

# NewsLetter



## Fr. Tan Graces Fiesta '05 In Phoenix

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For the first time in its 15-year history, a con-current parish priest of Bobon graced the association's fiesta which was held in the Grand Canyon

state of Arizona last August 28, 2005. Fr. Pompeyo Tan took a weekend off his busy schedule in the US to accept our invitation for him to celebrate the

fiesta with Bobonanons. He officiated the mass which highlighted the fiesta celebration. He also took the occasion to

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## Fiesta 2006 will be in New Jersey

Our next fiesta will be in New Jersey and it will be hosted by Dr. Myrna Escareal. It will be held on August 26, 2006 with a mass starting at 2:30pm at the St. Mary's Church located at 2001 Springdale Rd., Cherry Hill, New Jersey. A dinner/dance will follow at the Wyndham Hotel located at 1111 Rt. 73 Mount Laurel in Cherry Hill.

For those *mamaratrons* arriving Friday, August 25, there will be a welcome party hosted by the hermana's sister, Cleofe, from noon to 10:00pm at 614 Franklin Ave, Cherry Hill, New Jersey.

Directions to Cleofe's place: From NJ turnpike N & S, take Exit 4 to 73 North - 38 W - Right to Chapel Ave - Left to Franklin.



# Fiesta 2005 Picture Gallery



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talk to Bobonanons and drum up support for his beautification project of the church plaza. His effort did not fail because the association has decided to donate all the proceeds of the fund raising activities during the fiesta to his project.

*Fiesta sa Nayon* was the

theme of the celebration and *mamaratrons* from all over the US came dressed in native Filipino costumes. A good variety of Filipino food was served. This year's sponsors, Lenlen and Ronald Omega, did a great job with setting up the place to coincide with the theme complete with *bahay kubo* as a backdrop.

Souvenir Fiesta '05 T-shirts were available for sale and for the first time, a fiesta souvenir program was printed to commemorate the Sto. Nino fiesta and to generate funds in support of Fr. Tan's and other association's projects.

There were special numbers performed by Bobonanons and some invited guests. There were also contests for both young and old alike including dancing and costume contests and the *pabitin*. There were contest winners like Luisa del Monte who was named the most popular grandmother for the evening for getting the highest amount of *gala* dancing the *kuratsa*. The biggest winner of them all, however, was Fr. Tan who received a donation of \$3,150.00 from the Association.

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www.bobon.us*

## Bobon Elementary School Acknowledges Association's Donation

In a letter sent by Mrs. Maria Lustico, the Bobon Elementary School acknowledged with great appreciation the \$820.00 donation the Association made to the School.

## Fiesta 2007 and Beyond

In 2007, the fiesta celebration will move back to California and Steve and Inat Tobes will be the hosts. In 2008, Totoy and Tita Cornillez will host the fiesta in Maryland and in 2010, Rene and Neneng Bautista will host the affair.

If anyone wants to host the affair in 2009, please let us know.

## Bobon-USA Association Has A New Place In The Web

After so many years of having its website hosted at www.rparedes.com, the association now has its own domain name and place in the web.

The association's new internet address is <http://www.bobon.us> and the email is [bobonusa@bobon.us](mailto:bobonusa@bobon.us).

## Association Officers Elected

A new set of officers was elected during the fiesta. Elected were: President: Butch Paredes, Vice-President: Ber Carpina, Secretary-Treasurer: Bobbie Cornillez, and Auditor: Nelly Hill.

The office of the Vice-President was newly created to take the place of the President in his absence.

## Did you know...

### Beer, Anyone?

Worldwide, 20,000 brands of beer are brewed in 180 styles, from ales, lagers, pilsner and stouts to bitters, cream ales and iced beers.

Beer has been a popular beverage for a long time. Babylonian clay tablets show detailed recipes of beer making in 4300 BC. Beer was also brewed by the ancient Chinese, Assyrians and Incas. An Egyptian text of 1600 BC gives 100 medical prescriptions using beer. A few years ago, the New Castle Brewery in England brewed 1,000 bottles Tutankhamun Ale from a 3,200-year old recipe found in the sun temple of Queen Nefertiti.

Commercial beer making was established in 1200 AD in present-day Germany. In 1506, the German Purity Law is issued, specifying that beer ingredients must only be water, barley, wheat and hops. Bottling of beer started in 1605.

### All About Flags

The United Nations flag is the only flag that may fly above an USA flag on an American flagpole.



Republic of the Philippines  
Department of Education  
Division of Northern Samar  
District of Bobon  
**Bobon Central School**

August 15, 2005

**The BOBON-U.S.A. Residents Association**  
C/o Mr. Romeo "Butch" E. Paredes  
U.S.A.

Gentlemen:

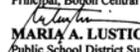
Greetings of Peace!

The Parents-Teachers Association and the Administrative Staff of the Bobon Central School, Bobon N. Samar would like to convey their heartfelt thanks and sincere gratitude to the members and officers of the **BOBON-U.S.A. Residents Association** for having **donated** an amount of Eight Hundred Twenty Dollars (\$820) or Forty-five Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty Pesos (P45, 920.00), equivalent to 10 pannels of concrete fence, to the major project of the school. The aim of the PTA is to enclose the school campus in order to secure the school from intruders, because they believe that a secured and healthy environment contributes a lot in the development of the school children.

They are happy indeed that your association responded to their call when it was presented to your body through the efforts of Mrs. **Teressita Yturriaga Knoth**. Aside from the association there are members who have given also their donations individually. To them and to all of you goes our appreciation and recognition for sharing your blessings to the Bobon Central School. Should there be other members who desire to donate, we assure them of its safety and implementation.

Again Thank you very much and more power.

Very truly yours,

  
**ANGELO A. AMORES**  
PTA President  
  
**HELEN D. ROJO**  
Principal, Bobon Central School  
  
**MARIA A. LUSTICO**  
Public School District Supervisor

Betsy Ross sewed the first American flag (she also run a munitions factory in her basement).

The Swiss flag is square.

Libya has the only flag which is all one color (green) with no writing or decoration on it.

The flag of the Philippines is the only national flag that is flown differently during times of peace or war.

### Telephone numbers

Most numbers on a phone keypad have letters assigned to them. For instance, the letters for the number 2 are a, b and c. But there are no letters assigned to the numbers 1 and 0. These numbers remain unassigned because they are so-called flag numbers, kept for special purposes such as emergency or operator services. Previously, Q and Z were not included on the keypad, meaning that you could not dial a word such as Quincy. Q is now assigned to the number 7, and Z to number 9.