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ETHNIC ENRICHMENT FESTIVAL A HUGE SUCCESS

The Second Annual Ethnic Enrichment Festival was one of the free activities offered to Kansas Citians August 21 and 22.

The well-attended festival had booths from various ethnic countries offering native foodstuffs. The Philippine booth had turon, lumpia and melon drink available. From unofficial reports, sources mentioned that it was a good financial venture for the Association.

Also on hand to represent the Philippines was the Sinagtala Filipino Dance Troupe. After two weeks of intense rehearsals, the group performed on Saturday, Aug. 22 for a half-hour slot.

Comments heard from the audience after the show indicated the need for the Troupe to be exposed more to the public. Some expressed pleasant surprise that such a group

existed here, and there were inquiries for schedules of upcoming performances.

Those on hand to greet the public and worked hard manning the Philippine booth for the two-day event were: Genaro & Garing Alemania, Maring Cabansag, Carmen Chico, Evelyn Cruz, Charing Gomez, Jun Puno, Emily, Julie & Tacing Quinones, and Lee, Flor & Debbie Tabiendo.

The Sinagtala performers at the festival were: Alcy Abanilla, Sam Aguirre, Gemma Alemania, Jennifer Balino, Marijoy Balino, Becky Castro, Manny de Leon, Beth Mithelavage, Lilly Pardo, Emily Quinones, Julie Quinones, Marichi Racela and Debbie Tabiendo.

The Ethnic Enrichment Festival was sponsored by the Kansas City Parks and Recreation and the Kansas City Ethnic Enrichment Commission.



ANNUAL SEPTEMBER AFFAIR

SEPTEMBER 12, 1981

ALAMEDA PLAZA

INTERNATIONAL BALLROOM

BUFFET DINNER

MUSIC BY "HARD CANDY"

CASH BAR - 6:00 P.M.

BUFFET DINNER - 7:30 P.M.

DANCING - 9:00 P.M. - 1:00 A.M.

TICKETS - \$17.50 PER PERSON

For more information contact:
Eileen Fidelino at 642-9259, or
Angie Chico at 523-7364

MINUTES OF THE AUGUST MEETING

The meeting was called to order by Pres, Carmen Chico at 7:55 p.m. She gave her wholehearted thanks to everybody who worked hard for the Association and the Asian Festival in her absence. She then turn the chair over to President-Elect Chito Tadeo to preside in the meeting. Before going into business though, Lee Tabiendo led a prayer for the families of the Hyatt disaster victims.

I Reports of Different Committees:

- A. Cultural Center Committee Chairman Lillian Pardo - We are participating in the Second Annual Ethnic Enrichment Festival, Aug. 21-22 at Washington Square (Pershing & Grand). We are to contribute for the set-up, electrical fixtures, booths, etc. We need people to direct and coordinate plans and activities. The Sinagtala participation in the program on Aug. 22 starts at 8:20 p.m. The admission is free to the public.
- B. Treasurer Lily Casillan asked the body if there were any questions regarding her report printed in the last issue of the TAMBULI. Lillian Pardo moved, and motion was seconded, that the Treasurer's Report be approved as published.
- C. Social Committee Co-Chairman Eileen Fidelino reported that there was only one additional family member paid for July. She also announced the forthcoming September Affair at Alameda Hotel on Sept. 12. She asked everybody present to see her after the meeting to pick-up their tickets (\$17.50) to save postage. Buffet dinner starts at 7:30 p.m. to be followed by dancing (9:00p.m. to 1:00 a.m.) with music provided by "Hard Candy."
- D. Sinagtala Director Manny de Leon scheduled the next dance rehearsal on Sunday, Aug. 9 at 2:00 p.m. in preparation for the Ethnic Festival. He asked those who danced in the previous performances to turn in their costumes so that they can be sorted out. Any problem with this, contact Wardrobe Mistress Flor Tabiendo at 765-0169.
- E. Senior Citizens Committee Chairman Lefty Gomez reported that our senior citizens are doing alright. Dr. Noy Sulit mentioned a 54-year-old Filipina who was hospitalized at St. Joseph Hospital for stroke.

She has no family here and her former employer could not be located. He asked for suggestions on what to do to help this woman. Pres. C. Chico volunteered to make inquiries regarding her and from there actions will be taken.

