

# NEWSLETTER December 2024

## Happy Holidays from House of China

By Natasha Wong, President

As we reflect on 2024 and begin preparations for the holidays, I hope that you will find a moment to share and appreciate time with your loved ones. San Diego has had a lot of challenges. From homelessness, beach water quality issues, a Presidential and City Mayoral election, 2024 has been a very busy and eventful year! There is still much more to come before we ring in a new year.

I am thankful to help lead an organization with such dedicated volunteers and board members, and I hope you will include the House of China in your Christmas giving. We always welcome new members to our organization.

The House of China's mission is to help encourage friendship, promote our Chinese culture and customs, and provide wonderful celebrations for our community. We believe that we will reach these goals in many ways. With the Chinese School of San Diego, San Diego's oldest Chinese private language school, we host an annual Chinese gala attended by over 500. We also host a two-day Chinese New Year celebration in Balboa Park which attracted about 8,000 attendees last February. We hold an annual Chinese essay contest for Chinese students around San Diego which encourages our young students to practice their language skills. We also host the Moon Festival to celebrate with food, cultural performances from local Chinese schools, and exciting Lion Dancing. And every weekend, we have hostesses and members of our Royal Court open our cottage to welcome the public to learn more about Chinese culture, history and the work of the House of China.

These events and the weekend open house take a village to pull off. We have a good number of volunteers and staff to make sure we continue these community traditions. Please consider volunteering with us. Please remember to donate to the House of China – support our wonderful community programs, join or renew your membership so that we can continue our work for the benefit of San Diego.

Please join us on Saturday, January 25, 2025, for our popular and festive Chinese New Year gala at San Diego's Diamond Palace! It is the House of China's main fundraiser. Our gala is the largest Chinese New Year gala in San Diego and usually sells out. Also, save the dates of February 15 and 16, 2025, for our festive Chinese New Year Fair in Balboa Park. We hope you and your family will join us in welcoming the Year of the Snake!

Wishing you and your family a very happy holidays and happy new year. May you have good health, laughter, love, and much prosperity in 2025!

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Banquet • Lion Dance • Entertainment • Drawing

5:30 PM, Saturday, January 25, 2025

\$100 Per Person or \$1,000 Table of 10 Check Payable to: CHINESE SCHOOL OF SAN DIEGO 5075 Ruffin Road, Suite A, San Diego, CA 92123



### **Diamond Palace**

3993 54th St, San Diego, CA 92105

ASIAN ATTIRE ENCOURAGED

Proceeds benefiting non-profit services provided by hosts:



5075 Ruffin Road, Suite A San Diego, CA 92123 (858) 565-8008

#### HOUSE OF CHINA

668 Pan American Plaza, San Diego, CA 92101





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#### HOUSE OF CHINA MEMBERSHIP FORM

The House of China (HOC) was organized in 1935 to present, promote, and preserve Chinese culture, friendship and understanding. HOC provides civic functions through cultural open houses, sponsorships, school presentations, youth programs and collaboration with Chinese American community and wider community. We are a 501c3 non-profit.

Every Saturday and Sunday our cultural open house is held at the International Cottages, Balboa Park. Seasonal programs and events are Chinese New Year, Annual Essay Contest, Moon Festival and other occasions.

If you are interested in supporting the HOC, we welcomeyou to join. Please visit our website site www.HouseofChinaSD.com or email contact@houseofchinasd.com or phone (858) 699-1900.

中國舘會員申請表

中國舘于一九三五年設立至今, 宗旨在促進和保存中國文化, 及支援友誼, 促進文化交流了解, 一同和平相處, 中國館是一個不謀利的 501(c)(3) 公民機構。中國舘既無政府基金支持也沒任何捐款。

中國館位於聖地牙哥的 Balboa 公園太平洋聯合會的國際村。本館提供各種中華文化節目活動,包括參與市中心的節目,學校運動,還有和華人社區各會合作,招待外地來的貴賓。

中國館及國際村于每週星期六和日下午都開放參觀,中國館的陳設和節目包括:中國文化,新年,端午,中秋節等。其它特別節日時本館也有活動,請注意我館定期寄出的訊息查看有關華人社區的活動節目表。歡迎大家成為中國館會員。請到關注我館網頁 www.HouseofChinaSD.com,電話(858)699-1900。

董事會董事: 黃如真- 會, Hoan Troung-副會長, 徐惠寶-司 庫, 連廣佳, Edward Park, Bud Swartz, Sam Poon, 费春媛, 薛顯榮-Exec. Officer

#### MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION AND DONATIONS

To join the House of China, please complete the form below and provide payment payable to HOC. Please send your application and payments/donations to: David Seid, 12002 Rue Des Amis, San Diego, CA 92131.

We currently accept the following payment methods: Check, Credit Card @ www.houseofchinasd.com

	Regular Member	\$20		Family Membership	\$30	
	Friend of HOC	\$100		Supporter of HOC	\$250	
	Patron of the HOC	\$500		Lifetime Member	\$1000	
English Name			Chinese Name			
Addre	ess					
Phone	;	Email				
Office Use Date		Check No/On-Line				

請寄到: 薛顯榮 David Seid, 12002 Rue Des Amis, San Diego, CA 92131. House of China is a non-profit organization 501(c)(3) - 27-4357629.