

ABOUT API FAMILY PRIDE

Asian & Pacific Islander Family Pride is a non-profit organization whose mission is to end the isolation of Asian & Pacific Islander families with lesbian, gay, bi-sexual and transgender members through support, education and dialog.

Our vision is the recognition and acceptance among Asian & Pacific Islander families of the sexual and gender diversity within our cultures.

We are committed, both individually and collectively, to create an organization that values:

- the bonds between parent and child
- the contribution of inter-generational and extended family traditions
- diverse racial, ethnic, linguistic, and faith communities
- coalitions with API communities and organizations
- respect for all contributions and diverse perspectives.

CONTACT US

For general questions or inquires,
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ASIAN & PACIFIC ISLANDER
FAMILY PRIDE
PRESENTS



3RD ANNUAL FAMILY PRESENTATION BANQUET

SATURDAY, JULY 8, 2006

Please join us in celebrating and honoring individual API families who proudly support their LGBT children, relatives, friends, in spite of the prejudice they encounter.



LETTER TO OUR FRIENDS

Dear Friends,

In Asian & Pacific Islander cultures, family belonging and social acceptance are very important. This makes it difficult for many API GLBTs to tell their family, because the stigma of homosexuality often brings shame and rejection. When API GLBTs “come out,” many parents have conflicted feelings, torn between love of child and fear of judgment from peers and other family members. Sadly, API GLBTs often become isolated and are deprived of the support and love of their families.

But there are examples where the opposite happens; where love and loyalty overcome shame and fear. Many API GLBTs have the open love, acceptance, and support of their parents, siblings and relatives. These “family coming out” struggles and successes are private ones, kept close to hearts and homes.

Times are changing. Public demonstrations challenge institutionalized homophobia and confirm the power of family love and loyalty that is transforming our homes and will ultimately transform our society. API Family Pride is dedicated to continue the opportunity for API GLBT people to publicly acknowledge and celebrate their personal family struggles with our Family Honor Roll. It is a scroll with the names of parents, siblings, relatives and friends who overcame the shame of homophobic society to love and accept their API GLBT children. Their example is important to acknowledge. Their stories are an inspiration to us all, but most especially to young API GLBT people who are just coming out.

We invite API GLBT children to submit the names of those who accepted and supported you to be placed on the parents, siblings, relatives and friends. We will put them on our Family Honor Roll. Then come with your honorees and family and friends to acknowledge their courage at our 3rd Annual API-FP Family Presentation Banquet.

Host Committee, API-FP Family Presentation Banquet

API-FP FAMILY HONOR ROLL

WHO MAY BE NAMED TO THE HONOR ROLL— Any parent, sibling, relative or friend who loves and accepts their API LGBT child/relative/friend in spite of the shame and isolation imposed by a homophobic society may be recognized. They may be living or deceased and may be of any race or ethnicity.

RECOGNITION PROCESS:

1. Submission for recognition should be submitted by June 17, 2006.
2. Name, address, and other contact information of the person who is submitting and his/her relationship to the person(s) submitted for recognition.
3. An approximately 100 word summary statement attesting to the love and acceptance of an API GLBT person by the person(s) to be recognized.
4. A photograph suitable for publication of the person(s) to be recognized; digital photo is preferred.
5. Send the information to: **API-FP** P.O. Box 473 Fremont, CA 94537
—or— email belinda@apifamilypride.org

NOTE: Unless otherwise requested, it is understood that by submission, the names & stories of the honorees will be used in future API-FP printed and internet publications. If there is any question regarding Honor Roll, please contact us at 510-818-0887 or email us at info@apifamilypride.org

3RD ANNUAL FAMILY PRESENTATION BANQUET

5:00 - 9:00 PM, SATURDAY, JULY 8, 2006

PROGRAM	5:00 - 5:45	Welcoming of Families
	5:45 - 9:00	Dinner
		“Honoring Family” Program
		Entertainment

LOCATION	OAKLAND ASIAN CULTURAL CENTER
	388 9th Street
	Oakland, California

(In Oakland’s Chinatown, 9th St. is between Franklin & Webster in the Pacific Renaissance Plaza, 2nd floor.
Parking is available underground in the Plaza.)

Note: You are also invited to the afternoon session, “Sharing of Stories.” Please check www.apifamilypride.org for time and location.

TICKETS

This year, tickets can be reserved and purchased online or via U.S. postal mail. Please send in your RSVP and payment to reserve your seats. All payments are non-refundable after June 24, 2006.

Online — Please go to www.apifamilypride.org

U.S. Postal Mail — Please make checks payable to “API Family Pride” and mail to API Family Pride, P.O. Box 473, Fremont, CA 94537

CATEGORY	PRICE PER PERSON
Platinum Sponsor	(8 event tickets & listing) \$1000 + up
Gold Sponsor	(6 event tickets & listing) \$750
Silver Sponsor	(4 event tickets & listing) \$500
Bronze Sponsor	(2 event tickets & listing) \$250
Copper Sponsor	(1 event ticket & listing) \$100
Adults / Children 13+ yrs.	\$35 <i>by 6/24</i> \$40 <i>after 6/24</i>
Children 5 – 12 yrs.	\$15
Children < 5 yrs.	FREE

- Bronze, Silver, Gold, & Platinum Sponsors: Acknowledgment in event program and website. Platinum & Gold Sponsors: Lead recognition.
- We will make all efforts to accommodate special requests & dietary needs.
- Partial or whole scholarships are available, if you volunteer!!
- For more information, please call us at 510-818-0887.