

30th Anniversary Gala 19th Induction Ball



DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel

2100 Bush River Road, Columbia SC 29210

May 14, 2022 6pm-12Midnight

Filipino-American Association of Greater Columbia

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GALA PROGRAM

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5:00pm	SOCIAL TIME/RECEPTION	Doors open at 5:30 pm
6:00pm	NATIONAL ANTHEM: UNITED STATES PHILIPPINES	Emil Zamora Cindy Tefft accompanied by Katherine Tungul
	INVOCATION	Deborah Norris
	WELCOME REMARKS Emcees	Jadith Carswell & Alan M. Matienzo
6:15pm	DINNER VIDEO SHOWCASE	RJ Morillo
7:00pm	GUEST SPEAKER	Dr. Delores Dacosta Executive Director SC Commission for Minority Affairs Introduction by Cynthia Haddad Program Manager Commission for Minority Affairs
	TOKEN OF APPRECIATION	Dr. Delores Dacosta (Gina Castaneda)
	OUTGOING OFFICERS	Carmelisa Edwards & Joy Clark
	MESSAGE OUTGOING PRESIDENT	Gina Castaneda
	INDUCTION OF FAGC 2022-2024 Officers	Gina Castaneda
	MESSAGE INCOMING PRESIDENT	Reyna Funderburk
7:35pm	AWARDS PRESENTATION FAGC LIFETIME MEMBERS	Priscila Ramirez & Evelyn Liester Assisted by Ulises Chavez, Chrissy Hopkins, & Clover Robichaud
	PRESIDENTS THROUGH THE YEARS	Jadith Carswell & Alan M. Matienzo Assisted by Reyna Funderburk & Leah Cuaresma
	LIFETIME MEMBERS Terry & Judy BERENDS Art & Cecille BOMAN Jon & Gina CASTANEDA Terry & Reyna FUNDERBURK Alan & Cecilia GEOGHEGAN Alan M. MATIENZO Philip & Anna RABACA David & Alma ROBICHAUD Brian & Cecile STRICKLAND Neil & Bambi TIJING	PRESIDENTS THROUGH THE YEARS Eva RIGNEY (1991-1992) Minnie WHEEDLETON (1992-1994) Helen ALON (1994-1997) Nieves McNULTY (1997-2001) Peter LIUNORAS (2001-2003) Grace COLLINS (2003-2005) Alan GEOGHEGAN (2005-2009) Marj PENA (2009-2013) Cecille JACOBSEN (2013-2017) Gina CASTANEDA (2017-2022)
7:45pm	CULTURAL PRESENTATIONS Pilipinas Kong Mahal Ragragsakan Bulaklakan Alitaptap Kuratsa Tinikling Cuyo Dance Pandango sa Ilaw	Youth Group Adult Group Youth Group Young at Heart Adult Group Youth Group Young at Heart Adult Group
8:15pm-12:00	GALA BALL MUSIC BY:	Raffle Dance Raffle Dance DJ Mike Lockaby



OUTGOING PRESIDENT MESSAGE

Welcome to the Filipino-American Association of Greater Columbia 30th Anniversary Gala and Induction Ball! The 2022 FAAGC Annual Gala is the Association's most momentous event of the year and is even more meaningful because it's the first one we are able to celebrate together since 2019. I am so honored you chose to share this special evening with us!

The gala and other FAAGC events throughout the year, allow our Members to engage with others in our community, share & learn a little bit about Philippine culture, and raise funds to help achieve Association goals related to community service, scholarship funding, and charitable assistance. Our recent tax-exempt status change to 501(c)(3) has created an added benefit for both donor and Association.

I am excited as we kick off the evening, which will include a cultural program, featuring our youth dancers, adult dancers and Young-At-Hearts, and a special performance that will make you think about stretching your muscles a little more! Also, our Guest Speaker will share a few words with us and we will meet the newly elected Officers & Board Members. I think there may be some dancing afterward, too! So, please sit back, enjoy the sights & sounds, share a few laughs with friends, old & new, and create memories that say, "I had a great time! When is the next Gala?!?".

Lastly, thank you to our benefactors, sponsors and donors for your support! I look forward to a wonderful evening with you all! Maraming Salamat Po Sa Inyong Lahat at Mabuhay! (Thank you very much to all of you and Live!)

May God bless you,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gina Castaneda".

Gina Castaneda
FAAGC President 2019-2022



INCOMING PRESIDENT MESSAGE

30 years of existence is an achievement, indeed! I have to commend all the past Presidents for their leadership with the help of their respective Executive Board members — their unwavering dedication that leads us to where the organization is now. Thank you for your dedication and sacrifices!

I am honored and humbled to be elected as President of The Filipino-American Association of Greater Columbia 2022-2024, and with the help and support of my Executive Board and fellow organization members, I will do my best to meet the challenge. Our organization has been built with the common goal, "Together We Make a Difference." I am fortunate to have a membership to an organization that is committed to their goals and objectives. Not only does FAAGC go the extra mile when building the organization from a non-profit 501 c4 to now 501 c3, but it continues to pursue the many worthwhile projects that we undertake for the benefit of the community.

May God continue to strengthen the organization with love and unity among members! Mabuhay po tayong lahat!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Reyna Funderburk".

Reyna Funderburk
FAAGC President 2022-2024





Hello,

I bring greetings from the South Carolina Commission for Minority Affairs (CMA) and wish to express my gratitude at being invited to be the guest speaker at your 2022 Filipino American Association of Greater Columbia (FAAGC) Gala.

This year's theme, "BAYANIHAN," is fitting for such a time as this. Helping others understand what it means to exist in community is one of the major aims of CMA. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this effort has been made more difficult as far too many of our communities have been devastated by its effects. However, through this time of trial it has also helped us to reimagine and reframe the importance of fellowship as we all work together toward the common goal of creating a renewed community.

The rich culture of the Filipino people is testament of your love for family, each other, and others. As you are all aware, and as others will come to know, "The Bayanihan spirit shows Filipinos' concept of helping one another most especially in times of need without expecting anything in return." These are words from which we can all learn and strive to live.

Once again, congratulations on this year's gala, and I am looking forward to a wonderful evening.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dr. Delores Dacosta".

Dr. Delores Dacosta, Executive Director

South Carolina Commission for Minority Affairs



THE COLUMBIA FIL-AM DANCE TROUPE

PILIPINAS KONG MAHAL

The song “Pilipinas Kong Mahal,” “My Beloved Philippines” is a popular Filipino song of patriotism. The lyrics perfectly evoke the loyalty of the Filipino people to their country. This song is often played at big celebrations and events. Tonight’s dance is being performed by Jolie Bermas, as a lyrical piece showcasing the Filipino love for their country.

Choreograph & performed by: JOLIE BERMAS



RAGRAGSAKAN

The word “ragragsakan” is an Ilocano word which means merriment. This dance portrays the walk of the industrious Kalinga women balancing labba baskets placed on their heads as they carry the things the people need during merrymaking, which usually takes place during triumphant returns of headhunters or successful peace pacts between rival tribes. A colorful hand-woven “blankets of life” were also worn around their necks. Their walk imitates the climb up the Rice Terraces in the Mountain Provinces of the Philippines.

Daisy Mae Quintana, Irene Flores and Grace Ann Constantino,
Not in photo: Camille dela Cruz, Ma Lynak Balanac

Choreographer: GRACE ANN CONSTANTINO

BULAKLAKAN

Bulaklakan is a dance of floral garlands. This dance personify the joys of work, of the surroundings, and of life among the people. Lovely and attractive, it is pirouetted among girls clutching a garland of leaves and flowers.

Elizabeth Diane Crutchfield,
Lizbeth Hornick, Isabella Daquiaoag,
Madelyn Isabella Graves,
Sophie Grace Smith,
Audrey Rose Wanner, Maya Perez,
and January Cing

Choreographer: REYNA FUNDERBURK



THE COLUMBIA FIL-AM DANCE TROUPE

ALITAPTAP



In the Philippines, Alitaptap is a firefly, a nocturnal light-producing winged insect. On dark nights, fireflies flit from branch to branch and from tree to tree with their flickering lights. This folkdance mimics the movements of the insects. This dance originated from the province of Batangas.

Jon Castaneda, Delfin Lomboy, Helen Alon, Priscila Ramirez, Flo Baker, Mark Ramirez, Diana Dingman, Evelyn Liester, Judy Berends, Antonio Ramirez, Alan M. Matienzo, Don Liester

KURATSA

Kuratsa is a dance of flirtation and courtship, designed to be danced with a partner. Its movements mimic the mating ritual of a rooster and hen. Different versions of the dance could be found in north and central Philippines

David Finley Massie and Marissa Massie

Choreographer: **MARISSA MASSIE**



TINIKLING

Tinikling is a traditional Philippine folk dance which originated during the Spanish colonial era. It involves two people beating, tapping, and sliding bamboo poles on the ground and against each other in coordination with one or more dancers who step over and in between the poles.

