

You are an inspiration to us all.

Union Bank and KVIE are honored to celebrate Asian Pacific Heritage Month. For the ninth consecutive year, we recognize the everyday heroes in our local neighborhoods. You serve as a continuous source of inspiration for us today, and for generations to come. Your community spirit and leadership have truly made a difference. Together we look forward to making the world a more harmonious place filled with hope, dreams, and possibilities. Congratulations from all of us at Union Bank.

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Congratulations to our 2009 Local Heroes of the Year:

Jean Chew

James Chew

Sho Hayashigatani

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Asian Pacific American Heritage Month

Community Resource Guide

2009

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Honorees from 2005-2009.

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Welcome to the Celebration

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A community becomes stronger through cultivation of service, generosity of time, and celebration of diversity. Our community prospers from cultivating dedication to service, giving time to those who need it most, and by celebrating the

differences that make us unique while bridging those that cause disparity. Each year we take the time to honor individual members of the Asian Pacific American community who go above and beyond in their dedication to community service. This year's honorees do everything from feeding the needy to making seniors' homes safer to preserving culture and teaching the next generation—they cultivate, give, and celebrate. These volunteers are unsung heroes who devote themselves in service to Asian Americans and the greater community as a whole. KVIE Public Television actively partners with organizations that also make our community a better place. And once again, we thank Union Bank for its commitment to saluting these outstanding members of our community.

During the month of May, KVIE is presenting many programs in honor of the diversity of the community and in recognition of Asian Pacific American Heritage Month. Many of the programs are KVIE locally produced films, including the award-winning *Sikhs in America*. For more information about this month's programming, visit kvie.org/apa.

We celebrate the volunteer work and the extra effort that makes a difference in the lives of all of us. To all the friends, family members, and colleagues of our honorees, we hope you find KVIE a resource for quality programming as well as a gateway to our community. We and Union Bank thank you for helping to make this month an honored tradition in Sacramento.

David Lowe
President and General Manager
KVIE Public Television

This guide is provided as a community service – it is not intended to be a definitive source of information on all Asian Pacific American organizations, services, and events in our region.

Community Resource Directory

Asian American Journalists
Association Sacramento Chapter
www.aajasacramento.org

Asian American Network for
Cancer Awareness,
Research, and Training
Email: admin@aancart.org
www.aancart.org

Asian/Pacific Bar Association
of Sacramento
www.sacasianpacbar.com

Asian Community Center
of Sacramento
(916) 393-9026
www.accsv.org

Asian Community
Nursing Home
(916) 393-9020
www.accsv.org/nh

Asian Community Center
at Greenhaven Terrace
(916) 395-0210
www.accsv.org

Asian Legal Services Outreach
(916) 454-1892
www.ALSOsac.org

Asian Pacific American
Law Students Association
University of California
Davis School of Law
www.apalsa-ucdavis.org

Asian Pacific
Community Counseling
(916) 383-6783
www.apccounseling.org

Asian Pacific Islander
American Public Affairs
Association
(916) 329-7200
www.apapa.org

Asian Pacific Islander Caucus
of Sacramento County
(916) 874-7408
Email: chungci@saccounty.net

Asian Pacific State
Employees Association
(916) 962-6309
www.apsea.org

Asian Resources &
Sacramento Works
Career Centers
(916) 324-6202
(916) 676-2540
www.asianresources.org

Bach Viet Association, Inc.
(916) 481-0340
www.bachviet.org

Cabalen Club
Ning Sacramento
(916) 685-7613

California Department
of Public Health - Office
of Multicultural Health
(916) 440-7560
www.dhs.ca.gov

Center for Asian
American Media
(415) 863-0814
www.asianamericanmedia.org

Central Valley Asian American
Chamber of Commerce
(209) 469-8860
www.cvasianamericanc.org

Organization of Chinese
Americans-Sacramento Chapter
www.ocasacramento.org

Chinese American Council
of Sacramento
www.cacsweb.org

Council of Asian Pacific Islanders
Together for Advocacy and
Leadership (CAPITAL)
(916) 421-3057
www.sactocapital.org

