



Newsletter

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Message from the President

Happy Holidays! It's amazing the year is almost over and the Thanksgiving holiday is fast approaching. There is much to be thankful for this 2019.

Thankful for our forefathers, who created the See Dai Doo Society and had the foresight to invest in the property.

Thankful for our young members, who have stepped up and gotten involved and chaired activities.

Thankful for our family and friends, who continue to gather and perpetuate the Society's mission.

Thankful to our member John Young, a past trustee, a fellow director, and member who has recently passed away. John has been one of the backbones of our society, and a role model of generosity. His attitude was what he could do for the society rather than what the society could do for him. He was a rare gem, and will be missed. Hopefully, his attitude of generosity will live on in our society.

And most of all, thankful for all the members and volunteers who make See Dai Doo Society what it stands for today. Happy Holidays and a very Happy New Year!

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New Member



SDDS Vice President Kevin Chun, new member **Diana Yim Sutton**, with sponsors Robert Ching and Cynthia Ching.

SDDS Donation



Presentation by President Lucy Wong to **Jen Ernst**, Healthy Communities Manager at **Special Olympics**.

2019 SDDS Scholarship Recipients at August Directors Meeting



Christmas Caroling

Date: **Friday, December 6, 2019**

Time: **5:30 p.m.**

Place: **Rehab Hospital of the Pacific**

Meet on First Floor Lobby for photo taking, caroling will be held in Cafeteria on 1st floor

New Policy at Rehab: Everyone must check in at front desk with **name & car License Plate number**. We will provide Rehab with a list of our members who have signed up. If you have not signed up on the bulletin board, you may email Betsy Lum at billum0825@yahoo.com by Friday, November 29th. You **MUST** sign up.. NO sign ups after November 29th. After caroling we will remain for fellowship at Rehab Cafeteria.

A very Happy Holiday to all!

SDDS Member Recognition Award

DEADLINE JANUARY 31, 2020

Applicants must be a See Dai Doo Member, and winner or placing in a Chinese Cultural Event.

Applications can be submitted by family (if member deceased) or participant.

Applications are available at the office or can be downloaded from the website www.seedaidoosociety.org

Palolo Chinese Home Visitation

BY: Anna Chung, Chair



On Sunday July 13th, See Dai Doo Society members brought some fun and games to the residents of Palolo Chinese Home. Bingo is their favorite activity and over 60 people joined us that morning. Many were alert and active participants while others needed some help to watch their cards. The Society was introduced to the residents by CEO Darlene Nakayama and SDDS President Lucy Wong presented her with a lisee. We recognized two SDDS members who are residents at Palolo Chinese Home and gave them crownflower leis, Mr. James Yim and Mrs. Yee. Blossom Wong was our Bingo Mistress of Ceremonies and with her Bingo helpers, Candolyn Nakagawa and Avery Chung, and twenty of our awesome SDDS volunteers, gave out over 240 prizes. Everyone was a winner! After the game, members had a tour of the facility, led by past President Wesley Fong and Hansel, followed by a delicious lunch from their cafeteria. Our annual visits to Palolo Chinese Home give us the opportunity to spend time with our elders. It makes it even more meaningful to see their smiles when they get a BINGO and leave with their arms full of prizes.

Many, many thanks to the volunteers that came out to help and those who donated prizes. Special thanks to Blossom Wong, who brought a beautiful floral arrangement for Darlene and can always be counted on to run the game smoothly and effortlessly, and to Florence Au for hand-sewing 11 lap blankets that were used as grand prizes and for shopping for additional prizes. As one of the residents said to me, "That was fun, let's do it again tomorrow."

2019 Dragon Boat Race

BY: Xavier Imperial, Chair



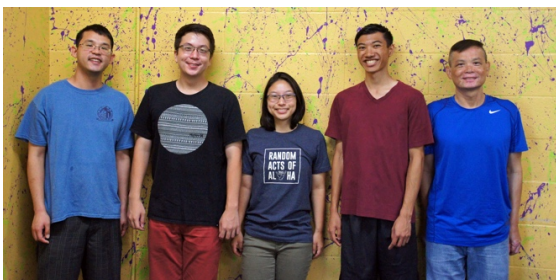
On July 27, 2019 at Ala Moana Beach Park, See Dai Doo Society competed in the 24th annual dragon boat race against 31 other teams. 60 people attended the event and there was a total of 40 people registered to paddle. As a team, See Dai Doo was able to achieve **first place in the Chinese society division** and **2nd place overall**. The society came together, worked well as a team, and those who weren't racing cheered on the paddlers and were a great support.

