NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS
CALA Annual Awards Banquet

Dear CALA members,

The 2016 Annual Awards Banquet Arrangement Committee is excited to announce that the registration for the CALA 2016 Annual Awards Banquet is now open. The Banquet will be held on Sunday June 26, 2016, during the ALA Annual Conference at Orlando. The Committee cordially invites you all to attend CALA’s biggest annual event. Please go to the online registration site for detailed information about this event.

This year we plan to have entertainment at the Banquet. We are soliciting performers. If you are interested in demonstrating your talents or you know other members who might be interested, please inform Min Tong (co-chair) at min.tong@ucf.edu or Liangyu Fu (co-chair) at liangyuf@umich.edu. We also need volunteers to help at the Banquet. Please let us know if you would like to volunteer.

Meanwhile, we are soliciting supporter/sponsors for the Banquet and door prizes. Please contact Min or Liangyu if you would like to donate or know some potential donors. We will promote donors in our program. Thank you!

Complementary transportation for registered guests is scheduled tentatively to depart from convention center at 4:45pm on June 26. Do not miss this exciting event. We are looking forward to seeing you all in Orlando!

The CALA 2016 Annual Awards Banquet Arrangement Committee:

Min Tong (co-chair)
Liangyu Fu (co-chair)
Sai Deng
Wenxian Zhang
Ying Zhang

Diversity Related Events at ALA Annual in Orlando

The ALA Committee on Diversity (COD), along with the Office for Diversity, Literacy and Outreach Services (ODLOS), created a list of diversity events scheduled for the upcoming ALA Annual Conference in Orlando, FL. This list was created by reviewing the programs that have been submitted to the ALA Conference Scheduler. Only events open to everyone are listed, closed meetings were not included. If you have a program that you would like added to the list please email diversity@ala.org. We will continue to add programs to this list as details become available. Please share this link: https://sites.google.com/site/diversityrelatedevents/

NOTE: Sessions are subject to change, be sure to check the ALA Scheduler the day of an event to confirm location and time.

Jody Gray, MLIS
Director, Office for Diversity, Literacy, and Outreach Services
American Library Association Website: www.ala.org/diversity
Join the CALA Leadership Academy 2016!

Free to CALA Members!

Featuring a one-day, in-person training with Maureen Sullivan in Orlando, FL on June 27, 2016, in conjunction with ALA Annual, plus virtual sessions!

Maureen Sullivan, in close consultation with the CALA Leadership Training Task Force, has designed the program to meet the particular needs of Asian American librarians to enhance their leadership skills.

Upon successful completion of both the online and onsite sessions, participants will be awarded a certificate.

Limited Seating: Registration will be open to first 45 registrants.

Registration is full. Register Here to be on the waiting list. (Join CALA to be eligible for free registration before 3/31/2016.) Registration payment can be made to CALA on June 27 at the on-site training in Orlando.

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Program Components:

5/9, noon-1pm Eastern time: Virtual session with Maureen Sullivan
Check out Maureen's PowerPoint

Before 6/7, post self-introduction to Leadership Blog

6/27, 8:30am- 5pm: In-person training in Orlando, FL with Maureen Sullivan
Location: Hyatt Regency Orlando, Bayhill 22
Agenda of June 27th

8/25, noon-1pm Eastern Time: Virtual Leadership Talks
Join the Session (Use Chrome for best practice.)

9/22, noon-1pm Eastern Time: Virtual Leadership Talks
Join the Session (Use Chrome for best practice.)

10/20, noon-1pm Eastern Time: Virtual Leadership Talks
Join the Session (Use Chrome for best practice.)

November: Evaluation

Topics to be addressed:

- Principles and practices of effective leadership
- Challenges and opportunities that Asian American library leaders face
- Personal power and influence
- Building trust
- Strategic planning
- Team building

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Join the CALA Leadership Academy 2016!

About Maureen Sullivan

Maureen Sullivan is a widely recognized leader and educator in the library profession. Her career has included positions as the human resources administrator at two major research libraries; a consultant and trainer with the Association of Research Libraries; a member of the faculty in the Managerial Leadership in the Information Professions PhD program at Simmons College and in two of the annual leadership institutes sponsored by the Harvard Graduate School of Education.

