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## Greetings and Messages From the Chair By Esther Ngan-ling Chow

When I began the chair position of the section last summer, I was grateful to you all

for granting me the opportunity to serve the section, ASA, and society at large. But the thought of the responsibility you entrusted to me sometimes gave me butterflies in my stomach. I have kept on telling myself that I should do what I can, with what I have, and at where I am. Then I came across a doctor's advice: "It's all right to have butterflies in your stomach. Just get them to fly in formation." I did exactly that by first organizing the section's committee structure, so that council members and volunteers jointly worked together in each of the committees. This has turned out to be one of the most rewarding experience for me, working with such committed, enthusiastic, and supportive colleagues. Their involvement and teamwork have given a new meaning to volunteerism and professionalism, and their contributions to section should be recognized. Without the constant encouragement and support especially of Alvin So and Yen Espiritu, my job as the chair would not have been as easily accomplished.

First of all, I invite you all to attend the annual meeting of the ASA to be held in Chicago. Mark Saturday, August 7, 1999, our section day, on your calendars. All our section activities are organized on this day. Many thanks to Alvin So, Morrison Wong, and John Lie for putting together a great program which covers a wide range of topics of interest and issues of concern for teachers, researchers, and scholars as well as practitioners. Yen Espiritu also conscientiously publicized our section's annual meeting program in the last issue of the section newsletter.

Special recognition is given to Emily Ignacio and Yvonne Lau who put together a fantastic program as members of the local arrangements committee. Emily spent considerable time and effort in finding the My Thai restaurant, which is conveniently located two blocks from the ASA hotel, and has negotiated a fabulous reception. Armed with vision and dedication to Asian American issues, Yvonne has proposed organizing a special event, an interactive panel discussion entitled "Dialogue and Partnership with Asian American Communities." This will bring together community leaders/activists and sociologists to mutually share their experiences, expertise, and "hands-on" advice, a session that should be interesting and rewarding to both groups. You are cordially to invite to join us at both the reception from 6:30-8:00PM in the restaurant and the special event from 8:30-10:30PM at the ASA hotel.

Mother Teresa from India once said, "To keep a lamp burning we have to keep putting oil in it." Membership is the oil needed if we are to sustain our section's networking and vitality. The good news is that our membership had grown from 318 in

1998 to 337 by May 1999. Thank you to Alvin, Mori, and Judith Liu, who have continued to work diligently on our membership drive throughout the year. All the council members and volunteers, Jian Guan and Shahid Shadidullah, have also contributed their effort to the membership drives. Several former members sent me friendly notes and emails when they rejoined the section this year. We still have four more months to work toward the goal of 400 members before the ASA cut-off day for membership counts in October. Reaching this goal will qualify our section for three regular sessions during the ASA convention. Let's work on "Target 400" this summer!

Celebrating scholarship, one of the major tasks of the section, was undertaken by the book award committee, chaired by Diane Wolf with Pyong Gap Min, Nazli Kibria, and Alvin So serving as members. This is a hardworking committee that involves the time-consuming and taxing task of reviewing many nominated books and that exercises fair judgement in arriving at an award decision. Many thanks to all of them.

Last but not least, the nomination committee, chaired by Linda Vo, solicited nominations and dealt with election matters expeditiously. This committee addressed a wide representation of members from different regions, ethnicities, nations who specialize in either Asia Studies or Asian American Studies or both. Rarely have I seen professional colleagues function in such an efficient manner as Linda has not only to get things done, but done exceedingly well. Her fruitful efforts have brought forth new leadership for the section. Welcome on board John Lie as chair-elect, Emily Noelle Ignacio and Rebecca Chiyoko King as incoming council members, and Bindi Shah as new student representative.

Continue your support of our AAA section, the incoming chair Alvin So, as well as the new executive board for the year of 2000. This is an auspicious time to volunteer yourself for professional serviced and bring innovative ideas to the section. As Henry W. Longfellow said, "Let us, then, be up and doing, With a heart for any fate; still achieving, still pursuing, Learn to labor and to wait." See you at the ASA convention in Chicago!

# SECTION DAY EVENTS Saturday, August 7, 1999

**Council Meeting**. 7.a.m. French Quarter Restaurant at the Hilton Palmer House Hotel.

Panel Session. 8:30-10:15. Issues of Marginalization of Asian Americans. Refereed Roundtables. 10:30-12:15 Panel Session. 12:30-1:30. Globalization and Asian.

Business Meeting. 1:30-2:15
Reception. 6:30-8:00. At My Thai restaurant. 30 S. Michigan Avenue.
(Direction: From the Hilton Chicago, go north on S. Michigan Ave. towards E. Balbo Dr. by turning left).

