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A group pose by volunteers of APOGLA after a very satisfying service at the Operation Gratitude HQ in Chatsworth, California

Operation Gratitude Service

By Sis. Emma Rubina Galang

"I slept and dreamt that life was joy. I awoke and saw that life was service. I acted and behold, service was joy." - Rabindranath Tagore

Joy . . . this was exactly what was felt by the 30 members of the APOGLA volunteers as they extended their help packing gifts for the military men and women. Operation Gratitude took place in Chatsworth the whole morning of October 8.

As it started early morning, Brod Sammie and Sis Mylene Zamora prepared soup and Dunkin' doughnuts for the volunteers. The Aralars on the other hand, served ham sandwich.

The service included assembling the boxes, filling them with goodies including stuffed toys even, and writing encouraging and inspiring letters for the military. All of these, surely put a smile on the receiver's faces.

By doing this, we are setting a good example to our kids who were with us during this activity. We are showing them the importance of service.

To show our organization's appreciation for the volunteers including the kids, lunch was served to everyone at the Galang residence.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings APOGLA!

We are in the last leg of this administration, the last quarter of the year.

But first of all, I want to thank Bro. Danny & Norma Carrasco for hosting our September GMM. Thank you for letting us have some of your super jumbo mangos and a lot of "calamansi" and for serving us your delicious appetizers and "pulutan".

We had another successful service at Seal beach, cleaning up the park and beach. Congratulations to the Chairman Bro. PP Domel Evangelista for leading this service.

Even with the change of schedule, Operation Gratitude turn out to be well attended. Job well done, Chairman Bro Gerald Remorozo. That was our last service this year. Thank you for participating in this year's services.

Our Vice President Bro. Roland Paras is now writing a list of the members who receive jackets. Members who participated in at least two services and attended at least 2 GMMs will receive their jackets at our Thanksgiving party.

We reached the year's goal of 150 paid members! We now have 152 paid members and counting. Thanks for the hard work of our Treasurer Sis. PP Emma Galang and our VP.

Our fundraising raffle is still going. If you have not received your raffle tickets, please contact Bro. Geoffrey Arroyo or Sis. Malou Fajardo.

Bro. PP Art Rivera again accepted the chairmanship of our Thanksgiving party. Of course, it will be in Sta. Clarita and he's happy to let us know that he has a new theme this year.

Bro. PP Dan Nino is now on the search for our APO kids deserving of our grant. If your son or daughter is headed to college, make sure that they apply for the scholarship.

Our Vice President is busy planning for our December affair. Please avail of the early bird offer and be counted to attend a very exciting December Affair. Also, we request for your support for this affair by placing an ad in our souvenir program.

We will have our last GMM of the year at the Amon's residence. We still have a lot to report and discuss in this GMM. We shall also meet our candidates running for next year's office. So, see you on Saturday.

So again, mark your calendar and support our last quarter's activities.

Always Stay Safe and Healthy!

Mabuhay ang APOGLA! **BRO. ROEHL REYES** *APOGLA President 2022*

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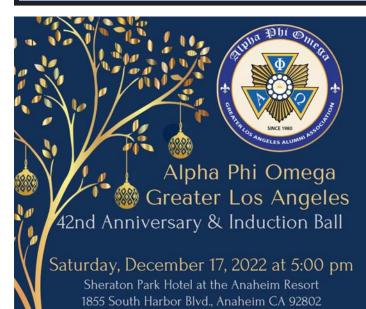
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Calendar Summary for 2022

	GMM	Friendship	Service	Leadership	Fundraising
October	Amon's Residence - Oct 15	Election/Pictorial - Oct 29	Operation Gratitude - Oct 8		
November		Thanksgiving: Sta Clarita - Nov 19			
December		December Affair - Dec 17	APO Kids Grant - Dec 17		End of Raffle 2022 - Dec 31
January		New Year's Eve - Dec 31			



