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# A Fresh Start, A New Leadership

Newly installed President Susan P. Suntay's Welcome Address, delivered at the Newport Beach Marriott, Newport Beach, California, July 3, 2010

Dean Alfaretta Tan-Reyes, Dr. Andy Borromeo, Dr. Henry Yanez, Dr. Rene Querubin, Dr. Vickie Casibang, Fellow MAAAI and AFUSA Officers, Alumni, Families and Friends,

Greetings and thank you for coming to the  $22_{nd}$  Annual UERMMMC – MAAA,Inc. and AFUSA, Inc. Convention and Reunion at this beautiful Newport Beach Marriott Hotel. Congratulations to all our celebrating jubilarians: Class '65, '70, '75, '80, '85, '90, '95, 2000 and 2005!!!

On behalf of the newly elected MAAAI –Executive Officers (2010-2012) and the entire MAAAI and AFUSA, Inc., I would like to express our great and heartfelt appreciation for the valiant efforts, commitment, and dedication of Drs. Andy De La Llana'84, Neda Ballon-Reyes'71, Ed Banez'76, Connie del Mundo'77, Irene Igual'76, Agnes Aquino'88, Catherine Uyloan'70, Dr. Ruby Cecilio-Claravall'77 and all the Officers and members of the Southern California Chapter in their most difficult task of preparation for this convention against all odds! **Congratulations and thanks to all of vou!!!** 

From the struggles of the past two years, to a hopeful next couple of years....with all your help and God's blessings, I am hopeful that we will succeed in rebuilding our UNITY and can reestablish our great camaraderie by rebuilding our "walls of trust" again and cooperation with one another. The formula is simple, let us all "Go Back to the Future". Like the movie, the characters revisited their past and erased or corrected what needed to be erased in their past, there and then went fast forward, to their future which in actuality is their "present". We too can correct our past and move forward to have a better "present" and future!

With forgiveness and friendship, there will be cooperation and **unity** which can become our "launching pad" towards a better and useful future in accomplishing all the goals and missions of MAAAI and our partners, the AFUSA, Inc. In my administration, ALL alumni are welcome! I also plan to bring back the partnership we once had with the Alumni Foundation (AFUSA), in fact it has already began.

I challenge all of you, turn to your classmates right now and just recall the beautiful friendships and events in your particular classes at the great halls and walls of UERMMMC. Let us all "Go Back to the Future"....with all your help, we can go forward and be reunited and enjoy our renewed friendships! We can do it! We can reunite, I am only here to serve you, but I need everyone's help. Will you help me? (A loud roaring, "YES!!!" from the audience was heard).

Join us again on our 23rd Annual Convention and Reunion at the Chicago Downtown Marriott on July 20-24, 2011 and celebrate our first 50th Year graduates – **Class'61**.

May God bless MAASC, MAAAI, AFUSA and our beloved alma mater, the **UERMMMC!!** 

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# **Second Opinion**

by Senen V. Siasoco

He's baaack!



Hope you all missed me, because I sure missed you guys too. First, a disclaimer: yours truly had absolutely nothing to do with the previous "special issue" of this publication. This spring, I was specifically instructed to *NOT* prepare a pre-convention issue by persons-who-shall-remain-unnamed (at the risk of igniting another controversy). I must admit, though, THAT issue was very well done (full color *pa*, *kuno*!). I was fully prepared to hand over the Editor's Baton, till the email from The New Prez imploring me to resume my duties. With the addition of Tita Elma Abella as Co-Ed(itor), resistance was futile.

By the time you read this, the midterm elections should have been decided (*Salamat sa diyos, nakaraos!*)-the annoying TV political ads will have been replaced by the usual (and equally irritating) CialisRestasis*Atbp* commercials). Plus the Holiday Jingles are about to bombard us. Regardless of the Victors/Victims, brace yourselves for radical changes in your practice as both the liberal Left (http://www.noquarterusa.net/blog/2010/03/07/devastating-critique-of-obamacare-from-the-left/) and the conservative Right (http://www.thenewamerican.com/index.php/usnews/health-care/3888-house-republicans-detail-obamacares-broken-promises) have staked out conflicting positions ,re, ObamaCare. I defer judgment until the smoke has cleared. The vast majority of us entered this racket (excuse me, *Profession*) for *Altruistic* reasons (albeit, via a 3000 mile detour east of our original destination). No matter what happens, I doubt anyone drops to a lower tax bracket anytime soon. We have been privileged to ply our trade in the richest nation in the galaxy, with compensation much greater than 90% of its inhabitants - so WTF (*pardon my french*) is all the whining about? Consider Ka Tony Ligot's WWT (see Tita Ida's letter) and thank your lucky Stars (and Stripes) for the US of A!

Which brings to mind the viral video of UP Prof Winnie Monsod's Final Lecture (http://www.gmanews.tv/story/202984/in-last-lecture-winnie-monsod-tells-students-to-stay-in-rp) in which she exhorts expats (like us) to repay the University (in particular) and the motherland (in general) for our current circumstances- branding us "traitors" for "deserting "the homeland. In reply, check out the bountiful gifts to the University from your Association in our "Letters" section (from Dr Irene Manlapaz, past prexy). I deem myself more like my ol' pal Jimi's "sea turtle" (http://edition.cnn.com/2010/WORLD/asiapcf/10/28/florcruz.china.sea.turtles.overseas/index.html?hpt=C1) than Dr.Winnie's stinky rat.

On a lighter note. Reunions have always been fun, as an HS buddy of mine (Gary) wrote in <a href="http://www.manilastandardtoday.com/insideOpinion.htm?f=2010/october/12/garyolivar.isx&d=2010/october/12/garyolivar.isx&d=2010/october/12</a>. He joyfully explains why we all show up year after year at (the UERMMMC-MAI's) Affairs like the swallows of Capistrano. Alumnae Luz and Bambi capture the more personal (UERM) slant in our feature stories (Pages 4-15).

I'm sure you are aware of the brouhaha that marred the climax of Irene's tenure. The vitriol from our compatriots (that spilled over into CyberCrimeSpace) was appalling and soured a lot of our friends, vis-a-vis, the Organization. My hope is that passion ignited by the Crisis will translate into greater things for the Old School and our Association. As Susan's Presidential address exhorts, let us let bygones be bygones, and move forward—there are grander goals at stake.

This publication comes to you in black and white. For a full featured, multimedia (e.g., you-can-click-on-links/color!) experience, go to the group's site: **www.uermalumni.org** (hopefully we'll have it uploaded/updated by then).

Please join us in Manila, February 1-5, and in Chicago, July,2011. Stay Warm. Happy Holidays!! Pahabol As we went to press, an urgent appeal from a '75 classmate, Alexis Montes showed up in my mail-box:http://newsinfo.inquirer.net/inquirerheadlines/nation/view/20100216-253434/Military-presents-Morong-43-in-court. Read the Inquirer story and form your own opinion (Michael Tan, their columnist, was horrified). Alex is a caring, compassionate colleague, and should never have been imprisoned/tortured!). Page 3 The Alumni Newsletter

## Letters, we got Letters

Dear Fellow Alumni,

We disbursed the following donations to Dean Retta T. Reyes and Dr. Andy Borromeo yesterday, July 3, 2010. We are still waiting for a few more checks from Class 1972 via mail and as soon as the checks clear, they will also be disbursed to UERMMMCI.