Community Forum. 8:30-10:30. "Dialogue and Partnership with Asian American Communities." Priva Dining Room 7 at the Hilton Palmer House. Co-sponsored with Concerned Asian/Asian American Sociologists.

The following statement is from Yvonne Lau, organizer of the community forum:

"To enhance collaboration between community-based and academic professionals, the AAA section will host a panel discussion immediately following the reception on August 7th at the Hilton.

Given the relative invisibility of the Midwestern Asian American communities in social science literature, this might provide a mutually beneficial opportunity for both groups to broaden their knowledge of conditions including: 1) current issues and needs particular to Chicago and other Midwestern communities; 2) national research projects and agendas; and 3) national public policy/legislation and its impact on the Midwest. Community leaders representing diverse, non-profit organizations have been invited to participate in this panel discussion. The AAA section will be inviting several scholars to comment on issues raised by an advisory group of Chicago's leaders in the Asian American community.

## VISIT CHICAGO'S ASIAN AMERICAN COMMUNITIES

Some members of the advisory group of Chicago's leaders in the Asian American community have graciously extended an invitation to section members to tour their organizations and agencies. If you would like to visit some of these groups, please contact these leaders directly or e-mail Yvonne Lau for more information at ylau@luc.edu. You can also visit Loyola's Asian and Asian American Studies website for a listing of over a hundred organizations in the Chicagoland area (www.luc.edu/depts/asian st).

Organizations offering special tours or luncheons:

- Asian Human Services. Abha Pandya, Exe. Director, 773-728-2235
- Chinese American Service League. Bernarda Wong, E.D., 312-791-0418
- Japanese American Service Committee. Jean Fujiu, E.S., 773-275-7212
  - Korean American Community

Services. Inchul Choi, E.D., 773-583-5501
- South-East Asia Center. Peter
Porr, E.D., 773-989-6927.

### REPORT FROM MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

"Target 400" is our drive this year to exceed 400 members to allow us three regular sessions during the ASA convention. The membership committee has launched several membership drives during the year. Esther N. Chow obtained mailing address labels of 170 former members who had dropped out of the section over the past five years from the ASA and did a major mailing, making a special appeal to them to rejoin. Alvin, Mori, and Esther, the three section chairs, are jointly undertaking a major membership drive this summer. A third membership drive is being conducted separately by the council members and the membership committee members. Membership form is available at the ASA web site: http://www.asanet.org. Membership dues for regular members is \$12, for low income \$10, and for students is \$5. If you wish to donate membership funds to support graduate students to join our section, please email and send checks to Judith Liu liuusd@teetot.acusd.edu or Esther N. Chow echow@american.edu.

#### SECTION BOOK AWARD

The Section Book Award Committee-Diane Wolf (chair), Nazli Kibria, Alvin So, and Pyong Gap Min--is pleased to announce that Ching Khan Lee's Gender and the South China Miracle (U.C. Press) is the recipient of the 1999 Asia/Asian America Section Book Award.

Big thanks to the book award committee for their wonderful service to the section!

# PAPERS ON ASIAN AND ASIAN AMERICANS AT ASA MEETING

Listed below are **selected** papers (beside those presented at the Asia/Asian America section) dealing with Asia and Asian Americans which will be presented at the ASA meetings in Chicago. Session number is in parentheses. Special thanks to Alvin So and Linda Vo for their help with this task.

- Micro-Lending and the Building of Communities in India (2)
- Family Reunification of Japanese Brazilians in Japan: A Road to Permanent Settlement (3)
- Transformation of Taiwan's Organization Networks: Taking Notebook PC Industry as an Example (7, table 3)
- Korean Immigrant Congregations' Participation in Religion-Social Activities: A Comparison of Buddhist and Protestant Congregations (24, table 7).
- The Impact of Transnational Caring in Gender Relations: The Case of Indian Immigrant Families in the US (35).
- Face work and Embarrassment in Korean Discourse (40)
- Gender/Sex/Sexuality as Sites of Order/Disorder: Connections and Contradictions in Hindu Nationalist Constructions of Ideal and Abject Men and Women (41, 14)
- Violence and Memory: The Politics of Modernity in Korea (42)
- Elite Construction of Modern Chinese National Identity (44, 8)
- Political Party Opposition in Hybrid Systems: The Occupation Period and Its

