

Korean American History: Short Timeline of Events

May 22, 1882 U.S.-Korea sign the Treaty of Amity, Commerce, and Navigation.

September 1886 Philip Jaisohn enters Harry Hillman Academy.

May 15, 1900 Esther Kim Park graduates from Baltimore Women's Medical

College, making her the first woman medical doctor.

June 30, 1901 The U.S. Census reports five Koreans arrive in Hawaii.

October 14, 1902 Ahn Chang Ho arrives in San Francisco.

January 13, 1903 Arrival of the 102 Koreans in Honolulu, Hawaii. The day is noted as

the official start of Korean immigration to the U.S.

November 29, 1904 Syngman Rhee arrives in Honolulu aboard the Siberia.

1904/1905-1918 Pachappa Camp: The First Koreatown in the United States.

The *Gongnip Hyophoe* (Cooperative Association) is established.

February 15, 1906 Koreans across America rally in opposition to Japan's protectorate

in Korea.

March 23, 1908 Jang In-hwan assassinates Durham White Stevens.

February 1, 1909 The Korean National Association.

November 1911 Third Korean National Association of North America Convention.

June 25, 1913 The Hemet Valley Incident.

1918 Women are allowed to become full members of the KNA.

1919 Several Korean women organizations are established.

April 1919 The Korean Provisional Government in Shanghai, China.

March 1, 1919 Peaceful protests, the Mach 1st *Mansei* movement.

March 1920 The Willows Korean Aviation School/Corps

May 15, 1924 The Johnson-Reed Immigration Act.

Young Oak Kim leads the Nisei 100th/442nd infantry U.S. Army unit.

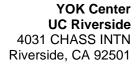
June 25, 1950 The Korean War.

1952 Walter-McCarren Act.

April 12, 1960 Alfred Song is elected to the city council of Monterrey Park.

October 3, 1965 The Hart-Celler Act of 1965.







November 24, 1977 Kim Myeong-gyun, the first female Korean American attorney.

1979 African Americans boycott Korean owned businesses in Harlem and

Queens.

May 26, 1980 Korean American students start a blood donation drive at the Los

Angeles Red Cross to send blood to the City of Gwangju, S. Korea.

August 10, 1983 Chol Soo Lee is released.

1986 The Philip Jaisohn Memorial Foundation acquires the Jaisohn House

in Media, PA.

April 29, 1992 The Los Angeles Riots.

November 4, 1992 Jay Kim is elected to the U.S. House of Representatives.

March 1, 1993 Washington Coalition for Comfort Women Issues, Inc.

March 31, 1993 Ronald T.Y. Moon, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Hawaii.

September 14, 1994 Margaret Cho's sitcom *All-American Girl* premiers on ABC.

May 1995 SAT II Korean is formalized.

August 11, 2001 Statue of Ahn Chang Ho in Riverside, California is erected.

January 13, 2003 100th Anniversary of Korean immigration to the U.S.

2005 Korean American Day.

September 2010 The Young Oak Kim Center for Korean American Studies at the

University of California, Riverside.

July, 2013 Memorial statue for comfort women is erected in Glendale, Ca.

2015 David Ryu is elected to the Los Angeles City Council.

April 2017 The 25th anniversary of the 1992 Los Angeles Riots.

2018 Chloe Kim becomes the youngest woman to win an Olympic Gold

medal in snowboarding at the Winter Olympic Games.

February 2020 Parasite wins Oscars for Best Picture, Directing, International

Feature Film, and Writing.

