

THE FILIPINO COMMUNITY IN THE NT 2020-2022



 THE FILIPINO-AUSTRALIAN ASSOCIATION OF THE NT, INC.

COMMITTEE REPORT

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THE FILIPINO COMMUNITY CENTRE
4 BATTEN ROAD, MARRARA
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ABOUT US

THE BEGINNING

The Filipino-Australian Association of the Northern Territory had its beginning from the original Filipino Association of the Northern Territory (FANT) formed by a small group of professional Filipino-Australians in October 1973.

Under the leadership of Lino Molina as the first President, the association made an impressionable presence in the Darwin community through social gatherings characterised by cultural displays of dances, costumes, food and hospitality.

OUR MISSION

- To maintain kinship among all Filipino-Australians and foster friendly relationships with all Australians to sustain and uphold the spirit and mission that Australia, our adopted country, has bestowed upon us.
- To recognise, preserve and honour our Filipino heritage and identity by upholding our culture, traditions and values.
- To strengthen our ties and nurture our relationships with the First Nations peoples, the CaLD community, the leaders in the government, our sponsors and supporters and most importantly, our beloved members in the community.
- To stretch our capacity to support initiatives by opening our doors to events and activities catered to all Territorians especially for our youth.



Further left: FAANT President Ms Emcille Wills; 5th from the right: Philippine Consul to the NT, Mr. John Rivas; 4th from the right: Philippine Ambassador to Australia Her Excellency Ma. Hellen De La Vega along with FAANT sponsors and supporters

FAANT NOW

According to the recent census, the Filipino is the top overseas born Territorians and we aim to serve all of them. The current FAANT Committee was formed in the midst of the pandemic in August 2020. Our initial mission was simple - to gain the trust back from the community by focusing on providing free services, reforming existing events, developing more benefits to financial members and repairing our facility in Marrara to show that we are true to our mission. Support begets support.



HALA BIRA 2022 - the 25th Barrio Fiesta Celebration, Darwin Waterfront

L-R: Philippine Consul to the NT, Mr. John Rivas, NT Minister for Youth, the Hon Lauren Moss MLA, NT Chief Minister the Hon Natasha Fyles MLA, Cultural show choreographer and consultant, Mr. Ian Agton, FAANT President Ms Emcille Wills, NT Minister for Multicultural Affairs, the Hon Ngaree Ah Kit MLA, Federal Member for Solomon, the Hon Luke Gosling MP

2020-2022 EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

- 2020 - Opened the donation hub to support those who were affected by the pandemic and were not eligible for government support. 18 weeks of operation, distributed over 3000 grocery packs
- Collaborated with other multicultural communities through event participation
- Fence upgrade (special thanks to Raul Daet)
- Barrio Fiesta 2020
- Barrio Fiesta 2021 - Outdoor stage
- Strengthen our ties with the Darwin Malayalee Association and the Nepalese Association of the NT
- Acknowledge and celebrate the relationship of the First Nations people and the Filipino Community, recognising the descendants of the Filipino Pearl Divers, the Manilamen in the 1800s by making sure they are invited and present at our events
- Formed the Filipino Youth group, PHLtheBEAT (performed in 20+ including major events in the NT and SA)
- Collaborated with Skinnyfish Music to develop our young artists
- Filipino presence in Darwin Festival 2020 with James Mangohig
- Upgraded our website - goal is make it a hub of information for all Filipinos in the NT
- A 'beach party' to celebrate our Filipino international students at Dela Plage Cafe
- Partnered with Migration Corporation Australia and provided free immigration Q&A through a Facebook live session with Ms, Margie Dizon
- Implemented FAANT's sponsorship levels and benefits and increased its sponsors and partners from 0 to 19 in 1 year and a half
- Established FAANT's Member-based scheme, partnered with 15 local businesses. More to come.
- Organised a relief gig fundraiser for the survivors of Typhoon Rai which collected more than \$10,000AUD. (December, 2021)
- 2022 - Filipino Community Centre stage repair
- 2022 - Filipino Community Centre kitchen repair
- Increased the Filipino presence in major events in Darwin - Darwin Festival, Darwin Fringe Festival, Barunga Festival, Laksa Festival, Territory Day 2022
- Celebrated Philippine Independence Day at the Parliament House hosted by Minister for Multicultural Affairs, the Hon Ngaree Ah Kit MLA
- PHLtheBEAT, our youth group, collaboration with Sanderson Middle School
- Hosted the biggest Filipino festival in the history of the Filipino Community in the Territory - HALA BIRA 2022, the 25th Barrio Fiesta celebration held at Darwin Waterfront on 27 Aug 2022 (7000+ attendees)

BUT, WE CAN DO MORE...

