



Newsletter

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Message from the President



Happy Year of the Boar! Thankful, a word that expresses gratefulness, appreciation, and so much more. I am honored and thankful to serve as your president for 2019. It gives me the opportunity to continue the goal of involving younger members in our society. I am grateful to work among our generous members who volunteer endless hours to See Dai Doo Society. One of our younger members, Xavier Imperial, did a fantastic job chairing the Chinatown Parade, and will co-chair the Dragon Boat Race with another young member, Christopher Wong.

See Dai Doo is hosting the first potluck family night on May 5, 2019 to encourage young member involvement. Join us at See Dai Doo Hall for a night of friendship, food, fun and games including Bingo, Mahjong, Ping Pong and crafting. Sign up at See Dai Doo Great Hall, email or leave a message at See Dai Doo office.

Please follow the See Dai Doo Society new social media at Facebook. Like the page to keep up with the society's events and activities.

My second goal is to acknowledge and reinforce awareness of our Chinese culture and traditions. Our first video night chaired by Thomas Lai featured Crazy Rich Asians. There were close to 60 attendees who were treated to a short talk by Douglas Chong (President of Hawaii Chinese History Center) prior to the showing. The picnic, which will be on August 11, 2019, gives us an opportunity to meet and enjoy a day with other societies and the Chinese community as a whole.

Mahalo to chairperson Florence Au who started 2019 with a wonderful installation banquet. Kevin Chun and Norma Acopan chaired a fantastic and memorable Spring Banquet for two nights. Again, thank you for the countless hours spent in preparing our events.

Mahalo to all and hope to see you at our next event!

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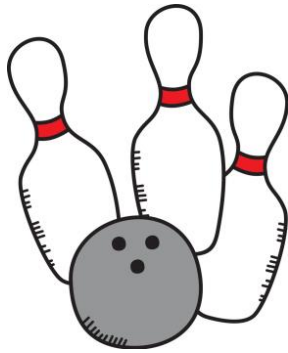
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SDDS CHALLENGE OF THE VILLAGES BOWLING TOURNAMENT

SUNDAY AUGUST 4, 2019 at 1–5 PM
Fort Shafter Bowl

Cost: **\$56.00 PER TEAM OF 5**
Shoes are included

Each SDDS member gets 50 points
Each SDDS member 65 years or older gets 50 points
Each SDDS member 15 years or younger gets 50 points

Team Village: _____ Team Name: _____

Team Captain Name: _____ Age: ____ SDDS Member #: _____

Team Captain's Phone: _____

Team Member #2: _____ Age: ____ SDDS Member #: _____

Team Member #3: _____ Age: ____ SDDS Member #: _____

Team Member #4: _____ Age: ____ SDDS Member #: _____

Team Member #5: _____ Age: ____ SDDS Member #: _____



**DEADLINE to submit entry form and payment to SDDS,
no later than July 22, 2019**

NEW MEMBERS



From L to R: VP Kevin Chun, Sponsor Clifford Wong, New Member Marvin Char, Membership Chair Melvin Yee



From L to R- VP Kevin Chun, New Members Cassandra Chang & Zoe Chang, Sponsor Eunice Chang, Membership Chair Melvin Yee, Father Kelfred Chang



From L to R: VP Kevin Chun, Sponsor Gregory Wong, New Members Michelle Hataishi, Malia Rausch, Mallory Hataishi, Evan Hataishi, Madison Hataishi, Davin Rausch, Sponsor Beverly Wong, Membership Chair Melvin Yee.



From L to R: Membership Co-chair Marsha Au Maxwell, Sponsor Donald Lau, New Member Gisella Ming Shing Lau Jong, Sponsor Cynthia Ching, New Member Zoe Cheung Gung Lau Jong, VP Kevin Chun

POTLUCK FAMILY NIGHT

Sunday May 5, 2019 at 5–8 pm
See Dai Doo Great Hall



Drop by with a potluck dish serving for 6 to 8 people and enjoy a night of fun, bingo, mahjong, ping pong, crafting, prizes, food and friends.

Deadline to sign up will be **April 28, 2019**. There will be a sign up list at SDDS Great Hall for activities and potluck item.