- Political Influences in Japan and Germany (44, 9).
- ROC—The Republic of Confusions: Global Institutional Structure, State Sovereignty, and Nationalist Politics in Taiwan (44, 11). Japanese Women's Emotion Talk with "Haiku" (45, 5).
- Competing Medical Systems in Postcolonial South Asia: A Case Study of Medical Knowledge and Social Conflict (65, 3).
- Religious and Ethnic Conflict in a Secular Society: India's Cow Protection (65, 4).
- Japanese Transnationals and the U.S. Grassroots: Mitsubishi and Sexual Harassment (67).
- Mexican American and Korean Entrepreneurs (69)
- Fish Do Not Thrive in Clean Water: How Chinese Local Cadres Manipulate Property Rights (87
- Do Parents Play a Role in Maintaining Ethnic Culture? Second Generation Vietnamese Cultural Behaviors, Attitudes, and Identities (110).
- Styles of Reasoning and Framing Temporality: A Comparison of Japanese and American History Lessons (111)
- The Youth of Empire: Imperial Identity in World War Two France and Indochina (115).
- Social Stratification and Changing Political Culture: A Case of Taiwan (118).
- The Technology Economy: A Comparative Analysis of Asian American and African American Participation (120). Surfing the "Model Minority" Wave of Success: Vietnamese Youth and the Construction of Academic Identity and Ideology (121, 7)
- Who Goes to College?: Features of Institutional Tracking in Japanese Higher Education (121, 11).

- Section on Asia and Asian America. Issues of Marginalization of Asian Americans (126).
- Rethinking Latin American Development from the Perspective of East Asia. Tourism Development on the Island of Lana'I: A Trojan Horse? (140)
- Section on Asia and Asian America. Refereed Roundtables on Asia and Asian Americans (153)
- Ethnic Enterprise: Self-Employment among Latin American and Asian Immigrants in Chicago (157).
- In the Face of Change: A Comparative Content Analysis Study of Personal Advertisements in China between 1984 and 1998 (167, 2).
- Ethnic Identity among Children of Korean Immigrants (168, 1)
- Why Do Asian Students Score Higher in Mathematics than American Students? (168, 3).
- Understanding China's Intellectuals: A Synthesized Political Approach (175).
- Japanese Interest Groups' Lobbying Strategies in the 1990s (197, 1)
- Chinese Women's Economic Status: Towards the Inclusion of Gender in Stratification Research (197, 5).
- Institutional Change and Market Dependency: A Comparative Study of Social Stratification in Urban China (197, 5).
- Different Stripes of the Tiger: Testing Theories of Asian Immigrant Entrepreneurship (206).
- The Impact of Globalization on Southeast Asia (225, 3).
- Theme Culture in Delhi, India, and Allentown, PA: A Comparative Classroom Collaboration on Globalization Processes (225, 3).
- Gender Politics in Contemporary Taiwan: A Reflection of Feminist Methodology

(229).

- State as Organization: Environmental Policymaking in Japan, 1956-76 (230).
- The Lingering Consequences of Class Background (Jaiting) in the People's Republic of China (240).
- Women's Integration into the Formal Labor Force: A Test of Three Theories in Six Asia-Pacific Countries (249, 3).
- Gender, Work, and Family in China and the United States (249, 3).
- Using Ethnography to Reconceptualize Women's Autonomy: The Case of Nepal (249, 4).
- The Gendered Nature of Caste in India: A Fresh Approach to Comparative Development (249, 4).
- Fathering and Children's Sex Role Orientation in Korea (249, 4).
- Does it Matter Which College You Attend for Marriage?: Educational Homogamy by College Prestige in South Korea (249, 4).
- Explaining Gender Differences in Children's Schooling during Industrialization: Korea from 1965 to 1994 (251).
- Ethnic Differences in Basic Education in Reform-Era Rural China (251).
- Academic Achievement of Vietnamese and Cambodian American Children (253).
- Children of Small Business Owners and Professionals: Adaptation Patterns of Second Generation Korean Americans in New York (253).
- The Impact of Sex Composition and Workplace Climate on the Provision of Family Responsive Policies among Japanese Employers (257, 1).
- Habermas' Theory of Public Sphere and Contemporary Urban China (274, 5).
- Sojourners or Settlers: Post-1965 Chinese Immigrants (282).
- Using Urban Networks to Exit Hong Kong

(282, 2).

- Different Labor Markets, Different Choices: A Comparative Study of Women's Labor Force Participation in Japan and Taiwan (301).
- Globalization and Filipino Women Workers: A Case Study on Japanese Work Assignments for Women in Global Assembly Lines (301).
- Invisible Workers: Women's Employment in Vietnam: Testing the Boserup Hypothesis (301).
- Doi Moi and Women's Employment in Vietnam: Testing the Boserup Hypothesis (301).
- Intra-Ethnicity and Ethnic Nationalism: Historical Patterns and Forms of the Korean Nationalism (305).
- Feminine Capital: Embeddedness of Patriarchal Ideology within the Female Labor Market in Japan (310, 3).
- Network, Market, Hierarchy as Three Coordination Mechanisms in China's Reform (310, 8).
- Patterns of Provision and Jurisdictional Territorialism: The Organization of Work in Urban China (310, 8).
- State Legitimacy, State Policy, and the Development of the 1989 Beijing Student Movement (313, 12).
- Identity, Community, and the Relationship Between the Black Panthers and the Asian American Student Movement in Alabama (313, 14).
- Homeland Ethnicity and U.S. Minority Identity among Cambodian Refugees in Chicago and Rochester (322).
- Asian Indian Communities in Chicago (322).
- Religious Discourses on Race: Evangelical Versus Mainline Protestant Construction of Asian American Panethnicity (335).
- Intergroup Contact and the Assimilation of

