Immigrant stories on display at exhibit
BY YIMING ZHAO

Grace Talusan shares how a green station wagon helped her family become American. Her story is at the Institute of Contemporary Art until January 2020. (Image courtesy of the ICA.)

The only bilingual Chinese-English Newspaper in New England

Maj. Gen. Chen remembers Chinese-American WWII service
BY YIMING ZHAO

Chen is the first Chinese American 2-Star General in the U.S. army. His father was a captain and pilot of the U.S. Army Air Forces during WWII. In the presentation, Chen highlighted the major contributions of Chinese American veterans in World War II. The presentation painted a vivid picture of the courageous Chinese Americans who served in spite of the discriminatory aspects of the 1882 Chinese Exclusion Act in place until repealed in December 1943.

Chen encourages all the WWII veterans or their family to register for the Congressional Gold Medal. Veterans can still be registered even if the official paperwork are lost. Chen is willing to help anyone who has a picture proof of them being in the war to register and be recognized.

To register, please visit www.cnwu.org.

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Event Calendar

Asian American Women in Leadership Conference
Saturday, Nov. 16
9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
500 Faneuil
Boston, MA 02111

First-time homebuyer classes
Nov. 16 to 17
9 a.m.
38 Oak Street
Boston, MA 02111
ACDC offers HB101 classes in English and Chinese. Each session is a nine-hour class over the course of a two-day weekend. Tuition is $50. Sign up for a workshop, graduate and receive a certificate, and become eligible for discounted mortgage products. Registration required, by calling (617) 482-2380 x 208 or 202, emailing CHOP@asiandc.org or visiting https://asiandc.org/hb101.

Film: Chinatown Rising
Saturday, Nov. 16
2 p.m.
559 Washington Street
Boston, MA 02111
A screening will take place at the Paramount Center. Tickets at www.baaff.org.

English for college or job training
Monday, Nov. 18
8:30 a.m.
87 Tyler Street
Boston, MA 02111
Attend testing for the Asian American Civic Association’s English classes for college or job training. For more information, call (617) 426-9492 x 250 or email intake@aaca-boston.org.

Wage theft clinic
Monday, Nov. 18
4 p.m. to 6 p.m.
120 Tremont Street
Boston, MA 02108
A wage theft clinic will take place at Suffolk Law School. For more information, visit www.mass.gov/service-details/free-wage-theft-legal-clinic.

Free Thanksgiving meal
Thursday, Nov. 28
Noon to 2 p.m.
77 Salem Street
Malden, MA 02148
Bread of Life will serve a free Thanksgiving meal at Malden High School. To volunteer, email info@breadoflifemalden.org or call (781) 397-0404.

CNC election
Sunday, Dec. 1
9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
61 Harrison Avenue
Boston, MA 02111
The Chinatown/South Cove Neighborhood Council election will take place at the Santander Bank. All Chinatown and Massachusetts residents over 16 are eligible to vote.

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Household Income Limits:
1-person $62,450; 2-person $71,400
3-person $80,300; 4-person $89,200

Applications can be obtained from:
L.A. Associates, Inc. (978) 758-0197 kriscosta@laassoc.com
Wilmington Town Hall, 121 Glen Rd. (978) 658-8238
Wilmington Memorial Library, 175 Middlesex Ave. (978) 658-2967

For applicants with Limited English Proficiency, the owner will provide a free translation service.

The Belmont Housing Authority is seeking a Maintenance Laborer Mechanic for a full time (40 hour week) benefited position.

Hours are Monday thru Friday 8am – 4:30pm. Some overtime, including snow removal, may be required.
Pay is $26.33/hr – $32.31. Job posting can be found at www.belmontha.org.

Resumes should be submitted to Jaclyn Martin, Executive Director by email at office@belmontha.org with subject line: laborer position.

Position to remain open until filled.
Chinatown crime blotter for Nov. 1 to Nov. 15

BY THE BOSTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

All reports are submitted by the Boston Police Department. The time period is from Nov. 1 to Nov. 15 for District A-1, which includes Chinatown.

