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San Bernardino Victim Fund

The Florin JACL is following the lead of Muslim Americans in Southern California and the Mayor of San Bernardino by soliciting funds for the victims' families, as Florin JACL has often done in the past. You may send a check made out to "Florin JACL" to 15 Mark River Court, Sacramento 95831. We will tally, acknowledge, and forward all donations to the victims' relief fund.

Today's opportunist politicians are shamelessly fanning up fears against innocent Americans, with the attacks on Muslim, Sikh, Arab, and South Asian Americans growing. These innocent Americans need our support!

Unfortunately, Japanese Americans have been there before. When Japan bombed Pearl Harbor in 1941, yesteryear's

politicians and right wing forces led the charge against Japanese Americans.

Racism, war hysteria, and the failure of political leadership victimized 120,000 innocent people sending them to America's WWII concentration camps. Hatred robbed them of their liberty, homes, farms, businesses, education, and property.

We say "Never Again!" We can't allow this to happen to others today.

Andy Noguchi and Marielle Tsukamoto, Florin JACL co-presidents say: Let's unite our community, not divide it. Let's strengthen our fight against hatred, not weaken it. The large crowd at the December 19th Peace and Unity Rally at the State Capital initiated by the Council on American Islamic Relations-Sacramento Valley and dozens of interfaith groups, elected officials, community organizations and Florin JACL demonstrated wide community support against terrorism.

Racial hate is part of American history

1882 CHINESE EXCLUSION ACT - Fearing that Chinese were taking jobs from white miners, the US government passed this Act to exclude all Chinese laborers from entering the US.

1942 EXECUTIVE ORDER 9066 - 120,000 Japanese Americans were forcibly imprisoned in concentration camps as a result of World War II hysteria that all Japanese were national security risks.

1980's Anti-Asian Hate Crimes - 1982 Vincent Chin clubbed to death by unemployed white auto workers, 1983 Thong Hy Huynh stabbed at Davis High School by a white student.

FBI reward in firebombing of Tracy Mosque

The Sacramento Valley chapter of the Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR) in January welcomed the \$2500 FBI reward for information leading to the arrest of suspect or suspects who participated in December 26, 2015 attempted arson and possible hate crime of the Tracy Islamic Center.

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Happy New Monkey Year

On the morning of December 26th, mosque leaders found fire damage on a side door to the facility from what appeared to be a Molotov cocktail.

"We welcome the FBI reward and appreciate the proactive efforts of the FBI, San Joaquin County Sheriff's Department and the ATF in this ongoing investigation," said CAIR-SV Executive Director Basim Elkarr. "This reward also sends a strong message of deterrence for future incidents."

Last month, a suspect was arrested for allegedly firebombing a California mosque in Coachella. On December 25, 2015 there was a two alarm fire at a mosque in southwest Houston. In Fresno, on December 26, 2015, a 68 year old Sikh man was assaulted while waiting for his ride to work. One of the suspects yelled "Why are you here?" In 2013, a 82 year old Sikh was beaten with an iron bar after he left a temple in Fresno. In 2011, two elderly Sikh men were gunned down in Elk Grove. In 2010, in West Sacramento a Sikh taxi cab driver was assaulted by his passengers who were later arrested and convicted. Last December, a Richmond man was arrested for making explosive devices believed to be intended to target the local Muslim community.

CAIR recently released a preliminary report on more than 70 incidents targeting American mosques and religious institutions in 2015 that shows a greater frequency of damage, destruction, vandalism, and intimidation than in any other year since CAIR started tracking such cases in 2009. The community is very concerned about backlash from the San Bernardino mass murder. CAIR did immediately respond through the media with the San Bernardino suspect's family that those suspects' radical intentions were not known and advocating against racial profiling.

CAIR is America's largest Muslim civil liberties and advocacy organization. Its mission is to enhance the understanding of Islam, encourage dialogue, protect civil liberties, empower American Muslims, and build coalitions that promote justice and mutual understanding.

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33rd Annual SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

APPLICATION DUE BY 11:59 PM on Friday, February 29, 2016

What Scholarships are available? Scholarships are available for students who will be attending college/university in Fall 2016. In addition, several scholarships are designated for students who meet specific criteria, including students who have best served the Asian/Pacific Islander Community, low-income students, and vocational school students. If an insufficient number of qualified candidates apply for the specifically designated categories, the Foundation may expand the number of college/university scholarships granted, roll the funds over for next year's scholarships, or do a combination of both.

Applicants must:

- Reside in the Greater Sacramento Area
- Attend high school and be in their senior year of high school
 - **Or** attend a College/University or Vocational School/Community College in the 2016–17 academic year

How to apply?

- Submit a cover letter (state eligibility, un-weighted GPA, and to be considered for scholarships for low income families, include financial aid eligibility)
- Submit an application (download from www.apseafoundation.org).
- Submit a 250-word essay
- Submit the complete application package to: scholarship@apseafoundation.org
- All finalists must attend an in-person interview and will be asked to bring a high school transcript, student aid report or free application for federal student aid (if applicable), and a short biography about themselves.

Scholarship recipients must attend Awards Dinner scheduled for Tuesday, April 19, 2016.

The Asian Pacific State Employees Association Foundation is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit public benefit corporation, established in 1999, to support and advance the education and culture of the Asian / Pacific Islander Community through awarding educational scholarships, grants, and providing training.

APSEA Career Development Program - Monthly Brown Bag Workshop Series

Open to anyone interested in learning about career development and upward mobility

Cost: Early Bird price \$5 before January 18, after price increase to \$10 per session

Free for pre-registered APSEA* members, and Department of Water Resources and limited seats for Association of California State Employees with Disabilities, Department of Rehabilitation and Department of Human Resources Employees

TOPIC: How to Get Things Done in Government, January 26, 2016 Noon-1:00 pm

Location: Department of Water Resources, Bonderson Building, 901 P Street – Hearing Room, Sacramento

Register at <http://apseacareerdevelopmentworkshop-10.eventbrite.com>

Theme of Workshop: Getting things accomplished in government can sometimes be a lengthy and complicated process. Come learn how to strategize and execute proven and effective steps in being productive and how to make a difference within your own organization.

Keynote Speaker: Daniel C. Kim was appointed director of the Department of General Services on May 29, 2015.

Director Kim served as chief deputy director of operations at the California Department of Public Health since 2011. He served as deputy director at the Sacramento County Department of Human Assistance from 2002 to 2011, budget and legislative affairs manager at the San Francisco Department of Human Services from 1998 to 2002, management consultant at Price Waterhouse from 1996 to 1998 and fiscal and policy analyst at the California Legislative Analyst's Office from 1994 to 1996.

Director Kim has a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Economy of Industrialized Societies from the University of California, Berkeley, and a masters degree in Public Policy from the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University. He and his family live in Sacramento.

Sponsored by: APSEA, co-sponsored by: Department of Water Resources. For information/accommodations contact: APSEA at (916) 962-6309



2016 Navigating Leadership

APSEA is pleased to announce our Navigating Leadership Program (NLP) 2016 Series: The Intrapreneurs' Innovation Boot Camp. On behalf of their agencies or departments, 72 candidates will be selected to participate in the five monthly one-day workshops from January - May, 2016. Also scheduled is a mandatory half-day pre-training workshop on January 21, 2016, 1-4 PM for all candidates selected. In total, this is a 43-hour training program. All training is being hosted by NLP sponsor, the Department of General Services (DGS) at their facilities in West Sacramento. Joining DGS as co-host is CalHR.

This exciting and career advancing program is designed to train leadership as intrapreneurs and rapid innovators in government. Candidates will be selected from every level of government—from entry-level positions to senior management. All participants will be part of six dynamic, 12-person rapid innovation teams.

