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A Prosperous 2000!**

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David and Rose Zatz host Fiesta '99

John Halloran is guest of honor

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The warm summer day was bursting with sunlight, and a feeling of excitement charged the salty air in San Pedro, California. On the 14th of August, with hosts David and Rose (Luz) Zatz, the members of the Bobon-USA Association once again gathered for the ninth annual Sto. Nino Fiesta celebration.

The mass was held in the chapel at St. Mary's Medical Center, and the festivities continued in a small hall within the same compound. Along with the usual attendees, this year, several members brought guests which included guest speaker, John Halloran



Tony Hill and the hermana, Rose Zatz, doing the curacha

(former member of the Peace Corps stationed in Bobon) and his daughter, Katherine, members of the San Pablo Association, and also members of the Tacloban Association. After lunch several courtesy of David and Rose Zatz, eve-

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Bobonans and their guests with this fiesta sponsors, David and Rose Zatz, and the special guest, John Halloran.

Fiesta goes back to Phoenix in 2000

Fiesta 2000 will be held in Phoenix, Arizona with Mrs. Paz Encinares as our host; and in the year 2001, Eddie and Edna (Escareal) Unay will sponsor the fiesta in Hawthorne, New Jersey. Then in 2002, Bobbie and Noel Cornillez will host the celebration in Palmdale, California. As we said before, get ready for these events, folks, and plan ahead as our Fiesta celebration goes from coast to coast!

Details for the Fiesta 2000 will be announced in our next Newsletter.

The Many Faces of Fiesta '99...



More Fiesta '99 Pictures



Treasurer's Report

By Bobbie Cornillez

Beginning Balance as of 10/97 **\$2,571.43**

Add:

Interest Income Jan-Aug 1999	41.34	
Fiesta '99:		
Membership Fees	180.00	
Food Donation	640.00	
Kuracha	637.25	1,457.25
Total Income		4,054.82

Less:

Fiesta '99 expenses		
Postage	33.00	33.00

Ending Balance as of 12/98 \$4,021.82

The Carpinas will host Bobon-Manila Fiesta 2000...

Bobon-Manila Residents Association's Fiesta 2000 will be sponsored by the Carpina family. The fiesta celebration will be on August 19, 2000.

If you have plans of going back home this summer, come and join the Carpinas in this big event for the Bobonanons in Metro Manila.

...and the Paredeses will host the Bobon Town Fiesta 2000

The first Bobon Town Fiesta in the new millennium will be hosted by the Paredes family led by Sayong Paredes and her children together with their families. In case you have been away from Bobon for a very long time and have forgotten, the fiesta will be on August 10, 2000.

Plan on going back home, visit your family and loved ones and join the Paredeses ring in the new millennium with this fiesta celebration!

Bobon is still on the Internet

If you have internet access like America Online, Compuserve, or Microsoft Network, you can still visit Bobon on the Web! Yes, just point your web browser to:

<http://www.rparedes.com/bobon/>

and take a look at the internet edition of this NewsLetter. You can also e-mail me at: rparedes@jhsph.edu for your comments, etc.

Happy surfing!



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David and Rose...

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ryone was treated to a dance exhibition by Ganie and Neria Garcia, and vocal solos by Ber Carpina and Louise Marie Cornillez. Ber and Louise also sang a surprise duet of *Con Harapit Na An Adlaw Matunod* dedicated to John Hal-loran. Several couples were then paired off to dance the *kuratsa* amid cheers and applause. Raffle winners were picked and announced periodically throughout the afternoon and, of course, the fiesta will not be complete without the enthusiastic dancing in the true Bobonanon style.

In the late afternoon, cameras clicked for the traditional group pic-

ture, and the last Sto. Niño fiesta celebration of the 20th century came to a close.

Here's hoping for more greetings and smiles during the Bobon-USA fiesta in the coming millennium.

What do you think?

The Association has saved over \$4,000.00 in funds. (Please refer to the

Treasurer's Report on page 3). Many of you have suggested that the Association should undertake some worthwhile projects using some of these funds. Some have suggested establishing a community library in Bobon and some have suggested setting up a scholarship fund for deserving students in Bobon.

What do you think?

If you have any idea, please send it to us by email, telephone or by mail.

**Support your Association!
Please pay your dues!**