

SFAPOA Meeting
Northern Police Station
Community Room
November 7, 2007 – 1300 Hrs.

AGENDA

-Call to Order by President David Tambara at 1300 hrs.

-Roll call: Dave Tambara, Dave Kamita, Al Wong, Angel Poon, Wayne Hom, Roland Tolosa, Lewis Fong, Wayne Sato, Henry Seto (excused), Karl Ma (excused) and Alfred Wong (excused).

-Approval of minutes: October 2007, second by Hom, approved by voice.

-Treasurer's report : approx: \$ XX in Savings account, \$ XX in Checking account (Scholarship Dinner Funding), \$ XX in Scholarship account and \$ XX in the Golf Tournament Fund. An accounting of the current amounts will be provided by Seto at the next scheduled meeting.

Old Business

Our annual Scholarship Dinner was held Friday, October 26, 2007 at the New Asia Restaurant. (Angel Poon and Alfred Wong)

Debrief: Per Angel Poon attendance was approximately 450, consisting of SFAPOA members, sponsoring organizations and community members. The event went smoothly and the silent auction was very successful. Seven scholarships were presented and two thank you notes from recipients have been received. The SFAPOA extends many thanks to Chief Heather Fong and her dedicated command staff for their support and appearance at our annual event. Additionally, special thanks to "Project S.A.F.E." for their continued support. Thank you letters to sponsoring organizations and companies who helped sponsor this event will be sent out in the next two weeks.

The SFAPOA appreciates the continued support of retired SFPD member Marshal Wong, for his yearly gift in memory of SFPD Alan Lim. Marshal's monetary gift of \$1000 is given directly to our top scholarship recipient. As you know, Marshal worked Asian gangs in San Francisco for many years and knows first hand how easily our youth can stray from a path of education to a path of crime. Marshal's contribution creates and reinforces positive change for our youth.

The SFAPOA also extends our appreciation to SFAPOA member Rich Pate for his years of membership and his devotion to this organization. Thanks again for your thoughtfulness and generosity!

-Discussion on plaques: Payment has been made to Trophy Masters, Dennis Wong. Dennis has been and continues to be a long time supporter of the SFAPOA. If you are considering a trophy or plaque presentation, give Dennis a call @ 415 781-7436.

-INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION OF ASIAN CRIME INVESTIGATORS AND SPECIALISTS (IOACIS) 5th. Annual training conference is being held at the **Westin St. Francis Hotel, March 16-21, 2008**. Please contact Inspector Felix Thieu, SFPD Special Investigations Divisions at (415) 553-9084 or check their website for further information. www.icaoct.com

-Sheriff Harry Lee, Jefferson Parrish, New Orleans has passed away. I was advised by the Jefferson Parish Sheriff's Office that Sheriff Harry Lee's funeral services were held on Friday, October 5, 2007. Executive members from the National Asian Peace Officer's Association (NAPOA), National Association of Asian American Law Enforcement Commanders (NAAALEC), and the New York Asian Jade Society represented our members to pay respect to Sheriff Harry Lee.

Cards may be sent to Sheriff Harry Lee daughter's residence – Cynthia and Stuart Sheng, 1405 Hesper Avenue, Metairie, LA. 70005. The family request donations are made to the "Sheriff Harry Lee Memorial" P.O. Box 6618, Metairie, LA. 70005. Donations will benefit "Crime Stoppers" and "Leukemia Charities."

Discussion: A SFAPOA donation in the amount of \$500.00 will be made to the Sheriff Harry Lee memorial to benefit "Crime Stoppers and the "Leukemia Charities."

New Business

-A brief discussion was held regarding the storage of SFAPOA documents, award plaques, clothing and donations. A storage facility within San Francisco to store these items will be explored in the near future. By moving these items to one central location, it will be easier and less time consuming to locate and distribute these items.

-President Tambara recapped many of our Association's first year accomplishments and our continued partnerships with many of our community organizations and social partners. Many new and exciting projects are planned for the upcoming year and member volunteers will be needed to help out. We are appreciative of the efforts of our Association members who have found the extra time to assist in our on-going projects and activities. We encourage you to attend our monthly meetings.

-Cathey Post # 384 is holding their annual Fire and Police Appreciation Banquet on **Thursday, November 15, 2007, 6:00 P.M. at the Imperial Palace Restaurant, 818 Washington Street, San Francisco**. Special recognition will be made to two police officers and two firefighters. \$35 per person or \$350 per table. Information and reservations can be made to past SFAPOA President Nelson Lum @ (415) 205-0120 or Nelson1431 @ aol.com.

Discussion: The SFAPOA agreed to purchase a \$350 table for members to this event. If you would like to attend this event, please call Al Wong @ 553-9664, ASAP!

-The San Francisco Post of the American Legion, Law & Order Commission is honoring SFPD Sergeant Andrew Meehan, Officers Matthew Goodin, Gerald Newbeck and Fabian Fowler at their Police Officers of the Year for Valor on Monday, November 5, 2007 at the Italian American Club, 25 Russia Street from 6 P.M. – 7:30 P.M. \$45 per person. Additional information can be requested from SFAPOA member Greg Corrales @ (415) 553-9601.

Discussion: Issue passed due to limited time constraint.

-A letter was received from President Patricia Yuen Lui of the Asian Firefighters Association (asianfire.org) acknowledging their attendance to our scholarship event. They agreed to support us by purchasing five tickets to our event. They have also requested a meeting with our executive board to discuss future projects to benefit both of our organizations.

-At the request of the Executive board, SFAPOA member Jason Hui has brought back the SFAPOA website. (www.sfapoa.org) We hope to utilize this website as an additional source of information for our members and other community based organizations. Many thanks to Dave Kamita and Jason Hui for their coordinated efforts and dedication to complete and maintain this site.

-Self-Help for the Elderly is seeking SFPD and SFAPOA members to volunteer for their annual Thanksgiving food distribution on Thursday, November 22, 2007. Self-Help for the Elderly is located at 1483 Mason Street. The hours of this event start promptly at 0900 hrs. Please call ASAP Officer Leon Sorhondo (415) 235-9017) or Stewart Ng at Central Station, (415) 315-2400. If you are on-duty, please seek permission from your PC prior to participating in this event. Vehicles are needed for food delivery.

-A thank you letter was received from the President of the Oakland Police Officers Association acknowledging our donation to the family of Officer Mock.

-A thank you letter was received from Patricia Cavagnaro, Development director and Carolyn Sideco, Athletic Director of the Immaculate Conception Academy acknowledging our donation in memory of Officer William "Bill" Cooke.

-Special thanks to Wayne Sato for his expertise and professional contacts in making our monthly meeting memorable!

Meeting adjourned at: 1345 hrs.

*Please note the change of day for our next meeting. This change was made at the request of attending members.

****The next monthly meeting of the SFAPOA is scheduled for Wednesday, December 5, 2007 at 1300 hours at Northern Station, Community Room.**

****RSVP to Al Wong, (415) 553-9664 or Station representative Wayne Sato (415) 614-3400.**

Respectfully submitted,

Al Wong

Secretary, SFAPOA