

# NEWSLetter



## Fiesta 2022 Goes Back to Arizona

Celebrating 32 years of Bobon-USA Traditions

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By Butch Paredes

BRENTWOOD, California — As COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations steadily decline across the country and life is beginning to go back to normal, this year's fiesta sponsors, Pacita and Estela Cornillez, have been busy preparing for our 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Fiesta celebration in honor of Sr. Sto. Niño de Bobon. They are also praying and hoping that with the easing of restrictions in many parts of the country and with most people having been vaccinated, many Bobonanons will be able to participate in this year's fiesta celebration in Arizona.

Plans have been laid out and as in the past, our celebration will start with our 9-day novena from

August 11 to 19. The next day, August 20, we will have holy mass and *sinulog* honoring our Patron Señor Santo Niño de Bobon at 5:30PM and followed by a dinner reception and dance in the evening.

### Program of Activities:

**Friday, August 19, 2022, 6:00PM**

- Vespera and last day of Novena
- Venue: The Islands Community Center (Residents' Clubhouse) - 825 S. Islands Drive West, Gilbert, AZ 85233
- Dinner and Meet and Greet

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## Fiesta '23 will be in California



### Welcome back to *The Golden State!*

In 2023, our fiesta celebration will be back in "The Golden State" of California and it will be hosted by Artemia Tobes-Eneria and Family.

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

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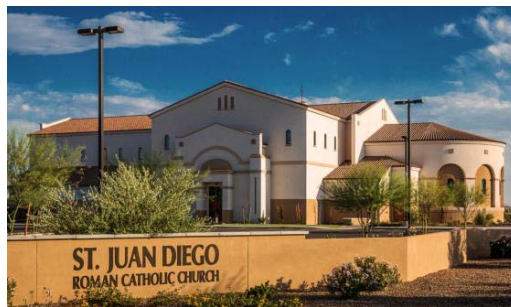
## Fiesta '22

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### Saturday, August 20, 2022

- 5:30PM – Mass
- Venue:
  - ◊ St. Juan Diego Catholic Church
  - ◊ 3200 S Cooper Rd, Chandler, AZ 85286
- 6:30PM – Dinner Reception
- Venue:
  - ◊ Hilton Phoenix Chandler Grand Ballroom
  - ◊ 2929 W Frye Road, Chandler, AZ 85224



### Fiesta Details:

#### Fees for the Dinner Buffet:

Adults: \$50/person (\$60/person if paying after June 19)  
Children (4 to 10 years old): \$20 (\$30/child if paying after June 19)

In addition to the above dinner fees, please don't forget to send \$10 per family for your membership and annual dues. We encourage you to please pay by June 19 so we may be able to provide the hotel with the number of attendees at the contracted date.

If paying in advance, please mail your check made out to Bobon-USA Association to Bobbie Cornillez, 5343 Essex Drive, Palmdale, CA 93552.

#### Attire:

Women - Semi Formal (Dress to Impress)  
Men - Barong Tagalog or Suit & Tie

#### Recommended Hotel Accommodation:

A special rate of \$89 ++ has been arranged at the Hilton Phoenix Chandler by this year's sponsors, Pacita and Estela Cornillez. Number of rooms at this rate is limited so please

## The 9-Day Novena schedule by date:

- ◆ Day 1: August 11 - Alice Chan & Family/Edna and Eddie Unay/Myrna Escareal/Bernard & Neneng Purisima/Zenaida Jao/Nonoy Balite/Derwin Lomo/Cece & Family/Lita Fox & Family/Neneng Solano & Family
- ◆ Day 2: August 12 - Jovita Gorgonia and John & Elizabeth Percy & Family/Bobbie & Noel Cornillez & Family/Ganie Garcia & Family/Marita Castillo & Family/Bernadith & Steve Guertin/Asuncion Egang Gorgonia
- ◆ Day 3: August 13 - Steve & Filipina Tobes/Fred & Terry Knoth/Gerry & Chit Yturriaga/Renato Eneria & Family/Lita Paredes & family (Ruby/Rey)/Georgio Cerenado/Baby Tobes
- ◆ Day 4: August 14 - Lilly & Bartolome Cornillez & Family/Tony & Nelly Hill & Family/Totoy & Tita Cornillez/Nenette Cornillez/Fatima Carpina & Family/Jojo Paredes/Thelma Batiles/Paz Encinares/Nuncia & Francis Tiberio/Joven & Robert Gladstein/Agripino Abellar
- ◆ Day 5: August 15 - Rosario Paredes & Family/Puey Quinones/Florisia & Christopher Balite & family/Larrie & Elizabeth Telegrafo/Roland & Mary Rose Ganacias/Corazon Steven
- ◆ Day 6: August 16 - Jeanne Jao-Marquez & Family/Estring Tiberio/Maricel Apelo/Vivian Tobes/Elay & Bong Pacle/Eileen Jao/Marichu Stevenson/Marlo & Elena Evangelista/Maricar Borja/Morna Cruz & Family/Luz Bajenting & Family/Irene (Kaye) & Oscar Bajenting
- ◆ Day 7: August 17 - Glo Emde/Allan Lee/Myrna Lapuz, Nora & Dettie Balido
- ◆ Day 8: August 18 - Eli and Melba Ganaban and Family/The Alvarez Family
- ◆ Day 9: August 19 - Pacita & Estela Cornillez