The links provided here will give you a comprehensive understanding of this program's scope. After reviewing the materials, if you believe this is a direction you want to take for your professional development and your career, please immediately email Rebekah Christensen, APSEA Board Member and Program Chair. Your name and interest will be sent to your department or agency. You can reach Rebekah at: rebekahjchristensen@gmail.com.

THE INTRAPRENEURS' INNOVATION BLOG

www.orasystems.net/wp-content/uploads/2015/12/6-IIB_12_21_2.pdf

The Intrapreneurs' Innovation Blog creates a collaborative community to create, share learn and grow as intrapreneurs and innovators in government and society!

It will follow and support the activities of APSEA's 2016 NLP's Intrapreneurs' Innovation Boot Camp 2016 and its ongoing Career Development Programs (CDP). BUT BEYOND, it will embrace, support feature and report on the ever-expanding community of intrapreneur's and innovators in government. The dynamics of leadership and change in a real time world can easily reveal its presence – anytime and anyplace; from the ranks of our readership to those in the know that know others. It's fair to say that in a digital society, the playing field of authentic leadership and innovation is leveled – with self-accountability, responsibility, tenacity and perseverance representing the pivotal key to success. We're excited to open new thresholds of opportunity to expose "the art of possible!"

This blog-newsletter is designed to feature, highlight and establish awareness of and access to intrapreneurialism and innovation in government (agency,

department and individual.) A prominent emphasis gives focus to the Capitol Region but THE INTRAPRENEUR shall expand its focus to report on intrapreneurial and innovative efforts throughout California and national efforts that provide value to and support of California initiatives.

This blog features a real time interactive format - creating conversations and support for intrapreneurial and innovative efforts and advancement in government. Its standard format will provide a creative but consistent framework for all state employees to read, contribute and grow as professionals equal to the impact each of us has in serving the missions and visions of our agencies and departments and the constituents we serve!

Features of the blog:

1. THE VOICE of Leadership Features in-depth interviews with today's leaders in Government - looking at both the uncommon and common paths where leadership is demonstrated and found. From the top-tiers and frontlines of government leadership to the more obscure but highly impactful ranks of leadership, and yes innovators. They are challenging themselves, their environments of influence and the constituent communities being served. Beyond the scale or level of government they represent, the common ground upon which all stand is the self-imposed sense of mission and standard of excellence for the contributions they make – to their vocation, their work, their colleagues – their teams and those they live in service and stewardship to! For each, "they stand in the change they choose to see in the world" and from this place of giving they mentor those that share their path. You'll hear much...their paths, their philosophies, their insights, their missions and visions, their motivations, their compelling sense of direction – of calling and purpose.

2. Back Stories – Character Defining Moments Our responses to our experiences of life are the character defining moments that reveal who we are and how we lead in the world

3. Organizational Ethos The characteristic spirit of Government's culture and community as manifested in its values, beliefs, aspirations and actions.

4. Reinventing Government in California When we reinvent we change so much that "old is born again!" Join featured explorers as they chart the uncharted territories that reinvent government.

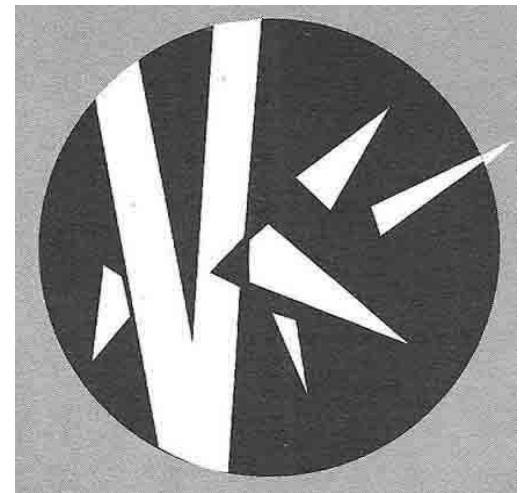
5. Spectrum – Boomers, Gen Xers and Millennials in Government Spectrum records the wavelengths that connect and synergize wisdom with knowledge; what was, what is and what will be; and the past with the present as speeds into the future of governance and government.

6. Community Intrapreneur Amazing People Amazing Things Amazing Outcomes!

7. APPSOLUTELY AMAZING... Features apps and technology – the leading front edge – in Government – For Government

8. Sponsor's EDGE Features our Sponsor's "Edgy Efforts" – products, services and news updates. Offers a platform for our faithful sponsors to creatively reach out to and touch the government marketplace.

9. Resource Library The Intrapreneurs' Innovation Resource library is a reading room you will want to return to again and again! It will feature the rich resource library of Navigating Leadership Videos, the new and upcoming rapid innovation presentations and videos and a wide range of news releases, news reports, resource documents... a virtual smorgasbord of innovation and intrapreneurship in Government.



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Xiao Mao “Little CATS” Asian Culture Club

Youth Acting and Musical Theatre Workshop

In expanding the Asian culture programs of Xiao Mao (Little CATS) Culture Club (a program of Community Asian Theatre of the Sierra - CATS), local performing artist, director, and coach, Dinah Smith, through a collaboration between CATS and the Miners Foundry, will be offering an acting and musical theatre workshop from January 5 to March 22, 2016, to all interested youth ages 8 to 14 at the Miners Foundry. The workshop would focus on Asian stories and culture. This is a great opportunity for youth of all ethnicities to experience another culture and to understand diversity. Students will perform a preview during the Nevada City Chinese New Year Festival and Parade on Sunday, February 21, at the Robinson Plaza (Union Street) and at an end-of-workshop showcase on March 22 at the Miners Foundry. For more information and registration, visit <http://xiaomaoclub.org>.

Children ages 8-14 will have a chance to explore Asian culture while honing their stage skills with an acting and musical theater workshop set to begin in January. The youth theater class is being offered through Xiao Mao, or “Little CATS,” Asian Culture Club. “Little CATS” is a part of Community Asian Theater of the Sierra, or CATS.

The class is co-sponsored by the Miners Foundry Cultural Center in Nevada City. The workshop, which is designed for those who have beginning or intermediate experience with drama, will be held from 3:45-5:15 p.m. Tuesdays from Jan. 5 - March 22 at the Miners Foundry. There will be no class on Feb. 16. The cost of the workshop is \$250; some scholarship assistance is available.

The workshop is open to children of all ethnicities, and is capped at 14 students; students younger than 8 years old will be considered if they have previous experience in theater.

For more information about the workshop or to register, visit www.xiaomaoclub.org.

The workshop will be taught by Dinah Smith, a teacher, director, choreographer and performer who has worked in stage, film and television in Southern California, Colorado and Nevada County. Smith is also teaching an acting, singing and dance workshop for youth on Thursdays at The Center for the Arts in Grass Valley.

For the “Little CATS” workshop, Smith will adapt *The Empty Pot*, a Chinese folktale; students will perform a preview of the play on Feb. 21 at the Chinese New Year’s Festival in Nevada City, and will perform an end-of-workshop showcase for family and friends on March 22 at Miners Foundry.

The fundamentals of acting workshop will expose the students to Asian traditions through a story that has a universal



message centered around themes of honesty and virtue, Smith said.

“And that’s beautiful, to bring us all back to how we’re all connected, so we are separate yet connected all the time,” said Smith.

Xiao Mao was founded in 2012 by a group of parents who had recently adopted children from China, and were looking for a way to keep the children tied to Chinese heritage.

Juli Marks, currently one of the directors of the Xiao Mao club, was one of those parents. She was hosting Mandarin lessons for her daughter in the family’s living room, but was dreaming of a bigger program that would focus on Chinese culture for all children who were interested in learning about it.

