

FANHS Sonoma County Filipino American National Historical Society

President's Message

The Fields Are Being Tended So We're Going Quarterly

We've had a whirlwind of activity in the last three months tending to our historical documentary fields. FANHS

members and volunteers have been working industriously taking care of our money trees, tracking the completion of our interview veggies and nurturing the many detailed flowers that surround our developing bird of paradise, *Re-*

membering Our Manongs-Sonoma County's Filipino History. To make sure that all hands are focused on keeping the soil tilled around our prize possession, we've decided to publish our newsletter on a quarterly basis.

Filipino-American History - Did You Know?

Did you know that Antonio Miranda Rodriguez was a Filipino and a founding settler of the city of Los Angeles in 1781?

The mission of our organization is to promote understanding, education, enlightenment, appreciation and enrichment

through identification, gathering, preservation and dissemination of the history and culture of Filipino Americans in the United States. The timeline of our presence in the Americas and the United States is still an unknown factor for many people. The quarterly newsletters this year will seek to edu-

cate all of us about our presence and events that shaped the environment of Filipinos living in America. You can view an excellent timeline created by Eloisa Borah from UCLA, Chronology of Filipinos in America Pre-1898,

<http://personal.anderson.ucla.edu/eloisaborah/chronology.pdf>

"He who does not know how to look back at where he came from will never get to his destination."

Jose Rizal

Join Us for the Human Race - May 10, 2008

The Human Race is a nationwide community fundraiser event for non-profit organizations. The Sonoma County Race features a 3K and 10K run and walk through Howarth and Spring Lake Parks. Nonprofit

organizations and businesses recruit walkers/runners/pledge-gatherers to raise funds. Participating nonprofit organizations receive 75% of monies collected and the Volunteer Center receives the remaining percentage to

coordinate and stage the event. The race/walk will be held on Saturday, May 10, 2008 rain or shine. Registration is from 6:30 a.m.- 7:45 a.m. Run starts at 8.00 a.m. Walk starts immediately following the runners.

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FANHS is a non-profit organization.

Remembering Our Manongs in Pictures

The photos below are from the collection gathered to date by the FANHS Oral History Project team. Wherever possible, individuals in each photo are named. Those who are designated as “Unknown” have not yet been identified or confirmed by the project team. If you recognize any of them, please provide their names to any of the FANHS Board members listed in this newsletter.



Photos courtesy of Vera Galleto

Left to right: Johnnie Impelido, Inocencio Asuelo, Vince (last name unknown), Unknown, Unknown.



Photo courtesy of Dolores Sanchez

Johnnie's Barber Shop – 1953

Johnnie Impelido in front of his barber shop on Wright Road in Santa Rosa

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Human Race *continued*

Set a goal for yourself (example: 20 donations of \$10 - \$200. The average pledge last year was \$15. Prizes will be awarded to individuals who raise \$1,000. In addition, all monies deposited by Wednesday, May 28, 4 p.m. will qualify our organization for incentives and prizes. Organize your efforts. Try to collect your donations at the time you ask for support. Come up with an easy way to ask everyone. The more you ask, the more you'll get.

Donor checks should be made payable to The Human Race and mailed to FANHS of Sonoma County, P.O. 6915, Santa Rosa, CA 95406

Donors may also pay by credit card by going to <http://humanrace.kintera.org/fanhssoco>. A \$2.75 processing fee, Kintera credit card and Human Race administrative fees will be charged. Therefore, payment by check is preferable.

All members and volunteers should also go to <http://humanrace.kintera.org/fanhssoco> and click on the Join Our Team link to register as a team member. This will allow us to keep an online record of our donations available for everyone to view. Note: Joining as a team member does not obligate you to race or walk, but we encourage everyone to participate, if possible.

FANHS Wish List

Donations of new or used equipment in good working condition and the supplies listed below are welcome and appreciated. All donations are tax deductible and subject to IRS rules.

Our biggest wish list item currently is

for a volunteer to continue research at the Sonoma County Library Annex to find out information about the one hundred Filipino men that originally settled in Sonoma County. Please email avil@comcast.net, if you are interested in assisting with this research project.

Equipment: LCD Projector, projector screen, hi definition camcorder, USB drives

Supplies: stamps, Sony mini DV tapes

2008 Membership Meeting Schedule

Our 2008 membership meetings will be held the 4th Sunday of each month, 1:00 p.m. at the Volunteer Center of Sonoma County, 153 Stony Point Circle, Suite 100, Santa Rosa CA.

April 27

May 25

June 22

July 27

August 24

September 28


October 26

November 30 (5th Sunday since the previous week is Thanksgiving week)

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Please support these Filipino owned businesses! If you'd like to advertise your Business in the FANHS newsletter, please call Noemi Issel at 707.538.9229 for ad sizes & prices.

Reflections 2007



Schedule of Activities

April 19, 2008

Asian Social Potluck

Host: Japanese-American Citizens League
Enmnji Temple Social Hall, Gravenstein Highway, Sebastopol, CA
Begins at 5:00 p.m.

May 10, 2008

The Human Race

Herbert Slater Middle School, Santa Rosa, CA
Registration begins at 6:30 a.m. Most activities end in the early afternoon.

Flores De Mayo

Pilipino American Association of Rohnert Park
Rohnert Park Community Center, Rohnert Park, CA
6:00 pm – 10:00 pm

FANHS National Museum 3rd Annual Golf Tournament and Family Picnic

Micke Grove Golf Links and Park, 11401 N. Micke Grove Road, Lodi, CA 95240
\$95 per golfer/\$85 for seniors & students - includes Green Fees, Cart & Buffet Lunch in Micke Grove **\$5000 Cash Hole-In-One Contests – Awards – Prizes – Raffles!** -- 7:00AM Sign-in / 8:00AM Shotgun Start -- No Onsite Golf Registration – **Register before April 21st**, otherwise price goes up to \$100 per golfer and no golf registrations accepted after May 4th -- Lunch Only Guests: \$15/ea - (Seniors \$10)-Kids 8 & under free, at the Mokelumne Picnic area in Micke Grove Park beginning at 11AM – All vehicles entering park must pay a \$5 parking fee per vehicle – to register call Mel LaGasca at (209) 835-7578 or email mlagasca@comcast.net or check our website at www.geocities.com/fanhs_stkn/golf.html

June 8, 2008

Filipino American Community Fiesta - Pista Sa Nayon

Filipino Community Center, Fulton, CA
10:00 am – 4pm

July 3-5, 2008

FANHS 12th National Conference – Lure of the Salmon Song

Anchorage, Alaska
Information can be found at the National FANHS website – www.fanhs-national.org
Deadline for early discounted registration is May 30, 2008.

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