

Igorot International Consultation XII



Aloha

Igorot Generations

Advancing and Coming Full Circle



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August 2-5, 2018**

Congratulations to the IGO in transcending the Igorot community in continuously correcting the misconceptions about Igorots allowing their contributions a rightful place in the annals of world history.

Philippine Scouts
of
World War II
and
Veterans
of the
Korean War



The forgotten Filipino
freedom fighters of
World War II
that kept the land awake
awaiting
General McArthur's
return

In 1927, a 20 year old Leon Bawaan joined the Philippine Scouts of the U.S. Army at Fort Stotsenburg. The fort later became Clark Air Force Base. His first assignment was to recruit Igorots in the original Mountain Province.

On December 8, 1941 Philippine time, eleven minutes after Pearl Harbor was attacked, the Empire of Japan also attacked John Hay Air Force Base in Baguio City. The war in the Philippines had begun. The first Filipino soldiers to die were Leon Bawaan's recruits during marching and firearms training. His brother-in-law was the first to die in his arms. Corporal Bawaan was taken prisoner but survived the Bataan death march and escaped to become a guerrilla leader in the Mountain Province.

Accomplishments of Igorot soldiers are often forgotten, except by those who owe their lives to the soldiers. The people of Tamboan, Dandanak, Katengan to Balasiyan who are now in their 90's remember how Bawaan saved their villages from U.S. artillery bombardment. The people of Tamboan sought Bawaan to report the bombardment. Bawaan along with Tatayon assembled men from Balasiyan and marched to Tamboan to help and at the same time sent a runner to Kadalig in Pedlisan to inform the American/Filipino division that there were no Japanese where they were shelling but only guerilla fighters and civilians. Bawaan taped the message on the buttocks of the runner for insurance. Afterwards some villagers named their sons Bawaan in the hopes they will inherit Bawaan's bravery and quick thinking. Many times Bawaan was able to creatively free American and Filipino civilians taken as prisoners. Sometimes he traded goods for prisoners.

Bawaan joined the guerrillas to welcome Gen. MacArthur landing in Lingayen. In the ensuing Battle of Luzon, the surviving Philippine Scouts rejoined the US Army and were reconstituted as the U.S. 12th Infantry Division. The Philippines gained its independence on July 4, 1946.

After the war, Bawaan was made Provost Marshall (head of military police) at Camp John Hay for the Philippine Scouts. In 1948, U.S. President Truman officially disbanded the Philippine Scouts. Arrangements were made for some former Scouts to join the US Army in 1949 and become US citizens. Before he left for his overseas assignment, he applied for the pensions of the mothers, wives, and children of those who died during the war without compensation. He worked relentlessly at home after hours and through the night. The house was always full of people.

During the remainder of his career, he participated in the Korean War and later sent to Italy and other U.S. Army bases, and finally to Fort Ord, California where he was honorably medically discharged for hypertension with a rank of Sergeant First Class(SFC). He died in 1969 and buried with military honors in Pacific Grove, California.

References: Mrs. Conception Tatayon of Besao proper, Mrs. Dagoyen Daytec and Private First Class Manuel Baccangen of Katengngan, Kolasa Dagoyen of Tamboan, Private First Class Da-od Ladawayan Beswayen of Padangaan, Filipino WWII POW Archive.

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Program Highlights

Thursday, August 2, 2018 - 6:30 AM to 6:00 PM

6:30am - 3:30pm: IGO Golf Tournament and luncheon for golfers
8:00 am - 5:00 pm: Tour of Hawaii for Tour-registered participants
2:30 pm - 6:00pm: Registration – Ilima Lobby at Hale Koa

Friday, August 3, 2018 – 7:15 AM to 5:30 PM / 6:30 PM to 11:59 PM

Featuring:

Opening Ceremony; Color Detail; Singing of 3 National Anthems;
Cultural ceremony to request entry into the islands and approval by the Kahuna to enter and protection for the participants while in the Islands;
The Takba Ceremony; A journey back to the 1st IIC;
A speech and workshop on “General Generation”
Children’s Exhibit/Igorot Village;
Austronesian Diaspora Historical Ancestry Display; Native Artifacts display

WORKSHOP SESSIONS

1:45pm - 3:15pm:

GANGSA!; IGOROT ARTS Exhibits; JOURNEY FROM THE MOTHERLAND; CHILDREN’S WORKSHOP

3:15pm - 4:45pm:

POP CULTURE! (Learning about the Igorot tattoo and the rising influence of the Igorot culture all over the world); IGOROT ARTS (Exhibit/artifacts room); LANGUAGE; CHILDRENS WORKSHOP

4:45pm - 6:30pm: Hobnobbing time or time to prepare presentations for the Cultural Gala night

6:30pm to 11:59pm: Dinner & Cultural Gala Night

Featuring:

“One Global Nation” by Patrick McDonough;
Guest speaker Vicky Tauli Corpuz;
Cultural presentations by various attending groups from the Philippines, Europe, Australia & New Zealand, and the USA;
Cultural fashion show and a special presentation by BIBAK Hawaii
11:30pm: Tributes to IGO founding Fathers and BIBAK & Igorot Association leaders.

Saturday August 4th - 7:30 AM – 2:15 PM / 5:30 PM to 10:30 PM

Featuring:

IGO General Assembly meeting on the Status of the IGO;
The Igorot Scholarship Program Update –by ISP Chair Dr. Gaston Kibiten;
Traditional IIC14 Venue Bid;
Wrap-up presentations of Friday workshops;
Lunch and Close out Summary of Workshop Sessions

5:30pm - 10:30pm: LUAU at the Hale Koa Luau Gardens

Featuring:

Cocktails; Hawaiian Music; photo-ops; Luau Dinner;
Luau Show (Polynesian and Fire-eater dances);
Formal passing of the gongs to the delegates and hosts of IIC13 to be held in Tabuk, Kalinga, Philippines.

Sunday, August 5, 2018 – 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Featuring:

Sunday worship at St. Timothy’s Church in Aiea;
A visit on your own to nearby Arizona Memorial and a Lambak, Hawaii style,
Hosted by BIBAK Hawaii at the Rainbow Pavilion on Marina Bay.

Message from the IGO President

On behalf of the Igorot Global Organization (IGO) and the Council of Elders (COE), I would like to welcome each one of you to our 12th consultation. We are honored to have with us our key note speaker Victoria Tauli-Corpuz. We are also honored as guests of BIBAK Hawaii, our hosts in this beautiful state. We acknowledge the Tabuk delegation whose city will host the next IIC in 2020.

Our sincere gratitude for the fruition of this event goes out to the dedicated service of our principal organizers, the youth group with the chairman Amanda Abeya and Mark Watan under the direction of our CEO Edwin Abeya and the supportive role of our immediate past president, Mia Abeya and John Dyte, the editor of our souvenir program. A special shout out to all the volunteers locally and around the world as well as all the donors for the IGO Foundation, all the golf contributors and golfers; and the companies with their booths listed on your program. Please take a moment to meet them and thank them for their support.

Since this is my first opportunity after my election as president and chair of COE in 2016 I would like to take this time to thank everyone for the honor to serve this prestigious global organization.

You are all VIPs. Your presence here equals the success of this function.

Looking back at IGO's origin. We specially honor and remember the father who conceived the idea, the late Rex Botengan, may he rest in peace. Osdongam dacami amin so after this IIC we will be enlightened as to who and what we are. The birth place of this organization was in West Covina, California, the first IIC and given the Igorot name International Igorot Organization(IGO) by the group assigned to give the birth name.

IGO should be the catalyst for the collaboration of all Igorots in partnership with the government and the community at the site of our roots. When President George H. W. Bush spoke of the "thousand points of lights" he was speaking to each of us. Jesus said you are the light of the world let your light shine before man and give glory to God. The Baguio College hymn says "Hold high the torch let it shine in all corners throughout the world to lighten the course of darkness." These mean, "use your talents." Don't bury those talents with you when you depart this earth. What you take with you is gone forever, what you share, you leave behind and will stay forever.

During the General Assembly, I would like to propose that we find ways to actualize our mission and vision. It is good to discuss what is needed but we must equally plan for them to materialize. Join us at the General Assembly on Saturday, August 4, 2018 and let us work together to continue building the "Igorot Legacy."

Gloria Bawaan Simon



IIC12 PROJECT HAWAII

ALOHA IIC12 FRIENDS AND FAMILY!

23 years ago, I attended the very first IIC in West Covina, California.

I was 8 years old.

4 years ago in Vienna, Austria, with some encouragement from my generation,
I suggested that IIC12 should be in Hawaii.

And here we all are!

The IIC has always had a very special place in my heart.

These consultations really solidified how amazing our culture is with its history, dances, attire and stories. If you ask me, the best part of any IIC is making long lasting relationships with new friends, reconnecting with the old ones, and getting to meet your aunties, uncles, cousins, nephews, nieces, and other folks who are somehow also related to you! It is one big family.

Having the opportunity to help create an IIC in Hawaii all the way from Washington DC was quite the challenge. It took a whole team from all around the world to hold something as special as this. This is the first IIC where the next generation will be in charge of all workshops.

In this process, The Next Generation Igorot Leadership was born.

I'm very proud of what my parents have done in their commitment to preserve our Igorot culture.

My personal mission is to keep these IIC's going for as long as I can so that every generation going forward can experience what it has done for me.

And that, my friends, is Advancing and Coming Full Circle!



Amanda Abeya
IIC12 Overall Chair





Special Message from
Governor David Y. Ige
In Recognition of the
12th Igorot International
Consultation

August 2-5, 2018

Over the past 100 years, thousands of Filipinos, including the Igorot people, migrated to Hawai'i, making countless contributions to our state and enriching the local culture. On behalf of the state of Hawai'i, I send a warm aloha to the honored guests, family, and friends gathered here for the 12th Igorot International Consultation in Waikiki, O'ahu. The theme of this year's consultation, "Igorot Generations – Advancing and Coming Full Circle," is special to the Igorot people of Hawai'i as they remain connected to and celebrate their heritage.

The Igorot people are the indigenous tribes from the Cordillera mountains, one of the most beautiful landscapes on the island of Luzon in the Philippines. Living across six provinces, numbering over 1.5 million, each of the more than 20 different tribes have its own unique language, beliefs, and traditions. Their diversity adds to our diversity in Hawai'i. They bring to the islands a heritage of strength and perseverance.

From across the world, the Igorot people come together as one core community at the 12th International Consultation in Hawai'i. Mahalo nui loa to the Igorot Global Organization, BIBAK Hawai'i, keynote speakers and all participants for celebrating the beauty of the Igorots, their history and culture. Have a wonderful and successful consultation as you move forward to advance the Igorots for generations to come.

With warmest regards,

DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai'i



CONSULATE GENERAL OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
HONOLULU

MESSAGE

My heartfelt greetings of *Aloha* and *Mabuhay* to the participants of the 12th Igorot International Consultation, a four-day gathering in Honolulu, Hawaii, organized by the Igorot Global Organization, which brings together Igorots coming from various parts of the world, that involves discussions, workshops and cultural presentations on your chosen theme: "Advancing and Coming Full Circle".



Allow me to join our Igorot community in warmly welcoming our compatriots from the Cordilleras to Hawaii, an island state which highly values the preservation, practice and perpetuation of cultural identity and heritage. It is in this context that the Igorot Global Organization exemplifies a model Igorot organization as its members are dedicated to pursuing the preservation of their authentic Igorot culture, customs and traditions, while endeavoring to adapt to life in their new communities.

I am pleased to note that this year's gathering is being spearheaded by the Next Generation of Igorot Leaders. We at the Philippine Consulate General strongly encourage engagement by the youth. We believe that it is vital that the next generation of global Filipinos be involved. It is our hope that they do their part and contribute as agents of change, so together we may realize a more unified community and a more prosperous Philippines.

I offer my best wishes to the members of the Igorot Global Organization for the success of this event. May the fervor or your commitment – as you, at the same time provide an important network of mutual support for each other – remain strong.

I look forward to being informed of the outcomes of your consultations. *Maraming salamat po and Mabuhay kayong lahat!*



JOSECIITO A. JIMENO
Consul General

2 August 2018



MESSAGE FROM MAYOR KIRK CALDWELL



I am pleased to send my warmest aloha to Igorot Global Organization members and guests from around the world who are gathered at the Hale Koa Hotel on Waikiki Beach for the 12th Biennial Igorot International Consultation. O'ahu is known as "The Gathering Place" and we are pleased to have you convene here to share knowledge, celebrate your cultural heritage, and explore ideas for perpetuating your indigenous Cordillera culture through Igorot descendants no matter where they live.

I had the pleasure of visiting Baguio City in 2014 and meeting Mayor Mauricio Domogan during the 24th Trade Mission to the Philippines organized by the Filipino Chamber of Commerce of Hawai'i. The Sister-City relationship between Baguio City and Honolulu was established in 1995 and officially renewed in 2012. It strengthens the bonds of friendship between our nations, highlights the unique connection between Igorots and Native Hawaiians, and will continue to foster a shared future of diverse, multi-ethnic communities.

Mahalo to the global members of the Next Generation Igorot Leadership who initiated the selection of Hawai'i as the venue of the 12th Biennial Igorot International Consultation. We invite you to also relax and renew during your visit as you take in the spectacular natural beauty of our island, the many interesting activities available to our guests, and the friendly aloha spirit of our people.

On behalf of the people of the City and County of Honolulu, I extend best wishes to everyone for a memorable and productive gathering. E komo mai!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kirk Caldwell".

Kirk Caldwell



Republic of the Philippines
OFFICE OF THE CITY MAYOR
City Government of Baguio



MESSAGE

On behalf of my family, the people and officialdom of Baguio City, we would like to extend our warmest greetings and congratulations to the officers and members of the Igorot Global Organization (IGO), the Next Generation Igorot Leadership and BIBAK Hawaii for spearheading the conduct of the 12th Igorot International Conference (IIC) which will be held in Honolulu, Hawaii on 02-05 August 2018.

In the global arena, Igorots are now trying to showcase their resilience that allowed them to survive the difficulties of living in the hinterlands of the Cordilleras and now exposed to the rapid changes in the present information age. From being minorities in the depressed areas in our region, Igorots are now found in the different parts of the global village because of their verdant desire to look for greener pasture to provide decent living conditions for their families whom they brought with them or those who are left behind in their places of origin.

We are elated over the active participation of the young Igorots in our biennial gathering because we need the youth to learn our rich culture and traditions considering that they will be the ones to pass the same to the upcoming generations of Igorots. Let us not allow our time-honored indigenous systems to fade away, thus, the need for us to work double time in inspiring our youth to embrace our best practices which we were able to inherit from our ancestors amidst the inter-marriages that we have gone through over the past several decades.

Our theme “Igorot Generations Advancing and Coming Full Circle” comes in a very fitting and opportune time because we will be gathered to tackle various issues and concerns relative to our identity as indigenous peoples (IPs) in the different parts of the world that will hopefully lead us to greater heights in the places where we are situated. Let us continue to strengthen our interactions not only through the traditional means of doing so but also through the social media and keep everyone posted on the issues and concerns affecting the IPs around the world and make our voices be heard by policy and decision makers so that our welfare will be protected by the policies crafted by governments around the world.

Again, our warmest greetings and congratulations to one and all.

Matagotago tako am-in!