Joshua Andrew Graves, Alexandra Ricks, Joaquin Aidan Vejerano, William Finley Massie, Kylie Bella Smith, Shawn Dominic Broome, Jaxen Castaneda, Bryce Perez, Juan Andre Vejerano, Julia Marie Antonio

Choreographer: **REYNA FUNDERBURK**



THE COLUMBIA FIL-AM DANCE TROUPE

CUYO DANCE



Literally, Sayaw sa Cuyo means a dance in Cuyo. Accordingly, Cuyo is the oldest town in Palawan and became its second capital from 1873 to 1903. It has a culture of its own that has been preserved for over 350 years. Hence, this Mazurka-inspired Filipino folk dance with European influence originated in this town as people celebrate its culture during their town fiesta in honor of St. Augustine, the town's Patron Saint. This dance is mostly danced by girls swaying their hats to accent their turnings and twirls.

Myrna Whitmire, Leah Cuaresma, Alma Robichaud, Naty Roberts, Dhel Elamparo, Anna Temples

Choreographer:
LEAH CUARESMA & ALMA ROBICHAUD

PANDANGGO SA ILAW

Pandanggo sa Ilaw is a timeless Philippine folk dance, allegedly originating from Mindoro. This dance of lights simulates fireflies in the night by balancing lighted cups.

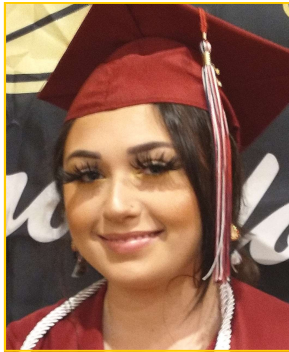
Maria Cristina Burgos,
Grace Constantino,
Aireen Morillo,
Vicente Paolo Z. Atos,
John Derrick Capistrano,
Jonnel De Jesus,
Not in picture :
Camille DeLa Cruz,
Christian Trangia

Choreographer:
REYNA FUNDERBURK



Columbia FIL-AM Scholarship Program

2021 Recipients



Emily Collins



Lara Tijing

A Columbia Fil-Am Youth Scholarship program has been discussed often since the formation of the Association in 1991. Officially started in 2002 by the FAAGC Executive Board through the initiative of Peter Liunoras (FAAGC President, 2001-2003), the Columbia Fil-Am Scholarship awards are given to Fil-Am college-bound high school graduates whose families are currently paid FAAGC members and who (or their parents) have participated actively in Fil-Am activities. As specified by the Executive Board recently, current criteria are involvement in FAAGC (50percent), academics (30 percent), and interview and essay (20 percent).

Funds for the scholarship program are generated from, among others, donations, raffles during FAAGC gala, Christmas and Valentine's Day events, food sales at basketball tournaments, and from 2004 to 2010, fund-raisers by the Ridge View High School (RVHS) Fil-Am Youth Club under the direction of Peter Liunoras.

Starting in 2021, long-time member and supporter Dr. Francisco Sy has established and endowed the Dr. Francisco S. Sy Scholarship Fund of the FAAGC.

FAAGC presented the first Columbia Fil-Am Scholarship award at the 13th Annual Gala on September 13, 2003. Since then, award certificates (and checks) have been presented to deserving and qualified students every year during the annual gala or at special events. Interestingly, most of the past scholarship recipients had been Columbia Fil-Am Cultural Dance Troupe performers at one time or another.

Columbia Fil-Am Scholarship Recipients

2021	Emily Collins	Lara Tijing
2020	Taryn Clark Casey Funderburk Ashley Rabaca	Brandon Edwards Joy Mangaccat Julia Szoke
2019	Laurence Lafuente	
2018	Shane Clark Jasmine Flora Andrea Robichaud	Carlton Edwards III Alisha Rabaca Chase Szoke
2017	Dyonn Dingman	Diego Luis Ignacio
2016	Kathleen Arevalo Joan Rose Peña	Roy Balacanao, Jr
2015	Denise Daquilanea Angelica Robichaud	Severina Lowder
2014	Jonathan Jacobsen	
2013	Darryl Arevalo Khoi Nguyen Shannin Scott	Justine Flora Michael Sanchez
2012	Elaiza Apan Nicole Daquilanea	Kirkwood Bautista Douglas Miguel Tupas
2011	Christine Arroyo Nicole Phillips Joseph Szoke III Andrew Whitmire	Karen Magsino Nicholas Roberts Nicole Victoria
2010	Paul Adcock Fides Elamparo Sean C.A. Tupas	Nicole Anderson Steven Do
2009	Jessamine Cuaresma	Jeffrey Noble
2008	Butch Deo Elamparo Mark Allen Viray	Christian Ysmael Tupas
2007	Raquel Bagnal	Michelle Peña
2006	Aileen Leigh Alon Christian Elamparo Fay Manapat	Jasper Lim Marianne Magapan
2005	Justin Anderson	
2004	Danielle Glenn Michaela Kenworthy Judith Peña	Amanda Goyeneche Michael McNulty
2003	Raymund Elamparo	





LIFETIME MEMBERS

Milestones of a Growing Organization

Thirty years (so far) and more to come

Accomplishments, Achievements & Moments in Time as Columbia FIL-AMs Make an Impact in the Community

At the 20th Anniversary Gala on Sept. 10, 2011, the Columbia Fil-Am Association honored those who had steadfastly supported and continuously sustained FAAGC from its beginning through its first 20 years by recognizing them as LIFETIME MEMBERS.

Others have or can become Lifetime Members if they have paid or willing to pay the equivalent of 20 years of membership.

At the 25th Anniversary Gala on Sept. 24, 2016, the Columbia Fil-Am Association honored those who were instrumental in establishing and guiding FAAGC during its early years by recognizing them as HONORARY LIFETIME MEMBERS.

Lifetime Sustaining Charter Members

Continuous Members since 1991

Rita Houston ALCANTARA
Noel & Helen ALON
Edith ALSTON
Lulu ANDERSON
Ruben Matias BAGNAL
James & Edith BARKER
Linda BROWN
Grace COLLINS
Manny & Leah CUARESMA
Tony+ & Tessie+ DeCASTRO
Gene+ & Sally ELLIS
Jim & Tessie KENERSON
Juliet MARTIN
George & Nieves McNULTY
Marvin & Beth NOBLE
Alfonso+ & Susana PASICATAN
Naty AKANA ROBERTS
David & Cindy TEFFT

Honorary Lifetime Members

Eva RIGNEY
(FAAGC President, 1991-1992)
Remie MORALES-SARMIENTO+
(FAAGC Treasurer, 1991-1992)
Minerva WHEEDLETON
(FAAGC President, 1992-1994)

Lifetime Sustaining Members

Members for 20 years or more

Charles & Bev GOYENECHÉ *(since 1991)*
Lee+ & Polly+ PEARSON *(since 1992)*
Ranjel & Judy Salvador ASIS *(1992-98, since 2001)*
Joy CLARK *(since 1993)*
Jim & Juvie LOWDER *(since 1993)*
Imelda GO *(1993-94, since 1996)*
Jojo & Joette FLORA *(1993-96, since 2010)*
Ben & Aida DAQUIOAG *(1994-99, since 2011)*
Butch & Dhel ELAMPARO *(since 1995)*
Peter & Olga LIUNORAS *(since 1995)*
Charles & Precy WALKER *(since 1995)*
Terry & Judy BERENDS *(1996-1999, since 2004)*
Philip & Anna RABACA *(since 1997)*
Brian & Cecile STRICKLAND *(since 1997)*
Warren & Myrna WHITMIRE *(since 1997)*
Alan & Maria Cecilia GEOGHEGAN *(since 1999)*
Lu & Merlyn BAJAMUNDE *(since 2000)*
Edsel & Marj PEÑA *(since 2000)*
Dan & Tess ADCOCK *(since 2001)*
Ronald & Faye COLLEY *(since 2001)*
Jon & Gina CASTANEDA *(since 2002)*
Don & Evelyn LIESTER *(since 2003)*
Art & Cecille BOMAN *(2004-2007, since 2011)*
David & Odess BRINKMAN *(since 2004)*
Alan MATIENZO *(since 2004)*
Richard & Tessie BANNISTER *(since 2005)*
Carlton & Carmelisa EDWARDS *(since 2006)*
Terry & Reyna FUNDERBURK *(since 2006)*
Pete & Cecille JACOBSEN *(since 2006)*
Carlton, Jr. & Amy EDWARDS *(since 2007)*
Joseph & Celyn SZOKE *(since 2007)*
Neil & Maribel TIJING *(since 2007)*
Mark & Prescy RAMIREZ *(since 2008)*
David & Alma ROBICHAUD *(since 2009)*
Maria SILVER *(since 2009)*
Walter & Tess HILL *(since 2012)*





