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Bobon-USA Association Website Redesigned



By Butch Paredes

BRENTWOOD, California — At the 2016 fiesta celebration in Concord and Brentwood, the image of our dear Sr. Sto. Niño de Bobon was turned over to our next fiesta *hermanos* and *hermanas*: the Alvarez Family.

Even before the celebration was over, anticipation filled the air over the prospect of having the fiesta celebrated for the first time in the sunshine state of Florida. So when the Alvarez family repre-

sented by Don McFarland made the announcement, everyone was excited.

Planning for the fiesta started rolling shortly after the celebration. Febis Alvarez wasted no time in asking me for our member mailing list and novena materials.

In no time, I was in communication with Khare-Ann, Boy and Febis' daughter, who I was told was tasked with designing the fiesta invitation and other materials for printing and

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The Vergel De Dios Family will host Fiesta '18



From the Alvarez Family...

...our annual fiesta next year will be hosted by Jojo and Mydee Vergel de Dios and their family.

Details of the 2018 fiesta celebration will be posted in the next issue of the NewsLetter.

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9-Day Novena schedule by date and location:

Day 1: August 10—The Paredes Family - California Day 2: August 11—John & Grace Adams/Alice & Marites Chan/Gani & Neria Garcia – New York/ Los Angeles

Day 3: August 12—Pacita & Estela Cornillez/Nenette Rodriguez/Totoy & Tita Cornillez/Nonong Abellar/Tony & Nelly Hill & Family/Fatima Carpina & Family – *Arizona*

Day 4: August 13—Filipinas Tobes/Terry Knoth/ Elizabeth Gorgonia Percy/Estring Tiberio/Vivian Tobes/Maricel Apelo – Los Angeles/Ontario, Canada

Day 5: August 14—Edna Unay/Myrna Escareal/Noel & Bobbie Cornillez– New Jersey/Los Angeles

Day 6: August 15—Allan Lee/Juvy Jao /Bernard & Neneng Purisima/Neneng Solano/Zenaida Jao-Maryland/New Jersey

Day 7: August 16—Jeanne Jao-Marquez/Marlou and Elena Evangelista/Wewen de Asas – *Las Vegas/ Alaska*

Day 8: August 17—Lily Cornillez & Family – Arizona Day 9: August 18—The Alvarez Family: Don & Bonita McFarland/Jose & Febis Alvarez/Robert & Jovina Gladstein/Shirley Roxas/Marilou & Brigette Alvarez - Florida/A rizona/California/Calgary, Canada



The 9th day Novena will be on Friday, August 18, 2017 at 5pm followed by the traditional *vespera* celebration at 6pm at Ronney Hall, St. Catherine of Siena, 1649 Kingsley Ave., Orange Park, FL 32073.

The Fiesta celebration at Courtyard Marriott Orange Park, on Saturday, August 19, will start at 5pm with the Holy Mass and *Sinulog* in honor of Sr. Sto. Niño de Bobon and followed immediately by our annual group picture taking, dinner, special program numbers and dance dance dance 'til 12MN.



Fiesta Theme and Attire:

Star Starry Night, Semi-Formal

Meal Ticket:

\$50/person (adult), \$25/child (5-12 yrs old), and children below 5 yrs old-Free.

Accomodations:

Courtyard Marriott Orange Park, 610 Wells Road, Orange Park, Florida 32073. A special rate of \$89+ tax has been arranged by this year's sponsors. Number of rooms at this rate is limited so please reserve as soon as possible.

You can make your room reservations by booking at http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/jaxco-courtyard-jacksonville-orangepark or calling 1-904-854-1500. Please mention Bobon-USA Association to get the rate.

Nearest airport:

Jacksonville International Airport (JAX) Website: http://www.flyjacksonville.com It's 21 miles to Orange Park, 30 mins. drive

Places of interest and distances from the Hotel:

- Downtown Jacksonville, 14.5 miles, 23 mins. drive
- Jacksonville Beaches, 28 miles, 30 mins. drive
- St. Augustine, 37.9 miles, about 40 mins. drive (Historic Downtown St. Augustine)
- Daytona Beach, 90 miles, about 1 hr. & 21 mins, drive
- Orlando, 137 miles, about 2 hrs. drive (Disney World, Universal Studios, Sea World)
- Tampa, 183 miles, about 3 hrs. & 20 mins. drive (Lego Land, Busch Gardens, Clearwater Beach)

Shopping from the hotel:

- Orange Park Mall, 2.3 miles, 8 mins. drive
- The Avenues, 12 miles, 17 mins. drive
- St. John's Town Center, 19 miles, 21 mins. drive
- St. Augustine Premium Outlets, 30 miles, 30 mins. drive

Restaurants in Orange Park:

https://www.tripadvisor.com/Restaurantsg34513-Orange Park Florida.html

See you all in Florida soon!

Treasurer's Report by Bobbie Cornillez

BOBON-USA ASSOCIATION

Treasurer's Report- Fiesta 2016 as of May 2017

Beginning Balance (As of May 2016) 11,336.61 Petty Cash: Previous Balance \$53.35 \$ 38.00 Less: \$16.00 (5 pcs. Sympathy Cards) Total Beginning Balance 11,374.61 11,374.61 Income Membership 568.00 Dinner \$ 7,200.00 Curacha Dance Fundraising \$ 2,950.00 \$ 100.00 Donations: Mr. Renato Eneria \$ 75.00 Ms. Teofista Floyd \$ 10,893.00 Fiesta Income \$ 4.00 Interest Income April 2016-March2017 Total Income \$ 10,897.00 Expenses (7,200.00) Fiesta Expenses: Dinner Sign Easel, Wine Corkage, Invitation \$ (150.86)Total Fiesta Expenses \$ (7,350.86)Other Expenses: Bobon-USA Website: Web Designer (99.99)Web Photo Album Maker \$ (44.00)\$ Sympathy Gift: Sheena Hill (200.00)Sympathy Gift: Nuncia Tiberio \$ (200.00)Bank Fees \$ (26.50)\$ (570.49)Total Other Expenses Total Expenses (7,921.35)Net Income 2.975.65

Fiesta 2017 and Beyond

We now have a line-up of hermanos/hermanas for our annual fiesta until 2020.

Here they are:

2017 - Alvarez family, Florida

2018 - Jojo and Mydee Vergel De Dios and sons DJ and Sam, TBA

2019 - Zenaida Jao, TBA

2020 - Paredes Cousins, TBD

Viva Sr. Sto. Niño!

Fiesta 2021 and beyond are 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.

Tips & Other Bright Ideas

To-Dos: Spring Clean Your Water Heater

Cleaning Hot Water heater

The No. 1 cause of water-heater failure is sediment buildup in the tank. Sometimes it makes a sizzling, crackling noise when the heating element fires up as it works harder to heat the water. This wastes energy and often requires earlier replacement.

However, you can save money and extend the life of your water heater by draining your tank and flushing away sediment at least once a year. Here's all you do: For electric heaters, turn off the power.

For gas, turn the control to pilot.

Next, turn off the cold-water inlet valve. Attach a garden hose to the outlet valve at the bottom. You will be running hot water, so be careful. Then, open a nearby faucet to improve flow. Once the hot water drains out, open the cold-water valve to rinse out the tank. Then reverse the process to restore normal operation, turning off faucets last.

Also check your thermostat. It should be set at 120°F or lower. A water heater that might have lasted only 10 years could now last 15 or 20 years, or even more.

Courtesy of onthehouse.com

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

Bobon-USA Association website 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!

Ending Balance as of May 2017

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ABOUT BOBON MEMBERS

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