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Ambassador Joselito Jimeno & Madame Araceli Jimeno.

Alfredo G. Evangelista

Ambassador Joselito A. Jimeno. newly appointed Philippine Consulate General. PHOTO COURTESY PHILIPPINE CONSULATE



n February 5, 2018,

most two dozen names have Dioniso and Trinidad Alcon- McWayne Community Center cel, who helped to shape and

guide Hawai'i's Filipino com-Ambassador Joselito munity. Since the turn of the A. Jimeno arrived in century in 2000, six more Honolulu and became the names have been added to the 19th Consul General of the auspicious list: Minerva Jean Philippine Consulate General, Falcon, Rolando Gregorio, succeeding Gina A. Jamoralin Ariel Y. Abadilla, Leoncio R. who was assigned to Chicago. Cardenas, Jr., Julius D. Tor-Since December 1946, al- res, and Gina A. Jamoralin.

Jimeno and his wife, been bestowed the honor: Araceli, are slated to attend a starting with Modesto Farolan Welcome Reception on Maui which later included Juan on April 19 at the Velma

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Get Out the Vote: Election **Year 2018**

Signs are out.

Sharon Zalsos

h, the rainbow colors of campaign banners are up again this year! If you're at an intersection, they're plastered everywhere on corner fences, walls or grassy areas. Perhaps you started noticing this in March. I spotted the first campaign banner right on New Year's Day hanging on a residential fence in Waikapū, Hawai'i. It's campaign season once again! The battle of radio, TV, facebook ads and print ads have begun. Not to mention bumper stickers, friend to friend cards, coffee hours, musts for Maui is sign waving. on the roadside of major highhouse-to-house canvassing, How do you feel about sign ways, most of the time locat-



Campaign signs bespeckle this neighborhood wall on the traffic-busy corner of Pu'unēnē and Wākea Avenues, across the street from Christ the King Church. **PHOTO: LAWRENCE PASCUA**

throughout the year.

phone banks, and rallies. waving on the road sides? ed during the busiest traffic Every two years, our County Personally, I'm not a fan. I time to best gain more expoexperiences election year just feel as if we are placing sure. The County Council many of our loyal sign wavers passed a bill banning cell One form of campaign at risk when we do a line up phone use while driving.

"With motorists increasingly

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Amb. Jimeno (center left) and the Philippine Consul General Staff. PHOTO COURTESY PHILIPPINE CONSULATE GENERAL



Amb. Joselito Jimeno and wife Araceli (center couple with lei) with the full Philippine Consulate General staff and their families. PHOTO COURTESY PHILIPPINE CONSULATE GENERAL

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in Wailuku, pending any last-minute meetings on the mainland or with visiting officials from the Philippines.

Jimeno was born in Quezon City while his father hails from Ilocos and his mother is from Tarlac. Jimeno's wife and her family are from Baguio City. Jimeno received his degrees from the University of the Philippines: a Bachelor of Science in Mathematics (1977) and a Master in Business Administration (1983).

After a brief stint in the private sector (in the Executive Development Program of FNCB Finance/City Trust Bank and as a Senior Staff Assistant with SGV & Company), Jimeno joined the Philippine Foreign Service.

"I joined the Philippine Foreign Service in 1987 when the country was slowly transitioning from decades-old martial law rule to a democratic form of government," explained Jimeno. "During this period, the Philippine Government, through the Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA), once again pursued development diplomacy, in the active pursuit of opportunities abroad in the vital areas of trade, investment, technology, finance and aid—areas of my expertise and training. I thought that I could then give the DFA a try, so I left my job at the private sector, and have been in this

profession for more than thirty years

In Manila, he has served as Acting Director of the Office of Protocol (1988–1990); Special Assistant in the Office of the Undersecretary for International Economic Relations (1997-1999); Director/Acting Executive Director of the Office of European Affairs (2005–2007); and the Assistant Secretary of the Office of Strategic Planning and Policy Coordination (2013-2015).

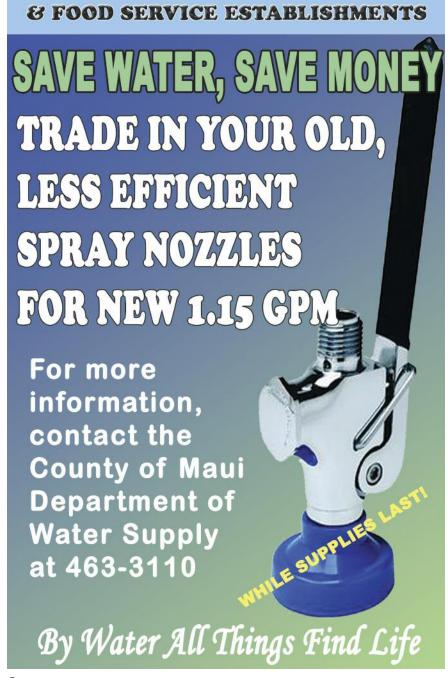
He has served in several offices as Washington, Diplomat: (1990–1993; 2003–2005); New York (1993-1997; 2002-2003); Berlin, Germany (1999-2002); Moscow, Russia (2007–2009); Guangzhou,

(2009-2011);Muscat, Oman (2011-2013) and Berne, Switzerland (2015-2018).

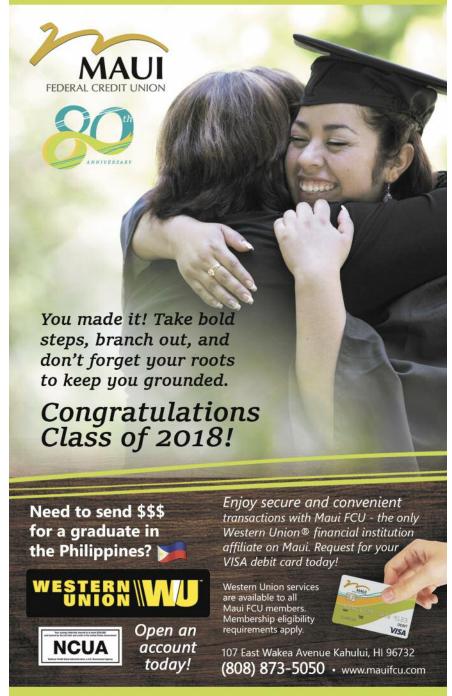
Jimeno spoke of the challenges of each post: "Each of the foreign service post I've been to is unique, and has its own challenges and rewards. To be effective in our work, wherever we may be, we are guided by the three pillars of Philippine foreign policy, to wit:

- 1. Preservation and enhancement of national security;
- 2. Promotion and attainment of economic security and
- 3. Protection of the rights, and the promotion of the welfare and interests of overseas Filipinos.

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ATTENTION: RESTAURANT OWNERS





In 2014, then Lt. Gov. Shan Tsutsui and District 5 State Sen. Gil S.C. Keith-Agaran, who also writes for the Fil-Am Voice, made time to sign wave at potential voter traffic on Ka'ahumanu Avenue, fronting Kahului Shopping Center in Kahului. PHOTO: ALFREDO EVANGELISTA

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while driving, we find ourselves joining the state's other counties in enacting this new law," Maui's Mayor Charmaine Tavares said at the July 6, 2010 signing. Maui was the last of adopt distracted driving laws.

I first participated in sign waving

for a political candidate during the 2010 gubernatorial race. Now that was a fun campaign! Although our candidate didn't win, I gained lifetime friends by connecting with likeminded leaders. We developed an even stronger bond over the years by getting involved with each other's network and community service.

Now, campaigning has its less-than-pleasing moments too. Is it possible to have a successful campaign without sign waving on the road side? For candidates, this is a low-cost way to be noticed by drivers rushing to and

from work. Talk about a captive aut they want to avoid at all costs. An dience, especially if you happen to get stuck at the light and the candidate you may not necessarily be a fan of waves at you. Awkward moment.

Another thing about sign waving that I've learned is that the candidate with the largest crowd of sign wavers doesn't necessarily win the election. This was true during a recent primary election night. A candidate believed to be a winner in the primary lost by a few votes. One of the candidate's supporters blurted out his

dismay as he wished he had actually gone to the polls to vote for his candidate. He was in all the campaign sign waving and chili and rice events using unsafe practices like texting but did not vote. He shared that he thought it was looking like an automatic win for his candidate. Tragedy is the word that comes to mind. The one thing that mattered was his vote on the ballot and perhaps many oththe State of Hawai'i's counties to ers thought the same way, leading to his candidate's loss.

Others used work on Saturdays so

voting in the primary election was out of the way and out of the question. But that's why we now have absentee ballots! One can easily download the form and mail it in. Visit http://elections. hawaii.gov/wp-con tent/uploads/Voter-Registration-and-Per manent-Absentee-App lication Form-Fillable .pdf. Finally, one of the more popular reasons why my Filipino friends will not participate in the U.S. voting system-it is rumored that once they register to vote, their names will be automatically included in the jury pool.

That is something that even larger tragedy.

Fact or fiction?

Okay, to shed some light on the common fears of our Filipino kababayans when it comes to voting registration:

Q: Are jury lists derived from voter registrations?

A: Yes, jury lists are compiled from voter registrations, driver's license and state ID renewals.

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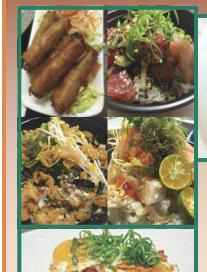




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A warm welcome from the Fil-Am Voice.

n behalf of the staff of Fil-Am Voice, we send a warm welcome to Maui to our new Philippine Consul General, Ambassador Joselito Jimeno.

Thank you for the honor of your visit, which we hope you will enjoy and also, learn to know better why our motto, Maui Nō Ka 'Oi is felt around the world. The people of Maui are proud of our island and the Filipinos here work very hard to contribute to the success of all residents, who express their warm hospitality, Filipino style, to our visitors and, especially to each other.

For over 100 years, Filipinos have given service, talents, resources and affection to this Amerhome for generations of our fami- and the Philippine Consulate Gen-

lies and loved ones.

Please accept our gratitude for assistance the and care provided by our Consulate over all these years for benefit, the health and wellbeing of Filipinos around the state and throughout the world.

The Philippine Consulate provides necessary services for

Hawai'i including document auplied for a dual citizenship and the grounds of the Philippine Consulate also plays host to many events and receptions. Last year all unite. **



Ambassador Joselito Jimeno, Philippine Consul General of the State of Hawai'i.

my wife and I traveled to Honolulu to participate in The Great ican island which provided a Adobo Cookoff (which we won!),

> eral staff was so helpful in accommodating our needs, especially since we were the only ones to travel from outside of O'ahu. We deeply appreciated that Bayanihan spirit that was so evident, even during a competition!

