

2010 NYC CHINATOWN REUNION IN LAS VEGAS #1

NYC Chinatown Reunion Attendees,

We have been allotted 150 rooms at the **California Hotel & Casino** and 50 rooms at **Main Street Station Hotel & Casino** for our 2010 Reunion scheduled for March 21, 2010 to March 25, 2010. This Reunion package is a 5 day/4-night hotel stay, which includes 3 meals a day. ***The cost of the "Reunion Package" also includes a separate optional buffet dinner*** for reunion attendees only.*

This year every attendee will be making his/her own room reservations directly with the respective hotels. The 50 rooms at Main Street Station will be on a first come-first served basis and after the 50 rooms are booked the reservations desk will be closed to us. A credit card, the same one to be used at check-in time, will be needed to hold the room. The credit card is needed to guarantee the room reservation with a \$50 initial deposit. You have up to 48 hours prior to arrival date to cancel before incurring a one day room charge.

Any additional nights following the reunion will be charged at the rate of \$65/night plus 13% room tax for a total of \$73.45 per night up to 3 nights. There are only 10 extra 3 night or less discounted bookings for each hotel. When these are gone, extra nights will be charged at the regular room rate. These requests must be made directly to the hotel and should be reserved at the time of the reunion room reservation. There is an extra \$10 plus tax per person charge for the 3rd and 4th guest in the same room. **Non-Reunion people will have to reserve their rooms through me.** They will only be included in the Reunion Buffet dinner if there is extra space available.

If you have special needs, such as wheel chair accessibility, a refrigerator or non-smoking room, please make these requests and any others at the time of booking. Since there are a limited number of non-smoking rooms, they will be given out as they become available.

You must have the group code number in order to reserve. The hotel will not accept any reservations for the Reunion group without the code number. The code number will be sent to you via email or telephone after your completed registration form and \$60 deposit has been received. If the aforementioned have not been received and there are reservations held in your name through our group, they will be canceled immediately without notification.

Everyone attending must pay the *non-refundable* fee of \$30 per person plus the *refundable* cost of \$30 for the banquet up to March 6th. No refunds for cancellations after that date. The \$60 fee **must** accompany the registration form whether attending the banquet or not. If not attending the banquet, the banquet charge will be refunded. ***Any checks received without a completed, as directed, registration form and full payment will be tossed.*** No banquet reservations will be made or held without payment of the full fee of \$60 and a completed registration form.

Since most of us usually have food coupons left over, one dinner coupon will be removed to defray a small portion of the buffet dinner cost, but the **special dinner** coupon will remain intact. The prices have gone up, but we are keeping the fee the same. The food coupons may be used at the California Hotel, and at the Fremont's Paradise Buffet and Main Street's Garden Court Buffet with a small **surcharge** as indicated on the coupon or in the coupon booklet.

The buffet dinner package only, without a hotel room, is \$60 per person, which includes the registration fee and is limited.

All payments for the Reunion Package (for Reunion Banquet Buffet dinner and registration fee) are to be made payable to and sent to:

Gladys Chin
1015 Rolling Ridge
New Windsor, NY 12553-4904

Each attendee must submit a separate completed registration form, unless he/she is married with the same name and spouse is living at the same address, and the full registration fee, which is required to hold your reservation. **There will be NO DEVIATION from this request. I will no longer complete any forms and your check will be tossed unless the foregoing is complied with.**

Please send to Gladys Chin, by regular mail. **Please also include a short history of your ties to New York/New York Chinatown, people, places and/or dates again. I don't need your education, work history or current status, just past history that is relevant to Chinatown.**

There will be an optional slot tournament and the \$10/person fee is to be paid for at time of play. All monies collected will be given back as prize money. There will be at least 3 sessions and a 4th, if necessary. There will be no pre-planned tours or dim sum lunch arrangements. Any activities you might be interested in doing will have to be coordinated amongst yourselves.

No one will be allowed into the Reunion Dinner without a prepaid reservation or a REUNION NAMETAG. **We will not allow any nametags other than the reunion nametags.**

If all the married women would also provide their maiden name it would be very helpful. We would like to include it on the name tags for several reasons: first, because we have many women with the same married names and second, it would be helpful for old friends to identify you. Remember, we have changed and it will help to avoid any embarrassing moments. **Also, please bring a headshot picture of yourself from the age of 20 to 30 to be pasted on your name tag, 1 ½ x 1 ½ inch size. DO NOT MAIL TO ME.** It will be fun putting the name with the picture!!! It can be just a xeroxed copy of any photograph you might have.

Old photos are still welcome for inclusion into the Past Photo CD. Please send your photos, preferably, with identifying names of individuals imprinted on the photos via email or CD. Do not send original photos as they may get lost in the mail. If you would like to include your Reunion 2010 photos, please also send them along. The photos should be formatted as a JPEG file and the size of the JPEGs should be less than 1 MEG if e-mailed and around 2 MEGS, if you send in by CD. Please e-mail the photos to Albert Leong at aleong@speakeasy.net or send CD by mail to: Albert Leong, 22 New York Avenue, White Plains, New York 10606

If anyone is interested in writing his or her remembrances of Chinatown for the Reunion Booklet, in condensed form, please do not hesitate to do so. We had some good ones last time. Please e-mail to me for edification. I think it would be fun to put down everyone's memories of old Chinatown. Remember, everyone has a different slant on the past, no pun intended. Or, if you have any interesting bits regarding Asians/Chinese or New Yorkers, please also send those along.

Please update your information, if there have been changes. A Master List of past and current attendees and other friends will be available, but needs to be updated. If you would like a copy **via e-mail**, please let me know (Excel is needed to download). Also, if you would like to have your name or other information deleted from this list, please let me know. Thank you.

Gladys Chin
Reunion Coordinator

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Gladys Chin – Reunion Coordinator

Lillian Cheu – Assistant Coordinator

Albert Leong – Photo Coordinator

Barbara Chew – Reunion Booklet and Art Coordinator

Dennis Coffey – Slot Tournament Coordinator

Matthew Pon - Assistant

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

- Sunday, March 21st - Hotel Check in – Pick up nametags and souvenirs (Gladys Chin’s Suite at the California Hotel - to be announced)
- Monday, March 22nd - California Hotel– Informal Get Together with cash bar – Late comers pick up souvenirs & nametags. 1 PM – 5 PM
Mezzanine Level, Ohana/Maile Rooms with dancing.
- Tuesday, March 23rd - Slot Tournament – 9 AM – 10 AM (3 sessions, maybe 4) Main Street Station
- California Hotel – Informal Get Together with cash bar. 7 PM – 11 PM
Mezzanine Level, Ohana/Maile Rooms with dancing.
- Wednesday, March 24th - **6:00 PM - 10:00 PM - Reunion Buffet Dinner at California Hotel, Mezzanine Level, Ohana/Maile Rooms with dancing afterwards.**
- Thursday, March 25th - Reunion checkout.
- Friday, March 26th - Start of extended stays, optional.