

June 26, 2014

**Report on the Photo Exhibition ("Salute To Friendship") Sponsored by  
the  
Chinese People's Association for Friendship with Foreign Countries  
("CPAFFC ")  
Held at the Rayburn House Office Building on May 19, 2014**

**BACKGROUND:**

On May 19, 2014, the Chinese People's Association for Friendship with Foreign Countries ("CPAFFC ")("Youxie") held a reception at the Rayburn House Office Building, Washington, D.C., for a Photo Exhibition entitled "Salute to Friendship - Images Narrate China-U.S. Collaboration During World War II".

The invitation to attend the reception was issued by CPAFFC in the name of the President of that organization, Madam Li Xiaolin. (*See Invitation, Exhibit A*)

Members of our organization, the U.S.- China Peoples Friendship Association ("USCPFA"), were invited to attend. The Southeast Florida Chapter of USCPFA was represented by Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Cooke. Representatives from the D.C. Metro Chapter of USPCA, the Embassy of China, Youxie, and the U.S. House of Representatives (and staff) were also in attendance.

The photos used in the exhibition were taken by soldiers of the U.S. Army Signal Corps during the World War II. They recorded, from the American perspective, the touching friendship of mutual support and warm interaction between the Chinese and U.S. soldiers and civilians. The exhibition was held on the occasion of the 35th anniversary of the establishment of China-U.S. diplomatic relations (1979).

**WELCOMING ADDRESSES**

Madam Li Xiaolin welcomed the attendees and expressed the hope that through the exhibition, the people of China and the United States would remember the history of friendly relations between China and the United

States and will join hands in deepening that friendship and cooperation in the coming decades.

Also speaking was Christopher Nixon Cox, the son of Trisha Nixon (daughter of President Richard Nixon), and the grandson of President Nixon. Mr. Cox congratulated Madam Li Xiaolin and the CPAFFC for sponsoring the exhibit and hosting the reception. He spoke of the historic trip his grandfather made to China in February of 1972 which ended a quarter of a century of unfriendly relations between the United States and China. Mr. Cox noted that during the 1972 trip President Nixon visited Hangzhou where he planted a seedling, a California redwood.

Last year (2013) Cox visited Hangzhou and saw that the seedling was now a tall and flourishing tree which in the future will grow even bigger and stronger. He said "[t]he process of that Redwood's growth is a lot like the relationship between America and China. It might suffer from storms, but with consistent and meticulous care, it will continue to grow and prosper long into the future."

## THE EXHIBITION

The exhibition begins with a piece entitled:

### "THOSE MEMORIES WILL NEVER FADE"

"Memories may carry an individual's past, as well as the history of a country or a nation. Sweet memories bring us happiness, while bitter memories make us reflect and vigilant. And sweet memories of a hard time is even more precious and deserves to be cherished dearly.

"World War II has been a larger scale disaster in human history. People from many countries suffered from this catastrophe, which has become a memory to bitter to recall. However, it's the shared conviction of mankind to pursue peace and happiness, and oppose war. Such conviction connects all people who love peace. The photo exhibition shows the Chinese and American people fighting side by side during World War II, their friendship forged during the wartime and the heart-warming interactions between soldiers and civilians. The pictures give a vivid account of those memories in the China-U.S. relations which will never fade.

"With this exhibition, we commemorate the Chinese and American people who have contributed to the peace cause of mankind, some of whom even sacrifice their lives, and extends sincere gratitude to people from all sectors of life from the two countries who work for China-U.S. friendship and cooperation."

A representative sampling of the many images set out in the exhibition are shown in *Exhibit B* to this report.

Some personal photographs are included in *Exhibit C* to this report.

Respectfully submitted,

*s/g Jerry A. Cooke*

Jerry A. Cooke  
Member, South Florida Chapter  
US-China Peoples Friendship Association

**EXHIBIT A**

**INVITATION TO RECEPTION  
AND  
PHOTO EXHIBITION**



The President of Chinese People's Association for Friendship  
with Foreign Countries  
Madam Li Xiaolin  
cordially invite you to a reception  
for the Photo Exhibition

**SALUTE TO FRIENDSHIP –**  
***IMAGES NARRATE CHINA-U.S. COLLABORATION***  
***DURING WORLD WAR II***

10:30a.m.--13:00 p.m.  
Monday, May 19th, 2014  
at the Foyer of Rayburn House Office Building  
on Independence Avenue  
between South Capitol Street and First Street, SW  
Washington, DC

