

MOY FAMILY ASSOCIATION

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Membership Information



The Association's Purpose

The Moy Family Association is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, and educational purposes. It provides education and assistance to individuals, and their families, who are primarily, but not necessarily, of Chinese ancestry and who bear the family name Moy (梅), regarding Chinese history, culture, and language. The Association's goal is to provide social support to those members assimilating into modern American culture. The Association may also, on occasion, provide individuals or families with personal support or financial support to

help them meet daily living expenses if they are unable to provide for themselves, and housing support to the extent possible. To foster better communications and interpersonal relationships between families, the Association may also sponsor dinners or other meals, picnics, and other social gatherings where members may meet, mingle, and interact with each other to discuss common issues, to learn from each other, and to otherwise engage in mutual support. The Moy Family Association is an IRS-certified §501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization.¹

Membership in the Moy Family Association

The association has two categories of membership: Premium Member, and Associate/Family Member.

An individual who supports the purposes of the Association (as set forth above) may become a **Premium Member** of the Association. A Premium Member will receive Association newsletters and notice of all upcoming association events and activities.

An individual may become a Premium Member upon payment of the annual dues established for Premium Membership. A Premium Member is entitled to admission to events reserved for Premium Members and may be granted discounts to admission fees set for events. A Premium Member is eligible to serve on any Association committee established by the Board of Directors.

An organization or family (not an individual person) that supports the purposes of the Association (as set forth above), and who pays the annual dues established for this category, may become an **Associate/Family Member**. An Associate/Family Member will be entitled to the benefits of a Premium Member and each person in the organization or family may attend events without having to become an individual member.

Membership in any category requires the submission of a Membership Application, the payment of dues, and approval of the application by the Board of Directors. Memberships run for the calendar year. The dues established by the Board of Directors for 2022 and 2023 are: Premium Member - \$25.00, Associate/Family Member - \$100.00.

¹ In 2017 the Association received a formal determination from the Internal Revenue Service that recognized it as a tax-exempt organization under §501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. This means that not only is the Association exempt from paying federal income tax on income it receives, but also that people who donate money to the Association can deduct donations from income that would otherwise be taxable on their own federal income taxes.

Activities

The Association may plan the following activities

- Participation as marchers in the Chinese New Year parade in Chinatown, Washington, DC
- Chinese New Year celebration banquets in Washington, DC and in the Maryland suburbs
- Summer picnic
- Periodic dinner and karaoke socials
- Chinese language meetups
- Popup Zoom parties
- Meet and Greet Zoom events
- Cultural and educational tours
- MORE – make suggestions!

The Moy Family Association Building

At about the time the Moy Family Association was incorporated as a nonprofit corporation in the District of Columbia, in 1967, various members of the Moy family who were in Washington pooled their funds to buy a building to use for meetings, social activities, and some housing for individuals. The row house located at 508 I Street, NW, was thus purchased by the Moy Family Association for about \$32,000. The money collected from the family members were, over time, eventually repaid by the Association. At the present time, the building is owned free and clear by the Association, with no mortgage or other debt encumbering the building. The building is zoned for mixed residential and commercial use under D.C. zoning regulations. Besides using the building for the Association's office, the lower level is rented to a nonprofit community organization, and some of the rooms on the upper levels are rented as lodging for individuals. The rent collected from users of the building is used for building maintenance, payment of taxes and government fees, and to fund activities of the Association.

Board of Directors and Officers

The Moy Family Association has been in Washington for over fifty years, having been established as a nonprofit corporation under D.C. law in 1967. For many years the Association had been operated informally and simply under its basic charter, the Articles of Incorporation, filed with the D.C. government. In 2018 the Association adopted a formal set of Bylaws² for the Moy Family Association, which sets forth the organization and governance structure for the Association, in accordance with provisions of the recently-enacted D.C. Nonprofit Corporation law.

The Bylaws establish a three-member Board of Directors, six officer positions, and two categories of membership.

The current members of the Board of Directors are: Evelyn Moy and Eddie Moy

The current officers are:

President – Evelyn Moy
President – Eddie Moy
Vice-President – Calvin Moy
Secretary – Rick Mui
Treasurer – [vacant]
General Counsel – Grant Moy

Committees

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! -- The Board of Directors is authorized to establish various committees to help with operating the Association. Service on a committee is voluntary but is a great opportunity to exercise your talents and skills and to work with other family members for a worthy community activity. We are looking for family members who are interested in managing and developing the following areas of activity:

Entertainment Committee – developing social and entertainment activities (PARTIES!)
Building Committee – developing ideas for using the Association building at 508 I Street, NW

Internet and Website Committee – developing and maintaining the Association’s website and email addresses

MFA History and Genealogy Committee

Event Committee

Chinese Language and Cultural Committee – developing programs for learning Mandarin, Toishan, or other dialects, and programs exploring Chinese history, culture, and food.

² Revised in 2022.