

Asian American Heritage Committee

January 12, 2004

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Members present: Dave Seery, Dr. Shiono, Mrs. Shiono, Rashed Hasan, Dave Praskovich, Dewi Wong, Donna

Welcome to new members:

Virginia Garizas – USPS - co-chair with Dave Praskovich
Brenda Ace – Office of Personnel Management
Cathy Manalo – Filipino Representative
Choom Lee – Korean Association

Heinz History Center - Nancy Cain McCombe

Next Meeting:

February 26, 2004
Room 604 Federal Building
11:30 AM

WELCOME and nice to see the new members. After brief introductions around the room the order of business was addressed.

LUNCHEON ITEMS

Date: May 7, 2004
Place: Sheraton Station Square
Price: approximately \$20.00

Speaker: Ms. Yoko Tai AIA (Japanese)

POSTAL CANCELLATION

Year of the Monkey - the last stamp in the Lunar New Year Series are available at the area Post Offices. The grand finale to the series will be a Souvenir Sheet also available at your local Post Office featuring all twelve images of the Lunar New Year stamps – all at the 37 cents postage rate – sometime in 2005. Also available is a collage of all the stamps – matted and framed – thru the Post Office for the low price of \$88.00. See attachment for details.

STUDENT NOMINATIONS

Forms were mailed to 155 schools on January 7. The forms are also available on the website. A few minor changes were made: new Korean President – Dr. Young Lee -- clarification in the letters of reference section and the words 'other organizations' was changed to ethnic groups.

AWARDS COMMITTEE members your instructions on mailing nominations forms will be in the mail shortly

HEINZ HISTORY CENTER

Nancy presented some the following tibits:

- still looking for that 'draw' person (local author, sports figure etc) who can generate attendance.
- The Aviary or a national forest service group can bring in their animals
- Postal Service to get involved in the market place (providing information about what is out there inre: the Asian community)

- we need a slogan i.e. The FEB Asian American Heritage Committee presents East Meets West
- cooking always goes over quite well
- performances/cooking demonstrations were nicely done last year without running into each other

Also attached is a sheet that Nancy prepared for those participating in the activities at Heinz. Complete and either mail/ fax or call Nancy with your details as soon as you know. The Heinz Committee (you know who you are) will keep in touch with Nancy for any information. If you have any information by the next meeting please bring it.

Asian American Heritage Day Festival

May 8, 2004 from 10 - 4

Nancy Cain McCombe, 412-454-6411 or ncmccombe@hswp.org

Please complete the following and return at the February meeting.

Name: _____

Group: _____

The festival needs to have a brand name. Please list suggestions you feel are appropriate (for example the Italian Heritage Committee has recently picked *Festa Italia at the History Center* for their name which will go on all advertising for the event)

Listed are the choices for your groups participation. Please check off which areas your group is interested in. (It is OK that you may not know the performers or music for a dance number but that your group will do a dance.)

___ Display, Art and Culture (example: family activity, travel, costumes)

Short description _____

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___ Total number of tables anticipated for Display, Art and Culture

Yes Marketplace participation

No

___ Cooking (food prepared ahead, demonstrated at History Center, recipe handed out)

Type of food: _____

___ Celebrity, lecture opportunity, guest artist, author, horticulturist, illustrator etc...

List suggestions or contacts _____

Following the successful 2 session performance schedule from last year, please provide the following information. Remember that performances are between 5 and 7 minutes long.

Performance:

Type of performance: _____

Number of participants: _____

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