With the Bayanihan spirit in mind, we hope your visit will extend a message of unity among our

people in the spirit of good will thentication, dual citizenship, and for which Filipinos are well-repassport renewals. Years ago, I ap- ceived, gratefully accepted and given a well deserved place of restaff was very helpful. The spect among the diverse cultures of our beloved island.

Magkaisa Tayong Lahat-Let us



Sharon Zalsos first participated in sign waving for a political candidate during the 2010 gubernatorial race. She commented, "Now that was a fun campaign! Although our candidate didn't win, I gained lifetime friends by connecting with likeminded leaders."

PHOTO: JOE BERGERON

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In essence, because of the low voter turn-out, getting a driver's license, state issued ID, buying a home, and filling tax returns can get you on the list as well. Point? If you choose not to vote only to avoid the jury pool, this has no impact. So please register and exercise your right to select your elected officials.

Filipinos are now the second largest ethnic group in the state of Hawai'i.

According to the State of Hawai'i Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism's Research and Economic Analysis Division, there are 352,100 Filipinos and part-Filipinos in Hawai'i, constituting 25 percent of the state's population. More than Japanese, Chinese, Korean, Hawaiians and part-Hawaiians.

Sixty-eight percent of Filipinos were born in the United States. 20.6 percent of Filipinos are foreign born and naturalized citizens while 11.4 percent are foreign born and not U.S. citizens.

Seventy percent of Hawai'i's Filipino population live on the island of O'ahu. On Maui alone, out of the total population of 144,444 there are 40,643 Filipinos and part-Filipinos (28 percent), while Molokai's 2,254 Filipinos and part-Filipinos comprise 30.7 percent of Molokai's population and Lāna'i's 2,003 Filipinos and part-Research Center, Filipinos are the

second largest Asian American group in the U.S. with over 3.4 million.

The majority of Filipinos and part-Filipinos in Hawai'i identify themselves as Democrats followed by Republicans and Independents.

As the largest Asian ethnic group in Hawai'i, and with approximately 4,000 Filipinos arriving each year, Filipinos and part-Filipinos are leading in population and growth in the State of Hawai'i. As such, we could potentially make a big impact in the political climate if we vote.

Even Philippine President Rodrigo Duterte has said "Filipinos in America are not Filipinos anymore, they're Americans. Their attitude is American." Yet it still puzzles me to hear of Filipinos who will not register to vote in Hawai'i's elections but took the time to participate in the 2016 Philippine elections. Clearly their source of income and livelihood is based here in Maui, Hawai'i, yet local politics is not as important to them as they follow the Philippine elections on The Filipino Channel or GMA networks. These non-voters miss the opportunity to elect officials who will be making decisions that will impact education, labor laws, minimum wage rates, tax increases, highways, building projects, affordable housing, homeless, tourism and many other matters that impact our daily living.

Despite the low voter turn out however, there has been an increase in Filipino-Americans in elected of-Filipinos comprise 63.9 percent. On a fices in the State of Hawai'i. Most of national level, according to the Pew the high numbers are on O'ahu: four

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Corrections to March 2018 Issue

We hate to make mistakes but it happens and we do appreciate your calling it to our attention.

gela Cainguitan' in the column Felipe (RN)' (Magarin's credentials "Google Is Not Everything" on page 8 was misspelled. Caingitan was used.

In the caption of Friends in the OR in the column "Sakada Offspring" on page 7, Monica Natividad with you and Maraming Salamat Po! her co-workers should have included

In the caption with Angela, 'An- 'Jenna Magarin (RNFA) and Sharon and Felipe's name and credentials were omitted.

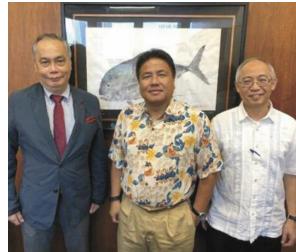
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Amb. Jimeno shakes hands with Gov. Ige. PHOTO COURTESY PHILIPPINE CONSULATE GENERAL



Amb. Jimeno stands with Sen. Donna Mercado Kim. PHOTO COURTESY PHILIPPINE CONSULATE GENERAL



Amb. Jimeno met with Jade Butay, Director of the State of Hawai'i Department of Transportation. PHOTO COURTESY PHILIPPINE CONSULATE GENERAL

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"While these pillars overlap and cannot be considered apart from each other, one may take priority, or be highlighted over the others, depending on many factors-political environment, socio-economic situation, geographic location, local and religious beliefs and other circumstances."

Immediately prior to his appointment to Honolulu, Jimeno served as Ambassador to Switzerland and Liechtenstein from September 2015 to February 2018. Jimeno, who holds the rank of Chief of Mission Class I, is an Extraordinary Ambassador and Plenipotentiary, which means he has

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Plenipo-

the highest diplomatic rank and full authority to represent the government.

"I was serving as the Philippine Ambassador to the Embassy in Berne, Switzerland, when I was informed by the Department of Foreign Affairs of an opening at the Philippine Consulate General in Hawai'i, since my predecessor, Consul General Gina A. Jamoralin was being transferred to a post in the U.S. mainland. I then expressed my interest to transfer to Honolulu and head the Philippine Consulate. I am thankful that the Department favorably considered my request for a transfer," said Jimeno, when describing the process of his appointment to Honolulu.

The Philippine Consulate General traditions." in Honolulu is the official representative of the Republic of the Philippines and provides the following services: issuance of passports, travel documents and visa; conduct of consular outreach programs; consularization (authentication/acknowledgment) of documents, such as Special Powers of Attorney, Deeds, school and medical records, trademarks, oaths and appointments; civil registration of births, marriages and deaths of Filipino nationals; procession of applications for dual citizenship; and assistance with the transport of pets to the Philippines, applying for National Bureau of Investigation clearances, renewal of Philippine driver's license, medical missions to the Philip-

two year home residence requirement).

"Since assuming my post as Consul General of the Philippines in Hawai'i in February, I have experienced the extraordinary welcome from Filipinos who live here. I must say that the different countries where I've been assigned are beautiful in their own way, and a lot of good can be found in each culture. But I feel the tremendous warmth and friendliness of the people of Hawai'i a distinct and endearing quality. By what I've seen, Fil-Ams in Hawai'i proudly practice a unique fusion of the Aloha spirit and Bayanihan spirit," said Jimeno when asked his impressions of Hawai'i's Filipino community. "Filipinos and Fil-

> ipino Americans make up the largest ethnic group in the state, or a quarter of its population. Because of this, I have noticed that they are very much involved and they love to join groups, whether regional, religious, business or civic affiliations. I have also noted our Filipino diaspora in Hawai'i maintains a tight connection to the home country. Despite years of being separated, strong ties endure. Many work hard and yearn to give back to their communities. Filipino community leaders are some of the most active and could be counted on to support and organize activities that help to promote the understanding and appreciation of Filipino values, culture and

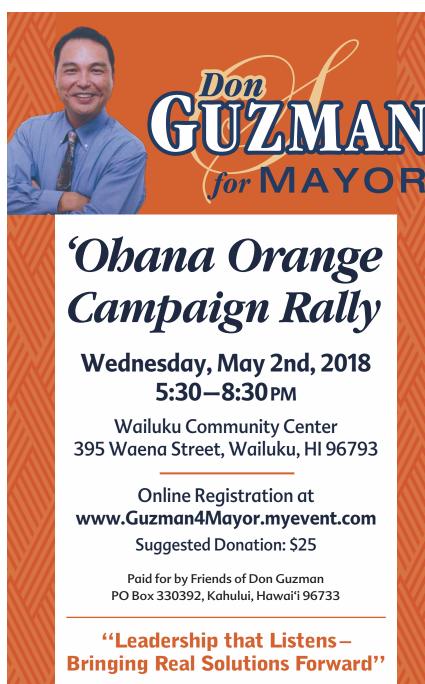
With 352,100 Filipinos and part-Filipinos comprising 25 percent of Hawai'i's population, (32 percent of Hawai'i's Filipinos, or 112,672 are foreign-born), there is a high demand on the Philippine Consulate General. On May 1, 2018, the Philippine Consulate General will implement an appointment system for its consular services of passport, dual citizenship, notarials, and civil registry. Appointments are made through the Philippine Consulate General's website, www.philippineshonolulu.org. Senior citizens (60+ years), persons with disability, pregnant women, children seven years and younger, and overseas Filipino workers including seamen, are exempt

pines, and securing of J-1 waivers (the from the appointment system and will Congresswoman Colleen Hanabusa. Jibe served on a "first-come, firstserved" basis. (The next Philippine Consulate Mobile Outreach on Maui will be held on April 28-29. For appointments, please contact Maui County Immigrant Services Division at 270-7791 for more information).

Since Jimeno's arrival in February, he has already hit the ground running. He has visited the Filipino fishermen at Pier 17, who are confined to the boats because they have no documentation to enter the United States. According to the AP, they are paid as little as 70 cents per hour and work 20hour shifts when the fish are biting. Jimeno is working to obtain the appropriate visas for them. In that regard, Jimeno has met with Jade Butay, the Director of the State of Hawai'i Department of Transportation, as well as U.S. Senator Brian Schatz and U.S.

meno has also met with Governor David Ige, Hawai'i State Senate President Emeritus Donna Mercado Kim, Admiral Harry B. Harris, Jr., Commander of the U.S. Pacific Command, and fellow Consul Generals Koichi Ito (Japan) and Kang Young-Hoon (Korea). Jimeno has also hosted the 76th commemoration of the Araw ng Kagitingan (Day of Valor) to pay tribute to Filipino-American veterans of World War II and participated in the 24th Honolulu Festival. Jimeno has also hosted the official launch of the 12th Ambassadors' Tour to the Philippines, scheduled from July 7 through 15th, with stops in Manila-Cebu-Bohol. (Maui residents may contact Teresita Noble at 244-4609 for more information.)

Jimeno has already developed a see CONSUL p.14



Kwento La Kuwentuhan

ing late is rudeness, correct? Well, not quite, not for many cultures around the world... Mag-kwentuhan tayo tungkol dito (Let's talk story about it).

"Filipino Time?" How about "Maui Time?" What comes to your mind when you hear these phrases? "Late" as in "not being on time," correct?

Are we using the phrases "Filipino Time" and "Maui Time" as an excuse for tardiness? Or are we the more lenient peeps who would say... "it is being late really part of Filipino cul- what I am talking about. If you are ly or on time and I could be late, and

ture and the local culture on Maui? If so, where did this thinking come from?