“When I looked around this community, I saw that there was a lot of martial arts being provided, and they do a great job,” Marks said. “But I didn’t see much else in terms of language, arts and crafts. If I wanted my daughter to be able to have those things, I realized I would have to create that.”

Marks worked with two other parents, Paige and Brett Torgimson, to write a curriculum for a summer camp program focused on Asian culture - but they quickly realized they’d need more support to get the program going.

They approached CATS, a nonprofit that promotes diversity through theater and the arts, which agreed to incorporate Xiao Mao into its programs.

“They were thrilled to provide more to youth,” Marks said.

Currently, Xiao Mao hosts a summer camp, where activities focus on Asian arts and crafts and cuisine, Mandarin language lessons, martial arts and theater. The club also does some cultural enrichment in local schools.

Smith served as the theater director for the club’s most recent summer camp, and is excited to collaborate with CATS and the Miners Foundry for the winter workshop.

During the class’s 11 sessions, students will learn how to use their voice, body and face - what Smith calls “the three most important actor’s tools” - to develop a character and maintain that character on stage.

But the workshop isn’t just a lesson in the dramatics; the exercises also help children build self-confidence, which is crucial on and off the stage, Smith said.

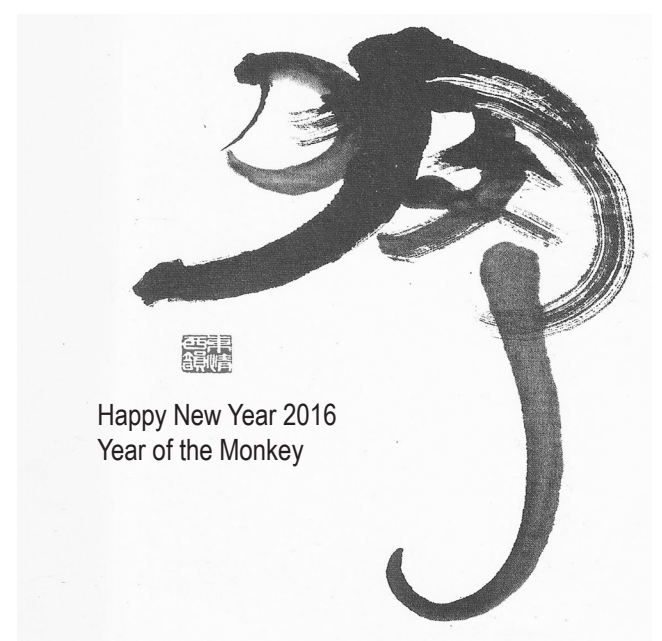
“If you have confidence in yourself and can be in front of people and speak your own truth and be proud of yourself and understand what it’s like to be part of a team - and you know your own strengths - then you’re going to be so much more successful in the world,” Smith said.

Along with that confidence, Smith is hoping students who participate in the workshop will gain a deeper understanding of Asian culture - and, as a result, a wider perspective of their community.

“It’s pride in your own self, but also pride in being part of a bigger world that has so many points of connection and crossover,” Smith said.

Community Asian Theatre of the Sierra (CATS) PO Box 1266, Grass Valley 95945, www.catsweb.org

Jeannie Wood, Executive Director, info@catsweb.org, 530/265-2900



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ACC Senior Services Makes a Move



ACC staff and volunteers at our new building

On January 5th, ACC Senior Services Center and ACC Senior Services Administration moved into a new facility. The building is located directly across the street from the old center located on the corner of Greenhaven Drive and Park City Drive.

The ACC Senior Services Center, originally known as ACC Park City, opened in June 2002. It was home to the Administration Offices, as well as all the programs and services, like ACC Rides Transportation Services, Respite, Lifelong Learning and Wellness Program, Bridge to Healthy Families and Utilities Assistance. Eventually, due to the growth in programs and staff, ACC Administration relocated to rented space in an office building on Greenhaven Drive.

In 2012 ACC purchased a 15,000 square foot building previously rented by the Merryhill Middle School. The single story building sits on 3.5 acres, including a soccer field, which may be developed in the future. In addition to the Administration suite and Senior Services Center suite, the new building comprises four classrooms, a computer lab, and a large community room, in addition to smaller conference rooms. A special feature of the new building is a demonstration kitchen and "welcome center."

The increase in space allows us to expand our class schedule. This year we will offer origami, gardening, music keyboards, tap dance, and more. The computer classes include Galaxy/Note or Android Tablets, Mac OS X, iPhone with iOS 8, Create a website, and a plethora of photo/video editing classes. We are also looking for more instructors, who may be volunteers or receive stipends. We are especially interested in people who can teach arts, cooking, crafts, dance, fitness, flower arranging, gardening, foreign languages, and computer technology. We are also open to suggestion! Pickleball, anyone? Sign up for a tour of our new campus (916) 393-9026 x326 or x330. Visit our website www.accsv.org.

Friendly Visitor Program



Become a Friendly Visitor and enrich the lives of caregivers and seniors!

ELIGIBILITY: At least 17 years of age, U.S. Citizen or Permanent Resident, HS graduate

VOLUNTEER BENEFITS: Training opportunities, Monthly stipend and \$1493 Education Award (upon completion of 450 hours)

- Contribute 450 hours of volunteer service from Nov. 1, 2014 to Oct. 31, 2015.
- Engage seniors in arts & crafts, light exercises, and other social activities.
- Provide much needed rest to family caregivers.

For more information, contact Khonnie Lattasima at (916) 394-6399 X143 or volunteer@accsv.org

So You're a Trustee, Now What?

We will be covering the following areas in our presentation:

- Factors to consider in choosing a trustee
- Basic revocable trust structures: The "AB" Trust vs. "Power of Appointment" models
- The roles of the initial trustees and the successor trustees
- The role of professional fiduciaries
- The role of the successor trustee in special cases such as Special Needs Trusts and Charitable Trusts

Join Kent W. Meyer, Attorney, MBA, PhD, JD, LLM and Steve deGraaf, Charitable Financial Consultant, ChFC, CLPF to learn more.

**Wednesday, February 11th
3:00 - 4:30pm**

**ACC Greenhaven Terrace
1180 Corporate Way,
Sacramento, CA 95831**

To register please contact Mandy Hwang at (916) 394-6399 ext. 121 or email at mhwang@accsv.org

Are you Ready for Rising Rates?

Interest rate changes are notoriously difficult to predict, but given where interest rates sit today, there's not much question about what direction they may go next. Rising rates bring their own set of questions for investors, though. Questions like:

- What will happen to my fixed income investments when rates rise?
- Am I diversified enough?
- Is my portfolio allocated correctly?

Bring your questions to this workshop to learn more. Please join us on January 28th to hear Eric Momsen, CFP, CIMA Vice President, Senior Advisor Consultant for Franklin Templeton. He will provide an economic update for 2015 and what strategies to consider in this context.

**Wednesday, January 28th
3:00 - 4:30pm**

**ACC Senior Services
7334 Park City Drive,
Sacramento, CA 95831**

To register please contact Kimberly Feng at (916) 394-6399 ext. 141 or email at kfeng@accsv.org

Better Choices, Better Health® Workshop

Live a better life by managing your chronic health conditions

This series of six workshops was developed by Stanford University. Learn strategies to take control of your chronic conditions, lower your stress levels, and communicate better with your doctor. This workshop is also for caregivers of people with chronic conditions.

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7334 Park City Drive
Sacramento, CA 95831

Tuesdays, January 20, 27, February 3, 10, 17, and 24, 9:00AM - 11:30AM

Free of charge. Pre-registration required.

For more information, please contact Anna Su at (916) 393-9026.



Beth is asking about Thong Hy Huynh

Thong was killed on May 4, 1983 in what was considered a racially motivated stabbing on the Davis High School campus. Fellow student Jay Pierman was convicted of manslaughter and served his time. Davis High alumna Beth Allen is asking for people's thoughts.