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Begnas Bauko

Photo by Alan Apolinar



Lang-ay Bontoc

Photo by Cesar Castro



Lang-ay Natonin

Photo by Alan Apolinar

The Story of Us

In these eyes adventures wait to unfold
In these outstretched arms are friendships to come
In these childhood bonds are partnerships for a better world
In the soles of their bare feet is a tenderness for home

As they journey towards their dreams
They will find family among us
We will not be family with strange customs
We will dance as they danced
We will gather as they gathered
We will hold sacred the same hopes

They will complete our circle
As we have completed the
circle of our ancestors



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Gloria O. Simon

President Igorot Global Organization

Gloria O. Simon is a retired nurse who traces her ancestry to Payeo, Besao, Mountain Province. She graduated elementary from Easter School in Guisad, Baguio City and graduated High School at St. Mary's School in Sagada, Mountain Province in 1957.



Thereafter, she joined her father who just retired from the U.S. Army and completed her Nursing Diploma from St. Luke's School of Nursing, Denver, Colorado in 1962 and commissioned into the U.S. Air Force in 1965. While in the Air Force, she received a Flight Nurse Diploma at the school of Aerospace Medicine, Brooks Air Force Base in Texas.

Gloria resigned her commission in 1967 to raise her family. While raising her children, she managed to earn a Master in Education in 1977 from the University of the Philippines Extension at Clark AFB, Angeles City, Philippines. She went on to get a Bachelor of Science in Nursing from Cameron University, Lawton, Oklahoma in 1979.

She rejoined the Air Force in 1980 to repay her student loan through service. She left the Air Force in 1988 and entered federal service at the West Side Veterans Medical center now called Jesse Brown from 1989 to 2009



Gloria was President of the Philippine Nurses Association in Illinois in 2003-2005 and re-elected in 2016. She was elected in the Board of Directors under four Presidents for the Illinois Nurses Association (INA) and then to the American Nurses Association in Illinois. She authored the resolution on "Patient-Nurse ratio" to improve patient care which was passed unanimously at the INA House of Delegates and passed by the Illinois Legislature into law. She is currently a member of the Foreign Nurse Graduate Committee to advocate and improve the process for foreign nurse graduates in obtaining an Illinois nurse license. She was selected as one of the Ambassador delegates of the American Nurses Association to the first Sino-US International Nursing conference under the Eisenhower People to People Ambassador Program that was held in Beijing, China. She was also selected as one of the 30 American Red Cross Nurses to the Red Cross International convention in Geneva, Switzerland in 2016.

Gloria is a recipient of many awards but two stand out because they mark the period of her generation. She received a U.S. Air Force commendation medal as well as from the Red Cross for her participation in Operation Babylift. From April 3 to April 26, 1975 at the end of the Vietnam War, over 10,000 infants and children were evacuated and adopted by families around the world. The second award is from the Asian-American Hall Of Fame in Nursing Leadership in 2008. This latter award needs no explanation.

She was married to the late Donald T. Simon, Captain (06), United States Public Health Commissioned Corps/USAF from St. Paul, Minnesota. They are blessed with four children; five grandchildren, two great grandchildren. Christina M. is married to Steve Ramos with two children (Ashley and Ross) and two grandchildren (Anden and Ambrey). Angela M. is married to Jeff Berger. Julianne M. is married to Bruno Janeiro with a 9 month old boy Andre and Thomas D. Simon is married to Natalie Huber with two children Nina and Jack.



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Patrick McDonough

(Keynote Speaker, 12th Igorot International Consultation, Honolulu, Hawaii. 3 Aug 2018)

I arrived in the Philippines in 1976 as a Peace Corps volunteer. I was 19 years old with blonde shoulder length hair from New York City. We were an eclectic group of newly graduated college kids, retired couples and hippies. We joined the Peace Corps for different reasons. Some joined for idealism, career development or to get away from an ex-girlfriend. I joined for the adventure. All my life I was fascinated with National Geographic magazines and dreamed of exotic peoples. I was there to live that dream. I did not leave until I was 28.



Today, the Igorot Nation is facing interesting challenges and great opportunities. We are approaching a demographic tipping point that is changing the Igorot psyche. There is incessant migration away from our villages. Over the last 50 years, people have left their villages to work in the mines and the cities and immigrated to other countries. It is a steady flow of people leaving our villages. Those who have left are raising their children away from the village and now those children have their own children. It is compounding.

For the first time in our history we are approaching a point where more people who associate themselves as “i-Mainit” live outside the village of Mainit; more Kabayan people live outside the municipality of Kabayan; more Banaue people live outside the town of Banaue than in it. That’s the tipping point.

The 2008 census showed 1,124 people living in Mainit. If 100 people leave Mainit and each have 4 children, that’s 400 people. If each child gets married and have 4 children, that is 1600 people which is more than live in Mainit in only 2 generations or about 40 years. How many people have immigrated from Mainit? My guess is thousands. Thousands.

More people from each village now live in a different country. Our Igorot nation is larger than many people imagine. We are global.

What does this global Igorot Nation mean for our future? The fabric of our culture will be stretched and influenced by outside forces making it difficult to retain an Igorot identity. Those of us a little longer in years, see it most clearly. Depending on how we swing the pendulum our culture will either grow or fade. One of our major strengths is that no matter where we go we continue to identify ourselves as Igorot. Our desire to preserve the culture is even stronger. Those of us abroad have to look for the Igorot identity, we have to seek it out, try to remember what it is exactly. It becomes elusive, but we persist, and we consciously try to retain that identity, and teach it to our children.

I grew up in Bontoc during my formative years. I became a man in Bontoc and gladly remain an Igorot by heart, if not by soul. Marjorie Tudlong and I have been married 34 years. Marjorie is the daughter of Arnold Tudlong who drove the Emmanuel Bontoc-Tabuk route for many years. We have one son in Dallas. PJ has an amazing girlfriend, I am hoping he’ll pull the trigger and get me some grandkids! That’s the next stage of my life. And I’m getting a little impatient. We go to see the family after the IIC.

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Reverend Jay Sapaen Watan

The Rev. Jay Sapaen Watan is the school chaplain and associate for youth ministry at St. Ambrose Episcopal Church in Foster City, CA. He also teaches religion at St. Matthew's Episcopal Day School in San Mateo, CA; and serves as a Chaplain in the United States Army Reserves. He studied Social Science and Asian Americans studies at San Francisco State University, and earned his Masters of Divinity from The Church Divinity School of the Pacific. His professional experience includes education, law enforcement, and military service.



Jay's family is one of the founding members of the BIBAK of Northern California, and along with mentors in education and in the faith, he inherited the importance of family, home, and respect his Filipino American and Igorot heritage. As a priest of Episcopal Church and spiritual guide, he is passionate about creating circles of trust that honor the soul, connect our truth, and invite the experience of love unconditional. Finding possibilities, discovering our story, and cultivating our ethnic identity consciousness has been Jay's life mission.

Jay resides with his wife (Lilian), two children (Rowan and Kieran), and dog (Augie), in the Outer Mission District of San Francisco. He takes great joy watching his extended family live into their full being. Jay's many interest includes: traveling the world, ukulele, drums, Igorot ganza, photography, church architecture, food adventures, beaches, rucking, bowling, target sports, martial arts, road trips and good cars, Star Trek, Star Wars, San Francisco 49ers football, Golden State Warriors Basketball, and San Francisco Giants Baseball.

“Live into love. Life's waiting... lets go!”

INANDAKO'S BED AND BREAKFAST

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YOUR
HOME

IN THE

MOUNTAINS

People in Sagada call or address mothers by attaching the name of their first born. Ina, like the Filipino term is an Igorot term for 'mother'; Inan in Kankanaey means 'mother of'. Thus, the term inandako means 'mother of Dako'. The owner's son's gubbaw name or Igorot name is Dako, shortened from Didako - the Igorot name of his paternal great grandfather.

Kankana-ey is the language spoken by the people of Mountain Province and some parts of Benguet in the Northern part of the Philippines.

Gubbaw is a naming ritual in the i-Sagada culture. When a baby is born, he or she is given an Igorot name from his or her parental lineage to keep the name alive across generations.

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THIS PAGE IS DEDICATED TO FIDEL AND FLORA BAWING.

The IGO would like to encourage cyclists to grow the IGO Global Cycling Fundraising Team.

Raleigh Agdaca has been regularly raising funds through cycling for the IGO Scholarship program(ISP) since 2008. In the second year, Raleigh raised PhP 130,000 from donors around the world.

2008 PhP	60,000
2009 PhP	130,000
2010 PhP	120,000
2011 PhP	110,000
2012 PhP	40,000
2013 PhP	55,000
2014 PhP	85,000

All alone, Raleigh has raised PhP 600,000 for Scholarships.

In 2016, he was joined by Dukaw Cadiogan and Chester Feliciano. Together, they raised

Australia	\$859
Canada	\$100
Philippines	PhP 2,000 Pesos
The Netherlands	€150 Euros
United Kingdom	£943 Pound Sterling
United States	\$900

In 2017, the three of them raised over \$2,000 US dollars for the ISP

If you are a cyclist, consider joining this amazing team!



Raleigh Agdaca
Melbourne
MABIKA-Australia



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London
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Igorot-UK

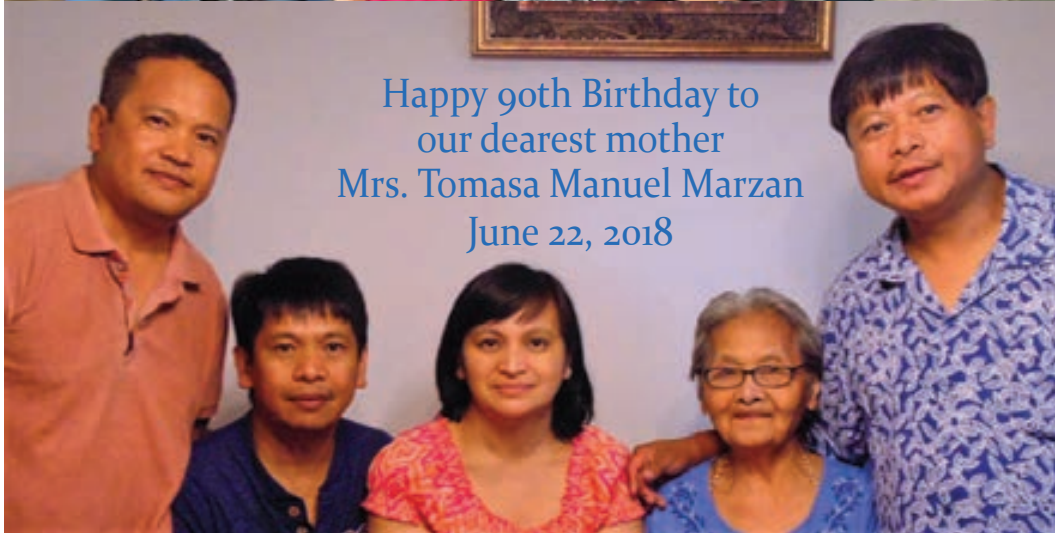


From your children:

*Ofelia,
Jose,
Helen,
Conrado,
Serafin,
Arsenio,
Rafael,
Mario,
Diana,
Eduardo,
Julia,
Ramonette*



*& from all your in-laws
& grandkids
& great-grandkids*



**Happy 90th Birthday to
our dearest mother
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In Salutation Of The Igorot Men And Women Who Risked Their Lives For Democracy And Freedom



One of the last remaining survivors of the Igorot Philippine Scouts is Dab-od Ladawen Beswayen. He is also known by Epiphanio Beswayan and Thomas Ladawan but everyone back home knows him as Dab-od. He has many stories about the war and as a reflection of the true face of war, the stories are bits and pieces of events. Some that seem mundane today remain the most vivid for the survivor and events that occur in an instant redefines the rest of ones life. Dab-od recollects his first encounter in a gun fight as an endless field of sunflowers but when the fighting stopped, he was the last man standing. Dab-od never knew how many they fought in any particular battle and in some cases never saw the enemy during the fight. Towards the end of the war, he was assigned to the 66th Infantry 2nd Battalion F Company and were sent to "Bad-ayan" now known as Buguias, Benguet. There was fighting but he said, "It was short". The Japanese had surrendered.

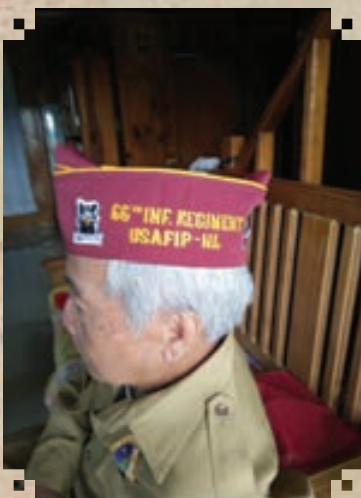
No doubt that war is harrowing enough for one to experience but sometimes you must also bear witness to the tragedy of others which can be equally painful. Dab-od recounts how his friend Leon Bawaan did not arrive in time to save a friend. He was taken prisoner and killed. But some simple acts makes one smile such as when he noted how Leon Bawaan traded a pistol for a prisoner to be set free.

Dab-od worked at the Acoje mines in Zambales for 42 years and retired in 1988. Like other war veterans, he put aside all painful war memories. He worked with other veterans at the mines. He credits his wife for emotional support and understanding. He became a Kagawad#1 Barangay Captain and counselor in Besao. He worked to stop gambling and drunkenness as well as stopped using payment as punishment instead do road works and other municipal jobs.

He left Besao at his wife's request before she died. She made him promise that he will move to Baguio so that nearby family can take care of him. Some of their children live in Baguio.

Currently, he lives a quiet life in Baguio and puts on his military uniform on Veterans Day and joins soldiers to be honored in Manila. He had been experiencing that kailians do not seem to respect former Philippine Scouts. It is only when they go to Manila and meet the officers of the Philippine military that are they saluted and given respect for their service for their country.

Betty Bawaan



**Warm Greetings to all
IIC-12 Delegates**



Eric and Perlita Espadero & Family

Delen Family

To My Alapos

To my dear Alapos Thomas and Rosalina
Not a day goes by that I don't think about you
So few and faded are the photographs you left behind
But I kept the best in my heart - memories
I remember –

How you toiled under the heat of the Kalinga Sun
Growing peas, lima beans, sweet potatoes, squash
Fruit bearing trees - mabolo, santol, mangoes, oranges flourished
Blessed with a green thumb and a noble farmer's heart
You showered the land with respect and the land loved you back

Your kitchen was the best gathering place
Where cousins and I gathered, impatiently sniffing, craving
Champorado bubbling on the stove, inkiwar stirring in the pot
Corn or tambo tambong swimming in sweet coconut milk
Black, white or red beans boiling with etag



Dominga, Karen, Lolo Thomas and Lola Rosalina at the St. Thomas Parish Church (L to R)



Margaret, Dominga and Patricia (L to R)



Frank, Mary, Greg (Back row L to R); Margaret, Lola Rosalina, Patricia, Lolo Thomas, Dominga (Front row L to R)

Our miryenda trips to Mr. Wong's Bakery – pandesal, pinya roll
My favorite was the bread pudding
How delicious they were under the shade of the Acacia tree
On your kitchen table paired with a cup of hot cocoa
With dangling little feet, we devoured them on your front steps

Alapo Rosalina, radiant with the beads around your neck
The snake bone wrapped around your thick, dark hair
The beautiful colors, texture and strands of your inabel tapis
Soft spoken yet firm, you were the light and beacon of the home
Courageous and strong, ever loving and caring

Alapo Thomas, simple and a man of few words
Yet when you spoke, you commanded the audience
One look from you and our naughtiness were quelled
Firm and direct, you were the teacher and adviser
A respected elder but first and foremost a father

You may be gone but your legacy lives through us
Our past and present are woven in the depths of our being
We can only face the future with honor and courage
If we appreciate where we came from
Without our Alapos, we are nothing.
Without our Alapos, we are not here

By Karen D. Neeley

A Tribute to Tagay Antero and Victoria Antero Apolinar

By Maria Cristina Apolinar Abeya

Someone once said that “*Beyond the extraordinary, emerges that which is flawless.*” The Igorot woman is a product of an extraordinary background.

