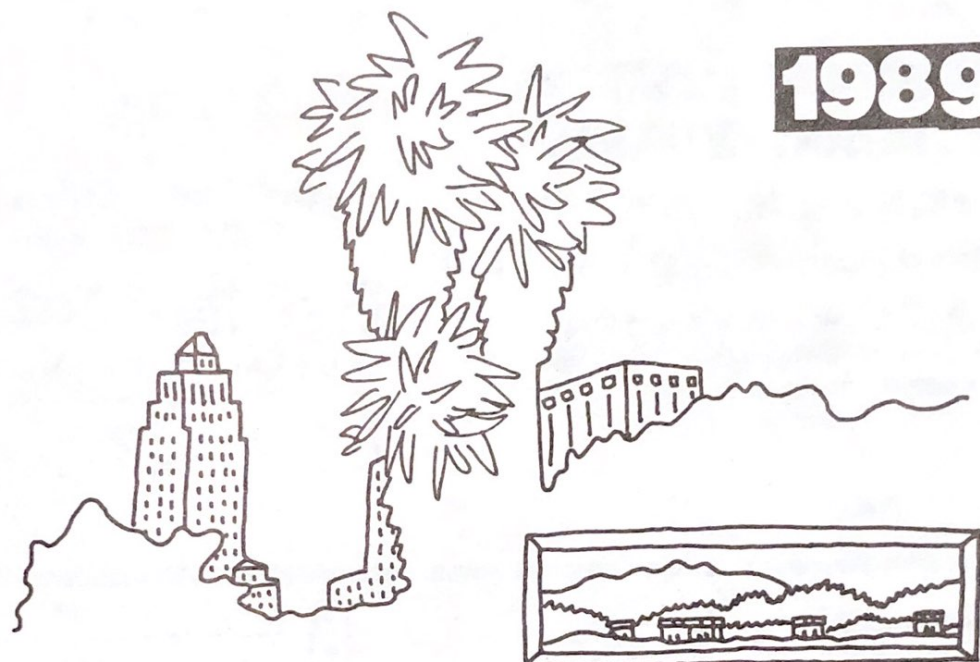


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Gom-Sing Magazine, Scholarship Assn., Los Angeles County Marshall's Assn., California Oriental Peace Officer's Assn., Los Angeles's County Professional Peace Officer's Assn., Alhambra Asian Task Force, Los Angeles Police Department Asian Task Force and the Monterey Park Asian Task Force. We are certainly going to miss Henry's smiling face.

November 12, 1988 marked the fifth convention of the National American Chinese Association at the Hilton Hotel. People attending the convention came from as far away as Canada, New York and Chicago. Mayor Tom Bradley and County Supervisor Dana Deana were also present at the convention.

Gin Wong, a local well-known architect, was given a plaque by NACA. Gin came to Los Angeles at a very young age and made a name for himself when he graduated from the University of Southern California after a stint with the Army. Gin has his architect firm in the Wilshire area and is a very successful architect.

Several members of the Gom-Benn Assn. attended the convention: Mr. and Mrs. Harold Wong, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Gin, Mr. and Mrs. Tat Ming Lau, Mrs. Bing Tew Wong, Mrs. Park Kam Wong, President Lui Wong, Leonard Hoi, Ronald Wong and Tung D. Wong.

Our Thanksgiving Day buffet on November 13th was again held at the Assn. office. A lot of people -- young and old attended the luncheon where we consumed sweet rice donated by Mrs. Park Kam Wong, roast turkey and dressing from Ray Gin, two Marie Callendar apple pies from Uncle Bing, cookies from Lui Wong, two dozen dinner rolls from Tung D. Wong, chinese teacakes from Poy Lim and Bing Que Wong. We want to thank all the donors for the delicious foods.

November 16, 1988 marked the 25th anniversary of the Bing S. Wong Scholarship Foundation. A party was held in San Bernardino marking the event. Local educators and San Bernardino city officials all attended the affair as well as Art Wong and Karl Lee of the Gom-Benn Assn. Our assn. donated \$300 for printed matters and we were given a magazine for souvenir.