To report a crime or suspicious activity, call 911. Interpreters are available for Chinese speakers.

Larceny
Nov. 1, 4:45 p.m.: The victim reported an unknown person stole a bottle of alcohol from the store located on Washington Street.

Robbery
Nov. 1, 11:40 p.m.: The victim reported she was robbed by a homeless individual on Boylston Street. The victim knew the suspect and had given him money in the past. The suspect was arrested and transported to the station.

Possession of a firearm
Nov. 2, 3:03 a.m.: The suspect was arrested on Edinboro Street for possessing a firearm without a license.

Disturbing the peace
Nov. 9, 2:37 a.m.: The suspect was arrested on Edinboro Street for disturbing the peace. He was causing a scene outside of the Chinese restaurant. When the officers asked him to leave, he became combative.

Warrant arrest
Nov. 12, 1:15 a.m.: The suspect was arrested on Beach Street on three warrants issued out of Boston Municipal Court.

Drug arrest
Nov. 13, 4:58 p.m.: The two suspects were arrested on Washington Street on a drug offense. The District A-1 Drug Control Unit observed them involved in an illegal drug transaction.

FCN hosts immigrant opportunities job fair

BY YIMING ZHAO

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Aspen Apartments is a community that will be eight elevator buildings with 384 units and includes amenities such as a professionally landscaped common area with resort-style pool. The clubhouse includes a kitchen, fitness center, game room and televisions. There are 52 affordable units that will be rented to households with incomes not exceeding 80% of Area Median Income (AMI) adjusted for family size as determined by HUD.

The 80% AMI Income Limits are as follows:

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A money management workshop for elders took place Oct. 31 at Boston Chinese Evangelical Church. (Image courtesy of South Cove Manor.)

Seminar discusses finance for elders

BY SOUTH COVE MANOR

South Cove Manor held a seminar Oct. 31 on “Money Management for Seniors” partnering with Irene Ruan, vice president of East Boston Saving Bank. Ruan shared a few tips:

- Budget carefully. After retirement, income tends to be lower than it was in the prime earning years, and that means older adults need to look for ways to limit expenses and ensure their nest eggs last.

- Make sure your bank is on your side. Some banks provide age-friendly communication services such as language assistance and bilingual staff.

Tufts Medical Center recognized for English classes in the workplace

BY ENGLISH FOR NEW BOSTONIANS

Tufts Medical Center in Boston was awarded an English Works Campaign Certificate of Recognition for their leaders’ support in English classes. The award was presented as part of English for New Bostonian’s Raising Our Voices Breakfast at Northeastern University. Tufts Medical Center has been a dedicated community partner in hiring candidates who speak English as a second or even third language, and offers a variety of opportunities for employees to grow, in partnership with the Asian American Civic Association and the International Institute of New England-Boston.

Chinatown meetings: CSC, CRA, TCC

BY YIMING ZHAO AND MEILIN ZHU

The Chinatown Residents Association met Nov. 6 at the Josiah Quincy School. (Image courtesy of Meilin Zhu.)

Chinatown Safety Committee held meeting Nov. 6 at the DoubleTree Hotel. Boston Police Department District A-1 Capt. Kenneth Fong reported on crime over the past 30 days in District A-1, which includes Chinatown and downtown Boston. There were three robberies, two aggravated assaults, and one burglary. There were 26 arrests, ten were for warrants, seven for drugs, two for shoplifting incidents.

Capt. Fong informed on residents that police officers are now starting to wear body cameras. “We’re find that they’re very helpful with incidents and crime scenes,” Fong said.

CRA

The Chinatown Residents Association discussed the Boston Common renovation, the potential opening of a dessert café and the announcement of election results at its monthly meeting on Nov. 6. Elizabeth Vizza, the Executive Director of Friends of Public Garden, asked for the opinions from residents on current Boston Common. The residents expressed their concern about safety during dark hours, not having a public restroom, the constant overloaded trash can, and the lack of entertainment facilities.

