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Seizing the Opportunity to Participate and Serve

The quality and success of the Asia/Asian American Section has won many praises in the American Sociological Association - witnessing the quality of the papers, the panels, the roundtables, the attendance at the various sessions, the enthusiastic responses to its newsletter, Asiatic Mode, and emulations by other

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sections. In the final analysis, the vitality and success of the Asia/Asian American Section depend solely on its members' willingness to participate and serve. The AAA Section offers opportunities for you to share and exchange scientific ideas through its programs at the annual meeting. It also requires your sense of obligation to provide services to your fellow members. I would like to take this opportunity to remind you of the following:

- 1. The AAA program at the August 1993 meeting in Miami will be organized by the incoming chair, Lucie Cheng. Send your papers, proposals for roundtables and panels to her.
- 2. There will be two vacancies on the AAA Executive Council. Send your nominations to Gary Hamilton.
- 3. A new student membership on the AAA Executive Council has been created. All nominations should also be sent to Gary Hamilton.
- 4. New members to the AAA will increase the chances of getting more sessions for presentations at the annual meetings. So, please urge your colleagues and graduate students to check and join the AAA section when renewing or signing on to the American Sociological Association membership. If each of us recruits two new members, the AAA will stand to gain another two-hour session at the meeting.

Detailed information regarding these items can be found in other places in this and forthcoming issues of the Asian Mode. What is important is to think about these opportunities and obligations and take actions. The AAA thrives because you care.

Nan Lin

# PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE COUNCIL MEMBERS

The term of two members of the Council came to an end at the 1992 ASA meetings. After serving for three years on the Council, **Wen Kuo** and **John Llu** leave, having made an imprint on the Council and on the direction which the Asia and Asian America section is taking. Thank you for your time, commitment, and dedication. It is greatly appreciated.

Congratulations go out to Judith Llu (University of

San Diego) and **Dana Y. Takagi** (University of California, Santa Cruz), who have been elected to a three year term on the section's Council. We look forward to their insights and their contributions.

Elections, elections. This upcoming year, we will elect a chair-elect, two council members, and a student member. (It was approved in the Business Meeting). The chair elect serves 2 years as chair elect, two years as Chair, and 2 years as past chair -- a six year commitment. The Council members serve for a three year term. A student member is elected each year. It is expected that those elected to office attend all national meetings during their tenure. If you know someone who you feel would be a good candidate, nominate that person. (Make sure that you first talk with that person). If you feel you are a good candidate, nominate yourself. Send all nominations to: Gary Hamilton, Department of Sociology, University of California, Davis, CA 95616 Phone: (916)752-6170 BITNET: GGHAMILTON@UCDAVIS

#### 1993 ANNUAL MEETING

It seems that it was only yesterday that many of us were in Pittsburg meeting old friends, making new friends, presenting papers, or listening to others present. My, how time flies! As most of you are now back at the academy getting into the swing of things, now is the time to plan for next year's meeting which will be held in Miami Beach, Florida, at the Fountainbleau Hilton between August 13-17, 1993. Our section's activities will be on the first day of the meeting. We need contacts in Miami or in the Miami area to help us make local arrangements. If you know of anyone, please send this info to: Nan Lin, Department of Sociology, Duke University, Durham, North Carolina 27706 Phone: (919)684-2915 BITNET: NANLIN@DUKEMVS.BITNET

The deadline for papers and proposals for next year's meeting is **December 31, 1992.** So, now is the time to get started on your papers or proposal or to think about possible roundtables. Since it is the responsibility of the chair-elect to organize next year's program, please send all papers and proposals to: **Lucie Cheng,** Department of Sociology, University of California, Los Angeles, California, 90024. Phone: (213)825-4445. BITNET: CHENG@SOC.SSCNET.UCLA.EDU

#### **MEMBERSHIP STATUS**

As of February 1992, the membership of the Asia and Asian America section was 339. If each of us were to recruit one or two others, what a party we could have! Well, may be not a party, but definitely another session at the annual meetings, which is no small deal. Our goal for next year is to get our section membership up to 400 members. That sounds like a lot, but that really is not all that many more. If we beat the bushes, pressure our colleagues, invite our graduate students or somebody else's graduate student (student membership is only \$5), we should be able to reach our goal in no time. For brochures and more recruiting information, please contact: **Marllyn Fernandez**, Ounce of Prevention Fund, 188 West Randolph Street, Suite 2200, Chicago, Illinois 60601 Phone: (312)853-6080.