A few years ago I was scheduled to attend a very important meeting in my life. At that time I was just starting to get recognized Liza of "A Maui Blog" as "the Maui Blogger." I

had received so much attention on non-Filipino, you might need a little the Internet and because there were bit more background on what "Filnot many local bloggers at that time, ipino Time" means. I was invited to be part of this launch campaign with Maui Visitors Bureau ticle, I googled the phrase "Filipino where we would use social media in Time" and sure enough there are nu-

addition to traditional marketing. I was very excited about it and was looking forward to that day of the meeting to get to know the leaders of the Visitors industry on Maui and also some of the famous bloggers in the nation. Guess what? On the day of that very important meeting, I arrived late! LATE! I felt miserable. It was very embarrassing to enter the room, disrupt what was going on and have all eyes focused on me as I mumbled my "I am

very sorry I am late" apology.

am very sorry, I am late." But no. I flict got so bad we went to a coun-

f punctuality is a virtue, then be-thought to myself immediately after I said that. And of course in my mind I was also thinking, here am I again, arriving on "Filipino Time."

Now let me explain it was not my intention to be late on that important Have you heard of the expression meeting. On the contrary, I wanted to be there early. I thought I took every precaution I could so I wouldn't be tardy. But I got delayed in dropping off my kids to school that morning and I also got lost trying to find the building of the meet-

If you are a Filipino reading this what it is, embrace the culture." Is article, most likely you already know

Relax... We're on **Filipino Time**

"I should have

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- LIZA PIERCE

But no. I add-

As part of my research for this ar-

merous articles about it. There are various explanations, discussions and interpretations. The bottom-line is, it is the common occurrence of Filipinos arriving late to a meeting or event, so much so that it's seen as part of the Filipino culture. But is it, really?

Being married to an American who is from the East Coast, the "Filipino Time" in me has been a source of major conflicts in our marriage. Understandably, with him growing up in the

East Coast, being "late" is considered I should have just stopped with "I "rude" and "disrespectful." The con-



Americans view time as "monochronic" whereas countries with influences from Spain view time as "polychronic."

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two separate cars so he could be ear-

we won't be fighting about it. We have gotten so much better now and can go to events, meetings or gatherings together—sometimes we are late, most of the time we are on time, but we don't fight so much about it anymore.

So let me go back to my first question... If punctuality is a virtue, then is being late rude? In America, in Germany and in other countriesit is rude to be late. In countries influenced by the Spaniards such as Philippines, Mexico, Brazil, and other Latin Countries, it is not rudeness. It is simply part of the culture. As one American missionary who wrote a book about going on a mission in the Philippines said, Filipinos are more "event oriented" and "relationship oriented" than being "task oriented" and "detail oriented." So for example, on a wedding, even though the invitation says it starts at 9 a.m., but it started at 10:30 a.m.—it is okay because the important thing is they are getting married, not the time they are getting married.

So if the "Filipino Time" has its roots in the Spanish influence we have on our Filipino culture, then where did the expression "Maui Time" come from? Well, perhaps it is because there are many cultures represented on Maui... including the Hawaiian and Polynesian cultures who are more laid back, and the Filipino and Portuguese cultures influ-

In conclusion, this "talk story" is

not meant to be an excuse for Filipinos and Maui locals' tardiness but it is an explanation. The next time you are in a situation on Maui when a Filipino or a Maui local is late, you will know that they (we) did not mean to disrespect. Many Filipinos and Maui locals have the propensity to be late because it was sort of ingrained in our culture. However, for us Filipinos and Maui locals who have the propensity to be late, let's exert effort to be more on time shall we? Because really being punctual is important and it will show that we respect the people and culture around us as well.

Until our next kwento-kuwentuhan... Aloha! *



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added "I guess I'm on Maui Time." selor to resolve it. And the resolu-Duh! "What a lame excuse," I tion? We started going to events in ence by the Spanish cultures. Ballard Family Mortuary

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Sakada Offspring



Danny Mateo is shown here as he was County Clerk for the County of Maui.



Vicente Mateo and Nora Lopez back in the day-parents of Danny Mateo.



Vicente strides atop one of the HSPA truck's tire for this photo op.

Vicente (right) and Nora stand beside a company work truck.



his month's featured Sakada Offspring is a family man and a man with visions, hopes, and dreams: Dennis "Danny" Alfred Mateo. He was born on August 21, 1951 in Pu'unēnē, Maui. Danny's parents were Vicente and Nora Mateo. Vicente was from Laoag, Ilocos Norte, Philippines and was born on December 25, 1910. He arrived in Hawai'i on board the Dollar Streamliner, USS President McKinley, on June 6, 1929 at the age of 19.

Vicente married the former Nora Lopez in Hāna, Maui, on June 14, 1941. Nora Lopez was born in Hāwī, Kohala, on Hawai'i Island. They had 7 children: Janet (Fernandez), (retired), Gilbert (deceased), Carol (Fernandez),(retired from the DOE), Beverly Richardson, (deceased), Lourdes (Garcia), (retired - construction), Dennis "Danny" (County Clerk - County of

Maui), and Marie (Souza), (Realtor). Between 1929-1975 (46 years), Vi-

cente was contracted by the Hawaiian Sugar Planters Association and was assigned to work in the pineapple fields in Hāna as a laborer. Vicente later worked in Ha'ikū as a laborer at Libby's Pineapple Fields. Immediately after World War II, Vicente worked at the HC&S Pā'ia Sugar Mill as a Truck Driver and a Tractor Operator. In those days, the employees like Vicente were given a Bango number as their identification. Showing their Bango is needed when picking up their paychecks, doctor's visits, account at the Pā'ia Mercantile General Store, Pā'ia Gas Station, Post Office, etc. Vicente retired from HC&S in Decem-February 12, 1990 at the age of 80.

Vicente and Nora's 6th child is Danny Mateo. As a child, he lived with his parents and 6 siblings in the Store Village Plantation Camp in Upper Pā'ia. Their old home was located in the back of what is now the Doris Todd School. In 1959, the Mateo family moved to Makawao where Vicente and Nora purchased a home on Ai Street. Then in the early 1970s the family relocated to Makawao Ranch Acres.

Anthony High School, Class of '70. He received his Associate of Science Degree in Human Services and Certificate in Early Childhood Education from Maui Community College now known

Danny attended Pā'ia Elementary, of Hawai'i (UFCH) Progress Awards. Council, Molokai District in 2002. St. Joseph School in Makawao, and St. In 2010, Danny was one of the recip- From 2006-2008, he was the Maui ients of the Gintong Pamana Leadership Awards presented by the Maui Filipino Chamber of Commerce. In that same year, he was inducted into ecutive Assistant/Lobbyist at Mayor the St. Anthony High School "Hall of Arakawa's Office from January 2013

County Council Vice Chair. From 2008-2012, Danny served as the Maui County Council Chair. He was the Ex-

"Danny" Alfred Mateo

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as University of Hawai'i Maui College. Honor." Danny graduated from the University of Hawai'i-Hilo, majoring in Sociology.

Danny is married to Clarissa P. (Kaupu) Mateo. They have three children: Dennis A. Mateo Jr. (Kaneala), a court liaison officer with Maui County Corrections; Heidi A.K. (Mateo) Tomas; and Noralyn (Mateo) Koahou, owner of Koahou Yard Service.

As a community oriented individual, Danny was a member of the fol-

Danny's favorite hobby is to spend quality time with his family. He actively participates in his grandchildren's school and sports events and weekend outings.

Work experiences held by Danny shows a diversity of jobs which makes him a very a versatile person. He worked at Tropical Rent a Car/Tropical Rent A Mule, Molokai Station Manager. He was the Economic Devel-

until December 2013. Since then, Danny has served as the County Clerk for the County of Maui.

As a man of hopes and dreams, Danny said, "As a father of three and grandfather of fifteen, I always look ahead and pray that the world finds peace and the quality of life for the generations to come be a better one. I pray for a time when war, hunger, and hate, will no longer be a part of the social fabric of mankind. I dream of the day when our children will be able to buy their own affordable homes and good paying jobs will be many, keeping our children home in Maui County, instead of leaving for the Mainland."

Danny also hopes to hear the words "please" and "thank you" more often and that respect and common courtesy would become a part of everyday life as well as a time when government actually addresses the people's business and common sense was the

Gratefully and proudly, Danny says he was a product of the Plantation Era and the ILWU in which his father Vicente belonged to. Danny said that the plantation lifestyle taught us how to be self-sufficient. "Everyone raised their own vegetables, chickens, ducks, etc. and we shared it with one another. People made do with what they had and did their chores and responsibilities. They lived within their means. It was a time when society was kinder, when people cared about each other. People trusted each other when they could leave their house and car doors unlocked." Danny recalls the Soup Kitchens when the workers went on strike or the summer picnics at Kalama Park, where school supplies were given to the kids.

Like all of the Sakadas, Danny's dad see MATEO p.12



ber 1975. He passed away on From left to right, Noralyn, Danny and wife Clarissa Mateo, Dennis "Kaneala" A. Mateo Jr., and

lowing boards and organizations: Maui County School Advisory Council, Democratic Party, Molokai Task Force, Molokai General Hospital Board, Molokai Chamber of Commerce, and the Aloha Festivals on Molokai. Danny also received several awards

and recognitions. In 2009, he was selected as one of 20 Outstanding Filipinos Abroad by Image Magazine. That same year, he was on of the recipients of the United Filipino Council

opment Coordinator (Molokai) -County of Maui. In 1987-1997, he was with Kukui Molokai Inc./Tokyo Kosan, Public Relations (Kaluako'i Resort and Golf Course). From 1997 to 2002, he was the Executive Assistant of Maui County Council Chair Patrick S. Kawano. In June 2002, Danny was appointed by the Maui County Council to fill the unexpired term of Chairman Patrick S. Kawano after his death. Danny was elected to the Maui County



Naomi Maeda - DECA, competed in Quick Serve Restaurant Management



Romelyn Joy Tabangcura - HOSA, competed in Human Growth & Development



Chealsey Corpuz - HOSA, competed in Nursing Assisting



Levin Bonilla - HOSA, competed in Dental Terminology

very year, hundreds of high school students across the State I from different organizations compete to represent Hawai'i at the national level during the 2018 CTSO (Career and Technical Student Organizations) convention held on February 22 and 23 at the Hawai'i Convention Center in Honolulu.

Maui High School was one of the schools that participated in this huge event. Organizations that joined were SkillsUSA (Arts & Communication and Industrial Engineering Technology); Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA); Distributive Education Clubs of America (DECA); them is **Romelyn Joy Tabangcura**,

America (HOSA). Students that are involved in these groups spend months of long practice hours after school, to make sure that they strive to be the best to be able to qualify at the National Level.