reserve as soon as possible. To reserve rooms within the room block, please log on to our website (bobon.us) or to: <https://www.hilton.com/en/attend-my-event/phxchhf-ibob-8aa41491-c98b-46d5-b5e2-a61068cd9794/> or call the hotel at 480-899-7400 to book a room under the Bobon-USA Fiesta block and mention Group Code: IBOB

**Note:** All the above venues take measures to ensure your safety by following the recommended county, state and federal guidelines on Covid-19.

#### Preferred Airport:

Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport (PHX)  
Approximately 18 miles to/from the Hilton Phoenix-Chandler, this airport serves flights to/from many destinations.  
Please visit [www.skyharbor.com](http://www.skyharbor.com) for a list of car rental companies that operate at Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport. Information on the Shuttle service to the Rental Car Center may also be found on this website.

#### Approximate Distance of Hotel from other AZ cities/towns:

Distance of Hotel to St Juan Diego Catholic Church: approx 7 miles

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## Fiesta '22

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Gilbert: 7-10 mi (21 min via W Elliot Road)  
Goodyear: 39 mi (51 min via AZ-202 Loop)  
Maricopa: 22 mi (44 min)  
Mesa: 11 mi (21 min via AZ-101 Loop)  
Phoenix: 20 mi (34 min via I-10 W)  
Scottsdale: 16 mi (27 min via AZ-101 Loop)  
Tempe: 12 mi (24 min via AZ-101 Loop)  
Tucson: 103 mi (1 hr 33 min via I-10)

**Note:** The above travel times provided do not take into account heavy traffic at certain times; so please plan accordingly.

### Shopping:

Chandler Fashion Center - a block or two away  
Scottsdale Fashion Center - approx 16.5 mi from Hotel  
Glendale Galleria - approx 35.1 mi from Hotel  
Tanger Outlets Phoenix - approx 37.7 mi from Hotel

### Attractions 40 miles or less from Hotel:

Desert Botanical Garden - 16 mi  
OdySea Aquarium - 18 mi  
Old Town Scottsdale - 16 mi  
Phoenix Art Museum - 21 mi  
Phoenix Zoo - 15 mi  
Taliesin West - 25 mi  
Westgate Entertainment District - 38 mi

### Day Trips:

If you have extra time before August 19, here are some attractions to visit:

Flagstaff - 168 mi (2 hrs 34 min)  
Grand Canyon South Rim - 252 mi (4 hrs) \*  
Montezuma Castle National Monument - 114 mi (2 hrs)  
Sedona - 139 mi (2 hrs 16 min)

The above travel times are approximate driving times. It does not account for traffic, road conditions or weather.

\* An overnight stay is recommended for a more relaxing visit. For example: leave early Wednesday & drive back Thursday.

There are tour companies offering day trips (6 -14 hours) at various prices. Advance reservations are required on these guided tours.

We hope to see you all in Arizona

*Viva Sr. Sto. Niño!*

## In Memoriam:



**Pacita Cornillez**

October 27, 1941 - April 16, 2022

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May the souls of our faithful departed rest in peace.  
Amen.

