

Community Calendar 2008.05.01

Dear Friends,

Cyclone Nargis slammed into Myanmar on May 3 with 150 mph winds and tidal surges across the Irrawaddy River delta. An estimated 100,000 people may have perished, with over a million more endangered. Humanitarian aid is desperately needed. Please give. International aid agencies already on the ground in Myanmar include:

United Nations World Food Programme

<http://www.wfp.org/english/>

UNICEF Myanmar

<http://www.unicefusa.org/news/news-from-the-field/cyclone-nargis-myanmar.html>

Save the Children Myanmar

<http://www.savethechildren.org/countries/asia/myanmar.html>

Medecins Sans Frontieres/ Doctors Without Borders

<http://www.msf.org/msfinternational/donations/>

CARE Myanmar

<https://my.care.org/05/myanmar/?source=170760460000>

International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies
(specify contribution for "Myanmar Cyclone Nargis")

<http://donate.ifrc.org/>

In San Diego, it is **ASIAN PACIFIC HERITAGE MONTH**.

1)

Saturday, May 3, 9am-5pm

SD Alliance for Asian Pacific Islander Americans and SD Dragon Boat Team, with UCSD APSA and UCSD Surf Dragons, kicked off **ASIAN PACIFIC HERITAGE MONTH** with their **4th annual SAN DIEGO DRAGON BOAT FESTIVAL** at Playa Pacifica in Mission Bay Park.

19 community and corporate teams competed valiantly in 36 races. Lee Ann Kim emceed program that included ceremonies to bless the boats and dot the dragons' eyes, performances by Heali'i Polynesian Revue, Moonlight Chinese Dance Group, Hmong Vang Dancers, San Diego Taiko, The Calamities, and more!

2)

Saturday, May 3, doors open 6pm, show 6:30-8pm

VSA SDSU presents FREE

SDSU Vietnamese Culture Night "Making a Difference"

Montezuma Hall, SDSU, 5500 Campanile Dr, SD 92182

Park in PS-6

All donations and proceeds to VietAct, an npo

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3)

Sunday, May 4, 6:30-9:30pm

Vietnamese Student Ass'n at UCSD presents FREE

annual Vietnamese Culture Night "Untying the Knot - Gỡ Rối Tơ Lòng"

Canyon Crest Academy, 5951 E. Village Center Loop Road, SD 92130

vsa@ucsd.edu

4)

Monday, May 5-8

JAPAN SOCIETY of SD & TIJUANA sponsors

2008 AJ Cup Golf Tournament

Lomas Santa Fe Country Club on May 5-8, 2008.

5)

Wednesday, May 7, 12pm

COUNTY SUPERVISOR RON ROBERTS celebrates

Asian Pacific American Heritage Month with

poetry, dancing, gymnastic performances and singing, featuring

young performers from Yangcheng, China,

San Diego County 's sister county.

West Plaza, SD County Admin Center (Harbor Drive)

Parking in North parking lot (green 2-hour spaces) or street

Asian Pacific Islander cuisine will be provided to all.

6)

Wednesday, May 7, 5pm

TAIWANESE CHAMBER of COMMERCE SD

Seminar/ Concert/ Networking at Chopstix Too

4380 Kearny Mesa Road, SD 92111

7)

Thursday, May 8, 6:30pm – 9pm

SD ASIAN FILM FOUNDATION

brings short films to CelebrASIAN at Westfield UTC

Free!

8)

Friday, May 9, 7pm

MIRAMAR COLLEGE Diversity/International Education Committee
in Collaboration w/ Filipino American Educators FILAMEDA of SD
& Filipino American National Historical Society (FANHS-SD)
celebrates Asian Pacific American Heritage Month with

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Evening with the Experts @ Miramar College
10440 Black Mtn Rd, SD 92126

Theo Gonzalves, professor, University of Hawaii, & editor of
Stage Presence: Conversations w/Filipino American Performing Artists

9)

Saturday, May 10, 4 pm

TAIWANESE CULTURE ASS'N presents
Taiwanese Culture & Food Fair at Taiwan Center
Traditional Taiwanese foods, music, performances
Parking lot, Taiwan Center, 7170 Convoy Court, SD 92111
www.taiwancenter.com, 858.560.8884

10)

Saturday, May 10, 6:30pm

TAIWANESE AMERICAN FOUNDATION's
Opening ceremony for Taiwanese American Heritage Week
Presentation of High School Scholarships,
Science Fair's Taiwan Trip Award, Mother's Day Special Award
And Mao-Chun Memorial Award

Taiwanese traditional hand puppet show by Master Ho
Taiwan Center Auditorium, 7170 Convoy Court, SD 92111
www.taiwancenter.com, 858.560.8884

11)

Saturday, May 10, 6:30pm

ASIA Media and Asian Heritage Society present
5th annual ASIAN HERITAGE AWARDS
Evening showcases and honors achievements of Asian Americans
special recognition to CA State Senator Leland Yee
Manchester Grand Hyatt
Black tie, tickets \$79, 619.521.8008
www.asiamediainc.com

12)

Wednesday, May 14, 10am-1pm

FILIPINO AMERICAN STUDENT ASS'N (FASA) of
San Diego Miramar College presents
Annual May Fest in honor of Asian Pacific Heritage Month
In front of I-Building; campus parking fee waived

13)