She has designed and facilitated a number of leadership development programs including: the Mountain Plains Library Association Leadership Institute, the TALL Texans program sponsored by the Texas Library Association, the New England Library Leadership Symposium and several designed for particular groups such as archivists, law librarians and medical librarians.

During her term as ALA president in 2012-2013 she launched The Promise of Libraries Transforming Communities, a partnership with The Harwood Institute for Public Innovation, to prepare librarians to be conveners of community engagement and public innovators in their communities. She also worked with the Harvard Graduate School of Education to establish the first Library Leadership in a Digital Age institute and created ALA's first national leadership institute, Leading to the Future. She currently serves as an advisor to the Aspen Institute on Rising to the Challenge: Re-Envisioning Public Libraries.

Panelists and Speakers for CALA Leadership Academy 2016

Registrants of CALA Leadership Academy 2016

Instructions for Attending CALA Leadership Academy 2016

Virtual Sessions Login (Use Chrome for best practice.)

CALA Leadership Academy 2016 Blog

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CALA Co-Sponsoring ALCTS Metadata Interest Group Diversity Programming

Dear Colleagues,

We would like to thank ALCTS for giving CALA the opportunity to co-sponsor part of the Metadata Interest Group programming for "Diverse and Inclusive Metadata: Developing Cultural Competencies in Descriptive Practices" during the ALA Annual Conference.

Program Details: Saturday, June 25, 10:30am
ALCTS sponsored program
Orange County Convention Center, Room W222A

Thanks for your attention and looking forward to seeing you in Orlando.

Lian Ruan (CALA President, 2015/2016)

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Call for Volunteers to Serve on CALA Committees and Task Force

Dear CALA members,

As Vice President/President Elect, I am writing to invite you to serve on CALA committees and task forces for 2016-2017. CALA is home for Chinese American Librarians and a place for us to share thoughts and opinions, to help and care for each other, to discuss issues in the profession and to promote and advance ourselves. For over 40 years, many members have devoted their time, resource, and efforts to make our organization stronger and healthier. We have seen and heard many loving stories that have touched our hearts and many success stories that encouraged us to do better and to contribute not only to our association, but to our profession and the society as a whole. Together, we can make a difference!

Serving on CALA committees and task force is a good way to share your part and to help continue our good tradition. Please use the link/form here http://cala-web.org/forms/volunteer to indicate your interest, knowledge and skills and the committees that you would like to serve. For members and chairs who are already serving or have served in committees before, you are more than welcome to serve again.

The form is also available at CALA Website under Volunteer. Please let me know if you have any questions and how I assist.

Thank you,

Qi Chen, MLIS, Ed.D
CALA, Vice President/President Elect 2016-2017
Director, Calumet College of St. Joseph
Call for contributions to CALA-CALASYS
Academic Resources System

Dear Chinese American Librarians:

You are a distinguished Chinese American information specialist, librarian or educator in Library and Information Science (LIS) and related fields. You have been making great contributions to LIS and Library and Information Services.

CALA (the Chinese American Librarians Association) started a database-oriented repository system (CALASYS) to centrally collect scholarly achievements and contributions (either official publications or informal works such as presentations or educational materials) from the Chinese American librarians, information specialists, LIS educators, and related professionals. Project CALASYS aims to centrally archive, describe, and manage those valuable resources, and provide them to the public with a single access point. CALASYS will be an invaluable resource for research. Some items deposited into the system can be found here: http://www.ir.cala-web.org/

We are reaching out to you for your support!

We would like to seek your support by soliciting your publications and academic information for CALASYS. We understand that you are busy with your work so we will be very happy to input the information into the system on your behalf. We will just need your permission, and the bibliographical information about your publications and other scholarly works. In fact, you may simply copy and paste from your resume the parts on publications or conference presentations or other related contributions. Full text is not required but welcomed if it is clear of copyright. The contributions could be, but not limited to:

1. Official / formal publications (journal articles, books, chapter of books, etc. Abstracts with bibliographic information or access links are highly welcome).

2. Educational / instructional and training materials (curriculum designs, syllabus of LIS courses, presentation files, audio/video materials for workshops/trainings, guides, reports, etc.)

