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FCAPE NEWSLETTER

A time to celebrate!

Spring is here and the warmer weather calls for celebration. We would like to share a list of exciting events happening this and next month as we prepare to observe Asian American & Pacific Islander (AAPI) Heritage during the month of May.

Celebrating AAPI Heritage Event Calendars

Celebrating Southeast Asian New Year

Unlike Western world which celebrates New Year on 1st January, a system based on the Gregorian calendar, Southeast Asian New Year is celebrated following the lunisolar calendar system and its events. In modern times it is usually reckoned around 13-14 April, and there is unique celebrations happening all over the region.

Often characterized by the gathering of family, playful water fights in the streets and local games South and Southeast Asian New Year is also a very spiritual occasion with a wide variety of unique rituals held throughout various countries over a period of days.

APRIL 13-16, 2022

BURMA-THINGYAN

CAMBODIA-CHOUL CHNAM THMEY
Based on the Buddhist calendar, Khmer (Cambodia)

Thingyan is originally from Hindu myth, and in the modern world this is a Buddhist Festival taken over a period of four to five days. A variety of religious activities will be held during the day, followed by feasting and partying in the evening.



New Year normally falls on the 13th or 14th of April and officially lasts for 3 days, although typically celebrations also spill out into surrounding days. Each day has its special celebration and traditions. Cleaning houses, visiting temples, bathing Buddha statues and offering food to monks are common practices for the New Year.



LAO-PI MAI

Celebrated at the hottest time of the year in Laos, Pi Mai could last a full week with a lot of water & flour throwing and cultural activities. Pretty much similar in traditions like its neighbors Cambodia and Thailand, Lao start their New Year by cleaning houses & villages, bathing Buddha statues with holy water and decorating them with flowers.



THAILAND-SONGKRAN

Having it fixed on 13 April every year, Songkran (also known as Water Festival) is one of the most famous festivals in the region, attracting tourists from all over the world to Thailand. Most locals will visit their hometown and spend time with family during the celebrations. A lot of symbolic traditions are still in practice like merit-making, paying reverence to ancestors or visiting local temples and offering food to the monks.



Cheers

TO THE NEW YEAR

Local Events

OAKLAND 2022 SOUTH & SOUTHEAST ASIAN NEW YEAR CELEBRATION
SATURDAY, APRIL 16, 2022 - 11:00 AM TO 3:00 PM | COST: FREE
OAKLAND ASIAN CULTURAL CENTER | 388 9TH STREET, OAKLAND, CA
(FUNCHEAP.COM)

APR 9 AT 9:00 AM - APR 10 AT 5:00 PM PDT
HAPPY TLC NEW YEAR
547 S HUNTER ST, STOCKTON, CA 95203-3522, UNITED STATES

LOCAL DESTINATIONS

Check it out!

STOCKTON CAMBODIAN BUDDHIST TEMPLE (WAT DHAMMARARAM)
3732 CARPENTER RD, STOCKTON, CA 95215

WAT LAO BUDDHASUKSID TEMPLE OF STOCKTON
3412 POCK LN, STOCKTON, CA 95205

WAT PHRABUDDHIVONGSAMUNEE
11265 N THORNTON RD
STOCKTON, CA 95209

CHANSISAMAKIDHAM TEMPLE
547 S HUNTER ST, STOCKTON, CA 95203-3522, UNITED STATES

Celebrating ASIAN AMERICAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDER HERITAGE

Spring 2022

March 19

Celebrate AAPI Heritage Night with the Stockton Kings

Stockton Arena, 7pm
Hat giveaway to the first 500 guests
Family Feast Night!
\$2 each for hot dogs, popcorn and soda
Tickets:
bit.ly/StknKingsAAPI

March 26

KIKAN - The Homecoming

Atherton Auditorium
San Joaquin Delta College (FREE)
JACL Stockton Day of Remembrance
Doors open at 12:30pm
Program begins at 1pm
Trailer: bit.ly/JACLKikan

April 2

Pacific Kilusan Pilipino Cultural Night (PCN)

University of the Pacific DeRosa Ballroom
1pm & 7pm

April 6

Luzon Dancers

President's Patio
San Joaquin Delta College
12:30pm
A traditional dance, "Pandango Sa Ilaw" originating from Luzon, PI will be performed

April 13

Cultural Youth Performers

President's Patio
San Joaquin Delta College
12:30pm
Performances will represent: Filipino, Thai, Lao, Cambodian, Vietnamese, Japanese, and Chinese folk dances

April 17

Annual Sikh Parade and Festival

Stockton Sikh Temple
1930 S. Grant St. Stockton (FREE)
12-4pm
For more information, visit: bit.ly/StknSikhParade

April 20

Stockton Tai Chi Institute

President's Patio
San Joaquin Delta College
12:30pm
Members will demonstrate some of the Yang Tai Chi Chuan 24 postures, such as Parting the Wild Horse's Mane, White Crane Spread Its Wings, Brush Knee and Step Forward, etc.