Imagine her early beginnings - raised to be man's shadow in what others may view as the most primitive of environments. She bore and raised her children in a simple hut with the ground for a floor, cogon grass for a roof and fire from wood for heat. In the nine months that she would bear her baby, she does not have the luxury of pre-natal visits, no la-maze classes, no trips to some trendy shop for cravings or baby furniture, no baby shower. Instead, she follows her husband to the fields, to some steep mountain, to till the soil, to plant crop, to harvest and carry home heavy loads for the family. AND yet, through each birth, she does not scream, she does not cry out, she does not curse, she merely anticipates, in great quiet strength, the birth of a new life.



She was never asked what her affairs but she did not question her mission which is to help raise Her ROLE – partner of strength in husband's wisdom; doing the best in simple rituals during family gatherings; raising her children in the same way her parents raised her; living the rule “NAN-TOMO-TONG-TSO”.

opinion was on family or political why. Instead, she quietly assumed her family and serve her husband. marriage – never questioning her with what was available; finding joy in simple things; raising her children in the same way her parents raised her; living the rule of the farm; and entrusting each day to

This was her life - pure and simple. No western civilization, just the plain and simple Igorot village - an “existence in nature's bosom”. Life was governed by the rule of the farm, the rule of nature. “To everything, there was a season” and if a woman was fit, she survived the seasons. The values that she would pass on to her children would be patience, moral strength, fidelity, hard work and respect for nature, as well as, for humankind.

Then came the war. We would see the Igorot woman serving alongside with the men in her tapis, barefoot, but brave and persistent. I know for a fact that Igorot women carried heavy loads on their heads to bring supplies to American soldiers. I know for a fact that Igorot women mounted horses and carried messages for Filipino and American soldiers. The role she took would in fact play an important part in winning the war.

After the war, came WESTERN civilization. The Igorot woman grows out of the Igorot village into very different cultures. She is SENT to school right along with the boys. She learns of new ways of cooking, new ways of dressing, and new ideas. She learns that she can work away from the fields, be a teacher, a nurse or even a lawyer. She learns to compete not only with other women but also with men. With each discovery, she moves further and further away from her simple beginnings into the western world's complexities of life. She is met with challenges regarding her beginnings, her language, the way she dresses, dances, the food she eats, her culture. Others view her with derogatory connotations of “unchristian” and “uncivilized”. She holds her head high. Little by little her highland pride overpowers lowland prejudice.

She marries into new cultures. She charges hard toward education in every sense of the word.

She assimilates into other cultures but through it all, she clings to her Igorot soul, beliefs, mores, and values. She raises her children as her parents would have raised her – with the fierceness of a mountain lion protecting her cubs; with the purity and gentleness of a dove that sows peace and tranquility; and with wisdom and respect for the unseen, for nature, and for humankind. This is how she was taught from birth in that simple Igorot village. – She goes through life with these words ringing in her head - “Inayan”, “Anosam”, “enfikas-ka”, “Wad-ay nan Tomo-tong-tso”, “Ipeyas nan khawis”, and “Khatinam nan nga-ag”.

This is her role
yesterday, today and
tomorrow.

Embrace the good of her
Igorot upbringing and
ensure the
perpetuity of these
morals in her life and
her children’s lives.

Thank you Ikit Tagay!

Thank you Mama!





This page pays tribute to Ama Ricario Dowagan Abeya and Ina Flora Bondad Abeya who started it all.

Dowagan – known to his peers as 'Kolot' due to his popular soot curly hair – first met Flora, 8 years his junior, in an elementary school in south-central Sagada. Their wonderfully bizarre life story begins when Kolot tells Flora, 'Siksiknek sika Flora et awnit ko asawaen sika' (*I will wait for you to get older then I will marry you*) – a promise he would fulfill years later.

An unusual turn of events would lead Kolot stowing away on a ship bound for the USA and ending up in the care of Episcopalians in Seattle WA. Always proud of his Igorot roots, he would often face ridicule even from his own countrymen that it became sufficient to say a considerable part of this boy's coming-of-age story would involve him fighting discrimination, sometimes with his fists – as he would challenge the naysayers to boxing matches which he would win. He would eventually graduate from Broadway High School in 1934 before going back home to the Philippines and marrying Flora on April the next year. He would subsequently become Mayor of Sagada as the world entered World War II.

Decades later, in 1983, Kolot and Flora opened their home, A7House (Abeya 7), to tourists visiting the then emerging tourist town. Among their first guests was a party of 16 westerners composed of Englishmen, Canadians, and Americans. They now have 23 grandchildren, 54 great grandchildren, and 9 great great grandchildren.

Our father and mother asked of us before they passed away: *Your presence or help in times of sorrow and joy of anyone is important. Be hospitable, be generous, do all the good you can and remember that all that we have is from God.*

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GREETINGS TO THE WORLDWIDE ORGANIZERS & PARTICIPANTS OF THE 12TH INTERNATIONAL IGOROT CONSULTATION!

Left to Right (4th row)

Faith Costina
Angelina Caoili
Florence Sakol
Emily Costina
Teofila de Asis

Lourdes Molintas

Josephine Abalos

Malely Palaksa

Dionisia Pinas Belgica

Left to Right (3rd row)
Flora Mencio
Carmen Buteng
Aida Mencio
Florence Licyayo
Jane Abobo Depaynos
Hilda Moy Gonzales
Angelina Costina

Digna Dorot
Dyte

Joyce Abobo
Kimps

Miss Delezo

Miss Diaz

Irene Dulnuan
Guinid

Left to Right (2nd row)
Concepcion Bahingawan

Florence Green
Maxima Ogas
Isabel Langdis Espiritu
Ester Saturnino
Dorothy Oidi
Gloria Encarnacion
Anastasia Bahingawan

Pine Tree Troop #18
Girl Scouts Of the Philippines
Trinidad Agricultural School 1950-1951

Girl Scouts of the Philippines
Department of Education
1950-1951

**Baguio Hymn
Composer**

1932-2016



Arnulfo Badasen Cadangen



Baguio Hymn composer passes on

Through council resolution 107, series of 2016, the city honors the late Arnulfo Badasen Cadangen who provided the lyrics and melody of the Baguio Hymn.



Entitled "Baguio: Haven for all," the hymn, now sang in all official programs and activities of the local government of Baguio, serves as a legacy for the 1932-born, native of Mankayan, Benguet and Alab, Bontoc, Mt. Province. He settled in Baguio, worked for an academic-based printing press; raised a brood of five, and passed

on last May 26.

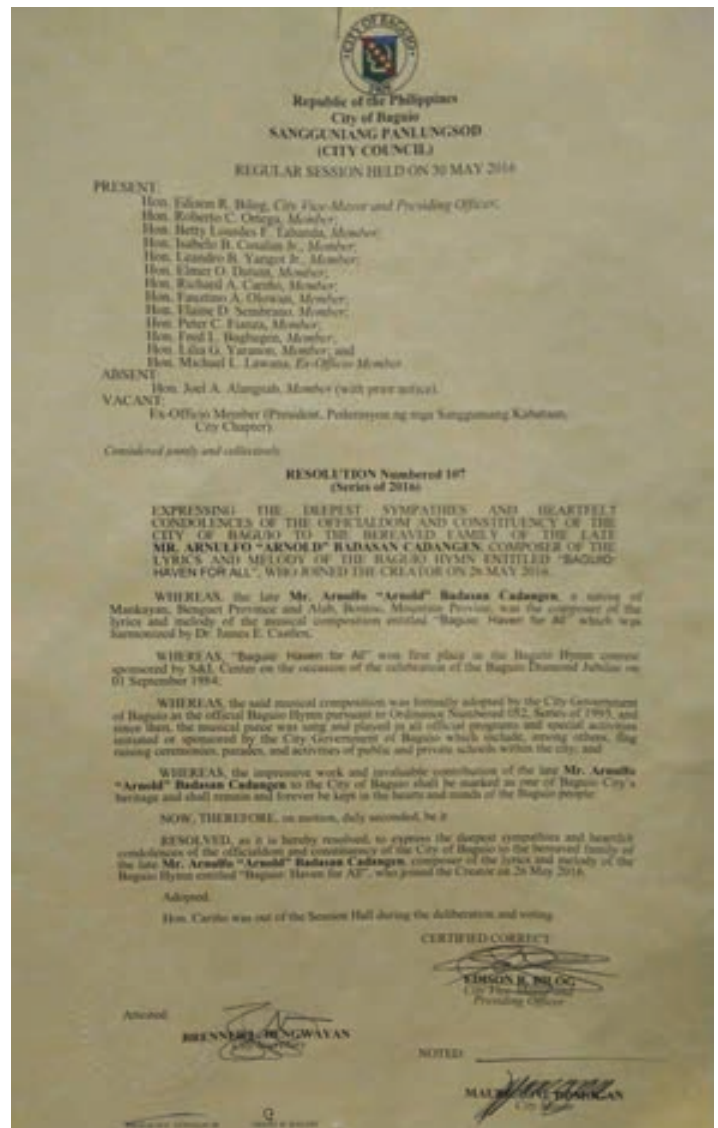
In an interview, daughter Joy said the elder Cadangen is a music lover; thus the precise cut of the song to win first place in the hymn contest sponsored by S & L center celebrating the Baguio Diamond Jubilee in 1984. The hymn was harmonized by Dr. James Castlen.

The song was formally adopted by the city government of Baguio as the official Baguio Hymn through approved ordinance 052, series of 1993.

The hymn, described by the city council in the resolution as "impressive and invaluable" shall be marked as one of the city's "heritage and shall remain and forever kept in the hearts and minds of the Baguio people."

The resolution was read by Councilor Fred Bagbagen and handed over by Mayor Mauricio Domogan to widow Aslene Saldo Cadangen, in simple ceremonies Monday afternoon at the Twin Chapels of Resurrection Cathedral, Magsaysay avenue.

Cadangen, 84, was laid to rest at the Baguio Memorial Park, Tuesday morning. -juliegfianza



Baguio: Haven for All

Lyrics/Melody by:
ARNOLD S. CADANGAN
University of Baguio

Harmonized by:
DR. JAMES E. CASTLE
Philippine Baptist
Theological Seminary
Baguio City

O Ba-guio ha-ven for all peo-ple, For you we thank the Lord and God of all,
Your count-less wonders known a-far and near, Your ver-dant hills oft kissed by clouds of pearl,
For a-ny race — wheth-er dark or light, None can re-sist your great — in-vite,

Pine-sift-ed sun-shine, air we breathe so fresh Tran-quil beau-ty and in-vig-or- at-ing breeze,
Myriad flow-ers bloom so beau-ti-ful in you, Like chil-dren of ev-'ry land and hue,
To love and live in you for ev-er, Our E-den dream and gift of the Cre-a-tor.

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●FIRST PLACE WINNER in the Baguio Hymn Contest sponsored by S & L CENTER on the occasion of the BAGUIO DIAMOND JUBILEE - September 1, 1984.

Baguio: Lungsod, Kanlungan ng Lahat

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Ba-guio Lung-sod, Kan-lu-ngan ng la-hat, Kay Bat-ha-lang pu-ri't pa-sa-la-mat,
Ang gan-da mo'y ba-tid sa mun-do, Laging u-lap hu-ma-he-lik sa 'yo,
Wa-la sa a-ming mga ta-o Ang ta-tang-gi sa pa-an-ya-ya mo,

Kalu-su-gan, Ka-pa-ya-pa-an, Sa in-yo la-mang na-min ma-ta-tag-pu-an,
Bulak-lak et pi-no ay ma-la-la-go Tu-lad ng mga ma-ma-yan di-to,
Na la-sa-pin sa ha-bang pa-na-hon, E-den na bi-ya-ya ng Pangkalo no-co.

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& Best Wishes
to a
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*Bob Osilla
Charisse Pizzaro Osilla*

The Igorot International Consultations (IICs)

IIC-1. September, 1995

Location. West Covina California

Theme. Looking to the future of the Igorots

The first IIC was hosted by BIBAK Los Angeles and was attended by about 500 participants from the United States, Canada, Europe, Australia and the Philippines. Topics of discussion and other major parts of the program included Culture and Igorots, Profile of the Igorots Today in America, Religion and the Igorot, Search for a Common BIBAK Identity, and The Proposed Philippine Cordilleran Autonomy. It was at this time that a resolution was submitted to create an international organization to work with various BIBAK organizations from all over the world. Because of lack of time however, the resolution was tabled for the next IIC.





Rey & Maggie Quinsaas & family
Tabuk, Kalinga - Apayao
Jersey City, New Jersey

Matago tago amin!!



The Igorot International Consultations (IICs)

IIC-2. July 1997

Location. Arlington, Virginia

Theme: "Respecting Our Heritage: Adapting to our Environment."

The second IIC was hosted by BIMAK DC and was attended by about 500 representatives from around the world including about a dozen politicians from the Cordillera Region. Topics discussed with speakers and panelists included: Mountains, Beauty and Culture, Exploring Cultural Heritage and Identity; Arts and Culture, Adapting to New Environment in the Health Profession, in the Military, in Business, and in Engineering, Political Empowerment, and Bridging the Generational Cultural Gap.

From Rex Botengan on 2013

"At the 2nd Consultation, BIMAK DC, then headed by Mia Abeya, presented a resolution to form an umbrella organization that would kind of coordinate programs of the various Bibak/Igorot/Cordillera organizations around the world. The idea of an international organization was universally acceptable, I think by the conferees, but to name the organization "Igorot" was vehemently objected by a minority.

A clarifying resolution was then presented to change the name "Igorot International Consultation" to Cordillera International Consultation, and to name a consequent international organization "Cordillera International Organization" instead of using the term Igorot to describe such an emerging organization.

The resolution to change Igorot to Cordillera evoked a heated and passionate debate, but in the end the vote was 80% in favor of using the word Igorot, and only 20% favored Cordillera.

With the Igorot name retained, another resolution was passed to form a Committee to work the mechanics, structure, programs, and purpose of an international umbrella organization. The Chair of IIC-2, Mia Abeya, then called for volunteers to the organizing committee, which was called the Planning Committee. Rex Botengan was chosen to chair the Planning Committee to plan an international organization for presentation at the 3rd IIC in Baguio City."

