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About the ethnographer:

My name is Brian Worrasangasilpa and I am a senior getting my BS in Mechanical Engineering with a minor in Asian American Studies. Coming from an engineering background, I had never had the chance to participate in this type of project before. I am grateful for the opportunity to participate in EUI hope that you find my work as interesting and enjoyable as I did.

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- **Nancy Abelmann (Tue 05/01/2007 4:47)**
such a nice statement

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- **Nancy Abelmann (Tue 02/06/2007 5:17)**

nice analysis -- can you relate this to your "early question" -- not necessary but...

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- **Nancy Abelmann (Tue 05/01/2007 4:48)**
whoops Brian -- this calls up Lindsey's document
- **Nancy Abelmann (Tue 05/01/2007 4:46)**
good practical points

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Comments:

- **Brian Worrasangasilpa (Mon 03/12/2007 22:54)**

excellent, delete problem fixed.

- **Nancy Abelmann (Tue 02/20/2007 5:13)**

Sorry about the 'file' problem -- why don't you email Dave and see if there is a way to delete these. I really like the way that you are narrowing down. I quite agree that shopping locale and food consumption are ways in which people differentiate (generally, and in a "sub-ethnic" context. So, at this point it is good to push yourself -- asking: what are the larger questions this sheds light on; and to ask yourself as well, whether the university has anything to do with this.

- **Brian Worrasangasilpa (Tue 02/20/2007 1:28)**

Yep. Definitely can't delete...

- **Brian Worrasangasilpa (Tue 02/20/2007 1:26)**

Ignore entries at 1:19 and 1:21, I can't delete them for some reason. The correct entry is the one at 1:22.

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Comments:

- **Nancy Abelmann (Mon 04/09/2007 23:06)**

This is a very interesting interview -- and I really like your analysis at the end. Fascinating, as you note, about her comfort with pan-Asian and with junk/snack food. Interesting how at home (vis white parents) she was 'at home' (authentic in an Asian grocery store) vs, her feelings in C-U. Also interesting to hear her comment on not being able to cook the dishes vs. authenticity of current roommate.

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Ilab#5: Observation of Green Onion

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Comments:

- **Nancy Abelmann (Mon 04/09/2007 23:08)**

These are great observations -- and your presentatio of them in class was great too.

- **Genuine Pyun (Fri 04/06/2007 20:41)**

Hey Brian. :) Yeah, this download makes more sense with its title... :D Either way, I remember this one - I think it used to be posted... either way, again, it's a good observation.

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Comments:

● **Genuine Pyun (Wed 04/04/2007 23:05)**

Brian, I really enjoy your observations of the Korean grocery stores. I think your questions at the end of this observation were right on target. I think it would be interesting to see if there is a difference on how these markets shape Korean American communities vs. the Korean immigrant community vs. the international student population. You're very observant and pick up details that I've never even noticed (i.e. the non-food products sold, the types of food, etc.). Great job!

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● **Anona Whitley (Mon 02/19/2007 15:47)**

Ok Brian, this is GREAT! I think food and food venues are fascinating. I want to change my project and work with you... more about that later. But yea, my roommate has strong opinions about AMKO, and I've always thought it was interesting. There is an Asian grocery store next to the IGA in Champaign, and have you ever been to H-Mart? Its in some suburb. They have people who dress up in Kimchee costumes. Anyway, we should talk about this. great idea. great

● **Nancy Abelmann (Tue 02/13/2007 4:21)**

WOW -photos! (from a public place...). This is a great start. I like the idea of your honing in on food. So, how then would you narrow your question about 'ethnic' 'food' geography? AMKO is FASCINATING to contrast with the upscale Green Onion on Neal: AMKO is the hole-in-the-wall old style Korean grocery store look (although much improved over its older location) and Green Onion is the new (South Korean) department store look -- I am sure that even some folks in our class could talk to you about the differences here. Do you want to stick to food shopping venues or eating as well - and again, beginning to think of refining your larger questions will help too (i.e., about the geography) I wonder if the readings for today (sub-ethnic distinctionmaking) might help. The use of "Oriental" is interesting; I wonder if there are some who object (see Stacy Lee's article for today). Brown professor Bob Lee (I think that is his name) has written a book on Chinese restaurants in the US (I think) and Martin Manalansan, Asian Americanist on our campus, teaches lots on race and food -- and has written some too. He would be a great person to talk to. manalans@uiuc.edu.

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Comments:

● **Nancy Abelmann (Tue 05/01/2007 4:52)**

Brian -- I really like what you have done. I wish that you could be a bit more specific here -- getting at your query about inter-ethnic conflict (Rachel), talking a bit more about space, telling us why a dorm, and linking to the readings more substantively. If you could take a bit more time on this it would be great -- these comments are visible only to you.

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● **Nancy Abelmann (Tue 05/01/2007 4:53)**

Again --re: your proposal -- you want to do more than stte that ther IS a connection -- and sketch it out.

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I do not think my research thus far has any implications for the university since these grocery stores are private establishments that just happen to serve the University community. In any case I do not think that it would be my place to make any recommendations store owners either

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Reserach Reflections

As I have said before, I have greatly enjoyed working on EUI and was glad to have had to opportunity to participate in such a project. I really enjoyed being able to hear about other students projects as well as work on something that I had never done before. My only regret is not having as much time to work on my presentation as would have liked.

Comments:

- **Nancy Abelmann (Tue 05/01/2007 4:54)**
your presentation was great!

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