A new dessert café is proposed to open at the current Time Zone Wireless, because its present income cannot cover the rent anymore. The new café is called Lova, potentially serving lava pudding souffle, smoothie, egg waffle, and ice cream. The store will start renovation six months later.

The Nov. 5 election results on came out. Michelle Wu, Annissa Essaibi George, and Michael F Flaherty were elected as City Councillor at large. At-large candidate Alejandra St. Guillen was only 10 votes behind Julia Mejia; both called for a recount. Ed Flynn was reelected as District 2 city councilor.

TCC

The Chinatown Coalition met Nov. 14 at Boston Chinatown Neighborhood Center (BCNC) to discuss gambling addiction research. Giles Li of BCNC and Carolyn Wong of UMass-Boston presented the ongoing research program on gambling addiction at the meeting funded by Mass. Gaming Commission. Wong said stigma in the Asian American community keeps people from seeking help from mental health professionals. It’s important to develop culturally appropriate prevention and services to the community. Especially with 40 percent of the workers at Encore casino are Asian, it’s crucial to have preventive education and services for them. Li added research shows Asian Americans are three to 30 times more likely to develop gambling addiction.

A recognition ceremony for Tufts Medical Center and ESOL partners Asian American Civic Association and the International Institute of New England-Oct. 30 at Northeastern University. (Image courtesy of ENB.)

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New trial aims to improve recovery for severe brain injury

BY MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL HOSPITAL

A new clinical trial aims to improve outcomes after severe traumatic brain injury. Approximately 2.5 million Americans suffer a traumatic brain injury, or TBI, every year, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Unfortunately, some of those who suffer TBI do not survive, and many are left with lifelong disability.

A new research study aims to help. Called BOOST-3, or Brain Oxygen Optimization in Severe TBI, is a nationwide clinical trial taking place at dozens of hospitals across the United States. It is sponsored by the National Institutes of Health (NIH), a large government organization that funds much of the medical research in this country. The purpose of the study is to learn if either of two strategies for monitoring and treating patients with severe TBI in the intensive care unit (ICU) is more likely to help them recover.

In one treatment strategy, doctors concentrate on preventing high intracranial pressure (ICP) caused by a swollen brain. In the other strategy, doctors try to prevent high ICP and low brain oxygen levels. Both of these treatment strategies are used in standard care. However, it is not known if one treatment is more effective than the other. People with severe TBI presenting to one of the enrolling emergency departments in the first few hours of their injury will be given the best known treatments available, and may be enrolled in BOOST-3.

In the New England region (Connecticut, Maine, and Massachusetts), 5 hospitals will be participating: UMass Medical Center, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Massachusetts General Hospital, Maine Medical Center, and Yale New Haven Hospital.

Because head injury is a life-threatening condition requiring immediate treatment, some patients will be enrolled without consent if a family member or another representative is not rapidly available. Every attempt will be made to locate family prior to enrollment to allow them to decide about the patient’s participation in the study.

Before the study starts, meetings will be held in the community to provide information, answer questions and get community members’ thoughts and feelings about the study.

They are looking for your opinions! You can provide your feedback in our survey here: http://bit.ly/BOOST3CommunitySurvey. Anyone who wants to know more should go to www.Boost3trial.org or email SIREN@partners.org.

NOhep speaks out against hepatitis

BY MEILIN ZHU

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NOhep supports gather in front of the Hynes Convention Center to hold up the signs and sang a special version of “We Will Rock You” together to raise public awareness of hepatitis elimination on Nov. 11.

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A study of emergency care involving victims of severe brain trauma is to be performed in this area.

Mass General Hospital, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, and UMass Memorial Medical Center are conducting a research study to learn if either of two strategies for monitoring and treating patients with severe traumatic brain injury in the intensive care unit (ICU) is more likely to help them get better.

Because head injury is a life-threatening condition requiring immediate treatment, some patients will be enrolled without consent if a family member or another representative is not rapidly available.