- 1) 2009 New York Fundraising from the estate of Dr. Felipa Diaz ('63) \$35,000.00 c/o Dr. Perla Castor ('63), \$30,000 Faculty Development and DAP/Indigent Fund \$5,000
  - 2) 2009 New York Fundraising for Academic Scholarship, \$5,000.00
  - 3) 2009 Wish List for ENT Department (Donated by Dr. Benching Tan ('72), \$ 650.00
  - 4) Gold scholarship (Donated by Dr. Moonyeen P. Kane ('72), \$ 2,000.00
  - 5) Silver scholarship (Donated by Drs. Armand and Leilani Wiltz ('72), \$1,000.00
  - 6) Gold scholarship (Donated by Drs. Rolando and Afric So Torio ('72), 2,000.00

TOTAL AMOUNT DISBURSED, \$45,650.00

Donations Disbursed to UERMMMCI in 2009 and First Quarter 2010:

2009 New York Fundraising, \$49,220.00

Typhoon Ondoy, 10,000.00

Surgical Mission, 2004-2006, \$10,000.00

Total \$ 69,220.00

## TOTAL AMOUNT DISBURSED to UERMMMCI 2009-2010 was \$114,870.00

Thank you all for your support and generosity.

Sincerely,

Irene (Class 1975)

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Dear classmates, friends, alumni and current members of the Banaue Derm Medical Mission:

I said that I would not bother you anymore with requests, donations, newsletters, etc since last July 2009 but Tony needs us. This is just a friendly reminder....support our class humanitarian work (help for classmates who are ill or who have left us) through Mariano Nasser, Jr., at least \$100 a year. Last year, we helped classmates who died, got sick or got flooded with Undoy. If you have not given your annual gift, please do so now. If we still have money, I requested Jun to give Tony thru DM Stearns our class help and I thank you.

To the members of the Banaue Derm Medical Surgical Mission now going on its 9th visit in 10 years on the first week of January 2011, you know the people in Banaue, most of them are very poor. You also know the vocation of Tony and Sylvia and their need for our assistance. If you are in the Philippines, call him up or email him so you know where to give: if you are in the USA, give through the DM Stearns, just follow Tony's instructions below. Those 3-5 days that we were together in Banaue were the happiest days of my life in the Philippines, except being with my family, because we all became brothers and sisters helping the poor (Tony calls them WWT, in Pilipino, *Walang Wala Talaga*, really nothing in English) who are also our brothers and sisters with Our Lord. Of course, it is also Sylvia's gourmet food that attracts me.

To my friends, I rarely ask you for help except for your Christmas gift to me for Banaue (I don't need anymore gloves, hats, scarves for Christmas), just help Tony's Good News Clinic and Hospital now.

Most of us have some surplus goods that our hospital or clinics give us but help is needed now and if you have things to send to Tony, this will be for the future. I myself will be sending a balikbayan box in 2 weeks time for my  $9^{th}$  Derm mission in January..

Inaasahan kong matutulungan natin si Tony at ang ating mga kapatid na Ifugao.Hindi maaasahan ang pamahalan ng Pilipinas kaya tayo ay kailangang kumilos.

Your classmate, friend, "sister in the Banaue Derm Mission",

Ida Tiongco ('68)



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# **UERM Med '85 Staying Alive@ 25 at Newport Beach**

## by Carmela Agustin-Kasala

From a highly fun and successful homecoming at Crowne Plaza Galleria Manila last Feb 1-4, 2010, we went on to live up to our adage of "Staying Alive @ 25, UERM Med Class '85!" The next battle cry was onwards to Newport Beach for the USA reunion at Marriott Newport Beach Hotel and Spa, July 1-3 2010! We were still at an all time high energy level. For starters, NJ based anesthesiologist Elmo Canillas gathered round some USA based classmates to put up a fund for travel fare for Gersam Lukban and his wife, Esa, while coordinating with us here in the Philippines. For our part, we agreed to pay for their travel taxes and insurance.

Our travel party of 3 departed June 30, Gersam, Esa and I. We flew Philippine Airlines. A day before, Dermatologist Tess Ferrariz had already gone ahead of us, and earlier the same day, Epidemiologist Miriam Agno boarded a Delta Airlines plane bound for LAX.

Unfortunately, because of their schedules, others were not able to join us. Anyway, the 3 of us boarded our plane but I was seated a few rows ahead of the Lukban couple. Midway through our trip, while watching a movie, we were interrupted by an announcement, "Is there a Dr. on board?" Uh-oh, well, perhaps they had no need for a pediatric allergist during this emergency, I told myself. Meanwhile, Gersam was thinking, "Orthopedic surgeon na na stroke gusto kaya nila?" A 2<sup>nd</sup> announcement came and it was then that I went to the steward to offer my services, but he later said that the situation had already been taken cared off (I found out much later, that the patient expired). This was a patient on dialysis, with a shunt and had been bleeding at that time they alerted us. We were flying above half of the Pacific Ocean so the nearest airport already was our destination, LAX. We arrived on time only to be told that we had to remain in our plane until we were cleared by health authorities. What a way to start this trip, huh? We finally disembarked and were met by classmate Doy Marcelo. (We parted ways there as I had some other high school reunion to attend to. Might as well hit 2 birds with one stone, right?)

We finally all got together July 1 at the Marriott Newport Beach Hotel and Spa, over a late lunch and an early BBQ dinner at Newport Villas with Johns Hopkins-based Nuclear Med Classmate Marita Guevara and her Lebanese beau, Nabeel. Classmates were overjoyed to see each other, most especially the Philippine quartet! Cameras clicking all over amidst shouts of glee and much laughter. Though it was summer, there was a bit of a chill in the air but nothing could stop the group from having fun around the bonfire!

July 2 was reserved for dance rehearsals and the post graduate course. We then moved on to the '70's Silver Jubilarians Night, with everyone in '70's attire. The emcee, Michigan-based Family Med funnyman Rommel Aquino, was wearing a colorful shirt with a huge marijuana leaf necklace. Californians Isa Uy-Aldeguer and Rosalie Tecson-Diaz, along with East Coaster Pediatrician Irma Santos-Leonard were ever so sexy in their shimmery jumpsuits! From bell bottoms to psychedelic shirts to headbands and chain belts, it was really all sooo groovy groovy, baby!

We danced to Michael Jackson's "Thriller", Village People's "YMCA", but what really brought the house down was Beyonce's "All the Single Ladies", composed of Elma Canillas, Rommela Aquino, Rica Arguelles and Renata Flores in their shockingly revealing attire(see photo)! The wives who were present could not bear the sight!

The night just went on and on, reminiscent of our Class Burning Night, "All Night Long" way back when! (Continued Next Page)

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July 3 daytime was again reserved for dance rehearsals and some shopping at Newport Mall but all converged at the Ballroom for the gala night. If the night before, we looked like vintage clowns, the WOW factor came out as the ladies looked resplendent in their gowns and the men, ultra debonair in their tuxedos and suits.