2020 - 2022 MEMBERS



NAME	LASTNAME	CITY	ST	NAME	LASTNAME	CITY	ST
Hubert & Marylou Mars	ABALO	Columbia	SC	Maria Cristina	BURGOS	Columbia	SC
Dan & Tess	ADCOCK	W. Columbia	SC	Buddy & Sai	BURKE	Irmo	SC
Efren & Beth Baldauf	AFANTE	Columbia	SC	Ronald & Jenilee	BUSH	Columbia	SC
Conrad & Rita	ALCANTARA	Columbia	SC	Sydney	BYRD	Lexington	SC
Kromuel	ALCANTARA			Eugene & Elen	CALLAHAN	Columbia	SC
Aileen	ALON	Miami	FL	JC	CALLAHAN	Graniteville	SC
Alexander Joel "AJ" & Sophie Kim	ALON	Seattle	WA	Robert & Jadith	CARSWELL	Lexington	SC
Noel & Helen	ALON	Columbia	SC	Jon & Gina	CASTANEDA	Lexington	SC
Edith	ALSTON	Hopkins	SC	Tangierina	CENA	Lexington	SC
Gerry & Meng	AMORES	Columbia	SC	Susan	CHAMPION	Sumter	SC
Leroy & Lulu	ANDERSON	Columbia	SC	Ulises & Vanessa Mota	CHAVEZ	Gaston	SC
Camille	ANDRES	Lexington	SC	William & Emily	CHENEY	Columbia	SC
Jovert	ARCO			Jacqueline V.	CING	Blythewood	SC
Ranjel & Judy Salvador	ASIS	Lexington	SC	William & Joy	CLARK	Blythewood	SC
Mars Marinel	ATILANO	Sumter	SC	Deanna	COFFEY	W. Columbia	SC
Vicente & Jean	ATOS	Columbia	SC	Scott & Apple	COFFEY	W. Columbia	SC
Debbie	AYAP	Columbia	SC	Ron & Faye	COLLEY	Irmo	SC
Rick & Liezl	BADEN	Columbia	SC	Grace	COLLINS	Lexington	SC
Ruben & Chari	BAGNAL	Columbia	SC	Ryan & Mary Jane	COPE	Sumter	SC
Dr. Lu & Merlyn	BAJAMUNDE		SC	Roldan & Elsa	CORPUZ	Columbia	SC
Jerry & Flo	BAKER	Lexington	SC	Frederick & Felicidad	COX	Cassatt	SC
Roy & Carina	BALACANAO	Columbia	SC	Carissa	COX	Irmo	SC
Grace	BALANQUIT	Columbia	SC	Christopher & Charlene	COX	Columbia	SC
Caitlin	BALDWIN	Cayce	SC	Fred & Gloria	COYLE	Elgin	SC
Jason	BALLESTEROS	Columbia	SC	Manny & Leah	CUARESMA	Columbia	SC
Richard & Tessie	BANNISTER	Prosperity	SC	Ali & Janet	DABIRI	Gaston	SC
James & Edith	BARKER	Saluda	SC	Christopher & Elvy	DABROWSKI	Columbia	SC
Steven & Josephine	BATTLE	Columbia	SC	Arsenio & Yari	DAQUIOAG	Blythewood	SC
Lelet Peralta	BAUTISTA	Columbia	SC	Ben & Aida	DAQUIOAG	Columbia	SC
Terry & Judy	BERENDS	Columbia	SC	Audi & Raissa	DELA CRUZ	Columbia	SC
Nelson & Dorie	BERMAS	Lexington	SC	Jonnell & Ava	DE JESUS	Columbia	SC
Nick & Megan	BEZA	Lexington	SC	Arnel and Ali	DE LARA	Columbia	SC
Nick & Nemy	BEZA	N. Charleston	SC	Masaya Joy "Mya"	DE LEON	Columbia	SC
Joe & Janine	BLEVINS	Columbia	SC	Dennis & Ria	DE OCAMPO	Orangeburg	SC
Dusten & Leni	BOLIN	N. Augusta	GA	Josephine Dianne	DEAUNA	Columbia	SC
Jake & Noreen	BOLOTANO	Columbia	SC	Nancy	DENSON	Lexington	SC
Art & Cecille	BOMAN	Columbia	SC	Diana	DINGMAN	Columbia	SC
Mary	BOSWELL	Columbia	SC	Rosemarie	DORMAL	Columbia	SC
David & Odess	BRINKMAN	Columbia	SC	Carlton & Lisa	EDWARDS	Eastover	SC
Belen	BROADWAY	Sumter	SC	Carlton, Jr. & Amy	EDWARDS	Blythewood	SC
Jason & Marie	BROOME	Irmo	SC	Butch & Dhel	ELAMPARO	Columbia	SC
Linda	BROWN	Columbia	SC	Charles & Vivianne	ELDER	Columbia	SC
Clayton & Alecia	BRYANT	Elgin	SC	Sally	ELLIS	Columbia	SC
Amelia	BULLARD	Columbia	SC	Marife and Domingo	EMPLEO	Columbia	SC
				David & Josephine	ETHEREDGE	Cayce	SC
				Shawn & Laura	FINIGAN		



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Paul & Hannah	FISHER	Columbia	SC	Tom Clark & Charlene	MAYO	Columbia	SC
Jojo & Joette	FLORA	Columbia	SC	Bill & Haze	MCCAFFERTY	Elgin	SC
Terry & Reyna	FUNDERBURK	Irmo	SC	Dave & Veronica	MCGLAUFILIN	Irmo	SC
Arun Jiko & Nova Rechel	GA	Sumter	SC	Sean & Shirley Grace	MCGUINNESS	W. Columbia	SC
Ryan Norwood & Lyka	GAMIAO	Lexington	SC	George & Nieves	MCNULTY	Blythewood	SC
Alan & Cecille	GEOGHEGAN	Columbia	SC	Bill & Amy	MOORE	Chapin	SC
Nikki	GEVA	Columbia	SC	RJ & Aireen	MORILLO	Columbia	SC
David & Daisy	GIBSON	Newberry	SC	Eddie Mullen	MULLEN	Columbia	SC
Imelda	GO	Elgin	SC	Joe & Lora	MURPHY	Lexington	SC
Ed & Yani	GOULD	Lexington	SC	Richard & Jenny	MYERS	Lexington	SC
Charles & Bev	GOYENECHE	Hartsville	SC	Marvin & Beth	NOBLE	Columbia	SC
Brian & Nancy	GRAVES	Blythewood	SC	Ed & Deb	NORRIS	Columbia	SC
Gyles & Liza	GREGORY	Blythewood	SC	Elleine and Ryan	NORWOOD	Lexington	SC
Jimmy & Janet	HARRIS	Gilbert	SC	Edsel & Emmy Lou	OGAO-OGAO	Columbia	SC
Julian & Ashley	HAMILTON	Prosperity	SC	Maurice & Erel	OLDHAM	Swansea	SC
Richard & Jello	HENDY	Gilbert	SC	Eddie & Liza	OLSON	Columbia	SC
Zaida	HERTAN	Blythewood	SC	Edmar	ORATA		
Walter & Tess	HILL	Chapin	SC	Mauricio & Graciela	OROZCO	Gaston	SC
Chrissy	HOPKINS	Lexington	SC	David & Allison	OWENS	Columbia	SC
Joe & Nina	HORNICK	Columbia	SC	Jun & Elvira	PADING	W. Columbia	SC
Jin	HORTON	Newberry	SC	Mike	PADUA	Columbia	SC
Dennis & Sol	HUMPHRIES	Blythewood	SC	Nelson Galimba & Melanie	PALOMARES	Columbia	SC
Ralph & Loren	IACONO	Chapin	SC	Daniel & Leah	PARKER	Columbia	SC
Saldee & Hannelore	IGNACIO	Lexington	SC	Susana	PASICATAN	Columbia	SC
Russell & Eva	JACKSON	Lexington	SC	Larry & Precy	PASIG	Lexington	SC
Pete & Cecilia	JACOBSEN	Sumter	SC	Polly	PEARSON	Dalzell	SC
Ken & Emee	JENNINGS	Columbia	SC	Edsel & Marj	PEÑA	Columbia	SC
Eric & Charisse	JOHNSON	Columbia	SC	Florencio Jr & Corazon	PEÑA	Lexington	SC
Yasuo & Myra	KAMIBAYASHI	Columbia	SC	Alberto & Jobell	PEREZ	Prosperity	SC
Paul & Linda	KASERMAN	Lexington	SC	Jon & Virgie	PEREZ	Columbia	SC
Jim & Tessie	KENERSON	Summerville	SC	Diana	PHILLIPS	Cayce	SC
Chris & Michelle	LATHROP	Salley	SC	Rebecca S.	POOLE	Lexington	SC
Rosen	LAWSIN	Columbia	SC	Daisy Mae	QUINTANA	Columbia	SC
Don & Evelyn	LIESTER	Columbia	SC	Philip & Anna	RABACA	Columbia	SC
Peter & Olga	LIUNORAS	Columbia	SC	Adrian & Isabel	RAINES	Columbia	SC
Thomas & Claire	LOTT	Gilbert	SC	Antonio (Ton Ton) Jr.	RAMIREZ	Columbia	SC
Jim & Juvie	LOWDER	W. Columbia	SC	Mark & Prescy	RAMIREZ	Columbia	SC
Alan & Jennifer	LUCILLO	Columbia	SC	Irene	RAMOS	Columbia	SC
David & Rechel	LYNN	Elgin	SC	Charles & Arabella	REYES	Lexington	SC
Galen & Johanne	MANAPAT	Lexington	SC	Rafael Ofendo	REYES	Columbia	SC
Erwin & Anne	MANGUBAT	Columbia	SC	Anthony & Aprileen	RICKS	Blythewood	SC
Romy & Marilyn	MAULION	Orangeburg	SC	Jhon and Marnie	RIDLEHOOVER	Cayce	SC
Mitch & Juliet	MARTIN	Chapin	SC	Roger & Naty Akana	ROBERTS	Columbia	SC
David & Marissa	MASSIE	Columbia	SC	Clover	ROBICHAUD	Columbia	SC
Raul & Maya	MATAWARAN	Columbia	SC	David & Alma	ROBICHAUD	Columbia	SC
Alan	MATIENZO	Columbia	SC	Tony & Amy	SALYER	Irmo	SC



