## Unity Assembly 11-23-10 (full version)

Mc's-Tess Andrea, Jourdon Ahn, Shelby Sward, Ramon Griggs

Tech's- Bryan Burke, Raajn Patel, Stephen Burke, Trevor Bonesteel, Brad Pate

- 1) **Raajn:** Start with music and slideshow while everyone comes in.
- 2) **Tess**: "Please rise for the flag salute, remove all hats and remain standing for the National Anthem..... Salute Pledge.
  - a) Pledge of Allegiance
  - b) Tess introduces Ellie Hartman to sing National Anthem
- 3) National Anthem: Ellie Hartman(stage right)
- 4) Ramon speaks: "The United States: American culture encompasses traditions, ideals, customs, beliefs, values, arts, and innovations developed both domestically and imported via colonization and immigration. In the United States, Independence Day, commonly known as the Fourth of July is a federal holiday commemorating the adoption of the Declaration of Independence. Independence Day is the national day of the United States. The development of the Culture of the United States of America has been marked by a tension between tow strong sources of inspiration: European ideals, especially British and domestic originality."

#### 5) Mc's

- a) introduce themselves and which culture you are.
- b) Introduce the Unity Assembly
- c) Read the Diversity Poem:

Each of us is different, all of us are similar.

Diversity is what makes each of us different; diversity is also what makes all of us similar.

Diversity is what you can see in each of us; diversity is also what you might not see in each of us.

All of us, working together, are more than just the sum of each of us. Each of us has unique experiences. All of us have collective experiences.

Each of us has unique ways of reacting to some experiences.

All of us have similar ways of reacting to most experiences.

Each of us uses unique talents, to accomplish similar goals. All of us work together as a team to accomplish one mission!

What each of us does, in differing ways, affects all of us. What all of us do affects each of us, in differing ways.

Each of us is good at something; none of us is better at everything. All of us, working together, can be the best at everything!!

- 6) Shelby introduces: Spanish Guitar Francisco Holguin singing "Balada Del Pistolero: (stage left) will be playing guitar and singing in his native country-Mexico.
- 8) Tess introduces: French Club: (stage right)
- 7) **Ramon** will Introduce **International Club:** Bollywood remix by Tess Andrea(**stage left**)
- 8) Tess and Ramon: Garba Slide Show (stage left)
  Talk about Garba.
- 9) Jourdan introduces: Cherry Zhon: (stage left and right) Chinese Singing
- 12) Ramon will introduce: Sikh Gatka Video: Jaspal Suri
- 13) Shelby will introduce: PacRim--Hiphop, TKD, BBoy
- 14) Cultural Fashion Show:

### Chinese: Alan, Liz, Welby

China is known to be one of the world's oldest continuous civilizations. The country was also one of the largest and most advanced until the 1850's when it missed the industrial revolution. The official language of China is Stardard Mandarin, based on the Beijing dialect, along with other languages such as English and Portuguese in various parts of the country. The Chinese writing system is an interesting and complicated system. Chinese is written with characters which are known as hanzi and, when spoken, words own meaning, though many are used only in combination with other characters. A cloth-made toy called the cloth tiger is a folk handicraft with strong local color due to its varieties and popularity. The Chinese people believe that a character meaning "king" is on the forehead of the tiger deeming it "the king of the animals." The cloth tiger is known to be a symbol of exorcising, disaster prevention, peace and luckiness, and protect the fortune.

Korean: Zeno, Erica, Jennifer

#### Filipino: Angelica

The Philippines are located in the Southeastern Asian archipelago between the Philippine Sea and the South china Sea, east of Vietnam. The capital is Manila and the population is 86,241,697. The religions are Roman Catholics 83%, Protestant 9%, Muslim 5%, Buddhist and other 3%. The official language of the Philippines is Tagalog but only 55% of Filipinos speak that language and the rest speak distinct indigenous languages and dialects. They also speak English and they are the third largest group of English speaking people in the world. The children in the Philippines don't just have one godparent, they have many. The Filipino families believe that they have to live up to the accepted standards of behavior and if they do not, they will bring shame to themselves and their family. The currency they use is the Peso.

**Arabic: Marlin** 

#### Vietnamese: Diana

Vietnam has had ancient Chinese influences for a long time making it part of the East Asian Cultural Sphere. The Vietnamese eating habit tends towards vegetarianism; rice and vegetables are the main course of the meal that may be diversified by aquatic products. The Vietnamese prefer to wear light, thin, well-ventilated kind of clothing that originated from plants and was suitable for such a tropical country as Vietnam. The old-style Vietnamese house was related to the watery environment such as stilted houses. The traditional means of transport is waterways. Ships of all types together with the river and the wharf are familiar in the Vietnamese geological and humanitarian images. Vietnam is the country of festivities. The Vietnamese language is characterized by mono-phonology with a concrete, abundant, acoustic and imaginary vocabulary.

Indonesian: Kamilia

Russian: Anastasiya

#### Pakistani: Abi, Masuma

Pakistan is a country in South Asia. It has a 1,046 kilometers coastline along the Arabian Sea; the Gulf of Oman in the South and is bordered by Afghanistan and Iran in the west; India in the east and China in the far northeast. The area has witnessed invasions and/or settlements by the indo-Aryans, Persians, Greeks,

Arabs, Turks, Afghans, Mongols and the British. While the Indian independence movement demanded an independent India, the Pakistan Movement (led by Quaid e Azam Muhammad Ali Jinnah of the Muslim League) sought independent states for the majority Muslim populations of the eastern and western regions of British India as well. The British granted independence and also the creation of one Muslim majority state for Pakistan that comprised the provinces of Sindhu, North-West Frontier Province, west Punjab, Balochistan and east Bengal. With the adoption of its constitution in 1956, Pakistan became an Islamic republic. In 1971, a civil war in East Pakistan resulted in the creation of Bangladesh.

Indian: Meera, Vishnavi, Robby, Abneet

#### Mexican: Gessel, Francisco, Salvador

Most Hispanics are Catholic and some are Pentecostals. The solidarity of the family unit depends on the woman of the house. One way the family shows love and concern is by pampering a family member that is ill. They call their families a "family unit" and this includes the extended family as well. The father is the head of the family and the mother is responsible for the home. Hispanic countries celebrate the international holidays like: Easter, Christmas Eve, Christmas, New Years Day and the Three Kings Day. Each Country celebrates its *El Dia de Independencia*. The light meal is their breakfast, and when they eat lunch, they call it their big meal of the day and the children and adults take off work and school for two hours to be together and eat.

Japanese: Eri

# 15) Introduce Foreign Exchange Students: Carrie—Norway, Marie and Julius-Germany, Anastaysia—Russia, Cherry--Chinese

## **Celebrate Commonality!!!!**

What we all have in common:

African American: 8.8%

American Indian/Alaskan Native: .93%

Asian: 12:48% Filipinao: 2.67%

Hispanic or Latino: 28.9%

Pacific Islander: .42%

White: 45.54% Multiple: .25%

- We are all born with 300 bones, but when we become an adult, we only have 206.
- The human brain can hold 500 times the information in a set of the Encyclopedia Britannica.
- There are still about 500 active Elvis Presley fan clubs worldwide.
- There is a city called Rome on every continent in the world.
- The word "taxi" is spelled the same in English, German, French, Swedish and Portuguese
- On average, an adult laughs 15 times a day; a child laughs 400 times.
- Every person has a unique tongue print, just like fingerprints.

Thank you; you are dismissed back to class. Have a wonderful Thanksgiving!!!