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Family Bridges



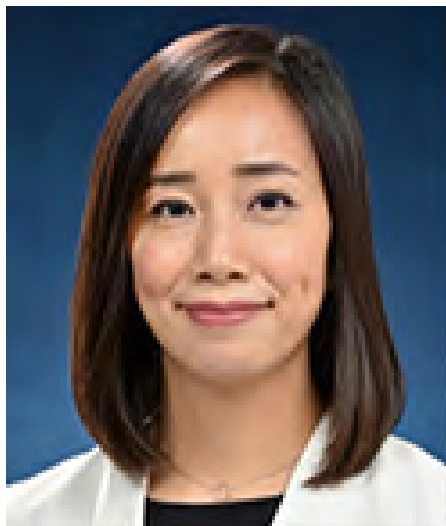
Family Bridges Inc. is a non-profit organization in Oakland which helps new Asian immigrants and seniors in the U.S.A.. It operates the Hong Fook Community-Based Adult Services Center, the Hong Lok Senior Center, Lake Merritt Child Care Center, Community Health Home Program etc. Alumna Gloria Yu is a current board member. Alumnus Arden Kwan is a former board president. Alumnus Larry Ng is a past board member. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, its annual fundraising gala was held virtually. Larry Ng made a special donation during the event on behalf of HKUAA Northern California in memory of our beloved Kit Lau and Raymond Li.

NO on Prop 21



Many of us who watch Chinese Channel 26 KTSF in the San Francisco might have seen a political commercial featuring Alumnus Bill Wong, his wife Ruby and their son Alan Wong. They were against California Proposition 21 on rent control.

New HKETO (SF) Director



Ms. Jacko Tsang became the new Director of Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office, San Francisco in August. Due to the coronavirus pandemic, we have not been able to welcome her in person but many of us met her on a few virtual events hosted by HKETO(SF). Ms. Tsang received her B.A. from Wesleyan

University, CT, majoring in Government. She joined the HKSAR Government as Administrative Officer in 2004. In 2011, she joined the Transport and Housing Bureau to work on civil aviation policy. In 2015, she joined the Commerce and Economic Development Bureau. She is married with two children. On behalf of HKUAA Northern California, we would like to welcome Director Tsang to the "Land of the Free and the Home of the Brave". Hope we will have chance to meet face-to-face in the near future.

Eternal Farewell



Recently, we lost another important alumnus, Prof. Kwan Ming Chan (B.Sc. 1959). He was an officer/board member of the HKUAA Southern California. He joined many of our alumni events since our inception. R.I.P., K.M.!



DEPARTURE OF TWO DEAR FRIENDS

It is with deep regret and profound sadness we announce the departure of two valued alumni, Dr. Kit-Fun Lau and Dr. Raymond Li, in May and June respectively.

Dr. Kit-Fun Lau served as President of the HKU Alumni Association of Northern California until 2019, and fought a tough battle with lung cancer. She graduated from HKU with a B.Sc. degree in 1979 and an M.Phil in Physics in 1982, and was awarded a Ph.D. by Brown University. In her career as a Biostatistician and Genetic Statistician, she worked at a number of biotechnology companies including Celera Diagnostics, InVentiv Health, VitaPath Genetics, and as Principal of TBS Analytics in 2014.

Dr. Raymond Li was one of the founders of the HKU Alumni

Association of Northern California, and served as its treasurer until 2019. He graduated from HKU in 1967 with a MBBS degree. After training in pediatrics, neonatology and perinatology in the US he started his practice as a pediatrician in San Francisco.

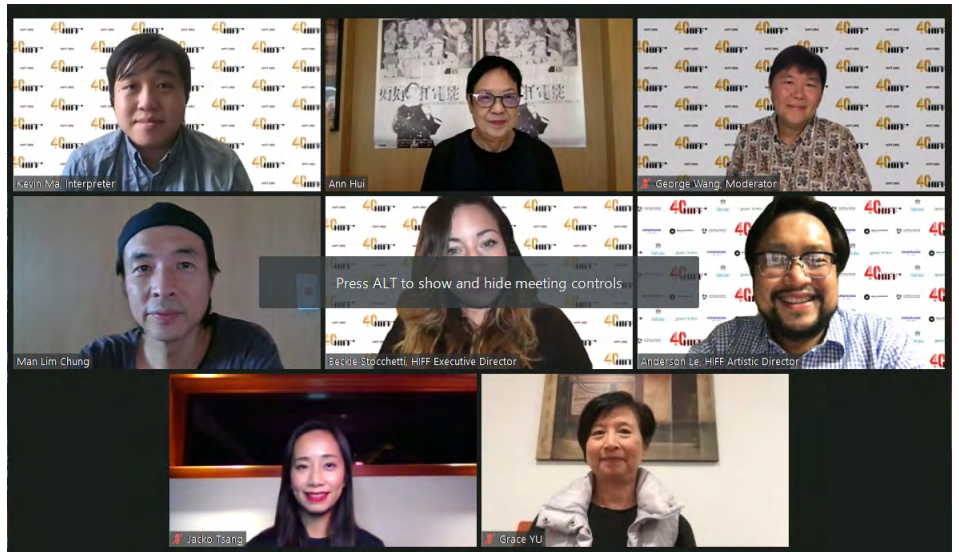
Dr. Li cared for thousands of children and served on the San Francisco Chinese Hospital Board for many years as a member and, for one term, as president. He was greatly involved in the fundraising effort to build the new Chinese Hospital. When he retired in 2018, the City of San Francisco named September 10, his birthday, as "Dr. Raymond Li Day" in his honor.

In memory of these two dear friends, the Friends of HKU Scholarship in 2021 will be named in honor of Dr. Lau and Dr. Li. Alumni and friends may donate to the scholarship by visiting usfriends.hku.hk/donateonline



Movie Time

Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office in San Francisco invited many of us to join the CAAMFest in October. The timing was excellent since we were trying our best to stay at home to avoid contact with the COVID-19 virus. We had the opportunity to see several films including “Napping Kid”, “The Great Detective Sherlock Holmes: the Great Jail-Break”, “The Great Grandmaster” and “A Simple Life”.



A Conversation with Ann Hui



In November, we were also invited to participate in Spotlight on Hong Kong co-presented by HKETO and Hawaii International Film Festival. The event included an alumna Ann Hui mini-retrospective, a new documentary on Hui's life and career, “Keep Rolling” as well as three of Hui's films including “A Simple Life”. On November 11, 2020, a special live-stream event, “A Conversation with Ann Hui”, was hosted by HIFF. It was very informative as well as interesting.

Professor Rosie Young

All of the HKU medical graduates in North America know Professor Rosie Young and majority of them were trained by her during their undergraduate days. Prof. Young is still very active and participates in many university and alumni programs. She



was awarded Honorary Fellow by HKU in 2019. She has just turned 90. A special on-line event was held by the University of Hong Kong to celebrate her 90th birthday. Happy Birthday, Rosie!