Email picositter@gmail.com or leave a message for Lucy at 227-6767



2019 SEE DAI DOO SOCIETY INSTALLATION

BY: Florence Au, Chairwoman

Preparations for the 2019 Installation of the new officers and trustees started with volunteers coming to the Great Hall days before the event to help set up for the event. The ceremonial table in front of the Great Hall was dressed up to receive the decorations of the 16 lb gao; towers of oranges, steamed red and white bao, and emein noodles. The setting was complete with the placement of pomelos and a tray of candied Chinese sweets. The chairs for the officers and trustees were covered with the embroidered seat covers as we continued the tradition of a grand Installation event.

Then on January 1, 2019, with the loud popping sounds of the new strand of smokeless electronic firecrackers, lion dancers with the Chinese Physical Culture Association started the Installation event. Close to 250 See Dai Doo Society members and guests were on hand to witness the occasion. During the program, Mistress of Ceremony, Shao Yu Lee called on the Chairman of the Nomination Committee, Leonard Kam, to speak about the officer and trustee nomination process. Marc Alexander, an executive officer with the City and County of Honolulu, then conducted the Oath of Office for the new officers and trustees. With the new administration in place, our outgoing President Leonard Kam gave his farewell speech and gifted the Society, a framed embroidered picture inscribed with "In Times of Peace and Prosperity". Our new president, Dr. Lucy Wong presented outgoing President Kam a gift in appreciation of his service. President Wong then gave us her agenda for the coming year in her speech.

The whole crispy roast pig that was displayed by the ceremonial table was escorted out of the Great Hall by Bradley Au and Joshua Chung, and this began the lunch service. The kitchen crew lead by Norma and James Acopan put together a delightful and tasty plate of dim sum and noodles along with the roast pig.

This grand event could not have been possible without the 40 plus volunteers who helped put this together. Special thanks to Past President Baldwin Au who was the muscle to put all the tables and chairs in place; to Clifton Yim for helping us continue with our traditions and for coordinating the seating of our guests; to Blossom Wong and her crew, who decorated the Great Hall with fresh flora and Year of the Boar decorations; to Leonard Kam and his family for helping with lunch service; and all the other volunteers who are too many to list here, but whose help is very much appreciated.



2019 CHINATOWN PARADE

BY: Xavier Imperial, Chairman

Over forty See Dai Doo Society members and friends marched in the Chinatown parade on February 2nd, 2019 to welcome the year of the Boar. The crowd viewing the parade was larger than expected with multiple children watching as well, likely due to the beautiful sunny weather. Over 1200 candies were distributed to the crowd as smiles were seen all around.

After the parade, those who marched enjoyed time with each other while eating jook back at the society hall. Norma and James Acopan prepared the jook for everyone. Special thanks to A.C. Lyau Company for donating Chinese character tattoos. Everyone had an enjoyable time bringing in the New Year and we were blessed with great weather.

Mahalo to all who attended, helped out, and hope everyone has an amazing year of the Boar!



CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDAL

Honoring Our Chinese American Veterans of World War II.



Do you know or are you related to a Chinese American Veteran of World War II? If you think your father, grandfather, mother, grandmother, uncle, aunt or friend served in the US Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard or Merchant Marine any time between December 7, 1941 to December 31, 1946, please contact SDDS Veterans' Committee members – Stephen Tom (Stephentom2000@aol.com), Baldwin Au (kinsingau@yahoo.com), or Wesley Fong (wesleyf.fong@hawaiiantel.net). The SDDS Veterans' Committee seeks to register these veterans to receive one of our country's highest awards, the Congressional Gold Medal (CGM). The CGM will be awarded to these heroes who are part of America's Greatest Generation. These veterans do not have to be a member or a former member of SDDS to receive the CGM.

2019 SEE DAI DOO SOCIETY SPRING BANQUET

By: Kevin Chun, Chairman

The SDDS 114th Spring Banquet was held on March 16, and March 17, 2019 at Jade Dynasty Seafood Restaurant in the Ala Moana Center. The restaurant accommodated 29 tables on the first night and 14 tables on the second night. Guests were greeted on both nights by a lion dance performance by the Gee Yung Lion Dance Association and presented See Dai Doo Society with good luck scrolls.