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Keith Howard	SEYMOUR	Columbia	SC	Kermit & Candida "Eding"	THOMAS	Columbia	SC
Scott & Sheena	SHEARER	Lugoff	SC	Robert & Grace	THOMPSON	Columbia	SC
Samantha	SHERIDAN			Willis & Victoria Falvey	THOMPSON	Columbia	SC
Rick	SHOESTOCK	Columbia	SC	Neil & Bambie	TIJING	Columbia	SC
Chino & Nerissa	SIDORA	Columbia	SC	Christian Vincent Reyes	TRANGIA	Columbia	SC
Maria	SILVER	Columbia	SC	Douglas & Helena	TUPAS	Columbia	SC
Stanley & Maria	SLAUGHTER	Columbia	SC	Ronel	TURQUESA	Columbia	SC
Bryant & Sien Rivera	SMITH	Columbia	SC	Sean & Allison	VALDEPENAS	Chapin	SC
Terry & Janet	SMITH	Blythewood	SC	Ryan & Marj	VANDEKOP	Elgin	SC
Clara	SOLANO	Prosperity	SC	Todd & Richel	VAULES	Columbia	SC
Nardito /Nards	SOLETO	Bennettsvil	SC	Jobert & Zhila	VEGO	Orangeburg	SC
Eric & Haidee	SOSA	Columbia	SC	Eric & Che	VEJERANO	Irmo	SC
Deon & Jen	SPEAKS	Irmo	SC	Solly	VELINA	Chapin	SC
Beth and Danny	STEVENS	Columbia	SC	Ryan & Anna	VELINA	Columbia	SC
Patrick & Nellie Grace	STIVERS	Lexington	SC	Krrizzia	VILLANUEVA	Columbia	SC
Brian & Cecile	STRICKLAND	Lexington	SC	Charles & Precy	WALKER	Columbia	SC
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LUPANG HINIRANG

Bayang magiliw
Perlas ng Silanganan,
Alab ng puso,
Sa dibdib mo'y buhay.

Lupang Hinirang,
Duyan ka ng magiting,
Sa manlulupig,
Di ka pasisiil.
Sa dagat at bundok,
Sa simoy at sa langit mong bughaw,
May dilag ang tula
At awit sa paglayang minamahal.

Ang kislap ng watawat mo'y
Tagumpay na nagniningning,
Ang bituin at araw niya
Kailan pa ma'y di magdidilim.

Lupa ng araw, ng luwalhati't pagsinta,
Buhay ay langit sa piling mo;
Aming ligaya, na pag may mang-aapi
Ang mamatay ng dahil sa iyo.

THE STAR-SPANGLED BANNER

O say, can you see
By the dawn's early light
What so proudly we hail'd
At the twilight's last gleaming?
Whose broad stripes and bright stars
Through the perilous fight
O'er the ramparts we watch'd
Were so gallantly streaming?
And the rocket's red glare
The bombs bursting in air
Gave proof through the night
That our flag was still there
O say, does that star-spangled banner yet wave
O'er the land of the free
And the home of the brave?

COLUMBIA FIL-AM EXECUTIVE BOARDS THROUGH THE YEARS



1991-1992: (front, l-r) Susana Pasicatan, Eva Rigney, Minnie Wheedleton, Helen Alon. (back, l-r) Cindy Tefft, Jun David, Remie Morales-Sarmiento, Grace Collins.



1992-1993: (l-r) Minnie Wheedleton, Helen Alon, Randy Collado, Sally Ellis, Remie Morales-Sarmiento, Tessie DeCastro, Dom Perez, Marvin Noble.



1993-1994: (front, l-r) Beth Noble (representing Marvin), Nel Fernandez, Gloria Yutani. (back, l-r) Dom Perez, Polly Pearson, Judy Salvador, Grace Collins, Sally Ellis, Minnie Wheedleton. (Not in photo: David Tefft)



1994-1995: (front, l-r) Polly Pearson, Wilfred Jeffcoat, Linda Brown, Tessie Kenerson. (back, l-r) Eugenia Panela, Judy Salvador, Sally Ellis, Helen Alon, Grace Collins, Mark Yutani, Jerome Robinette.



1995-1996: (front, l-r) Larry Smith, Wilfred Jeffcoat, Fred Balangue, Mark Yutani. (back, l-r) Judy Salvador, Linda Brown, Leah Cuaresma, Sally Ellis, Helen Alon, State Sen. Warren Giese (guest speaker), Grace Collins, Tessie Kenerson, Polly Pearson.



1996-1997: (front, l-r) Fred Balangue, Wilfred Jeffcoat, Peter Liunoras, Ernest Ellis. (back, l-r) Linda Brown, Marie Salvador, Leah Cuaresma, Maria Aiken, DeeDee Stewart, Tessie Kenerson, Helen Alon, Bill Simmons.

	1991-1992	1992-1993	1993-1994	1994-1995	1995-1996	1996-1997
President	Eva Rigney	Minnie Wheedleton	Minnie Wheedleton	Helen Alon	Helen Alon	Helen Alon
1st Vice-President	Susana Pasicatan	Helen Alon	Sally Ellis	Sally Ellis	Sally Ellis	Ernest Ellis
2nd Vice-President	Minnie Wheedleton	Randy Collado	Grace Collins	Grace Collins	Grace Collins	Tessie Kenerson
Secretary	Helen Alon (7/91-2/92) Edith Barker (3/92-6/92)	Sally Ellis	Judy Salvador	Judy Salvador	Judy Salvador	DeeDee Stewart
Treasurer	Remie Sarmiento	Remie Sarmiento (July-Dec. 1992) Tessie Kenerson (Jan.-June. 1993)	Polly Pearson	Mark Yutani	Mark Yutani (July-Dec. 1995) Wilfred Jeffcoat (Jan.-June. 1996)	Wilfred Jeffcoat
Assistant Secretary			Gloria Yutani	Eugenia Panela	Leah Cuaresma	Maria Aiken
Assistant Treasurer			Marvin Noble	Jerome Robinette	Wilfred Jeffcoat (July-Dec. 1995) Naty Akana (Jan-June 1996)	Leah Cuaresma
Board Member	Grace Collins	Marvin Noble	Nel Fernandez	Linda Brown	Frederick Balangue	Frederick Balangue
Board Member	Cindy Tefft	Dom Perez	Dom Perez	Leah Cuaresma	Linda Brown	Linda Brown
Board Member	Jun David (7/91-2/92)	Tessie DeCastro (1992)	David Tefft	Wilfred Jeffcoat	Tessie Kenerson	Peter Liunoras
Board Member	Dom Perez (2/92-6/92)	Polly Pearson (1993)		Tessie Kenerson	Polly Pearson	Marie Salvador
Board Member				Polly Pearson	Larry Smith	Bill Simmons

COLUMBIA FIL-AM EXECUTIVE BOARDS THROUGH THE YEARS



1997-1999: (front, l-r) Nieves McNulty, Peter Liunoras, Ofelia Milligan, Rowena Arroyo, Eloisa De Castro, Chari Matias-Bagnal. (back, l-r) Manny Cuaresma, Ernest Ellis, Edith Alston, Marie Salvador, Patrick Baens. (Not in photo: Imelda Go)



1999-2001: (front, l-r) Grace Collins, Philippine Consul Henry Bensurto, Jr. (guest speaker), Nieves McNulty, Bill Simmons, Edith Alston. (back, l-r) Tessie Kenerson, Helen Alon, Fred Balangue, Eloisa De Castro, Ruben Bagnal, Jon Glenn. (Not in photo: Joy Clark & Patrick Baens)



2001-2003: (l-r) Ruben Bagnal, Rudy Dizon, George McNulty, Lulu Anderson, Marj Peña, Tessie Kenerson, Peter Liunoras, Tessie DeCastro, Polly Pearson, Diana Phillips, Hector Galang, Alan Geoghegan



2003-2005: (front, l-r) Alan Geoghegan, Grace Collins, Jojo Goyeneche; (back, l-r) Marj Peña, Rex Santos, Amy Charles, George McNulty, Lily Iglesias, Dan Adcock, Merlyn Bajamunde, Charles Goyeneche, Rudy Dizon.



