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## 2004 NPCA Conference Planning Activities Update

Plan ahead! Mark your calendars for August 5 to 8, 2004 and come join CAPCA as it hosts the NPCA Conference in Chicago and celebrates its 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary as an organization.

Over the last few months, a team of volunteers, led by Committee Chair, Trina Janes, has been working on outlining a proposed plan for NPCA board approval including selecting venues, drafting programs, developing conference themes, and recruiting volunteers. In order to keep the process moving forward, however, and ensure the conference is a success, the committee needs your help. All RPCVs in the Chicagoland area are being asked to get involved by contributing their time, ideas, and/or talents to the planning process.

Please join us for the next conference planning committee meeting to be held Thursday, September 12 at 6:30 p.m. at The Haymarket Group, 54 W. Hubbard Street, Chicago. For more information, to volunteer, or make suggestions, contact Planning Committee Chair, Trina Janes (Morocco 91-93), at [cjanes1999@kellogg.nwu.edu](mailto:cjanes1999@kellogg.nwu.edu) or (312) 645-9400 ex. 35.

## Annual Board Elections - CAPCA Welcomes Fresh Ideas and New Leadership!

CAPCA's annual Board of Director's elections will take place at the monthly dinner meeting at Jaipur Palace on the 23rd of September. While most current board members plan to continue their service to CAPCA, new energy and ideas are always needed and welcome. Joining a CAPCA board committee is a great way to be more active in your local RPCV group! If you are interested in getting more involved with CAPCA, please contact Stephanie Arnold at [msarnold@gsb.uchicago.edu](mailto:msarnold@gsb.uchicago.edu) or (773) 529-1892.

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# UPCOMING EVENTS

## Dinner Meeting & Board Elections

**Monday, September 23, 2002, 6:30 p.m.**

Monthly dinner meetings have returned! Come join CAPCA at Jaipur Palace and dine on tandoor-style (traditional clay oven) Indian cuisine at this stylish restaurant in the heart of downtown Chicago. Dinner is \$16 for CAPCA members (\$18 for non-members) and includes meal, tax and tip. Beverages are extra.

Board elections will also be held this evening, so please be sure to R.S.V.P. by September 19 to Stephanie Arnold at [msarnold@gsb.uchicago.edu](mailto:msarnold@gsb.uchicago.edu) or (773) 529-1892.

*Address/Directions:* Jaipur Palace, 22 East Hubbard St., Chicago, IL. Take the Red Line to "Grand" or CTA 29 State bus to Hubbard or 65 Grand bus to State.

## Brunch, brunch, brunch!

**Saturday, October 26, 2002, 11:00 a.m.**

In October, CAPCA will gather for brunch at Mom's Bake Shoppe and Restaurant. Mom's is hailed by Metromix as "the best Filipino restaurant in town." For just \$11 (\$13 non-members) CAPCA members will enjoy numerous tasty Filipino delights and baked goods. Soft drinks, tax and tip are also included. Please R.S.V.P. by Wednesday, October 23 to Stephanie Arnold at [msarnold@gsb.uchicago.edu](mailto:msarnold@gsb.uchicago.edu) or (773) 529-1892. Free parking is available at the restaurant.

*Address/Directions:* Mom's Bake Shoppe and Restaurant, 2415 W. Peterson Avenue (near the intersection of Western Avenue and Peterson Avenue). Take CTA 49B-North bus (Western Avenue) to Peterson OR 84 Peterson bus to Western.

## Oak Park Council on International Affairs (CIA), Annual Peace Corps Partnership Fundraising Dinner

**Wednesday, November 6, 2002, 6:30 p.m.**

The Oak Park CIA (Council on International Affairs) will be hosting its 39<sup>th</sup> annual Peace Corps Partnership fundraising dinner on Wednesday, November 6<sup>th</sup> at the Oak Park High School. Featured guest speaker will be CAPCA's own Wallace Goode, winner of the Franklin H. Williams award for community service. Invitations and a response envelope will be mailed to everyone on the CAPCA mailing list at the end of September. Reservations for the dinner are required. The Oak Park CIA has sponsored more than 260 Partnerships and leads the nation in this effort. Please plan to join us for this event! For more information, contact RPCV Margaret Rohter at (708) 442-6163 or at [mrohter@yahoo.com](mailto:mrohter@yahoo.com).

# Announcements

## 2003 Peace Corps Calendars Now Available

Yes, it is that time again when you can purchase the beautifully photographed Peace Corps calendar published by the RPCV Wisconsin-Madison group. To glimpse pictures of previous year's calendars and to learn more about the calendar project, go to <http://www.geocities.com/wirpcv/calen02.html>. Kara will be selling calendars at CAPCA dinner meetings; large orders can be shipped directly to you. For more information, please contact Kara Malenfant directly at [malenfant@alexia.lis.uiuc.edu](mailto:malenfant@alexia.lis.uiuc.edu) or (773) 561-0310.