ALOHA

TO ALL PARTICIPANTS OF THE
12TH IGOROT
INTERNATIONAL
CONSULTATION



FROM

THE PARADEZA OHANA
OF HAWAII

The Igorot International Consultations (IICs)

IIC-3. April 2000

Location. Baguio City, the Philippines

Theme. Igorot Identity and Empowerment: Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow

The third IIC was hosted by dedicated Igorot/Cordilleran leaders at the Green Valley Resort in Baguio City. It was attended by more than 500 participants from around the world. The 3-day convention featured the presentation of papers, workshops, open forums, and general sessions. The major topics discussed included: Who Are the Igorots?, Igorot Initiatives and Accomplishments, Changing Times and Challenges, Cultural Heritage Development, and What are the Immediate and Long Term Issues that the Igorots Must Address Collectively?



GOOD LUCK AND MORE POWER TO THE IGO AND BIBAK WORLD WIDE



Laarni and Tony de Guzman
of
Houston, Texas & Baguio City

The Igorot International Consultations (IICs)

IIC-4. June 2002

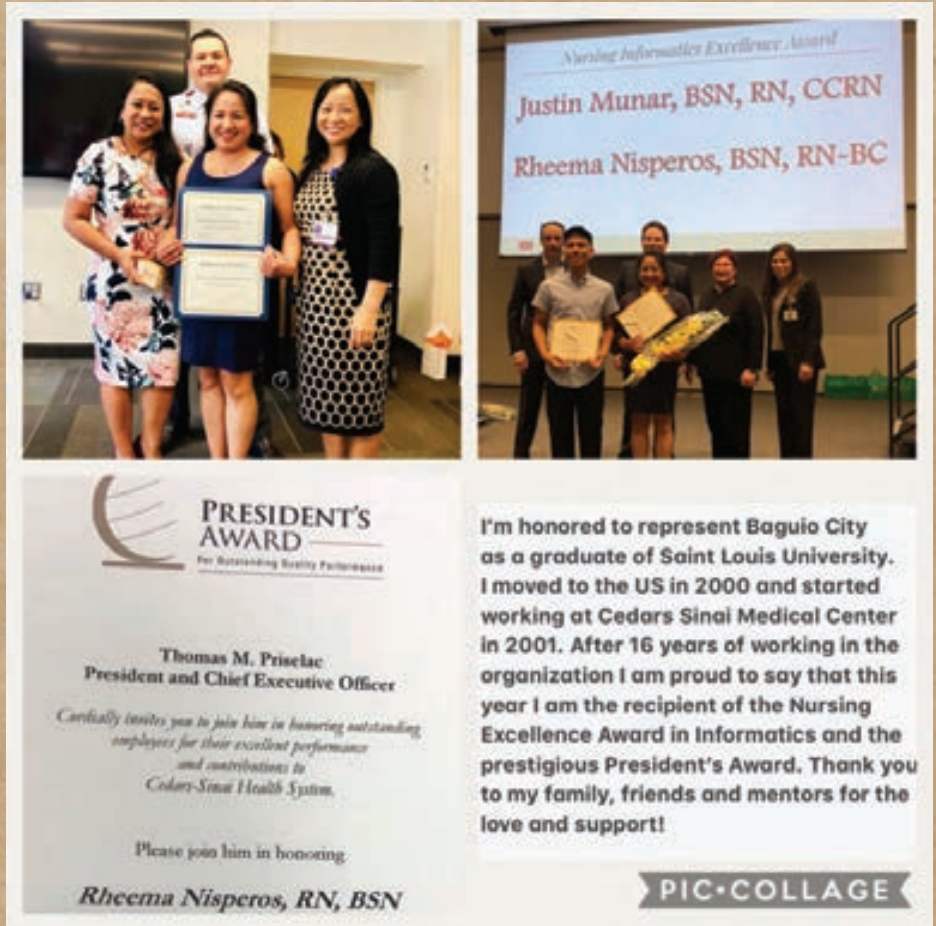
Location. London, England

Theme. Igorot Roots to the Future; Perspective on Igorot Responses to Globalization

The fourth IIC was hosted by Igorot-UK at the South Place Ethnical Society, Conway Hall, and the British Museum. A total of 506 participants registered during the first day of the Consultation, increasing to 638 British guests and delegates on the third day, at the British Museum. The three-day conference focused on development issues and challenges that continuously affect Igorots in the 21st century. Workshop topics and activities included, but not limited to: Land Issues and Loss of Land and Culture, Igorot Values and Beliefs in the Modern World; Culture on the Edge, The need for the empowerment of Igorots through education, political mobilization and advocacy to encourage participation in knowing and exercising their rights as Indigenous peoples, The struggle in the implementation of customary laws and national laws in the Cordillera when it comes to ancestral lands and political structures, and Conflict on the interpretation of the ownership, utilization and possession of land, forest and other resources.



Congratulations Rheema!



The Igorot International Consultations (IICs)

IIC-5. July 2004

Location. St. Louis, Missouri, USA

Theme. St. Louis – To The World

The fifth IIC was hosted and planned by BIMAK DC and BIBAK Los Angeles with assistance from BIBAK Texas, IGO Melbourne, and IGO Philippines. It was held in St. Louis, Missouri to coincide with the centennial celebration of the St. Louis World's Fair of 1904. One hundred years ago, a group of indigenous tribes from North Central Philippines called Igorots, were on display at the 1904 World's Fair in St. Louis, Missouri. One hundred years later, descendants of these Igorots return to St. Louis to participate in the centennial celebration of the 1904 World's Fair and to attend the 5th Igorot International Consultation. This was an historic event. In attendance were over 500 attendees from all over the globe and from all walks of life. They came and participated and experienced an Igorot cultural and education extravaganza – workshops, seminars, exhibits, trade booths, an ecumenical memorial service, a grand reunion; a showcase of Igorot pride, intelligence, simplicity, and vision for the future.



Aloha to the IGO

Baby Jhana, Desiree and Wayland Quintero



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The Igorot International Consultations (IICs)

IIC-6. August 2006

Location. Melbourne, Australia

Theme. A More Tolerant World through Cultural Sharing

The 6th IIC was hosted by the MABIKA ANZ. "Those of you who know something about Australian history likely know that the Australian Aborigine had a much harder time during the colonial period than any Filipino Igorot. They were literally considered animals and were hunted for various reasons. After thousands died from diseases that the Europeans brought, more thousands died from bullets. They faced horrific trials throughout their history, trials that taught them valuable lessons we can learn from. That is the sentiment behind our theme "A more tolerant world through cultural sharing". We are hosting a conference that isn't just Igorot,



but rather "Indigenous". We are making the Australian Aborigines a part of our conference. We want them to share with us the lessons they've learned. We want them to participate in the subsequent debates to find the most effective paths to resolving our mutual issues. We want to develop strategies that will make our world a more tolerant place for our respective peoples. And in sharing in this fashion, we will invite them to share their beliefs and cultural rituals and dances. You'll discover that in some cases, while dramatically different in execution, they are also all remarkably similar to what we believe in. Our objective as exemplified by our theme is to create a friendship, an alliance, a broader aboriginal family so that we can share and work together in the future to deal with the problems of indigenous people all over the world, not only with our own issues.

Congratulations IGO! Good going and wish you all the best!

“We should feel empowered by where we came from and who we are, not hide it. It is important to acknowledge that everything we do affects our ancestors as much as they have affected us.”

Lorin Morgan-Richards

Filipinas Performing Arts of Washington State

The Igorot International Consultations (IICs)

IIC-7. April 2008


Location. Banaue, Ifugao, the Philippines

Theme. Nurturing our Culture and Resources to Chart and Secure Our Destiny

The 7th IIC was hosted by IGO Philippines. “The 7th Igorot Global Organization Philippines was held in Banaue, Ifugao on April 12 to 15, 2008. The theme was “Nurturing our culture and resources to chart and secure our destiny.” Banaue was chosen as the venue for IIC-7 because it is the one place where the culture of the indigenous people is indistinguishable from the management of the environment and natural resources.



Photo by Ceasar Castro



Greetings From All The McDonough's
Patrick, Marjorie and PJ

Next time you're in San Diego
Please stop by and say Hello

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Umali kayo amin, achi!

The Igorot International Consultations (IICs)

IIC-8. August 2010

Location. Vancouver, Canada

Theme. Keeping Our Heritage Alive

The 8th IIC was hosted by BIBAK Organization of British Columbia and was held at the Simon Fraser University in the City of Burnaby and part of what is known as Metro Vancouver region. Excerpt from IGO Website. "BIBAK BC embarked on the project IGOROT VILLAGE 2010 to showcase a village replica of the villages put up during the world fairs held about 100 years ago in different venues in North America as well as Europe. The village replicated the Igorot Villages brought to world fairs in the US and Spain in the 19th and 20th centuries. This was also offered as an open multicultural presentations for the City of Burnaby and Simon Fraser University. A parade of Igorot delegations from around the world opened the program ushered in by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police into the university convocation mall. This was followed by a welcoming presentation by the Chinook First Nations, showcasing the culture and tradition of one of the indigenous/aboriginal communities of British Columbia. Welcome remarks by the University, the Philippine Consulate of Vancouver, the City of Burnaby as well as BC Parliament by the first Filipino-Canadian Member of the Parliament came after.



Kudos to the Youth Organizers of the 12th Igorot International Consultation (IIC-12) in Honolulu, Hawaii.



Congratulations, likewise, to the elders and friends who have given their unconditional support to this event. These include the conference participants.

Indeed, the beauty of ka-Igorotan, our unique dances, songs and rituals are worth sharing with the rest of the world. Our natural and manpower resources have, and still are, significant contributors to the Philippine's gross domestic product (GDP). Likewise, the bravery of our freedom loving people who sacrificed countless sons and daughters in defense of democracy and/or Philippine sovereignty during World War II, the Korean war, the Vietnam war, the hukbalahap insurrection and the rebellion in southern Philippines, among others, are sources of pride

and inspiration for our people, particularly the youth.

The foregoing are among the topics covered in IICs. That IIC has been held every two years, 12 times in different worldwide venues, is quite amazing. LBS.



The Igorot International Consultations (IICs)

IIC-9. April 2012

Location. Baguio City, the Philippines

Theme. Igorots in partnership for development

The ninth IIC was hosted by IGO Philippines and was held at the Baguio Country Club. A significant event at this IIC was the launching of the book, *Igorot By Heart*, by the Igorot Global Organization International. Activities and topics included, but not limited to the following: Golf Tournament at the Country Club that raised funds for the IGO Scholarship Program, Cordillera Development: in the context of Regional Autonomy and Development, Igorot Migrant Workers; Issues, Concerns, and Programs, Multiculturalism in the Context of Peace and Development, and Communitization: Creating and Incentive-Compatible and Sustainable Mechanism for Managing the Water Commons and Transforming an Idle Resource to Active Capital for Human Development in Poverty-Ridden Philippines.





*More power to the
12th Igorot International Consultation
especially to IGO members and
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*Nancy and Nanay Toribia Nartates
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The Igorot International Consultations (IICs)

IIC-10. August, 2014

Location. Vienna, Austria

Theme. Celebrating a milestone of preserving the Igorot culture with dignity and meeting the challenges ahead with endurance

The 12th IIC was hosted by Igorot Austria and was held at Event Hotel Pyramid Congress Center in Vienna, Austria. In attendance was Governor Leonard Maya-en of the Mountain Province who extended his personal invitation to the attendees to attend the next IIC to be held in Bontoc, Mountain Province. Igorot Austria is a non-profit entity founded in 1999 with the first set of officers inducted in 2000. The organization was established to uphold and sustain the heritage, culture, and traditions of the Igorots. On its 15th year, they stay committed to the ideals of enriching and maintaining the Igorot values for the future generation of Igorots. Highlights of the IIC included an update on the Igorot Scholarship Program, presentations by successful Igorot businessmen from the Philippines and from London, visit to the famous Austrian museum, and a reception hosted by the mayor of Vienna in his office.





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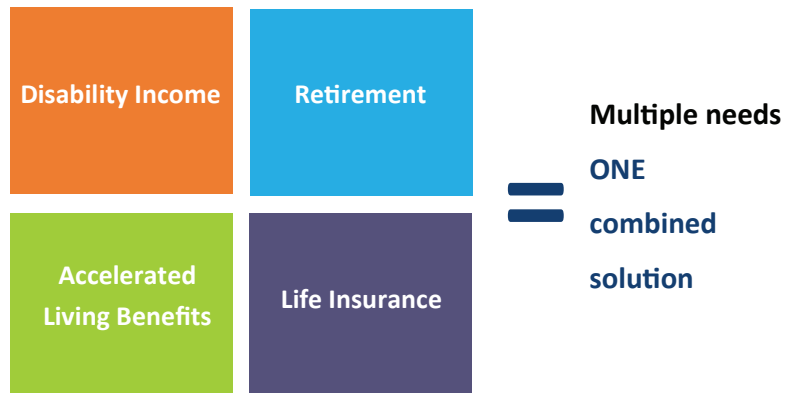
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The Igorot International Consultations (IICs)

IIC-11. April 2016

Location. Bontoc, Mountain Province, the Philippines

Theme. Understanding Each Other, Celebrating Together

The eleventh IIC was hosted by IGO Philippines and was held at the Teng-ab Pastoral Complex and at the Ridge Hotel in Bontoc. Highlights of activities included a golf tournament in Lepanto to raise funds for the IGO Scholarship program, Youth Immersion Day, the Mountain Province Day Celebration, the opening ceremonies, the dinners hosted by Governor Maya-en and Congressman Dalog at Teng-ab. Sessions included Trauma Center and Emergency Medical Services and Philippine Migrant and OFW Concerns.



FRUTO DALMAS MAGANTINO

For instilling in us laughter and love. For allowing us to grow not in your shadow but in the light. For teaching us that life's important lessons are not always painless, but perseverance is what matters most. For giving us the gifts of resolve, culture, and family. Thank You.

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Agyaman kami unay Lolo.

My Father, From Where I Stand

by Ellen Bomasang on Rufino B. Bomasang

When I was a child growing up in Baguio City in the seventies, my father, home for the weekend from his job in Manila, would take me and my older sister Emily with him to hit tennis balls on an old tennis court on top of Dominican Hill, not far from where our house stood in Campo Sioco. He had recently learned to play tennis in Manila and was diligently practicing his swing. Not long after, he started bringing home trophies from company tournaments. He continued to play daily and on weekends for years, even after we moved to Manila. In my teens, he and I started to play regularly on weekends and that went on till I became a young adult. It occurred to me, years later, that this was more than fun to him. It was my father doing what he did best - diligent practice to conquer something new and excel in it. That he found tremendous joy in the task of course played a big role but his dogged persistence to improve and excel embodied his approach to work and life. It is something I have always admired about him and tried to emulate in my personal and professional life.



Much has been said and written about my father. Many of you who now read this know - from the book he wrote and from articles and interviews that have featured his life - about his humble beginnings gathering firewood and walking long distances just to go to school; how he overcame these odds and became one of the key decision-makers in the Philippine energy sector, essentially shaping policies that helped the country overcome several crises; and how he now spends a lot of his time spearheading charitable causes that benefit fellow Igorots. That is the narrative you all know and I suspect never get tired of hearing. He is, after all, probably the proudest son of the Cordilleras. But from where I stand as his daughter, he is more than all that.