Wednesday, May 14, 5-6:30pm

NEW AMERICANS MUSEUM and The AJA PROJECT
Present "A Contemporary Story:
Perspectives by Immigrant and Refugee Artists"
Photo exhibition by SD immigrant & refugee youth,
with poetry reading by Jason Magabo Perez,
Filipino American poet, playwright, fiction writer

Weingart City Heights Branch Library
3795 Fairmount Ave, SD 92105

14)

Wednesday, May 14, 6-7:30pm

Southwest Center for Asian Pacific American Law (SCAPAL)
in collaboration with UCSD's Community Law Project
present free Community Law Clinic on
Criminal & Juvenile Law
at Montgomery Middle School, 2470 Ulric St, Linda Vista

15)

Wednesday, May 14, 7:15pm

TAIWANESE AMERICAN FOUNDATION of SD presents
Ten-Drum Art Percussion Group
FREE! at Spreckels Organ Pavilion, Balboa Park

Ten Percussion Group has performed in Australia, Korea, Taiwan,
including "10000 Drum Show" with 250 drummers;
Ten Percussion School teaches traditional drumming and holds
annual national drum competition in Taiwan

16)

FRIENDS of WE CHINESE MAGAZINE and
WE CHINESE MAGAZINE present
"The Night of We Chinese in America 2008"
6th anniversary celebration banquet at
Jasmine Seafood Restaurant, 4609 Convoy St, SD 92111

Chinese traditional fashion show, folk dance & song,
Instrumental performance, martial arts, traditional
Chinese painting demonstration

\$50/person, 858.569.0988
www.wechinese.us, wechinese@hotmail.com

17)

Friday, May 16, 7pm

TAIWAN CENTER presents
TACC Karaoke Competition. Great prizes!
To sign up, 858.560.8884
Taiwan Center, 77170 Convoy Court, SD 92111

18)

Saturday, May 17, 10am-1pm

SD CHINESE AMERICAN SCIENCE & ENGINEERING ASS'N
Presents SDCASEA's Spring Seminar

Dr. Alan Gin, USD Professor of Economics, will examine
current state of national economy and outlook for future
"Outlook for National and Local Economies"
at QUALCOMM, Building Q, 6455 Lusk Blvd, SD 92121
For info, 858.243.7519, www.sdcasea.com

19)

Saturday, May 17, 11am-4pm

SINGMA CLUB's Annual Hawker Fair
Admiral Baker Park, Gazebo 2

Volunteers cook up authentic
Singaporean & Malaysian street eats,
an integral part of SingMa culture.
www.singmaclubofsandiego.com

\$5 admission (admission excludes cost of food)
FREE Admission for SingMa & associate club members
(Proof of membership required)
<http://www.singmaclub.com/images/31483Singma%20HF-May17-08-2.pdf>

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Saturday, May 17, 2pm

TAIWAN CENTER presents Health Seminar
Naoky Chih-Su Tsai, MD, on "Chronic Hepatitis B:
a Silent Epidemic in Taiwanese American Community"
Taiwan Center, 7170 Convoy Court, SD 92111

21)

Saturday, May 17, 4 pm

APIAVote's NATIONAL PRESIDENTIAL TOWN HALL
featuring Presidential Candidates addressing issues that impact

the Asian American & Pacific Islander Community
at Bren Events Center, University of California , Irvine

Learn about the candidates before voting in November 2008
Contact Christine Chen at townhall@apiavote.org,
email updates@apiavote.org, info@apiavote.org
Our Vision Our Vote Our Future

22)

Saturday, May 17, 7pm

MULTICULTURAL NIGHT at the
TAIWANESE AMERICAN COMMUNITY CENTER
7170 Convoy Court, SD 92111
www.taiwancenter.com, 858.560.8884

23)

Sunday, May 18, 3pm

SD ASIAN FILM FOUNDATION's quarterly screening
Docudrama *Iris Chang: The Rape of Nanking*
Hazard Center UltraStar Mission Valley
Tickets \$10 to general public, \$5 SDAFF members
(on sale at SDAFF table in lobby from 6pm)

24)

Thursday, May 22, 5:30-8:30pm

HONG KONG ASS'N of SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, SD Chapter,
& SINGMA CLUB of SAN DIEGO Jointly Present
Networking Joint Mixer
China Max Seafood Restaurant, 4698 Convoy St,
Member \$15, non-member \$20
AGENDA
Getting acquainted/networking 5:30 pm - 6 pm
Start buffet dinner 6:15 pm
Presentation of our 2008 programs 6:30 pm - 6:40 pm
Prize drawing and more networking 6:40 pm - 8:30 pm

Contact Maggie Chu 213.622.9446, info@hkasc.org

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Saturday, May 24

GAWAD KALINGA presents
ONE a Filipino Celebration
ONE People ONE Nation
Fil-AMs at Kimball Park, National City

Park at Southwestern Higher Education Parking Garage

(1 block northeast of Kimball Park)
or Wal-Mart & National City public parking lot
(east of Kimball Park)

GAWAD KALINGA envisions land for the landless,
homes for the homeless, food for the hungry,
dignity and peace for every Filipino.

www.gawadkalinga.org

Finally, don't miss ***People, Prints, & Politics: China 1920-1980, Woodblock Prints of Xian Rang Yong***, March 29 - October 19, 2008 at the SD Museum of Man, South Balcony. Exhibit precedes exhibit of Chinese folk art scheduled for 2010.

In May, let us celebrate Asian Pacific Heritage Month in America, but let us also not forget the people and crisis in Myanmar.

Thank you, as always, for your warm support of our Asian Pacific Islander communities.

Sincerely,
Linda