Business Attire  
RSVP by Wednesday, May 14th, 2014  
to Jessie Zhang--[jessieyy719@163.com](mailto:jessieyy719@163.com)  
and Eric Sun--[ericsuntao@sina.com](mailto:ericsuntao@sina.com)

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**EXHIBIT B**

**PHOTO EXHIBITION ENTITLED  
"SALUTE TO FRIENDSHIP - IMAGES  
NARRATE CHINA-U.S. COLLABORATION  
DURING WORLD WAR II"  
RAYBURN HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING  
MAY 19, 2014**

**PHOTOS TAKEN BY SOLDIERS OF THE U.S. ARMY  
SIGNAL CORPS DURING WORLD WAR II RECORDING  
INTERACTIONS BETWEEN THE  
CHINESE AND U.S. SOLDIERS AND CIVILIANS**

**(SELECTED IMAGES)**

Images Narrate China-U.S. Collaboration during World War II

# SALUTE TO FRIENDSHIP

## 向友谊致敬 二战中美合作图片展

Host: C.A.A.A. Chinese People's Association for Friendship with Foreign Countries 中国人民对外友好协会  
Name: A.A.A.O. ShanZhou YeeZheng Investment Holding Co., Ltd. 深圳市越众投资控股有限公司  
YeeZheng Museum of Historical Image 越众历史影像馆  
Bangqi(Beijing)Culture Investment Co., Ltd. 邦起(北京)文化投资有限公司

Host: A.A.A.

||| Shaojie 邵介杰

Host: A.A.A.O.

||| Yang 杨明 Baoqing 鲍庆华

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Cpl. Gerald M. Croagan, 626 9th St. N.E.,  
Washington, D. C. and Cpl. Norman G.  
Gregory, Box 14, Wise, Va., with their  
Chinese friend, walk away from the  
ruined area in Lashio, Burma. They  
with the Fifth Field Artillery.

15 Mar 1945

Signal Corps Photo #IBP-45-01975 (135660)  
Released by Pub Info Div 05 Feb 1969  
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SC 195136-3

Signal Corps motion picture photographer Pvt. Arthur W. Hedge, 136 8th Ave. West, Dickinson, N.D., eats American C Rations with chopsticks under the expert eye of schoolboy, Lee Ting Yow somewhere in the CBI. Pvt. Hedge has stopped for chow while on his way to the front line to photograph Chinese troops in action.

5/6/44



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PHOTO BY T/4 GEORGE CLAYTON

LOT #12465  
1 OCT. 44

PVT. ROSE V. DAVIS, FORT PIERCE, FLA., ISSUING SHOES  
TO TROOPS OF THE FIFTH ARMY ON THEIR WAY BY AIR FROM  
THE YUNNANYI AIRBASE TO POASHAN.



CT-45-25713 - 11 July 45 PHOTOG: Pfc Stody - LOT: 12658

Pfc Houg Tse Ting, of the Infantry Training Center in Kunming, China receives instruction on the 30 Cal. Machine gun from Sgt Roger A. Banville, Allerton, Mass., of the same organization.

