

*Bridge Builders of Anchorage Invites You to Our  
2008 Gala Awards Banquet & Ball*

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**Our Vision**  
*To make Anchorage the first city  
without prejudice as the first step  
to eliminate racism in Alaska*

**Please join us August 9, 2008, 6:30pm-12:30am  
at the Sheraton Hotel, 401 E. 6th Ave., Anchorage**

**Dear Friend of Bridge Builders:**

Please join us August 9, 2008 at the Sheraton Hotel Anchorage for our 3rd Annual Gala Awards Banquet & Ball. This event recognizes outstanding members of Anchorage's multi-ethnic communities with the Bridge Builders "Excellence in Community Service Award."



Elsa Sargento, Chairman and Arthur Yang, Member of the Board

Invite a group of friends to join you for the evening of celebration with a seated dinner, awards ceremony, cultural entertainment and dancing. Call 277-1882 for reservations. \$60.00 per guest or \$600.00 for a table of 10 guests.

Bridge Builders' mission is to promote and celebrate harmony and respect among all cultures. Bridge Builders of Anchorage has over 600 members representing 53 cultures. We have 13 years experience combating prejudice and racism by mobilizing against hate crimes and youth violence, supporting communities to become more involved as citizens, and raising awareness of ethnic tensions and ways to alleviate them.

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**2008 Honorees for Excellence in Community Service**

Anchorage Korean Language School (Korean Community)

Richard Benavides (Hispanic Community)

Neil Bhargava (East Indian Community)

Boualang Chang (Hmong Community)

China Earthquake Relief Fund: Samson Ning and Edwin Chan (Chinese Community)

Ebenezer Danguilan (Filipino Community)

Loredana Di Cecco (Italian Community)

Evergreen Senior Center, Paul Han (Korean Community)

Karilagan Folkloric Group (Filipino Community)

Cheong K. Kim (Korean Community)

Reverend Alonzo Patterson (African-American Community)

Mai Xiong (Hmong Community)

Steven P. Yang (Hmong Community)

Yuungnaqpiallerput, The Way We Genuinely Live: Masterworks of Yup'ik Science and Survival (Yup'ik Community): Marie Meade, Alice Rearden, Ann Fienup-Riordan

**President's Award:**

Carol Comeau, Superintendent of Anchorage School District