To me, he is a spiritual man who does not judge others harshly. He loves his Church and can quote from the scriptures verbatim but does not look down on other religions. He holds himself to high moral standards but does not judge others harshly or expect them to behave one way or another.

To me, he is someone who puts family above all others. He has always been there for us, his immediate family, as well as his extended family. He honors his roots and his past not just by giving back materially or talking about his culture with pride but through small things that not many people know about. On a trip with him to Sagada way back in 1999 he told me the story of how my great grandfather died walking to Besao in harsh conditions. My father knows the exact spot he died and every single time he drives past it, he leaves a pack of cigarettes and a lighter, without fail. There is something sentimental and profound about how he pays tribute to his grandfather with such consistency.

To me, he is an authority on world history, and World War II in particular. He knows Philippine history and geography like the back of his hand too. He will enthusiastically answer any question you ask him, complete with dates and names. On a trip to Palawan last year, he knew more than our tour guide did, and she sheepishly confessed at the end of our tour that she learned a lot of new things about the places we visited from him.

To me, he is the model of positivity, grace and humility. In the midst of setbacks and disappointments, he always looks for the silver lining, and finds a way to move forward. He does not allow others' ignorance or biases to affect him, even if that ignorance is directed straight at him. And he remains humble and down to earth, in spite of all he has accomplished.

To me, he is a model of diligence and patience. In the same way he did not stop until he became the best he could be at tennis, he did the exact same thing when he learned to play golf in his 60's. He tries to get better at it every day, with a zeal and dedication perhaps only matched by aspiring junior golfers aspiring to go professional. To me, he is all this and so much more. I am fortunate to be his daughter.

The staff of PBS-Radyo Ng Bayan Tabuk Kalinga

Congratulate the Organizers and Mentors of the



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in Hawaii USA.**

**Warm greetings to all the
delegates, participants and guests.**

**Best wishes for another successful
consultation.**





Rudi volunteered with Father Somera for more than 3 months in Kabugao, Apayao in 1970. There were no roads or bridges, just mountain trails and the Apayao River. It was a two days trip from Aparri Cagayan.



To IIC-12
More power to you and your IGO family
Greetings from:
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Aloha Kākou. Greetings to all of us. Greetings also in the spirit of Akô Lô'na

Akô Lô'na (Grandma Lukna) is my late grandmother on my mother side. She lived in Calanasan town of the Apayao. If she were alive today, *Akô Lô'na*, will likely be up in the *pengan* in accordance with the schedule of nature. Her life was in synchrony with the mountains, waters, and skies of Apayao.

Mangoman, *magtugno*, and *magbal-lat* are activities that *akô* engaged in unison with the flow of nature. *Akô* practiced a 15-year or so *oman* cycle that honored the soil and forest ecosystem as life-nurturing renewable resources. *Akô* remembered the ages of each of her children based on where her *oman* was when she gave birth to a child. *Pengan* to me was the upper and deeper recesses of the mountains around Calanasan town. It was up in *pengan* that *akô* fed us the best meal that I ever had in my life! Rice was from her *oman* harvest. The fish soup used the fresh mountain stream water, fresh water eels caught by an uncle, and wild *pahu* fern shoots. In *pengan*, I discovered how steep some slope of her *oman* (cleared patch of forest land) was when she showed us how to *magtugno* (dig holes with sharpened stick and drop a seed of palay in each hole. The holes were had to be more or less equidistant from each other). She was amazing at meticulously removing weeds when we tried to *magbal-lat* with her. *Akô* got so bored when she visited us in Baguio for there was no *pengan* to go to and no *oman* to tend. To this day, I am still intrigued by her story of a giant hairy creature that she said lived in the Apayao forest. Perhaps, it was an endemic bear-like creature that is now extinct. In my decolonized consciousness today, I appreciate that *Akô Lô'na* left memories of the Isneg culture in me.

-Carolyn Weygan-Hildebrand and Family-



A stream in Claveria is reminiscent of the *pengan* that I knew from my childhood summer vacation.

Photo by Clinton Pagao Aniversario.



We would like to extend a warm welcome to all 12th Igorot International Consultation attendees. We invite you to visit our beautiful islands, specially the Big Island of Hawaii where Madam Pele is eager to welcome you with a “hot and glowing”

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Salamat Po!

*Nestorio Domingo
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A Tribute to Manong Angel Galas

by Ed Abeya

Manong Angel Galas is a man devoted to faith, family, career and his roots.

By August next year 2019, Manang Elizabeth and Manong Angel will be celebrating their golden anniversary in beautiful Hawaii. They are blessed with 3 children; Wanda Marie, James Lee and Raymundo Angelo. They also have 6 grandchildren – all boys and 9 great grandchildren and two on the way. Elizabeth and Angel met in Key West, Florida. I was not around during the time of their courtship and marriage but I was told that when they went to visit Sagada, Mountain Province, Manong Angel's hometown, and was advised to have a cultural wedding, Elizabeth was impressed by the folks in Sagada who came to help and celebrate their union. In the western world where weddings are by invitation only and the bride and groom and their families are the ones that are in panic trying to make the wedding and reception go well, it must have been surprising to Manang Elizabeth that the community would take care of the heavy lifting.

Manong Angel is the 6th of 9 children of Emilia Ullocan from Sagada and Raymundo Galas from Banao, Bauko. One of his brothers John Galas stayed with us in Tabuk in the late 50s for some time. He was full of antics and made us laugh all the time. He would tell us ghost stories until we hid under the blanket at which time he would let loose the "Gas of War". If Manong John, better known as Jackie, was like that, I can only imagine what the 8 brothers had in their sleeves. The youngest of them and the only sister was Mary Angela. I wonder how she managed. But being the youngest and a beautiful sister, she was probably overly protected throughout.

The chronology of his working career is incredibly interesting because of the insight it gives you into the history that defined his generation specifically those who joined the U.S. Navy from the Cordilleras. He joined the U.S. Navy in 1960 and retired as Chief Petty Officer in 1987. The climb through that 27 year career can best be described as **caring for the soil so that the seeds that fall into it will grow well.**

Manong Angel grew up in a missionary setting since his father and mother were closely tied to American missionaries in Sagada. He attended the Anglican school in St. Mary's in Sagada up to the 7th grade but tearfully had to leave because he could not do as well as was expected at the time. He went to St. Luke's Hospital in Manila as a janitor as well as doing odd jobs. He was a hard worker and learned all he could. He would come to learn of people joining the U.S. Navy. He tried himself but failed many times. His diligence and hard work ethic was noticed by an Episcopalian bishop who gave him a recommendation. He was finally accepted into the U.S. Navy as a steward. At that time, all Filipino citizens joining the US Navy came in as stewards. He parlayed his experience and reputation with American missionaries to be classified as a VIP steward for all commands to include submarines and aircraft carriers, thus earning him to wear the silver dolphin and gold air wings insignia. This is a very huge responsibility since it meant serving senior officers such as Admirals and Generals in leadership positions. As a final send off during his retirement he was given a full blown retirement ceremony similar to those afforded to high ranking officers – a testament to how well his service was valued.

Manong Angel treasures his roots, exemplified by his cultural wedding in Sagada. He is an adviser to BIBAK Hawaii and has been a member since the 1980's and at one time their president. Manong Angel is part of the old guard. That group known in the U.S. as the "The Silent Generation." This group was born between 1925-1945. They are often described as hard working and silent. They grew up during hard economic times and war. I have been fortunate to be known by Manong Angel and equally proud to call him Manong. It makes me glad to know that he spends his retirement playing with his grandchildren and singing church hymns while manang Elizabeth plays the piano.

Galas Family Summer 1941
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*Emilia
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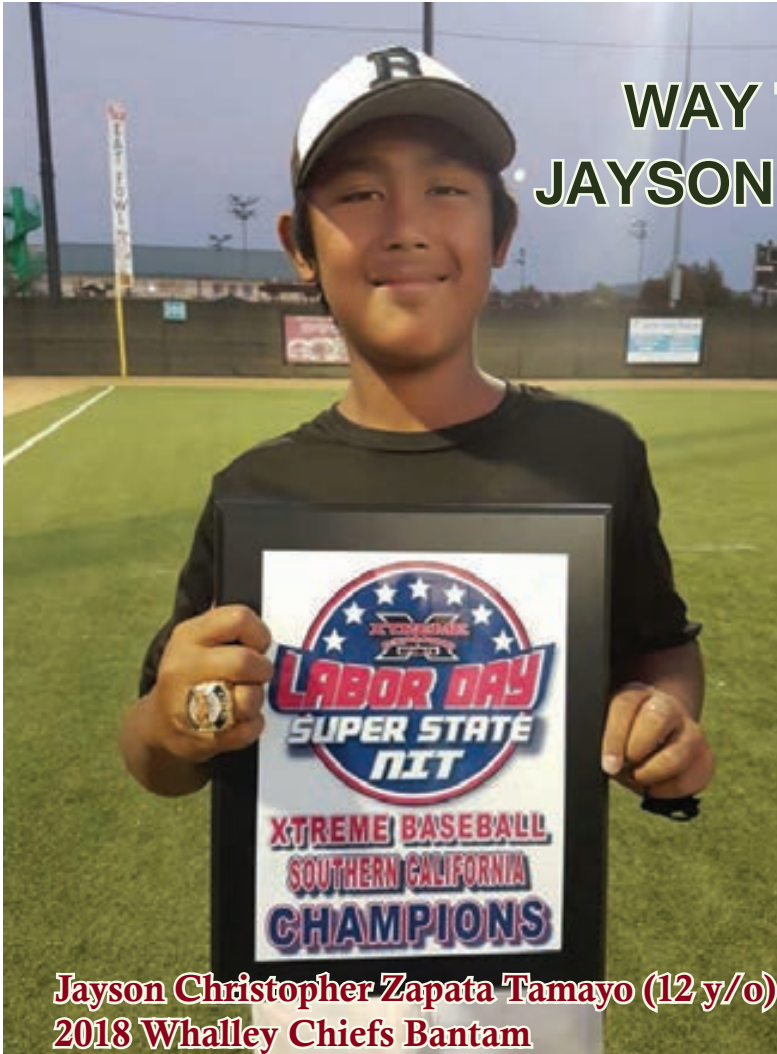
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A large part of what we do with such outreach is education of not only of the general public, but also other Filipinos within our community. All too often there is misinformation, misrepresentation and appropriation of Igorot culture and traditions and BIBAK of the PNW has steadfastly worked to counter such misconceptions with the voice of a strong and vibrant Igorot community.

Our best wishes go out to IGO on a successful IIC 12 and for all our fellow organizations to continue to represent the Igorot community worldwide!

Sincerely,
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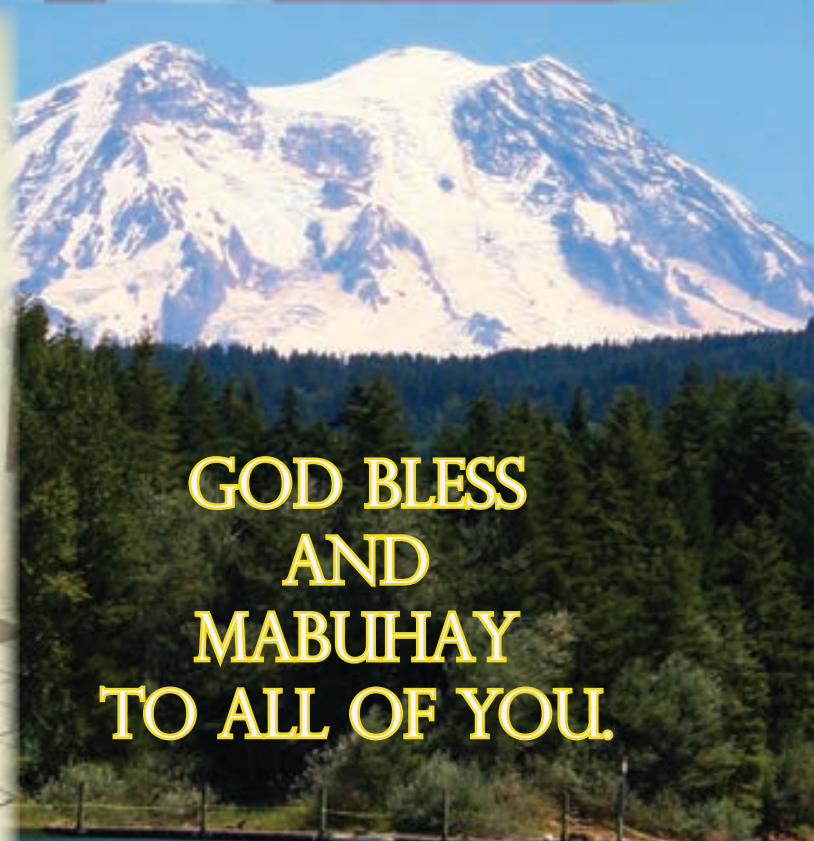
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*“Grandma and Grandpa, are very kind and generous!
I am very happy that they are my grandparents!” -Matthew Murnin (14)*



**“Grandpa is my garage sale buddy, he helps bring me to get buttered noodles.... Grandma helps me walk to school, she helps me comb my hair, she is a little nice to me. I love them very much”
- Selena Lagasca (7)**



“I love Grandma and Grandpa because they take care of me, they cook me food, they take me places, they make me drinks, and they take me to the bus every morning. They drive me, they put me to sleep, they let me eat.”

- Ian Lagasca (9)



**Dan and Milagros Lagasca
Guisad, Baguio City and Beaverton, Oregon**



“Grandma and Grandpa are complete opposites but together make a whole. One of them wants to have fun while the other one cleans (and constantly watches crumbs as they drop on the floor), but, I couldn’t live with one without the other. They have influenced me to motivate and dedicate myself to earn a good future for myself. They both are so generous and loving. They have also formed who I am today and I couldn’t ask for anything or anyone better. Every morning when I arrive to see grandma she always compliments (or scolds my ripped jeans) on what I am wearing to school and she always asks me to make sure I have eaten before I leave the house, that’s our daily routine in the morning, it shows her concern for me. Grandpa always does his best to not just provide for me but provide for the whole entire family, he has mentioned he is still working to make sure he can provide for us, this shows the complete dedication he has for us. Those two together are my biggest inspiration.” - Malaica Lagasca (15)

“Grandma and Grandpa are the biggest role models. They shape me into the woman I am today, influencing me to be a better person each and every day. They have provided us with so much love, support, happiness, and of course food, countless of times. I couldn’t be more lucky to have these two as my grandparents, and we love them so much.” - Sydney Murnin (16)



**Manong & Manang,
Thank you for your unconditional
love. - Agnes Barroga**

May the Gathering
Nourish
You All!!!



Both of them have beautiful hearts. They are very kind, humble and generous. Manang Virgie is an excellent cook & caterer. Manong Andrew helps with preparation and aftercare. They are excellent partners.

Thank you so much, Manong & Manang for your endless love!
Thank you for bringing me food anytime even in the very early morning!

