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## PNAA Donates to Kababayan Flood Victims

The 11-day monsoon rain has been devastating for our kababayan in the National Capital Region (NCR) and parts of Northern and Southern Luzon. Images on the news are heartbreaking and sad. It is an ordeal that has been endured by the Filipinos every year with no foreseeable resolution in the coming years. Lives have been lost and livelihood compromised. Daily lives are altered including simple things like children going to school and having a family meal since most are still in the evacuation centers as their homes are still under flood waters. Many rely on relief goods from the good hearts and kind generosity of others.

PNAA has been an active supporter for such calamity in any way that it can reach out and lend a hand. \$5,000 was donated to two US-based foundations (to maintain its tax exempt status) namely, ABS-CBN Foundation and PhilDev of Ayala, both receiving \$2,500 each. Past collaborations with these foundations have been fruitful both ways as they have continuously supported PNAA. Fund spending reports will be provided as soon as they are available and will be posted on our website for members.

The Chair for Committee on Community Outreach/Global Health,



Monsoon flood victims, Philippines

Dula Pacquiao and Vice Chair for Global Health, Luz Llasos together with PNAA Treasurer, Jeanette Livelio have put together guidelines and procedures on how best to send donations for chapters based on their tax exempt status (501C3 or C6). Any continued support and further donations are most welcome.

Click [here](#) to see guidelines.



Our kababayan in evacuation centers

## PNAA Represented at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Global Diaspora Forum of State Secretary Hilary Clinton

PNAA President Vicky Navarro, together with May Mayor, Past PNAA President and Executive Director, attended the recently held Global Diaspora Forum in Washington DC last July 25 and 26, 2012. The event was attended by more than 450

participants coming from diverse groups of stakeholders from Diaspora organizations, non-profit organizations, private sectors and from the government.

Several issues were discussed on how to

strengthen Diaspora communities through partnership and support. There is an event report on the gathering at [www.diasporaalliance.org](http://www.diasporaalliance.org) website where all the details may be viewed for more information.

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PNAA's Vicky Navarro and May Mayor with CFO Secretary Imelda Nicolas

## PNAA Inducts Officers of PNA Alaska

Since 2009, PNAA has been working hard to officially add in Alaska as one of its North American chapter. This happened on 11 August 2012. The journey started with Fracel Solar, Past President of PNANE, Vicky Navarro, then ER VP, Gloria Barbachano, PNAAK with Western Region VPs, Josie Villanueva (2008-2010) and Beth Rose (2010-2012). A true Eastern



Officers of new PNAA chapter, PNA Alaska

Click [here](#) for event description from Leo-Felix Jurado and Lourdes Nisperos

Region/Western Region collaboration.

PNAA was represented by Lourdes Nisperos, Western Region Vice President who delivered PNAA President Vicky Navarro's presidential message while Past PNAA President, Leo-Felix Jurado, during whose term PNAAK was conceived, took a side trip from his vacation in nearby Vancouver, to perform the induction of

PNAAK's Inaugural President, Lorna Garcia.

Lourdes Nisperos and Leo-Felix Jurado conducted two educational and orientation sessions with the members under the theme "Getting to Know More About PNAA".

We invite all members to send congratulatory messages to our new chapter inductees and welcome messages to members through President Lorna Garcia at [artificare@gci.net](mailto:artificare@gci.net) or to Vice President Roberto Pioquinto at [rcpioquinto@yahoo.com](mailto:rcpioquinto@yahoo.com).

## PNAA NCR Appoints New COP

PNAA North Central Region (NCR) has appointed Manelita "Bong" Dayon of PNA Indiana as the new NCR Circle of President (COP) Forum Leader for the period of August 2012 through July 2013.

Bong is glad for this appointment stating, "I am looking forward to this new experience and

with all the good nurses that represent North Central Region, any

"I am looking forward to this new experience and with all the good nurses that represent North Central Region, any accomplishment will be because of them, a million times more than mine."  
~ M. Dayon

accomplishment will be because of them, a million times more than mine."

Let us all support her on this new position and wish her well. Congratulatory messages to Bong may be sent to [presto819@yahoo.com](mailto:presto819@yahoo.com).

## OFC Secretary Nicolas Intervenes on PRC Ruling on Foreign Medical Missions

PRC Ruling requiring increase on the payment of processing fee and issuance fee of Special Temporary Permit ID and liability insurance for healthcare providers has caused the cancellation of several medical missions. While it is important to monitor medical missions to assure appropriate care to our countryman, well organized and compliant medical missions were affected negatively by this ruling.