But what started out of course as a formal affair turned out to be a night of revelry, starting with the music of songbird Lani Misalucha, direct from Las Vegas. By the time she was onto her finale, Donna Summer's "Last Dance", some Class '85 members joined her in singing and that got everyone to get up on their feet to dance the night away.

Gala Night over, on to the Class After Party where we put classmates on the hot seat for some juicy revelations. But sorry, my lips are sealed about that!!!

Alas, the reunion weekend went by all too quickly. After all, they say all good things must come to an end. But the happy memories will linger on. Reunions are always fun. Reconnecting with old friends lost through the years and now easily found because of the technology of email, texting and the social network of our times, Facebook! We remember how it was when we were young and we delight in knowing that we are all still friends no matter what we have become and whatever part of the globe we are now based at. We are who we are because of our education at UERM and the company we kept through all those years of struggle. We may have lost each other through all those years of training, family life, migration and just about anything life threw us along the way. We took a journey but wherever it has taken us, it is reassuring to know these classmates will always be there in our hearts. Friendship that has transcended both time and distance, the best kind. Here's to the next reunion!! CHEERS! (Check out more pho-

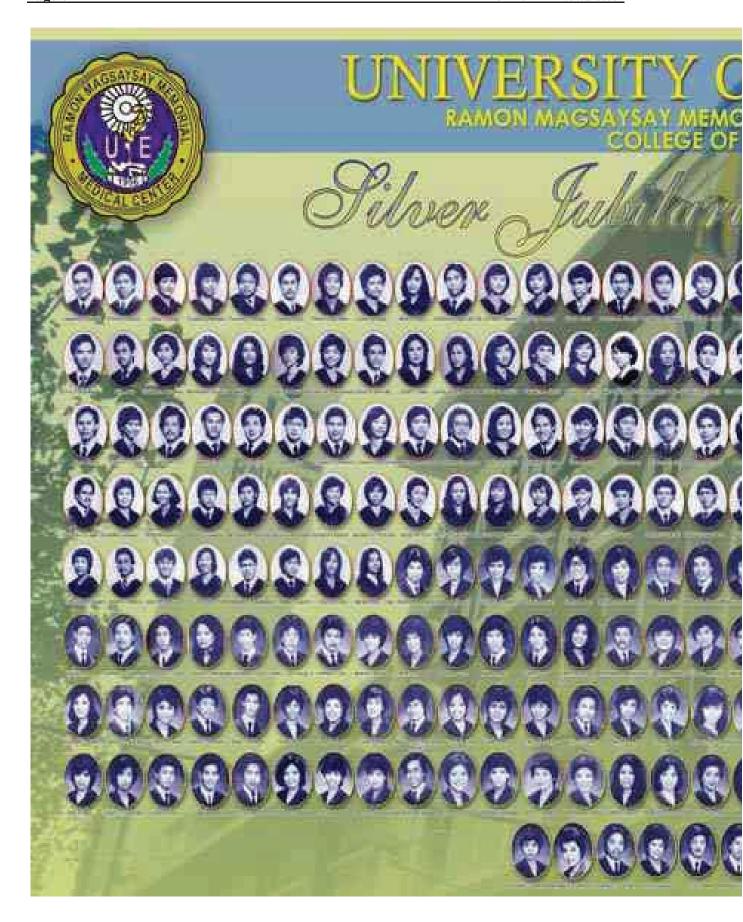




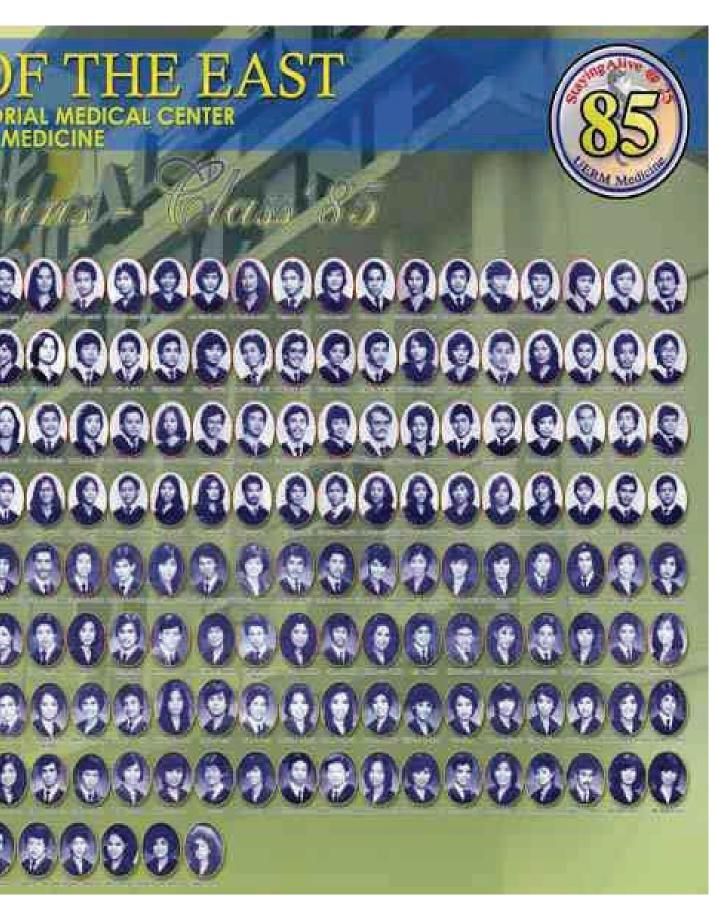
85'ers All the way from the Philippines: Miriam Agno, Bambi Kasala, Tess Ferrariz and Gersam Lukban



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# Staying Alive @25...,continued





Class '85 Singing and Dancing with Lani Misalucha

Elma, Rica and Rommela show off



With Dean Retta and Phil Alumni Prez Andy



After the BBQ at Newport Coast Villa

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Class '85 Silver Jubilarians in Groovy '70's attire



Sizzlin' on the Hot Seat: Gok Flores being interrogated by Marichi Veneracion-Lo as "KaraKrus" Aquino. Isa Aldeguer-Uy, Carol Lyn Macagba, Pauline Jose-Sison and is that Paul Newman? oops, that's Ben Faigao pala!





## **HELP WANTED**

Looking for a <u>Family Practice/ Internal Medicine M.D.</u>, <u>preferably UERMMMC graduate</u>, to join a busy traditional practice in <u>Southern California</u> with opportunity to own. Starting base salary is from \$130,000 to \$149,000 with production incentive plus benefits.

Interested parties--please call 562-484-1460 for details.

# **Happy Days Are Here Again!!!!**

## by Luzviminda Barcelona-Concepcion

I got A and A+ for Math and Sciences and C+ to B for Spanish, English, Literature and History, but here I am given the daunting task of writing our enjoyable memoirs of the recently concluded 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual National Convention and UERMMMC-MAAI & AFUSA reunion held July 1 to 4, 2010 at Newport Beach, California. So I hope you bear with me and not get bored with this very long "up to the minute" and blow by blow account/activities especially but not limited to class '73 A & B, 74, licensed and unlicensed, US and Phil. Based UERMMMC awarded MD degree. I, Luzminda Barcelona Concepcion '73, aka "Loose Connection" do unsolemnly swear, I have nothing to disclose financially or otherwise.