FUTURE PROJECTS (OUR HOPES)

- Improve FAANT's financial position
- Improve our membership programs and correspondence with our financial members
- Collaborate more with sports
- Produce shows inviting international artists in collaboration with our local artists to increase FAANT's revenue
- Support smaller organisations and their events (once we have stabilised our finances)
- Open our gates to all types of events, make the Filipino Community Centre an event space for everyone to use especially for the multicultural communities
- Main hall bathroom repair and upgrade
- **Small building full upgrade**, renovation and repair to include decent offices (for FAANT and NANT), bigger storage rooms and a potential recording studio and band/dance rehearsal room open for everyone (there is currently none in the N. suburbs)
- Once urgent and major repairs are completed, we aim to increase our events through collaborations with other event organisers in Darwin
 - Youth events
 - concerts
 - meeting place
 - workshops
 - sports activities
- Fund our youth to participate in interstate and overseas cultural and leadership programs and events to hone their skills and abilities
- Collaborate more with OMA, OYA, MCNT to provide further and better support to the multicultural community and to our youth
- Develop FAANT's outdoor area - Gazebo and benches for garden events
- Repair of the basketball court - remove the existing court and relocate half court only to utilise the space for more for events
- Place an outdoor gym equipment open for everyone to use. There is currently none in the Northern Suburbs
- As all FAANT committee members work full-time, appoint 1 paid admin support to help us with our goals and hopes for the community



LIST OF SPONSORS, PARTNERS AND SUPPORTERS

2020-2022

IN NO PARTICULAR ORDER

- THE NORTHERN TERRITORY GOVERNMENT
- PHILIPPINE EMBASSY IN CANBERRA
- FEDERAL MEMBER FOR SOLOMON, MR. LUKE GOSLING
- OFFICE OF THE PHILIPPINE CONSUL, NT
- OFFICE OF THE LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION
- DEPARTMENT OF HOME AFFAIRS
- NORTHERN ACCOUNTANTS
- PREMIER BOOKKEEPING
- SAM'S WEBSITES
- NEPALESE ASSOCIATION OF THE NT, INC
- DARWIN MALAYALEE ASSOCIATION
- IWANT TFC
- MYX GLOBAL
- CORAL COAST DISTRIBUTORS
- RANDY FLORENDO SALON
- JOSHUA FLORENDO
- MIGOY PHOTOGRAPHY
- SOUNDTRIP
- HERO PRODUCTIONS
- KISSEY GULLE PHOTOGRAPHY
- UR FITNESS DJ
- PAYMOTO
- FOREX CARGO
- MIGRATION CORPORATION AUSTRALIA
- JMJ DISABILITY
- SAPPHIRE BAR AND GRILL CBD | BERRIMAH
- RANDY FLORENDO SALON
- REMOX CASUARINA
- RED ROOSTER MARRARA
- BRAD'S SOUNDS
- TASTE OF ASIA
- LA CASA CAFE
- PIZZA OVERLOAD
- YAM'S BAKEHOUSE
- 6 GEAR SERVICES
- MISS NUEVY GRILL & CAFE
- HEAD REPUBLIC
- NT AUTOSHOP
- MEAD FOUNDATION
- ALPHA KAPPA RHO - DARWIN
- PEDRO CALUNGSOD PARISH CHURCH - SURIGAO
- INTERNATIONAL COLLEGE OF ADVANCED EDUCATION | ICAE
- MULTIBUILD HOMES
- STUDY NT
- TOP END MEDICAL CENTRE
- ALANA KAYE COLLEGE
- MY KITCHEN FERRARI
- NT FAIRY FLOSS
- DARWIN WATERFRONT
- NT MAJOR EVENTS
- DARWIN CITY COLLEGE
- AUSTRALIAN CITY INTERNATIONAL COLLEGE
- CDC NT
- JDM MECHANICAL AND AIRCON REPAIRS
- ANA SANTOS
- TYRE PLUS
- THE RABBIT HOLE
- HANUMAN
- PALATES OF INDIA
- URBAN SPICE
- EGU PANEL WORKS
- BANNSANG KOREAN RESTAURANT
- FCE MECHANICAL SERVICES
- LAKAN CARE SERVICES
- FREEDOM BUSINESS
- DDC OFFICE NETWORK CABLING
- MTVBAB FOUNDATION
- MITCH'S PANADERIA
- NENE CHICKEN
- SOFT BOOK ACCOUNTS SOLUTION
- POWER AND WATER
- ROX & KEVIN
- MUZIKALYE
- BOSS SIOMAI
- EC EATS
- PIZZA KING
- CAPTAIN BARBER
- ZIPPRINT
- SHADEWORKS

THE INFORMATION ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF OUR KNOWLEDGE.
FOR ANY ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS, KINDLY EMAIL EMCILLE.CADA@GMAIL.COM.