From Beth:

When I was 16 a Vietnamese student at my high school was stabbed in a fight and died from the wound. This happened during the day, at school. It was May 4, 1983.

I randomly witnessed part of the fight. I was walking down the hall and I remember no one was else was around. I think I was with my friend Morgan Young. We saw a couple of the Vietnamese kids (I didn't know their names) fighting with some of the burnouts (what I called the kids who hung out in the smoking section of school). I remember the Vietnamese kids were doing karate like kicks and fighting kung fu style and I laughed.

Later that day we found out that one of the Vietnamese students, 17 year old Thong Hy Huynh, died during this fight. Thong was stabbed in the torso with a knife by another student, 16 year old Jay Pierman.

I didn't know Thong personally, or Jay, or anyone involved in the fight.

I remember the school having an assembly about the death. I remember TV news crews coming to the school and swarming around. What I really don't remember is how I felt about it. I don't remember feeling much at all. I felt kind of ashamed when one of my friends, Rupert Corkill, bare-assed a local news crew while they were doing a live broadcast. But I didn't say anything to Rupert at the time.

Years later, while attending college at UC Santa Barbara I took a class on the Vietnam War: The Impact of the Vietnam War on American Religion and Culture. The class included many speakers, including refugees. I will never forget something one of them said about relocating to America: "In this country we were materially well off, but spiritually starving".

The class made me think about the Vietnamese students at my High School, the stabbing and death.

I remembered when the "Vietnamese kids" first arrived in Davis. There were a few of them. Maybe four. I was in Junior High at the time, around 13 years old.

When they first came to school the boys held hands and everyone laughed at them. They got called "faggots".

I remember one day after school, sitting on my bicycle and hanging out with friends when the Vietnamese kids walked by us on the street. Somehow we ended up yelling at each other – we were making fun of them talking in Vietnamese "Bing bang bong" and they yelled back "Fuck You" at us.

And that's all I really remember. I

never got to know any of the Vietnamese kids. I never wondered how they might feel about being refugees. Maybe I did and forgot, but all I really remember now are those few things: them being made fun of for holding hands, me laughing at their language, and witnessing a fight that would end in one of them dying.

After I took the Vietnam class in college, I wondered about these memories. I had so many questions. I wanted to apologize to the kids who were still alive – and their families. For what happened May 4, 1983, is heartbreaking. Absolutely horrible. And I might not remember how I felt about it then, but it makes me want to cry now.

The current state of the world and Syrian refugee crisis has brought my limited memories up again. I am doing research and compiling info... ideally I would love to make a documentary on this journey and do interviews with Thong's friends and family, other people who were DHS students at the time, the policeman who held Thong while he died, and Jay Pierman. I don't know if it will ever happen (the documentary) but I do want to get as much information as I can surrounding Thong's death and... see what happens.

I would appreciate any help in answering these questions and appreciate candid honesty. I will not share any details you are not comfortable with, just let me know.

Many thanks!

QUESTIONS:

What do you remember about the death of Thong? How did you feel at the time?

Why was there nothing in the 1983 yearbook about Thong's death? Had the yearbooks already been printed?

How many other Vietnamese students were also attending Davis High School in 1983? I only found one other photo/name in my 1982 yearbook that may have been Thong's friend. Please let me know if you knew any of them or know their names.

Why did the fight happen? What were the details?

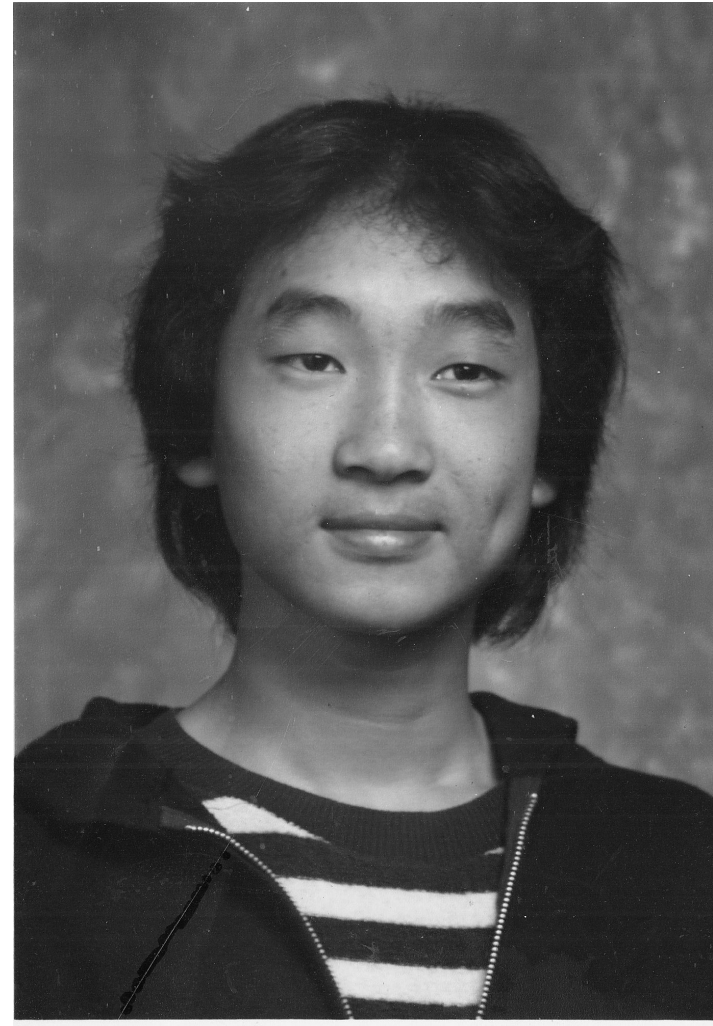
Did Thong's other Vietnamese friend(s) come back to school after this? Did they attend the next year and graduate?

I found online that Jay Pierman had recently moved to Davis from Southern California. Did anyone know him – and about what happened to him after killing Thong before being sentenced? Jail? Juvey Hall?

I read that Jay Pierman was 16 at the time, and was tried as an adult, but got a lesser charge of voluntary manslaughter and six years in the California Youth Authority.

Does anyone know any more details about this?

Does anyone know where Jay Pierman is now?



Did Jay Pierman have remorse about what happened?

Does anyone know any of Jay Pierman's friends who were involved in the fight that day? And how I can find them?

Does anyone know if Thong's family still lives in Davis?

THANK YOU !!!!

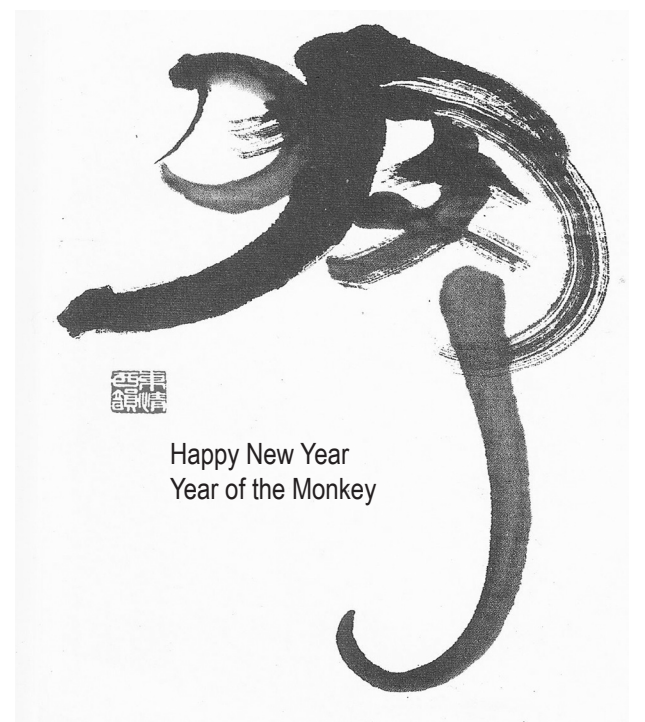
I would appreciate getting your thoughts/ answers outside of facebook in my email

beth@rockinvan.com, but if you'd rather do it in a facebook message, that is fine too.