"LC" has been my pseudonym since 1974, post reading a book during my rural days in Davao City with our late classmate and my best friend, Dr. Virgilio "Toto" Durban. The book was about the most famous feud in medicine between the two greatest cardiovascular surgeons in Houston, Texas -Dr. Michael DeBakey, (1908 to 2008), and his younger colleague, Dr. Denton Cooley (also called "Dr. Desmond Coma".)

Sorry for the deviation but there's something to be learned: "As Dr. DeBakey recalled in an interview March '07, he refused to testify in the litigation that followed; he did not want his rival to be found guilty. "Much as I regretted what he did," Dr. DeBakey said, "I didn't think vengeance would solve anything." This was published in New York Times Nov. 27,2007. They eventually reconciled and made peace.

Dean Retta Tan-Reyes and Henry Yanez were the first to arrive in LA, Saturday, June 26, but were "at large" or "no show" in Newport Beach till Wednesday, June 30. Probably nag jet lag so understandable. Belen and Elmer Gilo ('73) were the first US-based alumni to arrive on June 29 (Tuesday) at Newport Beach, California, and were welcomed with sunny, and nice pleasant temperature/perfect weather.

The perennial, most generous host couple, Nes and Cora Fontecha, arrived Wednesday morning in their "Yukon" overloaded with boxes of "Red Ribbon" cakes, pastries, empanadas, espasol special, "suman Pasko Ilokano style", garlic peanuts, boiled peanuts, naked chestnuts (2 kinds, wet and dry, there is a secret story behind this-just ask Ninong Nes and Cora) and big Bing cherries, mangoes (to just name a few) and took 4 days for Dr. Armando to unload and to bring up to now infamous suite rooms "1616" and "1115". Reggie Marinas was picked up at the airport by Nes and and room mate with Dr. Armando. The magnanimous and generous host Ate Neda Ballon-Reyes ('71), also arrived with fully loaded car with lots and lots of food, good for 24 hours x 7 days supply. These include but not limited to "papaitan", "dinuguan", bangus, tilapia, chicken tocino, beef tapa, pancit, tokwa at baboy, pandesal, rice, sapin sapin, puto, kutsinta, "Cuban pastries filled with cheese and guava jam" at mayroon pa na hindi ko na alam ang pangalan o tawag at di ko na matandaan sa dami ng pagkain and besides I didn't eat some of them. Presidential suite "1616" was the "official headquarter". Andy Boro's plane landed at John Wayne airport at 10:00 am and had the pleasure of being picked up by the unanimously voted President—elect Neda Ballon-Reyes.

On June 30 Wednesday, around noon, I was picked up by Betan Dr. Paul Hamor of class '70. Initially, I was told to be ready between 10 to 10:30 but as expected when you plan to leave early, that's the time that you get busy and get more patients to "round" and "discharge". We then went to pick up his wife Gloria and their baggage and his "golf set" since he did plan to play golf and then after the Newport Beach reunion on Sunday July 4 would board a Princess cruise ship for a 7-day "Mexican Riviera cruise" with class"68. The drive from Las Vegas to Newport beach took 3 ½ short fun drive and I fell asleep in the back of the "Suburban" and had a dream--- the class '73 were hugging, kissing, some were joyfully crying, reunited and bonded together and became the biggest group again of all classes. And the song "THE WAY WE WERE" was personified and "LOVE, LOYALTY & FRIENDSHIP" became the synonym of class'73 while "DISCRIMINATION" is the antonym of class'(73. (Continued on next page)

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after arriving at Newport Beach, I got the exclusive privilege of checking into the "Presidential suite" through the courtesy of the Madam President-elect and the room was filled with happy, smiling faces of different classes 'late '60s to early '2000's working hard and some "hardly working", organizing, chit chatting and most of the time

eating. I saw Andy Boro with an overfilled plate (and this was only his 5<sup>th</sup> snack after arriving 10:00 am) and Belen Gilo was there too. I called Nes and Cora who was inviting us to eat out but told him just to eat in "1616". Then Nes, Cora and me left at around 9 pm to pick up Gadz and Zomie at John Wayne airport. They arrived in the same plane as Dr. & Mrs. Felix Evangelista and they were surprised that Gadz and Zomie were being picked up by classmates, when they had to settle to get a taxi to Marriott Newport Hotel.

After Zomie and Gadz checked in, we went back to room "1616" since Andy Boro announced that we would continue our "VICTORY" celebration which had been going on since 6:00 pm and everybody had photo op with the much anticipated and expected incoming president-elect. We all reunited, ate and talked until the wee hours, reminiscing, the good olde days. Again, the background music was "THE WAY WE WERE". What a night of celebration!

Thursday morning, July 1 at 9:30 am, through the courtesy of Nes and Cora F, we drove to the gorgeous "Pelican Hotel and Resort" and had a sumptuous brunch, and Ninong Nes insisted that we "sit and eat" in the dining area which overlooks a splendid view of the swimming pool, lush garden and the lake. Unlike the former President Erap, Ninong Nes does not mind orderingand paying for the "ambiance". It's really nice when price is no object.

While we were at the "Pelican Hotel and Resort", Ninong Nes called Kuya Geny and Babes to join us, in case they already have arrived at Newport Beach from San Diego. They told us to expect them to arrive at 2:00 pm and would join us on our trip to the beautiful Mediterranean mansion named "Villa Fontecha" which is nestled on top of Moorpark Hill. However, they called us not to wait anymore, since they would be late. As usual and as luck would have it, once we finished our "delicious with beautiful ambiance brunch" and back to Marriott hotel to freshen up, we bumped into our dear Kuya Geny and Babes who were happy and excited to join us. Of course, we tried to Kill time to wait for them. Chris Villaraza e-mailed that he was scheduled to arrive 10:00 am from West Virginia, but his plane got delayed and was not able to join us. Our classmates who happened to be members of "BOT" and AFUSA were too loyal to their "pledge of allegiance to UERM" and were not able to join us. Dean Retta, Andy and Henry were supposed to follow, but the meeting ended late, and cancelled their plan.

