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HAPPY NEW YEAR!!! A YEAR IN REVIEW

As we take our first steps in the New Year, let us look back at what has been accomplished many months in the past. At the same time, let us spring into action with a renewed vigor for the support of this PCVC Building Project as we unfold the future.

The initial PCVC Kick-off in June 2008 happened at the College Estates Park, in Oxnard. This was the time that the community was made aware of this drive to build our Philippine Center.

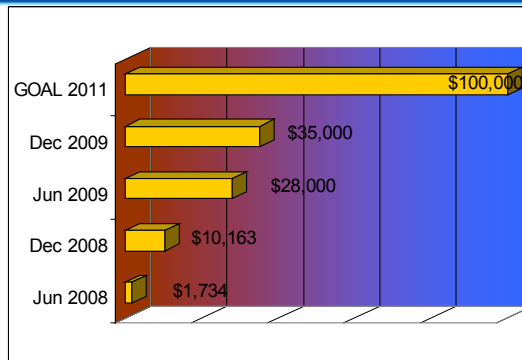
After the novelty has waned, a successful Apo Hiking Society fund raising concert in October 2008 at Oceanview Pavilion in Port Hueneme was a great success. Followed by a PCVC Gala in November 2008 at the Oxnard Performing Arts & Convention Center in Oxnard.

In April 2009, the PCVC published its monthly newsletter to apprise the partners and members of the community about the progress of this project.

In May 2009, Gawad Kalinga Oxnard and Santa Cruzan crowned Reyna Elena Tessie Fontillas and her royal court. Proceeds from this successful Santa Cruzan was for the benefit of the PCVC Building Fund.

In June 2009, Fiestas Filipinas "Flavors of the Philippines" was

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BUILDING FUND AT 35% OF GOAL AS OF DEC 2009

MISS PCVC VALENTINE 2010

PCVC Board of Directors and Staff is extending their invitations to you, in the community to the Valentines' Day celebration at the OPACC in Oxnard, California.

To vie to be the reigning Miss PCVC Valentines' Day, each aspirant must take an interest in the PCVC "Buy a Brick Program". Each brick bought and paid for in favor of a candidate by their supporters is equivalent to one raffle entry. Each brick donor will receive a Certificate of Brick Donation for the PCVC.

Winner for the night will be drawn from all the entries received no later than 8 pm on the 20th of February and will be crowned the 2010 PCVC Miss Valentine's Day. She will be featured in the PCVC March 2010 Newsletter.

A VANTAGE POINT FROM A SUPPORTER

This article was previously published a year ago by Kapitbahay and the need to reprint to answer the questions of those who has not duly shed their doubts about this noble project.

This is Dante M. Honorico's keynote address at the PCVC fund-raising at Oxnard Performing Arts Center titled, "This I believe" and will be printed in segments.

Since we started this project, I have heard a lot of skepticism and negative comments about our ability to start and finish a project like this. For the most part, those people are daunted by the enormity of the task and the potential cost of such a project.

I don't think this is the time to heed the words of those skeptics. I know we have the desire and ability to finish what we have started and I know based on our numbers here in Ventura County we have the breadth and depth to see this to completion.

From my perspective, we have two overriding issues to think about as we put ourselves through this great exercise in community development; the first one is legacy and the second is necessity.

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To our partners, THANK YOU! Together we will realize the dream



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Gawad Kalinga Oxnard

FAGA



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celebrated and once again, the Fil-Am community joined hands and made this day a memorable one. We proudly paraded the members of the reigning "Sagalas 2009" Royal Court. PCVC participated with an information booth display during the fiesta at the Oxnard Park at "C" Street and Fifth Street in Oxnard together with other organizations.

In October 2009, PCVC sponsored a successful 1st FAGA Golf Tournament in Port Hueneme, followed by Jamsport Awards Night at Eagles' Club in Oxnard.

And the year comes to an end and the beginning of another new challenging year of high unemployment.

With all the hopes and aspirations, the PCVC Board and Staff would like to improve upon what has been accomplished in the past and will strive to exceed the efforts for the coming year with the full and unconditional support of the Fil-Am community.

This is our Philcenter, it is yours and mine and our children, our grandchildren and many more generations to come. Thank you Fil-Am community for your full and unwavering support. Together, we can all make the dream a reality!

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MANIGONG BAGONG TAON!!!

BASIC BOARD FUNCTIONS

As a member of a governing board, you have the pleasure and the responsibility of monitoring, overseeing and providing directions for the organization's pursuit of the mission. The responsibilities, which have legal ramifications, will call on you to develop and hone your skills in financial management to organizational communication and from fund raising to strategic planning.

As a PCVC Board Member, what have you done for your organization? This is a question that each board member should always keep in mind. Being a board member has a responsibility not only as a member of the board, but to the staff and the mission of the organization.

Each one who voluntarily committed to take on this responsibility should do some soul searching and ask, what have I done for the organization to be a responsible board member? If you think you did something, then the next question to ask is, did I do enough to advance the cause for the community?

PCVC Community Affairs
Computer Training Classes
2nd Monday of the month
call 805-822-2897 for details

PCVC General Assembly Meeting
18th of January, 2010 @ 630 pm at
the former Kapitbahay Office in Oxnard. Anyone interested is welcome.

**PCVC COMMUNITY AFFAIRS
HEALTH PROGRAM
"Blood Pressure Check"**

Minutes after the conclusion of the 5th "Simbang Gabi" mass on December 20th, a successful PCVC community service project was launched. A free Blood Pressure check kiosk on the far corner of the reception hall was established for those willing to know their current blood pressure. The demands of the season with the preparations for Christmas increases the tempo of everyone's activities. Volunteer nurses from the PCVC reached their projected goal and informed the need of this regular blood pressure check to prevent this "silent killer". Thanks to our wingless angel volunteers Sonia Armedilla and Frank Elpidama for this preventive health community outreach project.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR 2010
20 February 2010
PCVC Valentines' Day Dance
May 2010
PCVC Santa Cruzan
June 2010
FIL-AM Council Fiestas Filipinas
September 2010
PCVC 2nd Anniversary
October 2010
1st FIL-AM History Month (HR 780)
2nd FAGA Golf Tournament @ Port Hueneme

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