

Alumnae Student Relations Committee- Report December 2013.

The ASR committee sponsors programs which help create a positive relationship between students and the Alumnae Association . This ongoing relationship encourages students to become supportive and active members of the AAMC when they become alumnae .

Members: Lynda Campfield, Cynthia Gevara , Beverly Curwen, Lillian Sahagun, LaTasha Warmesley, Toni McElroy, Rose Lopez, Mel Petricko, Michelle Balovich.

Committee meeting: November 4 , 2013

Future Meetings : TBD

Fall is always a fun time for the Committee as we plan and organize special events for the students .

International Tea : November 15 th

The evening began with instrumental music played by Cornelius Boots . The Shakuhachi is a woodwind flute of Japanese origin . The music set the tone of serenity and peace for the evening.

We had an array of international teas and treats provided by the ASR committee and BOG along with a delicious and abundant Chinese dinner cooked by parents of a Mills student . Our special thanks to Dr. Chui-Hun Chen who organized the dinner . This year the Provost's office funded the dinner .

There were 19 students , 5 faculty members and 6 members of the AAMC and BOG.

After dinner we shared our first impressions of the US and Mills. We had lively sharing and discussion .

The evening concluded with Dr. Greg Tanaka, a visiting Professor , singing and playing the Ukulele . The faculty and students lingered long after the Tea . Everyone was grateful for this special event .

Total number of attendees : 30

Total cost for the event was \$ \$244

ASR cost : \$94.10

Winter Celebration: November 21 , 2013

This year we used Ann's Catering for food which was not only well received but also reduced our cost .

The evening began with the harp music played by a Mills student . Laura Gobbi, Senior Director of Alumnae welcomed everyone and was followed by President Decoudreaux, Dean of Student Life, Eloise Stigliitz and Senior Class President Maribel Garcia and President of the AAMC Lucy Do.

Highlights included the pinning of the silver Eucalyptus leaves by the members of the Board and the AAMC , lighting of candles to mark the transition from student to Alumnae , singing "Remember" led by Anita Aragon Bowers (former President of the AAMC) and a rose for each graduating student .

BOG members and the ASR Committee provided the desserts . It was a fun and memorable evening .

Number of attendees : 60

Total Cost for the event : \$1039.54

ASR cost \$ \$519.77

Next event : Finals snacks December 12, 6-8:30 pm at the Student Union.

All are welcome to assemble bags of goodies and distribute them to the students .

Special Acknowledgements

Thanks to the ASR committee members who worked hard to decorate and create a beautiful space for both events . A very special thanks to some of the Committee members whose gifts in kind made the events really memorable and unique.

Thanks to Alison Marin and the Staff of Alumnae Relations for their work , support , and partnership.

It is a privilege to serve with the members of the ASR committee who give so generously to connect, encourage , and support our students at Mills.

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Chair - ASR Committee

Vice- President- AAMC