The highlight of our Thursday activity (after a 2 1/2 short fun drive to hilly, scenic, mountainous Moorpark Park exclusive gated Millionaires' Row home site) was the relaxing dinner at "Villa Fontecha" where a sumptuous dinner and merienda "sans rival" was especially prepared by 3 imported chefs----"Ilokano chef" directing and acting chef Cora" and "pastry chef Nestor". The food served included (and again not limited to) pork barbecue, grilled Tilapia, grilled large bangus with chopped tomatoes, onions, garlic, grilled Pompano, paksiw na isda, Tinolang manok, "Adidas" aka chicken feet, salad, etc. A variety of fruits were laid out on the table —large and sweet Bing cherries, jackfruit aka langka, oranges, chestnuts, garlic peanuts, boiled peanuts, mamon, espasol na special, at marami pang iba. Four nights before, the "surgeon/gardener/landscaper/chef/food taster/ "FB expert"/photographer/designer" all rolled into one, made a Suman Pasko Ilokano style until 2 am and apparently this is his number one specialty. His buddy, buddy and lovely wife Cora was the one who rolled or rather wrapped it into banana leaves and, if it is not the same sized, would be tossed out by Ninong Nes. Each suman had to be wrapped perfectly or it wouldn't pass quality control. The "suman Pasko especial & Ilokano style" was served to us, and the leftovers were included in the "to go" to room "1616". Ate Neda knew how "yummy" "yummy" they are, so they were hidden in the refrigerator in The Presidential suite to be taken to "Northridge" residence. Ninong Nes and Cora again supplied the "ambiance" and we ate in the biggest dining table at the "Villa Fontecha", surrounded by lush gardens, topiaries, variety of dwarf fruit trees blooming with colorful fruits, and on one side the giant bronze waterfall that made you feel like you were in the midst of the romantic Tivoli gardens of Italy. The garden was really awesome- they even had a symphony of cactus plants in the front yard that knew when to "bow to the King"- ala Pres. Obama, and to "line dance" upon hearing Ninong Nes' clapping on arrival. In the very rear of the yard was a veranda built on top of a hill overlooking a splendid panoramic view of Moorpark 18 hole golf course, with the mountain backstage. Our stay concluded with "much food to go" and then back to room "1616" for "merienda, greetings, (Continued on next page)

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## Happy Days..(Continued)

halakhakan and kuwentuhan". I brought the leftover large, sweet, mouth watering Bing cherries, and hid them in the ref at "1616" but they disappeared quickly, replaced with small and not to sweet cherries.

Friday, July 2nd, was another big day for our class'73. We started the day with another sumptuous brunch at "Montage Spa and Resort" where "ambiance" was again ordered. We did this after we heard my Ninong Deo Martinez talk about "Updates in Diabetes" (excellent talk, as usual). We did not gallivant this time since the "rented tour bus" by our generous hosts and hostesses "Nes and Cora" and "Geny and Babes" was at the Marriott Newport Hotel by 1200. We boarded the bus but since some of the classmates still couldn't join us till 1 pm, Ninong Nes directed the driver to just bring us first to Laguna Beach, and just walk the beach and the boardwalk and boutiques. We were 30 minutes late returning to the hotel, and the rest of our classmates were already lined up in the door by the lobby (All the serious UERM loyalists). The three grown up kids of Sammy and Catherine Dona (Sam Jr, UERM '09; Sherwin, UERM '11, and Michael The Chef) wanted to try "In and Out Burgers" and so that was the "Friday Delight/Highlight" and our first major stop. Andy Boro was the designated tour guide, the "TGUI" (tour guide under the influence) since he had not reviewed the Newport Beach and LA map and got confused with the beach names (not surprising, as he is not from SoCal). However, he was the best comedian of the group, and so he still got a generous "TIP" which was greatly appreciated, and used to treat all the members of class'73 for snacks at "Costco" in our dreams. "We love you Andy Lim". We had a nice long drive along the Pacific Coast Highway and mind you, Andy even was able to point to us our beloved country "The beautiful Philippines". We passed along the beaches south of Newport Beach--- The Costa Mesa Beach, Huntington, Seal Beach. Long Beach and then to Palos Verdes Peninsula and Rancho Palos Verdes where Andy and Helen Ebilane have a lovely house -we ran out of time and unable to stop by their house for the Nth merienda. It was not wasted though, he brought them to room "1616". At about 5 pm we had to turn around for our dinner so we missed the drive to Redondo Beach, Manhattan Beach, Venice and Hermosa Beach.

We arrived back at the Marriott Newport Beach hotel around 6:00pm, and after quickly freshening up, we gathered at the lobby and walked to Roy's via a shortcut through Nordstrom. On the way, we even bumped into some class' 67 – Drs. Ado Miranda, Rene Querubin, Manny Blas and their wives. I think there were 20 of them, and we had grand fellowship dinner at the resto. Class '71 had gathered' at Sam and Harry Steakhouse, which is located in the Newport Marriott Hotel. They included President-elect Neda Ballon Reves, her "BFF" Drs. Vicky Barnachea-Casibang and Vincent C, Dr. Eddie Corpuz and Rachel, Drs. Nestor and Rachel Diaz, Dr. Hedy Jimenez et al, some 15 people. Drs. Pablito Tancinco' 68 and Ate Glo (UP) also had fellowship dinner for class '68, but I 've forgotten whereat. Sammy Piga arranged dinner (courtesy of AXA) for 50 people, with Class'73 hosting, and Class '74 and "70, guests. Chit Santiago - Yturriaga , Becky Avena, Joseph Rastrollo (sans wife nor his girlfriend), Ed and Cynthia Binoya were able to join us at Roy's, and the after dinner chit chat at "Marriott" as well as the usual class picture. Am not sure whether Larry Miranda joined us at Roy's. Isabel and Manny Mirasol with kids Andrew and Anna who took the last minute Friday trip was supposed to join us but unable to come. They showed up Saturday morning. The dinner meeting was supposed to be from 7:00 to 8:30 only but did not finish till 9:30 and so the "LA and Hollywood stars and illumination tour" from 8:30 to 12:00 midnight was cancelled and instead we just rode the tour bus for a very long 5 minute drive back to the hotel. No one got disappointed though, because everyone was just happy to be together and listen to "storytelling" na paulit ulit pero masarap pa rin pakinggan.

The much awaited Saturday, July 3 soon came. Since it was election day and voting was scheduled only for a limited time (8:00 to 10:00), we decided not to eat outside and buy ambiance. Class '73, along with other alumni ate breakfast together in the hotel and the astounding positive response of the alumni for change was loudly audible and palpable. This was evidenced by the number of votes in Marriott and was 154 for the winner and 33 for the rival. Kuya Joseph Rastrollo, being the Election commissioner announced the winner.

Everybody found out that NEvaDA was not only the state for NEDA but even all the BLUE and the RED STATES.

What a immense celebration we had after! The gala was remarkable and well organized. The souvenir journal was elegant and nicely done and already predistributed in every other seat. Kuya Danny and Nora Mangunay (Continued next page)

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## Happy Days..(Continued)

wanted to be there in spirit by donating generously to the So Cal. A number of class"73 placed full page and back inside back cover ads in support of UERMMMC SoCal chapter. The Jubilarians were all very happy (48 of them) and really the life, focus and star of the gala celebration). The SoCal chapter made sure that they are the "major players" in the 2010 Newport Beach reunion and the rest "minor players" in supporting roles. There are about 400 to 450 attendees of the gala event. As usual we have ballroom dancers in our group, so the table are intermittently empty. Nes and Cora tied with Beth Cataag-Olegario and Joe shared the secret unannounced prize for best dancers of class '73. Andy Boro and Tessie Garcia-Torres placed 2<sup>nd</sup>. Ed Layug also showed up. There were 3 tables (for 12 people) reserved for class '73 and they are next to each other. The party was very enjoyable and with no less than the Las Vegas Diva--- Lani Misalucha serenading the UERM alumni. Some UERM guys even got to dance with her. It was all part of the celebration, unrehearsed and spontaneous. She was supposed to sing only 4 songs, but the alumni asked for an encore, so she belted out a couple more. I have seen her perform in Vegas on four occasions; twice with the Philippine Ambassador to US, his wife and my another sister at the Flamingo Hilton Hotel (post show, we were even treated to a sumptuous Italian dinner by the owner of the Goldilocks). I've also seen her at Bally's (with the Society of Seven group), and at a solo concert at the Las Vegas Hilton (where she is currently performing).