#### BY-LAWS, MENTORS, AND AWARDS

Bye-bye by-laws. Not! During the next year, recommendations will be made regarding changes in our by-laws. Yes, we do have by-laws which dictate, more or less, how our section is run. A copy of the by-laws is printed on the last page. Please send any changes, comments, or suggestions for revisions to: Morrison Wong, Department of Sociology, Texas Christian Fort Texas 76129 Phone: University, Worth, R1011SO@TCUAMUS or (817)921-7470 BITNET: Judith Liu, Department of Sociology, University of San 92110-2492 Phone: Diego. CA Diego. San (619)260-4600 Ext.4468.

Dave Takeuchl has volunteered to take the initiative in developing plans for (1) a mentorship program and (2) an award for the best book or article. He would like your input regarding the feasibility of such plans and suggestions of processes which can be utilized if such a plan is implemented. Please send all suggestions to him at: School of Social Work, University of Hawaii, Honolulu, Hawaii 96822 Phone: (808)956-6243 FAX: (808)956-5964

# **ASIAN AMERICAN CONFERENCE**

A national Asian American Conference, sponsored by the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse on behalf of the University of Wisconsin System, will be held March 25-27, 1993. The conference theme will be "Asian Americans: Probing the Past, Living the Present, Shaping the Future".

Committee Conference Program invites The proposals for panels, papers, workshops, roundtables and media presentations. Proposals may relate to, but are not limited to, the following cluster themes: 1) tradition versus modernization (or "Americanization"), 2) domestic and global issues, 3) intercultural relations, 4) the Asian American renaissance in literature and the arts. 5) Asian Americans in the sciences, and 6) Asian Americans as agents of historical and social change. Additional proposals that fall within the parameters of the conference's commitment to include representation of both genders, a diversity of Asian American ethnic populations and class situations, and issues of both academic and community concern are welcome.

Send proposals or refer for information to: Asian American Conference Program Committee, c/o Annette White-Parks, Department of English, 425V North Hall, University of Wisconsin-La Crosse, La Crosse, WI 54601 Phone (608)785-8399. Or send via electronic mail to MANRIQUE@UWLAX.BITNET or @UWLAX.EDU or CURRIER@UWLAX.BITNET or @UWLAX.EDU.

For registration information, contact Penny Tiedt, Continuing Education and Extension, 227 Main Hall, University of Wisconsin-La Crosse, WI 54601 Phone (608)785-6503.

# **GENERATIONS**

The UCLA Asian American Studies Center announces a special publication of *Amerasia Journal* on new research on Asian American generations. This issue contains various approaches to looking at the Asian American experience through the conception of "generations" -- as reflected in family patterns, media representation, and literature.

Haiming Liu, a scholar from the People's Republic of China, examines Chinese American families before World War II, and the cultural, political, and social costs of having a family divided, half in China, and half in America.

Looking at how the Asian American family is represented in television, Darrel Hamamoto compares

the popular media portrayal of the "model" Asian American family and the narrow television imagery of the family with the realities of the Asian American experience today and notes that Asians are today the target of widespread anti-Asian violence.

The changing demographics of Asian Americans are reflected in an essay by N.V.M. Gonzalez on the relationship of the colonization of the Philippines with current observances of Columbus' encounter with the "New World." Gonzalez traces the immigration of Filipinos worldwide to their history of colonization.

The 150 page issue is available for \$7.00 plus tax and one dollar handling, or three issues (yearly subscription) for \$15.00 from the UCLA Asian American Studies Center, Publications Department, 3230 Campbell Hall, UCLA, Los Angeles, CA 90024.