Before the study starts, we will consult with the community. We welcome your feedback and questions. For more information or to get help participating in this study, please visit boost3trial.org or contact our study staff at SIREN@partners.org.

Investigator: Dr. Joshua Goldstein, MD, PhD
Study Coordinator: Chun Mei Su

A liver health awareness event took place Nov. 8 at American Chinese Christian Educational & Social Services in Chinatown. (Image courtesy of Yiming Zhao.)

Liver expert discusses health risks

BY YIMING ZHAO

Dr. Chia-Yen Dai hosted a community health talk on liver diseases Nov. 8 at American Chinese Christian Educational & Social Services in Chinatown. He specializes in liver diseases such as viral hepatitis B, hepatitis C, liver cirrhosis, hepatocellular carcinoma and fatty liver disease. Dai explained in Mandarin common causes of liver diseases, and effective ways to prevent or manage them.

Hepatitis B virus is transmitted through blood and body fluids. Dai said in the past, people could be infected even by acupuncture and piercings, due to the use of unsterilized needles. Liver tissue does not have any nerve endings, so many infected individuals feel no pain or discomfort. Thus it is important to do regular screenings through blood tests. If hepatitis B is caught at an early stage, it is much easier to treat and cure. The Hepatitis B vaccine has a near 100 percent success rate. Dai said in people over 50, the vaccine is still effective and highly recommended.

"I'll be out of a job soon but please get vaccinated," Dai joked.

Hepatitis C is transmitted like hepatitis B through blood and bodily fluids.

However, it is rarely passed from mothers to babies and there is no vaccine. Fifteen to 20 percent of cases can be self-cured. Other patients need to be treated by medication that can be as pricey as $1,000 per pill, Dai said. The WHO plans to cure Hepatitis C by 2030. Through diagnosis and treatment, the infection rate has dropped by 90 percent and the mortality rate has dropped by 65 percent.

Hepatitis A is transmitted through contaminated food and water. The disease is acute and usually affects a whole community at a time. It can be prevented by vaccination.

Dai answered questions about drug induced liver injury (DILI) and fatty liver. He pointed out that the usual solution for DILI is switching medication. One should always consult with a doctor for the best treatment plan. Fatty liver rarely becomes liver cancer. The disease can be controlled by losing body weight and managing blood sugar level.

Dai has worked to screen about 110,000 individuals for hepatitis B and C through the Taiwan Liver Research Foundation over 20 years. He is a hepatology professor at Kaohsiung Medical University.

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Ask Dr. Hang: What is talk therapy?

BY HANG NGO, CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGIST

Question: What is talk therapy and how is talking supposed to help me?

Answer: The idea of paying money to talk to stranger about your problems is weird to many people. When I explained therapy to my Chinese-Vietnamese immigrant family members, their first question was: “Chinese people don’t come to talk to you, right?”

All kinds of people come to talk to me about their problems, including Chinese people, because everyone has problems. Talking to someone about those problems can be very helpful. Many people think that seeing a therapist or a psychiatrist is only for someone who has a severe mental illness. However, almost everyone comes to see me to help manage anxiety, depression, relationship conflicts, and other emotional ailments. Talking to someone about those feelings can be very helpful.

However, almost everyone comes to see me to help manage anxiety, depression, and relationship conflicts. Life is stressful, especially for immigrants who have to show that they had a likelihood of winning on the merits and that they could prove imminent harm.

But fear in the community of the consequences of asking for public benefits fueled by misinformation threatens to have dire consequences for families.

Tufts Medical Center’s Asian Health Initiative (AHI) has worked with the Chinatown community to address health needs for over two decades. The AHI identifies health priorities from public health data, community engagement and advisory committee feedback. With community partners, the AHI has addressed various health priorities over the years, including chronic disease, mental health, family violence, and promotion of healthy lifestyles. Community partners are presently focused on the harmful effects of smoking, including smoking cessation, prevention and education.