I was originally scheduled to leave for DC after voting on July 3. When my ticket was purchased, the date was changed to July 4 which was fortunate ("as they say, everything happens for a reason) as I was able to attend the grand gala celebration. My flight was scheduled 3 pm Sunday from John Wayne airport ,connecting in DFW and arriving DC on Monday July 5 at 1:05 am. Luckily, I got a ride to the airport with our classmate Chris V at 5:45 am Sunday and to standby for 7:45 am flight arriving 5:30 pm Sunday (even allowed to check in baggage and was upgraded to first class for the DFW to DC). Belen, Elmer and Jessica Gilo took a cab, their flight was scheduled at 7:45 via Continental. Our departure gates were 9 for the Gilos and 11 for me, so we still had time for a quickie breakfast at McDonalds (I did not hear my name called on being cleared for standby). Anyway, I was still able to get a seat. I was picked up by my brother (a lot of roads were already being closed as early as 5:30 for the 9:00 pm "fireworks"), and I was able to attend the get together party at the Philippine Ambassador's residence. The party started at lunch time, but the guests that were still in the house. Small World indeed, I saw Atty. Ruben and Dr. Cora Seguritan. He is the older brother of our classmate, Cesar Seguritan, who lives in Staten Island and when I was told Ruben how enjoyable our reunion, he gave me Cesar's home phone number, so I could invite him next year. Cesar is a retired radiologist. We then all walked to the Kennedy Center to watch the "Fireworks".

Sunday (after we left), the generous host Nes and Cora F, Geny and Babes Sy took Tessie Garcia-Torres to have another sumptuous brunch at tThe Ritz Carlton in Dana Point. Her flight to Chicago was not until 3 pm.Sabel and Manny Mirasol with Andrew and Anna extended their trip and were able to have another delicious dinner at the Villa Fontecha. Tuesday . And Wednesday, July 7, Manny (our honey) with Sabel and kids drove to San Diego and had lunch with Kuya Geny and Babes and toured La Jolla and the famous San Diego Zoo , and had another fabulous dinner!

Everybody is home now. Ninong Nes has friended us all on Facebook and has posted more than 199 photoshe wants those unable to attend to vicariously be with us. I am a computer rookie, and haven't learned how to post pictures. Nora tried to teach me (by phone) but to no avail. Someday, I'll learn.

It's almost Thanksgiving Day. For me, everyday is Thanksgiving especially with God's continued bountiful blessings on all of us. We are very thankful for all of you, our kind true friends and you are real treasures. We are all lucky and richly blessed.

A Trillion Thanks for everything to Ninong Nes and Cora Fontecha, Ate Neda Ballon-Reyes, Kuya Geny and Babes Sy. Also to all the officers of SoCAL, headed by Andy dela Llana and past

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## Happy Days..(Continued)

UERMMMA President Ed Banez, who worked hard and tirelessly for making the 22<sup>nd</sup> annual reunion a great success ,and welcoming our young alumni - batch '80s and 90's and even 2000! . I doff my hat to all of you. (Ooops, I didn't bring my hat but Gadz did.)

MILLION THANKS to all the happy, go lucky members of class'73 and adopted '74, to Sammy Piga for arranging the class dinner at Roy's, to Dean Retta Tan-Reyes, Dr. Henry Yanez, and last but not least Dr. Andy Borromeo who travelled halfway around the world to be with us in the celebration of the annual reunion. Andy also attended the UE global reunion in Las Vegas at "Orleans Hotel" June 3 to 6. We thank you also, the supportive and highly principled elders of the '60's. Also class'78 through Franklin De Guzman (28 of them) and they were solid for Ate Neda (except for one).

We missed so much our very dear friends and classmates Drs. Danny and Nora Mangunay, Dr. Lita L. Isaacson, Drs. Roy and Dolly Baldomero, Drs. Wayne and Chit Gavino, Dr. Danny Jimenez, Drs. Chester and Jun Jun Kokseng, Dr. Fannie Miranda-Caturay and Ben, Drs. Danton and Jean De Guia, Dr. Josie Mangubat, Drs. Val and Vangie Guzman, Dr. Elena Gragasin, Dr. Becky Victorioso, Drs. Myrna and Eli de Leon, Drs. Eric and Zen Pua, Dr. Bob Martinez and Cielo, but my Ninong Zomie guarantees (100%!) that they will be with us in Chicago.

We hope that my favorite ninong in New Jersey- Dr. Manny Banzon and Debbie, Dr. Rick Arayata, Dr. Ric Alfafara and Mina, Drs. Alva and Minnie Verde, Dr. Caloy and Cora Las Marias, Dr. Sue Bolante Kapalungan and Nesty; Drs. Franklin and Aida Dizon, Dr. Mary Jane Chu-Hayashi, Dr. Rodney Tucay, Dr. Chit Santiago Yturriaga, Dr. Becky Avena, Dr. Boie Arevalo, Dr. Beth Layug, the Philippine VIP representatives and special mention to my dearest Popsy Will and Terry Chua, and others even including "the prodigal sis and brods" would be able to join us next year in Chicago.

Aside from my classmates, we or rather I personally missed my Ninong Joe Banzon '62, Dr. El '63 and Amor Castro, and Dr. Rolly Mendoza '67. Am sure, I'll see them in Chicago. Hopefully, I'll see also Drs. Norman '67 & Lita Gensolin, Drs. Ireneo '67 and Linda Pantangco, Dr. Onie Pascual '71. I'll try to convince my next door neighbor Dr. Rizalina Ago-Turla'62 to attend also. I joined the class'62 for breakfast on the day of election –Drs. Bandong, Avecilla, E. Chua and another one from Indiana, sorry am having senior moments and could'nt recall his name - I'd like to thank them for voting for Ate Neda. The above mentioned class'62 members told me that they will attend in Chicago.

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDAR--- July 20 to 24, 2011 Marriott Hotel in Chicago. SEE YOU ALL!!!

The host s are our beloved classmates and dear friends President (Midwest chapter) Zomie Herrera, M.D. and his lovely and charming wife First Lady Maria Gaddi-Herrera aka GADZ and big supporters Drs. Wayne and Chit Gavino, Dr. Sir Gregory Carpio and Divina, Dr. Tessie Garcia-Torres, Drs. Val and Vangie Guzman, Dr. Noel Alcantara and wife, Dr. Elena Gragasin, Dr. Becky Gatuz-Victorioso, Drs. Dina and Didit Cay, and all officers and members of Midwest chapter.