Filipino Bar Association
of Northern California
www.fbanc.org

Filipino Community of
Sacramento and Vicinity, Inc.
(916) 421-8664
www.fcsv.org

Filipino Women's Club
(916) 392-6252

Friends of Korea
(916) 933-1447
www.friendsokorea.org

Health For All
(916) 441-2811
www.healthforall.org

Hmong University
Student Association
(916) 719-2627
www.csus.edu/org/hmong

Hmong Women's
Heritage Association
(916) 394-1405
www.hmongwomenheritage.org

Hui O' Hawaii of Sacramento
(916) 969-7230
www.huiohawaiisacramento.org

Interactive Asian
Contemporary Theater,
InterACT
(916) 267-7280
www.interact-theatre.org

Japanese American Citizens
League - Florin Chapter
www.florinjac.com

Japanese American
Citizens League -
Sacramento Chapter
(916) 447-0231
Email: monku48@aol.com

Korean American Community
Association of Sacramento
(916) 363-4414

Lao Family Community
of Stockton
(209) 466-0721
www.laofamilyofstockton.org

Little Manila Foundation
(209) 477-7143
www.littlemanila.net

My Sister's House
(916) 868-7820
Crisis Line: (916) 428-3271
www.my-sisters-house.org

National Asian Pacific
American Families
Against Substance Abuse
(916) 448-5911
www.napafasa.org

Organization of Chinese
Americans, Greater
Sacramento Chapter
(916) 995-1186
www.ocasacramento.org

Reflections of Asia
www.reflectionsofasia.com

Sacramento Asian-Pacific
Chamber of Commerce
(916) 446-7883
www.sacasiancc.org

Sacramento Asian
Sports Foundation
(916) 684-6533
www.sasquest.org

Sacramento Chinese
Community Service Center
(916) 442-2523 Ext. 208
www.sccsc.org

Sacramento Chinese Culture
Foundation, Inc.
(530) 757-8667
www.sccfsc.org

Sacramento Hmong
Alliance Church
(916) 685-6921
Email: info@shacchurch.org
www.shacchurch.org

Sacramento Lao
Family Community
(916) 424-0864
www.sacclaofamily.org

Sacramento Sikh Society
(916) 826-7004
www.sacsikhssociety.org

Southeast Asia Resource
Action Center
(916) 428-7444
www.searac.org

Southeast Asian
Assistance Center
(916) 421-1036
www.saacenter.org

To'utupu'o e 'Otu Felenite
Association (TOFA)
of Sacramento
(916) 612-4543
www.tofaofsacramento.org

Wat Lao Saoputh
Buddhist Temple
(916) 689-3362

Calendar of Events

April (Annual)
Hawaiian Luau
Hui'o Hawaii of Sacramento
Mona Foster (916) 969-7230

May 1
Annual Awards Reception
Asian Pacific Rim Foundation
Holiday Villa Restaurant
6:00p.m.-8:30p.m.
Bernadette Chiang (916) 381-2888
bcadesign@sbcglobal.net

May 3
Annual Dragon Boat Festival
Organization of Chinese Americans
Radisson Hotel Sacramento
3:30p.m.-8:00p.m.
Mai Nguyen (916) 627-5165
mai@dcpenner.com

May 4
2009 Heroes of Hope Dinner
My Sister's House
Sacramento Masonic Temple, 5:30p.m.
Nilda Valmores (916) 868-7820

May 8
15th Annual Bamboo Classic
Golf Tournament
Sacramento Asian Chamber of
Commerce
Yocha-De-He Golf Club, 14455 Hwy 16
Registration: Noon | Shotgun: 1:30p.m.
(916) 446-7883

May 14
Asian Community Center Annual
Golf Tournament
Teal Bend Golf Course
8:00a.m.-2:00p.m.
Wayne Kaurahara (916) 393-3022

May 17
Pacific Rim Street Festival
Asian Pacific Rim Foundation
Old Sacramento & Westfield
Downtown Plaza
10:00a.m.-5:00p.m.
Laurie Hensley (916) 451-6200
www.pacificrimstreetfest.com