2005-2007: (l-r) Alan Geoghegan, Cecille Wessinger, Dan Adcock, Odess Brinkman, George McNulty, Bernadette Yavis, Keith Seymour, Precy Walker, Galen Manapat, Edith Alston, Mario Viray, Alan Matienzo



2007-2009: (front, l-r) Alan Geoghegan, George McNulty, Albert Taylor, Mario Viray. (back, l-r) Sally Ellis, Odess Brinkman, Myrna Whitmire, Leah Cuaresma, Tessie Kenerson, Cecilia Jacobsen, Precy Wlaker, Shirley McGuinness

	1997-1999	1999-2001	2001-2003	2003-2005	2005-2007	2007-2009
<i>President</i>	Nieves McNulty	Nieves McNulty	Peter Liunoras	Grace Collins	Alan Geoghegan	Alan Geoghegan
<i>1st Vice-President</i>	Peter Liunoras	Grace Collins	Tessie DeCastro	Alan Geoghegan	Alan Matienzo	Sally Ellis
<i>2nd Vice-President</i>	Ofelia Milligan	Bill Simmons	Tessie Kenerson	Julieta Iglesias	Mario Viray	George McNulty
<i>Secretary</i>	Eloisa De Castro	Eloisa De Castro	Marj Peña	Marj Peña	Odess Brinkman	Shirley McGuinness
<i>Treasurer</i>	Imelda Go	Jon Glenn	George McNulty	George McNulty	George McNulty	Myrna Whitmire
<i>Assistant Secretary</i>	Chari Bagnal (7/97-8/98) Racquel Dizon (9/98-6/99)	Edith Alston	Lulu Anderson	Amy Charles	Edith Alston	Albert Taylor (7/07-3/08) Carmelisa Edwards (4/08-6/09)
<i>Assistant Treasurer</i>	Rowena Arroyo	Joy Clark	Polly Pearson	Daniel Adcock	Daniel Adcock	Odess Brinkman
<i>Board Member</i>	Edith Alston	Helen Alon	Ruben Bagnal	Merlyn Bajamunde	Galen Manapat	Leah Cuaresma
<i>Board Member</i>	Patrick Baens	Patrick Baens	Rudy Dizon	Rudy Dizon	Keith Seymour	Cecilia Jacobsen
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COLUMBIA FIL-AM EXECUTIVE BOARDS THROUGH THE YEARS



2008-2009: (front, l-r) George McNulty, Alan Geoghegan, Mario Viray. (back, l-r) Bernadette Yavis, Leah Cuaresma, Tessie Kenerson, Myrna Whitmire, Sally Ellis, Shirley McGuinness, Carmelisa Edwards, Cecilia Jacobsen, Odess Brinkman.



2009-2011: (front, l-r) Dan Adcock, Grace Balanquit, Jojo Flora. (back, l-r) Maribel Tijing, Wyda Viray, Shirley McGuinness, Cecille Jacobsen, Grace Collins, Carmelisa Edwards, Marj Peña, Cecille Geoghegan, Nieves McNulty.



2011-2013: (l-r) Bong Rances, Rio Daquilanea, Carlos Arevalo, Peter Liunoras, Grace Collins, Faye Colley, Odess Brinkman, Maribel Tijing, Nieves McNulty, Grace Balanquit, Carmelisa Edwards, Marj Peña.



2013-2014: (front, l-r) Bong Rances, Cecille Jacobsen, Carlos Arevalo. (back, l-r) Tess Hill, Prescy Ramirez, Miriam Eschenfelder, Sheena Shearer, Alma Robichaud, Edith Alston, Jocelyn Locke, Faye Colley. (Not in photo: Eric Sosa)



2014-2015: (l-r) Cecille Jacobsen, Jocelyn Locke, Tess Hill, Prescy Ramirez, Sheena Shearer, Carlos Arevalo, Miriam Eschenfelder, Edith Alston, Alma Robichaud, Faye Colley. (Not in photo: Eric Sosa, Peter Liunoras)



2015-2017: (front, l-r) Carlos Arevalo, Anna Temples, Tess Hill, Cecille Jacobsen, Miriam Eschenfelder, Reyna Funderburk, Doris Matos, Peter Liunoras. (back, l-r) Glenn De Guzman, Al Cockerel, James Orlick, Alan Matienzo.

	2009-2011	2011-2013	2013-2015	2015-2017
President	Marj Peña	Marj Peña	Cecilia Jacobsen	Cecilia Jacobsen
1st Vice-President	Cecilia Jacobsen	Carmelisa Edwards	Faye Colley	Tess Hill
2nd Vice-President	Carmelisa Edwards	Grace Balanquit	Eric Sosa	Alan Matienzo
Secretary	Shirley McGuinness	Odess Brinkman	Jocelyn Locke	Reyna Funderburk
Treasurer	Nieves McNulty	Nieves McNulty	Priscilla Ramirez	Miriam Eschenfelder
Assistant Secretary	Maribel Tijing	Faye Colley	Sheena Shearer	Doris Matos
Assistant Treasurer	Wyda Viray	Maribel Tijing	Miriam Eschenfelder	Anna Temples
Board Member	Daniel Adcock	Carlos Arevalo	Edith Alston	Carlos Arevalo
Board Member	Grace Balanquit	Grace Collins	Carlos Arevalo	Al Cockerel
Board Member	Grace Collins	Rio Daquilanea	Tess Hill	Glenn De Guzman
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Board Member	Cecilia Geoghegan	Francisco Rances	Alma Robichaud	James Orlick

FAAGC OATH OF OFFICE

I, (name), having been duly elected as (position) of the Filipino-American Association of Greater Columbia, do solemnly pledge and swear: THAT I will discharge the duties and responsibilities of my office to the best of my knowledge and ability; THAT I will obey the By-laws of the organization; SEE to it that every member is in good harmony and understanding; AND, as a faithful instrument of the Association, I shall carry this obligation without mental reservation.
So help me God.

COLUMBIA FIL-AM EXECUTIVE BOARDS THROUGH THE YEARS



2017-2019: (front, l-r) Maribel Tijing, Reyna Funderburk, Gina Castaneda, Teresa Ziegler, Tess Hill. (back, l-r) Judy Berends, Jason Eberhart, Joseph Szoke, Buddy Burke, Alan Matienzo, Joy Clark. (Not in photo: Emily Cheney)



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2019-2022: (top to bottom, l-r) Joseph Szoke, Ulises Chavez, Reyna Funderburk, Jadith Carswell, Evelyn Liester, Chrissy Hopkins, Priscila Ramirez, Angelica "Clover" Robichaud, Gina Castaneda, Mya De Leon. (Not in photo: Grace Collins, Nina Hornick)



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	2017-2019	2019-2021	# 2021-2022	2022-2024
<i>President</i>	Gina Castaneda	Gina Castaneda	Gina Castaneda	Reyna Funderburk
<i>1st Vice-President</i>	Reyna Funderburk	Reyna Funderburk	Reyna Funderburk	Elen Callahan
<i>2nd Vice-President</i>	Maribel Tijing	Joseph Szoke	Joseph Szoke	Celyn Szoke
<i>Secretary</i>	Teresa Ziegler	Angelica (Clover) Robichaud	Angelica (Clover) Robichaud	Daisy May Quintana
<i>Treasurer</i>	Tess Hill	Priscila Ramirez	Priscila Ramirez	Nancy Graves
<i>Assistant Secretary</i>	Emily Cheney	Emee Jennings (7/19-3/20) Jadith Carswell (6/20-6/21)	Jadith Carswell	Florencia (Flo) Baker
<i>Assistant Treasurer</i>	Alan Matienzo	Evelyn Liester	Evelyn Liester	Janet Smith
<i>Board Member</i>	Judy Berends	Jadith Carswell (7/19-6/20) Chrissy Hopkins (6/20-6/21)	Ulises Chavez	Marylou Abalo
<i>Board Member</i>	Eric (Buddy) Burke	Grace Collins	Grace Collins	Ranjel Asis
<i>Board Member</i>	Joy Clark	Mya De Leon	Mya De Leon	Vincent Atos
<i>Board Member</i>	Jason Eberhardt (7/17-9/18) Peter Liunoras (10/18-6/19)	Nina Hornick	Chrissy Hopkins	Deborah Norris
<i>Board Member</i>	Joseph Szoke	Rick Shoestock (7/19-1/21) Ulises Chavez (3/21-6/21)	Nina Hornick	Alma Robichaud



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2021-2022

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic which unfortunately caused cancellation of almost all of its activities in 2020 and 2021, FAAGC postponed the 2021 election to Spring 2022 and extended the term of office of the 2019-2021 Officers and Executive Board for another year.



