

The Asian American Bar Association (AABA) of Houston is a voluntary organization of lawyers of Asian heritage or who have Asian American interests, dedicated to promoting diversity within the legal profession and Houston community.

The Asian American Bar Association of Houston

cordially invites you to its

**2008 ANNUAL MEETING &
INSTALLATION BANQUET**



Wednesday, January 16, 2008

Café Le Jadeite

1952 West Gray

Annual Meeting and Reception at 6:30 p.m. / Admission: Free / Cash Bar

Dinner at 7:15 p.m. / Admission: \$25 for AABA Members & \$40 for Non-Members / Cash Bar

New and renewing member applications will be accepted

Please join the Asian American Bar Association for its Annual Meeting of the AABA's Membership. The Annual Meeting will be followed by a banquet dinner welcoming the incoming Officers for 2008. The Honorable Sharolyn Wood, 127th Civil District Court, will preside over the installation ceremony.

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THANK YOU!

This season, the AABA participated in the Houston Young Lawyers Association's *Adopt-an-Angel* program, "adopting" a class of third graders at Woodson Elementary School. Thank you to the following AABA members for their donations:

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New Committee Chairs for 2008

The AABA is grateful for these individuals' commitment and willingness to serve, and we look forward to their enthusiasm and many enjoyable and worthwhile events this year!

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AABA HOLIDAY PARTY

DECEMBER 8, 2007

The AABA celebrated the end of another successful year at the annual Holiday Party. AABA members and their families mixed and mingled while they enjoyed a buffet lunch and an array of desserts. We even had a special appearance by Santa Claus (a.k.a. Joseph Yao)!



Emily, Peter, and Braeden Nguyen;
Lynn, Garek, and Don Kramer



David Kuo, Simon Tang, John Na,
Teresa Hsiao, and Lingling Dai



Joyce and Isabel Soliman



Sherry Scott, Glenna Yao, and Santa Joseph



*The AABA wishes you and your family
a happy and prosperous New Year!*

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AABA Community Service Update

Hurricane Rita Clinic in Port Arthur, Texas

On Saturday, December 8, 2007, AABA members -- Daniel Hu, Tan Tang, and Simon Nguyen and his wife Quynh Nguyen -- traveled to Port Arthur, Texas to provide pro bono legal assistance to Vietnamese-Americans survivors of Hurricane Rita at a clinic organized by Lone Star Legal Aid. The clinic was part of continuing efforts to help ensure that those impacted by Hurricane Rita receive federally-funded assistance to help them rebuild their homes and lives after the devastating storm as well as any general legal assistance they may need. Special thanks to Daniel, Quynh, Simon, and Tan for setting aside time during the very busy holiday season for this worthy event.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Houston Bar Foundation's "Day of Giving" Saturday, January 12, 2008

The Houston Bar Foundation, the charitable arm of the Houston Bar Association, is commemorating 25 years of service to the Houston community and legal profession with a "Day of Giving" on Saturday, January 12th. Legal advice clinics will be open to the public in ten different locations throughout the Houston area from 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Hundreds of volunteers will staff the clinics with attorneys and support staff.

The Foundation is still in need of bilingual speakers, interpreters, family law attorneys, immigration attorneys, and other volunteers. If you would like to participate, please contact Warren Huang. This is the first time the legal community has undertaken a project of this magnitude, and we hope, in collaboration with the HBF, to make a difference by assisting hundreds of people on a single day throughout our city!

Law of the Land

Vietnamese Translation Assistance Needed

The Low Income Texans Committee of the Texas Young Lawyers Association needs assistance translating its pamphlet, *Law of the Land: The Texas Roadmap to Understanding Your Legal Rights and Responsibilities*, into Vietnamese. This publication was prepared in 2003 to inform U.S. immigrants about their legal rights and responsibilities under Texas and federal law. Many individuals are often unaware and, consequently, encounter financial hardships in efforts to resolve or defend against legal matters that could have easily been avoided. Moreover, new immigration and naturalization laws and policies enacted after September 11th may significantly impact the manner in which immigrants are treated in the United States. The AABA wants to help TYLA make the information in this brochure as widely available as possible. If you are able to assist with the Vietnamese translation or know someone else who can, please contact Lynn Kramer.