I would also be happy to send a .doc or .docx of this in Microsoft Word if that's easier for you to fill out.

And please, feel free to pass along to others who where DHS students at the time!

I am planning to send this to all of my DHS friends I am still in contact with.



Manteca fence - Can you help translate?

An elderly Chinese man recently died, apparently without any closeby family. When his trailer home in Manteca was razed, neighbors found that his private yard fence had interesting calligraphy and saved it. Can you translate the poetry? Can you recommend how they should preserve this Chinese American folk art? More photos are available. Email pmfong@hotmail.com. Thanks.



UCD study finds fewer Latino, APIs voting

Mindy Romero of the California Civic Engagement Project of the UCD Center for Regional Change has found through her five years of research that Latinos and Asian Americans voting has been falling, even as these groups represent a growing portion of eligible California voters.

In 2010 (a non presidential election year) only 43.7 percent of California's eligible voters participated in the November general election. Of those Californians actually voting, they were 53.7 percent of eligible white voters, 28.7 percent of eligible Latino voters and 24.4 percent of Asian American voters.

The presidential ballot in 2012 increased the voter turnout to 53.4 percent and those voters were 63.7 percent white, 39.1 percent Latino and 32.6 percent Asian American.

In 2014 the 30.8 percent of eligible voters who went to the polls included 39.6 percent white voters, 18.4 percent Asian American and 17.3 percent Latino vote.

It is believed that in 2014 there were

6.8 million eligible Latino voters but only 1.1 million actually voted. Voter turnout was lowest in two regions with the highest percentage of potential Latino voters - LA and San Joaquin Valley.

In Yolo County, 2014's turnout was 32.1 percent with only 17.9 of Latino eligible voters and 14.6 percent of eligible Asian American voters actually turning up to vote.

Indicators of who will be eligible to vote in the future can be projected from California K-12 student population. Of this student body (2014-2015), Latinos comprise 53.6 percent, white students 24.5 percent, 8.75 percent from Asian background, African American 5.9 percent, Filipino 2.5 percent and the rest from various groups.

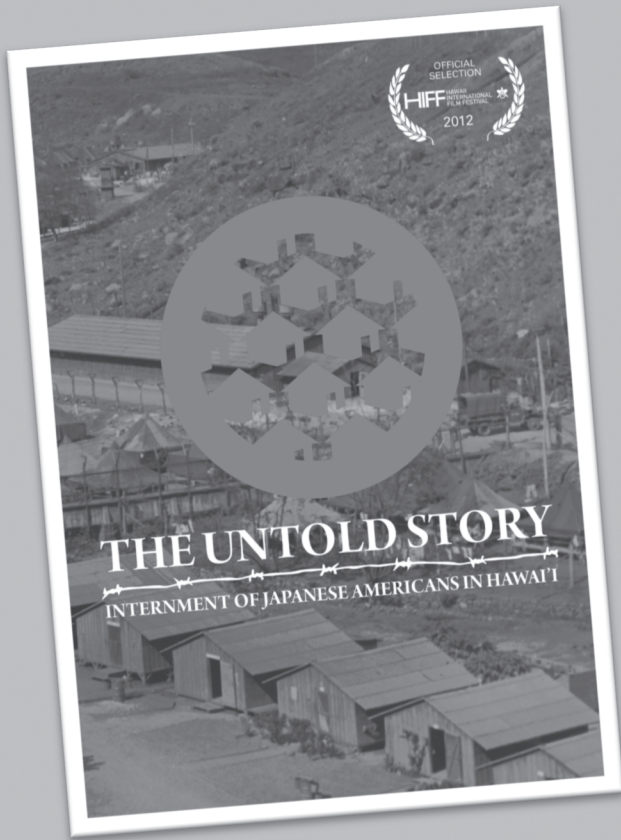
Romero says that Latinos are projected to comprise 45.5 percent of the state population in 2040 with the white population declining to 30.4 percent. By that year, the entire eligible voter population will increase 31 percent to 7.5 million potential voters while the Latino eligible voter population will increase 77 percent to 5.3

million. The pool of Asian American eligible voters is projected to increase 37 percent (to 1.1 million), black voters by 12.4 percent (to 0.2 million) and non Latino whites will increase by a mere 2.5 percent (to 0.3 million).

Her research finds that while the Latino and Asian American communities will experience the largest eligible voter population, the profiles of these communities diverge significantly in terms of average education and income. She also notes that within the Asian American statistical group, notable difference emerge depending if family roots trace back to China, Japan or Southeast Asian, with linguistic, college attainment and income difference. Her research found that some Asian American subgroups do very well economically with others are on par with Latino and African Americans.

Romero's report can be found in full at <http://explore.regionalchange.ucdavis.edu/ourwork/cceppolicybrief10>

“Untold Story: Internment of Japanese Americans in Hawaii”



Saturday, February 13, 2016
1:00 – 4:00 p.m.
California Museum
1020 O Street
 Free parking in surface street lot
 Corner of 10th and O Streets

Carole Hayashino, President and
 Executive Director, Japanese Cultural
 Center of Hawaii (JCCH)

Arrest * Imprisonment

“The Untold Story” chronicles the World War II incarceration experience of Japanese Americans in Hawaii. Within hours of Japan’s attack on Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, over 2,000 men and women of Japanese ancestry were arrested, detained and incarcerated in 17 confinement sites throughout Hawaii.

Donation: \$20.00 general, \$15.00 College Students 18 – 25, Free for students under 18.
 Includes admission, reception and “Uprooted” exhibit in the California Museum
 Additional information: www.nctor.org or call Nancy Whiteside at 916-508-6587 or
nwhitesi@hotmail.com or 916-427-2841. All tickets will be at WILL CALL.

Northern California Time of Remembrance
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Name: _____ Adult Tickets: _____ @ \$20.00 ea. _____
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 City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____ Tax deductible donation: _____
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Enclose check payable to NCTOR and remit by February 8, 2016 to:
Nancy Whiteside, 5333 Primrose Drive, #45A, Fair Oaks, CA 95628

Boxer bill to designate Tule Lake as National Historic Site

Legislation Would Honor All the Japanese Americans Held at the Largest "War Relocation Authority" Camp of World War II

US Senator Barbara Boxer on December 17th introduced legislation to establish the Tule Lake Incarceration Camp as a National Historic Site managed by the National Park Service. Tule Lake was the largest "War Relocation Authority" camp during World War II, incarcerating nearly 19,000 Japanese Americans.

Currently, the Tule Lake Camp is one of many sites that make up the "World War II Valor in the Pacific National Monument" created by President George W. Bush in 2008.

The new legislation would elevate the Tule Lake Camp in equal recognition with other incarceration camps that are also preserved and managed by the National Park Service.

"This legislation will give Tule Lake the national recognition it deserves, while honoring the tens of thousands of Japanese Americans who were forcibly relocated and incarcerated in one of our country's darkest moments," Senator Boxer said.

"Senator Boxer's bill will distinguish the Tule Lake Camp as a nationally significant historic site, for which we are grateful," said Barbara Takei of the Tule Lake Committee, a grassroots non-profit organization that represents survivors of the wartime incarceration and their descendants. "The Senator's efforts will help educate Americans about a period of American history that we trust will never be repeated."