We hold annual Mother's Day luncheons as well as Moon Festival and Thanksgiving Day buffets and invite all Gom-Benn relatives and their offsprings to attend. We always have a lot of food and it gives us a chance to get together several times a year. Do plan to come.



Arcadia Chamber of Commerce Intercultural Committee Chairman, William L. Wong, Senior Member of Gom Benn, Appointed by The Arcadia City Council as The City Parking Place Commissioner, Sworn In before The City Council.

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of Mr. and Mrs. Ock Yuen Wong to the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Pon. The couple was married in the bay area and had a banquet at the Silver Dragon Restaurant in Oakland before coming down to Los Angeles for another party at the Golden Dragon Restaurant on Sept. 18, 1988. The family made contributions to the following organizations: Gom-Benn Assn. - \$100.00, Wong Assn., - \$50.00, Scholarship Fund - \$50.00 and Gom-Sing Magazine - \$50.00. Again, we want to express our appreciation for your generous donations. Good luck to the newly-weds.

Gom-Benn Assn. was the recipient of \$100.00 from Art and Alma Chin, Gom-Sing Magazine - \$50.00 and the scholarship fund received \$100.00 on their daughter's wedding day, August 6th. Art was past president of the Gom-Benn Assn. and is currently retired from County service.

Nay Git, Harold's and Mary's relations arrived in the United States and in the Los Angeles area on June. Harold and Mary spent alot of time clearing the red tape to get Nay Git and his family over to "gold mountain" to start life anew. Nay Git and his wife are currently working in a sewing factory and their two sons are working part-time and going to school. The children are adjusting quite well.

Fook Yue, younger brother of Man Sang Wong, who is currently retired and living in Hong Kong, went back to Hong Kong and to Kwangtung with his daughter and son to visit his ailing wife. When he returned to Los Angeles, he brought back his son-in-law and daughter-in-law. Now they are all settled in Los Angies and all are gainfully employed.

Ricky and Virginia Wong have added a little girl to their household, where the little baby is joined by two older brothers. A teacake luncheon was held at the Golden Dragon Restaurant on 9-8-88.

Mr. and Mrs. Man Sang Wong returned to Los Angeles on 10/2/88 for the wedding of their son, James, to Lily on October 18, 1988. The couple was married at the St. John's Lutheran Church in Montebello. Relatives of the couple flew in from all over the globe to attend the wedding. The bride's parents came from Shanghai, the groom's sister came from Thailand and an aunt of Jim's came from Boston. A wedding party was held that evening at the Lincoln Plaza Hotel in the President's Ballroom. After the banquet, the couple led the dancing which went on till the wee hours of the morning.

Henry Wong, husband of Judy Wong, died an untimely death when he escorted a disgruntled patron out of the establishment where Henry worked as a security guard. Henry was with the Los Angeles County Marshall's Office where he was regarded as a very valued employee for about ten years. He was accorded a full military burial at Forest Lawn Cemetery in Glendale September 5, 1988. About 1,000 people gathered at the church to pay their last respects to Henry. Law enforcement agencies from throughout Southern California as well as all the members of the Marshall's Office were in attendance. The chaplain from the Los Angeles City Police Department delivered a very touching speech as well as Mr. Robert Mann and Sgt. Jim Vogts of the Marshall's Office, eulogy was delivered by two good friends of Henry's - Ronnie Lee and David Chow.

The family made contributions to the following: Gom-Benn Assn.

of Chopin. Ray and Edna Gin also received a prize as being married the longest and Fred and Doris Chinn also received a prize as being the farthest travelled couple--from Sacramento. The menu for the evening was: chow mein, 2 different kinds of pasta salad, barbecued filet mignon, melon, jello and a very high caloric cake by Curtis Wong, Judy's nephew. Three of Judy's bridesmaids at her wedding also were at the party. All in all, it was a fun-filled evening from beginning to end.

Well, this was the day Christine Wong, Evelyn's daughter, went on her trip to China. Christine was very excited about her coming trip and asked all sorts of questions the night before at the anniversary party. Here is an excerpt from Christine's postcard from China: "Hi, Uncle Raymond and Auntie Pinkie: I am having a wonderful time. Yesterday, I went to "my" village. It was a day I'll always remember. The people were so kind. In 1½ days, I'll be departing for Beijing. Our schedules are so hectic, I stay in at night to get enough rest. Thank you for your advice and have a nice summer and take good care! Love always, Christine."