God bless us all!!!! and Good night!!!!:

July 11, 2010

**Volunteers Needed** The Southern California Chapter of the Medical Alumni Association will conduct a medical mission to the Philippines from January 24 to 30 of 2011. They will be working in San Marcelino and Candelaria, Zambales, and La Union. They still need the following personnel to volunteer for this project: internists, pediatricians, general surgeons, obstetrics-gynecologisst, OR nurses.

If you can volunteer or know of anyone of your collegues or friends who can do so, please call Roberto N. Valenton, MD (Chairperson - Medical Mission Committee), cell phone (626) 354-6091 or email: rnevalenton@yahoo.com. The Mount Pinatubo Square and Compass Club is co-sponsoring the mission.

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## Ang Limang Tuktok Tampok ni Tita Ida

## (muni-muni ni Ida Tiongco)

Sa aking mga mahal na kapwa- UERM'ers:

- **5** Nagpapasalamat ako sa administrasyon ni Irene at ang kanyang mga opisyales sa nakaraang dalawang taon. Marami nga tayong problema dahil tayo ay isang bagong samahan (growing pains). Gamitin lang natin ang ating CBL (Constitution and By-Laws) na gabay sa pagpapalakad ng ating samahan. Natatandaan pa ba ninyo ang mga eleksyon natin bago tayo sumunod sa mga patakaran ng CBL?
- **4** Binabati ko rin si Susan at ang mga opisyales niya na sumumpa nuong Hulyo. Sana naman magkasundosundo na tayo dahil ayaw kong mangyari sa ating mahal na UERM ang nangyayari sa karamihan ng mga organisasyon dito- watak na watak na, kalat na kalat pa.
- **3** Pinasasalamatan ko rin ang mga nagtatag ng UERM AFUSA at MAAAI lalo na kay Wilmer Heceta. Mahigit ng mga 20 taon, dito sa Long Beach tinayo ang MAAAI sa isang pagsasama ng Alumni Foundation. Naging Ina ang MAAAI ng mga "local chapters". Ang mga nagtapos ng '60 at '70's ay dapat igalang dahil may kasabihan sa atin na "ang hindi marunong lumingon sa pinanggalingan ay hindi makakarating sa paroroonan". Ang mga kabataan na mamumuno sa ating samahan ay sana pakinggan at bigyan ng halaga ang mga mungkahi ng mga nauuna sa kanila.
- **2** Isipin natin na tayo ay mga nagtapos sa pinakamagaling na "Medical Center" sa Aurora Blvd., ayon sa yumaong JoRam. Maliban sa pagiging mahusay na mga maggagamot, tayo ay dapat kumilos na bilang mga Binibini, Ginang, at Ginoo (Ladies and Gentlemen).
- l Panahon na upang maaari na nating bawasan ang pagbibigay ng malaking halaga ( tulong ) sa UERM ( our Alma Mater ) sa dahilan na ang Chairman-of-the-Board ngayon ay si Ginoong Lucio Tan na isa sa mga Limang Pinakamayamang Pilipino. Dapat ipakita niya sa atin na siya ay karapatdapat na tawaging "Chairman" sa pagbibigay ng tulong at salapi sa UERM. Maari na rin sa akin na tawagin ang UERM na UERM Memorial Lucio Tan Medical Center katulad ng NYU Langone Medical Center at Weill Cornell Medical Center sangayon sa pagpapahalaga niya sa ating paaralan.

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## Minutes of the General Assembly, Newport Beach, July 2010

These are the results of the 2010-2012 UERMMMC-MAAAI elections, July 2010: President-Elect: **Neda Ballon-Reyes** -154 votes, Flor de Jesus -33 votes; Vice President: Bhagwan Moorjani - 80 votes, **Tina Manio** - 95 votes; Executive Secretary: **Renato Flores** - by acclamation; Treasurer: **Eva Padilla** - by acclamation; Auditor: **Ma. Teresa Galarpe-Pastor** - by acclamation.

Some Proposed Amendments were also voted on during the General Assembly:

- (1) Article III. Section 3. Insurance coverage of the Corporation. The Association shall secure insurance for the purpose of protecting the organization and its officers from financial and legal burden in carrying out its activities and duties. The Association will purchase Comprehensive General Liability Policy and Director and Officers Liability Insurance.--PASSED YES 88 .NO 87
- (2) Article III. Section 4. The Association will retain a legal counsel to act as the legal adviser for the Association.--**PASSED** YES -90\*, NO 87
- (3) Article IV. Section 1 (e) Emeritus Members shall have all privileges of active members. **DID NOT PASS** YES 84, NO 92 \*
- (4) Article VI. Section 5 (d) Any amendment to the by-laws voted and approved by the Executive Council must be ratified by a majority vote of the general membership in attendance at a called General Meeting. --PASSED YES 90 \* NO 84
- (5) Article VI. Section 5 (g) Official travel expenses by the National Convention Commissioner are included in the MAAA, Inc.'s Annual Budget and the amount is subject to the approval of the President. **DID NOT PASS** YES 81, NO 94 \*
- (6) Article VI. Section 5 (i) The cost for external audits shall be in the annual budget. **PASSED** YES 90 \*NO 90 \*, To break the tie, it was presented to the general membership for a motion and a vote by Dr. Rene Querubin. The YES vote was approved by majority votes of the general members present.
- (7) Article VI. Section 8 (5) All Financial reports, contracts with different vendors, secretarial reports, auditor's reports, treasurer's reports including bank statements and corresponding receipts shall be turned over to the next officers within 1 month after oath taking. **PASSED** YES 93 \* NO 83
- (8) Article VIII. Section 5 The National Convention Commissioner and the local Convention Chairperson shall negotiate and arrange with the selected venue its hotel rates, room and vendor agreements for the Annual Convention and Reunion. The National Convention Commissioner shall report directly to the President. **PASSED** YES 91 \* NO 83
- (9) Article XI. AMENDMENTS. These By-Laws may be amended by the CBL Committee, approved by 2/3 votes o the Executive Council present at the meeting and ratified by majority votes of the general members present at any regular meetings of the Association, provided a copy of the proposed amendments shall have been submitted in writing (via postal or Alumni Newsletter or electronic mail/website) to the members at least 30 days before the called regular meeting. **DID NOT PASS** YES 84,NO-85\*

The Election Committee was composed of: Joseph S. Rastrollo, and Renato Querubin, Co-Chairmen; Conrado Miranda IV, and Ananias Ebilane, members.