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(Young At Heart Guyo Group)

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Thank you, Fil-AM family for your meaningful support.
Let's all encourage our new Officers and Executive
Board Members to make FAAGC even better.
Maraming Salamat Po! (Thank you very much!)



Jon, Gina, Jaxen, and Phillip Castaneda



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**Congratulations for your 30th Annual Gala!!
Our family is proud to be part of the growth
of the organization! Congratulations to the
newly elected Executive Board,
Mabuhay ang FAAGC !**





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Dear FAAGC members and friends,

As one of the founding members who has been very involved since day one, please allow me to say something about this organization. It's been almost 32 years since its formation and may I say that at first I was a little hesitant in becoming involved since I was a fulltime mom with two very young children (3 and 6 years) at that time, had a fulltime job as a nurse, a house to take care of, and a husband who was working out of town. But after attending a meeting with others interested in forming a formal Columbia Fil-Am association, I got so excited with the idea that I ended up attending every initial monthly meetings up to a point that without his knowledge, I volunteered my husband's services to do a monthly newsletter. Then came election time when I became the first secretary. The rest is history. Challenging as it was since everything we were doing was first of its kind and we didn't know whether what we did was the right thing to do. However, we managed to pull through and was eventually recognized by IRS as a 501-(c)4 organization after four years instead of a 501(c)3 which we were originally hoping to accomplish. I never thought that this organization will last this long, but after 30 years, I think FAAGC is here to stay.

At the start, some people predicted we were not going to last; others even called us a "Mickey Mouse organization," and others even called us "bakya" (lacking in sophistication). Even now I still hear that comments from others but I just ignore those comments because those who said those were actually people who have not done anything for the organization. They don't know what we actually do or have done as a non-profit all-volunteer organization. Those are just people who love to criticize the ones who work making the Fil-Am Association continuously viable and involved in the community here and abroad. Watching this organization grow from its infancy until now, with 10 different administration and leadership styles and dealing with all kinds of people with different opinions, yes, we have individual differences and opinions BUT that did not deter our family from helping and supporting every single administration we had because we believe in the essence of this organization.

Now that we have the IRS 501(c)3 status, after 31+ years that we were actively involved, we can say we are ready to pass the torch to our younger generation. We would love to watch it grow into something bigger and better. That being said I thank you all past and present officers and members for all your hard work and dedication. To our supporters, friends and partner organizations, thank you for all your support, big and small. All of them were and are appreciated and helped us achieve what we are today.

Now, to our newly elected officers, congratulations and thank you for accepting your positions to serve our community. I hope you will abide by the oath you just took today. Please serve well. I can see that these new leaders will take this organization to its next level.

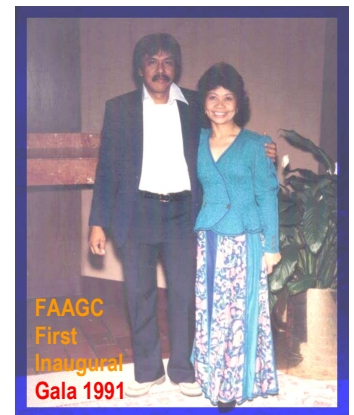
To our many new members, thank you for becoming part of us. Support our officers for the volunteer efforts they are doing. Volunteer your time if you can. Ask questions if there's something you don't understand. Don't just criticize. Make suggestions. I always did but that did not mean they will follow your suggestions. As one of our members said before, "Any organization will not succeed with out the leaders and members alike working together." So, you are just as important.

I hope you all will continue to support in anyway you can. After all, together, you/we make a difference.

Best wishes and God bless FAAGC.

Helen Alon

FAAGC President 1994-1997



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Dr. Delores Dacosta
Executive Director

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To be a catalyst that identifies and examines emerging issues and trends by providing constructive solutions and approaches to support the policy and socio-economic development of ethnic minority communities through:

- Community engagement and awareness;
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Mabuhay FAAGC!**



**Best Wishes,
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Looking forward to your continued successes
in the upcoming year.**



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Despite what's going on in this world of difficulties, the Officers and Board members of the FAAGC went charging on!
CONGRATULATIONS for a job well done!



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Celebrating this 30th Anniversary of FAAGCs existence is a proof of great accomplishment of past leaders and we the members. Congratulations to all.....

To the outgoing officers kudos for job well done....

To the incoming newly elected officers congratulations, good luck....

To President Gina Custodio Castaneda it takes such an amazing person to do what you have accomplished for the organization. You had a good team...THANK YOU.

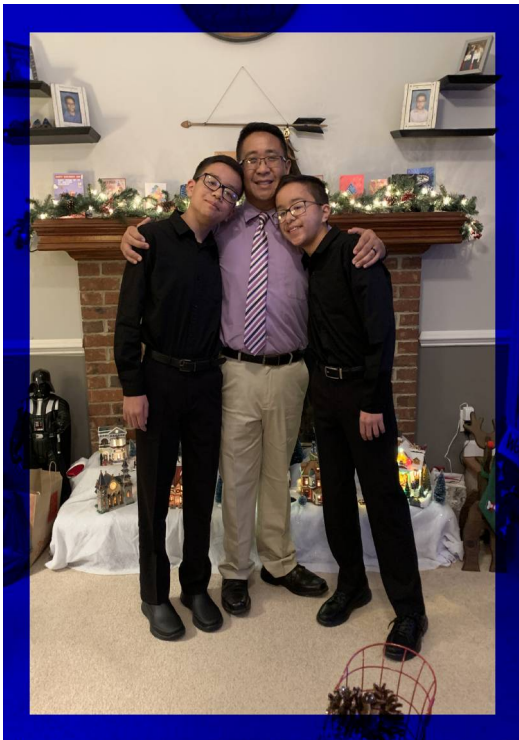


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**Congratulations to the FAAGC!
Best Wishes!**



**Nick Jr., Megan,
Nikko & Jojo**



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**Kudos to the Executive Board
for all that you have accomplished!!!
Congratulations FAAGC
and Mabuhay!!**



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The First Inaugural Ball
September 7, 1991



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Dr. Susan Pasicatan
(Fil-Am 1st Vice President 1991-1992)



Alfonso, Marvel,
& Marco



Marvel, Mary and children
Kadan, Avelina, Jonathan & Anna Grace

A big thank you to Gina Castaneda for her remarkable accomplishments in her 5 year term as Fil-AM President. From being a pioneer member in 1991 to this 30th year, I am greatly delighted to observe significant changes in the Association. Membership has greatly increased in number and diversity. It is very heartwarming to see participants from the really young to the "young at heart" exhibiting their grace & enthusiasm in Filipino folk dances. Not to be out done, others involve in different multicultural activities. Many have volunteered to do Fil-am charitable community services. All these involvements are due to Gina's warm, welcoming and inspiring leadership. On a more serious endeavor, I applaud Gina with the help of the current officers and dedicated volunteers to have finalized the approval of our long awaited 501c3 tax deductible project. This has a significant impact on our association. Gina- you will be greatly missed, however we know that you will always be available when needed.

