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The Bill Collector

Peruse the news. From the Asian American perspective, its educational, interesting, significant.

Take this front page story, 11/12/74, under the headline: Little League Series Bars Foreigners. "Little League World Series... will be limited in the future to teams from the continental United States... This means that teams from Taiwan and Japan, which have captured seven of the last eight championships, will be excluded."

FOUL BALL!

Here's another item: Clothing Imports Protested Here, 11/12/74: "About 10,000 people jammed East 62nd Street yesterday as members of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America... protested the importing of cheaply produced foreign-made apparel. The imports, the union says, have resulted in the loss of about 11,000 American jobs in the last four years. ... Mayor Beame, who addressed the throng... said: 'We've lost thousands of jobs and many employers here have gone out of business. But we are not going to give up to foreign businessmen who exploit their workers with penny wages.'"

MIGHTY FAMILIAR!

Yet another tidbit, 11/12/74: For American Women Working in Japan, Being a Foreigner Helps: One of them is Debbie. "I can't believe how easy it is to make money here. My friends and I were working the bars in Europe for three years and we kept hearing that Japan is the place to come. It is. All I have to do is smile, pour their drinks, and light their cigarettes... They never touch you, they wouldn't dare to a gaijin (foreigner)."

AMERICAN GRAFFITI!

Under the bannerline, First an Undeclared War/Now an Unseen Film, TV critic Stephanie Harrington reviews "Hearts and Minds," a documentary

film about U.S. involvement in Vietnam. In her long moving article, she cuts to General William Westmoreland, who says: "Well, the Oriental... doesn't put the same high price on life as does a Westerner. Life is plentiful, life is cheap in the Orient. And as the philosophy of the Orient expresses it, life is not important." *****

EVALUATION OF LAST SATURDAY NITE

Members of Asian Americans for Fair Media (AAFM) present at the Last Saturday Night Program unanimously agreed that the joint endeavor created good vibes. People were receptive to the presentation and asked questions, gave compliments and signed up for specific volunteer duties. We welcome them and all new people to attend the regular AAFM Thursday meetings at the Center.

Distribution of AAFM brochure was poor; we feel it was due to 1) awkward placement, 2) lack of initial plug for donation and/or sales.

We want everyone to know that AAFM brochures are available at the Center (next to the mailboxes) at 50 cents a copy --- or \$1.00 through the mail to cover postage/envelopes.

We, of AAFM, enjoyed sharing the evening with the Center and meeting all the sisters and brothers who commit themselves to the struggle.

Linda Tom - AAFM

HOLIDAY GREETINGS
 FROM THE

UNITED ASIAN

COMMUNITIES CENTER

ASIAN AMERICANS FOR FAIR MEDIA ... works toward promoting understanding among all Asian groups. We seek to work together with other groups throughout our country to ensure that the Asian image is a realistic and identifiable one.

ASIAN AMERICANS FOR FAIR MEDIA ... seeks to raise the consciousness of Asians and attempts to educate the public by developing educational materials. Members act as consultants to media vendors as well. Toward this end, a slide show and a 12-page booklet has been developed entitled THE ASIAN IMAGE IN THE UNITED STATES -- STEREOTYPES AND REALITIES. (Copies available for \$1.00)

HOW YOU CAN HELP

Express your views: Use our booklet as a tool to evaluate the acceptability of material on Asians and Asian Americans.

Scrutinize and evaluate: programs, advertisements, newspaper and magazine articles, books, cartoons, comics, cinema and stage productions, and any other information amplified through public media that deal with Asians and Asian Americans.

Attend AAFM meetings: We need support from all walks of Asian American life! Lend us your talents and skills! We meet Thursday evenings at 6:30 pm at the Asian Center. Call us at 725-2120.

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THERE'S A NEW MURAL BEING PLANNED FOR THE NEW OFFICE SPACE ON THE THIRD FLOOR AT THE ASIAN CENTER ... All brothers and sisters who would like to participate in this project (planning the design, following through on meetings and the actual work on the mural), call Alan or Tomie at 673-8670 OR Karl or Arlan at 260-1455 during the day.

