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From My Heart

Greetings from the province of Quebec and the city of Montreal, Canada! Wow! What a great place this city has to offer to a lot of our kababayans. I have so much to report from only being here for 2 weeks lucky for me I have another 4 weeks to go. Read more about our Kababayans below.

First, it is in deep regret that my family and I were not able to at-

tend our Philippines Independence Day celebrations due to conflict of schedules/vacation time. I am however very grateful to all our elected officers and board members for their dedication to FAAVCO and all of their hard work. Maria McMullen, from seeing the video and pictures of your dance troupe performance what a wonderful entertainment you provided to our members. Thank you!!



Maria and Friends Dance Troupe

Point of Interest

Filipino's everywhere! I feel like I am in the Philippines here in Montreal. Two streets parallel Van Horne/Victoria have an enormous Asian businesses consisting of various ethnic groups of Vietnamese, Chinese, Indians, Pakistan, Russian and a majority of Filipinos.

Just walking the streets will make you feel like you are in the Philippines, you can smell the pandesal baking in the bakery shop and various Pilipino Restaurants and stores abound. I am able to eat and savor my favorite fruits here of Lansonis, fresh Mango and Mangosteen. Other than the un-

predictable weather it's such a treat for me and my family here in Montreal.

They have quite an enormous Filipino population here. From talking to a few Kababayan's and reading 3 different Filipino newspapers, I've learned that thousands of Filipinos live here. Philippines Association of Montreal and Suburbs (FAMAS) on their election day have over five thousand people show up to vote, that's very impressive. The influenced of the Pilipino Community in this Country has a tremendous clout in the Canadian Government as reported.

The first Tagalog version of the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms was unveiled in Canada on May 29, 2007. This momentous occasion which underlines the immense contribution of the Filipino Canadians have made to Canadian history. This is a great achievement for all Filipinos living in Canada.



Notre Dame Cathedral, Montreal

Charity Update

Our goal to own a FAAVCO building is in an early stage. A seven thousand (\$7000.00) dollars was recently set aside solely for building fund. On top of this we are also, able to donate \$1000.00 to a charitable organization in the Philippines. In an effort to generate money to our building fund we rely all members for their generosity. Our website and Newsletter is now accepting adds for your business. Keep in mind that any donations to our association is tax deductible. Below is a report from Mr. Rody Santos our former president.



*FAAVCO'S Helping
Hand*

*Reported by:
Rody Santos*

With the continuing need of support for our less fortunate "Kababayans " back in the Philippines, FAAVCO, thru the leadership of our new set of Officers, headed by Mr. Manny Amolat, again answered the call. Thus, FAAVCO on May 9, 2007, sent a donation of One thousand dollars (\$ 1,000.00) to continue what FAAVCO had started, alleviating the lives of some of our needy " Kababayans". This effort is made through Pastor Pomegas and Atty. Espiritu, our legitimate conduit in the Philippines with offices located in Cubao, Quezon City, Philippines.

To all FAAVCO members and friends, thank you all for the continuous support and generosity to our less fortunate " Kababayans " in the Philippines.

Members Corner



*FAAVCO strictly busi-
ness*

It has come to mind that our organization by laws have to be revised, The board have selected a committee to study this change. I would like to personally invite each member to participate in our monthly meeting. We need to hear you out guys! All comments are welcome. Our organization is growing and it's vital that each members actively engage in our activities. Please everyone its only once a month and its held on the first Saturday of the month at 7pm at the Port Orange Adult Community Center. Our meeting is fun and you know we Fiiipino's always like to eat, so bring your favorite dish!

Events

Our Santa Cruzan was a beautiful and solemn gathering. It was such a pleasure to see our beautiful young girls and boys participating in this old tradition of our Filipino culture. Thank you to all the members and families that sponsored the novena in their home. In addition, of course this event would not have

been possible without the hard work of Sam and Regina Lim. We are so very grateful to you for all your dedication and hard work to our organization. I hope that we will have many more family next year that will sponsor a novena prayer in their home. Also thanks to the following young men and women who participated.

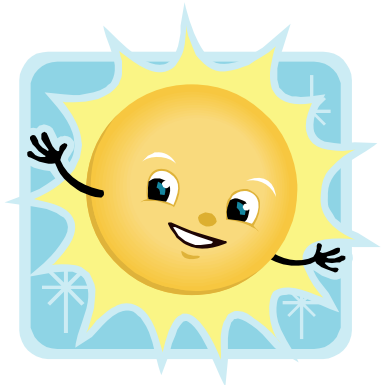
- Jessa Andre
- Christopher Kelley
- Amber Kelly
- Kevin Lim
- Mina Abando
- Jeffrey Lim
- Mia Abando
- Joco Mayo
- Megan Abando
- Christian Hurlburt
- JJ Abando
- JC Manalo
- Crystal Hurlburt
- Daniel Oshima



Summer Slam

Our next event is our Summer Slam Party in July 7th at the City Island Park in Daytona Beach. This is going to be an outdoor event so dress appropriately for that day, it will be very hot and humid as our usual summer weather in Florida. It will be a pot-luck so please people bring your favorite dish and extra helping to share, we will pro-

vide the drinks, plates and cups. Call your friends, brother, sister and in-laws to come and join and experience the Pilipino Culture. Get ready to have a great day of outdoor fun!



Christmas Ball December 8, 2007

The FAVCO Christmas Ball tickets is now available for purchase. The price is \$45.00 as usual the location is at the Plaza Resort and Spa and there are three different choices of entrée. The music will be performed by Riverdanz. I

advise all that would like to attend to get your ticket early we are only limited to the sittings capacity. Only 330 tickets printed to be sold. Keep in mind that we will not be selling any tickets at the door and all settings will be arranged

before hand. You may contact any of our FAVCO officers or go to our website at www.faavco.org for more information.



President, Manny Amolat
 President Elect, Chris Dean
 Treasurer, Aurora Tolentino
 Secretary, Bell Berber
 Public Relations, Merly Andre

Website & Newsletter Update

We are now accepting advertisements on our FAAVCO website and Newsletter. We have over three hundred active members that received our newsletter thru mail and the unlimited traffic of our website and email. Anyone interested that would like to post their business, sale or announcement can do so for a small amount of donations to our organization. Any interested party can email our webmaster Chris Dean @ cdean12@earthlink.net or visit our website @ www.faavco.org for more information.

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July 2007

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Joke Corner

Philippine Ancestors Technology

After digging to a depth of 100 meters last year, Russian scientists found traces of copper wire dating back 1000 years, and came to the conclusion that their ancestors already had a telephone network one thousand years ago.

So, not to be outdone, in the weeks that followed, American scientists dug 200 meters and headlines in the US papers read: "US scientists have found traces of 2000 year old optical fibers, and have concluded that their ancestors already had advanced high-tech digital telephone 1000 years earlier than the Russians".

One week later, a Filipino newspaper reported the following: "After digging as deep as 500 meters, Pilipino scientists have found absolutely nothing. They have concluded that 5000 years ago, their ancestors were already using wireless technology".

August 2007

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