May 17
Scholarship Member Ice Cream Social
Florin Japanese American
Citizens League
Florin Community History Center
1:00p.m.-4:00p.m.
Howard Shimada (916) 427-0169
hshimada@comcast.net

May 18 (Annual)
12th Annual Immigrant Day
California Immigrant Welfare Collaborative
Sacramento Capitol
Frankie Nelson (916) 448-6762
www.caimmigrant.org

May 20
Capitol Internship Award, Scholarship
Fundraising & Installation Program
Asian Pacific Islander American
Public Affairs Association
Library Galleria, 828 I Street
5:00p.m.-6:00p.m.
Lucy Oback (916) 686-1469
lucyoback@apapa.org

June 1-13 Order Period
Father's Day Candy Lei Sale
T.O.F.A. of Sacramento Fundraiser
(916) 897-9250
entertainment@tofofacsacramento.org

June 7
FAFS Filipino Fiesta 2009
7320 Florin Mall Drive
8:00a.m.-5:00p.m.
Paul Kekai Manansala (916) 332-4915
p.manansala@sbcglobal.net

June 13
ACC Park City's 6th Annual Open House
Asian Community Center
7375 Park City Drive
Doreene Hess (916) 393-9026 ext. 223
www.accsv.org

June 27
CAPITAL & CAPITAL FOUNDATION
Black Tie Gala
Radisson Hotel Sacramento, 5:30p.m.
Ryan Chin (916) 443-7398
ryan.s.chin@gmail.com

July 15
7th Annual Tribute To Community Luncheon
Sacramento Asian Chamber of Commerce
11:30a.m.-1:30p.m.
Diana (916) 446-7883

July 11
Obon Odori Festival and Carnival
Fresno Buddhist Temple
1340 Kern Street, Fresno, Noon
(559) 442-4054
info@fresnobuddhisttemple.org

August
7th Annual Wine & Food Tasting
Sacramento Asian Sports Foundation
7th Annual Wine & Food Tasting
Wendy Kurimoto (916) 548-7337
sasfwineandfoodevent@yahoo.com

August 7 – October 18
Soaring Voices: Contemporary
Japanese Women Ceramic Artists
Crocker Art Museum
(916) 264-5423

August 8 – 9
63rd Annual Japanese Cultural Bazaar
Buddhist Church of Sacramento
2402 Riverside Blvd.
(916) 446-0121
www.buddhistchurch.com

September
11th Annual Golf Tournament
Sacramento Asian Sports Foundation
The Reserve at Spanos Park, Stockton
Mamie Yee (916) 684-6533
myee99@surewest.net

September 4-7
6th Annual Gold Rush Days
Old Sacramento, 10:00a.m.-6:00p.m.
(916) 808-7777
www.discovergold.org

September 12
23rd Annual Asian Community Center
Nursing Home Fundraiser
Elks Lodge, 6446 Riverside Blvd.
(916) 393-9026
accsv.org

September 26-27
Sacramento Annual World Music
& Dance Festival
(916) 808-7777
www.sacramentoworldfestival.com

Fall 2009
Gold Mountain Celebration
Chinese American Council of Sacramento
6:00p.m.-9:00p.m.
Brenda Fong blfong@att.net

October
Sake Fest
Sacramento Asian Sports Foundation
Mamie Yee (916) 684-6533
myee99@surewest.net

November
Women's Day Forum
Florin Japanese American Citizens League
Kazuyo Morishita (916) 505-8556

November
Annual Craft and Bake Sale
Asian Community Center Nursing Home
7801 Rush River Dr., 10:00a.m.-4:00p.m.
www.accsv.org

November 7
2009 Run for a Safe Haven
William Land Park
www.my-sisters-house.org

2009 Community Honorees



Jean Chew

Jean Chew retired from the State of California after nearly 41 years of service. She has volunteered for local Sacramento area organizations for many years, including, but not limited to, the Asian Community Center of Sacramento Valley, Inc. (ACC), Asian Community Center Nursing Home (ACCNH), My Sister's House, and The Salvation Army. There isn't a task too small or too large for Mrs. Chew. Ice cream socials for the Sacramento Zoo, Christmas morning gift distribution, and handing out cookies and juice for BloodSource donors are all on the long list of activities Mrs. Chew has volunteered to do. She has done everything from coordinating rummage sales and fundraising craft and bake sales to assisting the ACC Rides service and volunteers weekly at the South Sacramento Interfaith Partnership Food Closet.



