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**5TH ANNUAL HALLOWEEN PARTY —OCTOBER 24**

It's our 5th APA Annual Halloween Parade! So get ready to dance at our Monster Ball!!!! Come dressed to stir up our SPOOK- TACULAR HAUNT. Be our guest on Halloween night at Our Lady of Good Counsel gym, on **Saturday, October 24**. There will be a minimal entrance fee: \$10 for adult members; \$12 for non-members. Children members or non-members age 2-7 is \$7, 1 year old and below is free. Your small fee includes hotdog, chili, chips and drinks. The fun begins on this frightful night at 6 pm. Lots of tricks or treats, fun and games and dancing all the way. Please bring a bag of candy for the children. Please also bring non-perishable food items which will be donated to a charitable organization. Our Lady of Good Counsel is located at 1321 S. Van Buren Street, Little Rock.



**UPCOMING EVENTS**

Halloween Party	Saturday, 10/24
Casino trip	Saturday, 10/31
Asian Festival	Saturday, 11/7
Christmas Caroling	Starts on 11/21
Christmas Party	Saturday, 12/5
Annual Election and General Meeting	Saturday, 2/13/16
Pistang Pilipino	Saturday, 6/25/16

**Treasurer's Report**

As of September 18, 2015, APA's cash balance is \$11,757.83.

**Casino Trip**

Our next casino trip is on October 31st at Tunica Roadhouse Casino. The cost is \$25 per person which includes your bus ride, buffet lunch and \$5 play money. The bus will leave from the Shackelford Commuter Parking at 8 am.

**Asian Festival**

APA will be selling their very famous Pilipino barbecue (prepared by Chef Tito Medel), lumpiang shanghai, pansit, and fried rice at the Asian Festival on Saturday, November 7 at the Mosaic Church of Central Arkansas, 6420 Colonel Glenn Road in Little Rock (beside Kroger). The Russellville dancers will be performing . APA will also have a display corner featuring native Filipino products. Come and have fun with us!!!

**Christmas Caroling**

As part of our Filipino tradition during the Christmas season, the APA carolers will be on their feet singing Christmas carols from house to house spreading the spirit of Christmas through songs. Starting November 21 every weekend through December 20, the APA carolers will be serenading families with traditional Christmas music coupled with our famous dance choreography. APA will be sending letters to everyone who is willing to share and experience the Filipino way of spreading the Christmas spirit. All your generous donations will fund the APA medical mission. The carolers are ready to sing with all their hearts in spreading the joy and warmth of the yuletide season. So dig deep into your pockets to help them raise funds. THANK YOU THANK YOU ANG BABAIT NINYO.

**Christmas Party**

Celebrating one of the most festive events, Christmas, is even more special and extraordinary when you celebrate it with families and friends . The chance to reconcile, reconnect and bond with relatives and close friends is indeed a once-in-a-lifetime event. The APA Christmas celebration will be on **Saturday, December 5 starting at 5 pm**. The event will be at Our Lady of Good Counsel gym. And of course, the APA tradition, APA will provide our famous lechon. Here are your food assignments. Families with last names ending in:

- A-C—salad dish
- D-L—main dish
- M-Q—dessert
- R-V—appetizer
- W-Z—bread or rice and drinks

For parents with children, please bring a wrapped gift for your children and make sure that you have them tagged. Don't forget to bring non-perishable food items for donations.

**Pistang Pilipino**

On June 27, 2015, APA celebrated Pistang Pilipino at Maumelle Park . What a big crowd! Almost 200 guests attended and enjoyed a variety of Filipino dances, music, songs and food, especially our famous "lechon". The APA board of directors would like to express their sincerest appreciation for all your contributions. It is your support that we are able to continue to strengthen our mission and to develop new projects for all our *kababayans*.

**Medical Mission 2015 Report**

This year's medical mission was held at Maragondon, Cavite on May 11-15, 2015. The medical mission group was able to raise \$9,143.00 from your generous donations. With these funds, they were able to purchase medicines and perform 73 surgical circumcisions, 614 medical treatments, and 395 dental care treatments. APA would like to thank Charles and Ely Gooch, for hosting this year's Medical Mission in Ely's hometown. Special thanks go to the people who made this mission possible ~ Dr. Bessie Zafe, Dr. Maita, Millie Vanderpool, Florie (Dr.Zafe's niece), Grace Balleza, Maricel and Olivia Mendoza, Ma. Christina Aguilar, and Eric and Bong Gutierrez.

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**Volunteers needed for our annual caroling. Please contact Verra Baquial if you'd like to be part of our caroling group @ 501-231-3058.**

**Membership** Please welcome our new members ~ From Little Rock we have the Guitierrez family Donna, Randy and their children Caleb Dominic and Cayden Davin; Gloria and Rene Gangoso; and, Norberto Ojastro. From Benton, please welcome Terry and Willette Hughes and Milton and Daisy Ybanez Hughes; and from Delaware, AR, we have Bobby Wells and Eleanor Garrison. Welcome!

**APA's Property in Scott, AR is for sale.** All inquiries should be directed to Roman Novero at 501-786-6807.



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