Christine really enjoyed her trip to her grandparents' village and said she would love to go back again.

Well, it is hard to believe, but Hayley Wong, daughter of Art and Jennifer Wong, celebrated her one-year birthday party at the new home of her Aunt and Uncle, Andrea and Pete Young. The menu for the afternoon party consisted of: melon balls, chicken salad, hamburgers, chili, hot dogs, rice, barbecued chicken, fried chicken and a delicious birthday cake to top off the afternoon.

The daughter of Art and Alma Chin, Colleen Ann, was married to Colin Nobuo on August 6, 1988 at the Santa Anita Church in Arcadia. Several hundred people witnessed the afternoon wedding ceremony and to a sit-down reception at the Almansor Court in Alhambra. People were still commenting about the delicious food served at the reception weeks after the event.

August 6th was also the wedding day of Bill Lau and Donna Tom. Bill is the youngest child of the Lau Tat Mings. The couple was married at the Wilshire United Methodist Church and had their banquet at the Golden Palace Restaurant that evening. Over 400 people attended the banquet, along with some of Donna's co-worker from City Hall. Councilwoman Joy Picus presented a plaque to the newlyweds from the Mayor's office. Donna works in Mayor Tom Bradley's Office and Bill is also an employee at the City Hall. Bill and Donna are making their home in the Alhambra-Monterey Park area. Good luck and many, many years of wedded bliss, Bill and Donna. Master of ceremonies at the banquet was James Lee, brother-in-law of the bridegroom. James did a very good job by conducting his speech both in English and Chinese. The family donated \$50.00 to the Gom-Benn Assn. and \$30.00 to the Gom-Sing Magazine. Many, many thanks to the Lau Family.

William Yep, grandson of Mrs. Shui Shum Yep, and daughter of the Monarch Yeas, Linda, were married on May 1, 1988 and had their wedding banquet at the Casa De Oriente Restaurant in Alhambra that evening. Our very best to the two of you.

Another wedding this year was the blissful event of the son

for the six visitors from Toishan who were here to raise money for the construction of a television school. Their destination after leaving Los Angeles would be San Francisco, Portland, Seattle, New York and Calgary. The length of their trip in Los Angeles was a month and their goal was to raise \$350,000.00 for the school.

Dinner for Mr. Tien Ji-Yun, Vice Premier of the State Council of The People's Republic of China, was attended by over 600 people at the Biltmore Hotel. A lot of the dignitaries, including Secretary of State, March Fong Eu and Ambassador to China, Mr. Lord were in attendance.

Another month-old party, this time the honoree was the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Chak Pong Lee, son of Dr. and Mrs. David Lee, at the Golden Palace Restaurant. The grandmother went with us to China in 1983, along with the baby's aunt and uncle, William and Nancy Lee. Donations of \$100.00 were given to the Lee Assn., the Wong Assn., and \$50.00 each were given to Gom-Benn Assn. and to the Gom-Sing Magazine.

Funeral services for Mrs. Nam Wong who died peacefully in her sleep were held at the Forest Lawn cemetery in Glendale on May 28, 1988. There was a large turnout for final respects to Mrs. Nam Wong.

Four members from Toishan arrived in the United States on June 12, 1988 to raise money for the renovation of the trade school, Ju Zheng, which was deeded back to the Wong Family by the government. While in Los Angeles, the expenses of the four were taken care of by the Gom-Benn Assn. The group included the cities of San Francisco, Stockton, Los Angeles, Boston, Washington, D.C. and New York while in the United States and they also visited some cities to the north of us in Canada. Over \$60,000 were raised for the school. Lui Wong, our Assn. president, Mrs. Bing T. Wong and Mrs. Shirley Hoskin are all honorary chairmen of the school.