Jeriel Dumlao, a sophoinet Making event. This was

Dumlao's first year competing in the State level: "Yes, I will be joining again next year because I had a very stunning experience and I would like to experience more of that. Also, I want to meet more students with amazing skills and to be able to interact with them," said Dumlao. He explained that the most challenging part about making the cabinet is finishing it on time. Dumlao explained he set his mind to just focus on his own work and finish as much as he could and not worry about the time he had left. With his focus and determination, Dumlao placed first for this event and he qualified for the nationals in Kentucky.

DECA is also one of the largest organizations at Maui High School and low classmates that are thinking of DECA produced several top winners, including **Naomi Maeda**, a Senior who competed in Quick Serve Restaurant Management. This is the first time Maeda has competed as well. Maeda said she joined this event because it was a fun learning experience, she enjoys food, and she thought it would be fun to learn how to run a fast food business. Maeda also claims her most important learning experience was "Don't doubt yourself. You're capable of doing more than you think." Despite being involved in other extracurricular activities like Track & Field, Maeda manages her time wisely by having adequate sleep and practicing role play-

ing on her free time. Maeda not only won second place for her event but also placed third for Best Test Scores, Medallion Medal For Best Role Play, and Finalist Medal. Maeda is now qualified for the nationals at Atlanta, Geor-

Maui High School's Health Occupation Student of America, commonly known as HOSA, was named as the largest HOSA chapter in the State. HOSA is full of outstanding students who placed in various events, qualifying them to attend the International Leadership Conference (ILC) at Houston, Texas this June 2018. One of

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Growth and Development for the first time at CTSO. For Tabangcura, one of the biggest challenges she faced was feeling overwhelmed and full of self doubt before the competition. Tabangcura, however, overcame these obstacles by having the best support from her HOSA advisors and fellow members who encouraged her to have self confidence. Tabangcura added "I will definitely join again next year because I was able to gain knowledge and experience that I would not have obtained in any other competition. Not only did I become closer to my members but I met new people who were passionate about HOSA and enjoyed the same things as I did." For her felcompeting in the same event next year, Tabangcura explained it is very important to choose an event that you enjoy learning about because it will make the process a lot easier and enjoyable. Another outstanding student that competed is Chealsey Corpuz, a Senior. Corpuz competed in Nursing Assisting throughout high school and she is this year's Secretary for HOSA. Corpuz explained that in order to balance academics and preparation for this event, she took advantage of school free times to finish her assignments. "This gave me the luxury time to study for my event right when I

that she handled stress pretty well by having a strong mind of her goals and motivating herself through the quote from her advisor: "Pressure makes diamond." At first, Corpuz did not know why she joined this event but she knew that she wanted to finish strong. With that, she took first for her event, which makes her qualified to attend the nationals. As a Senior, she stated that, "The biggest learning experience of being in CTSO would have to be leadership. With no leadership prior to being in HOSA council, this has been my biggest leap in my high school career. I've learned how to lead by example, taking initiative, and assisting and Health Occupations Students of a sophomore who competed in Human others with their competition skills

> while competing myself." Levin Bonilla, a Senior, is also one of the competitors for Dental Terminology. He has been competing in this event for four years and became this year's HOSA Vice President. Bonilla explained that he participated in this event because he wanted to pursue a career in

the Dental field and compet-

ing in this event helped him to gain more knowledge of medical law, ethics, infection control, and anatomy. In addition, one of the obstacles Bonilla encountered was motivating himself to study. Bonilla explained having study sessions after school helped him overcome this challenge. "Participating in CTSO is a great opportunity for people in CTE because it is an experience that can help students like me decide what they may want to do in the istered trademark. future," said Bonilla.

HOSA also has team events, including Health Career Display Board. Gabrielle Pastor and Katrina Tolentino, who are both Juniors, competed in this event. For them, they choose this event because it was some- four year stuthing they have been doing for three dent of Advance years and they were very comfortable competing in this event. In addition, Determination stress played an important role for (AVID) and a them. "If we held all the stress, it four-year memwould affect our presentation," they ber of Health said. To prevent this from happening, they took breaks in between when they are working on their board and found different ways to relieve their forms with the Good Shepherd Episcostress by watching movies or talking about other things that were not related toward the competition itself. In addition, they prepared for this event by practicing their speech extensively and presenting in front of their friends

no said their advice for students who want to compete next year is "To be sure that you and your partner work well with each other and have the same goals." Pastor and Tolentino are thoroughly passionate and dedicated toward their work, resulting in second place in the State and qualifying for the nationals.

My partner Cortney Tabajura and I also competed in this event but unfortunately, we were not lucky enough to place at state. But for us "Defeat is not failure and failure does not define you!" Even though we did not place, we are still beyond proud to be able to reach this point because not every competitor gets to experience what we experienced at the CTSO convention. One of the most important learning experiences that I can apply to everyday life is to never give up your goals because failure should be a source of motivation for you to keep moving forward for the best outcome.

It is truly remarkable and outstanding to have brilliant students from Maui High School competing in these rigorous events. Having them experience this is truly amazing because it helps them to broaden their perspectives in the different careers for their future. We also are given opportunities to meet new people, learn new experiences, develop leadership skills, and life lessons. **

Google® Is Not Everything is a monthly column authored by high school students. The title of the column emphasizes that education is more than just googling a topic. Google® is a reg-

This month's guest columnist is Rose Anne Rafael, a senior at Maui High School and a member of the National

Honor Society. Rose Anne has been an active



Occupation Student of America (HOSA), serving this year as the Director of Communication. She also perpal Church Filipino Folk Dance Troupe. This fall, Rose Anne will be attending Grand Canyon University in Phoenix, Arizona majoring in Nursing. She hopes to become a Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist. Rose Anne is the daughter come from school." Corpuz also added to be comfortable. Pastor and Tolenti- of Rexon Rafael and Ailyn Rafael.

Pssst....Can You Keep a Secret?

Pove, Scandal etc. by Ate Mora

Second in a series

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hile Junior continued to snore, Maria began praying to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Even though Maria was violating the Ten Commandments, she still believed that God was merciful and full of grace. "Blessed Mary, mother of God, please forgive me for my sins. Guide me in all I do and help me to find my way back to you. Help me to find the strength to deal with my problems. In Jesus' name, I pray."

Maria's life, which was so much simpler a few years ago, was about to get even more complicated. She knew something was wrong. Maria was feeling light headed, sick and dizzy. She had never felt like this before.

Maria decided to slip away from Junior and walked to the nearby St. Mary's Cathedral. Maria felt her prayers in her lover's bedroom did not give her the peace she sought. So she had to get away and she would deal with Junior later.

St. Mary's Cathedral was a modern Cathedral, open 24/7, air conditioned, safe, and well-lit. The confession booths were also open 24/7. Maria saw the green light over one confession booth and decided to go. It had been a while since Maria had been to confession.

"Forgive me Father, for I have sinned. It's been over two years since my last confession." Already, Maria knew her statement was not completely accurate as the last time

she had been to confession was when a new life. she had returned from her Hong Kong made love-some four years ago.

Nevertheless. Maria felt better confessing her "minor" sins. She just couldn't confess everything at the moment. "Father, forgive me, for I have neglected my family, and I miss my Mom so much. I was not truthful to her before she died." The padre gave Maria a penance to perform and absolved Maria of her sins.

quietly in the pews, praying fervently for guidance. "O Lord, what shall I do. Please give me a sign. I know that I have not been faithful to your Word but please understand my situation."

As Maria was about to depart St. Mary's Cathedral, she saw her best friend Elena leave one of the confession booths. Elena was her bestie since they were ten years old and they were classmates at the old St. Mary's School, before they tore it down to make room for the Cathedral. Elena was also a former member of the San Miguel's hostess crew but unlike Maria, Elena did not come from a poor family as she always had the best clothes and even a driver.

Maria never met Elena's father; Elena claimed her Dad had died a long time ago. Elena's mother, Rosa, was beautiful and a former international stewardess for Philippine Airlines. Rosa was still flying for PAL but only on the domestic routes. When Elena was younger, Rosa left Elena under the care of the nuns at St. Mary's. The nuns were happy to babysit Elena, who could be a handful at times but yet deeply religious.

Maria had heard the rumors but she never asked Elena who her real father was. One night, when Maria had staved overnight with Elena at St. Mary's, she heard one of the nuns complain how Elena's dad was reducing his monthly allowance for Maria. "It's not fair for us to take care of Father Jose's problem," the nun had said.

> "We are hiding the truth and if the Vatican knew, we would all be excommunicated."

Elena was always generous with Maria and they would always go to movies together, with Elena footing the bill. Elena easily was accepted at De La Salle and was on her way to becoming a medical doctor while Maria was still a struggling nursing student. Elena dreamed of moving to the United States to practice in New York. Maria dreamed of moving to anywhere to lead

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"Maria! I haven't seen you in over a trip with Junior when they had finally month? What have you been up to?" exclaimed Elena. "I'm so sorry Elena, I've been so busy with school and work," answered Maria. "We really need to get together very soon," said Elena, "I want to share some good news with you. Can we meet up tonight at Joe's?" Joe's was their favorite hangout, featuring the hottest bbq bar, where the chefs would grill chicken, fish, beef, vegetables, and pork. And After the confession, Maria knelt yes, Joe's was owned by Monsignor Jose Cadabana.

> Maria agreed to meet Elena that evening. Elena didn't know anything about Maria and Junior and Maria never told Elena what she had heard about now Monsignor Jose Cadabana being her real Dad. Maria had made a

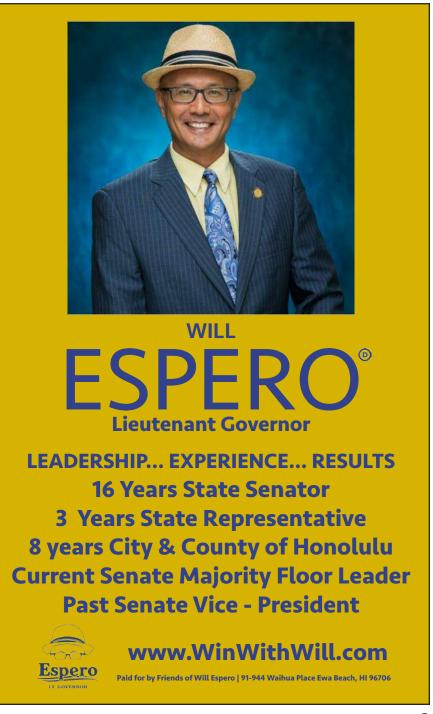


Elena said to Maria, "I want to share some good news with you. Can we meet up tonight at Joe's?" Joe's was their favorite hangout, featuring the hottest bbq bar, where the chefs would grill chicken, fish, beef, vegetables, and pork. And yes, Joe's was owned by Monsignor Jose Cadabana.

promise never to tell Elena what she heard that night. Many times, when Elena had been sad not knowing her Dad, Maria was tempted to tell her what she knew but Maria wasn't so sure how Elena would react. Elena, on the other hand, told Maria everything-even when Elena had snuck away with her then boyfriend Juanand had become a woman at the age

Maria pondered whether she would tell Elena about her complicated situation. Her phone beeped with a text from Junior wondering where she was. Maria texted she couldn't sleep so she went to church and would soon be there. Junior texted to hurry back as he missed his morning love making with Maria. Maria texted she was with Elena and would be there in half an hour and texted to Junior to be ready for her.

