



*Celebrating Korean-American Culture in South Central PA*

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*Welcome to Ta-ri's e-newsletter, provided as part of our mission to be a cultural bridge in the community.*

### *Welcome, Summer ...*

#### **Have You Visited Us on Facebook?**

[www.facebook.com/view.from.the.bridge](http://www.facebook.com/view.from.the.bridge)

Ta-ri has expanded our online presence beyond these newsletters and our website. Both these avenues serve us well for sharing information and news with the community, but we would like to embrace the social media advantages offered by Facebook as well. Through our new Facebook site, we can offer:

- **Numerous postings of interesting articles and events** ... far more than we can include in this newsletter. We'll continue to provide the same strong selection here, but our Facebook page will provide an expanded selection of additional material.
- **Opportunities for you to comment, ask questions, and interact** with other Ta-ri friends and leadership.
- **Event pages with easy RSVP options** for Ta-ri activities.
- **An easy way to post and view photos from Ta-ri events.** To preserve privacy, we will not label people in the photos, but you can feel free to tag yourself in them if you would like to do so.

Facebook is free and easy to join. If you would like an invitation to join, please email us at [info@ta-ri.org](mailto:info@ta-ri.org). You can visit us at the web address above to view limited information as well.

Already a member of Facebook? Look us up at the address above and be sure to click "Like!"



#### **Come Picnic with Us!**

Saturday, August 21 (details on page four of this newsletter).

#### **Recommended Summer Reading**



Last newsletter we mentioned that a Korean-American author was planning to come the area to give a book presentation. That author is Sang-Eun Lee Bukaty, author of Grace Notes.

We are working with Messiah College to set up a venue for her talk during the College's fall exhibit of a South Korean artist. (See page four of this newsletter for more details on the exhibition.)

While we're not quite ready to announce a date, plan to pick up Grace Notes for your summer reading so that you can be prepared! [www.gracenotesthebook.com](http://www.gracenotesthebook.com)



# Community Events and Opportunities

Send submissions for this section to [info@ta-ri.org](mailto:info@ta-ri.org). We reserve the right to edit.

## **EuroAsia Shorts 2010/Washington, DC— June 2-12**

Contact: [www.EuroAsiaShorts.com](http://www.EuroAsiaShorts.com)  
No charge; reservation required.

Revolving around the theme of Joy/Sorrow, Euro Asia Shorts 2010, the fifth annual festival featuring pairings of short films from Asian and European countries and the United States, compares differences and similarities between the cultures of eight countries. Screenings will take place over six evenings, June 2-12, throughout Washington D.C. and feature a total of 34 short films, some of which have played at festivals worldwide and garnered international recognition. Each evening's selection of films will be followed by a panelled discussion of the theme and how different cultures approach it through the medium of film.

## **Folk Ballet Performance/ Washington, DC—June 11-12**

7:30PM performances  
Contact: [www.kennedycenter.org](http://www.kennedycenter.org)

The Little Angels Children's Folk Ballet of Korea has danced and sung for 40 heads of state, made more than 500 television appearances, and presented more than 6,000 performances overall. Their polished repertoire includes delightful traditional Korean dances, songs, and theatrical sketches. The troupe is chiefly made up of girls aged 9 to 15 whose professional level of dancing and singing has inspired audiences since 1962. The group's performances in 2010 will honor all U.S. war veterans on the 60th anniversary of the start of the Korean War and are part of a world tour to 3 U.S. cities and 15 other nations.

## **Selahart Performance and Fundraiser/ Camp Hill—June 12**

Saturday, 7:00-9:00PM  
Korean Presbyterian Church of Harrisburg  
1127 Slate Hill Road, Camp Hill, PA 17011  
Contact: Pastor Kang, [skang3000@hotmail.com](mailto:skang3000@hotmail.com)  
(717) 731-9220  
*Benefitting KAAN: the Korean American Adoptee Adoptive Family Network*

Selahart, a team of international students recruited from Korea, live and study in central PA. They perform songs and dances from different eras in Korea's rich history, playing the danso (bamboo flute), gayageum (zither), barrel drum, and many other instruments. This evening, donations will be collected to benefit KAAN's national adoption conference, coming to Hershey July 23-25 (see separate announcement for conference details). Representatives of KAAN will also be available to share information. Questions? Contact the church office at 717.731.9220. Learn more about KAAN at [www.kaanet.com](http://www.kaanet.com).