- F. TAMBULI Editor Alcy Abanilla reported on the need for new advertisers and/or running present ads longer for the paper's self-sufficiency. She also stressed the 15th of the month as deadline for submission of articles or news items to give ample time for the staff to work on the paper.
- G. In the absence of Hospitality Committee Chairman Jane Miciano, former TAMBULI Editor Don Downing's case was brought up by Lillian Pardo. Alcy Abanilla moved for the Association to do something in terms of service, rather than the usual flowers/cards, for the Downings. Dr. Gomez seconded and everybody approved of the idea. Alcy will coordinate activities that will be most appreciated by the family, such as bringing food or other services.
- H. Ways and Means Co-Chairman Lydia DyRagos said there was no other report to give other than what has been published in the TAMBULI concerning the Las Vegas Night.
- I. Chairman of Filipino Participation in Asian Festival Manny Pecana reported about the meeting with members of the Asian Council and Crown Center. He said Crown Center will reimburse totally all receipted expenses, and probably 50% from invoices of handicrafts from all groups. The Association managed to earn \$700 from liquor and \$785 on soft drinks, plus \$169 on food items auctioned after the festival was cancelled. Our main expense was food... approximately \$1,000.00. Manny will collect data from various committee chairmen for our Association for all expenses incurred. Since Chairmen of Finance and Tickets Committees were not present, questions regarding ticket returns were not answered, but holders of unused tickets will be refunded.

II Other Business:

- A. Lillian Pardo reported on the financial

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aspect of the Philippine House. She mentioned our \$30,000 plus interest loan from the bank wherein we have to pay the annual interest plus any amount of the principal that we could raise. She mentioned sending letters to people for donations and also the continuation of the Aerobic Classes.

The House also needs some more work to be done such as exterior painting, outside flood lights, improvement of outside stairs, flooded basement, the need for clothes racks for the Sinagtala costumes and other appliances.

John Fread suggested to have one day for general improvement activities. It was voted to set aside Sept. 19 as Philippine House Improvement Day. Pres. Chico and Charing Gomez will make a list of things to do and people who promise to work and also those bringing the food.

Donations for refrigerator, vacuum cleaner and other items are very welcome. There is one refrigerator from 200 Olive for donation. Ed Bechelmayer was asked to check it first before John Fread and other volunteers pick it up. (EDITOR'S NOTE: The refrigerator is now installed and a very welcome addition at the Philippine House.) Claire Ick is also loaning her small refrigerator to the Association until we get another one. We also received one window unit air conditioner from Dr. Chito Tadeo.

- B. New faces to the Association were introduced: Sheila Deck, niece of Dr. Chito Tadeo; Sandra and Nilda, daughters of Carlos and Gavina Tamonte of Ft. Leavenworth. Julie Quinones celebrated her 12th birthday with birthday song, cake and food from her family and friends present at the meeting. Thank yous were given to those who brought food and drinks.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Submitted by
Becky Castro

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

My trip to the Philippines was beautiful! We had a wonderful family reunion; I enjoyed all the native dishes (that I cannot fix here) and tropical fruits; and had fun getting together with friends I haven't seen in so-o-o long. Then came the time of parting. This brought me sadness -- butsuch is life.

Then I came back to the States in early Aug. Experiences I encountered, as well as news that I received, were all unforgettable. Like being stranded on my way back to KC because of the Air Controller's Strike; hearing that there were only two people left at my work instead of four for one reason or another; hearing that two dear friends, more like sisters to me, are afflicted with cancer; that a family of a close friend and supporter of the Association were victims at the Hyatt tragedy; and that the current President-Elect is leaving for Florida.

I felt like the whole world fell on me. Again, these were all accepted because I know....such is life. I know that there is Someone above us, watching us all the time, who plans for all these.

Therefore, as current president, all I could ask from you is to join me in prayer... that the strike be resolved; that those afflicted may be able to regain their good health and that our Association get more support from the community.

Our annual September Affair is scheduled for September 12 and it is to be held at the Alameda Plaza. A Painting-Picnic Day at the Philippine House is scheduled for Sept. 19. I would like to invite and encourage everyone to come and join us at both activities. I will be in touch with you pretty soon. Please don't hesitate to volunteer and extend your help to our Association.

So to our September Affair and Painting-Picnic Day activities, come one...come all! We will see you there!!

