SOCIETY SPRING BANQUET

**JADE DYNASTY
SEAFOOD RESTAURANT
4TH FLOOR
ALA MOANA SHOPPING CENTER**

Saturday March 16 and Sunday March 17, 2019

5:30 pm: Social Time with Picture Taking for SDDS Super Seniors over 90 years old

6:00 pm: Lion Dance -Immediately followed by the Program and Dinner

Table of Ten (10) for **\$325.00** or \$32.50 per person

In lieu of gifts, cost for SDDS Senior Members 65 years & older is **\$20.00**

(Senior Price is Non-Transferable)

***** Wine and Soft Drinks will be Provided by SDDS *****

Individuals bringing in alcohol will be responsible for Corkage Fee of \$10.00 per bottle

Menu

Pomelo Salad with Shredded Chicken

Mixed Seafood & Tofu Soup

Dynasty Style Chicken

Mochi Rice in Lotus Wrap

Kau Yuk with Taro and Buns

Steamed Fish Fillet with Ginger & Soy Sauce

Tea Smoked Shrimp

Sautéed Fresh Mushrooms in Abalone Sauce with Vegetables

Dessert - Sweet Warm Walnut Soup

For more information, call SDDS at (808) 533-4756 and leave a message

***** Completed form with payment is required. Preference will be given to tables of 10.**

Maximum seating capacity is 300 for each Banquet Date

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seedaidsocietyinfo@gmail.com!



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Calendar of Upcoming Events

Tuesday January 1, 2019 at 12:00 pm	Installation of 2019 Officers & Trustees 職員就職典禮	SDDS Great Hall
Friday January 11, 2019 at 7:00 pm	Movie Night (Academic talk by Douglas Chong & Showing of Crazy Rich Asians) 電影晚會	SDDS Great Hall
Saturday February 2, 2019 at 3:30 pm	Night in Chinatown Parade 龍曆新年花車遊行	Meet at State Capitol Grounds
Wednesday February 13, 2019 at 7:30 pm	General Membership Meeting 會員會議	SDDS Great Hall
Saturday March 16, 2019 & Sunday March 17, 2019 at 5:30 pm	SDDS Spring Banquet 春宴	Jade Dynasty Seafood Restaurant 4 th floor, Ala Moana Shopping Center

Ongoing Events

Bingo	美式賓果	Every 2 nd Wednesday	SDDS Great Hall 10am to 12pm
Mandarin Class	國語班	Every Monday (starts 1/28/19)	SDDS Great Hall, 7 to 9 pm
Tai Chi	太極班	Every Tuesday (starts 1/8/19)	SDDS Great Hall, 7 to 9 pm

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**Include a self-addressed stamped envelope with your Reservation Form by
Wednesday, February 27, 2019.**

If no self-addressed stamped envelope provided, you will be notified by:

(Please Fill In) Email _____ or Text # _____

Person to Contact: _____ Phone Number: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Place an "X" Only One (1) Banquet Date

Saturday, March 16 ____ Sunday, March 17, 2019 ____ or No Preference: ____

***** Completed form with payment is required. Preference will be given to tables of 10.
Maximum seating capacity is 300 for each Banquet Date**

List names and SDDS ID numbers as printed on the Membership Card

(SDDS Members Only)

Print Names of Members and Guests (First, M. I., Last Name)	SDDS Member ID#	Cost	Place an "X" 65 -89 years old	Write in age over 90 years
1. _____	_____	\$ _____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	\$ _____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	\$ _____	_____	_____
4. _____	_____	\$ _____	_____	_____
5. _____	_____	\$ _____	_____	_____
6. _____	_____	\$ _____	_____	_____
7. _____	_____	\$ _____	_____	_____
8. _____	_____	\$ _____	_____	_____
9. _____	_____	\$ _____	_____	_____
10. _____	_____	\$ _____	_____	_____

DO NOT WRITE IN BOX (for SDDS committee use)

Number of Seats _____

Number of Tables _____

Check number _____

_____ SDDS Senior @ \$20.00 each

\$ _____

Date of Check _____

_____ Non-Senior & Guest @ \$32.50 ea.

\$ _____

Check amount _____

Total

\$ _____

Name of Bank _____