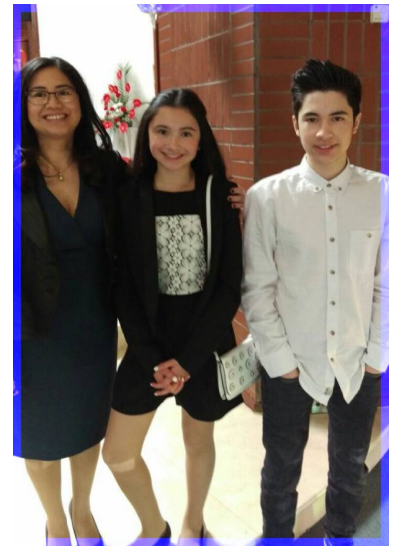
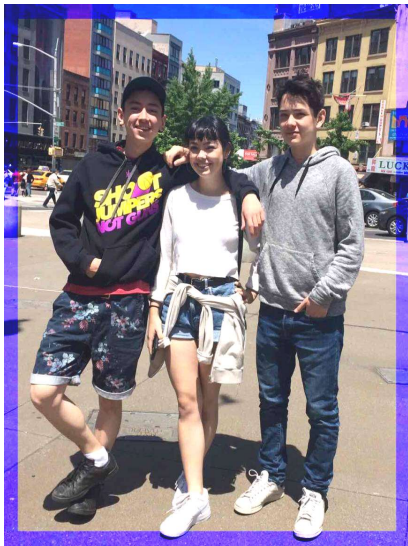
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Much Love & Appreciation from:
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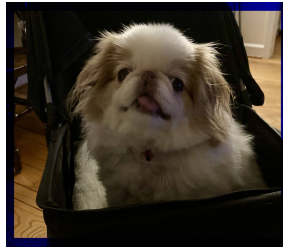


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Gina, you have been an incredible, inspiring, exceptional, and sacrificial leader for FAAGC. You have set a great example of what a servant-leader is to the Filipino community here in Columbia and throughout the state. We have enjoyed partnering with you and FAAGC in helping the Filipino community locally and globally as well as walking with you on this journey. You are a natural leader who is highly respected by all. We aren't only thankful for your leadership, but that of the vice presidents, secretary, treasurer, board members, and other officers who faithfully and passionately serve FAAGC. We look forward to continuing our partnership in the coming years as together we make a difference.



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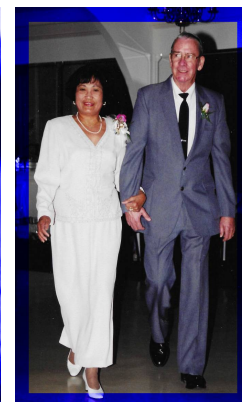


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We are thankful to the Fil-Am Association of Greater Columbia for their love and support for Polly Pearson (1942-2021). Polly was a former treasurer and longtime member who served her community through volunteering and friendship. She was a beloved wife, mother, and lola--tita to many.



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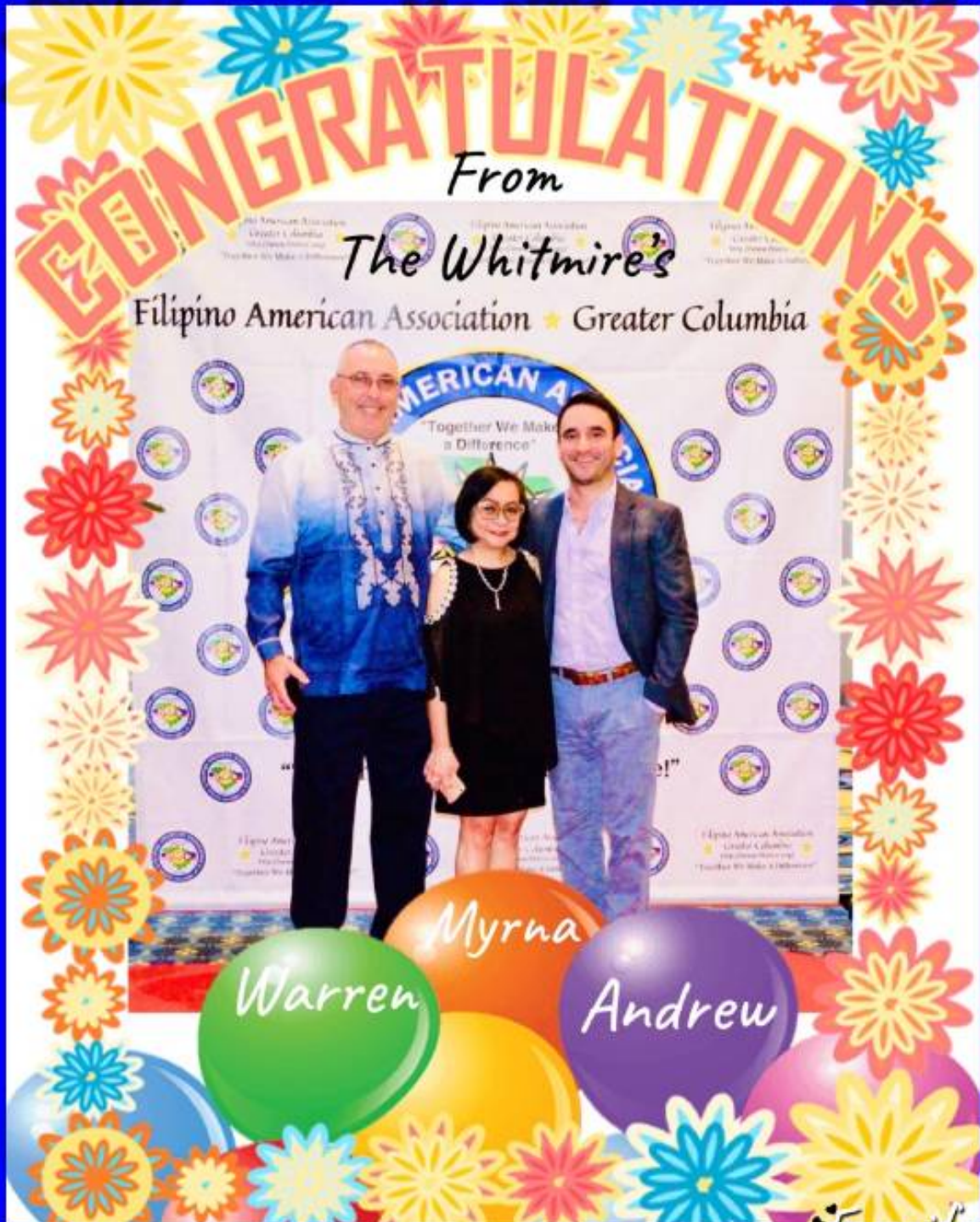
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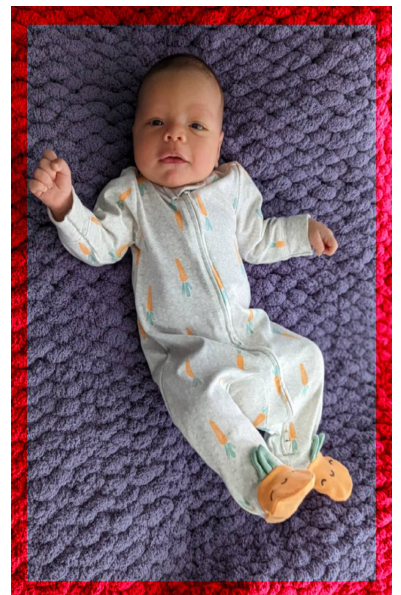


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Happy 30th Anniversary!!!**

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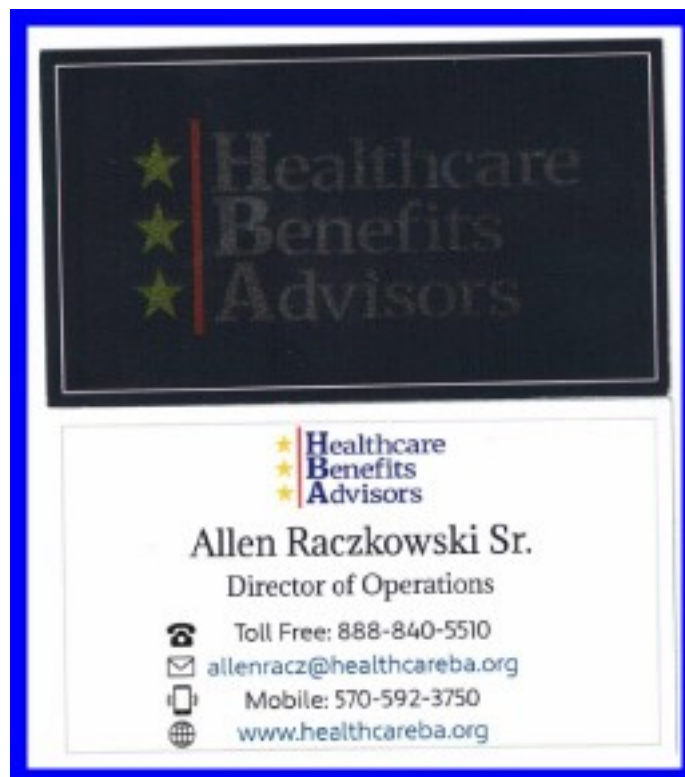
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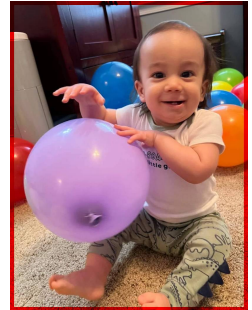
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Gina, you are a leader to emulate!
Thank you for all you do.
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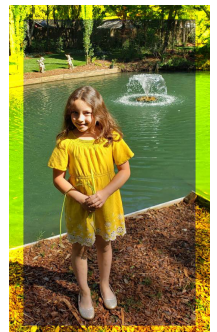
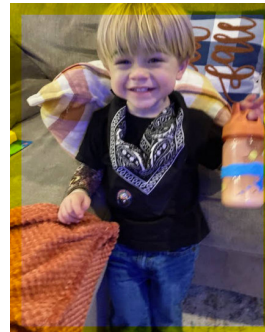
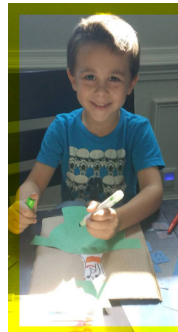
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Mabuhay FAAGC!