## Bobon-USA Association—Treasurer's Report

### Bobon-USA Association

Fiesta 2021, Portland, Oregon

Hosts: Eli and Melba Ganaban

Treasurer's Report

as of December 31, 2021

Beginning Balance (June 1, 2021)		\$21,568.69
Petty Cash Balance: \$23.00		
Less: \$6.00 card and postage		
Balance: <b>\$17.00</b>		
Income Fiesta Income		
Membership	\$350.00	
Cruise	\$3,300.00	
Kuratsa	\$822.00	
Donation from Melba Ganaban	\$1,000.00	
Donation from Ganie Garcia	\$200.00	
Total Fiesta Income	<b>\$5,672.00</b>	
Interest Income June 2021-December 2021	\$1.39	
Total Income	<b>\$5,673.39</b>	
Expenses		
Cruise	-\$3,300.00	
Memorial Gift for Neria	-\$200.00	
Federal Tax Withheld June 2021-December 2021	-\$0.26	
Total Expenses	<b>-\$3,500.26</b>	
Net Income		\$2,173.13
Ending Balance (December 31, 2021)		<b>\$23,741.82</b>

## Fiesta 2022 and Beyond

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

2022 - Pacita and Estela Cornillez-Arizona  
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  
2027 - Ronaleen and Roneel Omega

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!*

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## Fr. Bogtong's Appeal

THE MOST HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH  
Diocese of Catarman  
Bobon, Northern Samar, Philippines

February 2022

MR. BUTCH E. PAREDES  
President  
Bobon – USA Association  
California, USA

Peace in the Lord Jesus.

Despite the economic difficulties caused by the pervading pandemic of the Covid virus, we, the Parish Pastoral Council of this Parish, has emboldened ourselves to go on with this SOLICITATION LETTER for our most urgently needed project, which is the TOTAL REPAIR of our PARISH CHURCH ROOFING, which is now in the state of dilapidation.

The Catholic Church of Bobon is one of the oldest historical churches in the Diocese, and has just lately been declared a HERITAGE CHURCH. We love our church which for centuries has been the center of our faith and love for God.

On this behalf, we would like to pursue our long overdue solicitation campaign for the much needed fund for this worthy and noble project. And you and your Association, as sons and daughters of Bobon, are among those whom we believe and trust to have the magnanimity and generosity of heart to help us financially with this project. Any amount you can spare for us as your DONATION will be a source of our deep and heartfelt gratitude and memory.

Whatever amount you can extend to this Parish Church Project, you can send it directly to our Parish Bank Account, which is;

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC BISHOP OF CATARMAN, INC.  
Bobon, Northern Samar  
Acct. No. :346-3-34619081-8  
METROBANK – CATARMAN BRANCH

Or to any of the undersign below.

Attached herewith is the Cost Estimate of the Project.

May your generosity be rewarded by God "many times and flowing over."

Respectfully Yours,

  
LUZ E. AYALA  
PPC Treasurer

  
REV. FR. FERNANDO M. BOGTONG  
Parish Priest

Dear Bobonanons,

Our Parish Priest, Fr. Fernando Bogtong, has sent us the solicitation letter shown on the left together with the cost estimate of the proposed church roofing repair and the pictures of the old church roof and the perspective of the new roof shown below.

Your Association will try to respond generously to this appeal as much as our resources will allow.

If you have personally received this solicitation letter, please be generous and respond directly to Fr. Bogtong.

**PROJECT TITLE: PROPOSED CHURCH ROOFING REPAIR**

**LOCATION: BOBON, N. SAMAR**

QTY.	UNIT	NOMENCLATURE	UNIT PRICE	AMOUNT
<b>A. Mobilization / Demobilization</b>				
1	lot	Scaffolding & Removal of existing roof	320,000.00	320,000.00
<b>B. Roofing Works</b>				
<b>A. Materials Delivered @ Site</b>				
1104	lm	Andalucia Type Roofing, 0.6 (ver. Color)	655.00	723,120.00
26	Pcs	Ridge Roll	750.00	19,500.00
20	Pcs	Wall Flashing	700.00	14,000.00
54	Rolls	10mm PE Foam Insulation (2-side)	5,200.00	280,800.00
9800	Pcs	Tekscrew (wood)	5.00	49,000.00
4500	Pcs	Blind Rivets	2.00	9,000.00
1208	Bd ft.	Good Lumber (purlins)	100.00	120,800.00
30	Tubes	Silicon Sealant	300.00	9,000.00
6	Cans	Touch up Paint	650.00	3,900.00
				<b>1,220,120.00</b>
		<b>B. Labor</b>		<b>553,104.00</b>
				<b>1,782,224.00</b>

COST ESTIMATE:

**A. MOBILIZATION / DEMOBILIZATION** 320,000.00

**B. ROOFING WORKS** 1,782,000.00

**TOTAL: Php 2,102,224.00**



This is the OLD CHURCH ROOF



This is the CHURCH NEW ROOF PERSPECTIVE