"National Parks Conservation Association applauds Senator Boxer's legislation to establish Tule Lake National Historic Site, joining Manzanar and Minidoka

My Sister's House fights trafficking

By Brittany Bray

Human trafficking is modern-day slavery. The purchase and sale of human beings is the third largest international organized crime, behind drugs and firearms. January is National Human Trafficking Awareness month, and My Sister's House hopes to bring this issue to light. In partnership with Crossings TV and Opening Doors, My Sister's House has created a short film addressing the issue of human trafficking in the Sacramento region. The film aired on Crossings TV on January 9 and 10. My Sister's House will also host a screening of the film on January 21 from 7-8pm.

In addition to the short film, My Sister's House is hosting our annual human trafficking conference on February 24, titled Intersections of Human Trafficking. In an effort to raise awareness about this issue in the community, we have invited organizations and guest speakers from

in our National Park System to connect visitors to our country's history and the injustices that Japanese Americans faced during World War II," said Ron Sundergill, Pacific Region Senior Director of the National Parks Conservation Association.

Since the Tule Lake Camp was included in the National Monument in 2008, many have expressed concerns that the name of the monument – "World War II Valor in the Pacific" – was inappropriate for a site aimed at remembering the grave injustice done to more than 110,000 Japanese Americans nationwide during the war. Under the new legislation, the camp would be designated as the Tule Lake National Historic Site, similar to the National Park Service-managed Manzanar National Historic Site in Inyo County and Minidoka National Historic Site in Idaho.

Before President Bush created the "World War II Valor in the Pacific National Monument," Senator Boxer, Senator Feinstein and Congresswoman Matsui sponsored legislation to determine whether the Tule Lake Camp should be preserved as part of the National Park System.

The camp is composed of three sites across two counties: the Camp Tule Lake Civilian Conservation Corps Camp, which also served as a prisoner of war camp for German and Italian soldiers, in Siskiyou County; a portion of the Tule Lake Segregation Center in Modoc County; and Peninsula-Castle Rock, also in Modoc County. At Peninsula-Castle Rock, incarcerated Japanese Americans were allowed to hike and recreate until 1943, when Tule Lake became a higher security segregation center for Japanese Americans from other camps who conscientiously objected to taking "loyalty oaths."



around the nation to discuss particular facets of human trafficking. The event will feature prominent local and national trafficking experts, survivors, and community organizations. The conference will be held at California State University, Sacramento from 9 am-2 pm. Visit the conference website to register to attend or for more information: humantraffickingMSH.org

Last month, My Sister's House launched a direct outreach effort to provide information to potential victims. If you would like to be part of this effort or find out more information, please contact Brittany Bray at brittanybmsh@gmail.com or (916) 930-0626.

"The Cycle of the Six Moons: The Starriest Summer"

UCD alumna Adelle Yeung will be reading at the Avid Reader (617 Second St) in Davis from her debut novel, *The Cycle of Six Moons: The Starriest Summer*. The Sunday January 24 event begins at 2pm.

Yeung's heroine is 15 year old Michelle who saves the world on a daily basis though her trusty video game controller. Michelle's interference through gaming has awakened a series of real disasters which could devour the universe.

For more information about the event, call 530/758 4040.

Outrage over Justice Scalia's racist remarks

In December, the US Supreme Court reviewed the University of Texas affirmative action program which was first on the court's docket in 2012. Scalia suggested that some African Americans might be better off at "less-advanced" universities, should attend "a slower-track school where they do well" and that African American scholars "come from lesser schools where they do not feel that they're being pushed ahead in classes that are too fast for them." He also argued that if the University of Texas admitted more African Americans, then the number of "really competent blacks admitted to lesser schools" would be less.

Scalia's remarks shocked civil rights community. US Senator Harry Reid responded: "These ideas that he pronounced yesterday are racist in application, if not intent," Reid said. "I don't know about his intent, but it is deeply disturbing to hear a Supreme Court justice endorse racist ideas from the bench on the nation's highest court. His endorsement of racist theories has frightening ramifications, not the least of which is to undermine the academic achievements of Americans, African Americans especially."

The API must continue to fight racism promoted by Scalia's comments. His thinking that separate and unequal educational systems should exist, that it is acceptable to stereotype a group to be considered intellectually less capable than other groups, and perpetuates and amplified by his status the myth of racial inferiority hurts not only the African American community but all people of color. He used his soapbox to denigrating an entire group of students as well as those educational institutions that have successfully served African Americans when a majority of the institutions in this country would not. The API community needs to fight for equal opportunity for everyone because equal chance of advancement is good for the entire country.

API women join fight against sexual assault

Local API women have taken leadership roles against date rapes. Last year the Sexual Assault Awareness Campaign (SAAC) in Davis produced posters and Public Service Announcements (PSAs) created by junior and high students. All the posters and PSAs can be seen on www.saacdavis.com. The posters are currently on display outside the governor's office on the first floor of the State Capitol. The poster shown (and companion PSA) was created by the team of Sophie Mae Bertain, Stephanie Chang and Julie Nguyen.

Yee Xiong produced a video which can be viewed on Youtube as part of the Women's Freedom Conference 2015 upload. Xiong's theme is "Silence is not consent" and that Southeast Asian women need to engage in this campaign. Her monologue was filmed on the UC Davis campus.

These efforts are part of the national campaign against campus rape which victimize women as well as men. Victims need to be supported, not criticized, and helped to stand up for their rights. Perpetrators need to be re-educated to accept that one "no" or silence is not consent to sex and that it is wrong to groom victims with alcohol or drugs. Friends and other bystanders need to intervene - take inebriated friends away from risky situations, discourage others from taking advantage of those incapable to giving consent and promptly and truthfully report rape crimes which they witness.



"But she was flirting with him."

"Did you see what she was wearing?"

"Well... she was drunk."

There is no excuse for sexual assault

If you or someone you care about needs help, call Empower Yolo, 530-662-1133
Sexual Assault Awareness Campaign, 2015. SAACDavis.com



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Feb 18 Thu **ACC Senior Services "5 Wishes."** 1-2pm at ACC Senior Services (7334 Park City Dr, Sac). Five Wishes is an Advanced Medical Directive booklet that talks about your personal, emotional, and medical decisions should you become too ill to speak for yourself. Join this workshop to develop an understanding of an important way to control how you will be treated should you become seriously ill. Free. To register: 916/393-9026 x330, classes@accsv.org.

Feb 18 Thu **Sacramento Asian Pacific Chamber of Commerce: 23rd Annual Installations & Awards Dinner.** Hyatt Regency Hotel (Sac.). Info: www.sacasiancc.org, 916/446-7883

Feb 19 **Day of Remembrance.** On this date, President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed in the midst of anti-Japanese hysteria Executive Order 9066 which forcibly relocated 120,00 persons of Japanese ancestry into American concentration camps during World War II.

Feb 20, 27; March 5, 12, 19 Sat **My Sister's House Spring 2016 Advocate Training.** Info: info@my-sisters-house.org

Feb 20 Sat **Films of Remembrance.** One day film series commemorating EO 9066. 2-4pm at Sundance Kakuki Cinemas (SF Japantown). Info: www.nichibei.org/films-of-remembrance

Feb 20 May 21 Sat **PACT Adoptive Parents of Color Circle Gathering.** Open to all adoptive parents of color and their children. 5-7pm. Potluck. Community building, games and informal discussion for parents and kids. Info: info@pactadopt.org

Feb 24 Wed **My Sister's House Human Trafficking Conference: Intersections of Human Trafficking.** For law enforcement, victim advocates, service providers, educators, community leaders and concerned citizens. CEU available. 9am-2pm at CSUS. Info: info@my-sisters-house.org, Brittany Bay brittanybmsh@gmail.com, 916/930-0626

Feb 24 Wed **PACT Webinar: Attachment for Babies and Toddlers.** 11am-1230pm. Register: info@pactadopt.org, www.pactadopt.org

Feb 25 Thu **ACC Senior Services "Public Benefits Seminar."** 10-11am ACC Senior Services (7334 Park City Dr, Sac). Learn about the various public benefits, including Social Security, Medicare, Medi-Cal, Tri-Care, Services Connected Disability Pension, DIC, and the VA Non-Services Connected Aid & Attendance Pensions. Free. To register: 916/393-9026 x330, classes@accsv.org.

