

EMWPEC Delivers Donation Check to Habitat for Humanity

The East Meets West Parent Education Club (EMWPEC) raised \$2,500 at its annual Lunar New Year Dinner, which championed all to donate to Habitat for Humanity and help the Eaton Fire victims.

The San Marino-based club delivered the donation check to the San Gabriel Valley Habitat for Humanity at the organization's Monrovia headquarters on Feb. 19 in a traditional lucky Lunar New Year red envelope.

The San Gabriel Valley Habitat for Humanity works to help to repair and rebuild homes damaged from the recent wildfire, as well as help displaced tenants to find shelter in houses that it is already building.

EMWPEC is a community-based nonprofit that strives to embrace all cultures East to West. The club will hold a workshop on March 9 at 2 p.m. in Crowell Library.

For more information, visit EMWPEC.org.



Photos courtesy EMWPEC

Attending the check donation visit included East Meets West Parent Education Club member Sophia Chan (front, from left) and SGV Habitat Directors Faith Melinger and Adrian Salcido. Back: SGV Habitat Director Paul Van Ast, and EMWPEC members Isaac Hung, Annie Xu, Peter Brassard and Elizabeth Yang.

Accepting the donation check from the East Meets West Parent Education Club was SGV Habitat Director of Finance Paul Van Ast with EMWPEC Executive Director Sophia Chan, SGV Habitat and EMWPEC President Isaac Hung.

Sycamores to Honor Barger, Padilla at Celebrating Children Gala

Sycamores will host its Celebrating Children Gala on Saturday, March 8, at the iconic Jonathan Club in downtown Los Angeles.

This elegant and meaningful evening will bring together supporters to raise funds for Sycamores' crucial behavioral health programs, serving both Riverside and Los Angeles Counties, including many impacted by the recent fires.

Guests will enjoy a chef-prepared, three-course dinner, live music and exciting auctions, as well as moving stories from individuals whose lives have been transformed through Sycamores' services.

The highlight of the evening is the presentation of the Sycamores Celebrating Children Award, honoring two outstanding leaders: Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors Chair Kathryn Barger and Angela Padilla, FundaMental Change president.

"In the wake of the devastating Eaton Fire and other wildfires across Los Angeles, this year's Celebrating Children Gala will be more than just a fundraising event — it will be an opportunity for our community to come together in resilience and hope," said Debbie Manners, president and CEO of Sycamores. "Supervisor Barger and Angela Padilla exemplify the compassion and leadership needed to make lasting change, and we are honored to recognize their contributions."

Both honorees have demonstrated extraordinary leadership, dedication and commitment to improving the lives of children, families and adults across Los Angeles County.

Barger has been a tireless advocate for the Fifth District, the largest in Los Angeles County, which spans 20 cities and 83 unincorporated communities.



Kathryn Barger



Angela Padilla

Over 35 years ago, Barger began her career as an intern in the office of former Supervisor Michael D. Antonovich, rising through the ranks to become his chief deputy in 2001 and ultimately was elected to the Board of Supervisors in 2016. Throughout her career, Barger has championed vital public safety initiatives and spearheaded efforts to enhance mental health services, preserve open spaces, and improve the quality of life for foster children, seniors, veterans and individuals with disabilities.

Barger has also been at the forefront of recovery for cities, businesses, families and individuals impacted by the recent fires.

Angela Padilla, a passionate mental health advocate, draws on her personal experience to raise awareness of mental health challenges. For nearly four decades, Padilla's mother has lived with bipolar and schizoaffective disorders, motivating her to earn degrees in psychology and public administration, with a focus on health administration. Padilla's unique perspective has driven her to share her family's journey and raise awareness

about mental health challenges.

As the founder and president of FundaMental Change, she continues to be a powerful voice for mental health advocacy in schools, community organizations and public forums.

The Celebrating Children Gala is co-chaired by Laura Baker and Christina Bang, both residents of La Cañada Flintridge and dedicated Sycamores supporters. Laura Baker, Southern California/Nevada Health Business leader at Mercer and a Sycamores Board of Directors member, joins Christina Bang, president of Bang Licensing Group, in leading this special event.

Proceeds from the event will directly benefit Sycamores' child welfare and behavioral health programs, impacting over 25,000 vulnerable children, youth and families annually throughout Southern California.

Join us for a memorable night filled with inspiration, celebration and community. To become a sponsor or purchase tickets, visit sycamores.org. Sponsorships and tickets are limited. For more information, contact development@sycamores.org or call (626) 517-2434.

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: CHENCHI WU CASE NO. 25STPB01774

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of CHENCHI WU. A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by ETHAN WU in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that ETHAN WU be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority. A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 03/18/25 at 8:30AM in Dept. 29 located at 111 N. HILL ST., LOS ANGELES, CA 90012 IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing.

Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. Attorney for Petitioner ROBERT W. HOWELL - SBN 241568 LAW OFFICE OF ROBERT W. HOWELL, PC 6355 TOPANGA CANYON BLVD., SUITE 500 WOODLAND HILLS CA 91367 Telephone (818) 888-0504 2/27, 3/6, 3/13/25 CNS-3899340# SAN MARINO TRIBUNE February 27, March 6, 13 2025, San Marino Tribune

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