#### **ASIAN AMERICANS IN TRANSITION**

Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist Stanley Karnow and Los Angeles Times editorial writer Nancy Yoshihara team up to provide an overview of critical issues for today's Asian Americans. Asian Americans in Transition provides a historical perspective on the presence of Asia Americans in the United States along with discussions of their struggle to overcome various stereotypes, particularly that of the "model minority." Karnow and Yoshihara discuss the role of family, education, culture, discrimination, and politics in the lives of Asian Americans as they work to forge identities in a new homeland. The foreword is written by Senator Daniel K. Inouye.

If you would like a copy of this 80 page paperback book, send \$9.95 plus \$2.00 for postage and handling to: AAT, The Asian Society, 725 Park Avenue, New York, New York 10021.

#### **CHINESE STUDIES AT UCLA**

The Center for Chinese Studies at UCLA is please to announce a number of Center Scholar Fellowships for students in Chinese Studies. The Fellowships will cover all tuition expense, plus \$10,000 living stipend, and will be renewable for four years at comparable levels of support. The Center also offers a number of Research Assistantships to qualified applicants. Special (UC) President's and Chancellor's Fellowships, and stipends

of \$12,500 to \$14,000 for four years, are available on a campus-wide competitive basis. Departmental Recruitment Fellowships, with stipends of \$10,000 or more, and Teaching Assistantships, with annual compensations between \$12,000 and \$14,000 are available from most of the participating departments.

UCLA's Chinese Studies Program is now one of the nation's premier programs with 26 faculty members and from 60-70 graduate students with plans for continued expansion to enhance existing program strengths.

Interested students should apply directly to the participating departments: Anthropology, Art History, East Asian Languages and Cultures, Economics, Geography, History, Political Science, and Sociology. For more information, write to: Center for Chinese Studies, University of California, Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA 90024-1487.

# **SURF PROGRAM**

The Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship Program (SURF) at the University of California, Irvine offers minority students, including Asian Americans interested in the social sciences and humanities, an opportunity to gain research experience and preparation for entering graduate school. Eligibility requirements include: completion of the junior year by the summer of 1993, an overall GPA of 3.0 (students with a 3.0 in their majors will be considered), an interest in pursuing a Ph.D., and qualifying for financial support. Students accepted into the program receive free university housing, reimbursement for round trip transportation to UCI, and an \$1800 stipend to cover expenses for food and other incidentals. For further information, contact: Ms. Peggy Garcia Bockman, Director, Graduate and Professional Opportunity Program, Office of Research and Graduate Studies, 120 Administration, University of California, Irvine, CA 92717 Phone: (714)856-5879.

# CENTER FOR RESEARCH ON WOMEN

The Center for Research on Women in the Department of Sociology invites applications for two tenure track positions, rank open, to begin in Fall 1993. A doctorate in sociology is required. Applicants in the upper ranks should have strong records of research publication with preference given to applicants experienced in funded research.

The Center is seeking scholars whose areas of research and teaching expertise include the study of race, class, and gender with a specific focus in one or more of the following: health, mental health, urban problems and policy, poverty, work and family, and education.

Applications from racial and ethnic minorities and women are encouraged. Send vita, supporting materials and three letters of reference to: Lynn Weber, Director, Center for Research on Women, Memphis State University, Memphis, TN 38152. Call (901)678- 2770 for more information. Deadline is December 15, 1992 or until the position is filled.

# **POST-DOCTORAL FELLOWSHIPS**

The University of New Hampshire Family Research Laboratory is anticipating possible three Family Violence Research fellowships available starting in the summer of 1993. These NIMH-funded positions are open to new and experienced researchers with doctorates in the fields of psychology, sociology, social work, law, nursing, public health and medicine. The fellowships are intended to work in the area of child abuse, domestic violence, elder abuse, sexual abuse, rape, homicide and other family violence related topics with special attention to mental health impact. Scholars may use the one year fellowships (with possible one year extension) to work on their own projects, to collaborate with FRL staff or to work on one of the many data sets archived at the FRL. Fellows must be able to reside close enough to UNH (one-and-a-half hours from Boston) to attend the weekly Family Violence Research seminar. Annual stipends run from \$18,600 to \$32,300, depending on number of years since receipt of doctorate. Applications from scholars with interests in Family Violence in minority families are particularly encouraged. The deadline for applications is March 1, 1993. For more information, contact David Finkelhor, Co-Director, Family Research Laboratory, University of New Hampshire, Durham, NH 03824; (606)862-1888.