Past President Leonard Kam emceed both nights with the introduction of the special guests, officers, trustees, and past presidents. Dr. Jennifer W H Wong gave the invocation blessing everyone at the banquet and the food and drinks that were served.

See Dai Doo special guests were greeted with a lei by Kimberly Mow and Chelsie Mow. Senior members 90 years and above who were in attendance received a li-see. Betty Ching, our 99 year old Super Super Senior, was in attendance on Saturday. Also in attendance and given li-see was 2019 Narcissus Court 1st Princess and See Dai Doo Society member, Jennifer Wong.

Favors of moon cake made by Norma Acopan were placed on each table for the guests to enjoy. The lucky table guest that received the moon cake in the shape of the pig received the table's center piece.

Lucky numbers were called throughout the night. Home Street Bank donated three prizes, June Tong donated two sets of cookbooks, and See Dai Doo Society provided various gift cards to be given out as door prizes. Congratulations to all of our winners.

A big xie xie to all those who helped to make this year's Spring Banquet a success. Please join us next year's (2020) Spring Banquet.



MOVIE NIGHT



Friday, June 7, 2019 at 7:30 PM
SDDS Great Hall

When we showed the 2018 box office hit “Crazy Rich Asians” at the SDDS Great Hall on January 15, 2019, we had close to 60 attendees, who all praised the movie choice. Our President, Dr. Lucy Wong, would like to continue the SDDS movie program. We plan to show a wide variety of movies, not restricted exclusively to Chinese movies. If any member has any comments or requests, we would like to hear from you. We will try our best to address any issues or concerns. We plan to show the American thriller “Rust Creek”, which is about a young woman trapped in a nightmare odyssey deep in the Kentucky woods. She must summon extraordinary courage in order to make it out alive in this harrowing survival thriller. This movie will keep you on the edge of your seat the entire time! There are many twists and turns in the plot. Watch “Rust Creek” and you won’t be disappointed!

SDDS PALOLO CHINESE HOME VISIT


Sunday, July 14, 2019 at 10 AM
Palolo Chinese Home



Please join us for some fun BINGO with the seniors at the Palolo Chinese Home. Volunteers are needed to help them watch their cards and pass out prizes. Lunch will be provided to those who participate. Sign up sheet will be posted at the society hall or contact Anna Chung at atamchung@gmail.com.

DRAGON BOAT RACE

Saturday July 27, 2019 at 8 AM – 4 PM
Ala Moana Beach Park



Dragon Boat Racing is a sport celebrated throughout the world, and only occurs once a year in Hawaii. This international event attracts a variety of participants from the Hawaii State Government to teams from Australia and Canada. Aside from paddling, participants can also enjoy games like water balloon toss and bocce ball.

If you are interested in participating in the fun, please contact Xavier Imperial at imperialx.man@gmail.com



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Calendar of Upcoming Events

Sunday April 14, 2019 at 10:30 AM	Ching Ming	清明掃墓	Lin Yee Chung Manoa Cemetery
Sunday May 5, 2019 at 5–8 PM	Potluck Family Night	家庭聚餐之夜	SDDS Great Hall
Saturday May 18, 2019 at 6:30 AM	Visitor Industry Charity Walk	志願員工漫步	Ala Moana Beach Park
Friday June 7, 2019 at 7:30 PM	Movie Night – Rust Creek	電影晚會	SDDS Great Hall
Sunday July 14, 2019 at 10 AM	Palolo Chinese Home Visitation	探訪Palolo老人院	Palolo Chinese Home
Saturday July 27, 2019 8:00 AM	Dragon Boat Races	龍舟競賽	Ala Moana Beach Park
Sunday August 4, 2019 at 1–5 PM	Bowling	保齡球賽	Fort Shafter
Sunday August 11, 2019 9:30 AM	SDDS Annual Picnic	週年野餐	Kapiolani Park

Ongoing Events

Bingo	美式賓果	Every 2 nd Wednesday	SDDS Great Hall 10am to 12pm
Mandarin Class	國語班	Every Monday	SDDS Great Hall, 7 to 9 pm
Tai Chi	太極班	Every Tuesday	SDDS Great Hall, 7 to 9 pm