Special thanks to Marsha Au Maxwell for helping with the food, Jade for bringing her friends to paddle for See Dai Doo, Chad Au for helping organize the team on the day of the race, all the paddlers who did not have the chance to paddle due to the competitive setting, and to all those who came out to support See Dai Doo.

Mahalo to all who attended, helped out, participated, and we hope the society continues to perform well in future dragon boat races!

2019 Challenge of the Villages Bowling Tournament

BY: Wendy Chun, Chair



On Sunday, August 4, 2019, the annual Challenge of the Villages bowling tournament was held at Fort Shafter Bowling Alley. This year there were 7 teams enrolled. They must have gotten used to the darkness of the alley, with the loud music blaring, and occasional colored lights shining, because many did much better this year! In the fun category of the first to make three strikes in a row (a turkey), there were 7 who actually threw turkeys!

All teams were awarded bags filled with snacks and a carton of soda to share. Many thanks to the hard work of the score keepers Cindy Ching, Debi Flores, and Lynn Imperial. They kept close tabs on the scores throughout the games and were able to compile the winners in record time!

This year's winners were as follows:

Teams:

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| First Place | The Strykers –
Captain Kevin Chun |
| Second Place | The Wonderfals –
Captain Audrey Won |
| Third Place | Panda Bowling Squad –
Captain Brandon Hee |
| Fourth Place | Knock 'em Down – Captain Beverly Wong |
| Fifth Place | Lucky Lukes – Captain Lally Luke |
| Sixth Place | We Can Do It – Captain Leonard Kam |
| Seventh Place | Never Quit – Captain Xavier Imperial |

Individual:

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| Highest Score for 3 Games | Lester Hee |
| 65+ Highest Score | Wendy Chun |

Fun Categories:

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| Lowest Score (lemon award) | Melissa Marinishi |
| First Turkey | Claire Matsuoka |
| Most Splits in Game 1 | Jerre Psak and Debbie Hee |
| Most First Gutters in Game 2 | Shirley Ann Chew and Michael Flores |

Another first, See Dai Doo Society's Annual Picnic

BY: Lucy Wong, Chair

On August 11, 2019 over 400 individuals from the local Chinese community joined together at Kapiolani Park to have fun, games, prizes, freshly grilled hamburgers, hot dogs, bentos, pineapples, and ice-cold watermelons. The United Chinese Society sponsored this picnic with over 70 See Dai Doo participants plus many members who are in dual societies. It started with neighboring societies helping each other put up their tents, raking the area, unloading their goodies and supplies. It was extremely enjoyable to watch everyone helping each other. This was the first time See Dai Doo participated in this community event and contributed a grand total of over 450 pounds of watermelons. Pali Safeway generously donated over 200 pounds of watermelons which added to See Dai Doo's 250 pounds. Games and prizes galore. If you wanted a head start on your watermelon, there was a watermelon eating contest, as well as the popular pick up prize games, water balloon toss and much more. See Dai Doo had a tent where all of their members could gather, socialize and share goodies. Throughout the day, door prizes were won by many which included the grand prize of 2 round trip airfares to Asia. Mahalo to Robert Wong, Kevin Chun, D'wayne Wong and Chris Wong for transportation. Charlene Leong-Chun, D'wayne Wong, Chris Wong, Wendy Mow our watermelon cutters and to all the other helpers and those attending the event. Mahalo!



Farewell to Mars Wang and Welcome to Geoffrey Han

BY: Cynthia Ching

The Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Honolulu (TECOH) generously donated our Mandarin textbooks. Lessons are held every Monday at 7pm and taught by Mrs. Donna Chang. Our liaison to the TECOH was Mars Wang (Yu-Hong) who was stationed in Bangladesh before he came to Honolulu for three years. Mars became more than a liaison but a good friend and part of our Mandarin class ohana. He has been assigned to the Marshall Islands.