Feb 27 Sat **8th Annual Asian Community Center (ACC) Crab Feed.** 6-9pm at Sacramento Asian Sports Foundation (9040 High Tech Ct, Elk Grove). \$65/person. Garlic and Ginger Crab, fried rice, Asian short ribs, cabbage salad and sherbet. Info: Mandy Hwang 916/503-2081, mhwang@accsv.org

March 5 Sat **CAAM Feast-Stories, Food and You.** 6-9pm at One Kearny Club (23 Geary St, SF). Honoring Cecilia Chiang, George Chen and Brandon Jew. \$175/person Jan, \$200/person. Info: Sierra Lee slee@caamedia.org, 415/863-0814 X123

March 9 Wed **PACT Webinar: Extended Family: International Search and Reunion.** 11am-1230pm. Register: info@pactadopt.org, www.pactadopt.org

March 10 Thu **ACC Estate Planning Workshop: Understanding the (Unintended) Impact of Beneficiary Designations** by attorney Donna Shioya. 330-5pm on the ACC Campus (Sac). Register: Mandy Hwang 916/503-2081, mhwang@accsv.org

Mar 12 Sat **CAPITAL General Meeting.** 830am at Sacramento Sheriff's Station (7000 65th St, Sac). Info: Sonney.chong@att.net

Mar 16 Wed **ACC Senior Services "Diverse and Drought Resistant Plants for a Valley-Wise Landscape."** 1:30-2:30pm at ACC Senior Services (7334 Park City Dr, Sac). This presentation will showcase plants that thrive in our Mediterranean climate with less water. A wide variety of groundcovers, perennials, shrubs and trees will be shown and discussed. Free. To register: 916/393-9026 x330, classes@accsv.org.

March 18-19 **California Adoption Conference.** A conference for birth parents, adoptive parents, foster parents, adoptees, foster alums, siblings, extended family and professionals. March 18 professional training day, 830am-3pm in Oakland. March 19 full community 830am-430pm in Oakland.

Mar 31 Thu **ACC Senior Services "How Safe are You Online?"** 10-11am at ACC Senior Services (7334 Park City Dr, Sac). If you use the internet to shop, communicate or for entertainment, you may be at risk for scams. This presentation will give information on helpful tips to stay safe on the internet, as well as highlight warning signs of common online scams that identity thieves use. Free. To register: 916/393-9026 x330, classes@accsv.org.

April 9 Sat **PACT Exploring Intersections of Adoption, Family and Race: The Damage of Stereotypes.** 2-4pm. Info: info@pactadopt.org

April 13 Wed **PACT Webinar: What is Going On: Interpreting Your Adopted Child's Behavior.** 11am-1230pm. Register: info@pactadopt.org, www.pactadopt.org

May 4, 1983 **Thong Hy Huynh** was stabbed to death in a racially motivated fight on the Davis High School campus.

May 7 Sat **APAPA: 12th Annual Capitol Internship Award & Scholarship Fundraising Gala.** 530pm at Sheraton Grand Hotel (J St, Sac.) Info: Sokie Hul 916/928-9988, sokiehul@apapa.org

May 12 Thu **OCA Dragon Boat Festival.** Double Tree Hilton Hotel (2001 Point West

Way, Sac). Info: Jinky Dolar jinky.dolar@crossingtv.com, 916/203-3707, Linda Ng lngmh@sbcglobal.net, 916/996-3770

May 12 Thu **10th Annual ACC Golf Tournament.** Teal Bend Golf Course (Sac). Scramble, open & Women Flight, reception. Info: Mandy Hwang 916/503-2081, mhwang@accsv.org

May 14 Sat **CAPITAL General Meeting.** 830am at Sacramento Sheriff's Station (7000 65th St, Sac). Info: Sonney.chong@att.net

May 14 Sat **PACIFIC RIM STREET FESTIVAL.** The committee is looking for arts and crafts vendors, food vendors, community organizations, sponsors, volunteers and steering committee members. Meetings are twice a month beginning in February. Info: Laurie Hensley lhensley@gmail.com, FAX 916/457-6688, Merlayna Yee-Chin 916-795-3854.

Jan 23 Sat **CAPITAL General Meeting.** 830am at Sacramento Sheriff's Station (7000 65th St, Sac). Presentations by City Manager John Sirey. Info: Sonney.chong@att.net

June 4 Sat **6th Annual Northern California Soy and Tofu Festival.** A fundraiser for the Nichi Bei (newspaper) Foundation. 11am-5pm in SF. Live performances, samples, dessert competition, vendors, raffle, children's activities. Info: info2soyandtofumfest.org

July 16 Sat **Nichi Bei Day with the Athletics.** A's v. Toronto Blue Jays. A fundraiser for the Nichi Bei (newspaper) Foundation. Info: www.nichibei.org/tickets

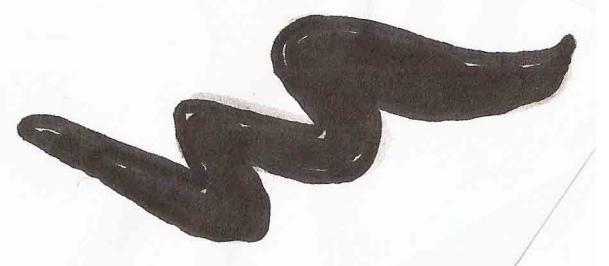
Bilingual election workers needed

The Sacramento County Voter Registration and Elections office needs help recruiting temporary or permanent staff that can read, write and speak Chinese (Cantonese and/or Mandarin).

As the office prepares for the 2016 Presidential Election, they are currently in need of temporary employees. The months leading up to the election are extremely busy: 8 hour days with a possibility of overtime in other sections that need assistance and weekend work. The rate for the temporary employee is \$13.97 per hour.

The job duties are as follows: Understanding the voter registration form, assisting with outreach events or mock elections, and proofing candidate statements, measures, and internal documents.

For information, contact Michael Lotz, 916/875-6464, lotzmi@saccounty.net



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Jan 18 Mon **Martin Luther King Jr. Day** - Parade 9am at Sutterville and 24th Avenue, Sac. My Sister's House March Against Slavery/Human Trafficking, 9am at Freeport Blvd and 14th Ave, Sac. Info: 916/868-7820

Jan 19, May 17 **PACT Family of Color Adoption Orientation.** 630-8pm. Presentation by Katie Wynen. Free. Info: info@pactadopt.org.

Jan 20 Wed **ACC Senior Services "Understanding Disclosure Statements for Real Estate Transactions."** 11am-12pm at ACC Senior Services (7334 Park City Dr, Sac). Learn what disclosures are needed when selling a home and why they are important in helping you to avoid litigation. If you are buying a house, understanding these disclosures will help minimize the risk of buying a troubled property. Free. To register: 916/393-9026 x330, classes@accsv.org.