But first. Maria had to make another stop. She had to see Francisco, Junior's second eldest son. **



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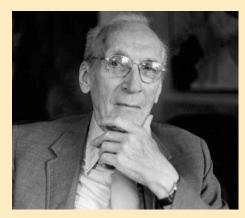
Being a Servant Leader

The Rev. John A.H. Tomoso t

cholar and Educator Robert Greenleaf* offers what he calls "Attributes of a Servant Leader." We have just celebrated Easter, the Resurrection of our Lord, and I consider Him just such a leader.

- 1. Listening as in communication; not just talking, but really lis-
- 2. Empathy so as to "stand in the shoes of another," understanding another's life.
- 3. **Healing** to make things whole; to bring about reconciliation.
- 4. Awareness so as to be receptive to what happens around you and even because of you.
- 5. **Persuasion** as in convincing others to change by showing them, through your own actions, what is possible.
- 6. Conceptualization so as to be a "visionary"; to be a guide towards a destination; a common destination.
- 7. Foresight to understand the future, in the light of the past and
- 8. **Stewardship** and taking responsibility for the role you play.
- 9. Commitment to your own growth, as a person, and to the growth of all people.
- 10. Building Community and authentic relationships that bring joy and satisfaction.

Our Risen Lord and Savior calls each of us to be a "Servant Leader." If you read these ten attributes offered by Robert Greenleaf very carefully, you will understand these attributes serve as a guide to how we live with each other; how we relate to and treat one another. I think you will also under-



Robert K. Greenleaf (1904-1990)

stand that these are the very attributes for which people of faith strive to see being practiced and nurtured around them. We will be in the Easter Season until Pentecost Day on May 20th. Join me in praying that the Holy Spirit will infuse us with the wisdom and knowledge to live out these attributes, with which I know Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ conquered sin and death with. Join me in a way of life; of relating to others, that allows service, servant hood, to be how we live with one another. Practice your leadership; with your family, with your friends and in our community, so as to be of service and not to be served.

Have an idea or a comment or even a question? Contact me at this email address: atingkabuhayan@gmail.com. So, until next

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Ka-Ching!

Retirement Planning: How to Get Started

Elsa Agdinaoay-Segal

etirement is typically one of the top financial goals you'll be working toward. It may be the furthest out but any good financial plan starts with calculating how much money you'll need to live on during your retirement years, putting a strategy in place to get there, and then addressing your shorter term needs.

Many financial professionals believe you'll need

approximately 80 percent of your peak prelifestyle in retirement.

If your peak income is, for simplicity, let's say \$100,000, then you may need \$80,000 or more each year. Multiply that annual figure by your expected years in retirement and that's your target. Given today's longer life expectancies, you could be nearing the \$1.5-\$2 million range. Don't let those numbers scare you. Again, everyone is different. Maybe you're accustomed to living on \$40,000 per year, in which case your goal is roughly \$32,000 times your retirement years. That's a big differ-

Envision the Retirement You Want

Another factor in figuring out how income

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you will need in retirement is envisioning you want to spend your retirement years.

Do you want to travel? Own a second home? Leave a legacy to your family, charity or alma mater? Or maybe you just

want to live a simple lifestyle with the primary goal being to cover your basic expenses. Now's your time to think through the world of possibilities, because the sooner you start planning—and saving—the better able you are to reach your retirement money and savings goal.

Time Is Your Friend When Saving for Retirement

Setting aside even a small amount of money each month can add up over time. One common and effective strategy is to use traditional retirement vehicles, such as an employee-sponsored 401(k) or Individual Retirement Account (IRA), and set up automatic contributions. While each of these types of retirement accounts has unique rules, all offer tax benefits that can add up over the long-term. Even if nearing retirement, it's not too late. If you are 50 or older, "catch-up contributions" help preretirees stash even more money into their 401(k) or IRA than the basic contribution limits each year.

How Should You Allocate Your Money?

How you decide to allocate the money you've accumulated-and the goal-related



There are IRAs for retirement goals, as well as guaranteed lifetime income products, but depending on your life stage you may want to consider other solutions as well. Maybe that means permanent life insurance to help protect your family's financial security and as an effective estate planning tool.

products you choose—are probably the retirement income to maintain your current most critical factors when it comes to creating a retirement plan. As mentioned, there are IRAs for retirement goals, as well as guaranteed lifetime income products but depending on your life stage you may want to consider other solutions as well. Maybe that means permanent life insurance to help protect your family's financial security and as an effective estate planning tool.

Diversification Helps Balance Risk

Diversification can be summed up in one phrase: Don't put all of your eggs in one basket. Regardless of what types of retirement product solutions you choose to buy, don't bet your retirement nest egg on just one. The types of products you select will vary depending on several factors, in-

cluding your risk tolerance and retirement time horizon. These two factors work hand in hand. The more years you have left until retirement, the higher your risk tolerance may be.

When it's time to determine the products and financial strategy that's best for you, you may want to consult with a financial professional who can help you map out a plan. In the meantime, make sure you have a clear vision for your goals so you'll be better prepared to plan your financial future.

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Comfort Food — Super Food

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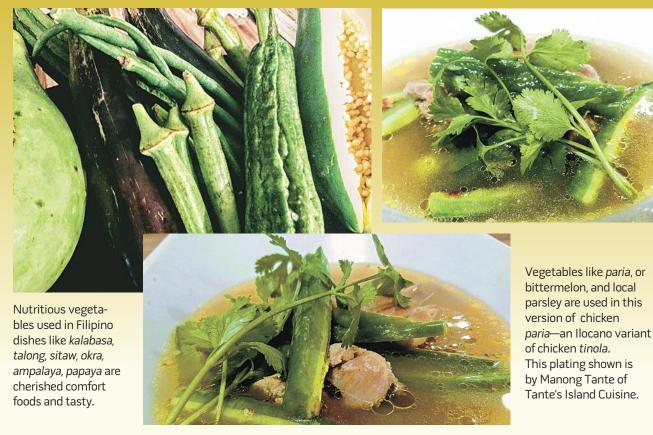
et's get real here, no matter how much we try to eat healthy meals and exercise regularly, we are all still vulnerable to sickness during the flu season. All you need is a co-worker to sneeze somewhere around you and their cold goes viral! And moms and dads, I don't need to go into detail about what germs our children bring home with them.

We are almost at the tail end of the brutal flu season according to the Center for Disease Control. The overall number of flu-related hospitalizations went up to almost 86 people for every 100,000 in the ninth week of 2018 in the U.S. Here in Hawai'i, the rate of outpatient visits was at 7.4% compared to 4.5% last year. Hawai'i closely followed the national average. On week 10 of the flu season, 6.5% of all deaths in Hawai'i were related to pneumonia or influenza.

It's not a big surprise that a large number of the work force in Hawai'i experienced some form of cold and cough symptoms. Even the typical healthy person managed to catch mild body aches and fever. This means many stayed home and a lot of chicken were sold. Some of the highly recommended foods to boost your immune system and help with recovery are: garlic, beef, sweet potato, turmeric, dark leafy greens, wild salmon, and chicken soup.

One of the more popular go to dishes for the cold season is chicken this was what my grandmother used soup. This is true both in the U.S. as lozenges for sore throat, the first and Philippines. Chicken soup varies sign of sickness. In tinola, it's a must from place to place, depending on ingredient alongside whatever may the ingredients available. A typical be available with the chicken tinola American chicken soup recipe includes: chicken meat, chicken broth, carrots, celery, onion, bay leaf and white rice.

Filipinos also have their own version of chicken soup known as chicken tinola. Tinola is a soup base comprised of the Holy Trinity ingredients, garlic, onion and ginger. Each region has their own version of chicken tinotheir go to ingredients. From the



sayote, petchay or baby bok choy.

So what differentiates the Filipino comfort soup to that of a typical American recipe? Well, the ingredients of course! Super Foods such as dahon ng sili, malunggay, ampalaya also known as paria or bitter melon. Now talk about packing a punch to the taste with that one! But you have to convince the kids that it's extremely good for the body to get them to even taste. Dahon ng sili-or chili leaves—unlike the fruit is not spicy at all, is an excellent source of calcium, iron, phosphorus and vitamins A and B. Malunggay in Tagalog or Marunggay in Ilokano (Moringa oleifera is the scientific name) is often referred to as a miracle tree as it's known to be packed with vitamins and other nutrients used for both nutritional and medicinal purpose. Another secret ingredient to add is Ampalaya in Tagalog or more commonly known as Paria in Ilokano-Momordica Charatia is the scientific name. This gourd has a bitter taste due to the presence of momordicin. Ampalaya is widely used as an herbal remedy to lower the blood sugar levels for diabetic patients. It is also used to help alleviate symptoms of fever, headache and body pains and the list goes on. A personal favorite ingredient in tinola is ginger. The root of the ginger plant can be consumed fresh, powdered, dried, oil form or juice. Ginger is part of the Zingiberaceae family, alongside cardamom and turmeric. As a child,

If you are from Metro Manila, your chicken tinola soup includes: chicken, green papaya, dahon ng sili, garlic, onion, hot peppers, ginger and patis, or fish sauce, for the salty flavor. You are most likely from Ilocos if you would much rather a bowl of chicken paria, which features the paria as the main star ingredient of la depending upon the availability of soup. I have only seen the paria soup served in one restaurant here in soup base, additional ingredients can Maui, and that is at Tante's Island be added such as green papaya or Cuisine. I frequented a few local Fil-

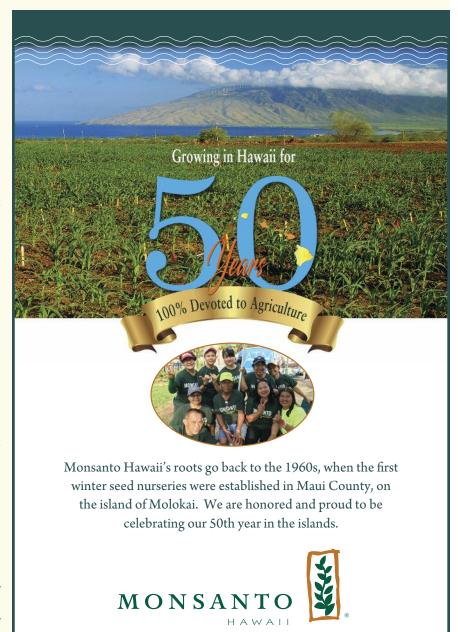
recipe.

ipino eateries but no luck in finding ingredients such as paria, marunggay, or dahon ng sili. Hopefully, Manong Tante and others will consider including marunggay in his menu. One can only wish! I will continue my quest to find delightful and healthy Pinoy dishes around Maui.