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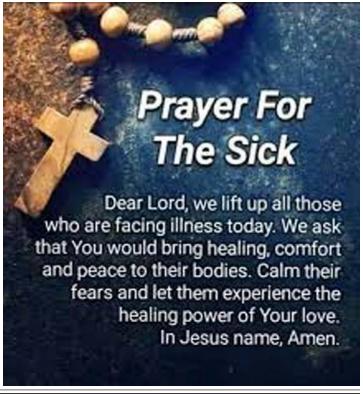
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COMELEC ANNOUNCEMENT

Schedule of Events:

September 10, 2022 - First day of filing of candidacy

October 15, 2022 - Presentation of Candidates (After the GMM)

October 15, 2022 Midnight - Deadline for Filing of Candidacy

October 15, 2022 Midnight - Deadline to register for Absentee Voting Registration by Email/Text/Viber/FB Messenger

October 29, 2022 - ELECTION DAY - Polling place opens at 12:00 Noon and closes at 6:00 P.M. Canvassing of votes will follow as soon as possible.

Venue: B Nutritious

3311 Tyler Ave., El Monte, CA 91731

In the great tradition of APO-Greater Los Angeles, let us all get involve. For more details, application forms and Election Guidelines, please check for COMELEC announcement on our Egroup and Viber. Or call any of our COMELEC members below.

Yours in Leadership-Friendship-Service, The COMELEC

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- Candidate should have a minimum grade point average of 3.5 and potential for success in college
- The distribution of moneys shall be made after verification of enrollment at the university.

To evaluate each applicant as fairly as possible, the Scholarship Committee requests that you fill the attached questionnaire and provide the data requested

For details, please contact: **Bro. Dan Nino** CP# **562-508-8099** Email: **denino1951@gmail.com**

Search for next Dr. Librado I. Ureta Awardee

Our 2022 nomination for the next recipient of the Dr. Librado I. Ureta Award is now open through October 23, 2022.

Any active member of our beloved organization can nominate a member they believe is a worthwhile individual, who has provided invaluable contribution to Alpha Phi Omega and more importantly, who epitomizes the true meaning and essence of our APO cardinal principles of Leadership, Friendship and Service.

In order to maintain the sanctity of this prestigious recognition, please mail or email the formal nomination letter stating the name of the nominee and the reasons why your nominee deserves to be considered for this prestigious award.

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT NOMINATIONS BE SENT TO ME DIRECTLY AND PLEASE DO NOT POST IN ANY OF OUR SOCIAL MEDIA, VIBER, FB, or E-GROUPS.

Please send it directly to the address below.

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FROM MY POINT OF VIEW

BY BRO. DAN E. NINO

The Rich Philippine and United States Historical Ties

October is very special month for the Filipino-American community in the United States. it was designated by various federal, state, county and municipal entities as Filipino American History Month or also known as FAHM.

As an ardent student of History and Geo-politics, I want to share with you some vignettes of information that resulted in recognizing our presence as a community to reckon with in this adopted country. We evolved and are not taken for granted anymore by the powers that be.

This came about because our farm labor leader Fil-Am Larry Itliong and a group of Filipino farmworkers instigated "The Delano Grape Strike of 1965," which has significantly impacted the American farm labor movement. This brought about the creation of the United States Farm Workers Union (UFW) together with Itliong's fellow labor leader, Cesar Chavez.

The designation of October as our FAHM stemmed from the fact that the late Mr. Itliong's birthday fell on Oct. 25, 1913. The State of California passed a resolution commemorating his birthday. This was picked up by the City of Carson. Then Assemblywoman Cristina Garcia commemorated this day with the Filipino community in the City of Cerritos. I know it because, I was one of those who was appointed by Assemblywoman Garcia to organize it in 2019. Since then, FAHM has been celebrated every October.

I'm proud of Larry Itliong's accomplishments as a leader because he is my cum-provinciano. He was born in San Nicolas, Pangasinan. All schools and students then were taught in English. And every time the young lad spoke in Ilocano, his teachers punished him by hitting his hands. He only reached grade six. Larry's teachers impressed upon him that the United States was the "most beautiful and modern country in the world." He journeyed to America. The rest is history.