Jan 21 Thu **Sacramento Kings, Sacramento Rainbow Chamber of Commerce, LGBT Center and Sacramento Gay Men's Chorus: "Kings Equality Night."** 7pm game time at Sleep Train Arena (Sac). Kings v. Atlanta Hawks. Special group pricing: Lower level \$60, upper level \$19. Tickets: www.kingsgrouptickets.com/Equality

Jan 21 Thu **My Sister's House Film Screening: Human Trafficking: All Around Us.** 7-8pm at My Sister's House. RSVP Brittany Bray 916/930-0626, brittanybmsh@gmail.com.

Jan 22 Fri **Yamato Concert.** 7pm at Mondavi Center, UCD. A Japanese ensemble known for its thunderous taiko drumming, highly theatrical staging and original musical material. \$27-51 general, student discounts. Info: mondaviarts.org, 530/754-2787

Jan 23 Sat **CAPITAL General Meeting.** 830am at Sacramento Sheriff's Station (7000 65th St, Sac). Presentations by City Manager John Sirey. Info: Sonney.chong@att.net

Jan 23 Sat **My Sister's House Volunteer Orientation.** Info: info@my-sisters-house.org

Jan 24-May 1 **Crocker Art Museum: Ai Weiwei's Circle of Animals/Zodiac Heads.** Contemporary bronze versions of the 12 Chinese zodiac animals which had been at the Old Summer Palace outside Beijing, but on an oversized scale. Ai Weiwei focuses on issues of the repatriation while extending his ongoing exploration of what constitutes Chinese art and identity. Info: 916/808-7000, www.crockersartmuseum.org.

Jan 24, 30, Feb 6 **Crocker Art Museum presents Talent Search.** Crocker Block by Block is looking for local talent to perform at Spring 2016 block events in City Council Districts 2, 5, and 8. Jan 24 6-9pm at Sol Collective (2574 21st St, Sac). Jan 30 7-9pm at The Roberts Family Development Center (766 Darino Ave, Sac). Feb 6 11am-2pm at Sojourner Truth Art Museum (2251 Florin Rd #126, Sac). Info: 916/808-1059,

blockbyblock@crockerartmuseum.org

Jan 25 Mon **ACC Senior Services "Spring Clean More than Just Your Closet."** 10-11am at ACC Senior Services (7334 Park City Dr, Sac). As you empty the gutters, clean your windows, and change out winter linens, don't forget to dust off your finances. There is a lot that can be done to organize paperwork for retirement plans and review statements to confirm that you receive the proper payments on time. Free. To register: 916/393-9026 x330, classes@accsv.org.

Jan 26 Tue **ACC Senior Services "One Man's Trash is Another Man's Treasure."** 1-2pm at ACC Senior Services (7334 Park City Dr, Sac). This presentation covers the mental health diagnosis of Hoarding Disorder, including psychological theories about the origin of the disorder, current treatment options, the risks faced by those with the disorder, the value of community-based hoarding task forces, and practical suggestions for intervention. Free. To register: 916/393-9026 x330, classes@accsv.org.

Jan 26 Tue **APSEA Career Development Workshop: How to Get Things Done in Government.** Featuring Dept. Of General Services Director Daniel Kim. Co-sponsored by Calif. Dept. of Water Resources. Noon-1pm at Dept. of Water Resources Bonderson Building (901 P St, Hearing Room, Sac). Free for APSEA members, \$5 early bird (Jan 18), \$10 late bird. Limited seating. Register: 916/962-6309, apseacareerdevelopmentworkshop-10.eventbrite.com

Jan 28 Thu **Asian Resources' 14th Annual Lunar New Year Celebration.** Honorees: Deputy Chief Brian Louis, Joshua Paul, Tim Fong. 530pm at Happy Garden Restaurant (5731 Stockton Blvd., Sac). Info: Farm Saephan farm@asianresources.org

Jan 30 Sat **Chinese New Year Celebration.** Noon-5pm at Hiram Johnson High School Auditorium (6879 14th Ave, Sac). Sponsored by Chinese New Year Celebration Assn. Dragon dance, martial arts, cultural entertainment, community exhibits, arts and crafts, food vendors, children's games. Tickets: \$6/adults, \$1/children under 12. Info: n www.cnyca.net, Vicki Beaton 916/601-7511

Jan 31 Sun **Organization of Chinese Americans (OCA) Annual General Membership Meeting and Dinner.** 530-730pm at Holiday Villa Restaurant (7007 South Land Park Dr, Sac). Free to OCA members, \$15/non-members. Info: Michael Head 916/761-3969, Greg Jung 916/220-4673, greg.jung.mmj4@statefarm.com

Feb 2, March 1, April 5 (1st Tues) **PACT Drop In Support Group for Adoptees of Color.** A safe space for adult adoptees of color to connect, listen and share their experiences of growing up in an adoptive family. 7-9pm at PACT office (5515 Doyle St #1, Emeryville). Must be 21 years or older. Free. Group is led by Katie Wynen MSW. Info: 510/243-9460, www.pactadopt.org, katie@pactadopt.org

Feb 3 Wed **ACC Senior Services "Scams and Schemes."** 12-2pm at ACC Senior Services (7334 Park City Dr, Sac). This is a presentation on the various common scams that are being perpetrated by criminals throughout Sacramento and ways that you can protect yourself from identity theft, phone scams, internet scams, and specific scams perpetrated on the elderly. Free. To register: 916/393-9026 x330, classes@accsv.org.

Feb 6-7 **Greater Sacramento Vietnamese American Chamber of Commerce, Vietnamese Community of Sacramento and Stockton Blvd Partnership: Little Saigon Tet Parade and Lunar Flower Fest.** Feb 6 9am parade starts at Stockton Blvd/Fruitridge Rd (ends Stockton Blvd/Florin Rd). Festival (both days) at 6525 Florin Rd, Sac. Info: Hy Huynh, info@gsvacc.org, Michell Nguyen 916/900-6880, info@lunarflowerfest.org

Feb 8 **Year of the Fire Monkey Lunar New Year**

Feb 10 Wed **PACT Webinar: Opening Your Child's Adoption: Searching for Birth Family.** 11am-1230pm. Register: info@pactadopt.org, www.pactadopt.org

Feb 10, Mar 9, Apr 13 Wed **ACC Senior Services Family Caregiver Support Group.** 12-1pm at ACC Senior Services (7334 Park City Dr, Sac). Self-help group run by and for people with challenges/life changing situations involving caregiving for a loved one with memory decline, such as dementia/Alzheimer's disease, and mild cognitive impairment (MCI). Free. Info: Soojin Yoo, 916/393-9026 x326, syoo@accsv.org.

Feb 10 Wed **ACC Senior Services "The 411 on the Three Critical Health Care Documents."** 10am-12pm at ACC Senior Services (7334 Park City Dr, Sac). Find out how to get the three health care forms in place before a crisis hits. These are the forms everyone needs, but are rarely covered in your trust or power of attorney. Free. To register: 916/393-9026 x330, classes@accsv.org.

Feb 13 Sat **PACT Tween and Teen Club.** Tweens 2-5pm, Teens 6-9pm in a East Bay location. Topic: Gender Identity and Expression. Info: info:pactadopt.org

Feb 13 Sat **"Untold Story: Internment of Japanese Americans in Hawaii."** 1-4pm at California Museum (1020 O St, Sac). \$20/general, \$15/student, Free under 18. Sponsored by Florin, Lodi, Placer County and Sacramento JACLs. Info: www.nctor.org, Nancy Whiteside 916/508-6587 nwhiteside@hotmail.com, 916/427-2841.

Feb 16 Tue **ACC Senior Services "Tips for Choosing Cell Phone Service."** 2:30-3:30pm at ACC Senior Services (7334 Park City Dr, Sac). Join us for a workshop to learn what questions to ask when choosing a service, what you should know before you sign a contract, and how to cut your cell phone costs. Free. To register: 916/393-9026 x330, classes@accsv.org. Continued on Page 11