3. Gray literature/publication: Informal publications such as pre-publications and data, presentation slides, non-published research reports and experimental data set, teaching related documents or data on LIS education such as syllabus or curriculum design, videos / audio materials created by Chinese American faculty for LIS education and trainings.

4. Other scholarly Communication related materials and information related to Chinese-American librarianship and cultures.

For more information on the mission and organization of CALA-CALASYS Task Force, please visit our website at http://www.ir.cala-web.org/.

For information on how to contribute, please visit: http://www.ir.cala-web.org/how_to_contribute

If you need more information, or have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me or any of the task force members. We thank you in advance for your great support!

Sincerely,

Mingyan Li
on behalf of
CALA-CALASYS Task Force
Call for Papers: The CALA International Journal of Librarianship

The CALA International Journal of Librarianship (IJOL) is an open access, refereed journal of research and discussion dealing with all aspects of libraries and librarianship including but not limited to major development of Chinese librarianship throughout the world. It is published by Chinese American Librarian Association (CALA), an affiliation of the American Library Association.

CALA IJOL invites original papers or reviews of books, journal articles or conference papers that contribute to the study and research in the Library and Information Science. All articles dealing with academic, research, public, school and special libraries and other information institutes are welcome.

Topics of interest include, but are not limited to:

- International librarianship
- Library systems and Discovery Service
- Digital library and institutional repository
- Data visualization
- Linked data and semantic web
- Public service
- Collection development
- Information literacy
- Acquisitions
- Technical services
- Library consortia or vendor relations
- Reports from the field that describe the implementation and assessment of innovative practices in libraries of all types, and report distinguished Chinese librarian who contributes greatly to the profession
- Review of literature in all aspects of Library and Information Science field

The topics above are some of the proposals that you would like to propose, but we accept papers on all aspects in Library and Information science.

Articles are commonly 3000-5000 words in length, in APA (American Psychological Association) format. Shorter or longer articles may be accepted if deemed to be in high quality.

Submission deadline: Papers submitted by October 1, 2016 will be considered for the publication in the first issue (December 2016). Late submissions will be considered for the following issues. How to submit your manuscripts: CALA IJOL uses Open Journal System by Public Knowledge Project. Simply visit http://ojs.calaijol.org/index.php/ijol/about/submissions to login and submit your manuscripts online. Please read the Author Guidelines before submission. If you encounter any technical difficulties, please contact the Webmaster at qzou@lakeheadu.ca. All papers must be submitted via the online system. If you would like to discuss your paper prior to submission, please contact Grace Liu, the Editor at gliu@uwindsor.ca.

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The CALA Occasional Paper Series (OPS)

The CALA Occasional Paper Series (OPS) is one of the official publications of the Chinese American Librarians Association (CALA). It is an open access publication which provides an opportunity for CALA members to publish article(s) on a peer-reviewed, official, and professional platform.

An occasional paper may be a full-length research paper, a concentrated study or analysis of a single idea or concept; Reports from the field of library and information science; book reviews on the profession of librarianship or information science; activities reports on librarianship; conference papers; a bibliography, guide, handbook, research manual, library policies or procedures, workflow of the field. Topics for CALA OPS may include, but not limited to international librarianship, library management, digital library, innovative reference services, metadata creation etc. Every issue will be published in the same format with regular intervals but not as rigid as that of periodicals. Each issue will include one or more papers that are on a similar topic or various topics.

CALA’s Occasional Paper Series (OPS) is now calling for papers for the Fall issue 2016. The editorial group now welcome submission of papers on any aspect of librarianship. Manuscripts are usually between 3000-5000 words in length. Longer and shorter articles can also be accepted if considered to be relevant and of high quality. All manuscripts must be typed and double-spaced in 12-point Times New Roman font throughout. References, citations, and general style of manuscripts should follow the Publications Manual of the American Psychological Association, 6th edition. For detailed submission guidelines, please check the CALA OPS website: http://www.cala-web.org/publications/ops-editorial-guidelines.

The deadline for submission to the 2016 Fall issue of CALA OPS is Friday, August 19, 2016. Late submissions will be considered for the following issues. To submit a manuscript, please submit via the interface: http://www.cala-web.org/forms/ops-submission. Manuscripts submitted to CALA OPS should not have been published or be under consideration for publication elsewhere.