#### **CALL FOR PAPERS**

The Social Science History Association will hold its 18th annual conference in Baltimore, Maryland, November 4-7, 1993. The SSHA is a leading social science interdisciplinary association. Its annual conference provides a forum for historians, economists, sociologists, anthropologists, political scientists, demographers, and geographers. Graduate students are especially encouraged to participate as panelists.

Those interested in organizing a panel or presenting a paper should send a proposal to the Program Cochairs. The proposal should outline the topic, briefly describe the format (including tentative paper titles), and provide names, departments and institutional affiliations, addresses, and phone numbers of all participants. Panel organizers should include FAX numbers and BITNET addresses if available.

Proposals must be received no later than February 15, 1993. Organizers are encouraged to submit preliminary proposals earlier. The Program co-chairs are: Eileen L. McDonagh, Department of Political Science, Meserve Hall 303, Northeastern University, Boston, MA 02115. Phone (617)495-8140; FAX (617)495-8422; BITNET: EMCD@NUHUB; and Philip J. Ethington, Department of History, Boston University, 226 Bay State Road, Boston, MA 02215. Phone (617)353-2551; FAX (617)353-2556.

#### **NOTES ON FOLKS**

**Elena Yu,** Epidemiology and Biostatistics, Graduate School of Public Health, San Diego State University, San Diego, CA 92182-0405 (619)674-1330.

Publications: E. Yu, W.T. Liu, Z.Y. Wang, P.S. Levy, R. Katzman, M.Y Zhang, G.Y. Qu, F.F. and F.F. Chen. 1992. "Caregivers of the Cognitively Impaired and the Disabled in Shanghai, China." In Steven H. Zarit, Leonard I. Pearlin, and K. Warner Schale (eds.) Caregiving Systems: Informal and Formal Helpers. Hillsdale, NJ: Lawrence Erlbaum Associates, Inc.

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1991. "The Health Risks of Asian Americans." Editorial. *American Journal of Public Health* 81:11:1391-93.

William T. Liu, Elena S.H. Yu, Ching-Fu Chang, and

Marilyn Fernandez. 1990. "The Mental Health of Asian American Teenagers: A Research Challenge." Pp. 92-112 in Arlene R. Stiffman and Larry E. Davis (eds.), Ethnic Issues in Adolescent Mental Health. New York: Sage Publications.

Anita Beltran Chen, Department of Sociology, Lakehead University, 955 Oliver Road, Thunder Bay, Ontario, Canada P7B 5E1 (807)343-8792.

Publications: 1991. "Elderly Asians in Canada: Immigration Trend and Implications." In K. Victor Ujimoto and Josephine Naidoo (eds.), *Asian Canadians: Research on Current Issues* (Selections from the proceedings of Asian Canadian Symposium VIII, McMaster University, 1987 and Asian Canadian Symposium IX, University of Windsor, 1988).

1991. "Filipinos in Canada." *Proceedings*, 33rd International Congress of Asian and North African

Studies (ICANAS).

Presentations: 1991. "Domestics: A New Category of Filipinos in Canada." Twentieth Conference of the Canadian Council for Southeast Asian Studies. October 18-20, 1991. York University. Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

New Positions: Member, Steering Committee, Northern Educational Center for Aging and Health; Consultant, Thunder Bay District Health Unit.

Leland T. Salto, Ethnic Studies Department, University of California, San Diego, La Jolla, CA 92093.

Completed the UCLA Sociology Ph.D. program and begins this fall (1992) as an Assistant Professor in the Department of Ethnic Studies and the Urban Studies Program at the University of California, San Diego.

#### **NOTES ON FOLKS**

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Publications/Presentations:		

I know that there are many of you out there who are conducting research or have received awards which may be of interest to fellow section members. Please send any information to: Dr. Morrison G. Wong, Editor, Asiatic Mode, Department of Sociology, Texas Christian University, Fort Worth, TX 76129 Phone: (817)921-7470) BITNET: R1011SO@TCUAMUS.