Whereever you may be from or whatever your go to ingredients may be for your chicken soup, one thing is certain—it is more enjoyable when someone else cooks it for you. Enjoy

County of Maui and a proud Veteran of the United States Air Force.

chicken tinola and stay healthy! ** Sharon Zalsos is a past president of the Maui Filipino Chamber of Commerce (three terms) and has her own marketing business: Kalona International LLC. She's also an ACN Independent Business Owner. A former Miss Maui Filipina, Sharon played the lead in MAPA's presentation of Miss Saigon. A graduate of Maui High School, Sharon is employed with the



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came from the Philippines to an unknown place to live and work. Earning \$20 a month, Vicente worked endlessly from sunrise to sunset and dealt with the language barriers. According to Danny, we, the beneficiaries of their trials and tribulations must never forget the sacrifices they made for us. Danny feels personally that the economic growth and success of Maui County in terms of being economically viable, is because of the various immigrant groups that were brought into I am proud of who I am, the son of a emphasizes that all votes count and

vests that kept the economic engines itage," he said. moving. Danny added that the growth

"Your vote

Get out

and vote!"

- Danny Mateo

counts! Your

voice needs

to be heard...

and economic success of Maui County can be attributed to the contributions and hard work in the building and laying the foundation for the transition of a new Maui built on the backs of the Filipinos and other immigrant groups. "We need to remember those who gave up their

dreams, in order for us to realize ours. ing as an inconvenience. Danny really

On voting, Danny gives us his opin-

ion of the importance of going to vote. He says that people have gotten so busy with their everyday lives trying to make a living, that voting has not been of much importance. He feels that voting as a duty. However, the younger generation of today views vot-

our county to work the lands and har- Sakada, and proud of my Filipino her- are important. He explained: "Your vote counts! Your voice needs to be heard, and the way to express yourself, support your beliefs and principles, and participate in the creation of our future, is to vote. Your quality of life should be a priority. Take responsibility. Register to vote and most important of all, on Election Day, get out and vote!"

> Danny emotionally remembered his his generation looks at Dad becoming a naturalized citizen on July 22, 1955. He recalled this emotional event and shared proudly with everyone. "I can still remember the picture of him standing on the steps of

see MATEO p.14

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Safeway - Lahaina

Starbuck's - Lahaina

Cannery Mall

SW General

Merchandise

Times Supermarket

- Kā'anapali

Let's Talk Pinoy!



umusta? (How are you?) I hope you enjoyed my article last month and have amazed some of your family members, impressed your date, or scored some brownie points at work with your newfound lingo. So, what did we learn last month? Let's review, and Let's Talk Pinoy!

Good morning is "Naimbag a bigatmo" (nah-eem-bug-ah-bee-gut-mo) in Ilokano and it's "Maayong buntag"

Dulce Karen Butay

(Mah-ah-yung-boon-tag) in Cebuano.

Good afternoon is "Magandang Filipino and it's "Mapia nga fugak nikaw" (Mah-pya-nga-foo-gaa-nee- yoong-gah-bee) in Ilonggo.

cow) in Ibanag.

Good evening is "Mayap a bengi" hapon" (Mah-gun-daang hah-poon) in (Mah-yaap-a-ben-geeh) in Kapampangan and it's "Maayong gabi" (Mah-a-

Great! That wasn't hard at all. Keep that in your back pocket, and let's get into some new stuff.

Now, let's talk about the phrases we would use that is related to eating or food. Who doesn't want to know how to say "I'm hungry" in Ibanag or "Let's eat" in Cebuano or even "It's delicious" in Kapampangan?

おひニゴ ひ とい "Let's eat" in Pilipino, Baybayin script.

| English | Pilipino | llokano | lbanag | Kapampangan | Cebuano | llonggo |
|----------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| I'm hungry. | Nagugutom ako. Na-goo-goo-tom-ah-ko | Mabisinak. Mah-bee-see-nak | Mavisin nga. Mah-vee-seen-nga | Maranup ku. Mah-ra-noop-koo | Gutom nako. Goo-toom na-ko | Nagutom ako. Na-goo-toom ah-ko |
| Let's eat | Kain na. kah-in-na | Mangan tayon. Mah-ngan-tah-yoon | Kuman ittam. | Mangan tamu. | Kaon ta. Kah-oon tah | Kaon na ta. |
| l'm full. | Busog ako. Boo-soog-ah-ko | Nabsug-ak. Nub-soog-ak | Navattuk nga ngana. Nah-vat-took-nha-nga-na | Mabsi naku. Mab-see-nah-koo | Busog ko. Boo-soog ko | Busog ako. Boo-soog ah-ko |
| It's delicious | Masarap. Mah-sa-rup | Naimas. Na-ee-mass | Nasinga. Na-seeng-nga | Manyaman. Man-yah-mon | Lami ni. La-me knee | Ay kanamit. Aye ka-na-mitt |

Do you want to learn how to say the different types of tastes like salty, sour or sweet in different languages?

| English | Pilipino | llokano | lbanag | Kapampangan | Cebuano | llonggo |
|-------------|-------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| lt's salty. | Maalat. Mah-ah-lot | Naapgad. Nah-up-god | Nassin. Nas-seen | Malat. Mah-lot | Parat ni. Pah-rut nee | Maalat. Mah-ah-lot |
| lt's sour. | Maasim. Mah-ah-seem | Naalsem Nah-al-sem | Nassam Nas-sam | Maslam. Mass-lum | Aslom ni. As-lom nee | Maaslom. Mah-as-lom |
| It's sweet. | Matamis Mah-tah-miss | Nasamit. Nah-sam-it | Nami. Nah-mee | Mayumu. Mah-yoo-moo | Tam is ni. Tam-is nee | Katam is. Kah-tam is |
| It's spicy. | Maanghang. | Naadat. Nah-ah-dot | Nafaggi. Nah-fog-gi | Maparas. Mah-pah-ras | Halang ni. Hah-lang nee | Makahang. Mah-kah-hung |

The next time your Ilocano motherin-law asks you "how's the food," reply and say, "Naimas"—Nah-ee-mas—with two thumbs up to impress her. Please don't say "Naapgad"—Nah-up-god—to the pinakbet that she just served you. Instead, eat it, smile and give her the "A-ok" hand sign.

I would love to hear some of your comments, experiences, and suggestions when using these phrases out there in the real world. Let us know at our Fil-Am Voice facebook page or at www.filamvoicemaui.com.

Well, I think I've left you enough homework for a month to practice, and it's time for me to go, because "mabisinak kon"—mah-bee-seen-nak kon—(I'm hungry in Ilokano), but "dacal a salamat"—dah-kal a-sa-la-maht— (Thank you in Kapampangan) for reading my article. I'm going to eat pancit and lumpia. "Hanggang sa muli"—Hung-gang-sah mo-lee—(Until next time in Pilipino). **

Dulce Karen Butay was graduated from Maui High School and earned her Associate in Arts in Liberal Arts from Maui Community College and her Bachelors of Science in Business Administration, specializing in Accounting, from the University of Hawaii - West Oahu. She is currently the Administrative Officer at the County of Maui, Department of Finance. Butay is a licensed Resident Producer of Life Insurance with World Financial Group and an Independent Consultant of Saladmaster. She recently became part of the Travel Club of Sal-



admaster and won an all-expenses paid trip to Cancun, Mexico with the love of her life. Butay recently returned from a trip to Texas as one of the delegates from Island Healthy Solutions, a dealer of Saladmaster here in Maui.

If you cannot come out to vote on Election Day, you can still make your vote count beforehand. Obtain an early voter registration flyer application. They are available in many different languages—in this case, shown here is the Ilokano language version. Visit http://elec tions.hawaii. gov/wp-con tent/uploads/ 2016/01/Voter -Registrationand-Permanent -Absentee Ilocano.pdf





Amb. Jimeno ment with Korean Consul General Young H. Kang. **P**HOTO COURTESY PHILIPPINE CONSULATE GENERAL

Consul...

four-point action plan for his tenure in Hawai'i: "My priorities are as fol-

- 1. To oversee the restoration and renovation of the century-old Philippine Consulate General building and the construction of a new chancery building alongside it. As vou know, it was through the blood, sweat and tears of the Sakadas, the first Filipino migrants to Hawai'i, that we were able to buy this building on Pali Highway. Mindful of their monumental sacrifice, we will ensure to preserve the building's original structures and façade. Simultaneously, a new Chancery (or office building) to house consular services, will be built to better serve the public. We hired a Filipino consultant to
- undertake this important project;
- 2. To introduce and implement major changes in our consular services. These changes include the launching of an appointment system for all our consular services such as passport, authentication and acknowledgement of legal documents; filing of civil registry documents; and application for reacquisition/retention of Filipino citizenship (RA 9225). These changes are in line with the objective of the Philippine Department of Foreign Affairs to provide a more convenient and accessible consular services to the public; and
- 3. To provide timely assistance to our Filipino nationals, not only those who are in distress, but also to those who are in need of intervention by their officials. For example, in March, I met with Filipino fishermen working see CONSUL p.18

Sharon Zalsos' son DJ (shown making the shaka sign) gets a crack out of a State Representative from Maui who has a certain style during the campaign season.

Vote...

from p. 4

out of the nine Honolulu councilmembers are of Filipino ancestry and statewide, there are six State Senators of Filipino ancestry and five State Representatives of Filipino ancestry.

On Maui, we have one in the State Senate (Gilbert Keith-Agaran) and two of nine (Alika Atay and Don Guzman) Councilmembers. Maui also produced the first Filipino-American elected as a Supervisor/County Councilman in the entire U.S., Richard "Pablo" Caldito Sr. (1956-1972). In 1994, Benjamin J. Cayetano became the first governor of Filipino ancestry in the entire nation (1994-2002).

Back to campaigning on Maui, my son gets a crack out of a State Representative from Maui who has a certain style during the campaign season. He doesn't have a big crowd; most of the time it's just him and sometimes his wife accompanies him. He has the biggest smile and makes eye contact and points at each passing car. We're talking thousands at the intersection of Haleakalā Highway and Hāna Highway. How does he do that? I should also mention this official's hair, always in a perfect wave style. Everywhere you see him, he looks exactly the

True or not true? Filipinos are glamour shot. No, we're not that shallow or are we?