April 24

Jeannie Barroga Author & Playwright Book Reading: Turn Right at the Water Buffalo

Filipino American National Historical Society (FANHNS) Museum (FREE)
1:30pm
Recording Link: TBA
Contact 209-932-9037 or fanhsmuseum@aol.com by 4/20 to RSVP for In-person limited seating - COVID restrictions will apply.

April 26

Raksmey Arun Roem, PhD, MPH

Health & Wellness workshop
11am-12:50pm
SCMA 273

May 6

Taiko Drummers Stockton Polynesian Dancers

San Joaquin Delta College Dolores Huerta Plaza (FREE)
5-6pm

May 6

APIASA Scholarship & EPIC Recognition Program

San Joaquin Delta College Dolores Huerta Plaza
6-7:30pm
Link to order: bit.ly/APIASA2022

May 11

Jean Kwok NY Times and Int'l Bestselling Author *Girl in Translation* and *Searching for Silvie Lee*

Virtual Live Presentation West Forum
11am-12pm
bit.ly/SJDCJeanKwok
www.jeankwok.com

EPIC Club Fundraiser

The EPIC club will be taking orders for boxed lunches.

April 6

Rice plate with choice of pork adobo, chicken adobo, or bbq pork (comes with pancit, rice, and lumpia) To order: bit.ly/SJDCAAPI0406

April 13

Banh Mi sandwiches To order: bit.ly/SJDCAAPI0413

April 20

Teriyaki Chicken Bowls (comes with rice and steamed vegetables) To order: bit.ly/SJDCAAPI0420



Delta College Faculty Caucus for Asian Pacific Equity



We look forward to seeing you at any of the events listed above. Please join us to experience and embrace the rich cultural diversity of East, South, and Southeastern Asian culture which will include dance, food, wellness and fun!

Click the Images Below to Contribute to Our Fundraising Efforts to Support Student Club Activities and Scholarships:



Recognition Event:

CVACC 2022 Education Champion Award

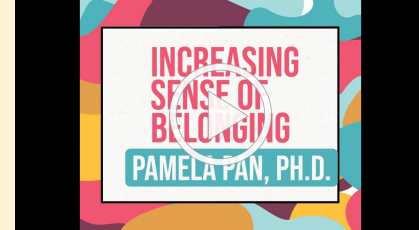
The Central Valley Asian-American Chamber of Commerce (CVACC) is honoring Delta College's Asian Pacific American Staff Association (APIASA) as a notable community champion in education. CVACC will be recognizing APIASA at their annual 2022 Community Recognition Awards Dinner to be held on:

Thursday, May 26, 2022, at the China Palace Restaurant in Stockton

Increasing Students' Sense of Belonging:

Dr. Pamela Pan created a video titled "Increase students' sense of belonging" to be included in the course **Equity in Online**

Teaching offered by Delta College Professional Development Center. In this video, Dr. Pan discusses how students who feel they belong are more likely to be engaged and successful and how a sense of belonging is even more important during the pandemic. She explains what online teachers can do to help students feel connected, providing useful tips from her own teaching practices.



Outstanding Accomplishment!

Dr. Villavicencio was one of three commissioners from the California Commission on Asian and Pacific Islander American Affairs (CAPIAA) to engage in a conversation with White House officials on Feb. 25, 2022. He was privileged to meet Ms. Erika Moritsugu, President Biden's Deputy Assistant and senior liaison for AANHPI affairs and Ms. Krystal Ka'ai, Executive Director of the White House Initiative on AANHPIs.

During the hour-long discussion, Dr. Villavicencio was given an opportunity to share some important issues affecting our California AANHPI students as chair of CAPIAA's Higher Education Equity Committee. He spoke about the importance of continued data disaggregation within the AANHPI community; increased mental health resources for AANHPI students; sustained funding for AANAPISI federal grants; and encouraged the administration to take further action in legalizing the status of our DACA/Dreamer students, many of whom are AANHPIs. According to Dr. Villavicencio, "This is only the beginning as our commission will now partner with the White House to expand resources and services to our communities at both the state and federal levels. It was an honor to represent the state of California, the Central Valley, Stockton, and San Joaquin Delta College."