Dr. Hang Ngo is a licensed clinical psychologist. She speaks English, Cantonese and Mandarin. Dr. Ngo provides therapy, psychological assessment services and diversity, equity, and inclusion consultation. For more information, visit https://hangngopsyd.com.

To submit your questions to the Ask Dr. Hang column, please email editor@sampan.org.

Five things you need to know after court rulings on public charge

BY MONIQUE CHING

Five federal courts have banned the United States government in the last few days from changing the rules on the use of public benefits for applicants seeking permanent residency or a non-immigrant visa, leaving things as they have been for more than 20 years.

“There is now a nationwide injunction and it means that the Public Charge rule is not in effect while the litigation continues and … it may never take effect,” said attorney Madison Allen, of the Center for Law and Social Policy. “The plaintiffs had to show that they had a likelihood of winning on the merits and that they could prove imminent harm.”

The injunction is a major win for immigrants, who have long been affected by the Public Charge rule and the ban.

For more information, visit https://hangngopsyd.com.
Happy birthday to architect, superhero and visionary Tunney Lee

BY LINDA CHIN

Tunney Lee, retired Massachusetts Institute of Technology professor (right), at Five Spices House with Joe Chow. Lee recently turned 88 and was honored as a Cambridge Community Foundation 2020 cultural visionary (image courtesy of Linda Chin).

How do artists support their artistry, superheroes sustain their superpowers and visionaries maintain their X-ray vision? What does it take to spark one’s creativity? What does it take to build a culturally rich, equitable ecosystem for future generations?

I turned to Tunney Lee, the energetic chair emeritus of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology’s department of Urban Studies and Planning and founding chair of Chinese University in Hong Kong’s School of Architecture. Recently named a Cambridge Community Foundation 2020 cultural visionary, Lee shared his perspectives over good food.

Lee chose Five Spices House in Cambridge’s Central Square, vowing it would be delicious. We were joined by Joe Chow.

Lee, Chow and I talked about the benefits of education to discover your passion and hone it. This needs financial support or sponsorship for your goals. Social and cultural capital requires exposure and engagement with a multi-generational, multicultural and multidisciplinary network of people and places involved in the arts and cultural sector. To fuel creative collaborations, people need mentors.

Chow and I met when we served on Alumni South Cove Community Health Center in the ‘80s. We discovered he and my older sister Wanda Chinn were classmates at an MIT graduate program chaired by Lee. It’s the largest and many say best program in the country. Having an MIT tenured professor who was also Chinese-American was significant personally and professionally, and rare in the ‘70s.

They described Lee as a family man who was kind to his graduate students; my sister and Chow have fond memories of meeting Lee’s wife and children at their Newton home. In a 2015 honorary citation from Chinese University of Hong Kong, Lee was described as a visionary whose leadership spanned the careers of hundreds of architects and the design of thousands of buildings in Hong Kong, China, Asia and beyond.

Lee, his parents and grandparents’ journey from Toisan to Boston were the subject of a Harvard student’s senior thesis, “Chinatown Boy.” Will Morris, Class of 2019 describes Lee’s mentorship and generosity as life-changing. Lee jokes he wishes he could break Morris’s habit of calling him “Sic,” but understands his southern upbringing.

I asked Lee about his remarkably good posture. He lit up and explained his daughter, a ballet/modern dancer, taught him exercises to stretch his limbs and strengthen his core. Lee does them religiously every day.

Lee turned 88 on Oct. 22. His life and contributions will be celebrated with a forthcoming documentary. Have a story about Lee? Share your story, thoughts or send a video to editor@sampan.org.

PUBLIC CHARGE: Know your rights

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According to experts and attorneys that held a national teleconference in October, many of those immigrants aren’t even in danger of having a future visa being denied because of use of public services. Many are not in the categories included in the rule, aren’t using the benefits that would affect them, or have other factors in their favor that could be taken into account.

During a teleconference co-sponsored by the National Immigration Law Center (NILC), the Immigrant Legal Resource Center (ILRC) and Ethnic Media Services (EMS), the following was emphasized:

- Many immigrants are not and will not be affected by that rule.
- There are several categories of immigrants that do not fall under the new public charge regulation that was issued by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) last August and is now paused by court orders.

