

CFALA Names Daniel Wong August Volunteer of the Month



CFALA's annual meeting brings members together for an enjoyable evening of drinks, dinner, networking – and some business too. For the last six years, organizing the meeting has been the responsibility of Daniel Wong, CFALA's Volunteer of the Month for August.

"As committee chair of the annual meeting, I work with a small team to find a good location, choose a speaker (if we decide to have one) and then make those arrangements, handle the

appetizer, drink and dinner menu selection, and coordinate with the CFALA staff and the location to bring everything together," he said.

Wong believes that many members aren't fully aware of the many social and networking opportunities the annual meeting event offers.

"A lot of people think it's all speeches and awards but usually only about 30 minutes are devoted to the business aspects," he said. "It's mostly a fun event, social mingling, networking and so on. This dinner provides a great opportunity to meet other members.

Wong originally joined the society's Washington, D.C. chapter and 18 years ago transferred his membership to CFALA when he moved here. Part of his job as annual dinner committee chair involves scouting possible locations and he hit a home run this year with the selection of the Annenberg House on the beach in Santa Monica.

In his professional life, Wong manages investment portfolios for institutional clients such as pension plans, endowments and other corporate entities.