Agnes



Andrew & Virginia Saladino
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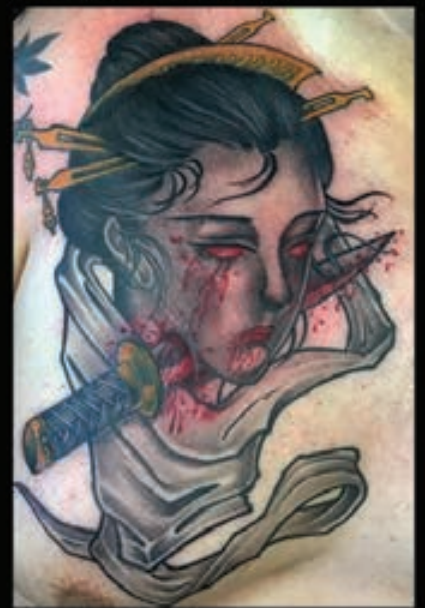


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Field Artillery, Infantry
United States Army Forces
in the Far East, Veteran,
World War II

"Bravo" Battery,
22nd Field Artillery Battalion
Golf" Company, 2nd Battalion,
66th Infantry Regiment



Congress bestows its highest honor to Filipino Veterans of World War II



Uncle Ben passed away
January 12, 2013 in California

Aunt Violy, his widow was married to Uncle Ben for 56 happy years.

Sons Bony and Will Galas

His grandson Ben Galas III is also following the Galas Family Legacy and is active duty United States Navy currently stationed at Naval Air Station Lemoore, CA.



**Congratulations to the IIC-12 planners & volunteers,
the Igorot Global Organization, and all attendees,
for a truly grand, communal event ~ Mahalo!**

BIBAK Los Angeles hosted the first Igorot International Consultation (IIC) in 1995.

A gathering of over 500 Igorots, that set the bar for future IIC gatherings,
and led to the establishment of the Igorot Global Organization and its programs.



With our next generation of leaders and community members, we look forward to fulfilling the IIC-12 theme: “Advancing and Coming Full Circle” – to ensure the Igorot spirit lives on.

My token of gratitude to my parents

Harris & Amy Ocab

There aren't enough words to express how thankful I am to have parents like mine. As their only child, I was raised in a home full of love with many lessons of hard work, discipline, perseverance and stories of their childhood and our culture. I also never felt lonely. I was raised in a home that had open doors to all visitors and guests. A place where I was taught respect for my elders, the ways of our culture and the value of family. I wouldn't be the woman that I am today if not for their life lessons, loving examples of a beautiful marriage, loyal friendships and dedicated work ethic.



To Mom and Dad:

Life is not perfect as some say but I hope to be as close to perfect of a daughter that you deserve. I want you to know that I am thankful every day for the countless hours, months and years that you both worked to give us the life that we have lived as a family. Your hard work has paid off in more ways than the material necessities over time. You provided so much so we could have the ability to live a balanced life -- with our family members both here and back home in the Philippines, our family and friends in our BIBAK and HTSB communities and our close family friends that I have called "cousins" since I was born. I have been the most fortunate daughter to have parents like yourselves. I love you both SO MUCH!





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Greetings from BIBAK San Diego!

Welcome to all participants of the 12th Igorot International Consultation. We share your excitement as you explore and study the Igorot culture in today's world.

Congratulations to the Next Generation Igorot Leadership in taking the lead in organizing this event.

Best wishes for Igorot Global Organization's continued success in the future.





Greetings to the IIC-12 Organizers and Participants!



From the Cawis-Cabugao Family, California, USA
Ely and Jane Cabugao
Children: Kevin and Debra Cabugao, Kristian and Jacky Cabugao
Grandchildren: Cristiano, Diego and Saya Cabugao

Passing Knowledge and Skills Enriching Careers



Cordillera professionals sharing wisdom, values, experiences to St Mary's and other Sagada High School Students

From Left To Right:

Pargad Biteng
Nellie Capuyan Ballola
Basilio Pooten
Tom Killip
John Alipit
Hilda Longid Aquino
Mary Bacwaden
Edith Longid O'keefe
Mary Inglay Fokno

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- Educator
- Lawyer, Philippine Military Officer
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- Physician, Surgeon
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Not in photo:

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*"Follow not the path ahead:
venture the untrodden
and leave a trail."*



Sagada tourist guides learning CPR

Cordillera RNs certified for EKG interpretation



Kaitlin Grace Longid Aquino wins 2nd place in Monologue at the Drama Teachers Association of Southern California



Greetings to All Fellow Cordillera Brothers and Sisters

Greetings to all!

As I pondered about my theme in this souvenir program, my thought was just to write a short view on life. So first, I would like to honor my parents for giving my siblings and myself the gift of life and nurturing us with love and the values of integrity, humility, and compassion to get on with our individual lives. Our dad only completed the elementary grades and our mom got schooled in adult education when she was already a mother. However, they were so rich with life's human values which they extended not only to us, but to folks whom they related to in their day to day lives.

Father as I remember was a man of leadership looked upon by his siblings as well as other men and women in the community. Mother was the epitome of hospitality, warmth, and caring who was always sought by her peers, friends, and neighbors. Unfortunately, our dad passed on while we were young but he was able to leave his mark of his love and devotion, and life's positive values in our lives. Mother carried on the daunting task of raising 5 children which she did with dignity and hard work. We were blessed to have shared her love until she was in her 80's.



*Basilio Longid
Mary Baded Longid.*

In reflecting my own perspective on life, all it comes down to is about how we relate to each other - to a daughter/child, husband, in-laws, siblings, friends, colleagues at work, the homeless person on the street, customers we serve, and creating a bond of human love, caring and sharing, whether "just in time" or something more permanent. Surely, we all need to get on the path to get the education and training we need to sustain a decent life but as we go through these steps, what really matters is the way we interact with people along the way. And all it takes are just small tokens of deeds or words from the heart, in the form of a greeting/a thank you, asking how someone's day is going, giving some advice or words of comfort, listening to someone's life challenges, extending a helping hand, sharing a few cents or so, and so forth. In my over 30 years of career life, I have encountered and felt gratified with an array of fulfilling experiences from various circumstances at home, at work, at the train station, and in the community. This to me is simply the essence of life, what life is all about, and what keeps us energized and blessed each day. So on this note, let us continue to share God's amazing Love and Grace to one another and everyone else today and always.



Hilda Longid Aquino

To Our Amazing Mom & Grandma Nellie,



Becoming the Igorot Bunch in 1990
 (Left to right) Top: Ike
 Middle: Russell, Nellie, Henry, Luke
 Bottom: Caryl, Sheli, Jessel, Chad

We honor you
 from The Igorot
 Bunch!
 75th Birthday
 July 30, 2018



Evangeline Nellie Abeya Pit-og
 "Labanet"

To my mother for 50 years, Your love has never been ending. I thank you so much for all the things you have done for me. You raised me as a child and supported me as an adult. As a grown man, even though we were separated by a great distance, you were always there to support me and now that I have children, you also support them. But the most important thing you taught me, and my fondest memory of you is when I asked advice on what I should do for a job or a living. Your advice was simply "do what you love to do." You didn't direct or force me in any particular career path. You simply said do what you love to do and I did. I chose architecture because I loved to draw and I have always enjoyed it. Thank you Ma for giving me this advice and I hope I can do the same for my kids. Wishing you a grand 75th birthday because you deserve it. Lots of love from Ike, Shiela, Zach, Keenan, and Jarryd Torrevillas



Left to right: Jarryd, Keenan, Zach, Shiela, Ike Torrevillas
 Sydney, Australia

Today, we celebrate and honour a Mother, Grandmother, Sister, Aunt and Friend to many. There are many among us whose lives have been touched, inspired and livelihoods elevated as a result of her compassion and caring nature. She asks for little and gives a tremendous amount back to the community. In her line of work, or should I say previous career as a nurse and caregiver, she recreated herself and developed a successful business enterprise that provided care for the aged and provided work opportunities and stepping stones and career paths for others. There are those, of course, that would take advantage of her success and generosity, without as much as acknowledging the opportunities she gave them, but despite the pains and suffering she maintained her set of values. "Do all the good you can, by all the means you can, In all the ways you can, in all the places you can, At all the times you can, To all the people you can, As long as ever you can." These set of values is the corner stone of her modus operandi and one that I personally find difficult to emulate and I take my hat off to her. She continues today to work tirelessly, running a bed and breakfast



Clockwise: Bridget, Luke, Tilly, Jett, Teagan
 Sydney, Australia

enterprise, volunteering her time for St. Mary's, raising funds and helping disadvantaged children get a good education. She for one knows the value of a good education and the opportunities it can provide. She sometimes asks if she could have been a better mother. I think to myself, could I have been a better son. Mum, you continue to be an inspiration. Happy 75th Birthday. We love you, Luke, Bridget, Teagan, Jett and Tilly Torrevillas



Clockwise: Eric, Sheli, Katelyn, Abby Bell
Virginia, USA

A Poem for Ma/Grandma

The best we ever had, Or there could ever be...
Truly, the most special gal, To so many, not just a pal.
The Bells send much love to thee.
You're 75, but still young at heart; may your joy be known forever;
and courageous spirit never part.
Sweet and most memorable
birthday greetings too,
From your daughter, son in-law and
granddaughters,
Who think the world of you!
There are not enough words to say
how blessed we are to have you as
a mother and grandmother.
We Love You...oh, so much!
Eric, Sheli, Abby and Katelyn Bell



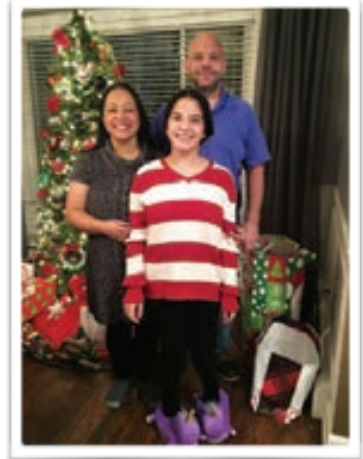
Clockwise: Jessel, Alana, Rob, Joey and
Stephen Newton
Virginia, USA

What does your name mean to us? **N is for Never giving up** as you have taught us perseverance; **E is for Excellent** as you wholeheartedly excel in all that you do; **LL is for Lovable Labanet** as all those who meet you, instantly love you for your joy and warmth — and besides you are one of the most beloved Labanets in Sagada!; **I is for Inspirational** as you inspire many with your hard work and generosity; and **E is for Enthusiastic** as you have a cheerful and contagious fun-loving spirit that leaves a mark where you go! You are all this and more and we can't thank you enough for the example you are. We love you, to the best mom and grandma in the world!
Love, Rob, Jessel, Alana, Joey and Stephen Newton



Clockwise: Chad, Becky, Max, Roman Pit-og
Arizona, USA

Happy 75th Birthday Ma Nellie! We wish you the warmest wishes from Arizona. Though we are far away, you are always in our heart. We love you and miss you! Hopefully we are able to see you in Sagada some day. Love you, Chad, Becky, Jesse, Roman and Max Pit-og



Caryl, Samantha, Matt Palimino
Michigan, USA

Nellie, the world is full of adventures and happiness, explore them with every moment of your life. Happy 75th Birthday! Love, Russell, Amy, Morgan and Donovan Pit-og



Russell, Donovan, Amy, Morgan Pit-og
Michigan, USA

Happy 75th Birthday! We Love You,
Ike, Luke, Sheli & Jessel (Torrevillas) + Chad, Russell & Caryl (Pit-og) and our families
aka "The Igorot Bunch"!

Congratulations IGO!!!

*Wish the IIC-12 gathering be a
very successful
&
joyful celebration of friendships
&
kinships*



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Baguio City
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*Greetings to all IJC -12 Delegates!
Long live ICorot Global Organization!!*

Merl & Jim Le Roux
Pozzurobio, Pangasinan
Las Vegas, Nevada



HAIL TO THE IIC-12



Mervyn and Virginia Enciso Espadero
and Family



Carmela, Gemma, Felicity Joy



Elizabeth and John



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Mechanics
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Insurance
Food Business Enterprisers
Miners
Farmers
Nurse



Warm Greetings



Congratulations to the IIC-12 Staff and Planning Committees
For a Successful Consultation

Cornelia Cunningham and Family
Ardmore, Pennsylvania



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Congratulations to the Officers and Organizers of the 12th International Igorot Consultation



Mission : *“To Preserve and Promote our Cordillera Cultural Heritage through dances, costumes, music, sports, education, charitable and community events.”*



Greetings from the Nation's capital!



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**Together
we are a
Stronger
IGO**

To IIC-12 organizers and attendees,
we serenade you with our BIMAK song:
(to the tune of Diana)

We have fun both young and old
We welcome you into our fold
We don't care what people say
We wear our G-string anyway

Refrain:
And we beat our gongs and dance around
With good friends that we have found
Oh yeah, we have fun with BIMAK!

We burn our chicken to the skin
Then we add some in-asin
Add that to our ina-poy
Wash it down with strong tapey

Refrain:
BIMAK Brothers, BIMAK Sisters!
Let's remember our forefathers
Ka-kai-lian, together now
Oh oh oh oh oh oh oh oh oh

Oh we come from Kalinga, Abra, Apayao
Benguet too and Ifugao
Mountain Province is our home
But to the US we did roam
Refrain:

A Tribute to Dr. and Mrs. Fangonil

“The Rest of the Story”
by Edwin Abeya



At the time of early beginnings, we rarely recognize the seeds that will one day become the treasure we would devote a significant part of our lives. In the mid-70s to early 80s, I used to listen to a radio program hosted by Paul Harvey. The program was called “The Rest of the Story”.

I would like to share with you “The Rest of the Story” of IGO.

We all know that the father of the Igorot Global Organization (IGO) is the late Manong Rex Botengan. For his insight and leadership, IGO continues to grow and be relevant in the Igorot journey. But how did IGO come about?

In the late spring of 1995, Mia and I informed our friend in Potomac, Maryland of our plan to attend the first Igorot International Consultation in West Covina, CA. organized by the late Rex Botengan. Our friend invited us to his beautiful house in Potomac. After dinner, he asked us what the meeting was all about. I responded that maybe that is why it was called ‘consultation’ – to consult with fellow Igorots. As a historian, he told us a brief history of Igorots and the Cordillera provinces. Then he said, (paraphrasing here), “Why doesn’t BIMAK DC propose some kind of an international Igorot organization to be a clearing house, a group, that would coalesce the various BIBAK organizations around the world?”

I had several questions. Will this new global organization be a legal entity? Will the entity be an umbrella organization for all BIBAK organizations? What are the details? I cannot remember his exact response but as he spoke it became evident that he was actually planting the seed for organizing the IGO.

Fast forward, when we were in West Covina, Mia and I crafted a resolution based on our friend’s input and presented it at the first IIC. Due to lack of time, it was tabled and was presented again at the next IIC in Arlington, VA in 1997. It was then that the resolution passed and a Planning Committee was formed to be headed by Mr. Rex Botengan. The person who asked us to present the resolution to organize globally is none other than Doctor Alexander Fangonil.

That seed was tended by Igorots from around the world, but a beautiful lady added her special glamour touch to BIMAK DC fund raising activities that has greatly influenced the character of our own IGO consultations. That lady would be Annie Fangonil.

As Paul Harvey would say, “And now you know the rest of the story”.