SPECIAL THANKS 2020-2022

IN NO PARTICULAR ORDER

- OFFICE OF THE MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS
- OFFICE OF YOUTH AFFAIRS
- PHILIPPINE AMBASSADOR TO AUSTRALIA,
HER EXCELLENCY MA HELLEN B. DE LA
VEGA
- COUNCILLOR JIMMY BOUHORIS
- COUNCILLOR VIM SHARMA
- NIKOLAY NIKOLAEV
- YUBRAJ PANTA
- ASHISH KATTEL
- JAYA SRINIVAS
- EUNICE DE RAMOS
- JULIAN KERR
- SKINNYFISH MUSIC STUDIO
- BJORN MAGABO
- DUANE PRESTON
- JAMES MANGOIG
- MUZIKALYE
- HOLY FAMILY PARISH
- PHLTHEBEAT
- IAN AGTON
- CAITI BAKER
- FILIPINIANA SENIOR CITIZENS
- SCOTT HEALEY
- NICOLE JOHANSEN
- HOPE TAYLOR
- YASMINE WELSH
- ANGELA O'DONNELL
- CASUARINA SENIOR COLLEGE
- MS. DAWNIE TAGALA
- FLOZZIES
- DARWIN CITY COUNCIL
- OSCAR PARIAN
- RONALD OCAMPO
- NESTOR SANCHEZ
- EDWARD OCAMPO
- NAT SANTOS
- JEREMY APRESTO
- DAVE JACINTO
- JURSE SALANDANAN
- ISELLE CHUA
- LOIS TAQUEBAN
- JOSSIE TORRES - COLES CASUARINA
- MARY ANNE BERNABE LAUREL
- MALIX LAUREL
- ERIKA LU
- JOVELYN LORA
- RONIE SAQUILON
- DANTE SAUCELO
- SPILLETT
- HELEN WHITEHOUSE
- DILLI BINADI
- PHILIPPINE AIRFORCE
- PHILIPPINE NAVY
- PHILIPPINE ARMY
- TRACKS
- SBS AUSTRALIA
- THE PHILIPPINE TIMES
- ABC DARWIN
- NT NEWS



and most especially to all...

**ARTISTS
PERFORMERS
VOLUNTEERS
OUR FAMILIES
FOOD VENDORS**

WE CANNOT NAME YOU ALL,
BUT YOU ARE ALL VALUABLE TO US!
THANK YOU FOR YOUR DEDICATION,
EFFORT AND TIME. OUR EVENTS ARE
NOT ACHIEVABLE WITHOUT YOU.

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THE FAANT COMMITTEE

2020-2022

MEET OUR TEAM



EMCILLE WILLS
PRESIDENT



PHILIP STACEY
VICE-PRESIDENT



PEACHY TUGANO
SECRETARY



LILY HERNANDEZ
TREASURER

THE COMMITTEE



ABET TABIOLO



EDWARD PITOGO



ALFRED CAGABCAB



PERLY MALAPITAN



NEIL SAYAT



RAUL DAET



SHEVY VLLACERAN

FORMER FAANT COMMITTEE MEMBERS

2020-2022
Thank you



LENY LARIOSA



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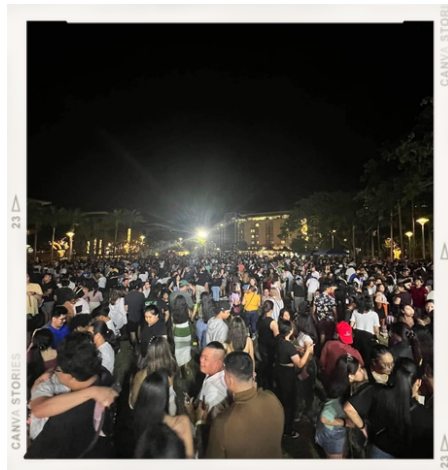


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