

NEWSLetter



Fiesta 2023 Will Be In Torrance, CA Celebrating 33 years of Bobon-USA Traditions

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By Butch Paredes

BRENTWOOD, California — At the last fiesta in Arizona, Renato and Bea Eneria approached me to discuss their plans for the coming 33rd Annual Fiesta celebration in honor of Sr. Sto. Niño de Bobon which they, along with their mother Artemia, will be hosting.

As of that time, they have not decided on the details of their plans. One thing sure, however, was that it will be held in Southern California on August 18-19, 2023 and that they will be inviting our parish priest and the mayor of Bobon to grace the occasion.

They are hoping and praying that Fr. Bogtong

and Mayor Celespara will be able to make it and that many Bobonanons will be able to participate in this year's fiesta celebration in Southern California.

Renato and Bea have started planning for the event early and as in the past, the celebration will start with the 9-day novena from August 10 to 18. The next day, August 19, we will have the fiesta celebration beginning with the holy mass and *simulog* in honor of Señor Santo Niño de Bobon at 6:00PM and followed by a dinner reception, dance and more dance in the evening.

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Fiesta '24 will be Back in Arizona



Welcome back to Arizona!

In 2024, our fiesta celebration will be back in Arizona and it will be hosted by Ronnie & Sheena-Hill Dilla.

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

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Fiesta '23

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Program of Activities:

Friday, August 18, 2023

- ◆ Vespera and last day of Novena
- ◆ Venue: Torrance Masonic Center
2326 Cabrillo Ave, Torrance, CA 90501
- ◆ 2:00PM: Torrance Masonic Center will be open for a Meet and Greet and food will be served as well.
- ◆ 5:30PM: The Novena will start and after the Novena, dinner will be served along with an open bar.
- ◆ During the dinner, dancing, karaoke, and a live band will perform for entertainment until 12 midnight

Saturday, August 19, 2023

- ◆ 6:00PM – Mass and *Sinulog*
 - ◇ DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Torrance-South Bay
 - ◇ 21333 Hawthorne Blvd., Torrance, CA 90503
- ◆ 7:00PM – Dinner Reception (after the Mass and *Sinulog*)
 - ◇ DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Torrance-South Bay
 - ◇ 21333 Hawthorne Blvd., Torrance, CA 90503
- ◆ After the Mass and the *Sinulog*, dance will commence and dinner will be served and more dancing will continue until midnight.

Fiesta Details:

Fees for the Dinner Buffet:

Adults: \$70/person
Children (3 to 11 years old): \$39/child

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

The 9-Day Novena schedule by date:

- ◆ Day 1: August 10 - 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 11 - 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 12 - Steve & Filipina Tobes/Fred & Terry Knoth/Gerry & Chit Yturriaga/Lita Paredes & family (Ruby/Rey)/Georgio Cerenado/Baby Tobes
- ◆ Day 4: August 13 - Estela Cornillez/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 14 - Rosario Paredes & Family/Puey Quinones/Florisa & Christopher Balite & family/Larrie & Elizabeth Telegrafo/Roland & Mary Rose Ganacias/Corazon Steven
- ◆ Day 6: August 15 - Jeanne Jao-Marquez & Family/Estring Tiberio/Maricel Apelo/Vivian Tobes/Elay & Bong Paclé/Eileen Jao/Marichu Stevenson/Marlo & Elena Evangelista/Maricar Borja/Morna Cruz & Family/Luz Bajenting & Family/Irene (Kaye) & Oscar Bajenting
- ◆ Day 7: August 16 - Glo Emde/Allan Lee/Myrna Lapuz, Nora & Dettie Balido
- ◆ Day 8: August 17 - Eli and Melba Ganaban and Family/The Alvarez Family
- ◆ Day 9: August 18 - Artemia Tobes-Eneria and Children Renato Eneria & Beatrice Eneria



Drive, Palmdale, CA 93552.

Attire:

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

Recommended Hotel Accommodation:

A special rate of \$219 ++/night (2 Double Beds that sleeps 4) has been arranged at the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Torrance-South Bay by this year's sponsors, Artemia Tobes-Eneria and Children Renato Eneria & Beatrice Eneria. Number of rooms at this rate is limited so please reserve as soon as possible. To reserve rooms within the room block, please call the hotel at 310-540-0500 to book a room under the Bobon-USA Fiesta block and mention Group Code: Santo Nino Fiesta (SNF) starting now until July 28, 2023.

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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:

Los Angeles International Airport (LAX)
Approximately 19 minutes to/from the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Torrance-South Bay, this airport serves flights to/from many destinations.

Approximate Distance of Hotel to and from other hotels nearby and other destinations:

- ◆ DoubleTree to Torrance Masonic Center ETA 10 min
- ◆ Miyako Hybrid Hotel to DoubleTree ETA 8 min (310) 212-5111
- ◆ Courtyard by Marriott to DoubleTree ETA 7 min (310) 533-8000
- ◆ Residence In by Marriott to DoubleTree ETA 3 min (310) 543-4566
- ◆ Extended Stay America to DoubleTree ETA 3 min (310) 540-5442

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

Shopping:

- ◆ DoubleTree is surrounded by restaurants and a supermarket
- ◆ DoubleTree to Macy's and Nordstrom ETA 6 min walking across the hotel

We hope to see you all in Torrance!

Viva Sr. Sto. Niño!

Bulig Foundation Medical Mission



A medical and wellness outreach in Bobon is being planned by the Bulig Foundation in August 2023. As in its past outreach programs, the Foundation aims to provide medical and wellness assistance to our needy *kababayans* in Bobon.

In its last outreach program in Bobon on January 10-11, 2019, which was also supported by the Bobon-USA Association, Bulig Foundation delivered medical, surgical and dental services to 1,944 patients in two days. Of those, about 25 were minor surgeries, 110+ dental extraction, 129 abdominal ultrasound and the rest were for medical consult.

For more information and to find out how you can help, please log on to: www.buligfoundation.org.

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: \$17.00		
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	\$5,672.00	
Interest Income June 2021-December 2021	\$1.39	
Total Income	\$5,673.39	
Expenses		
Cruise	-\$3,300.00	
Memorial Gift for Neria	-\$200.00	
Federal Tax Withheld June 2021-December 2021	-\$0.26	
Total Expenses	-\$3,500.26	
Net Income		\$2,173.13
Ending Balance (December 31, 2021)		\$23,741.82

Fiesta 2023 and Beyond

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

2023 - Artemia Tobes-Eneria and Family-Torrance, California

2024 - Ronnie & Sheena-Hill Dilla

2025 - Juvy Tiberio-Lindsey

2026 - Puey Quiñones, Nuncia Tiberio, and Florissa (Tot-tot) Balite

2027 - Ronaleen and Roneel Omega

2028 - Yturriaga Family

2029 - Grandchildren of Pedro and Eugenia Paredes Cardeno

2030 - David And Khim Jaldo-Malley

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!

In Memoriam:



Nannette Cornillez-Rodriguez
September 28, 1940 - March 12, 2023

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

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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
A. Mobilization / Demobilization				
1	lot	Scaffolding & Removal of existing roof	320,000.00	320,000.00
B. Roofing Works				
A. Materials Delivered @ Site				
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
				1,220,120.00
		B. Labor		553,104.00
				1,782,224.00

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