Welcome to The Spark!
Hello there! This is volume I of The Spark, APASO's monthly newsletter. We strive to advocate, educate, empower, and of course spark passion within the Asian-Pacific American community at MSU.

Got news? Shout-outs? Opinions? Let us know - contact info is down at the bottom. We welcome any and all submissions (this is a newsletter for you!)

Thanks for joining us!

- The Spark Editors

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Affiliate Spotlight:

Pilipino American Student Society (PASS)

Give it up for PASS!
October is Filipino American Heritage Month, and PASS has been hard at work organizing cultural events such as...

- 10/10 - PASSport to the Phillipines. PASS’ 3rd GBM!
- Weekend of 10/11: PASS Alumni Weekend
  - 10/11 - Tutti Frutti social with PASS (who doesn’t love frozen yogurt? Battle for the largest froyo!)
  - 10/12 - Homecoming Tailgate! (yes, food is involved)
  - 10/13 - Picnic at Patriarche Park (with PASS! so much alliteration!)

Oh, and check out their painting of the MSU Rock!
On this side of the Red Cedar:

**SSC291: Introduction to Asian Pacific-American Studies**

Interested in learning more about APA issues (in the past, present, and future) and how you can impact them? Need a one-credit class for SPRING 2014?

Enroll for SSC 291 "Introduction to APA Studies" today!

In this seminar-based course, meet leaders within the APA community right here in East Lansing.

Who knows? You might just find yourself inspired.

**APA Headlines:**

**Remembering Pvt. Danny Chen**

![Pvt. Danny Chen](image)

The two-year anniversary of Chinese-American Private Danny Chen’s passing was October 3. Here are some resources to understanding the case, its aftermath, and its implications.

- Article, *New York Magazine: Pvt. Danny Chen, 1992–2011* “He was 19 years old, a scrawny six-four, and wanted nothing more than to join the Army. Just like so many other young men. But very few from Chinatown.”

- Video: [What Happened to Private Danny Chen?](video)


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