James Chew

After retiring from the State of California, James Chew has volunteered for local organizations in the Sacramento region, that include the Asian Community Center of Sacramento Valley, Inc. (ACC), Asian Community Center Nursing Home, My Sister's House, The Salvation Army, and Rebuilding Together Sacramento. Mr. Chew has also served on the ACC Board of Directors. Among Mr. Chew's many volunteer activities he has helped under-privileged children shop for school clothes, volunteered for the Pacific Rim Festival, and assisted in blood drives for BloodSource. On Tuesdays, he can usually be found volunteering for Rebuilding Together Sacramento where he helps to modify seniors' homes to make them safe.



Sho Hayashigatani

Sho Hayashigatani is Professor Emeritus of the Asian American Studies Program, Ethnic Studies Department, at California State University, Sacramento. Professor Hayashigatani is one of the founders of the Port of Sacramento Japanese School and currently serves as its principal. Founded in 1978 with only five students, his volunteer service to the Port of Sacramento Japanese School has helped make it one of the best in the country. Professor Hayashigatani has volunteered his time for other local organizations including, but not limited to, the Japanese American Citizens League, Senator Lion's Club, and Japan Society of Sacramento Valley Chapter. Professor Hayashigatani believes in the importance of promoting cultural and business exchanges between Sacramento and Japan.

Past Honorees

2008
Moses Auwae
Tom Fujimoto
Aeyon Lee
Linda Ng
Trang To

2004
Cynthia Bontz
Carole Ching
Dr. Richard Ikeda
Catherine 'Ofa Mann
Phouthavong Southiyannon

2007
Karen Fong Cotton
Dr. Ron Jan
Jerry Paular
Miko Sawamura
Duy Tu

2003
Dr. Dileep G. Bal
Dr. EunMi Cho
Georgetta Imura
Dan Lan
Trong Nguyen

2006
Dr. Jasbir Kang
Mele Leger
Steve Ly
Wayne Maeda
Douglas Yee, D.D.S.

2002
Sonny Alforque
Lina Fat
Mona Foster
Randolph Imai
Kevin Saephan
John Thao

2005
Dr. Tom Bhe
Jerry Chong
Dr. Sonney Chong
Kuni Hironaka
May Ying Ly
Christine Nguyen

2001
Ruthe Catolico Ashley
Dr. Hung G. Hoang
Grace Kim
May O. Lee
Dr. Lue Vang
Hachiro "Hach" Yasumura

Asian Pacific American Programming on KVIE Channel 6 in May



Forsaken Fields
Host Jan Yanehiro explores the important history and significance of Japanese American farmers in California and those who were incarcerated in relocation centers or forced to move to the interior of the United States.
Sunday, May 3 @ 10:30p.m.



Forced Out: Internment and the Enduring Damage to California's Cities and Towns
Forced Out recounts personal stories of hope, honor, and perseverance to rebuild life after World War II.
Monday, May 4 @ 10:30p.m.
Friday, May 8 @ 3:30p.m.



Na Kamalei: The Men of Hula
This *Independent Lens* program reveals a story of Hawaiian pride through the exploration of male roles in the hula tradition, past and present.
Tuesday, May 5 @ 11:00p.m.



Little Manila: Filipinos in California's Heartland
Filled with chop suey houses, gambling dens, and dance halls, Little Manila was the area in Stockton notoriously called Skid Row; but it was also the closest thing Filipinos had to a hometown.
Wednesday, May 6 @ 7:00p.m.
Sunday, May 10 @ 6:00p.m.



Most Unlikely Hero
This is the story of Captain Bruce Yamashita's courageous and inspiring battle against racism and discrimination in the United States Marine Corps.
Wednesday, May 6 @ 11:00p.m.



