



KAAM NEWSLETTER

KOREAN AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF MINNESOTA

2017 Annual Meeting & Dinner at Radisson Hotel



The 2017 KAAM Annual Meeting and Dinner was held at the Radisson Hotel on Saturday, December 2 with about 127 attendants. The year long KAAM business and financial report were presented at the meeting. Three appreciation plaques were awarded to those who had worked hard for KAAM (HC Shin-3M vice chair and executive vice president, Jiun Kim-former executive director, Kunhong Lee-former KAAM board member). The Admirable Mother Award was given to KeumHwa Choi, and the meeting was concluded with the greetings of DaeSik Ahn(the president of the Midwest Korean American Association). Following the meeting, H.C. Shin, the 3M vice chair and executive vice president and Kami Choi, a graduate of Harvard delivered impressive speeches which left a big impression. The event also had the beautiful performances by talented performers (harp: Hana Flower, song: JinHo Im, accompaniment: SeoYeon Im/JiYoung Kim, B-boy: Matthew Davisons). At the end, fifty seven of the attendees won various prizes. There were also a silent auction and a book- exchange event during the meeting which added more fun. We hope for a larger turnout to enjoy the event next year.

2018 KAAM Events & Services

Festival of Nations

Thursday, May 3
- Sunday, May 6

Consular Services

1st service : Friday, May 18
2nd service : Friday, Oct. 19

8.15 Liberation Day

Celebration

Friday, Aug. 10

Annual Athletic Event

Saturday, Sep. 15

Annual Meeting & Dinner

Saturday, Dec. 1

Korean Language School

Spring : Feb. 11- May 13
Fall : Sep. 9 - Dec. 9

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Korean Language School

(YoungHoon Ham)



The 2018 Spring semester started on Sunday, February 11. This 14 week program includes a total of 5 classes from pre-school through middle school students and

adults and runs through May 13. If you are interested, please consider participating in the Korean Language School and the Korean American Education Program.

Korean pride was heightened during Pyeong-Chang Winter Olympic Games in February. We will continue to teach our children about Korea and inspire them to embrace their heritage and pride in Korea.

Korean Language School Bazaar

The Korean language school fundraising bazaar will be held on Sunday, April 22 from 1:00 - 5:00 pm at KAAM Center. We were able to purchase several audiovisual materials through last April's bazaar with great efforts of many people. This year, we are planning to raise funds to implement various programs(history / culture camp, parent education, career education seminar) which were planned by the Korean language school. There will also be a book event at the bazaar. Please join us to have a great time. More information will be posted on the website of the Korean American Association / Korean Language School.

- ❖ Please register or recommend candidates for 2019 president of KAAM.
- ❖ We are looking for some new or gently used Hanboks (kids/adult) to use in KAAM events. And please contact us if you need a Hanbok.
- ❖ KAAM building is available for groups, families or social gathering events.
- ❖ KAAM can help you get a health insurance through MNSure for free.

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Korean History/Culture Camp & Parents Workshop

Korean history/culture camp will be held twice this year (summer/winter). In the last year's camp, students learned about Korean traditional arts, play and important historical facts. This year, they will learn about the people who had a great influence on Korean history. There will also be a time to understand more about the present Korean culture.

Parents workshop is planned to be held in September. Last year's workshop covered a wide range of subjects but lacked opportunities for discussion and practice on each topic. This year, we will select some specific topics in hopes to have more of a chance to discuss and practice.

- **Summer History/Culture Camp (scheduled in Jun.)**
Scientist Yeongsil Jang, Traditional Art Experience, Korean Food and Manners
- **Winter History/Culture Camp (scheduled in Dec.)**
Charity businesswoman Man-duk Kim, Theme-based creative activities, Traditional culture
- **Parents Workshop (scheduled in Sep.)**
Enrichment Theme : Actual Situation Exercise on the topic of conversation with your child.



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Festival of Nations

The Festival of Nations is the largest multicultural festival with the longest history in the Midwest. It is held at Saint Paul River Center every year in May. This year it will be held from Thursday, May 3rd to Sunday, 6th. KAAM will participate in Korean Cafe, Exhibition and Performance, and give opportunity to visitors to experience Korean food and culture.



2018 Thu. May 3 – Sun. May 6

Place : Saint Paul River Centre
175 Kellogg Boulevard
West St. Paul, MN 55102

Tickets : Adult \$ 13.50 (\$11 advance),
Youth \$8 , Under 5 free with adults

Hours :

Students Thu. May 3 9am–3pm
Fri. May 4 9:30am–4:30pm
General Fri. May 4 4:30pm–10pm
Sat. May 5 10am–10pm
Sun. May 6 10am–6pm

Korean Cafe
Bibimbab, Japchae,
Korean pancake,
Mandu, Kimchi
Chocopie,
Korean coffee

Exhibition Booth
Theme “Now and Then”
Topic “Games and Toys”

Performance
Traditional Dance
(by Jangmi Dance)

The Consular Service ; Friday , May 18

In cooperation with the Consulate General of the Republic of Korea in Chicago, the first consular service will be on Friday, May 18th at KAAM Center. Past consular services had been held on Saturdays, but from this year it will be held on Friday.

- ❖ When - Friday, May 18th 9:00am~1:00pm
- ❖ Where - KAAM Center
1331 County Road D Cir E,
Vadnais Heights, MN 55109
- ❖ Contact - (651)440-9192 / contact@mnkorea.org
- ❖ First come first serve / Reception by 1:00pm
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Liberation Day & Independence Movement Day Essay/Drawing Contest

There is an essay/drawing contest for Liberation Day(8.15) & Independence Movement Day(3.1). This can be a great chance for our kids to learn about the history and roots of Korea.