- the Chinese Entrepreneurs in Small Southern Towns (370, 1).
- Opportunities, Constraints, and Disadvantage: Aspects of Post-1991 Southeast Asian Settlement in Melbourne (370, 2).
- The Salience of Pan-National Hispanic and Asian Identities, and Measures of Association in the Marriage Market (370, 5).
- The Asiatic Black Man: Race, Culture, and Identity in the Islam (370, 5).
- Filipino Migrant Workers in the United States: Assimilation or Regulation (372).
- Eurocentrism in Action: A Reassessment of the Asian Development Model (374).
- Gendered Consequences of Uneven Economic Globalization: An Analysis of Filipino Women's Labor Migration to Japan's Sex-Related Entertainment Industry (405, 6).
- A Case Study of the State and Women's Political Participation in Contemporary China (406).
- Socialism and the Legitimacy of Feminism: Changing Discourse in the Contemporary Chinese Women's Movement (406).
- Social Movement and Democratization in Africa and Asia: A Transnational Perspective (407).
- Industrial Capitalism and Democratic Transition in South Korea (407).
- Family, Culture, and Gender in Filipina American Lives (422)
- Philippines 2000: State Legitimation Through Discourse (431).
- Resource Dependency and Poverty: A Comparative Analysis of the United States and Japan (440).
- Normative Sexuality and the Production of Ethnicity: Race and Identity among (Asian) Indian Immigrant Families in the United States (441).
- What Is Nationalism?: Comparing Kerala

- and Bengal, India in the Late Colonial Period, 1934-1941 (442, 1).
- Contested Boundaries: The 'Nation' and the 'State' in Germany and Japan (442, 1).
- Mirror, Mirror on the Wall: Mapping Discussions of Feminism, Race, and Beauty into Mixed Race Japanese American Women (452, 1).
- The Social Impacts of the IMF Package on South Korea (464, 3).
- The Formation and Evolution of Transnational Networks: The Case of Asian Indian Migration to New York (468, 1).
- Transnational Managers an Local Workers: A Study of the South Korean Transnational Corporation in U.S. (468, 1).
- A Lever of U.S.-China Web of Relationship in the U.S.: The Chinese Students' Protection Act of 1992 (468, 1).
- Identity with Public and Private Structures: An Examination of Asian Indian British Youth Identity Practices (468, 5).
- Delinquency among Asian Immigrant Youths (468, 5).
- Earnings Determinants among Asian Americans (468, 7).
- Enclave and Frontier: Two Ethnic Enterprises in Chicago's Chinatown-Shanghai Restaurant and Tian Long Temple (468, 8).
- East Asia: From Economic Miracle to Economic Crisis (484).

#### CALL FOR PAPERS

The Hong Kong Journal of Sociology (HKJS) is the official journal of the Hong Kong Sociological Association. The HKJS is co-published by the Department of Sociology of the Chinese University of Hong Kong and the Chinese University Press. Professor Siu-Kai Lau is the Editor-in-Chief of the journal. The HKJS's focus is on

empirical studies of Chinese societies, although theoretical and comparative contributions are also welcomed. Please submit your inquiry of submission to Alvin Y. So (the managing editor of HKJS) at the Division of Social Science, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, Kowloon, Hong Kong. 852-2358-782 (phone), 852-2335-0014 (fax), soalvin@ust.hk

### **NOTES ON FOLKS**

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Publication: Stephen Frenkel, Marek Korczynski, Karen A. Shire, and May Tam. On the Frontline: Organization of Work in the Information Economy. Cornell

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This book offers the first comprehensive analysis of the organization and dynamics of frontline work. It is based on a four-year study of over a thousand employees and eight leading companies in the United States, Australia, and Japan. It reveals similarities and differences found in work environment as well as significant contrasts between management approaches used in Japan and those used in the United States and Australia.

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Ethnic Studies: Issues and Approaches. State University of New York, in press.

**Promotion**: Yang has been promoted to Associate Professor of Ethnic Studies at California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo.

**New Position**: Yang has also been appointed Associate Professor of Sociology at Texas Woman's University.

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