Congratulations!
“Matago tago han IGO”

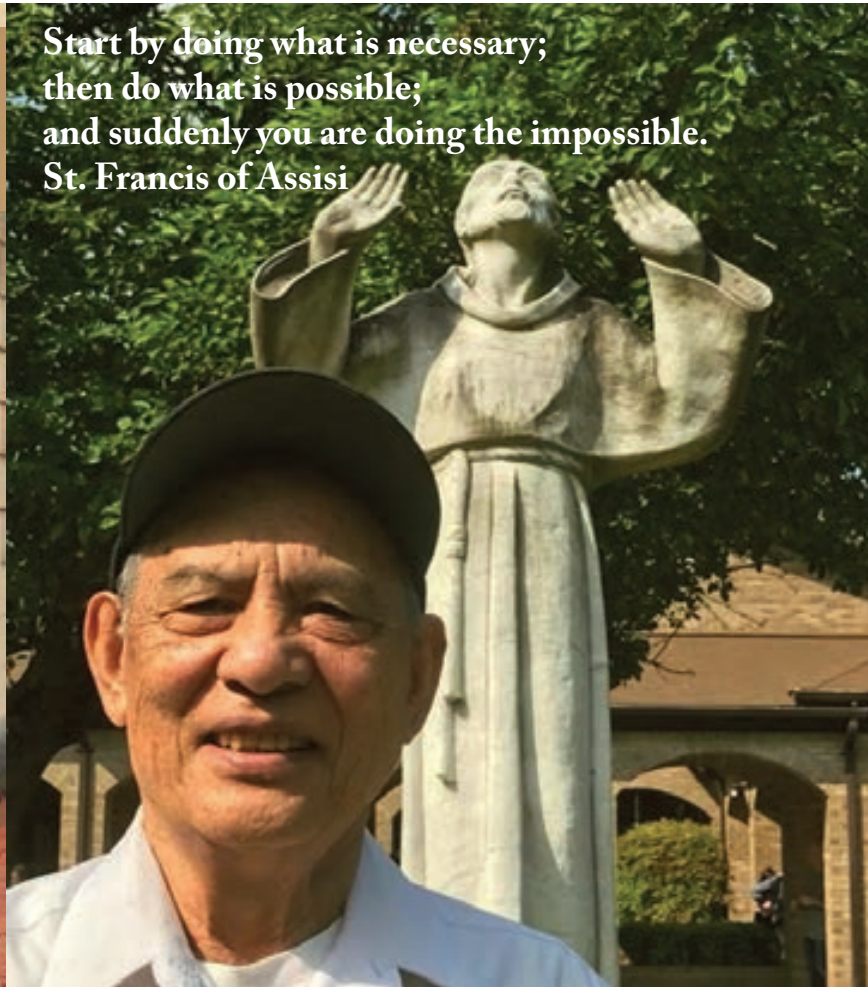


Greetings!!

Josie Chucuen
Staten Island, NY
Bakakeng, Baguio City

You have provided mom and me with so much happiness, joy, and much love. You have taught me much by your actions and by your words... I wish that I can pattern that in my life and in my children.

**Start by doing what is necessary;
then do what is possible;
and suddenly you are doing the impossible.
St. Francis of Assisi**



Tribute to my father, Spencer Sagudan

**My Pops, my Dad, my teacher, my mentor, my role model
My aspiration to be celebrates his 80th Birthday
You joined the US Navy when others said you could not
You became a proud US citizen when others said you could not
You made the US Navy a 28 year career with two tours in Vietnam when others said you could not
You rose to Senior Chief when others said you could not
People told you many things that you could not, but you persevered and sacrificed
The road was long and very bumpy
But you have an undying faith in God, a stoic nature and purity of heart**

I love you Dad



You once told to me that you never thought that a poor little kid wearing a bahag (loincloth) could leave the mountains of the Philippines to physically serve 4 US Presidents.



This spring, when the organizers of this IIC put the call out to those who wanted to include a tribute in this program, I received a text from my mother. It was a group text to me and my sisters to inform us of the tribute deadline and to make sure that we were writing one for our father. Less than an hour later, we received a text from my father. It contained the same information about deadlines and whom to contact but he was asking us to make sure that we write one for our mother. For the record, without the gentle reminders my sisters and I would have been sure to write a tribute for our parents, both founding members of the IIC. However, we were very pleased to be part of the text exchange. For one, as anyone who is in their late forties and younger might be able to relate to, experiencing your parents through the likes of text and Facebook or any other modern technology can be entertaining. Secondly, this text exchange was just another example of who my parents are and the best lesson they've taught their children – to try to, in whatever you are doing, put others first.



Putting others first is a simple lesson but hard to learn and harder to teach. It is simple because the mission is clear: consider the other person and what is best for them and their well-being. Note that what is best for one's well-being is not the same as what would make one immediately happy. As parents we have ample examples of how what is truly good for our well-being may not be the thing we think we want at the moment (Examples: Hot dogs and Twizzlers for every meal. Eighteen hundred consecutive hours of Xbox). In this case, the person who is putting us first can seem "tough," and tough is a word that runs deep in my mother's



bloodline. Toughness is not often associated with loving but this is an error we make. It takes toughness to love well, to reach out to others, to help, to lead, to guide, to correct. Toughness is what's needed in order hear and receive criticism and let good things come out of bad. To have toughness as a mother and mother figure in a community is not always easy. It does not always make everyone a fan. However, the toughness to first recognize and then hold up the things of another's good and well-being is integral to any family or community that wishes to grow in love and charity for

another. Toughness is the best of what our mother has shown and given to us, and to the communities she touches with her work and volunteerism.

As a virtue, toughness is incomplete without the strength to execute love on behalf of another, and lucky for us my father has the strength of a lion. Son of my grandfather, who broke out of a Japanese prison in WWII and ran miles away by foot and grandson of my great-grandfather, who endured torture by Japanese soldiers and chose death by being buried alive instead of revealing the whereabouts of his wanted son, my father continues the legacy of strength in his bloodline. It is a strength upon which not only his daughters and wife have relied on but also a strength that was and is there for his sisters, nieces, and granddaughters. Far from being something only females in the family have needed, my father's type of strength has served my young son and the men in his life and community in indispensable ways. His humble tendencies and often self-deprecating humor corrects the popular notion that strength is not a virtue of humility, patience, quietude and service. Instead, it's with patience that a family and community are loved and with humble, quiet service that they are protected and enabled to thrive.

Along with my parents, my sisters and I congratulate all the participants and organizers of this IIC! May you find the information useful, the fellowship pleasant, and may the bonds we share in our cultural heritage always be tough, always be strong.



Lambert and Leona Sagalla



For your limitless Igorot Pride and your work in recognizing Igorot talent...

For your boundless energy in organizing the Igorot Community...

For your will to uplift the Igorot spirit worldwide...

We dedicate this to you, our parents.

Know that your children, grandchildren and countless Igorots everywhere have risen above the historical ridicule.

We share the same pride you have in our people.

We no longer avoid the question, rather we seek it.

“IGOROT AK”, unwavering, with pride





Dear Dad & Mom (Grandpa & Grandma),

We are who we are today because of how you raised us.

Bringing up four independent-minded children was not the easiest of tasks
but you rose to the challenge & gave it your all.

We grew up knowing that we were loved & that no matter what,
we always had each other's backs.

The foundation of our family is strong,
mostly because of your perseverance, inner strength, leadership & courage.
Your hard work & sacrifices have opened up countless opportunities for us &
we will forever be grateful for the paths you have set us on.

Our family has always relied on actions to show our deepest appreciation & our great love for each other.
However, as the Igorot community honors your leadership & your contributions to the preservation & nurturing of
the Igorot culture, we are taking this opportunity to honor you with a written tribute.

We, your children, & grandchildren, are extremely blessed to have you as parents, & as grandparents.

We have the best role models we could ever ask for.

We are proud of all of your accomplishments & love you with all of our hearts.

Korinne, Leila & Kevin, Rex & Nicole, Jeffrey

Ennio, Keila, Sophia, Jaxon



**Congratulations to Edwin Abeya and
the Officers of the Igorot Global Organization!**



**The Famarin-Duyan Family
Delia Famarin, President UKAA
Alton, Michelle, Melissa and Erin
Ed, Desiree, Karissa and Kamille Drilon**

*Naragsak, Naimpusuan ken Nabara nga
kablaaw IIC-12 Delegasyon!
Sapay koma ta Naragsak, Natalna ken Naballigi daytoy nga Okasyon
tayo.
Agbiag ti IGO!!!!*



Agnes Barroga
Luna Apayao
Seattle, Washington

**“Understand that happiness
is not based on possessions,
power or prestige,
but on relationships with people
you love and respect“**



**“Come & visit our
Dupag Rock Formations
Manacota Underground River,
Lussok Cave,
& other beautiful places in Luna!”**



**Dr Lawrence & Ciely Baria
& family
Melbourne, Australia**

**Vice Mayor Manolito & Teresa Bullaoit
& family
Luna Apayao**

Hawaii ken Apayao Ipasindayaw

Maton River

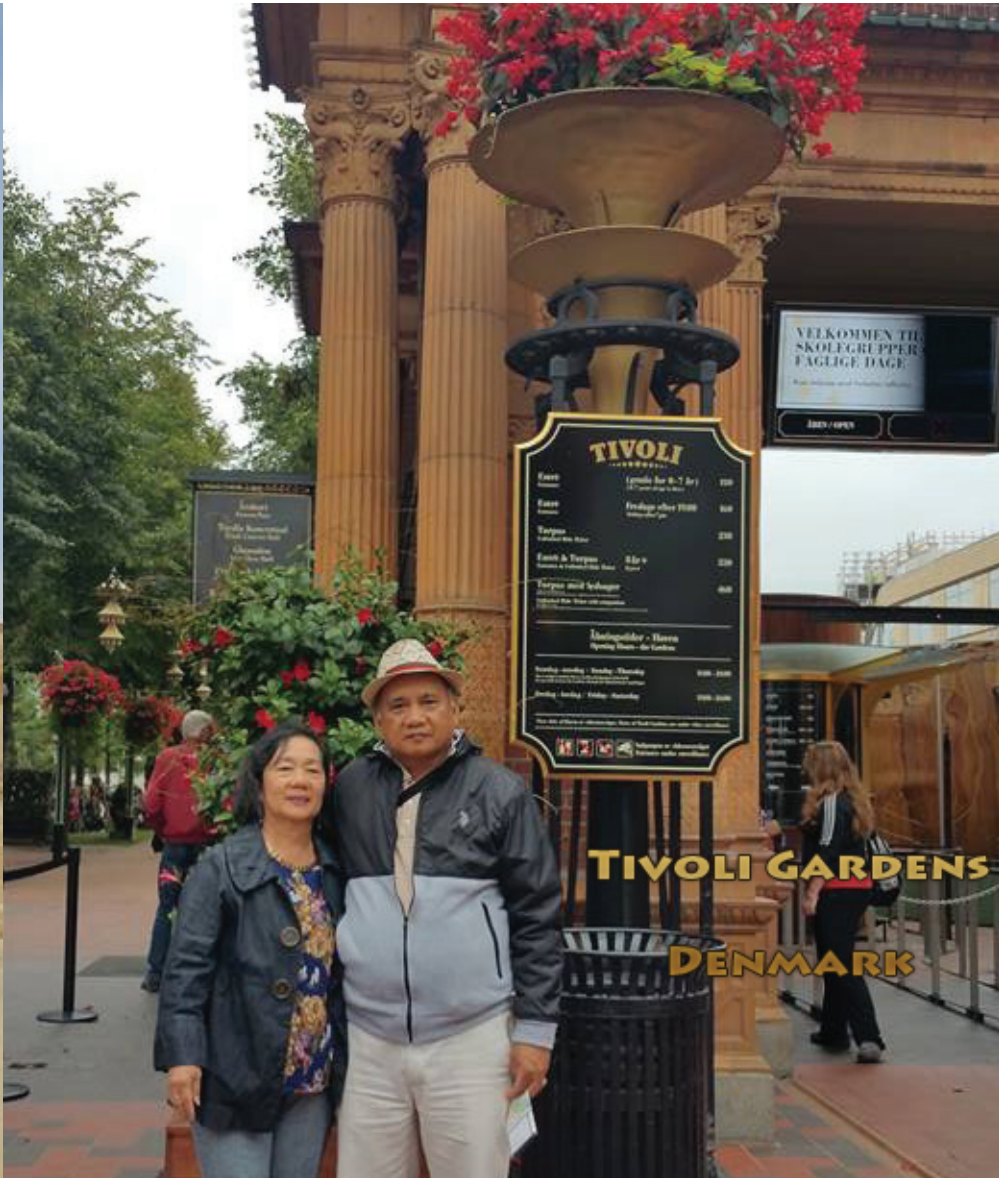
Bayugao Falls

***Kablaawan kayo amin ti nasayaat nga
isasangbay yo ditoy Honolulu.
Narambak nga panagtitiapon IGO!***

Nagan River

***Judith & Jose "Joebar" Barroga, Jr. & Family
Ewa Beach, Hawaii
Luna Apayao***







THE PRIDE AND INSPIRATION OF THE BALUYAN CLAN

BY A GRATEFUL NIECE - VALERIE

Grateful for this souvenir program of the IGO for the opportunity to thank our especial aunt Connie Alfredo who is a fortune to our family. Far from imagination, a probinsyana girl from a far flung place in Balaban, Kalinga can fly as far as America carrying her biggest DREAM- to provide a better life for her family.

True enough, if not because of her and her understanding husband uncle Joe, we could not have experienced the luxury of life, experi-

enced sleeping in nice hotels, eating in fancy restaurants, seeing beautiful places, beaches and above all, our parents could have not attained a good education.

Every letter of the word GENEROUS is engraved in her heart. This selfless act of kindness I believe has extended to her Igorot family. I have known her actively organizing and participating in various medical missions and events benefiting many fellow Cordillerans. A very sad fact that until today, there

continues to be turbulent days for Igorots in showcasing our unique yet discriminated culture.

We are happy and proud that we have people like auntie Connie and the rest of the organizers who work hard to preserve and promote our rich culture.

These collaborative efforts inspire us to keep the Igorot Culture Burning.



