

**BERA**  
**Asian Pacific American Association**  
**2008 Activities/Events**

**January**

- 1/21 – Invitation to 23rd annual Martin Luther King breakfast

**February**

- 2/7 - "Year of the Rat" luncheon @ Kings Buffet – approx. 40 attended

**March**

- 3/29 – BNL/APAA co-sponsors 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Asian American Cultural Festival of LI @ the Wang Center, Stony Brook University

**April**

- 4/11 – 2 APAA members attend the Society of Human Resource Management Conference @ Crest Hollow Country Club, Woodbury @ \$125pp paid by the Diversity Office.

**May**

- Pacific American Heritage" (APAH) Month events
  - Display at Berkner Hall lobby (wall/floor cabinet) with APAH banner from the Diversity Office
  - 5/3 – Bus trip to 27<sup>th</sup> annual "Sakura Matsuri Cherry Blossom Festival" @ Brooklyn Botanical Garden (2 buses - SOLD OUT)
  - 5/6 – "Unintentional Intolerance: What NICE People Need to Know", Dr. Steve Robbins
    - o Lunch with Dr. Steve Robbins
  - 5/8 – "Compassion & Selfless Service – Pathway to Peace", Dayamrita Chaitanya
- 5/3 – APAA/BNL table display @ TAALI Asian Cultural event
- 5/16 – Invitation to the Hispanic Heritage Club 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Scholarship Awards luncheon

**June**

- Joint APAA/CSSA fundraiser for Disaster Relief Effort at BNL which BSA matched in individual donations up to \$25K. The fundraiser which included events planned with other BERA clubs raised \$41,744 with an additional \$25K from BSA, for a total of \$66,744 to aid victims of the Myanmar cyclone and China earthquake disasters.
  - o 6/7 – "BNL Cultural Concert" – sponsored by multiple BNL & community groups
  - o 6/12 – "International Lunch" – sponsored by ESOL, APAA, CSSA, & IAA

**October**

- 10/22 – 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Lin Scholarship Award Ceremony and Reception –approx 40 attendees

**November**

- Call for candidates & elections for 2009 APAA Executive Board

**December**

- 12/12 – APAA participation in "International Food Tasting" United Way event
- 12/16 – "Asian Tea House" – United Way lunch fundraiser – raised \$400

APAA member of Diversity Office Affinity Groups – meets quarterly

APAA representation in Brookhaven Advocacy Council (BAC)

Articles sent to Diversity Newsletter (S. Kendall) & Community News (J. Lynch) throughout the year.