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## Fiesta 2019 Goes to Las Vegas!

**Celebrating 29 years of Bobon-USA Traditions** 



Article sent in by Jeanne Jao Marquez
LAS VEGAS, Nevada — From the time that we learned that we would be the Hermanas and Hermanos for the 2019 Fiesta, we immediately began planning for the event.

Around October of 2018, we concentrated on finding the hotel and venue for both the meet-and-greet and the actual event. Then, we signed a contract for exactly 150 guests. REMEMBER to have an additional 10 guests for your reservation because some of your guests may invite their friends to come with them, or they might cancel. It is always good to be prepared. Once the venue was decided, we went

to look for a good DJ in Las Vegas that could play music during the celebration, and then we reserved the date.

Around November, we searched online for invitations and souvenirs to be handed out to the guests. Each of us started collecting \$1,500 each to put as down payment and for expenses.

In January, we gathered the addresses of all the attendees, matching the information of the participants/members. We were constantly posting notices on Facebook about the book-

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# Merry Christmas! and a Blessed New Year

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## Fiesta '20 goes back to San Diego, California



#### Welcome to America's Finest City!

In 2020, our fiesta celebration will go back to San Diego, California with the Paredes cousins and their families: Dustin and Bernadette Paredes, Arpee and Liza Paredes, Christine and Dan Weeks, Liv and Zac Hinder, Michelle and Julia Hershey, and Ervin and Jonathan Paredes as our *Hermanas and Hermanas*.

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## Fiesta 2019

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ings and information about the hotel and the price of the meal. In order to get people to respond and be updated, we constantly send reminders on our Messenger group chat. Just about 3 months before the fiesta we forwarded all of the invitation cards and emails.

One month before the event, the hotel asked us to pay 75% of the total cost of the venue. We received money from the Association and we pooled some money in to meet the

amount that was being demanded.

BE PREPARED because the closer we get to the event time the more you have to keep adding onto the number of guests attending. People will begin to change their minds about attending or canceling their attendance. So, the number of

guests keep fluctuating as the event day grows near. The number of guests attending had risen up to 200, as the day grew near.

BE PREPARED to pay first. The Association will pay you back later, after the event. Just be sure to keep track of what you've spent throughout the process.

A week before the meet-and-greet and the Fiesta, we decided to prepare the prizes for the best costume: 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners. The day before the event we started preparing the stage decorations for both of the venues.

From the Editor: On behalf of the 2019 fiesta Hermanos and Hermanas, Zenaida Jao and Family, Jeanne Jao-Marquez and Family, and Marlou and Ely Evangelista and Family, we thank everyone for coming and gracing our 29th fiesta celebration in Las Vegas and to Father Fernando Benliro for officiating the mass in honor of our Señor Sto. Niño de Bobon.

Viva Sr. Sto. Niño!

Fiesta 2019 Picture Gallery

At the Vespera







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



## Bobon-USA Association—Treasurer's Report

Bobon-USA Residents Association				
Fiesta 2018, Mesa, Arizona				
Treasurer's Report				
As of June 30 2019				
Beginning Balance (July 31 2018)			\$	15,677.04
Petty Cash: Previous Balance \$38.00				
Less Sympathy card \$5.00				
Large brown envelopes \$5.00				
Balance: \$28.00				
Income				
Fiesta: Membership	\$	500.00		
Dinner	\$	7,215.00		
Curacha Dance Fundraising	\$	3,066.00		
Donation: Rose Zatz \$50, Myrna Arboleda \$60	\$	110.00		
Total Fiesta Income	\$	10,891.00		
Interest Income	\$	5.29		
Total Income	\$	10,896.29		
Expenses				
Fiesta Expenses: Dinner	\$	(7,215.00)		
Invitation	\$	(291.29)		
Total Fiesta Expenses	\$	(7,506.29)		
Other Expenses:	Т			
Donation to Bobon Medical Mission	\$	(2,000.00)		
Lydee Hershey/Bulig Bobon, \$1000.00				
Mydee Vergel de Dios \$1,000.00				
Bank Fees: Deposited Items Fee \$3.00	\$	(7.00)		
Online Deposit Detail Images \$4.00		1.00		
Total Expenses	\$	(9,513.29)		
Net Income			\$	1,383.00
Ending Balance (June 30, 2019)			\$	17,060.04

## Fiesta '20

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It will be held on July 31- August 1, 2020 at the Admiral Baker Club House, 2400 Admiral Baker Rd, San Diego, CA 92124. This year's sponsors have arranged a discounted room rate plus free parking, breakfast and wi-fi at Best Western Lamplighter Inn & Suites, 6474 El Cajon Blvd, San Diego, CA 92115, which is a 12min, 5.4mi drive to Admiral Baker Club House. To avail of the discounted rate (Single King—\$134.87/night ++, Double Queen—\$157.37/night ++) for a July 31-August 1, 2020 booking, please call their direct line (619) 582-3088 and mention "Bobon-USA". When you call, you can also ask them for infor-

mation on best places to visit and much more.

More fiesta details NewsLetter. In the

will be posted in the next issue of the NewsLetter. In the meantime, start planning for a family vacation in 2020 to the city nicknamed "America's Finest City" and we hope to see you all in San Diego.





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## Fiesta 2019 and Beyond

Our current line-up of Hermanas/Hermanos for our annual fiesta is as follows:

- 2019 Zenaida Jao & Family, Jeannie Jao-Marquez & Family, & Marlou and Ely Evangelista & Family, Las Vegas
- 2020 Paredes Cousins, San Diego, California
- 2021 Melba Vasquez-Ganaban
- 2022 Pacita and Estela Cornillez
- 2023 Artemia Tobes-Eneria and Family
- 2024 Ronnie & Sheena-Hill Dilla
- 2025 Juvy Tiberio-Lindsey
- 2026 Puey Quiñones, Nuncia Tiberio, and Florissa (Tot-tot) Balite

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. Viva Sr. Sto. Niño!

## More Fiesta 2019 Pictures



## Tips & Other Bright Ideas

4 Simple Microwave Cleaning Hacks That Work! (Continued from a previous issue)

## How to clean a microwave

Home microwave ovens have been popular for over fifty years. In 1967, the Amana Radarange first went on the market. Now, it's hard to find an American kitchen without a microwave. And it's also hard to find an American that doesn't have a story to tell of an exploding bowl of spaghetti, or some other similar microwave catastrophe. Do you try your best not to look around the inside of yours when you're putting food in or taking it out? If it's used, often or not, it more than likely needs a good scrubbing. But don't worry, a dirty microwave is not a big deal. We're going to show you the best way to clean a microwave using four different methods. And we're not just talking about a surface cleaning — these hacks go beyond the splatters to tame super-smelly microwaves, too!

## Hack #2: Cleaning With Lemon

- 1. Take one lemon and squeeze it to get it a little mushy. Then, cut it in half.
- 2. Place about one cup of water in a microwave-safe bowl or large glass measuring cup.
- 3. Squeeze as much lemon juice as you can out of each half of the lemon into the water.
- 4. Drop the squeezed lemon halves into the water, as well. 5. Place the container in the microwave, and run it on high for five to ten minutes.
- 6. Let it stand for another five minutes. Then, open the door and carefully remove the bowl. Note: It might be hot.
- 7. Remove the turntable, wipe it clean with a dishcloth and then wipe all the surfaces of the inside of the microwave with the dishcloth.
- 8. Replace the turntable.
- To be continued on the next issue of the NewsLetter
- Courtesy of https://www.ahs.com





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Thank you for your support!

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