The National Filipino American Associations (NaFFAA) of which I'm an active member and facilitated this entity as a non-profit 501-C 3 organization, also welcomes Filipino American History Month. We also commemorate the first recorded arrival of Filipinos in the United States on Oct. 18, 1587. They are a group of indigenous Filipinos who worked as sailors on board the Spanish trading ship known as Manila Galleon Trade from Acapulco, Mexico then sailed to Morro Bay, California. This makes the Filipinos the first documented Asian people to arrive in the United States.

Over the years, the Filipino community has continued to grow and expand in different cities in the United States. From establishing the first Filipino settlement in the United States in 1760, Antonio Miranda Rodriguez Poblador and other Filipinos were sent by the Spanish Government in 1781 to establish what is now Los Angeles, California. As of the last census in 2020, there are now 4.2 million Fil-Ams in the U.S. with about 500,000 residing in Los Angeles County.

According to NaFFAA website, "many Filipino Americans are among the brave frontline workers fighting a much different battle than our ancestors had fought before," Los Angeles Times reported, "Although comprising only 4% of the nursing population nationwide, nearly one-third of nurses who died of coronavirus in the U.S. are Filipinos. In the state of California, where the largest population of Filipinos reside, they represent at least 30% of all deaths from COVID-19 despite constituting only 25% of the state's Asian population."

It's not only in medical field that we contribute our skills and expertise in this adopted country, our compatriots are also hailed in other professional fields.

President Joe Biden even recognized the Filipino frontline workers who sacrificed their lives during this pandemic in his 2020 statement. "Their heroism is a reminder that Filipino Americans embody the heart, the courage, and the values that define the United States. We are a nation that has always been renewed by immigration and fortified by our diversity."

In my opinion, we don't just celebrate FAHM to remember the arrival of the early Filipinos, but to remember the struggles and challenges of every Filipino who came to the United States after 1587.

Let me refresh our readers: The U.S.-Philippine historical ties started during the Spanish-American War following the explosion and sinking of U.S. Battleship Maine at the Havana harbor of Cuba on Feb. 15, 1898. The U.S. suspected that it was the handiwork of the Spaniards. Thus, U.S. declared war against Spain on April 25, 1898. The war ended with the signing of the Treaty of Paris on Dec. 10, 1898. As a result Spain lost its control over its overseas colonies — Cuba, Puerto Rico, the Philippines, Guam, among others.

Since the Philippines was a colony of Spain and the Filipinos revolted against Spain, the U.S. thought of liberating the Philippines. There was a mock Battle of Manila Bay and Spain surrendered to the U.S. under Gen. Dewey and the Philippines was ceded to the U.S. by Spain amounting to \$20 million. This started the U.S.-Philippine War which was called Philippine insurrection. Since the US had superior armaments, the Philippines surrendered and the first Philippine Revolutionary President Emilio Aguinaldo was exiled to Hongkong.

From my point of view, the Philippines, a free and sovereign nation was annexed by an Imperial Power, the United States. I also likened it to the annexation of independent Ukraine by Imperial Russia.

Because of this commonwealth status, my grandfather is the first generation to come to work in the U.S. via Hawaii. The second generation to have been granted U.S. citizenship was my dad who fought side by side with American soldiers in World War 11 in Northern Luzon.

I still believe that the annexation of our Motherland was a blessing in disguise: The two main contributions of the U.S. to the Philippines were: The public educational system and the establishment of a Republican form of government. – denino1951@gmail.com



GOINGS ON by Sis. Fely Montecillo

HAPPY. BIRTHDAY to all my co-celebrants for this month! Let's celebrate growing old together! Here's hoping that all of you have the most wonderful birthday ever.

October Oh! October! The word comes from the Latin word octo which means eight but when the Romans converted to a 12-months calendar, they tried to rename this month but the name October stuck!

October is known for its Halloween festivities, it's also full of National and Global celebrations. October 1, is the International Day for older persons, October 2 is the International Day of non-violence, October 3 is Butterfly and Hummingbird Day, October 5 is World Teacher's Day, October 10, World Mental Health Day, October 20, Global Dignity Day, October 24 is United Nation's Day, October 29 is Internet Day, and October 31 is Halloween.