Carmen C. Chua

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 3 - Rosemell Barreras
- 4 - Jonathan Tabiendo
Annete Reyes
- 9 - Poochie Romero
- 18 - Jennifer Simon
- 20 - Alice Reyes
- 24 - Jocelyn Lising
- 25 - Phillip DyRagos
- 27 - Remy Lorenzo

SEPTEMBER WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 - Angel & Lily Casillan
- 19 - Chupin & Lourdes Ubalde
- 29 - Carlos & Gavina Tamonte

JULY/AUGUST PAID MEMBERS

1981

Family Membership

Ed & Estrella Bechelmayer
Ernie & Mollie Gapasin
Winnie & Linda Lisondra

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* PHILIPPINE HOUSE IMPROVEMENT DAY *

* Sept. 19, 1981, starting 9:00 a.m. *

* Volunteers needed: painters and *

* food donators *

* Main project: Outside building *

* painting *

* Contact Carmen Chico 523-7364 *

* Please volunteer a few hours of *

* your time for this much needed *

* project. Our Philippine House *

* is an eyesore - we would like *

* to prove to the City and our *

* neighbors that we can appreciate *

* beauty as well as anybody else. *

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NEWS IN BRIEF

Welcome

We would like to welcome to Kansas City the fathers of Pat (Pedro) and Cora (Arturo Labao) Ferrer.

Goodbye

The family of Chito Tadeo, our President-Elect, is moving to Florida. We'll miss you--good luck!!

Philippine House Beautiful

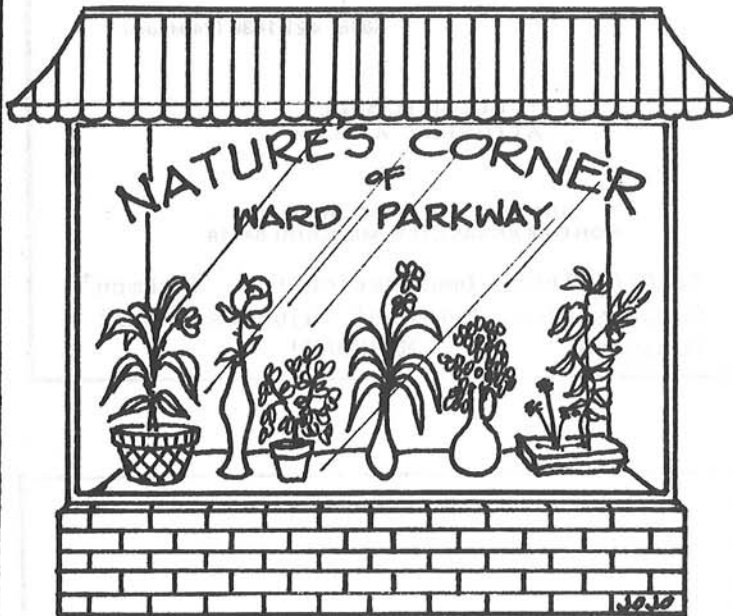
If you see the beautiful yard of the Philippine House when you pass by or even when you drop by, this is due to the hard work of Billy & Kurt Ick, Scott Armstrong and Daniel Sulit. Thank you, men--good job!!

More Thank Yous

- For the muscles of Ed Bechelmayer, John Fread and Scott Armstrong who delivered a donated refrigerator to the Philippine House.
- To the anonymous donor of the brown refrigerator to our Phil. House.
- To Dr. Chito Tadeo for the window unit air conditioner donated to the Philippine House.
- To Bill & Claire Ick for the loan of their small refrigerator to the Phil. House.

Vacations to the Philippines

- Divina Agpoon, Carmen & Angie Chico, and Sonia Ramos were recent visitors of our homeland.
- Bong Chico and Miling Van Cleave are due to return to Kansas City.
- Dr. Rudy Fidelino is preparing for his return visit.



