

NEWSLetter



Las Vegas, here we come!

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By Butch Paredes

BRENTWOOD, California — At the 2018 fiesta celebration in Arizona, the image of our dear Sr. Sto. Niño de Bobon was turned over to our next fiesta *hermanos* and *hermanas*: Zenaida Jao & Family, Jeanne Jao-Marquez & Family, & Marlo and Elena Evangelista & Family, and soon afterwards, they announced that the next fiesta will be held in Las Vegas.

One of the side highlights of the fiesta (aside from the main fiesta events, of course) is Bingo Time at the

vespera dinner celebration.

As in previous fiestas, the celebration will start with the 9-day novena in honor of Sr. Sto. Niño de Bobon on August 8 and end on the 16th during which we will also have the *vespera* meet and greet event at Silver Mesa Recreation Center, 4095 Allen LN. North Las Vegas, NV 89032 (702-633-2550) and will culminate with the holy mass and dinner dance on the 17th at Sun-

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The Paredes cousins will host Fiesta '20



From Las Vegas...

...our annual fiesta next year will be held in San Diego, CA hosted by the Paredes cousins and their families.

Details of the 2020 fiesta celebration will be posted in the next issue of the NewsLetter.

Fiesta 2019...

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coast Hotel & Casino 9090 Alta Drive, Las Vegas, NV 89145 (702-636-7111)

The schedule of the 9-day novena is as follows:

9-Day Novena schedule by date and location:

- Day 1: August 8—John & Grace Adams/Alice & Maritess Chan/Gani & Nena Garcia - *New York/California*
 Day 2: August 9—Elizabeth Gorgonia Percy and family - *California*
 Day 3: August 10—Filipina Tobes/Terry Knoth/Noel & Bobbie Cornillez - *California*
 Day 4: August 11—Pacita & Estela Cornillez/ Nenette Rodriguez/Totoy & Tita Cornillez/Tony & Nelly Hill & Family/Fatima Carpina & Family/Lilly Cornillez & Family - *Arizona*
 Day 5: August 12—Edna Unay/Myrna Escareal/ Bernard & Neneng Purisima/ Neneng Solano - *New Jersey*
 Day 6: August 13—Estring Tiberio/Maricel Apelo/ Vivian Tobes/ Elay & Bong Pacla, Eileen Jao & Family/Marichu Stevenson/Maritess Bello Whalen - *Canada*
 Day 7: August 14—The Alvarez Family/Allan Lee/Juvy McFadden - *Florida/Canada/Maryland/Arizona*
 Day 8: August 15—The Paredes Grand children - *California/Maryland/Indiana*
 Day 9: August 16—Zenaida Jao & Family/Marlou & Ely Evangelista & family/Jeanne Jao Marquez & Family



The 9th day Novena will start at 5:00pm at Silver Mesa Recreation Center, 4095 Allen Ln, North Las Vegas, NV 89032 (702-633-2550) with rosary and novena followed by the traditional *vespera* celebration.

The Fiesta celebration on Saturday, August 17, 2019 at the Suncoast Hotel & Casino, 9090 Alta Drive, Las Vegas, NV 89145 (702-636-7111) will start at 5:00 PM with the Holy Mass in honor of Sr. Sto. Niño de Bobon and followed immediately by our traditional *sinulog* and group photos. We will then have our fiesta dinner and dance until 11:30PM during which there will be:

- Traditional *Curacha*
- Special numbers
- Door prices



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- Best in Costume
- Turn over of the image of Sr. Sto. Niño de Bobon to the next Hermano/ Hermana.

There will be cash bar available on the site and photo souvenir purchase with cash or credit card fee.

Fiesta Attire:

Roaring 20's (The Gatsby)
 Black dress / Black Suit

Meal Ticket:

\$50/person (adult), \$25-Children under 10 years old / Children 3 y.o. & under FREE

Accommodations:

Suncoast Hotel & Casino, 9090 Alta Drive, Las Vegas, NV 89145 (702-636-7111) . The following special group rates have been arranged by our sponsors:

- \$80.22 Room rate from Sunday to Thursday
- \$127.68 Room rate from Friday and Saturday
- tax and resort fee included
- FREE Parking

Rooms at this rate is limited so please reserve before July 20, 2019. You can make your room reservations by booking @ www.suncoastcasino.com or calling 866-636-7111. Click on the “Stay” tab and on the drop down, choose “Group Reservations”. Click on “Group Code” and mention BOBON19.

Nearest airport:

McCarran International Airport Approximately 30 minutes or 20 Miles to the hotel.

Places of interest and distances from the Hotel:

- Las Vegas Strip - 13.3 miles, 17-20 min via I-15 N and US-95 N
- Red Rock Canyon - 9 miles, 18 min drive
- Valley of Fire - 63 miles, 1 hr. and 10 min
- Hoover Dam - 43 miles, 1 hour drive
- Lake Mead - 35 miles, 45 min
- Botanical Garden @ Bellagio - 13 miles, 23 min
- High Roller @ the Linq - 14 miles, 26 min
- Stratosphere Tower Observation Deck - 12 miles, 20 min
- Shark Reef @ Mandalay Bay - 15 miles, 27 min
- Slotzilla Zip line @ Fremont street - 9.8 miles, 15 min

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Bobon Medical Mission a Big Success! *By Lydee Hershey*



Dako nga salamat sa iyo ngatanan! To the many volunteers who participated and unselfishly donated their time, it is because of you that our Bobon medical, surgical and dental mission was a success! Thank you all for your time, donations, sacrifices, effort, passion and hard work. You truly have made a difference in the lives of our fellow Bobonanons.