On July 15, 2019, the Mandarin class held a farewell dinner and wished him well in his new post. We were very fortunate to meet Geoffrey Han who was introduced by Mars as the next Deputy Director of TECOH. Mr. Geoffrey Han arrived in Honolulu on July 12, 2019. His last station was Brunei near Saudi Arabia. The Mandarin class welcomed him.



Kupuna Personal Safety Tips

BY: Lucy Wong

Sergeant Chris Kim and Officer Glenda Cabras from Crimestoppers presented a short talk on personal safety tips to over 35 people attending on August 14, 2019. Using actual video surveillance films, he showed thefts that have recently occurred in Honolulu. His recommendations on how to avoid being a target were well received. This presentation was opened to the community, so all could benefit from the information given. The speakers were presented with a See Dai Doo Society cooler bag and back pack as a small token of appreciation. Mahalo to the Waikiki Community Center members who attended and donated snacks, along with Wendy Chun for providing the contact information for our speakers.



2020 See Dai Doo Society Officers & Trustees

On Wednesday, November 13, 2019, the following members were elected:

President	Dr. Lucy M.H.F. Wong
Vice President	Kevin S. W. Chun
Treasurer	Lori S.C. Kam
Assistant Treasurer	Cynthia M.L. Ching
Chinese Secretary	Raymond B.H. Leung
Assistant Chinese Secretary	Anna S.P. Tam Chung
English Secretary	Lynn S. Imperial
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Trustees	Kin Ming Ching Carol K.S. Lau Clifton Y. K. Yim

Due to the elevator modernization, the elevators will not be working starting mid-November 2019 through the end of January 2020. As a result, the January 1, 2020 See Dai Doo Society **Installation of Officers and Trustees** will be **limited** to the **elected officers, trustees, and past presidents**, along with their one guest. Instead we will be having a **Chinese New Year Celebration** on **Sunday February 2, 2020** at **11 AM** in the See Dai Doo Great Hall.

Thank you for your understanding!

Back to School, Back to Family Night

BY: Lucy Wong, Chair

September 15, 2019 brought 45 members, family and friends together at See Dai Doo's Second Family Fun Night. A repeat performance of Bingo, Mahjong, Ping Pong, Card crafting and a great potluck dinner with socializing and camaraderie. The number of prizes increased to over a hundred and twenty in addition to a dozen sets of homemade moon cakes created by Cindy Ching, and two Longs Gift Cards for door prizes. A big mahalo to Wendy Chun, Anna Chung and family for bingo support, Steph Miwa with card crafting, Mahjong coordinator Sharlene Chun, Ping Pong master Raymond Leung, food coordinator Mae Wataoka along with many other helping hands. Donations were made for bingo prizes by Donna Chang and crafting supplies from Steph Miwa and Lucy Wong.



Double 10 Parade

BY: Lucy Wong

Double 10, (aka. October 10) celebrates the establishment of the Republic of China founded by Dr. Sun Yat Sen.

See Dai Doo Society was one of forty organizations who participated in a mini parade on October 6, 2019. The parade circled the Chinatown Cultural Plaza and ended with lei presentations to Dr. Sun Yet Sen's statue. Happy 108th Birthday Republic of China 🇹🇼.





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Calendar of Upcoming Events

Friday December 6, 2019, 5:30 PM

Christmas Caroling

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Rehab Hospital of the Pacific

Due to Elevator Modernization - NO DIRECTOR MEETING IN JANUARY

Sunday February 2, 2020, 11 AM

Chinese New Year Celebration

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SDDS Great Hall

Saturday March 14, 2020, 5:30 PM &
Sunday March 15, 2020, 5:30 PM

Spring Banquet

春宴

Jade Dynasty Seafood Restaurant

Ongoing Events

Bingo

美式賓果

On break until elevator modernization completed

Mandarin Class

國語班

Every Monday

Alternate location – contact Robert Ching

Tai Chi

太極班

On break until elevator modernization completed