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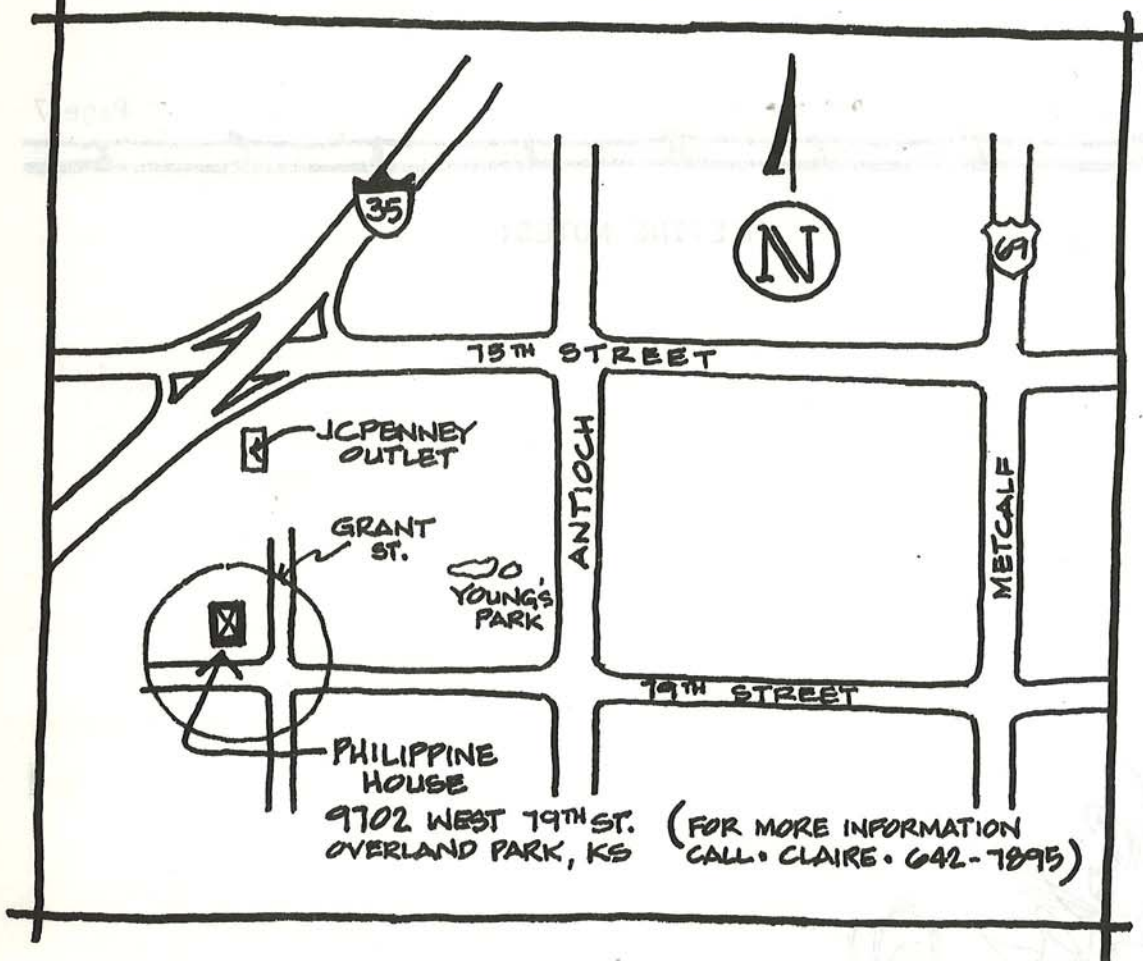
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F.A.G.K.C. Meeting

September 4, 1981

TIME: 7:30 p.m. (prompt)

PLACE: Phil. House
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Overland Park, KS.

PHONE: 523-7364

HOSTESSES: NONE
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recommended

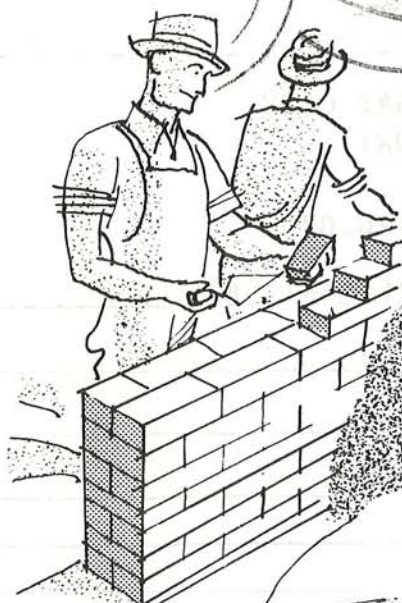
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