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Nepali Association of Oregon: 2005-07 Progress Report

NAO is a Non-Profit, Tax-Exempt Organization

NAO has recently obtain a non-profit tax-exemption status under the IRS code 501(c) (3) from the IRS. It allows us to operate as a charity organization and raise funds for the charity causes. It also means any donations you shall make for NAO will be tax-deductible. This also means we have to remain more accountable and transparent with regard to our accounting.

NAO Membership Status

Since 2005 Summer Picnic, we have seriously implemented the regular membership and it is growing ever since. Currently, more than 80% of our active members in the community have obtained the NAO membership:

Family Membership

Individual Membership

Student Membership

Now, you can enroll or renew your membership online by visiting NAO website.

Fund Raising Partnership in the Community

In the last two years (2005-2006) we have partner with the Lloyd Shopping Center in Portland in selling the \$5 ticket for the Magical Night of Giving event at the Mall. The fund generated more than \$1000 in two events we participated in.

Namaste Special Issue Publication

2006 Issue of Namaste was published as a special bumper issue in color in October 2006. The special issue was commemorating the 20th publication of Namaste since its first publication 11 years ago. The Special issue covered interesting literary pieces contributed by our members.

A total of ten advertisements from local businesses and members generated more than \$700 for the NAO fundraising drive.

NAO Website & Email Group

We have redesigned and added new services to the NAO website. The new services included on website are: online membership registration, local business promotion, and new & used household goods donation exclusively for the benefit of the community members.

NAO, with the assistance of Advisory Committee, set the guidelines for posting emails on the nepaloregon email group.

Regular Activities

Besides, NAO continue to provide regular programs such as **Nepali New Year** celebration 2063 and 2064 in April 2005 & 2006; **Dasain** celebration in October 2005 & 2006; and **Summer Picnic** in July 2005 & 2006. More and more community members are attending these events. NAO is constantly looking for doing these events in more interesting and engaging manner in future.

NAO also organized two years in a row a **Open Table Tennis Championship** Tournament, participated by many of our community members as well as Tibetans and American friends.

In addition, NAO participated in national as well as regional events, such as ANA Conference in Denver, The NW Nepali Association Picnic in Vancouver BC in 2005 and in Seattle in 2006.

NAO also participated in Oregon Historical Society's bicentennial celebration event, Dalai Lama's 70th birthday celebration in Portland; Inauguration of Silver Star Arts & Culture Center in Seattle in 2005.

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Balance Sheet: 2005-2007

Opening Balance (as of March 31, 2005)			<u>\$3,298</u>
INCOME:			<u>\$17,807</u>
Program Registration	\$10,637	60%	
Other Funds	\$2,745	15%	
Fund Raising	\$1,899	11%	
Membership	\$2,525	14%	
 EXPENSE:			 <u>\$14,910</u>
Venue Rentals	\$3,980	27%	
Food Catering	\$6,723	45%	
Program Support	\$1,160	8%	
Community Outreach	\$1,777	12%	
Non-Profit Application Processing Fee	\$550	4%	
Administrative Expenses	\$721	5%	
CLOSING BALANCE (as of Feb 28, 2007)			<u>\$6,195</u>

NOTE: This Balance Sheet covers NAO programs between April 2005 and March 2007.