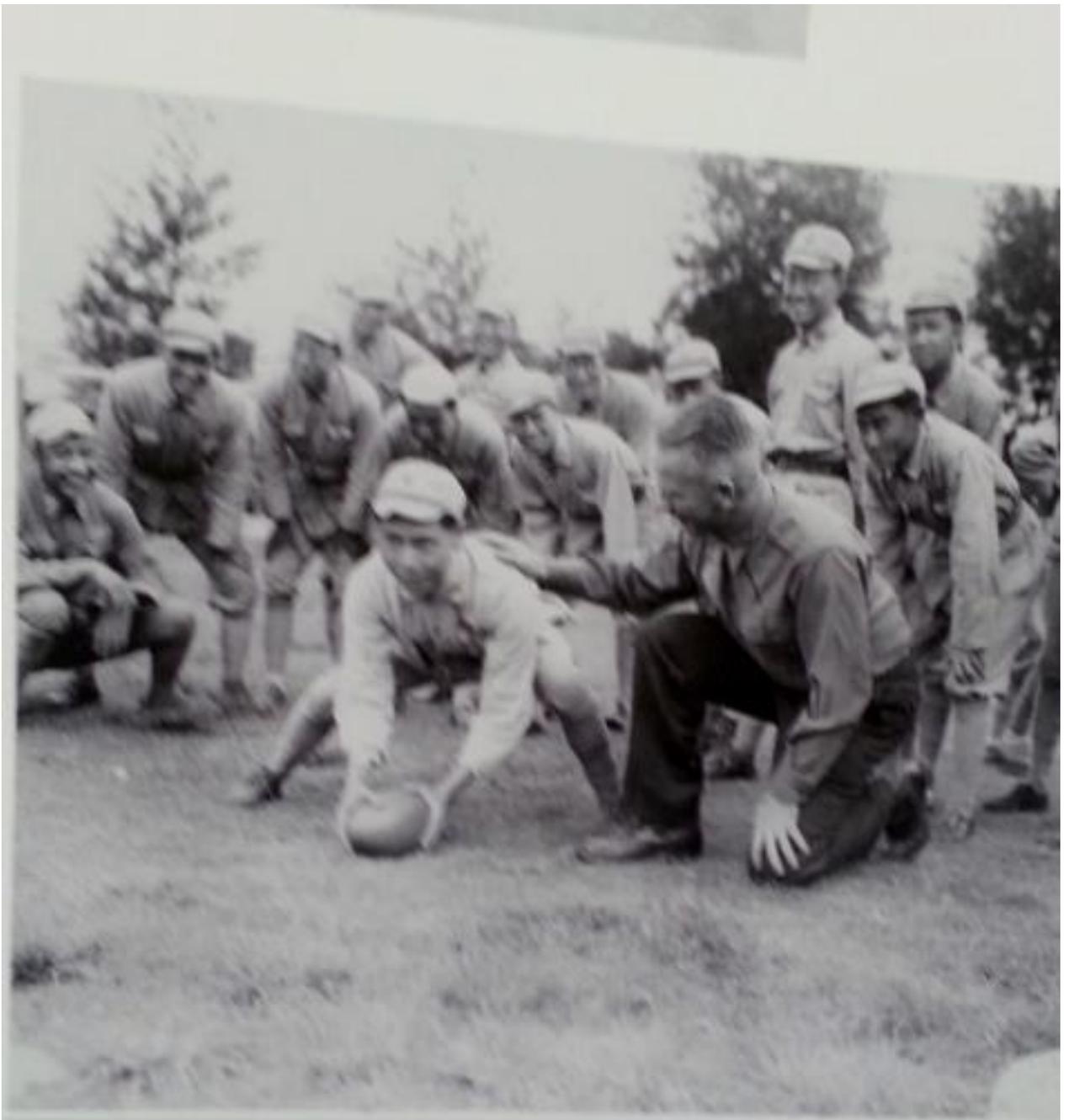


PHOTO BY 1/2 J. B. NEWBICK

LOT #1265  
15 OCT. 44

1ST. LT. GUSTAV F. HANSEN, SEATTLE, WASHINGTON  
EXPLAINING BASKETBALL TO A GROUP OF CHINESE SOLDIERS.



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9166 EAGLE OF UNITED NATIONS  
PUEBLO, COLO. - THE EAGLE IS NOT ONLY THE  
SYMBOL OF THE UNITED STATES, BUT ALSO THE  
SYMBOL OF THE CHINESE AIR FORCE. IT WAS,  
THEREFORE, DEEMED APPROPRIATE THAT CHINA'S  
ONLY ALL-CHINESE BOMBARDMENT GROUP IN TRAIN-  
ING IN THIS COUNTRY BE PRESENTED WITH A PET  
EAGLE UPON GRADUATION AT THE PUEBLO ARMY AIR  
BASE. AT PRESENTATION CEREMONIES ARE, LEFT TO  
RIGHT: SGT. LEI; SGT. WEN; PUEBLO PARK COM-  
MISSIONER RAY H. TALBOT, WHO PRESENTED THE  
BIRD; AND COL. HSU KANG-LIANG, COMMANDER OF  
THE GROUP.



#### U.S. AIRMEN BATTLE JAPANESE IN CHINA

With parachutes flopping, U.S. pilots run for their fighters to give chase to the Japanese as an air raid warning sounds "somewhere in China". Such squadrons, using U.S. planes, paint a shark's mouth underneath the engine to frighten the shark-fearing Japanese. Brig. Gen. Claire L. Chennault's air forces also include bombers, which have been blasted Japanese installations regularly. 6687-P (See accompanying photos)

**EXHIBIT C**

**PERSONAL PHOTOGRAPHS TAKEN BY  
JERRY A. COOKE  
AT  
PHOTO EXHIBITION AND RECEPTION**



**Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Cooke**



**Mrs. Jerry Cooke**



**Mr. Christopher Nixon Cox**



**Mr. Christopher Nixon Cox**



**Madam Li Xiaolin**



**Madam Li Xiaolin & Mr. Jerry Cooke**