



PAANO Newsletter

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Fall Message 2006 President, Grace Pascual

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Summer is nearly over, the leaves will turn into its autumn colors and fall from its brunches and recycles into life. As my term wraps around its final months, another administration will begin anew. I'm eager to move forward and to have my term come into completion because this would mean that PAANO would have progressed another year.

Like any season, PAANO has weathered many challenges and obstacles. By now, many of you have heard Mr. Robert Little has resigned from his position as the vice president/president elect. He was accepted to the accelerated nursing program this past May. The board of governors met and we respectfully accepted his resignation. Thank you, Robert for your time and effort and for your one and a half years of service to PAANO. We wish you great success.

We proceeded to search and elect for a new vice president/president elect according to the by-laws. Gail Hoang, our current secretary, has accepted to fill this position. I'm confident that with your support and assistance, she will lead PAANO into another successful year.

The officers and committee members have been working hard and have devoted many hours. Many of them have children, full-time work, and other obligations. I appreciate their commitment and personal sacrifice to PAANO. It takes energy and men and women power to organize an event. The officers and committee members are but volunteers to this organization. Please do show them your ap-

preciation. Whenever you see an officer and/or a committee member, please take a moment to thank them.

Many events have occurred in the past months. The most successful are the evening with Carlota, the basketball, and golf tournament. These three events have brought in many supporters and have raised funds for the Association. Several of the summer events occurred with less than expected outcomes, maybe due to summer vacations, a new location of the events and the extreme hot weather.

We're enhancing our call committee to remind you. We have decided to call sooner and have added people to make these calls. I hope that you also take part by taking the initiative to keep up with the calendar of events. I urge you to encourage others to join the festivities. Like in any barrio (town), the word of mouth is always the best.

The future events are the **Barrio Fiesta (Sept. 16th)**, Kids' World and our regular monthly events. Barrio Fiesta tickets are being sold now. The October event is nomination for the upcoming offices. Think about running for office or begin your search to nominate a committed, culturally sensitive, talented individual. November is a very special night because it propagates the new leaders of PAANO. The newly elected officer will take PAANO into another administrative term starting in January at the long awaited formal event, the 2007 Induction/Inauguration Ball.

Thank you/Salamat po.

BARRIO FIESTA ANNOUNCEMENT

PAANO is celebrating its annual cultural presentation "Barrio Fiesta" on Saturday September 16th at 6PM at the Garnett Church of Christ, 12000 E. 31st St., Tulsa (between Garnett and Olive streets).

Tickets are selling quickly, please

buy your tickets early, space is limited. Tickets are \$13 for members, \$15 for non-members.

Come and enjoy the evening of cultural music, food and entertainment and remember to wear your Filipino attire.



NEWS BULLETIN

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sept. 16 Barrio Fiesta 2006,
Saturday 6:00pm
Garnett Church of Christ

Oct. 21 Halloween Party
Saturday 6:30pm
Nomination of Officers
St Bernard Parish Gym

Nov. 9-12 Kids World for Tulsa
Expo Center

Nov. 18 Thanksgiving Party
Saturday 6:30pm
St Bernard Parish Gym

Dec. 16 Christmas Party
Saturday 6:30pm
St Bernard Parish Gym

**Some dates are subject to change, please check with the officers for details.*

St. Bernard Parish Gym - 4001 East 101st
(between Yale & Harvard)

Garnett Church of Christ - 12000 East 31st St.
between Garnett and Olive

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENT

Everyone is welcome to attend the following:

** Fatima Mass sponsored by Sonia Gorospe. September 23, Saturday at 2:30 PM - St. Fancis Xavier Catholic Church - 2510 E. Admiral Blvd. , Tulsa (918) 592-9179.

** Mel Docto's 1st Death Anniversary Mass. October 2, Monday at 6pm St. Anne Catholic Church – 301 S. 9th St. Broken Arrow (918) 251-4000.

HALLOWEEN/NOMINATIONS OF OFFICERS

PAANO's annual Halloween party and nomination of officers will take place on Oct 21 at 6:30 p.m. at St. Bernard Parish Gym. We're looking forward to seeing pirates, ghosts, goblins, and superheroes (both adults and children) at the event. We'll also be nominating 2007 officers (President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Public Relations, etc..). Think about who you would like to see (including yourself!). Please share your time and talent in service to PAANO and our community. Your support is needed and will indeed make a difference!

KIDS WORLD FESTIVAL

PAANO Youth will proudly represent the Philippines during the Kids World Festival November 10 – 12th and will include presentations of Filipino arts, crafts, and cultural dances. Volunteers are needed to man our booth and to show Filipino items. If you have any native Filipino products, costumes, etc., you would allow to be displayed at our booth for display, please contact Grace, Tong, Brenda or Guia.

SAN LORENZO RUIZ

We are celebrating the feast of our Filipino Patron Saint San Lorenzo Ruiz (St. Lawrence) on Sept 30. Archbishop Slattery will celebrate the 11:00 a.m. mass at St. Bernard Catholic Church with our very own Filipino priests Father Archie Fernandez and Father Rencie Mumar. The San Lorenzo choir will again render Tagalog hymns and praises. A potluck lunch will be held at the parish gym after the mass. Please bring your favorite dish. Cultural music and dances will be presented to entertain members and guests alike.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Thank you to all the performers, committee chairmen, officers, parents and volunteers who are helping with these events.



SUMMER FUN: BEATING THE SUMMER HEAT... PAANO KNOWS HOW TO STAY COOL!

BASKETBALL



PICNIC

By Gail Abrogar



This year's July Picnic was at Hunter's Park. It was a hot day; kids brought their swim suits for the water games and Elizabeth Pascual and friends were selling popsicles to picnic goers. There were plenty of food, from grilled steak, hamburgers, and hot dogs to some traditional Filipino food such as pancit and biko. It is difficult to meet in the summer with everyone on vacation, but it was great to have this gathering for those still in town. A special thanks to Gene Pascual, Pete Ramos and Letty Principe for their grilling expertise !!

GOLF TOURNAMENT



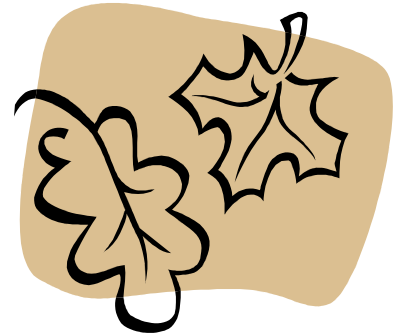


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