- Refugees or asylum seekers, those who apply for or have U visas for victims of crime, T visas for victims of human trafficking, WAVA cases of domestic violence, SJIS for abandoned minors, renewal of Temporary Protected Status TPS or DACA, and most permanent residents or citizens will not be affected by this rule.

“Whatever the courts decide, these people will not be directly affected by that potential change in the Public Charge rules,” said Allison Davenport, ILRC’s supervising attorney.

“The Public Charge Rule would only affect some certain immigration benefits. Fear in the community primarily comes from confusion about who would be affected by the Public Charge rule should the federal courts give the go-ahead, Davenport said.

“The concept of public charge has been part of immigration law for 100 years. What is changed is how DHS now wants to interpret it. They want to apply a stricter standard,” she said. Davenport.

Nor is it a ban on obtaining services, many of which undocumented immigrants aren’t entitled to anyway.

The new public charge rule was to go into effect Oct. 15, but judges in New York, California and Washington blocked it the Friday before. On the same day, two other judges in Maryland and Illinois joined the order.

Elmestocks

Grafton, MA

Affordable Housing Lottery

One 3BR Single Family Home for $226,300
Seven 4BR Single Family Homes for $244,500
One 3BR Single Family Home for $226,400
The first affordable homes will be ready in Spring 2020.

This is a lottery for eight affordable homes being built at Elmestocks. These eight homes will be sold at affordable prices to households with incomes at or below 80% of the area median income.

These 8 Farmhouse and Craftsman Style affordable homes, which are part of a 31 single family home subdivision, provide over 2,000 sq. ft. of living space, 2.5 baths, two covered parking spots, economic subdivision, provide over 2,000 sq. ft. of living space, 2.5 baths, two covered parking spots, economic fees as there is no HOA association.

Applications and Required Income Documentation must be delivered, not postmarked, by 2 pm on Monday, December 23, 2019.

Applications and Income Packets also available at the Grafton Public Library (35 North Main St., Grafton, MA) (Hours: Mon-Thurs. 9 AM to 8 PM, Fri-Sat. 10 AM to 6 PM, Sundays 12-4 PM).

For more information on the Development, the Units or the Lottery and Application Process or for reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities, please visit www.s-e-b.com/lottery or call 617.782.4901x2.

Copperworks

96 Revere St., Canton, MA

Affordable Housing Lottery

www.s-e-b.com

Five 2BR Homes for $245,000 ($171/mo HOA fees)
Two 1BR Homes for $217,500 ($152/mo HOA fees)

The first affordable homes should be ready in Winter 2019/2020.

This is a lottery for seven (7) affordable homes being built at Copperworks in Canton. These homes units will be sold at affordable prices to households with incomes at or below 80% of the area median income.

The 2BR homes range from 804 sq. ft. to 814 sq. ft. and the 1BR homes range from 1,293 sq. ft. to 1,311 sq. ft. All homes will enjoy one surface parking space and access to the community amenities which include a roof deck, spacious lobby with comfortable sitting areas, key-operated elevator, complimentary bike storage, and secure entry access by mobile phone. Residents can easily access Canton’s idyllic town center, and will be in close proximity to the Canton Junction Train Station.

Applications and Required Income Documentation must be delivered, postmarked by 2 pm on December 30, 2019. Applications postmarked by the deadline must be received within 5 business days.

A Public Information Session will be held at 6 pm on November 25th, 2019 at the Public Library, 96 Revere Street, Canton, MA.

For more information on the Development, the Units or the Lottery and Application Process or for reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities, please visit www.s-e-b.com/lottery or call 617.782.4902 for TTY Services dial 711. Free translation available Translation gratuito disponible
Tsai Chin, 86, spoke about playing Grandma Wong in “Lucky Grandma” Oct. 24 at Brattle Theater. (Image courtesy of Ray Chow/Black Dog Pictures.)