Bittersweet Roots: The Chinese in California's Heartland
The California Delta, in the heart of the state, is the only place in America where the Chinese have maintained a sustained presence for nearly a century and a half.
Sunday, May 10 @ 11:00p.m.
Thursday, May 21 @ 3:00p.m.



Heart Strings: The Story of Kamaka Ukulele
This program is a Hawaiian story about age-old values of hard work, fortitude, honesty, and creativity from a distinctly Hawaiian point of view.
Monday, May 11 @ 10:30p.m.



Liquid Stage: The Lure of Surfing
This program embarks on a spiritual exploration into the heart and soul of the centuries-old Hawaiian sport of surfing.
Monday, May 11 @ 11:00p.m.



Independent Lens: New Year Baby
Born in a Thai refugee camp on Cambodian New Year, filmmaker Socheata Poeuv grew up in the United States never knowing that her family had survived the Khmer Rouge genocide. In this film Poeuv embarks on a journey to Cambodia to find out why her family's history was buried in secrecy for so long.
Tuesday, May 12 @ 11:00p.m.



Fiji Firewalkers
This program explores Fiji's people, land, and culture, with a special emphasis on the legendary firewalkers of Beqa Island. Rich in colorful, vibrant music and cultural tradition, *Fiji Firewalkers* chronicles the origin of a Polynesian people whose civilization dates back to 700 B.C.
Sunday, May 17 @ 10:30p.m.



Bolinao 52
Vietnamese American director Duc Nguyen tells the story of Vietnamese boat people whose ship was stranded in the Pacific Ocean for 37 days in 1988. The group encountered violent storms and engine failures, and fought thirst and hunger before they were finally rescued by Filipino fishermen who brought them to the Philippine island of Bolinao.
Sunday, May 17 @ 11:00p.m.
Tuesday, May 19 @ 2:00p.m.



Sikhs in America
This award-winning documentary profiles Sikh families in Yuba City, Sacramento, Fremont, and Livingston. It takes an in-depth look inside the Sikh community with its religious and cultural practices, social and family traditions, and economic work life. *Sikhs in America* provides a portrait of what it means to be a Sikh in America today.
Wednesday, May 20 @ 7:00p.m.
Friday, May 22 @ 4:00p.m.



Death of a Shaman
This program examines, often with painful honesty, how a Mien immigrant family suffered through a 20-year ordeal of poverty and racism. It is a chronicle of a darker side of the pursuit of the American dream.
Thursday, May 21 @ 11:00p.m.
Friday, May 22 @ 2:00p.m.



Patsy Mink: Ahead of the Majority
This program looks at Patsy Mink's remarkable, tumultuous often lonely political journey, as she fought for the most disenfranchised and forgotten in society.
Monday, May 25 @ 9:00p.m.
Tuesday, May 26 @ 2:00p.m.



Citizen Tanouye
In *Citizen Tanouye* students in the city of Torrance research the life and times of Technical Sergeant Ted Tanouye (1919-1944), a distinguished alumnus of their school posthumously awarded the Medal of Honor for his heroic service during World War II.
Monday, May 25 @ 11:00p.m.



Resettlement to Redress
This documentary examines the resettlement of Japanese Americans after World War II through the signing of HR442 by President Reagan in 1988; wherein, it was formally acknowledged that internment was based on racism and merited an apology and reparation.
Tuesday, May 26 @ 11:00p.m.



We Came to Grow
We Came to Grow illustrates the vital role Japanese Americans played in agriculture and business and documents the development of social and religious organizations in that community.
Wednesday, May 27 @ 7:00p.m.
Friday, May 29 @ 4:00p.m.



American Masters: Hollywood Chinese
Hollywood Chinese brings together a fascinating group of actors, writers, and directors along with iconic film images to examine how Chinese people have contributed to and been portrayed in an industry that was often ignorant about and dismissive of race.
Wednesday, May 27 @ 9:00p.m.



Interpreting Ancient Chinese Fashion
Two fashion designers—Jude Gabbard and fourth-generation Chinese-American Colleen Quen—seek inspiration on their first visit to China. They head to one of China's most remote and poorest areas, Guizhou Province.
Thursday, May 28 @ 11:00p.m.
Friday, May 29 @ 2:00p.m.