## **Seeking Executive Director for PICC**

Application deadline: June 20, 2010  
Contact: [search@paimmigrant.org](mailto:search@paimmigrant.org)

Pennsylvania Immigration and Citizenship Coalition (PICC) is a diverse state coalition of 50 member organizations and numerous individuals that represents the needs of immigrants, migrants, refugees and other new Americans living in Pennsylvania to policy makers, public officials, and the general public. A full-time executive director is being sought to lead this organization from its Philadelphia office. [A full description of the job can be found here.](#)

### **ESL Conference/ Harrisburg—June 21-22**

Hilton Harrisburg,

One North Second Street, Harrisburg, PA 17101

Contact: [www.eslportalpa.info](http://www.eslportalpa.info)

(717) 763-1661

The theme of this year's conference is "Assuring Academic Achievement for English Language Learners through the Standards Aligned System" and is sponsored by the Pennsylvania Department of Education in partnership with the Center for Schools and Communities. The conference will focus on the PDE's Standards Aligned System (SAS) and will support school districts as they work to strengthen the education of English Language Learners (ELLs) through general sessions and instructional best practice workshops. Costs and other details on line ... discounts are available for those who register before May 7.

### **Folklife Festival/D.C.—June 24-July 5**

Contact: [www.festival.si.edu](http://www.festival.si.edu)

This year, the Smithsonian Center for Folklife and Cultural Heritage will highlight Asian Pacific Americans during its 2010 Folklife Festival. The Folklife Festival is considered the premiere annual event in Washington and attended by many lawmakers, opinion leaders, business leaders, and their families.

### **Korean Art Day/ Philadelphia—June 25**

11:00AM

Contact: Robert Turley

[robert@koreanartsociety.org](mailto:robert@koreanartsociety.org)

[www.koreanartsociety.org/Events.html](http://www.koreanartsociety.org/Events.html)

The Korean Art Society and the Philadelphia Museum of Art have planned an exciting Korean Art Day in Philadelphia. After viewing a special exhibition on contemporary Korean art, be treated to a tour of the PMA's Korean art galleries by Hyunsoo Woo, Curator of Korean Art. PMA is one of only four American museums to have their important Korean collections cataloged by the Korean government. This is a rare opportunity to see fine antique and contemporary Korean art all at one time, and promises to be a lot of fun.

### **Korean Adoption (KAAN) Conference/ Hershey—July 23-25**

Contact: Stacy Schroeder

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[www.kaanet.com/2010\\_conference](http://www.kaanet.com/2010_conference)

Early registration deadline/discount June 15

This national conference on Korean adoption is a great opportunity not only for adoptees and their families but for other Korean-Americans as well.

The conference boasts a lineup including Washington State Senator Paull Shin birthmother Kyung Ae Bae, the Smithsonian's Terry Hong, and the documentary Resilience. A slate of over thirty sessions delve into such topics as search and reunion, racial privilege, nurturing of cultural ties, church involvement in the Korean adoption community, language schools, and the Korean Wave.

Cultural dancers and musicians will perform. Vendors, exhibits, and support groups round out the weekend.

Take advantage of the early registration deadline and sign up by June 15! If you cannot attend the entire conference but wish to participate in the (July 24) Saturday evening dinner with Senator Shin, contact us as soon as possible to inquire about purchasing a table for the dinner. Seats are only available through the end of this month.

### **Award-Winning Organist to Perform/ Mt. Gretna—July 29**

Mt. Gretna, PA

Ahreum Han, first-place winner of the prestigious Albert Schweitzer Organ Competition in 2007, will appear in this summer's Mt. Gretna's organ recital series.

A graduate of the Curtis Institute, Westminster Choir College and Yale University, Ms. Han currently serves as organist at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Stamford, Conn. You can read about Ms. Han at: [www.ahreumhan.com](http://www.ahreumhan.com)

### **Immigrant and Refugee Women Leadership Workshop/Camp Hill—August 7**

8:30AM-5:00PM

Giant Community Center

3301 E. Trindle Rd, Camp Hill, PA

Contact: PAIRWN, [pairwn@pairwn.org](mailto:pairwn@pairwn.org)

717.433.0900

[Event flyer at pairwn.org](#)

Registration fee: \$10 includes breakfast/lunch

The training will take the form of an intensive, day-long workshop for twenty immigrant and refugee women ages 18-25. The agenda is packed with inspiring speakers, engaging activities, and career-oriented luncheon. Participants will have the chance to hear directly from numerous immigrant and refugee women leaders from a range of backgrounds, work with each other and several enthusiastic facilitators to develop insight into their personal leadership styles and leadership goals, and talk with established women leaders in various career fields. Breakfast and lunch will be provided.