If you are interested in being a reviewer for CALA OPS, please visit the CALA website (http://www.cala-web.org/forms/ops-reviewer-app) and fill out the CALA OPS reviewer application form.

Should you have any questions, please contact the CALA OPS editorial board members:

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CALA Receives Donation From New Var Inc.

by Yingqi Tang and Xuefei Xiong

On behalf of the CALA board, the CALA Jing Liao Award for the Best Research Committee is pleased to announce that we have signed a five year agreement with New Var Inc. for the Jing Liao Award for the Best Research Travel fund. The first year’s contribution of $500 was received.

“New Var, Inc. (http://www.newvar.com) is honored to contribute to the specific existing fund in supporting library and information related research and activities. Staying abreast of trends is very important to further advance Chinese-American librarianship. Thus, funding the distinguished researchers to attend a professional conference should be especially considered. ” said Xuefei XIONG, CEO of New Var, Inc.

New Var, INC., based in California, is a wholly owned subsidiary company of the Beijing Superstar Co., Ltd. (SDG in short) to best serve SDG’s library clients and readers in North America. SDG has been serving academic communities of China studies since as early as 1993. It has become a full spectrum digital solution provider of Chinese academic resources, Oriental knowledge, and on-demand custom services for both academic and public libraries worldwide.

With an impressive infrastructure of over 3500 employees, SDG has maintained an outstanding annual growth in recent years and already reached annual revenue of 170 million US dollars in 2014. Through devotion to research and development in digital publishing since its outset, SDG has been recognized as one of the top leaders in the world’s digital libraries with its abundant publishing resources and constantly emerging publishing technologies.

SDG offers over 50 digital products, including resource databases, search platforms, reading machines, supporting tools, service systems and course-building platforms. Some major SDG products, e.g., Chinamaxx Digital, Duxiu Search, Superstar Discovery, Superstar Videos, Superstar Wenshi, Dacheng Old Journals and Daya Detection, have been customized and adapted for readers outside China who would like to acquire first hand content from China, have an interest in China studies, or people who want to study the Chinese language. These digital products developed by SDG strongly support China studies, enhance China research projects, and facilitate the writing of academic papers. They have become an indispensable research tool for studies on Chinese modern history, literature, politics, law, sociology, economics and discipline histories among other subjects.

In facing the new digital era of the traditional publication being merged with the new media development, SDG has deeply realized the huge challenges and understood that the merge is the only way to enhance SDG’s vitality and core competitiveness in the academic publishing world. SDG is well ready to launch its new and revolutionary digital platforms and products in the near future.

Lian Ruan, president of CALA expressed her gratitude to the company. She added that “Because of the generous gifts from many sponsors, CALA is able to offer financial support for the winner of Jing Liao Research Award to attend CALA Annual Conference. We are hoping we can fund our outstanding researchers in the long run. ” Please join us in sending a HUGE THANK YOU to New Var Inc. for their support and generosity. More details about the Award are available at http://www.cala-web.org/node/937. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the Jing Liao Award, please contact the committee chair, Ms. Yingqi Tang <tang@jsu.edu>.
A Tale of a Traveling Exhibit on the Legacy of Chinese Railroad Workers

To increase awareness and appreciation for the legacy of Chinese railroad workers in building the nation's first transcontinental railroad and the contributions of Chinese Americans to the society, in January of 2016, the CALA's History of Chinese Railroad Workers on the Transcontinental Railroad Taskforce (CALA-CRRW) introduced to CALA members a traveling exhibit titled "The Chinese and the Iron Road: Building the Transcontinental." This exhibit was produced by the Chinese Historical Society of America Museum (CHSA) in collaboration with the Chinese Railroad Workers in North America Project at Stanford University. In an effort to rollout the project in California, the Taskforce coordinated with the University of California San Diego (UCSD) Library and San Diego Chinese Historical Museum (SDCHM) to host the exhibit and organize lecture events from January to March, 2016.

The reception for "The Chinese and the Iron Road: Building the Transcontinental" exhibit was held on Friday, January 22, in Geisel Library at UCSD. It featured remarks from Hilton Obenzinger, Associate Director of the Chinese Railroad Workers Project at Stanford University; Simeon Man, Assistant Professor in UCSD’s Dept. of History; and Murray Lee, the Curator of SDCHM.