Tsai Chin, 86, has been acting for over 60 years. In the States she’s best known as Auntie Lindo in “The Joy Luck Club” (1993), a “Bond girl” in two James Bond movies, Auntie in “Memories of a Geisha” (2005) and Helen Rubenstein, the mother of Sandra Oh’s Cristina Yang on TV show “Grey’s Anatomy.”

But Tsai Chin is far from being a household name, cast in supporting roles for recent performances. That changed with “Lucky Grandma,” a comedic household name, cast in supporting roles over 60 years. In the States she’s best known as Auntie Lindo as a wonderful time because “every-thing was changing.”

“In the Second World War finished, and the young people were rebelling… rebelling against class,” Tsai said. “I guess in a way, in the 60s, it belongs to the young people…. In the West it was all about love — love, love, love — to the point that sex be- comes all free [and] women started to burn their bras.”

This was a stark contrast to Tsai Chin’s experiences in China, who faced per-secution during the Cultural Revolution. Her mother Lilian Qiu died in 1968 at the hands of the Red Guard. She encoun-tered financial difficulties and struggled with depression before moving to Bos-ton in the 1970s, where she would earn her master’s degree in drama from Tufts University in 1980.

Tsai Chin left Boston when she was invited to teach at the Central Academy of Dramatic Art, in Beijing in 1981. “The residue of the Cultural Revolution was still there,” Tsai said. “First of all, the stuff I taught they’d never heard before. Because at that time, it had already been 10, 15 years those teachers weren’t teaching.”

In 1993, her star turn in “The Joy Luck Club” captivated American audi-ences. “Despite its huge cast, the film is virtually stolen by Tsai Chin,” wrote New York Times reviewer Janet Maslin. “I hope Academy voters don’t overlook her because she’s not a household name. I am going to repeat her name.”

But the Academy did overlook her for an award. “Not only did you not get a nomina-tion, neither anything in the movie,” fellow actor Michael Tow said to Tsai Chin, during an Oct. 24 discussion after a screening of “Lucky Grandma.”

“What would it mean to you if you were nominated?” Tow said. “For exam-ple, there’s been a lot of buzz about your performance in ‘Lucky Grandma’.”

Resounding applause filled the the-ater. Tsai looked out at the audience, and flashed a smile before responding. “‘Well I think if I won, I would be even more impossible,” Tsai Chin said. “But I’m older now. Even if I was impossible, it won’t be a very long time. So yes, please!”

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BY YIMING ZHAO

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Many children want to feel they be-

long. That can be hard for Asian Ameri-
cans. Growing up in America, most
media children watch does not always
reflect the Asian American experience.
Luckily, things have changed for a new
generation of Asian Americans. With the
Internet, there are more choices to stream
online. The fascinating world that is Ja-
pinese manga helps Asian American chil-
dren see themselves as central charac-
ters, rather than being rendered invisible.
“The Discovery of Anime and Man-
gà” is the third book in the series “The
Asian Hall of Fame” and is the first Eng-
lish children’s picture book on how Japa-
nese animation and comics were created.
In the book, Dao, a red panda who
can travel back in time, transported chil-
dren Ethan and Emma to Japan. Dao tells
them how manga evolved and who were
some of the most famous manga charac-
ters in each time period. Their journey
begins in the 12th century and goes to
the 21st century, showing how animation
and comics gained worldwide acclaim.
Dao taught them how paintings, travel-
ing storytellers and newspapers paved
way for comics. This developed over the
years so today we can stream anime on
the Internet.

In the book we see iconic Japanese
anime characters such as Astroboy, Dor-
agon, Dragon Ball, My Neighbor Toto-
ro, Sailor Moon, Pokemon, One Piece,
One Punch Man and more. This makes
the book not only fun for children, but
also for adults, as they can flip through
and remember beloved childhood char-
acters.

The story moves along with bright
bold illustrations by Juan Calle. Each
page is a love letter to manga, making
this a delightful read for children and
parents.