After many months of solicitation, fundraising and preparation the much anticipated date January 10 & 11, 2019 finally arrived. Many volunteers arrived Bobon a few days early to help in the preparation but majority came the day before. Our volunteers came from all over the place. Many were from Bobon RHU and majority came from Manila and the US! They came from as far as Massachusetts, Arizona, New Jersey, Nevada and California. I'd be remiss if I don't mention that we also



had a volunteer from London, United Kingdom! In total we had about 90 plus volunteers!

During our mission we served a total of **1,944** patients in two days! Of those, **25** were circumcision,

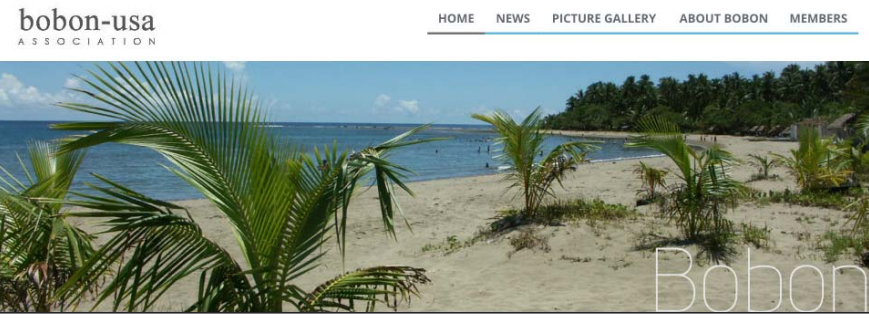


110 dental extraction, **129** abdominal ultrasound and **1,680** medical consultation. The services, reading glasses and medicines were all given for free. This year Bulig Foundation once again thanks the services and participation of the

Bobon-USA Association website is redesigned

Our Association's website (<http://www.bobon.us>) has just been redesigned. If you have not visited the site lately, go ahead and log on to it. The Home page, News section, and the Picture Gallery contain updated information. While you are there, check the Members page also and browse the list and see if your name is included. If not, please email us at bobonusa@bobon.us.

Happy surfing!



Fiesta 2019 and Beyond

We now have a line-up of *hermanos/hermanas* for our annual fiesta until 2025.

Here they are:

- 2019 - Zenaida Jao & Family, Jeanne Jao-Marquez & Family, & Marlo and Elena Evangelista & Family, *Las Vegas*
- 2020 - Paredes Cousins, *San Diego, California*
- 2021 - Melba Vasquez-Ganaban
- 2022 - Ronnie & Sheena-Hill Dilla
- 2023 - Puey Quiñones, Nuncia Tiberio, Totot Balite
- 2024 - Open
- 2025 - Juvy Tiberio-Lindsey

Viva Sr. Sto. Niño!

Fiesta 2024 is still open. Any takers?

If you feel like Sr. Sto. Niño is asking you to honor Him by sponsoring any of our upcoming fiesta celebrations, just let us know.



following Physicians and Dentists, for without them our mission would not be possible: Dr. Henry Novales, Dr. Myrna Escareal, Dr. Wilfredo Tagle, Dr. Sally Medalla, Dr. Cesar Uy, Dr. Emmelyn Baltar, Dr. Karen Olitan, Dr. Margo Doctor, Dr. Canaya, Dr. Juvy Balanquit, Dr. Diane Monje, and Mr. Eddie Ramos who lead the Circumcision Team.

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More pictures are available for viewing and download at our redesigned website:
<http://www.bobon.us>

We're on the web! At www.bobon.us

Fiesta 2019

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- The Neon Museum @ Downtown Las Vegas - 9.9 miles, 17 min
- Welcome to Fabulous Las Vegas Sign - 16 miles, 25 min
- Container Park @ Downtown Las Vegas - 10 miles, 19 min

Shopping from the hotel:

- Downtown Summerlin - 4 miles, 10 min
- Fashion Show mall - 10 miles, 25 min
- Las Vegas Premium Outlet North - 9 miles, 20 min
- Tivoli Village - 0.3 miles, 2 min
- Meadows Mall - 6.3 miles, 15 min

Filipino/Asian Restaurants near the hotel:

- Jollibee @ Red Ribbon - 2.1 miles, 6 min
- Seafood City Supermarket - 14 miles, 28 min
- Restaurant inside Seafood City
- (Grill City, Chowking, Jollibee, Red Ribbon, Crispy town, Magnolia Ice cream parlor)
- Nanay Gloria Buffet - 13 miles, 22 min
- Buffet @ Asia 1 - 4 miles, 11 min
- Fiesta Filipina Cuisine - 6.4, 17 min

See you all in Las Vegas soon!

Bobon Medical Mission...

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Valley Chapter led by Mydee Vergel De Dios, Rotary Club International Catarman Chapter led by Manoy Fred Tagros, Dr. Canaya and her dental team from Northern Samar Dental Chapter, Dr. Tagle and Jun Montarin for the Ab-

This year we were also very fortunate to have the assistance and support of the following organizations: LGU- Office of Mayor Jing Celespara and Staff, Nurses from PNA Arizona East



dominal ultrasound, Bobon USA volunteers led by Butch Paredes, BMMRA volunteers and lastly the energetic Bobon RHU nurses, midwives and dental assistants.

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On behalf of Bulig Foundation I thank you all for everything!

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