CONNIE B. ALFRIDO

“The woman of my life that I always love and admired for so many reasons. She does so much for me, our family, relatives, friends and anyone lucky enough to cross her path. Always with a smile, kind words, gives love in the best way there is, especially to the grandkids, with a caring spirit and a generous heart. She is an amazing woman and I am forever in love and grateful.”- Joe

“My auntie Connie, a woman like no other. There aren’t enough words how grateful I am to be her niece... “You are a complete package that I always keep thanking God. You are like a mother to me. My inspiration, my strength, my constant reminder not to be a quitter...No matter what the future holds, Ill be your daughter whom you’ll count and depend on. I LOVE YOU SO MUCH...” - Shiela



“The greatest person that I always look up to since I was young. The smartest, strong, helpful, loving, kind, caring and generous aunt which I hope to become. My immense gratitude for your advice, for being a role model, loving me no matter what, always encouraging me to follow my dream, my biggest supporter and because of you NorthMed Pharmaceutical, Inc. was born. You have touch so many lives especially your relatives and friends here in the Philippines. Looking forward for a great future together and grateful for your trust. I love you and God bless you always”... by Hessele

CHEERS! TO ALL ORGANIZERS AND PARTICIPANTS FOR MAKING US ALL PROUD IGOROTS

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everyone involved**

FROM THE POOTENS



Best Wishes, The Pootens:
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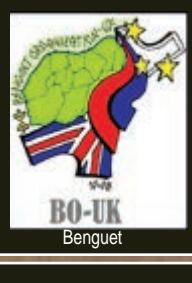
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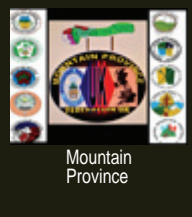
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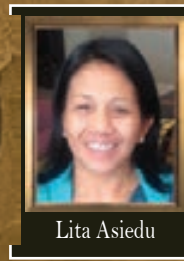
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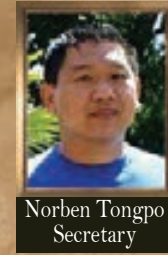
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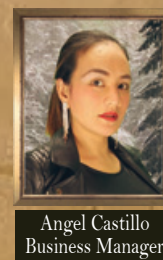
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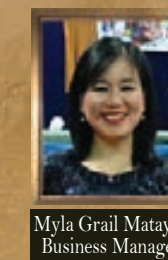
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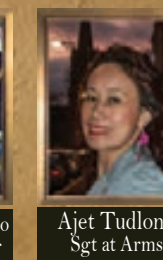
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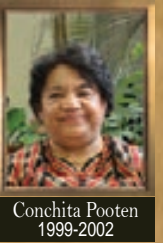
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Stone Pooten
1995-1997



Ed Bugnosen
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Conchita Pooten
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Linda Khensay
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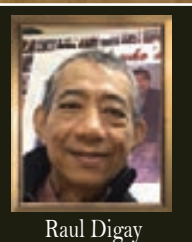
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2011-2013



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2013-2017



Alfredo Taqueban



Raul Digay

IGOROT UK is an organisation originally formed by 22 members in September 1995 after the old BIBAK UK was dissolved. It's objective is to preserve and promote the Igorot cultural identity in the United Kingdom. Throughout the years, the Igorot UK provided our need for cultural fix away from home and it has instilled a sense of pride in being an Igorot whilst bringing the Igorot dances, songs, chants, arts and culture to a wider audience here in the UK.

Currently, Igorot UK is the Mother Organisation and has four(4) subgroups representing the different provinces of the Cordillera Region: the Benguet Organisation UK (BOUK); the Mountain Province Federation UK (MP FED -UK); the United Kalinga Apayao Network (UKAN) and the Ifugao Organisation UK (IOUK) . In addition, the Igorot UK has sister organisations namely Timpuyog ti Tirad Pass and Sagunto UK. Together, all the 6 organisations contribute actively to the success of the Igorot UK activities. It is everyone's hope that the Abra group in the UK will eventually join as one of the subgroups.

Inviting everyone this coming SEPTEMBER 15, 2018 as we celebrate the Igorot UK 23rd Foundation Day and 13th Grand Canao for more details visit our Profile Facebook Account IgoUKcharity.



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Sending our warmest congratulations to the 12th Igorot International Consultation from the City of Lights

Looking forward to uniting the different cultures and traditions of Igorots and promoting them all over the world



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Teofilo is a devoted and loving husband to his wife. He continues to be his children's biggest supporter and encourages them to excel in their pursuits. Janet is a strong, warm, and graciously patient wife who loves her husband. Never without an instrument close at hand or preparing for a feast to host family and friends, Teofilo and Janet are true entertainers. Their hospitality is a shared passion and together they have given their loved ones great memories through these experiences.

We love you so much and are very proud of you
Mom and Dad
(Grandma/Grandpa;
Great-grandma/grandpa)!

Love,
Beverly, John, Teonette, Brent
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Urijah, Naomi, Joseph, Sarah,
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Great-grandchildren:
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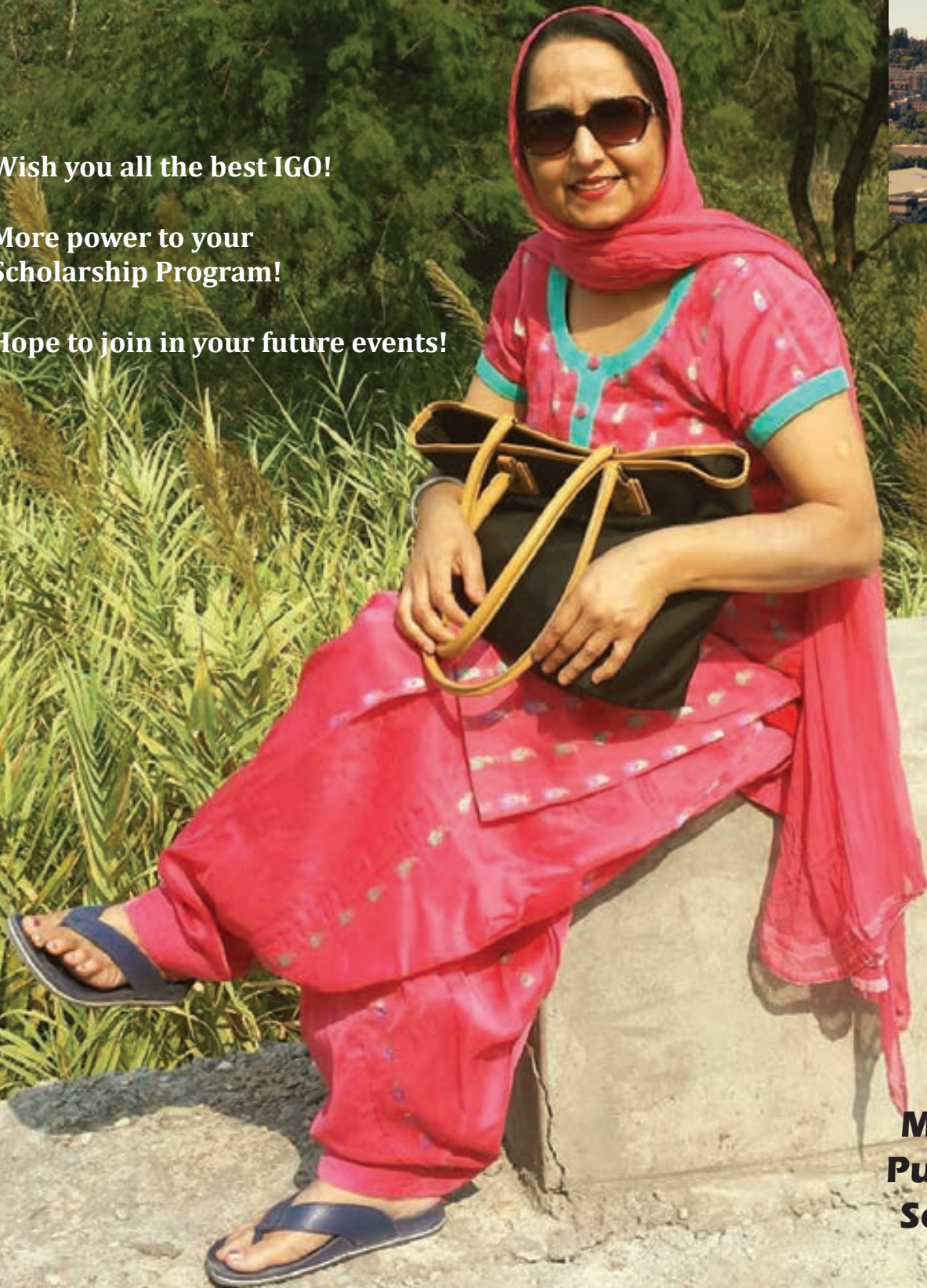
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**More power to your
Scholarship Program!**

Hope to join in your future events!



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Greetings from Baguio Fil-AM of Tidewater, Virginia

Congratulations to our May 2018 IGO ISP Graduates

Nephtali B. Pinos-an from Mountain Province

BS in Chemical Engineering(5 years)
St. Louis University(SLU)

“As your scholar, I want to express my sincere gratitude for your unending support through the financial aid. I know that I cannot come this far if not with your help.”



Shirley B. Bangcoleng from Kalinga

Bachelor of Elementary Education(4 years)
Kalinga State University (KSU)

“As the recipient of the Igorot Global Organization (IGO) Scholarship Program. On behalf of my family, I would like to express my sincere gratitude for the support that you had provided me.”



Josie D. Dalang from Mountain Province

Bachelor of Secondary Education(4years)
Mountain Province State Polytechnic College (MPSPC)

“My whole family wanted to express our unending thanks and appreciation to you and your organization. Still praying that more youths will be helped by your office.”



List of IGO Scholarship Graduates

	Name	Home Province	Course	School	Grad Year
1	Naag, Felina	Benguet	BS Nursing	BSU	2008
2	Bugnay, Yana May	Benguet	BS Medical Technology	SLU	2010
3	Cadias, Ariadne	Benguet	BS Hotel & Restaurant Management	UB	2010
4	Ngina, Cherry	Benguet	BS Secondary Education	BSU	2010
5	Padilan, Haydee	Mtn. Province	BS Secondary Education	IfSU	2010
6	Bartolome, Jay An*	Mtn. Province	Doctor of Veterinary Medicine	BSU	2011
7	Binwag, Grail	Ifugao	BS Elementary Education (Cum Laude)	IfSU	2011
8	Duyan, Samuel	Kalinga	BS Agricultural Business (Cum Laude)	BSU	2011
9	Paterno, Arlene*	Benguet	BS Agriculture	BSU	2011
10	Abyado, Marlo	Benguet	BS Development Communication	BSU	2012
11	Balinggan, Pudico	Benguet	BS Agricultural Engineering	BSU	2012
12	Bogaoit, Rose-An G.	Abra	Food Technology (2-yr. course)**	ASIST	2012
13	Calbayan, Elizabeth *	Abra/Benguet	BS Development Communication (Cum Laude)	BSU	2012
14	Dakilas, Emilia	Mtn. Province	BS Secondary Education	BSU/ MPSPC	2012
15	Martin, Ronalie Karztin*	Mtn. Province	BS Development Communication	BSU	2012
16	Pespes, Mechelle	Mtn. Province	BS Nursing (Cum laude)	MPSPC	2012
17	Polon, Lucelle*	Benguet	BS Elementary Education	BSU	2012
18	Salbino, Gretchen*	Benguet	BS Home Economics	BSU	2012
19	Tiyang, Hazel	Ifugao	BS Nursing	IfSU	2012
20	Dagiw-a, Jemima	Mtn. Province	BS Nursing	MPSPC	2013
21	Menzi, Janice	Benguet	BS Elementary Education	BSU	2013
22	Tinacba, Erin Joy C.*	Mtn. Province	BS Physics	UP Diliman	2013
23	Tugade, Romeo Jr.	Apayao	BS Education	ASC (Luna)	2013
24	Benito, Magdalena	Mtn. Province	BS Secondary Education	MPSPC	2014
25	Bentican, Esty	Mtn. Province	BS Agricultural Business	BSU	2014
26	Cadate, Mark Anthony	Benguet	BS Library Information Science	BSU	2014
27	Bol-igen, Charlene B.	Mtn. Province	BS Library Information Science	BSU	2015
28	Luis, Ailyn D.	Apayao	Bachelor of Secondary Education	ASC	2015
29	Tabbang, Maverick	Kalinga	BS Agriculture	BSU	2015
30	Vergara, Gio Randy C.	Benguet	Bachelor of Secondary Education	BSU	2015
31	Baruzo, Apple M.	Apayao	Bachelor of Secondary Education	ASC	2016
32	Hangdaan, Jonalene C.	Ifugao	Bachelor of Secondary Education	IfSU	2016
33	Sab-it, Roldan B.	Benguet	AB English	UC-BCF	2016
34	Urbano, Jherlyn A.	Benguet	Bachelor of Elementary Education	BSU	2016
35	Canao, Patria C.	Kalinga	Bachelor of Elementary Education	KSU	2017
36	Pacleb, Aljohn T.	Abra	Bachelor of Elementary Education	ASIST	2017
37	Tayaban, Josie B.	Ifugao	Bachelor of Elementary Education	IfSU	2017
38	Bangcoleng, Shirley B.***	Kalinga	Bachelor of Elementary Education	KSU	2018
39	Dalang, Josie D.***	Mtn. Province	Bachelor of Elementary Education	MPSPC	2018
40	Pinos-an, Nephtali B.	Mtn. Province	BS Chemical Engineering	SLU	2018

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Gannawa ya Laggunawa naperpu ate iigid na ad Luta
We umoy losan midorpa, ili na ad Buwaya
Honolulu Hawaii de ang ngandanda
Layad ni umoy ko ibaga
Bullagay ni gingan da iKalinga
Gattok tagop ni we ansingsingwa
Otyan losan tako lumin awa



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Intako losan igga, gingan gangsa ya dopa.
Intako losan igga diddigan ni cultura.
Mandiga, ya gannawa ya losan ne gakka
abos diyoy iyyak ibaga. Kabunian An isdong ka.
Matatago kami we Ginakka.



Ladies and gentlemen from all the corners of the world who would be gathered in a beautiful place called Hawaii, we convey the greetings of love from Kalinga. May we all have the blessings of peace from above. As we gather and dance with the sounds of the gongs, we celebrate and honor our living culture.

My brothers and sisters from all over the world that's the message we wish to convey.



May Kabunian look down and bless us all.





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As with any successful event, the planning and execution of IIC12 would not have been possible without the hard work, total dedication and contribution of Time, Talent, and Treasure by many very special people.

Special thanks is given to:

- the New Generation of Igorot Leaders who came up with the theme and put together an exciting program, notwithstanding that they live in different continents;
- the Chair and members of the Souvenir Committee who successfully got countless friends, family, and people from all over the world to share their stories;
- the Editing and Publication Committee, led by the IGO PRO, who made articles and advertisements into wonderful works of art;
- the Finance Committee who took on the tedious chore of receiving and depositing payments and ensuring accountability for all funds received;
- the Venue and Social Program Committee who ensured a secure and beautiful location, as well as, put together what promises to be a wonderful and memorable social program;
- the Talented Speakers who will, no doubt, share some interesting viewpoints on the event
- the Sports Committee that made all the arrangements for a fun-filled sports fest at the Marina Bay;
- the Golf Committee that secured a golf outing for Igorot golfers on the shores of Waikiki;
- the Worship Committee and to our local and gracious host of our Sunday Worship;
- the Tour Committee that has mapped out an educational tour for the IIC12 participants;
- the Leadership and members of BIMAK Hawaii who will be honoring the event with a Hawaiian welcome dance and a sumptuous Hawaiian picnic;
- to all the donors, contributors and participants of the IIC12 – surely without your attendance, there would be no IIC;

Last But Not Least, to all our children who have lived and breathed the Igorot customs and traditions, thank you for making it and coming full circle.

Together, as one, we will pursue the noble goals of the IGO as members of a Global Nation.

The IIC-12 souvenir magazine team consists of Agnes Barroga and Connie Alfrido who are the front persons who brought in the ads and convinced many to write tributes. John Dyte did the layout and Michael Wandag worked with the printing company and handled the logistics of delivery. Mia Abeya who asked that ads be tributes instead of the normal advertisements. Ed Abeya handled followups. Ron and Lisa Sagudan handled the financing and collection. The primary purpose of the magazine is to raise funds for the IGO Scholarship program but it is also intended to give tribute to those whom we value greatly. The various designs were from the ad originators and some are collaborations between the owner and the team. Some of the images used as background are public domain. The cover page features one of the twin daughters of Arlene and Fausto De Guzman.

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