Day of Remembrance Featured Film- KIKAN-The Homecoming



On Saturday, March 26, 2022, Japanese Americans from the local community lit candles in a ceremony honoring the 10 incarceration camps open from 1942-1945. KIKAN - The Homecoming, a short film, spans 60 years in the lives of Japanese Americans and quietly examines the aftermath of the incarceration experience on multiple generations. Below are some images from attendees at The film screening and resource fair.

AAPI Heritage Night Celebration with the Stockton Kings!

Members of FCAPE, APIASA, and EPIC were joined by FANHS (Filipino American National Historical Society) and CVAAC (Central Valley Asian American Chamber of Commerce) to celebrate AAPI Heritage Night with the Stockton Kings! The community met with Filipino-American, Jimmy Alapag, and Assistant Coach of the Stockton Kings! The Stockton Kings defeated the Austin Spurs 101 - 96 propelling them to the G-League Playoffs!



We Need You!

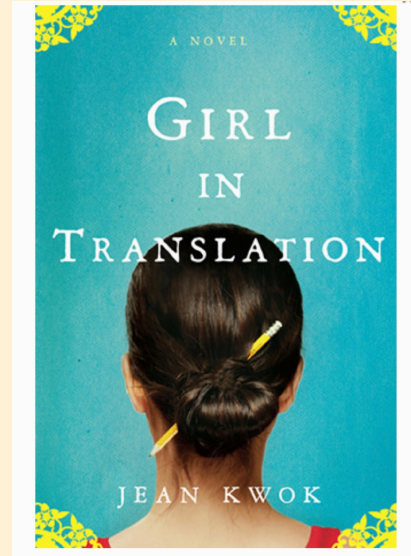
If you would like to help and support our AAPI students access to higher education, we humbly ask you to consider making a one-time donation so that our annual awarding of scholarships can continue. Every dollar you contribute goes 100% to our student scholarships and is tax deductible.

Donations

You can also consider donating through a monthly payroll deduction! If all Delta employees contributed just \$5 a month (the price of a Venti Latte at Starbucks), all of our annual awards would be easily sustained.

Meet Author Jean Kwok

Dr. Pamela Pan, Professor of English, has invited New York Times and international bestselling author Jean Kwok to do a virtual presentation for Delta College students, faculty, and staff. Ms. Kwok will speak about her prize-winning, international bestselling novel *Girl in Translation* and the inspiration behind it, and her own experience moving from impoverished immigrant to Harvard graduate to bestselling author. She will cover themes of the American Dream, race, identity, culture, rejection, success, and failure.



Jean Kwok Bio:

Jean Kwok is the award-winning, *New York Times* and international bestselling author of *Girl in Translation*, *Mambo in Chinatown*, and *Searching for Sylvie Lee*, which was a Read with Jenna Today Show Book Club pick, a Belletrist pick, and an instant *New York Times* bestseller. Her work has been published in twenty countries and is taught in schools across the world. She has been selected for numerous honors, including the American Library Association Alex Award, the Chinese American Librarians Association Best Book Award, an Orange New Writers title, and the *Sunday Times* Short Story Award international shortlist. She immigrated from Hong Kong to Brooklyn when she was five and worked in a Chinatown clothing factory for much of her childhood. She received her bachelor's degree from Harvard University and earned an MFA from Columbia University. She currently lives in the Netherlands.



This presentation is being funded by the Cultural Awareness Program (CAP) at Delta College and taking place on:

See Ms. Kwok on the big screen in West Forum or view on your laptop!

Wednesday, May 11th from 11:00am to 12:00pm

For more information, please contact:

pamela.pan@deltacollege.edu

Zoom
Registration

Cultural Awareness Program
Website

Meet the FCAPE Outreach & Community Relations Sub-Committee!

If you would like to highlight any of your students' success stories, AAPI events happening at Delta or in the community, or any work you are currently part of, and/or share best practices to better serve our AAPI student population, please send it our way to be featured in our next newsletter!



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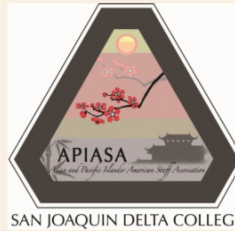


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