#### BY-LAWS OF THE SECTION ON ASIA AND ASIAN AMERICA

The **purpose** of the section on Asia and Asian America is to enhance cooperation between Asia, Asian America, and global community through organized meetings and conferences, newsletters, and other means deemed appropriate by the council of the section. These cooperative undertakings may include professional exchanges, joint research, sociological dialogues, information networks, and scholarly visits.

The section will aim at strengthening theoretical and methodological aspects of Asian and Asian American studies.

Officers of the Section: The officers of the Section shall be a Chairperson, Chair-person-elect, Past Chairperson, and a Secretary-Treasurer. The Chairperson shall serve for two years. The Chairperson-Elect shall serve for two years, after which he/she will assume the Chairpersonship. The Secretary-Treasurer shall serve for a period of three years. There shall be a Council consisting of six members, each serving three years, with two Council seats being vacated each year. In the first election of the Council, the terms of office, whether for one, two, or three years, shall be designated by the Chairperson. The Chairperson, Chairperson-Elect, and Secretary-Treasurer shall serve as members of the Council during the two years following his/her Chairpersonship. No member can hold two elective offices simultaneously. If an elected officer is elected to another office, his/her prior office shall be declared vacant. If an elected office is vacated before the term is completed, it shall be filled through appointment by the Chairperson for the unexpired term, but this appointment must be confirmed by the Council at its next meeting. A Newsletter Editor will be appointed by the Council for a term of two years. The Editor will serve as an ex-officio member of the Council and will be working with an Editorial Board.

**Powers of the Officers:** The Council is vested, in principle, with the power to carry out all necessary operations for the Section. The Council shall make decisions by majority rule of its attending members. Any action of the Section, including changes of the by-laws, may be brought to the vote of the Section by the Council, by a petition of 10 percent of the members of the Section, or by twenty-five members of the Section, whichever is less.

**Elections and Voting:** The elections of the Section shall be carried out in cooperation with the American Sociological Association and coordinated to their schedule. The exception for this shall be the first election, which shall be carried out concomitantly with the formation of the Section.

**Committees:** There shall be a Committee on Nominations appointed each year by the Council when it convenes at the Annual Meetings of the American Sociological Association. One member of the Committee on Nominations shall be designated by the Council as Chairperson of the Committee and the Chairperson each year shall be a member (but not the Chairperson) of the Committee on Nominations in the following year. At least two candidates will be presented for each office by the Committee on Nominations.

There shall be a Committee on Asian and Asian American studies which shall aid those responsible for the sessions in this field at the annual meetings of the American Sociological Association, etc. The Committee shall be appointed by the Council of the Section.

There shall be a Committee on Current Research appointed by the Council. The purpose of the committee is to assist in compiling reports on current research for purposes of a Newsletter and similar periodic reports.

There shall be a Committee on Liaison, appointed by the council, to maintain liaison with other groups concerned with community research. The Committee may investigate possibilities for joint conferences and provide coordination for other joint activities that are consistent with the goals of the Section.

Other committees shall be appointed by the Chairperson with the approval of the Council.

Activities: There shall be one business meeting and at least one substantive meeting to be held for members of the

Section at the Annual Meetings of the American Sociological Association.

**Membership:** The membership of the Section is open to any member of the American Sociological Association without regard to the classification of his/her membership, who has expressed an interest in Asia and Asian America. Elected officers and committee members shall be drawn from the members of the American Sociological Association who have voting privileges. Members who do not pay their Section dues shall be suspended and dropped from the rolls after two years.

**Dues.** Dues shall be set by the Council to cover the operation of the Section in accord with the requirements of the American Sociological Association.

Editor's Note: Please send all comments, questions, or suggestions for change of our by-laws to: Morrison G. Wong, Department of Sociology, Texas Christian University, Fort Worth, TX 76129 Phone (817)921-7470 BITNET: R1011SO@TCUAMUS or to Judith Liu, Department of Sociology, University of San Diego, San Diego, CA 92110-2492 Phone: (619)260-4600 Ext. 4468. Thanks.