All participating students will get certificates and awards. The award ceremony will be held on Friday, August 10th which is the celebration of Liberation Day & Independence Movement Day.

Liberation Day & Independence Movement Day Essay/Drawing Contest



- For Preschoolers - 9th graders
- About The Liberation Day(8.15) or Independence Movement Day(3.1)
- Choose one of below
 - a. Drawing + 2-3 sentences (Korean)
 - b. Essay (100-200 characters, within 1 page)
 - c. Essay + Drawing
- Due by Friday, July 20, 2018
- Send to Korean American Association of MN(KAAM)

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The Celebration of Liberation Day & Independence Movement Day

The celebration Event of Liberation Day and Independence Movement Day will be held on Friday, August 10, from 5:30pm to 8:00 pm at the Church of All Nations. Bibimbap will be served before the celebration and the essay/drawing contest award ceremony will be held at the end of the event.



Korean Annual Athletic Event



Minnesota Korean annual athletic event will be held at the Coon Rapids Soccer Complex on Saturday, September 15th. Please join this fun athletic event.

2018 KAAM Annual Meeting & Dinner
Saturday, December 1st 5:30pm-8:00pm
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New Youth Program

KAAM is starting a new program for the Korean Americans youths. This aims to build a community for Korean-American youth across Minnesota and to aid in their personal, academic, leadership, and professional development. The first event will be on Sat, Apr. 14th. All Korean American youths and parents are welcome.

KAAM Youth Program
Korean American Next Generation Leaders
Korean-American Identity & Leadership

The KANG Leaders program will also feature upcoming workshops on college and career prep, civic engagement, relationship-building and Korean culture.

Saturday, April 14th 1:30-4:30pm
 Korean Presbyterian Church of MN
 5840 Humboldt Ave N, Brooklyn Center, MN 55430
 7th ~12th Graders, college students & their parents

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New Senior Group Program

The Senior Group Program is currently under preparation for the people over 65 years old who live in Minnesota. Please contact us if you are interested or have any questions. (651-440-9192)

Information about Nationality Detachment for Multi-nationality Citizens

- ❖ A military service obligation occurs to Korean men who were born in the United States / Canada when they become 18 years old under the Constitution and the Military Service Law.
- ❖ Multi-nationality citizens residing outside of Korea can notify a nationality detachment through the overseas diplomatic offices between the time of birth and the end of March of the year when 18 years of age is reached. If not, unless the military service is done or exempted, the nationality detachment will be restricted until the age of 37.
- ❖ For details, please check the website of the Military Administration (Military Service Implementation Guide> Traveling or staying overseas> multiple nationality and military duty) or with your overseas diplomatic mission.

Dr. SungKyun Juhn won Seo Jae-pil Medical Award



On December 5th 2017, the University of MN Professor SungKyun Juhn won the 14th Seo Jae-pil Award. He graduated from Kyungpook National University medical school in 1957 and received his masters degree at Seoul National University (biochemistry) and his doctoral degree from the University of Düsseldorf in German (biochemistry). He is a professor of neuroscience at the University of Minnesota and a world-renowned professor.

Dr. Juhn is also recognized as a true medical practitioner of Schweitzer 's Life Outreach Thoughts. His unlimited dedication and effort has a great influence on many scholars and colleagues.

Dr. SungKyun Juhn was the president of KAAM in 1969 and he has been the president advisory board member since 2012.

Korean Traditional Wedding Event

(Presentation by KAAM, free)

Southdale Library

(7001 York Ave. S Edina MN 55435)

Saturday, June 23rd at 2pm-3pm

Maple Grove Library

(8001 Main St.N. Maple Grove, MN 55369)

Saturday, June 30th at 2pm-3pm



The Admirable Mother Award

A Mother is who always with us

(KeumWha Choi, 2017 awardee)

What should a mother be to her child?

What was my mother to me?

My mother had to go through the Japanese colonial period and lived an uncertain life in the Korean War. She raised her seven children in a life of suffering and in fear of the future.



Whenever she told me her story of hard times, I found the path to lead my own life. I grew and learned from the stories that my mother told me and lived with her life philosophy. These philosophies had become the cornerstones of my life and I believe that a mother's life directly shapes that of her child's.

What kind of insight can we give to our children who have to live with many burdens?

The philosophy of life that I want to pass to my child is that the burden of life should not be feared. Instead, as my mother said, the burden of life could be a worthy gift.

A mother is the most trustworthy person. She is the one who gives us the courage to get through the trials, the one who we can laugh with and cry with. A mother is not only a person who teaches her children properly, but also a person who is always with them.

Admirable Mother Award

This award was established to honor the life of Mrs. Kyong-ja Lee(1915-2005) and will be awarded to single mothers who follow her footsteps. Mrs. Lee at age of 34 during the Korean War became a widow with 4 children. She had to overcome indescribable hardships in order to raise her children. She dedicated her whole life to raise them.

1. Qualifications : Korean-Americans(citizen or permanent resident) who live in Minnesota and have supported and raised their children to enroll and/or graduate from college.
2. Award Amount : \$1,000
3. Recommendation Due : 11/15/2018
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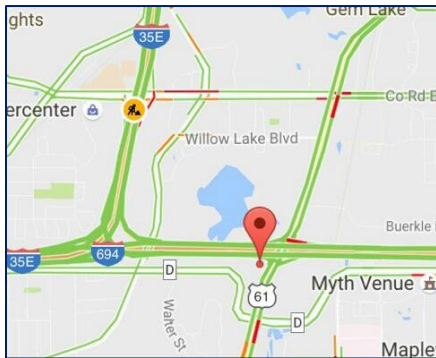


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Korean Language School Fundraising Bazaar

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Sunday, April 22nd 1-5pm

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