

THE CITY

Asian-Pacific-American Heritage Day

Several City Depts. take part in heritage celebration.



The Dragon Dance, performed by the Monterey Park Immortals, County Department heads and several LA County Board of Supervisors.



Story and photos by Noelle Kauffman, Club Counselor

May was Asian Pacific American Heritage Month – a celebration of Asians and Pacific Islanders in the United States. Asian Pacific American Heritage Month was celebrated locally with community festivals, government-sponsored activities, and educational activities for students. The theme for 2012 Year of the Dragon was “Striving for Excellence in Leadership, Diversity, and Inclusion.”

On May 24, the LA County Asian American Employees Association (LACAAEA) held the Asian Pacific American Heritage Day celebration on the front lawn of the Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration building. The President of LACAAEA, Jackie Guevarra, welcomed everyone to the ceremony, which included various performances, speeches, booths, food trucks, and a fashion show, all adding their own flavor to the celebration of the Asian American culture.

The Club would like to thank Jackie Guevarra, Tevy Sithan, George Yan, and Karen Tu for their assistance.



From left: Daphne Teoh, Clinical Psychologist, Twin Towers Jail, 15 years of County service; Danny Young, Child Support Services, 12 years; and Tevy Sithan, Child Support Services, 31 years of County service, and Vice President of LACAAEA.



Keali'i O Nalani- Kumu Hula Keali'i Ceballos Dancers.



From left: Susie Yan, assistant to the event planner, LACAAEA Member; and Karen Tu, LACAAEA Treasurer, Club Member.



At the Chinese Employees Association of Los Angeles County (CEALAC) table, from left: Michelle Chen, CEALAC Board Member; Olivia Liou Tsuyin, President of CEALAC; Wendy Fu, Treasurer of CEALAC; Tammy Chow, Secretary of CEALAC; and Eric Fu, Public Relations of CEALAC.



Larissa Lam provided music for the event.



From left: Benny Liang, Medi-Cal Outreach District Director for the Department of Public Social Services, more than 20 years of County service; and Sheryll Spiller, Acting Department Head, Department of Public Social Services.



From left: George Yan, Probation Director, Probation Department, 38 years of County service, Vice President of Programs and Events for LACAAEA; and Jackie Guevarra, Chief Accountant for the Department of Auditor Controller, 15 years, and President of LACAAEA.



TV celebrity hosts Suzie Suh and Ted Chen.



Performers from the Jin Wu Kung Fu Martial Art Center entertain the crowd.



From left: George Yan, Probation Director, Probation Department, 38 years of County service, Vice President of Programs and Events for LACAAEA, presents the Club's Arlene Herrero with a Certificate of Appreciation.



At the Chinese American Museum table: Sherie Mateo, Membership and Visitor Services Manager.



At the Vietnamese Employees Association of Los Angeles County (VEALAC) table, from left: Trang Mai, Member of VEALAC; Jessica Tran, Secretary of VEALAC; David Nguyendo, Member of VEALAC; Bryan Nguyen, Assistant to the VEALAC Board; and Hang Nguyen, President of VEALAC.



Sharon Harada, Probation Deputy Chief, Juvenile Field Services, was the guest speaker.



William Fujioka, Chief Executive Officer, was the keynote speaker.



At the Center for the Pacific Asian Family (CPAF) table, from left: Shantel Asada, Intern for CPAF; and Amara Hoshijo, Intern for CPAF.



From left: The Club's Jackie Causillas, Club Counselor, with Latrina Byron, Sr. Clerk, Club Member.



At the LA County Cambodian Employees Association (LACCEA) table, from left: Konthea Kang, Children Social Worker, 21 years of County service, Member of LACAAEA; Chantha Pich, Public Social Services, 13 years, LACCEA Member; and Sophiny Tang, Eligibility Worker, Public Social Services, Member of LACAAEA, Member of LACCEA.



Dulce Maycumber, Recording Secretary, Department of Programs Specialist, 26 years of County service; Jackie Guevarra, Chief Accountant, Department of Auditor Controller, 15 years of County service, and President of LACAAEA.

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