Jim and Tessie Kenerson

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Looking back at...

THE FIRST INAUGURAL BALL

by Susana B. Pasicatan

Indeed: **September 7, 1991** at **The Marriott-Downtown Columbia** was a memorable event. For the first time, the **Filipino-American Association of Greater Columbia, S.C.**, was officially recognized, with its officers inducted in a gala affair.

The evening was ushered in with an aura of excited expectancy. Present early were the officers, ushers and usherettes, who made last minute checks to insure everything was in order.

Pat, our official photographer from Lancelot Studios, remarked that, had she known there would be many lovely and good-looking Filipinos, she could have brought her backgrounds to capture in portraits the loveliness around.

The guests arrived, exceeding the number we anticipated. In the maze of this predicament, the officers, notably the president, made quick negotiations with hotel personnel for additional table settings to accommodate everyone.

Fr. Max Saldua then gave the Invocation and dinner followed, with some musical entertainment in the background. Notable were **Romel Lacson** in his resonant tenor singing "*Minamahal Kita*," and **Cindy Tefft** in her melodious voice in "*Anything for You*." With her evocative style, **Eva Rigney** certainly reawakened "ghosts" of past and current loves with her rendition of "*Unchained Melody*." Not to be outdone were volunteers from the audience: **Zeny Lazaro**, **Edie Sebastian** and **Rudy Arbis**.

The program officially began with **Romel Lacson** lead-

ing the singing of the Philippine and American national anthems, invoking the duality in some of us. The President, **Eva Rigney**, then gave her opening remarks, welcoming everybody and stressing the need for unity. This was followed by the induction of officers by our legal counsel, **David E. Rigney**. In carefully worded phrases, he reminded the officers of their duties and obligations to the Association. **Cindy Tefft** this time sang the Visayan song "*Walay Angay*." On the piano was **Lorna de Guzman** exhibiting her dexterity; impromptu or rehearsed, she can accompany just as well.

In her fabulous costume, **Lily Ragsdale** performed the *pangalay* dance. The **Asukal** quartet held its own in harmony, singing original compositions stressing themes of social equality, friendship and cooperation. **Remy Sarmiento** briefly introduced our guest speaker, retired **Lt. Gen. Charles W. Bagnal**. Appropriately given a standing ovation, he showed depth of understanding about Asian culture, including our own. Mostly, for promoting Filipino American relationship, we salute him.

Now, the hit of the evening — the *tinikling* dance. Our hats off to the remarkable dancers: **Al Pasicatan**, **Cindy Tefft**, **Roger Lacson**, and **Michelle Pasicatan**. Special recognition is given to the dance director — **Eva Rigney**, and to the bamboo clickers — **Carrie Winslow**, **Eva** and **Susan**, for taking good care of those ankles. A choral group from Charleston then enter-

tained us with their medley of traditional Filipino folk songs; we do thank them for joining us. Lastly, **Jun David** gave the closing remarks, thanking all those present.

Our emcee, **Minnie Wheedleton**, announced the opening of the dance — to the delight of many. **Leroy**

Anderson and his partner were the DJs providing the music; the Association would like to thank them for their generosity. As dancing progressed to different beats, the amplifier malfunctioned. Undaunted, dancers continued on with a back-up boom-box and our own talented singers (**George David**, **Romel Lacson**, and **Asukal**) contributing their share. **Lily Ragsdale** performed two more dances (a Spanish dance and the snake dance.)

On the whole, it was a successful affair and those who attended had a grand time! Our youth for the most part danced to the last music and reluctantly called the evening off.

FEEDBACK

A sequel to the inaugural ball was our general monthly meeting the day after the event. Part of the agenda was to gather feedback, positive or otherwise, about the affair. We can't over-emphasize the positives as already mentioned. On the other hand, among the other comments were the following: the program was quite long, the delay in starting the dinner and the program, the need for more dancing time.

In response the Association will try to trim the program as essentially allowable to give

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INAUGURAL BALL

time for more dancing. The emphasis, however, is to inject Filipino art, dances, other customs and tradition as we see fit.

The delay in starting dinner and the program was an offshoot of the overwhelming last-minute response of our guests. As the day of the event loomed, the number of paid tickets was a little short of the hotel's minimal requirement for an affair like ours. To encourage more members and guests to come, ticket sales continued until the day of the ball. We apologize for the delay and appreciate the patience and understanding given. We also would like to thank the last-minute guests; we're glad they came. We will try to set deadline for ticket sales as situation and needs dictate.

On the side was a suggestion of asking a flat rate for everybody. It is the Association's stand, strongly encouraged by the president, to consider certain special situations where we will make room for some flexibility and adjustments. We like to assume the position to include everybody as practically feasible.

As the saying goes, for the Inaugural Ball, "*All's well that ends well*." We would like to see you all again in our upcoming functions. ■

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Halloween Event - October 20, 2019



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Ronald McDonald House - December 14, 2019



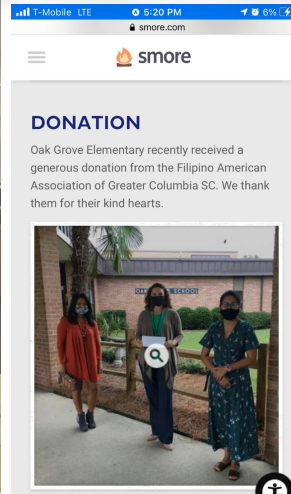
Filipino Assoc of the Bahamas for Hurricane Dorian Victims - January 3, 2020

Lexington Medical Center Frontliners & Environmental Services - May 7, 2020

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**CrossRoads
Intermediate School
Secretaries Jodi
Groller & Carla
Young!**



**Lower Richland
High School
Principal Ericka
Hursey!**



**THANK YOU
THANK YOU
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FOR GIVING**



**With Oak Grove
Elementary
Principal Christy
Graham!**

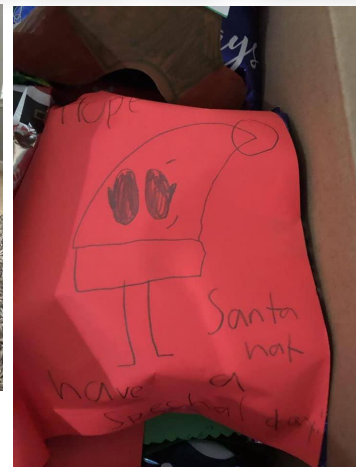


Donation to Local School District - October 13, 2020



FAAGC Scholarship Awards - July 17, 2020

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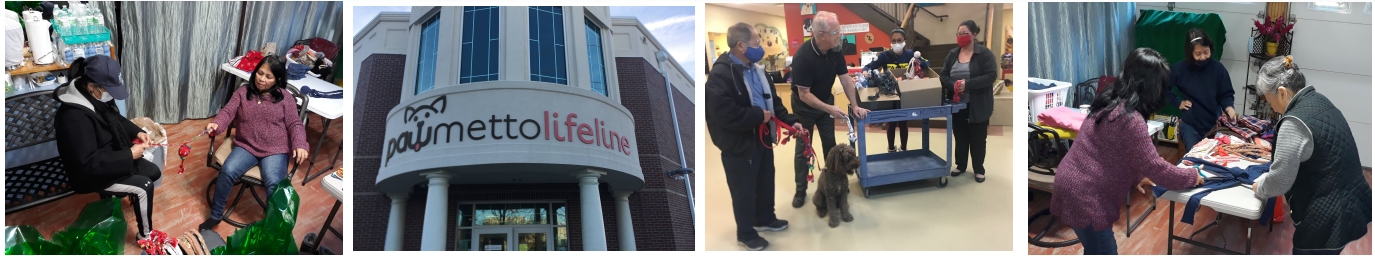


Care packages for our U.S. Military Deployed Overseas - November 23, 2020



Donations to Harvest Hope & Mission Lexington Food Bank - January 21, 2021

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Donation to Pawmetto Lifeline - January 26, 2021



Soda City Presents the Filipino American Day in Columbia SC - August 29, 2021

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2021 Philippine Independence Day & General Membership meeting - June 12, 2021



Donations for Super Typhoon Rai - December 5, 2021



Easter Event & Election of FAAGC Officers — April 17, 2022



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