Important Dates

June 5

Deadline to file as a candidate for elective office.

Voter Registration deadline for Primary election.

July 30

Locations for Early walk-in voting for Primary election open.

August 9

Early walk-in voting for Primary election ends.

August 11

Primary Election Day.

October 9

Voter Registration deadline for General election

October 23

Locations for Early walk-in voting for General election open.

November 3

Early walk-in voting for General election ends.

November 6

General Election Day.

January 2 Inauguration day for Mayor and County Council **

Sharon Zalsos is a past president of the Maui Filipino Chamber of Commerce (three terms) and has her own marketing business: Kalona International LLC. She's also an ACN Independent Business Owner. A former Miss more likely to vote for a candidate Maui Filipina, Sharon played the lead who is eye candy or pleasing to look in MAPA's presentation of Miss Saigon. at versus a candidate whose picture A graduate of Maui High School, looks closer to a mug-shot than a Sharon is employed with the County of Maui and a proud Veteran of the United States Air Force.

Mateo...

the old Wailuku Courthouse with dozens of other newly naturalized citizens waving the American flag. Having the right to vote was such a privilege and honor for a young man from the Philippines that so loved the motherland but decided to etch out his life in Hawai'i as a Filipino-American. He never missed an election, and made sure that everyone in the family of voting age, voted." **

Lucy Peros is a retired school teacher, having taught for 32 years, 11 years at St. Anthony Grade School and 21 years at Waihe'e Elementary School. Both of

her parents, Elpidio and Alejandra Cabalo of Hāli'imaile, worked for Maui Land and Pine Company. Her dad was a 1946 Sakada. Lucy is currently a Realtor Associate at



Peros Realty, the business her late husband Sylvester Peros, Jr. started 30 years ago, where her daughter Lianne Peros-Busch is now the Broker. Lucy devotes a significant amount of time to activities at Christ The King Catholic Church as well as babysitting her grandchildren.



The San Francisco Giants won World Series titles in 2010, 2012 and 2014.



Lydia Coloma with Giants Mascot Lou Seal.

love the Spring. March Madness has just ended. hit four homers against the The NBA season has a couple of Mariners). months of playoffs coming.

The Barrio Fiesta is right around start of the season. the corner.

And baseball returns.

By the time you read this column, the Giants' season might already be over.

But as I write this, San Francisco is in second place (splitting opening series with the hated dodgers, who won the National League pennant last season, and the Seattle Mariners).

I liked the way the front

office added Evan Longoria to play third base and went and got a new like politics. center fielder in Austin Jackson. Of McCutchen (the Giants have always

Sanchez, Barry Bonds come to mind, and resigning of former Giant draftee Ryan Vogelsong). The Giants now have Pirate mainstays Mark Melancon and Tony Watson as well.

The Giants managed to split the opening series despite scoring only two runs (both on homers by "Babe" Panik) and getting shut out in the following two games against the boys in blue. They also did this without two of their top starters—ace Madison Bumgarner and

Jeff Samardzija—and closer Melancon. Pa<mark>n</mark>ik remain.

three to the Arizona Diamondbacks, after the Giants series.

the moment (and the Giants

That's the magic of baseball... at the

LINENGDENG & PINAKBET

Spring and the Advent of the Giants!

Gilbert S.C. Keith-Agaran

"The core

teams in

baseball

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World Series

- GIL S.C. KEITH-AGARAN

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of their title

Anyone can still win it all. Almost

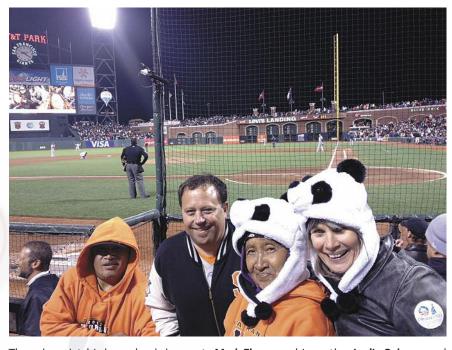
And for the Giants, it's also an Even course, the great trade was for Andrew Year (San Francisco won the World Series in 2010, 2012 and 2014, and done well in trades or signings of for- had a shot at winning the opening mer Pirates—Jason Schmidt, Freddy playoff series against the Chicago Cubs

in 2016).

As a long suffering fan (I still don't recall anything after the fifth inning of Game 6 of the 2002 World Series), I think the Giants deserve a few more titles before the end of this decade.

The core of their title teams in baseball times years may have a small window left to make West rianother World Series vals Arirun-MadBum, Buster z o n a Posey, Brandon Crawford, Pablo Sandoval Diego andisplaced by other (now Evan Longoria), times. Hunter Pence and Joe Giants need to

The pitching staff no win most of those Los Angeles, on the other hand, lost longer includes familiar names like sixteen games to stay Tim Lincecum, Matt Cain, Ryan Vogel- in the hunt as MadBum song, Javier Lopez, Jeremy Affeldt, and the Shark heal. So I gotta feel pretty optimistic at Sergio Romo, Jake Peavy, Tim Hud-



The columnist, his law school classmate Mark Flanagan, his mother Lydia Coloma, and his wife **Kallie Keith-Agaran** attended a game at AT&T Park in the summer of 2013.

son, Barry Zito and Santiago Casilla. At the moment, Hunter Strick-

land is the stopper. The problem is by the end of April,

the Giants will play their SoCal rivals six m o r e and NL and San

So I gotta write this column now burgh Pirates.

before the dodger fans and band wagon jumpers on the Fil-Am Voice staff get a chance to gloat.

> Gilbert S.C. Keith-Agaran has represented Central Maui in the legislature since 2009. He lives in Kahului where he grew He ир. would love to get to San Francisco on August 11th when the Giants

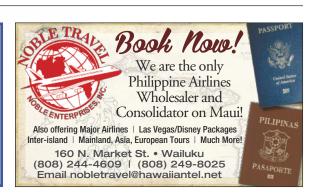
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Blow, Sharon, blow! Aris Banaag surprised *Fil-Am Voice* Advertising Executive Sharon Zalsos on the occasion of her 40th birthday.

PHOTO: PAUL MANZANO



Congratulations to Rosen and Armenio Salaguinto who were recently wed at Christ the King Catholic Church. Рното: Марецуне Раscua



Employees of Monsanto, under the direction of Hayde Sim (second from right) and Eugenia Sitts (center) cook and serve food for Good Shepherd Episcopal Church's Ka Ohana Kitchen.

PHOTO: BASILIA EVANGELISTA



Rev. John Tomoso - columnist for *Fil-Am Voice*, blesses the new business, Residential Care of Maui LLC, of Chris and Roseminic Ulep (center).

Photo courtesy Marichu Leonor

Members of Good Shepherd Episcopal Church Filipino Folk Dance Troupe rehearse for the upcoming 49th Annual Barrio Fiesta.

PHOTO: ALFREDO EVANGELISTA



The Board of Directors of Binhi at Ani led by president Nora Cabanilla-Takushi (center) at work discussing the 49th Annual Barrio Fiesta.

PHOTO COURTESY ROMEO GUZMAN



The youth at Christ the King Catholic Church utilize their angelic voices during the *Salubong* festivities early Easter Sunday morning.

PHOTO: PAUL PIGAO



The women at Christ the King Catholic Church carry the statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary during the *Salubong* festivities early Easter Sunday morning.

PHOTO: PAUL PIGAO



Congratulations to Renzo James Gaoiran (2nd from right) and Anela Naomi Menor (2nd from left), members of Maui Waena's Media Club, STN winners during the national competition held at Nashville, Tennessee.

Photo: RICHARD GAOIRAN



Members of the UH Kabatak Club raised some funds by assisting with the soon to open Tante's Fishmarket Restaurant & Bar and Grill.

PHOTO COURTESY OF JR REGALADO



The men at Christ the King Catholic Church carry the statue of the Risen Christ during the *Salubong* festivities early Easter Sunday morning.

PHOTO: PAUL PIGAO



Saladmaster Corporate Trainer Beau Voight (3rd from right) joined Ronel Velasco, Helen Bueno, Gene Alvarez, Mary Martin, Carmelita Quemado, Frellie Sayno, Narife Andaya, Rod Andaya, Dulce Butay - *Fil-Am Voice* columnist, Glenda Soriano, and Maribeth Pacris-Galzote, members of the Island Health Solutions, LLC team, for their Open House on April 10, 2018.

PHOTO COURTESY DULCE K. BUTAY



All smiles from Chris Ulep, Roseminic Ulep, Marichu Leonor, Alfredo Evangelista - *Fil-Am Voice* Asst. Editor, Rev. John Tomoso, and Basilia Evangelista during the Ulep's blessing of their new business.

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What's Happening On Maui

Calendar Fil-Am Voice 2018

Please submit your community event by the seventh day of each month via email to info@filamvoicemaui.com

April

18 DEADLINE FOR NOMINATIONS FOR 1018-2019 EXECUTIVE OFFI-CERS (President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Public Relations) of University of Hawai'i Maui College Kabatak Club. Email nominations to kabatak@hawaii.edu. Elections will end April 25, 2018.

21 Annual Scholarship Golf

Tournament sponsored by Maui Filipino Chamber of Commerce Foundation. The Dunes at Maui Lani. Contact Tournament Chairperson Bill Ruidas at 344-5251 or Tournament Co-Chairperson Alfredo Evangelista at 294-5510.

26 2018 APPRECIATION DINNER FOR UNIVERSITY OF HAWAI'I MAUI COLLEGE KABATAK CLUB 6-8:30 p.m. at UHMC Student Lounge. Email kabatak@hawaii.edu for more informa-

28-29 PHILIPPINE CONSULATE MOBILE OUTREACH ON MAUI

Contact the Maui County Immigrant Services Division at 270-7791 for more information. The newly issued passports will be good for ten (10) years.

May

1 DEADLINE FOR BINHI AT ANI **SCHOLARSHIP** Download scholarship application at www.binhiatani.org. For more information, contact Nora Takushi at 276-8861.

- **6** Mrs. Ambassador of Culture SPONSORED BY DANCE INTERNATION-**AL FOUNDATION** Binhi at Ani. 5:30 p.m. dinner; 6:30 p.m. pageant. \$25. Contact Madelyne Pascua at 268-0686.
- 19 Maui High School GRADUATION CEREMONIES
- 22 BALDWIN HIGH SCHOOL **GRADUATION CEREMONIES**
- 24 KING KEKAULIKE HIGH SCHOOL **GRADUATION CEREMONIES**

25-26 49TH ANNUAL BARRIO **FIESTA** sponsored by Binhi at Ani. Fri. 5-10 p.m. Sat. 10 a.m.-10 p.m. Binhi At Ani Filipino Community Center in Kahului. Contact Nora Takushi at 276-8861.

