

December 19, 2016

Dear Honored Member,

First, the best of the Holiday Season to you and yours and Best Wishes for a Happy, Healthy 2017.

Next, please join me in welcoming Bro. William Y. S. Tom to the ranks of the 60 year Members. He now will be in the company of Bros. Robert Eng and Hiram Kwan, all Members with 60 or more years in the Chinese American Citizens Alliance.

We invite you to drop us a line to tell us how you are doing, because we don't always see you often at the Lodge. Enclosed is a self-addressed envelope for your use.

Although we continue our tradition of monthly meetings and dinners which you can see in the newsletter *Southern California Times*, we are also stepping up our program of personal leadership development for young people through our Youth Council in several chapters overseen by Bro. Winston Wu. Young participants learn to design and do community improvement and charity projects. With the guidance of Winston, the students study upper education choices, choice in colleges and financial support.

We also have programs to exercise skills in writing, through the essay contests, and a new program to develop speaking and discourse skills through our debating competitions. We believe that to be successful community leaders of the future, young Americans must have proficient writing and oral expression.

We also continue our efforts to protect the civil rights of Chinese Americans and remain vigilant with our voice as necessary.

As part of our support with the new National mission of preserving our Chinese American Heritage, a project to collect historical photos has begun under Sisters Suellen Cheng and Susan Dickson. If you have any photos about Lodge life, C.A.C.A., and Los Angeles Chinatown to donate, loan, copy or share, we would like to work with you. Please get in touch with us. [suellenck@aol.com.]

Of course, we don't mind and would appreciate it if you forward a tax-deductible donation to help Los Angeles Lodge conduct this work.

Again, we wish you the Greatest 2017 and thanks for your loyal support and interest!

Sincerely yours,

Annie Yee
2017 President, Los Angeles Lodge