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Treasurer's Report by Dr. Eva Sylvia C. Padilla, Treasurer (2010-2012)

1. Source: 2009 Form 990 filed by Link Accounting Group:

2009 New York Convention:

Gross Revenue \$ 467,352.00 Direct Expenses \$391, 152,00 2009 NY Convention Net income 5 76, 364.00 Other expenses, grants, etc. \$ (-50, 724.00) Excess or (deficit) for the year 2009 \$ 25, 640.00 \$ (-50, 724.00)

2. Source: MAASC Treasurer's Report:

2010 Newport Beach Convention

Gross Revenue \$ 142, 328, 000 Direct Expenses \$ (-101, 064.13) Net Income 541, 263.87 Receivables \$ [+1,991.17] 2010 Convention Net Fund Balance 5 43, 261 04

3. Source: Mass Mutual (MML) Investors Services, Inc.

(Dr. Susan Suntay, Custodian on 03/01/08 and Dr. Roger Lucas, Co-Custodian on 08/31/08):

UERMMMC-MAAAI MML Investments

fleginning value on 03/01/08 \$ 250,000.00 Value as of 03/31 /10 \$ 256,763.20

Explanations of the 2008 - 2010 Executive Officer's Lakeside Bank (LB) "overdraft" issue:

On July 3, 2010 - Dr. Irene Manlapaz issued to Dean Alfaretta Tan-Reyes 5 checks \$ 40, 650.00 plus \$10,000 to Northeast Chapter hence a total of \$50, 650. Dr. Susan Suntay, new President was alerted on July 28, 2010 by the Lakeside Bank of the "overdraft". The MAAAI has 2 LB bank accounts, a regular checking and a convention account. After investigation, the bank account used only had a balance of \$ 27, 591.27 hence the "overdraft". A transfer from the other account which had a balance of \$ 45, 333.97 was necessary to have avoided the "overdraft".

The 2010-2012 Executive Council in a teleconference agreed to pay the donations provided it is proven that actual donations were made to MAAAI at Lakeside Bank. To date, due to non-cooperation from Drs. Irene Maniapaz, past President and Josephine Pobre-So, past Treasurer, the fact-finding process too much longer time. The donors were directly contacted by email and MAAAI is now re-issuing the original amounts issued to UERMMMCI plus the bank fees incurred. The current MAAAI Executive Officers are also waiting for a complete turnover of the 2008-2010 Financials, QuickBooks software and old check books from the previous officers.

For questions please email: Dr. Eva Sylvia C. Padilla, Treasurer at: Sylvia Padilla@hotmail.com

Or Dr. Susan Suntay, President at: sosuntaymd@email.com

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# 41st ANNUAL MEDICAL ALUMNI HOMECOMING

# GOLDEN JUBILARIANS CLASS 1961 & SILVER JUBILARIANS CLASS 1986

"Silver and Gold in 2011"

# Schedule of Activities

## January 31, 2011, Monday, UERM Gymnasium:

5:00p.m.

- Grand Alumni Welcome Party

(Colleges of Medicine, Nursing, Physical Therapy & Graduate School)

## February 1, 2011, Tuesday, UERM Gymnasium:

8:00a.m.

- Baccalaureate Mass

9:00a.m.

- Convocation Ceremonies, Honoring Golden & Silver Jubilarians

Speaker: Fernando S. Sanchez, Jr., M.D.

11:30a.m. 12:00nn

- Unveiling of Bronze Plaque of Class 1961 - 13th Dr. Potenciano D. Baccay Memorial Lecture

Lecturer: Jonathan David A. Flavier, M.D.

3:00p.m.

7:00p.m.

- UERM-CMAA, Inc. Business Meeting

- Class Night

## February 2, 2011, Wednesday, UERM College Auditorium:

9:00a.m.

- Tour at the UERM Memorial Medical Center

1:00p.m. - Homecoming CME Activity

## February 3, 2011, Thursday, Century Park Hotel, P. Ocampo Street, Malate Manila:

5:00p.m.

- 41st Annual Medical Alumni Fellowship Night

## February 4, 2011, Friday:

- Silver Jubilarians Outing

### February 5, 2011, Saturday:

-Golden Jubilarians Outing

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### **Outstanding Alumni Sought**

The UERM College of Medicine Alumni Association, Inc. will be honoring and giving due recognition to our medical alumni who have made significant achievements and excelled in the various fields of medicine through the Outstanding Medical Award Program on February 3, 2011 at the Century Park Hotel, Malate Manila. We would like to solicit nominations from you for the different award categories. Kindly use the nomination form seen below.

#### Categories:

I. Outstanding Alumni in Medical Education -

The award will be given in recognition of achievement in the field of Medical Education as exemplified by:

- a.) Serving as the Dean or highest administrative official of a medical school.
- b.) Recognition as an exemplary or model teacher in a medical school.
- II. Outstanding Alumni in Medical Research -

The award will be given in recognition of achievements in the field of medical research as exemplified by:

- a.) Active personal involvement in medical research.
- b.) Publication of research works in local or international journals.
- c.) Being recipient of special research awards.
- III. Outstanding Leadership Award -

The award will be given in recognition of achievements in the field of organized medicine as exemplified by:

- a.) Serving as president in national medical societies.
- b.) Serving as an officer in international medical organizations.
- IV. Outstanding Alumni in Community Service -

The award will be given in recognition of outstanding community service as exemplified by:

- a.) Unwavering commitment to provide medical services to rural areas.
- b.) Serving a community as a government elected or appointed official.
- c.) Serving as president of national socio-civic organization.
- d.) Being a recipient of special community service awards.
- V. Loyalty Award:

The award will be given in recognition of loyalty in their Alma Mater (UERMMMC)

a) Services o UERMMMC since graduation from medicine to retirement

Deadline for submission of nomination form: November 20, 2010)

#### Nomination form

(send/e-mail to: uerm\_alumni@yahoo.com / UERM Alumni Association Office, Rm. 117, College of Medicine Bldg., Aurora Blvd., QC., Tel. No: 715-0861 loc. 319)

#### To: Awards Committee

I would like to nominate the following Medical Alumni for the outstanding award program. Name of Alumni Category Reason/Background Info.

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From: Name:		Year Graduated:	
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Tel No.:			

<sup>\*</sup>Kindly enclose the curriculum vitae of nominee if possible. This is highly appreciated.

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Chicago, Chicago my kind of town! The 23rd Annual UERMMMC-MAAAI & the AFUSA, Inc. Reunion & Convention will be held at the Chicago Marriott Downtown on July 20 - 24, 2011. Come and join the celebrations for our first UERMMMC Golden (50th) Year Graduates, the Class of 1961!!! Join the celebrating alumni classes of '61, '66, '71, '76, '81, '86, '91, '96, 2001 and 2006!!! Celebrate the 30th Year Anniversary of the AFUSA, Inc.!!! Registration begins on January 10, 2010. Check your emails & UERM websites for schedules and forms. Tell your classmates & friends. Class moderators please contact, Dr. Carmen Agcaoili, MAAAI Executive Director at: carmen\_agcaoili@comcast.net for "class" inclusion on our mailing list. For Hotel Reservations: July 1, 2011 .Deadline for Hotel Group Rate. (NO EXTENSION) Chicago Marriott Downtown -540 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago, IL 60611 Group Code - UERM Group Rate: \$149/ night (single/double occupancy) .UERM rates good 3 days before & after events. Suites: Special group rates limited. For Suites call Dr.Tina Manio at (415)846-6425 / Email: drmanio@sbcglobal.net .Call: 1-(800) 266-9432 (International:1-801-832-836-0100 www.SignUpMaster.com/uerm /(312) On-Line www.uermmarvadc.org / www.uermafusa.org For more information: Dr. Zosimo Herrera, President - President-Midwest & Convention Chairman at (847) 323-1851 / gadzherrera@aol.com or Dr. Susan P. Suntay - President, UERMMMC-MAAA,Inc. (312) 523-6824 /(312)788-8481 / spsuntaymd@gmail.com

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