



Asian/Pacific American Society

2020 Election Ballot

Chair		
o	Wendy Jung	Taiwan
1 st Vice-Chair		
o	Angel Cutno	Korea
o	May Wen	China
2 nd Vice-Chair		
o	George Jackson	At-Large
o	Tu Dave Nguyen	Vietnam
Secretary		
o	Nellie Yip Underwood	China
Treasurer		
o	Gerlie San Augustine	Philippines



CANDIDATES



Chair : Wendy Jung, Ph.D (Taiwan)

Wendy Jung earned her Ph.D in psychological sciences from Tulane University in 2015. She has been a very active member of APAS. As Chair of APAS, Wendy says: “I hope to continue to build on our APAS traditions, such as the Asian Heritage Festival and the Fall Gala. Though the pandemic has presented some challenges in holding large gatherings, I hope to get creative and work with the board to continue to promote Asian American heritage in the New Orleans area. I also want to continue to invest in our youth and foster connections with other Asian American organizations in our area.”



1st Vice Chair : Angel Chung Cutno (Korea)

Angel Chung Cutno, an Afro-Asian Louisiana native, has always been passionate about community involvement and humanitarian service. She completed all of her schooling through college in South Louisiana and taught for several years here as well. With nearly a decade of experience in education, non-profits, community organizing, and youth mentorship; she continues to gain experiences through participating in advocacy groups in the city of New Orleans, including Front Yard Bikes in Baton Rouge, Faubourg St. Roch Improvement Association of New Orleans, ONE Nola (Organizing Network for Education), New Orleans Rotary Club, And as a Board member of APAS representing Korea. Angel’s goal is to connect with all communities who are being the difference in New Orleans and build bridges that will bring healing to our city.



1st Vice Chair : May Wen (China)

May Wen is the founder and operator of Homeward Bound – NOLA, a comprehensive pet services organization. She is a graduate of Loyola University – New Orleans, where she earned her BA in Communications/Psychology. She has a deep resume of community service work, including founding Asians for Justice, serving as a past board member of Flowering Lotus Meditation and Retreat Center, and as a past board member, programs director, and development director of Jefferson Dollars for Scholars. May has served APAS before as past public relations chair for APAS. She was also past public relations chair for gaging.org. May’s goals are to strengthen Asian bonds in the Greater New Orleans area, to support and assist APAS’ efforts, and to help create fundraising and community building events.



2nd Vice Chair : George Jackson (At-Large).

George Jackson is a self-employed financial advisor. He is also a retired military officer. He managed two military police companies while in the service. George was also in the Louisiana National guard and retired with the rank of Major. He was President of the National Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors in 2013, and was member of the year. He also served as President of the Metairie Sunrise Rotary Club. George has been on the Board of Directors of the Jefferson Chamber of Commerce for more than 10 years. His goals for APAS are to continue to learn from the various member Asian communities and to help introduce Asian cultures to

others in Louisiana.



2nd Vice Chair : Tu Dave Nguyen (Vietnam).

Tu Dave Nguyen is an accomplished restaurateur and presently the owner and operator of Pho Orchid in Metairie. Dave wants to make the Community a better place and to set an example for the younger Asian American generations to get more involved in our Community. Also, Dave wants to help those that follow him to understand the various cultures that APAS can offer. As a business owner, a husband, and a father of twins, Dave knows how precious time is. He always makes every effort to ensure that every moment counts.



Secretary : Nellie Yip Underwood (China)

Nellie Yip Underwood, having retired from the Medical Center of La./University Hospital (Charity) in 2013, threw herself into community work. She is a core volunteer for What You Give Will Grow, Team Gleason, and the BTDFoundation. For six years, she served as the Clerk of Session and also as a Deacon for the Chinese Presbyterian Church. Nellie is an active member of APAS, OCAW, Chinese Presbyterian Church, Touchdown Club of New Orleans, Metropolitan Republican Women of Louisiana. Nellie was awarded the 2016 Volunteer of the Year Award from What You Give Will Grow, Thomas Morstead Foundation. She is a hard worker and a dedicated volunteer. Her objective as APAS Secretary is to serve APAS to the best of her abilities, and to record, document, and take minutes from ALL Board Meetings.



Treasurer : Gerlie San Augustine (Philippines)

Gerlie San Augustine is a Branch Ambassador at Capital One Bank in Reserve. She earned her BS in Business Administration from the University of San Carlos, Cebu City, Philippines. She has worked in the banking industry for 24 years, in both the US and the Philippines. She was Capital One's 2019 Outstanding Volunteer and the NOAALC 2020 Outstanding Citizen. She has served as 1st Vice President of the Philippine American United Council of Louisiana, Secretary of Kapitbahay of Greater New Orleans, Secretary of the Philippine Louisiana Historical Society, Secretary of the Philippine American Women's Association of Louisiana, and Secretary of the New Orleans Filipino American Lions Club. Gerlie's objectives as APAS Secretary are to be able to use her skill/financial

experience in managing the organization's funds, prepare financial reports that are clear, accurate and timely, if elected as Treasurer of APAS.