The Legislative Committee, chaired by Germina Rio convened four well-organized PNAA medical mission groups and sent a series of well thought

of questions to the Philippine Regulatory Commission (PRC) Officer-in-Charge of Project Management Division, Marie Del Rosario-Apattad for their August 13, 2012 meeting. Due to the monsoon flooding, the meeting was cancelled.

In an e-mail sent to PNAA, Imelda Nicolas, Secretary of the Commission of Filipinos Overseas (CFO) articulated her communication with PRC and requested immediate suspension of the moratorium on the following provisions related specifically to the conduct of foreign humanitarian medical missions to the Philippines. This

was supported by the Secretary of the Department of Health (DOH), Enrique T. Ona.

Secretary Nicolas is requesting to "advise" PNAA chapter constituents and other medical missionaries **NOT TO CANCEL** any of their scheduled medical missions to the Philippines and to ask them to wait, if possible, for the first week of September when the PRC Board will make a decision on a moratorium or suspension of the ruling.

Please direct questions to Germina Rio at [germina001@gmail.com](mailto:germina001@gmail.com).



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## Subject:

### Call for voluntary contribution for flood victims

A call to all compassionate PNAA members to engage in extending voluntary financial support to the flood victims (kababayans) in different parts of the National Capital Region (NCR) in the Philippines.

An appeal to implement our social action/commitment to sustain the needs of our kababayans.

1. Chapters with status 501c(6) like PNAA can only donate within US based foundations and is not tax deductible (this is IRS regulation).
2. Chapters with 501c(3) tax exempt status are also encouraged to donate through PNAA.
3. Individual contributions are very much welcome.
4. Chapters are encouraged to send donations through PNAA.
5. Send check through PNAA (as payee), memo (KEPF), to Treasurer's address.  
Jeanette Livelo (PNAA Treasurer)  
20 Woodcliff Road  
Holbrook, MA 02343

KEPF is one of the project/initiative of the PNAACommunity Outreach Committee. Let us all be empowered. Let us collaborate to engage. Shine PNAA Shine!

If you have any questions please contact Luz Llasos or Jeannette Livelo. Note to RVPs/COPs, kindly forward this to your chapter presidents.

At your service,  
Luz Tenefrancia-Llasos ,PhD, RN  
Vice Chair, Global Community Outreach

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**Secretary Clinton's Second Global Diaspora Forum**  
July 25-26, 2012, Washington DC

Summary Report of Rosario-May P. Mayor, Immediate Past Executive Director

**PNAA at the Second Global Diaspora Forum**



PNAA's Vicky Navarro and May Mayor  
with CFO Secretary Imelda Nicolas

## Overview of the Secretary's Global Diaspora Forum (GDF)

- Started in May 2011 as an engagement strategy to achieve common goals in both foreign policy and development efforts within the diaspora communities
- GDF represents the diversity and strength of America and is the premier gathering of the diaspora community in the USA
- GDF discusses, brainstorms, and partner on innovative projects that will benefit and have a positive impact on the country of origin of the diasporan communities.
- The State Department and USAID together with the Migration Policy Institute is the voice and medium of the Global Diaspora Forum
- Dr Rey Rivera, Vicky Navarro and May Mayor represented the PNAA at the inaugural GDF in May 17-19, 2011.
  - Vicky Navarro was a panelist for the Diaspora volunteerism aspect of medical missions
  - May Mayor was a panelist for best practice of the “teach back-give back” program of PNAA Balik Turo launched in 2006-2008

## International Diaspora Engagement Alliance

IdEA - harnesses the global connection of diaspora communities to promote sustainable development for their countries of origin.

**IdEA promotes the following five core modes of diaspora engagement around the world:**

- 1.) **ENTREPRENEURSHIP:** Support diaspora entrepreneurship in investing and building sustainable enterprises as well as stimulating trade in countries of origin.
- 2.) **DIPLOMACY:** Support the role of diasporas in diplomacy, advocacy, and peace building via nontraditional media such as sports, arts and culture.
- 3.) **VOLUNTEERISM:** Encourage the proliferation of platforms that facilitate diaspora volunteerism in countries of origin.
- 4.) **INNOVATION:** Foster diaspora innovation in communication and information technologies in order to enhance and deepen engagement.
- 5.) **Philanthropy:** Cultivate diaspora giving in areas of education, health, nutrition, and disaster relief in countries of origin.