The four visitors had a very busy and hectic stay during their seven days here. After the vice-principal left to visit his relatives in Texas, the remaining three a day in Disneyland, another day at the Universal Studios and still another day at Knott's Berry Farm. And in between that, they were invited by their many friends in Los Angeles to breakfast, lunch and dinner, time permitting.

The first day of their arrival here, they were met at the Los Angeles Airport by several of their friends from the Assn. After a snack at the Assn., they attended a dinner at the Fortune Restaurant that evening accompanied by 80 of their friends and relatives. At that dinner, over \$3,000.00 was raised for the school.

The principal and vice-principal also found time to go to the L. A. Technical School accompanied by Lui Wong and Mrs. Park Kam Wong and chauffeured by Freda Low. We want to express our appreciation to Mrs. Evelyn Wong, vice-principal of the Technical School for giving these people an opportunity to compare our trade school to the one they are in charge of in Toishan. Thanks again, Evelyn.

The 25th wedding anniversary party for Judy and Dearl Sai on July 2, 1988 was hosted by Doris Toy at Doris' house. About 75 people attended the fun-filled affair. Cindy Chin of Encinitas, niece of Evelyn Wong, did four hula dances and Jennifer Toy did 2 numbers

Los Angeles City now has its own consulate's office. The Chinese Consulate's Office opened on March 2, 1988 for the convenience of Southern Californians who want to apply for visas to visit their homeland. Before that, one would have to work through the San Francisco office. An opening ceremony was held at the Crystal Ballroom of the Biltmore Hotel. A good number of people attended the opening as well as Mayor Tom Bradley, Councilwoman Joy Picus and Los Angeles County Supervisor Dana Deana.

Our annual Gom-Benn Assn. New Year's celebration banquet was at the Golden Dragon Restaurant on March 6, 1988. Over 300 people attended the dinner, which was also named Bing S. Wong Day--a plaque was presented to Uncle Bing for humanitarian purposes. After our dinner and after honoring Uncle Bing for his many good deeds, we were treated to a fashion show with clothes modeled by offsprings of our Assn. members.

Kelley Gin, son of the Gary Gins and grandson of the Raymond Gins, has been taking flying lessons since the age of 14. Kelley soloed on his 16th birthday, March 17, 1988, and is a full-fledged pilot now although he cannot get his license until he is 18 years of age. Hang in there Kelley, you will be getting your license before you know it. Kelley is not the only pilot in the family--his two uncles, Tom and Bob, and his aunt, Carolyn, are licensed pilots. Kelley is thinking of being an aviation pilot.

Linda and Pak Lau became parents of a baby girl named Marilyn on April 13, 1988. Big brother, Wilmondson, is helping his mother take care of the baby. This makes the 7th grandchild for the Tat Ming Laus. The baby's maternal grandmother came over from Hong Kong just in time to help take care of the new arrival.

Beverly Gin, daughter of Mrs. Hon Jin Gin, passed away on April 1, 1988. Funeral service was at the Rose Hills Memorial Chapel on April 9, 1988. The nine pallbearers were all doctors from the Huntington Hospital in Pasadena where Beverly worked before her illness. Beverly's best friend in nursing delivered a very emotional eulogy. She is survived by her daughter, Aimee Chrstine, a grandmother, mother, a sister, Susan Jung and two brothers, Leo and James.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wong welcomed a little baby boy, Christopher Brian Wong, into their household where he is joined by two older sisters. Christopher is the grandson of Mrs. Fay Wong and the great-grandson of Mrs. Kuen Wong. A month-old party was held at the Golden Palace Restaurant on April 19, 1988. Donations of \$50.00 each were given to Gom-Benn Assn., Gom-Sing Magazine and the Scholarship Fund.

Our Mother's Day luncheon was held on 4/24/88 at the Assn. Office, with goodies brought in by different members of the Assn. Many thanks go the different people who brought in their favorite dishes to share with us.

Another month-old red-egg-ginger party was for little Chase Nam Wong, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Wong of Chino. The grandmother, Mrs. Nam Wong, hosted the party at the Golden Dragon Restaurant with over 400 people in attendance, pigging out on cold plate, dim sum, chicken, duck, chow mein and red egg.

A dinner was held at the Mirawa Restaurant on May 14, 1988