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Message From The President, CK Lim

Have you ever heard of Malaysians who are living here and do not want to mingle or associate themselves with other Malaysians? Shocking??? As a matter of fact, there are many of such lingering around us, many actually live very close by.

Why do I bring this up? As a board member of MASC, we always care and wonder what we can do to better promote goodwill and friendship among us. To make our stay at this adopted country more meaningful and possibly excel to achieve the "American Dream" that so many of us desire. No doubt we have our own agenda and time frame. What good is it to shy away from identifying yourself with a country that...?

Well, I guessed that's where the individuals drew their line. Aren't you proud of your race, religion or the

country you came from? Or you are trying hard to create a new identity at a new place with a new lifestyle? No matter what it is, your roots and your true self would be your guidance in carrying you to a level that will gain you respect and complacency.

Wow! Sounds so simple and yet so complicated. That is why we have so many Malaysians here who are not too sure on introducing themselves. They rather remain anonymous and going with their own daily lives but too often in contempt. But in contempt with what, you ask?

Well, that brings us back to square one where we all need something to identify with...our belonging. I hope this doesn't get too philosophical but just something to ponder when sometimes...out of nowhere you wonder..."who am I and why am I here?" Sound familiar?

MASC General Election, 2003

MASC will hold an AGM in the latter part of 2003 where a new Board of Directors will be elected for 2004-2005. Please watch for further announcements.

Under the MASC By-laws, all present directors are eligible for nomination and re-election provided they have not served more than 2 two-year terms. Only members of MASC are eligible for nomination and all interested members may direct their inquiries to www.mascusa.com.

Mrs Susan Malhotra was appointed as the Election Chairman and she will be in charge of the process. More details will be in our next newsletter.

Announcement from our friends in San Francisco:

Summer Beach Picnics- held by MPBA (Malaysian Professional Business Association)- this event is for networking and to promote our Asian culture
Date: June 22nd, 2003
Time: 12:00 pm to 5:00 pm
Venue: Beach Picnic
Area 7 and 8, Cayote Point Drive
San Mateo, CA 94401.

Activities including Great Malaysian Food, Arts & Crafts (Art Competition, Face Painting, Children Crafts), Games (Kids/Adults Competition, Teams, Prizes). Details at www.mpba.org.

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