## Our PNAA Diaspora Engagement

### *May's personal thoughts.....*

- PNAA Membership has given back to our country of origin in various ways such as direct or indirect participation and advocacy.
  - Remittances through formal and informal channels
  - PNAA Balik Turo- knowledge, skills, abilities and intelligence give-back to the homeland
  - Medical Missions - health care for the poor and underserved in the homeland
  - Successful lobbying for NCLEX administration
  - Continuing collaboration and partnerships with the PNA, ADPCN, CFO, CHED, Board of Nursing and various alumni associations of the Filipino nurse diasporans.
  - Real estate and other investment opportunities

## Prime Examples : EduPAY- Philippines

- Maximizing the development impact of migrant remittances-  
Lead Investigator : Dean Yang of the University of Michigan
- \$98,409 | The Philippines | Stage 1
- THE OPPORTUNITY: Remittances from migrants are among the largest financial flows to developing countries. In 2009, they amounted to \$307 billion—an amount roughly two-and-a-half times larger than foreign aid flows. However, little is known about how the development impact of these funds can be maximized.
- THE PROJECT: Researchers from the University of Michigan, the World Bank, Italy, and the Philippines, in collaboration with a major Philippine bank remittance channel and a respected Philippine education NGO, will pilot a financial innovation called EduPay, and use a randomized control trial to rigorously test its impact. This new facility will allow overseas Filipinos to pay educational institutions in the Philippines directly from overseas, without channeling the funds through a relative or other “trustee.” The system allows sponsors to monitor the performance (i.e. grades and attendance) of the sponsored student.
- PROJECTED COST-EFFICIENCY: Prior evidence suggests that remittances may have greater long-run development impact when migrants are given more control and monitoring over how the funds are used by recipients. This project will test EduPay's impact on remittance volume, the propensity to finance the education of school-aged children, school attendance and performance.

### Global Diaspora Forum - Next Steps for PNAA

- PNAA needs to educate itself on what's out there in terms of grants, funding streams, and possible projects that can be worked on with other diasporan communities.
- Need to enhance PNAA communication and information technology savvy in social networking such as twitter, facebook and other platforms used by other diasporan communities to get their message out there.
- Build awareness within our Filipino community that there is marketplace called IdeA specially for PNAA entrepreneurs, innovators and philanthropy.
- Need to be at the table, as in representation, at Global Diaspora Forum events convened by State Department or USAID

### Important Websites to browse for networking, education, getting information, etc.

- [www.USAID.gov](http://www.USAID.gov)
- [www.diasporaalliance.org](http://www.diasporaalliance.org)
- [www.USAID.gov/div](http://www.USAID.gov/div)
- [www.migrationpolicy.org](http://www.migrationpolicy.org)
- [www.gfmd.org](http://www.gfmd.org)

Some pics from the GDF II

CFO Sec Nicolas and Dale Asis of Bayanihan Foundation



Secretary Clinton speaks at -GDF II

- It was a pleasure representing PNAA at this event!
- For any questions, please do not hesitate to send me an e-mail:

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**Subject:** Congratulations to PNA Alaska!  
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Dear PNAA colleagues,

Greetings from the Last Frontier State! Let us greet the inaugural officers of PNA Alaska headed by its dynamic president Lorna H. Garcia with his Vice President Roberto Pioquinto Jr. Lourdes Nisperos, VP Western Region delivered Vicky Navarro's greetings and also spoke on behalf of PNAA and I inducted their officers. After the induction program, we provided orientation to their officers regarding their membership to PNAA. They were so glad that we are here to answer their many questions.

The induction program was very successful with more than 100 people in attendance. Debbie Thompson, Executive Director of the Alaska Nurses Association was also one of their speakers. There were many nursing leaders from different health care facilities, representative from the Samoan Nurses Association and from the Alaska Board of Nursing. The Induction program was free of charge to all attendees. The officers and members brought sumptuous foods which were enjoyed by all. The Karilagan dance troop provided us with entertainment as well as a band comprised of nurses.

We can assure you that we have a solid group of officers and members here. Their Executive Board members are very enthusiastic and look forward to being a part of the PNAA family. In fact, they already challenged us that they would like to host the next convention, regional that is. They have seen the many programs and initiatives being done by many PNAA chapters as we presented them in video/power point and now they are planning to replicate some. They tell us that they now have more or less 50 members as they recruited additional members during the Induction program.

Yesterday, six of their officers toured us to Seward, Alaska, boarded on the Alaskan train. Great sceneries on the 3.5 hour train ride one way -- lakes, mountains, glaciers, waterfalls, moose, eagles, and nature's beauty abound. What an exhilarating experience.

We are glad that we are a part of the first PNA Alaska Induction program!

They are now preparing our lobster, salmon and king crabs legs as we are packing for our trip back home (we are just throwing that in). Their hospitality is exceptional. It started when we were welcomed with banners from the airport with their delegation even with Lourdes arriving at 1:30 AM due to flight delay. Truly an unforgettable experience.

Lourdes Nisperos & Leo Jurado

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