The presentations were warmly received by an enthusiastic, room-packed audience of local residents/enthusiasts of Chinese American history and UCSD scholars, students, and library staff. University Librarian, Brian Schottlaender gave the opening remarks and facilitated the Q&A panel discussion. Man started his presentation with a brief history of Chinese railroad workers and contextualized it within the broader history of Chinese exclusion and racialization in the U.S. during late 19th and early 20th century. Lee’s talk centered on his grandfather’s personal experience as a Chinese railroad worker and the encounter with Native Americans, which was echoed by other recounts of European immigrant railroad workers. Obenzinger spoke in depth about the goal, collaborations, accomplishments and challenges of the Stanford Chinese Railroad Workers’ Project. He concluded the talk by encouraging people to contact the Project if they are descendants of the railroad workers or know of any historical traces left by them.

Special guests included Li Fu, Executive Director of the Chinese American Librarians Association, who helped bring the traveling exhibit to southern California, and Tiffany Wai-Ying Beres, Associate Director of the San Diego Chinese Historical Museum. The event photos can be found at UCSD Library’s Facebook page.

The exhibit then travelled to SDCHM for display from March 1 to 31. On March 5, a successful opening reception was held at the SDCHM along with a special lecture given by a local descendant of the Chinese railroad worker. The exhibit is scheduled for display at Friends of Huddart and Wunderlich Parks (CA) through May 2016. It will travel to New Jersey area in July and come back to UC Riverside for display in fall 2016. As the Chinese Railroad Workers project at Stanford aims to conclude the project in 2019 to coincide with the 150th anniversary of the completion of the transcontinental railroad, this exhibit will continue to travel to libraries, museums and cultural societies throughout the nation till 2019.

If you want to know more about this traveling exhibit or are interested in becoming a host library/museum, please contact the members of CALA-CRRW Taskforce. See their information below:

Eugenia C. Beh (MIT Libraries), Xi Chen (University of California San Diego), Yan He (Ohio University), Zheng (Jessica) Lu (University of San Francisco Library), Yiping Wang (San Jose State University Library) and Irene Yeh (Ex-Officio).
PUBLICATIONS OF CALA 
MEMBERS & FRIENDS
Dr. Hwa-Wei Lee's New Biography

Dr. Hwa-Wei Lee’s biography *The Sage in the Cathedral of Books* has been published by Ohio University Press. The author is Yang Yang, an OU alumna and current documentary film director of CCTV, and the translator is Dr. Ying Zhang, Research Librarian for Asian Studies at UC Irvine. Here is the book introduction by Dr. Zhang: [http://www.ohioswallow.com/book/The+Sage+in+the+Cathedral+of+Books](http://www.ohioswallow.com/book/The+Sage+in+the+Cathedral+of+Books)


Librarians can also order the book via YBP (GOBI).

Authors at Alden: Hwa-Wei Lee Interviewed by Charles Ping

On May 19 (Thursday) from 1:00-2:00 p.m., Ohio University Libraries hosted an Authors@Alden series event: Hwa-Wei Lee and interviewer Charges Ping (Ohio University’s president emeritus), in honor of Dr. Lee’s new biography. The interview recording is available at: [https://www.ohio.edu/media/?videoid=E780BDF45056A8741DA8E417CF553ACB](https://www.ohio.edu/media/?videoid=E780BDF45056A8741DA8E417CF553ACB)

(Provided by Dr. Yan He, Curator, Dr. Shao You-Bao Overseas Chinese Documentation and Research Center)

Remarks: Authors @Alden with Hwa-Wei Lee and interviewer Charles Ping

by Scott Seaman, Dean of Ohio University Libraries

Good afternoon, I am Scott Seaman, dean of Libraries, and I would like to welcome you to the Authors @Alden series with Dr. Hwa-Wei Lee, dean of University Libraries from 1978-1999, and interviewer Dr. Charles J. Ping, Ohio University president from 1975-1994—two prominent internationally-known individuals, and personal friends, who have shared a long tenure in OHIO’s history. Under the encouragement and guidance of President Charles Ping, Hwa-Wei was instrumental in the development of the Libraries as an esteemed, internationally-connected institution, as well as, earning the Libraries’ membership into the prestigious Association for Research Libraries in 1996. This event is being held in honor of Hwa-Wei’s biography: “The Sage in the Cathedral of Books,” which shares the story of his life—from his childhood through a nearly 40-year career in the field of librarianship, especially international librarianship between the United States and China. His was a career marked by many successes as recognized by the Melvil Dewey Medal in 2015 from the American Library Association, and an Ohio University Honorary Doctor of Letters in 2012, among many other honors.