For those born September 23 to October 22 fall under the zodiac sign Libra while those born from October 23 to November 21 fall under the zodiac sign Scorpio.

The Librans are extroverted, cozy and friendly. They, like the scales, that symbolize the sign, are often concerned with attaining balance, harmony, peace, and justice in the world. With their vast stores of charms, intelligence, freshness, perseverance, and seamless connectivity. They are charming, beautiful, and well-balanced, cooperative. They are the most interesting and clever people around and they have a lot to offer.

Scorpions, also have lots of positive qualities that make them great friends and successful people. They are brave, loyal, honest, ambitious, jealous, secretive and persistent. One better be aware that when angered, Scorpions sting!

Many, I'm sure, are looking forward to an exciting 34th APO Philippines National General Assembly in Tacloban come May 19 to 24, 2023.

With the pandemic danger lessened, the Philippine side is rolling out the red carpet for brothers and sisters visiting the home country.

So everybody planning to go is encouraged to register and do the paper work ASAP!

The present COMELEC with Bro. Gerald Remorozo as Chairman, and Brothers Sancho Sy and Dony Rondilla as members, we are all assured of a smooth and orderly election.

And to the future set of officers for 2023, good luck!

And at last! The affair we've all been looking forward to - the ball, the bash, the blast, D'affaire, the binge - will soon be here! That's no other than our Christmas Party '22! VP Roland Paras, has expressed his desire to make this a super event so different from the previous ones. We're fervently looking forward to it!

TREASURER'S REPORT By Sis. Emma Rubina-Galang

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As of 10-11-2022

HAPPY BIRTHDAY **OCTOBER** CELEBRANTS

01 - Francis Franco, Angel Pangilinan

02 - Rocky Suzara

03 - Tagumpay Navarro, Philip Ireneo

04 - Alfred Serrano 05 - Jun Salinas

08 - Marc Barcelona 09 - Perry Sipin

10 - Gilbert Cabral

11 - Jade Torres Klugman

12 - Froilan Delmolin, Bobet Peneza

13 - Rachella Williams 14 - Fely Montecillo

15 - Doms Tunque+ 18 - Lito Del Mundo

24 - Jehiel Vinluan 26 - Eduardo Clor

27 - Bob Cobarrubias, Jhun Chin

29 - Dony Rondilla, Rey Posadas, Nonot Rosales, Rey Manikad

30 - Romeo Martinez

SPOUSES:

03 - Carisse Mamaril 04 - Tere Clavecilla 07 - Carol Rosales

09 - Thomas Ford

12 - Pilucci Franco, Mary Ann Peneza

13 - Tess Pangilinan, Editha Masaya

14 - Sophia Alvarado 16 - Evelyn Aure 17 - Margo Rivera 18 - Becky Emperado

19 - Laura Daroya

20 - Rene Yambot

24 - Mary Ann Arevalo 26 - Estrelle Ganzon

30 - Gladys Ramos

31 - Marie Toni Aralar

APO KIDS:

01 - Jose Garchitorena

02 - Nikki Rivera

04 - Francis Arnaldo

05 - Anthony David

08 - Eunice Galang, Paolo Somera

09 - Krystal Petrasanta, Ryan Petrasanta

10 - Nikko Rosales

11 - Jonas Montecillo, Mikaela Miranda

12 - Jeremy Paggao, Shawn Clarete, Ralph Imperial

15 - Jerome Gomez

16 - Kika Franco, Anton Tecson, TJ Adao

17 - Ian Gapido

18 - Angelo Evangelista, Juviel Vinluan

19 - Alec Gucilatar

21 - Mario Aure, Alvi Fisico

22 - Cliff Flores, Tara Reyes

23 - Cocoy Fisico

24 - Pamela Villaver

27 - Grace Rivera

28 - Christoffer Zamora

29 - Rainier Petrasanta

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OCTOBER GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Join us this:

Saturday, October 15, 2022

GMM - 4 PM to 6 PM

Followed by: Presentation of Candidates

Fellowship will follow right after

GMM Venue:

Amon's Residence

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