### **Ta-ri Picnic/Mechanicsburg—August 21**

4:00-7:00PM

Contact: Stacy Schroeder, [info@ta-ri.org](mailto:info@ta-ri.org)

717-574-3629

RSVP: August 16 via email, phone, or Facebook

This family-friendly pool party and potluck takes place in a Mechanicsburg home and is a great way to get to know others in the community. We provide bulgogi, hot dogs, and drinks; you bring a side dish or dessert to share. Let us know if you have a canopy tent you can bring. Directions will be provided when you RSVP.

### **Ta-ri Chusok Celebration/Harrisburg—October 9**

4:00-7:00PM

One HACC Drive, Cooper Student Union Bldg  
Harrisburg, PA 17110

Contact: Stacy Schroeder, [info@ta-ri.org](mailto:info@ta-ri.org)

717-574-3629

There's still time to get in on the planning for this great event that's part festival, part holiday celebration, and ALL FUN! Each year the lineup is a bit different, but expect good food, lively music, interesting activities, and plenty of nice people. Contact us if you have an idea, would like to volunteer, or want to advertise in our event program.

### **Exhibition of S. Korean Artist/Grantham—October 29-November 24**

Climenhaga Fine Arts Bldg, Messiah College  
One College Avenue,

Grantham, PA 17027

Contact: herron Biddle, [SBiddle@messiah.edu](mailto:SBiddle@messiah.edu)

717-766-2511 x2322

The Aughinbaugh Gallery will present the work of South Korean artist Lee Jong Suk from October 29 -- November 24, 2010. It is a contemporary video installation consisting of a series of four short videos that will loop continuously. Lee uses the medium of video to explore the ways in which the growing urbanization of mankind's environment affects the human experience. He uses the reoccurring metaphor of trees, either their incongruous presence in a city sidewalk or conspicuous absence from an urban skyline to address this very universal topic. His website: [www.jgraphy.com](http://www.jgraphy.com)

### **Friday International Gatherings/Lancaster—Fridays**

1544 Dunmore Dr., Lancaster, PA 17602

6:00-9:00PM

Contact: Scott & Taeko Bronner

717-390-9089 or [nationsfriends@gmail.com](mailto:nationsfriends@gmail.com)

Join us for food (potluck), fun and friendships. We vary events each week depending on the interests of those who come, including games indoors & outdoors, playing charades, cultural dancing & stories, small group discussions on easy themes like a childhood memory and singing! Whatever your situation, we love to have internationals (immigrants, refugees, migrants, students...) and their friends.

## Featured Websites

### ZenKimchi Korean Food Journal

<http://networkedblogs.com/3Zhi8>

This blog is one of many Korean-themed food blogs emerging on the Internet and Facebook. Some offer traditional recipes and others ones that are fusions of various cultures or adapted to ingredients available here in the US. This particular link is to a yummy recipe for sesame butter.

### Free Korean E-Postcards

<http://asiaenglish.visitkorea.or.kr/epost.kto?cmd=list&md=eng>

Wishing you could make it to Korea this summer but just not in the budget? Take a virtual trip online and send beautiful e-postcards to your friends of your adventures. Travel fun courtesy of the Korea Tourism Organization.

## Get Involved!

Ta-ri owes its lifeblood to volunteers and donors ... even our staff work pro bono! We strive to use all gifts effectively and be as professional as we can. At the same time, we thrive on the informal community interactions that grow out of our events and work.

If you have appreciated Ta-ri's activities and services in the past and want to give back, we can find a place for you. Check out the list at right or give us a call and we'll see what we can do together.

Here are just a few ways we have identified:

- Volunteer your [time](#)
- Provide a financial [gift](#)
- Donate [resources](#)
- Share [ideas](#)
- Advertise as a [business supporter](#)
- Earn cash for Ta-ri while searching or shopping online via [our Goodsearch toolbar](#)

We are **deeply grateful** to our existing [leaders](#), [staff](#), [business supporters](#), and [others](#) for their investment in Ta-ri.

## About Us



Ta-ri was founded in 2005 and celebrates Korean-American culture and community in the south central Pennsylvania area. Our mission is to serve as:

- ❖ community gathering "place"
- ❖ central information source
- ❖ visible presence and voice in the community

You can also find us on **Facebook!**

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**Foundation**  
*for Enhancing Communities*

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