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CENTER SUPPORTERS

Park Central Florist
532 Columbus Avenue
New York, New York

Frank's Restaurant
235 Brook Avenue
Bronx, New York 10454

New York Travel Service
535 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York

Rosebud & Pussywillow, Unlimited
137 East 61 Street
New York, New York 10021
(quality leather clothing)

Suehiro Restaurant
35 East 29 Street
New York, New York

Hunan in the Village
163 Bleeker Street
New York, New York
(a new restaurant)

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SISTERS AND BROTHERS! Better get ready! Everyone's planning to spend the LAST NIGHT OF THE YEAR (1974) AT THE ASIAN CENTER! If you attended last year's LAST NIGHT OF THE YEAR AT THE CENTER and thought it was a blast, you ain't seen nothin' yet! Center staff people will be selling tickets IN ADVANCE this year at the price of \$1.50 per ticket. Tickets at the door will cost \$2.00. Naturally, there will be LOTS of refreshments, lively music, lively brothers and sisters will enthusiastically be dancing in the NEW YEAR and hooting out the OLD! So, come one, come all, and we DO MEAN ALL AGES! Let's make this a family affair! For further information, call the Center Wednesday evenings after 8:30 pm. 'See you ...

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Now that the Asian Center has expanded its facilities (new space on the third floor), it is more important than ever that our friends and supporters who not only come on a regular basis to the Center for various functions but who also pledge monthly to the Center, continue to do so; if you can introduce new sisters and brothers to the Center so much the better for the Center and our regular participants!

No need to tell you that inflation is on the rise ... and that our new space has increased our rent appreciatively ... so new pledges and new visitors to the Center are not only deeply appreciated, but also needed.

We of the Center Staff thank all of you who have contributed your time, presence, enthusiasm, criticisms, donations of every sort and pledges.

Please write us; we are interested to receive comments and suggestions from all who have visited the Center and any of its functions.

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AT A LOSS FOR A SEASONAL GREETING CARD TO SEND TO THOSE SPECIAL PEOPLE THIS YEAR? CENTER MAY HAVE THE PERFECT GREETING CARD FOR YOU. WE WILL BE SELLING A CARD DESIGNED BY STEVE WADA, A TALENTED ASIAN BROTHER WHO HAS, IN THE SPIRIT OF THE SEASON, DONATED HIS TALENT, SKILLS, TIME AND MATERIALS TOWARD THE DEVELOPMENT OF THIS CARD. IT WILL BE ON SALE AT THE CENTER AFTER THANKSGIVING FOR 25¢. The greeting will be in Chinese and English. Asian Americans for Action, a group which meets at the Center on Friday evenings, will also be selling these cards, and can answer questions pertaining to the card if you call the Center.

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DECEMBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 4:30 ASI	2	3	4 5:30 Women's Grp 6:30 Center	5 6:30 AAFM	6 6:30 AAA-sc 7:30 AAA	7
8 4:30 ASI	9	10	11 5:30 Women's Grp 6:30 Center	12 6:30 AAFM	13 6:30 AAA-sc 7:30 AAA	14
15 1:00 Women's Grps. Coalition 4:30 ASI	16	17	18 5:30 Women's Grp 6:30 Center	19 6:30 AAFM	20 6:30 AAA-sc 7:30 AAA	21
22 4:30 ASI	23	24	25	26 6:30 AAFM	27 6:30 AAA-sc 7:30 AAA	28
29 4:30 ASI	30	31 ***** LAST NIGHT OF THE YEAR AT THE CENTER *****				

Independent Groups Using the Center:
(for meetings, activities, forums, mailing address, etc.)

- Asian Americans for Action (AAA)
- Asian Americans for Fair Media (AAFM)
- Asians in the Spirit of the Indochinese (ASI)
- Asian Women's Group
- Group of Khmer Residents in America
- Katipunan ng mga Demokratikong Pilipino (KDP)
- Worker's Viewpoint
- Korean Unification Study Group

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