The book is published by Ohio University Press; written by Yang Yang, OHIO alumna and documentary filmmaker from China Central Television in Beijing; and translated into English by Dr. Ying Zhang, research librarian for Asian Studies at the University of California, Irvine. Both Yang Yang and Ying Zhang will join us during the Q & A session.

Before I turn the microphone over to our speakers, I have two announcements:

- After the presentation, Little Professor Book Center will be selling copies of Hwa-Wei’s biography, so be sure to stop by;

- And there will be a reception with light refreshments following this event in the Faculty Commons on the third floor of Alden Library—might be a good place to ask Hwa-Wei to sign your book—so please join us.

Without further ado, please give a warm welcome to our celebrated speakers: Hwa-Wei Lee and Charles J. Ping.
Tian Lu Lun Cong -- Journal of the Society for Chinese Studies Librarians

Guoqing Li’s Publications and Research

Chinese Studies in the West: The Chinese Record


1 远征中国的六个月: 一个士兵的笔记 (英) 罗伯特·乔斯林著
2 在远东的外国人 (英) 麦华陀著
3 塔影: 中国生活研究 (美) 阿黛尔·玛丽安·菲尔德著
4 北京被围记: 义和团反外战争 (美) 满乐道著
5 立体照片里的中国: 义和团运动时期的龙帝国之旅 (美) 詹姆斯·利卡尔顿著
6 义和团之乡: 联军占领下的中国 (英) 戈登·凯瑟雷著
7 一个美国外交官使华记 (美) 保罗·芮恩施著
8 中国佬约翰在中国: 中国的人民、风俗和事物概述 (英)
9 爱德华·约翰·哈代著 9中国人的家庭生活 (美) 伊萨克·泰勒·何德兰著
10 一个领事官的中国西北之旅 (英) 台克持著

Guoqing also attended the 16th International Conference on Institutes & Libraries for Chinese Overseas Studies in Xiamen, China, Oct, 2015, and presented a paper titled “Root in the Beautiful Land: A Brief History and Exhibit of Chinese in Columbus, Ohio.”
Wenxian Zhang's Latest Publications on China

Wenxian Zhang has been a member of Arts and Sciences faculty and a Professor at Olin Library of Rollins College in Winter Park, Florida. He is a recipient of the Cornell Distinguished Faculty Service Award, Arthur Vining Davis Fellow, and the Patrick D. Smith Award for his academic work with Dr. Maurice O'Sullivan on A Trip to Florida for Health and Sport (FHS Press, 2010). In addition to many articles on information studies, historical research, and Chinese business management, his recent book publications related to China include The Biographical Dictionary of New Chinese Entrepreneurs and Business Leaders (Edward Elgar, 2009), A Guide to the Top 100 Companies in China (World Scientific, 2010), The Entrepreneurial and Business Elites of China: The Chinese Returnees Who Have Shaped Modern China (Emerald, 2011), and A Winter in Sunshine (Shanghai University Press, 2012).


Elaine Zorbas Wrote Books on Fiddletown


Chinese from southeast China flocked to towns and encampments in the Sierra Nevada foothills during the Gold Rush to search for gold. In the communities they established in Fiddletown and Amador County, Chinese immigrants found support and strength despite prevailing anti-Chinese prejudice. This book gives an insight into their experience as they faced pressures from the greater society, while maintaining their customs and connections with each other and with China. The story of the Fiddletown Chinese community is told through the lives of the people who lived in its still existing Chinese herb store (the Chew Kee Store museum), especially Jimmie Chow, the last Chinese person in Fiddletown. (Provided by Jiun Kuo)