## PC Christmas Ornaments Raise Funds for DuPage Affiliate Group

RPCV, Ann Woody (Dominica), is selling Peace Corps Christmas ornaments to help generate funds for the start up of the DuPage Affiliates. On a 3" white hand blown ball, the PC logo appears on one side with "Peace on Earth" on the opposite side. The cost of the ornament is \$18 and includes tax and shipping. For more information or to order ornaments, please contact Ann at [ea Woody@worldnet.att.net](mailto:ea Woody@worldnet.att.net) or (630) 221-9181.

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# Volunteer Opportunities

## Red Cross, Safe Chicago Campaign

Wednesday, September 11, 2002

The American Red Cross of Greater Chicago is looking for volunteers to help distribute 5,000 bags of disaster preparedness information to patrons at area Metra/CTA stations across Chicagoland. Assemble your own team or join the ARC of Greater Chicago team in a Day of Action. All ages are welcome to participate, individuals under 16 must have parental consent. For more information or to sign up, please send an email to [charlesro@usa.redcross.org](mailto:charlesro@usa.redcross.org) or call (312) 729-6128 or (312) 729-6218.

## NPCA and "Trick-or-Treat for UNICEF"

The National Peace Corps Association is a national partner in the U.S. Fund for UNICEF's "Trick-or-Treat for UNICEF" campaign. UNICEF, the United Nations Children's Fund, is the world's leading children's organization working in more than 160 countries to provide relief to the young victims of natural disasters, civil strife and economic upheaval.

"Trick-or-Treat for UNICEF" is a fundraising and educational program that supports UNICEF's efforts and helps U.S. children learn about global issues and better understand the world in which they live. Any Chicago area RPCV who would like to participate by making presentations to schools, youth groups, churches or encouraging your children, students or others to "Trick-or-Treat for UNICEF" this year or would like to learn about various ways to help with the campaign, please contact Amy Colin Regional Program Manager "Trick-or-Treat for UNICEF" and Community Alliances, US Fund for UNICEF, Chicago Chapter at (312) 255-0400 or [acolin@unicef.org](mailto:acolin@unicef.org).



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## *CAPCA Board Meeting Minutes*

### *Summary of May 6, 2002 Meeting*

*Present:* Stephanie Arnold, Marie Erdman, Trina Janes, Nancy Kramer, Stephen Maduli-Williams, Kara Malenfant, Ben Peeters, David Pope, Juliann Salinas, Liz Thomas, Leslie Wilson

*Not Present:* Wallace Goode, Melissa Hall, Rachel Sharon, Chuck Sheftel, Elizabeth Versten.

1. *Minutes (Janes).* Janes distributed the April minutes. Wilson moved to approve the minutes, Maduli-Williams seconded, and the motion passed.
2. *Treasurer's Report (Malenfant).* The final total as of May 6, 2002 was \$8,560.79. Wilson moved to approve the treasurer's report, Janes seconded and the motion passed.
3. *Founder's Day (Kramer, Haugsnes).* There was much discussion on final Founder's Day preparations, including silent auction management, program, appetizers, advertisements, coordinating volunteers at the dinner, and PR for Gaddi.
4. *Sister Cities -* The Chicago Sister Cities committee is seeking support for a Technology Camp for youth to attend camp in the Greater Accra (Ghana) region, focusing on hands-on experience. Wilson moved to support ten children at a cost of \$35 each. After some discussion, this motion was tabled until after Founder's Day.
5. *NPCA 2004 conference (Janes).* Chicago is the only group in the running for hosting the 2004 NPCA conference, and Janes is chairing the effort. Issues discussed were: sending representative(s) to the June NPCA conference to gather information, investigating venues, coming up with a budget, and soliciting assistance from the general CAPCA membership.

6. *Events.* Maduli-Williams said he would investigate organizing an outing to a White Sox game, aimed at new volunteers. Similarly he suggested a happy hour at Wild Hair for the same crowd.
7. *Other business.*
  - a) Maduli-Williams will investigate the possibility of having our newsletters formatted by the Venture Capital group (pro bono).
  - b) Dylan Russell, a web consultant with Goode, will be meeting with Salinas to investigate a web redesign.
  - c) Possible board retreat, June 8, 9 - 3? (no support)
  - d) Newberry library - Wilson suggested that we investigate the possibility of participating in "Treasures & Trimmings" at the Newberry Library
8. This will be Wilson's last meeting, as she has accepted a position overseas with Save the Children. Good luck to her, and thanks for all the work you've put in over the years!
9. Next meeting will be held Tuesday, July 2, location TBD.
10. Salinas moved that the meeting be adjourned, Wilson seconded and the motion passed.

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