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2008 Summer Internship Program

MIADC invites applications from Indo-American college students for its 2008 Political Internship program. To qualify, the student has to be a Michigan resident. This program is ideal for a student interested in learning how the political and legislative process works. The program will start in May/June 08 and carries a stipend. The application deadline is **May 20, 2008**.

For complete details of the program and the application form, please visit MIADC's website, www.miadc.org. If you need more information, please contact Sheetal Patel at sheetu_70@hotmail.com.

Fundraiser for US Senator Carl Levin on May 31

A fundraiser for US Senator (MI) Carl Levin is being hosted by MIADC Member **Jayashree Kommareddi** on Saturday, May 31st from 9 AM to 11.30 AM at 8426 Warwick Groves Ct, Grand Blanc. The ticket price is \$500 (single or couple) to be on the host committee and \$150 per person to attend.

For more information, contact Jayashree Kommareddi at jkommareddi@yahoo.com.

South Asian Americans Leading Together

South Asian Americans Leading Together (SAALT) has announced a new informational guide on citizenship for the South Asian community, "[What You Need to Know to Become a U.S. Citizen: A Guide for South Asians in the U.S.](#)", to assist immigrants in understanding the changes and requirements of the naturalization process. This guide provides answers to frequently asked questions about how the naturalization process works; obstacles faced by South Asian applicants; the content of the new naturalization exam to be implemented in October 2008; and information to assist elderly immigrants seeking naturalization. The guide is available at <http://www.saalt.org/pdfs/SAALT-citizen-guide-web.pdf>.

You can [download](#) free copies of the guide from SAALT website. This brochure is the first in a series of immigration-related resources that SAALT will be producing this year. For more information, please contact SAALT at saalt@saalt.org or at 301.270.1855.

Primary Election on May 6 in Indiana

Another mid-west Democratic Presidential Primary is coming up on May 6 in Indiana. This is a great opportunity to participate in the GOTV (Get Out The Vote) campaigns, since Indiana is within driving distance. MIADC does not endorse a candidate in the primaries but encourages all its members to volunteer in

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the campaigns of our outstanding candidates. The GOTV effort will run through May 6th.

To help Sen. Obama's Indiana campaign, contact Brian Brothman at bbrothman@barackobama.com or visit www.indiana.barackobama.com. MIADC member, Jayashree Kommareddi is a volunteer for Obama Campaign and traveled to New Hampshire during the primary. You may contact Jayashree at jkommareddi@yahoo.com for guidance on volunteering for Obama Campaign.

To help Sen. Clinton's campaign, go to <http://www.hillaryclinton.com/hq/indiana/>.

Both the campaigns have extensively used technology to reach out to voters and to obtain help from volunteers. Please visit their websites and support your candidate.

"Andy Meisner for Oakland County Treasurer" Campaign

Join **State Representative Andy Meisner** at the official launch of Andy Meisner's 2008 campaign to become the next Oakland County Treasurer.

- **Date:** Sunday, April 27, 2008
- **Time:** The event begins at 2:00 PM
- **Fees:** None; free and open to the public
- **Location:** Troy Community Center, Room 303, [3179 Livernois, Troy, MI 48083](#)

Following the launch, interested volunteers may join Andy and his team in going door to door in Troy (Precincts 15, 16, 21, and 26) to bring his plan for restoring Oakland County's prosperity directly to the voters.

RSVP online at <http://launch.andymeisner.com> or contact launch@andymeisner.com.

Gary Peters for 9th Congressional District

Gary Peters is running for US Congress from Michigan's 9th Congressional District, which encompasses most of the Oakland county.

Visit <http://www.petersforcongress.com> for detailed information on Gary's position on issues he cares about such as, Iraq war, Veterans, Fiscal Discipline, Manufacturing, Education, Environment, Energy and Health Care.

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APIAVote “Presidential Town Hall” on May 17, 2008

Asian & Pacific Islander American Vote (APIAVote) is a national nonpartisan, nonprofit organization that encourages and promotes civic participation of Asian Pacific Islander Americans in the electoral and public policy processes at the national, state and local levels.

APIAVote - Michigan invites you to the historic **Presidential Town Hall** -- featuring presidential candidates addressing issues that impact the Asian American & Pacific Islander community. With the support of various national Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) organizations, a large turnout of about 2000 participants comprising of community leaders, elected officials, voters, and students representing this diverse community from across the country is expected.

When : Saturday, May 17, 2008

Where : Lear Auditorium, University Tech. & Learning Center, Lawrence Technological University, 21000 West Ten Mile Rd., Southfield, MI

Free admission

For additional information contact michigan@apiavote.org / 734-751-9814