



Filipino Australian Association of the Northern Territory Inc

FAANT Annual General Meeting – 12 Nov 2011

President's Report

Opening Remarks:

On behalf of Ms. Judith Ventic, the President who is currently away, it is my distinct privilege and my great honor to welcome you all, the members of the Filipino Australian Association of the Northern Territory Inc. to our 2011 Annual General Meeting.

The 14th of November 2011 marks the first year of our term as the Executive Committee of FAANT. I am proud that we have made big strides and have shown evidence-based outcomes of our partnerships towards our successful journey to realize our vision for the association's future. I am grateful to our dynamic and committed FAANT executive committee members who helped to achieve our objectives. I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the invaluable contribution of previous FAANT executive committee members and the community in general for the support and cooperation that were given to us. I would like to acknowledge the untiring and laudable performance provided by Ms. Eunice De Ramos who provided more than what is required of the treasurer of the association. She is one of the driving forces who made this year's various activities interesting and successful.

Many thanks to all hardworking members, friends and supporters of the association who are always here to join us in all our activities and undertakings.

Our achievements show how each of the executive committee members and volunteers worked with synergy towards the accomplishment of the mission and goals of FAANT.

Accomplishments:

FAANT Website: www.faantinc.com.au
The website was designed and developed by Mr. Angelito Lontoc.

2010 Christmas Party

2011 Darwin Waterfront Harmony Soiree

2011 Harmony Day

2011 Philippine Independence Day celebration

2011 Barrio Fiesta - which was different from the past Barrio Fiesta.

- We had the Kamayan which was Betchay Mondragon's brain-child before the actual event. This featured the Filipino Rondalla. We also had the inauguration of the Sining Kultura and Arch.

Sining Kultura

- FAANT Small Building which was used as storage for years was tidied up and converted to a mini-Filipino museum through the hard work of Mr. Whiskey Valles. The Sining Kultura had Filipino artifacts and art works of Australian Filipinos in Darwin.

Feast of the Santo Nino - proceeds of drink sales were given to a kid with leukemia.

Youth Council - FAANT sent a Filipino youth representative to be part of the council

V8 Supercars - Filipinos who have businesses received invites

Darwin Festival - Darwin Filipino Choir performed with the Darwin Chorale

2011 Arafura Games - FAANT provided dancers to perform in the Arafura Games opening
2011 Solar Car Challenge
2011 Festival of the Arts- Sanderson Middle School students danced the Tinikling and Singkil

Planned Activities

2011 Christmas Party - 10 December 2011
2012 Darwin Waterfront Harmony Soiree
2012 Harmony Day
2012 Philippine Independence Day celebration
2012 Barrio Fiesta
2012 FAANT AGM/Election

Building Maintenance

Big Building - Electrical, lighting and dead bolt locks replacement.
Small Building - Repainting, security screen and doors replacements. Electrical replacement and aircon installation.

Long-term plan

Sports – Filipino Basketball team managers/owners are interested to be in the FAANT umbrella.

Each executive committee member contributed to make the 2011 activities successful. We did all these volunteer work in addition to our employment and home responsibilities.

Introduction of 2011 Executive Committee Members

Closing Remarks:

As the FAANT INC moves forward, let us all join hands in unity and walk confidently towards a better tomorrow. From the bottom of my heart and the rest of the executive committee, we thank you for giving us the honor and privilege of serving you.

The FAANT executive committee is looking forward to another challenging and rewarding year of partnership with all of you.

“Napakalaking karangalan ang makapaglingkod sa sambayanan at association ng FAANT at karatig lugar. Sa inyong lahat na napagsilbihan ng current executive committee sa very challenging times nguni’t makatuturan at makahulugang landas, maraming, maraming salamat po sa inyo.”



Oscar Parian
Vice-President

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