- **26** KAMEHAMEHA SCHOOLS MAUI GRADUATION CEREMONIES
- **26** SEABURY HALL **GRADUATION CEREMONIES**
- 27 Lahainaluna High School GRADUATION CEREMONIES

June

2 St. Anthony High School **GRADUATION CEREMONIES**

- 5 DEADLINE TO FILE AS A CANDI-DATE FOR ELECTIVE OFFICE
- 13 GINTONG PAMANA LEADERSHIP AND SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS sponsored by the Maui Filipino Chamber of Commerce. For more information or sponsorship opportunities contact Elsa Agdinaoay-Segal at 276-6946.
- 30 Miss Maui Filipina Scholar-SHIP PAGEANT sponsored by the Maui Filipino Community Council at Wailea Marriott. Contact Maui Filipino Community Council President, Marilyn Oura at 280-2057 or Event chairpersons Michelle Santos at 264-0871 and Dolores Perreira at 283-1605.

July

7–15 2018 Ambassador's Tour: MANILA-CEBU-BOHOL For more information contact Teresita Noble at 244-4609.

- 12 VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINE
- 19-23 WORLD ESCRIMA KALI ARNIS FEDERATION (WEKAF) **CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT** at Lahaina Civic Center. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sponsorships available. Contact Madelyne Pascua at 268-0686.
- **30 Early Walk-in voting** LOCATIONS OPEN

August

- 9 Early walk-in voting ends
- 11 PRIMARY ELECTION DAY

October

- 9 VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINE
- 23 Early Walk-in voting LOCATIONS OPEN

Movember

- **3 Early Walk-in voting ends**
- **6 GENERAL ELECTION DAY**

December

29 Annual Rizal Day Celebra-TION sponsored by Maui Filipino Community Council. Binhi at Ani Filipino Community Center. Contact Maui Filipino Community Council President, Marilyn Oura 280-2057.



Consul...

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in foreign-owned shipping vessels docked at Honolulu harbor. The men claimed to be generally satisfied of having jobs and earning a living to support their families back home. However, they too have concerns, and requested better facilities to alleviate their work and living conditions. I immediately brought up the issues of these Filipinos in my meetings with U.S. Senator Brian Schatz, Rep. Colleen Hanabusa and the Director of the Hawai'i Department of Transportation; and

4. To actively engage the Filipino community on various projects. Filipinos make up the largest ethnic group in Hawai'i and have made significant contributions up to the present time. I certainly acknowledge the crucial role they play in strengthening relations between Hawai'i and the Philippines; and thus, we will continue to seek their commitment and support."

Jimeno's four-point action plan is ambitious but one that can easily be met by someone with his credentials, experience, and leadership: "I've had more than thirty years of experience as a Filipino diplomat, ten of which as a Head of Post (Ambassador in Muscat, Oman; and in Berne Switzerland; and Consul General in Guangzhou, China and in Honolulu, Hawai'i). I have met with different people from all walks of life, and witnessed, and have been a part of history unfolding in the different postings that I have been to. I would like to think that this experience and the wisdom that I've

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gained will make me more responsive and attuned to the needs of my kababayans, and a better, more effective representative of my country."

Maui is excited to host Ambassador Joselito Jimeno and his wife, Madame Araceli Many thanks to those who have organized the event and those who have donated their time, efforts, and services to ensure a successful event, in-

cluding All Access Entertainment, Badua's Maui Crepes & Grill, Bahay Kubo Heritage Foundation, Bernie Sistoza, Binhi at Ani, Bistro Manila, CAA Marketplace LLC, Café O'Lei, Dance International Production, Fil-Am Voice, Four Sisters Bakery, Four Sisters Kitchen, Fr. Jojo Alnas, Good Shepherd Episcopal Church Filipino Folk Dance Troupe, Joey's Kitchen, Juan's

Kitchen, Kumu Hula Iola Balubar & Hālau Hula O Keola Ali'i O Ke Kai, La Galeria: Compañía Baile Filipino, Law Offices of Alfredo Evangelista, Maui Beach Hotel, Maui County Sister Cities Foundation, Maui Filipino Chamber of Commerce, Maui Filipino Community Council, Mayor Alan Arakawa, Noble Travel, Paradise Supermart, Pascual's Cafe & Catering, Philippine Consulate

General, RM Mini-Mart, Randy's Catering, Sabado Art Foundation, Sharon Zalsos, Tante's Island Cuisine, Vidad's Local Kine Grindz, and Wena's Delicacy.

Attending meno smiled when relaying Consul General Gina Jamoralin's advice to him: "Before I came to Hawai'i, she advised me that I will

have a very busy, active social calen-

The Fil-Am Voice joins the rest of the Maui Filipino community in welcoming Ambassador Joselito Jimeno and Madame Araceli Jimeno and hope that during your brief stay, you will feel the appreciation of all of Maui and understand why Maui no ka 'oi! Aloha and Mabuhay!



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Community... In Action



This rendering of the Bahay Kubo at Kepaniwai Heritage Gardens was masterfully painted in watercolor media by Maui's own reknowned artist Phil Sabado. The Bahay Kubo Heritage Foundations continues to spearhead efforts in soliciting the funds needed for its restoration, due to damage by vandalism over the years.

Bahay Kubo **Heritage Foundation**

THE FOUNDATION reports that last August's fundraiser netted over \$10,000. Mahalo to all those who participated and raised the funds. The Foundation is waiting for approval from the County Council to accept its donation to rehabilitate the Bahay Kubo at Kepaniwai Heritage Gardens.

In the interim, the Foundation is soliciting donations to help defray the costs of the original Bahay Kubo painting by reknowned artist Philip Sabado, which will be displayed at the Binhi at Ani Filipino Community Center. For a minimum \$200 tax deductible donation received by May 1, 2018, your name (or your entity's name) will be included in a permanent plaque.

Mail your donations to Bahay Kubo Heritage Foundation, c/o Zaldy Ugalino, President, 3274 Akala Drive, Kīhei, HI 96753. The painting will be unveiled at 3 p.m. on Saturday, May 26 during the 49th Annual Barrio Fiesta. 💥



Binhi at Ani Filipino Community Center

THE CENTER is in the midst of preparations of the 49th Annual Barrio Fiesta, to be held at Binhi at Ani Filipino Community Center in Kahului on Friday, May 25 (from 5 p.m. through 10 p.m.) and Saturday, May 26 (from 10 a.m. through 10 p.m.).

Many fan favorities will return such as the food, cultural entertainment,

and pageantry-a new Miss Barrio Fiesta will be crowned and the Little Miss Barrio Fiesta pageant will also be held on Friday night. The highly successful Barrio Fiesta Experience consisting of villages and sponsor tables will again be housed inside the Center.

The program is packed with activities for kids and adults: Pabitin, Zumba, Barrio wear contest, Greased Pole contest, Keiki Art Party, the International Housekeeping Awards, and Amateur Karaoke contest.

Returning this year is the Santa



Dance International Foundation

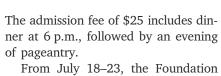
THE FOUNDATION is in the midst of preparing for its annual Mrs. Ambassador of Culture fundraiser, which will be held on Sunday, May 6, at the Binhi at Ani Filipino Community Center.



Maui Filipino **Community Council**

THE COUNCIL announced a new date (June 30) for the 2018 Miss Maui Filipina Scholarship Pageant at Wailea Marriott. The Miss Maui Filipina pageant is the longest runing pageant on Maui and in its 59th year and will feature six contestants this year. Pageant tickets (no dinner) cost at \$30 presale, \$35 at the door. Contact Event chairpersons Michelle Santos at 264-0871 and Dolores Perreira at 283-1605 for more information.

Disclosures: Alfredo G. Evangelista is Legal Counsel for the Bahay Kubo Heritage Foundation and the Dance Inter-From July 18-23, the Foundation national Foundation. He is the Golf and WEKAF Hawai'i will play host to Tournament Co-Chairperson for the the Unity in Diversity: Honoring Maui Filipino Chamber of Commerce Foundation, for which he previously served as Legal Counsel (2011-2017). He is also chairperson for The Barrio Fiesta Experience and previously served on the Board of Directors of the Maui Filipino Community (1975-1976).



Hawai'i's International Culture and Arts and 15th World Escrima Kali Arnis Federation Championships at the Lahaina Civic Center. The cultural displays, international performances and dance lessons will feature and honor Hawai'i's immigrants and plantation legacy. The WEKAF championships will include Forms, Padded Stick, Padded Daga, Single Stick, and Double Stick. For more information, contact Madelyne Pascua at 268-0686. **



Maui Filipino Chamber of Commerce/Maui Filipino **Chamber of Commerce** Foundation

THE CHAMBER is preparing for its Annual Gintong Pamana Leadership and Scholarship Awards Banquet which will be held on Wednesday, June 13 at the Maui Beach Hotel, at 5:30 p.m. According to Chamber president Jorge Tirona, nominations were extended until April 21. Sponsorship information and dinner tickets may be obtained from Event Chairperson Elsa Segal at (808) 276-6946 or Event Co-Chairperson Jeanice Paa at (808) 357-

The Foundation's Annual Scholarship Golf Tournament will be held on Saturday, April 21 at The Dunes at Maui Lani Golf Course. The net proceeds from the golf tournament will fund the Foundation's annual scholarship programs. The Foundation's scholarship recipients will be presented at the Chamber's Gintong Pamana. While the Golf Tournament is expected to be a sell-out, you may contact Bill Ruidas, Golf Tournament Chairperson at (808) 873-8605 or Alfredo Evangelista, Co-chairperson at (808) 242-8100, for more information.





COMMUNITY... IN ACTION

Editor's note: We start a new column this month which features brief news from Maui's Filipino community organizations. Send your community briefs to info@filamvoice.com. This month's column is compiled by Alfredo G. Evangelista.

Cruzan on Friday night. New items on the program this year are Da Pansit Eating Contest sponsored by RG Electric, the Any Kine Sisig Challenge sponsored by Tante's Island Grill, and the TFC Hour sponsored by The Filipino Channel. And yes, you don't want to miss a chance for a free drawing for airfare to the Philippines courtesy Philippine Airlines.

Graduating high school seniors are reminded of the May 1, 2018 deadline to submit your scholarship application, which can be downloaded www.binhiatani.org.

For more information on the Barrio Fiesta, visit www.facebook.com/BarrioFiestaMaui. #barriofiestamaui2018



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