“The Discovery of Anime and Man-
ga” is written by Oliver Chin and Phil
Amara, a teacher at the Jeshua Quincy
Elementary School in Chinatown. It
features a translation in Japanese by
Amara’s wife Hiroko and a glossary.

The book goes on sale Nov. 15.

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A food aficionado: Gantetsu-Ya

BY ANNA ING

Hiroshima style okonomiyaki and takoyaki are among my favorite food from Japan, so to have them at one place in Boston is a dream. Okonomiyaki, meaning "grilled as you like" in Japanese is an iconic savory pancake, known as Japanese pizza. It is loaded with a variety of toppings and ingredients, such as cabbage, scallions and a protein of your choice. The Hiroshima style features delicious yakisoba noodles nestled in the okonomiyaki.

With no line, we waited for about 15 minutes for our made-to-order meal. We sampled the seafood Hiroshima style okonomiyaki ($16.50) and original Hiroshima style okonomiyaki ($13.50). Both came out steaming hot.

The seafood studded atop the okonomiyaki comprised generous bites of squid and shrimp. A thin crepe made from flour and eggs was at the bottom. At the center were crispy and savory noodles, sprinkled with tenkasu (tempura bits), katsuobushi (dried bonito flakes), aonori (dried green seaweed) and scallops. The noodles and seafood were topped in tonkatsu sauce for savory tang, tying the whole dish together.

The original okonomiyaki had slices of pork embedded, with plenty of yakisoba. Both choices were solid with the crispy noodles, bringing back fond memories of Japan. The only thing I missed was the teppanyaki, as the grill in Japan kept the bottom layer crispy.

The takoyaki ($9.50) comes with eight grilled squid balls, covered in a generous amount of katsuobushi and aonori. Drizzled with Japanese Kewpie mayonnaise and tonkatsu sauce, they add depth to this appetizer. The middle is not fully cooked, exactly as it should be, for a creamy texture with a bite of squid inside.

I am excited to finally have a dedicated Hiroshima style okonomiyaki and takoyaki place in Brookline. If you’re looking for delicious and authentic Japanese street food, go check Gantetsu-Ya out.

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Wang YMCA of Chinatown honors local heroes

BY LING-MEI WONG

The Wang YMCA of Chinatown honored Man Ho and Paula Chan Nov. 2 at Empire Garden. More than 300 people attended the dinner to celebrate the Wang Y’s legacy since 1914.

“Everything the Y does is to make the community better and stronger,” said Wang Y executive director Patricia Barnwell. “Tonight we honor Man Ho and Paula Chan, and Mayor Walsh. Together, we served 814 teens, 214 youth and more than 700 people of all ages.”

The Wang Y feeds low-income children, provides afterschool care for children during the school year and gives them a place to learn over summer. Local teenagers benefit from free Y memberships, while older adults can find a community and stay healthy.

“Mayor Walsh is not just mayor of Boston, but mayor of Chinatown,” said Bak Fun Wong, retired headmaster of the Josiah Quincy School and the Josiah Quincy Upper School. “He has long been involved in education and when he announced plans to build the Josiah Quincy Upper School, I applauded him for his mission.”

The Upper School grade six to 12 students work out at the Wang Y, as the school does not have a gym. Walsh’s team helped secure a permanent home for the school in Chinatown.

Man Ho and Paula Chan have volunteered for the Wang Y’s Christmas party since 2007, along with supporting other community organizations. The Bedford residents have two adult children Jennifer and Adam, along with grandchild Ruby Jean. Chan’s brother Mark accepted the award on their behalf.

Walsh was unable to attend; Chinatown liaison Lisa Hy accepted the award on his behalf. He said in a video, “We are all excited for the new school coming to Chinatown.”

The Wang YMCA of Chinatown honored Man Ho and Paula Chan Nov. 2 at Empire Garden. (From left) Wang Y board chairman Richard Chang, executive director Patricia Barnwell, Mark Chan on behalf of Man Ho and Paula Chan, board member John Leung. (Image courtesy of Ling-Mei Wong.)