



Maligayang bagong Taon! (Happy New Year!)

Our 2016 club officers and chairs are: president, Josie Baker; communications, Nancy Ward; vice president, Tess Cruz; membership, Cici Roshon; secretary, Linda Joven; social, Vivian Enverga; treasurer, Carmelo Beley; and travel and entertainment co-chairs, Manny Mallannao and Lucy Lariosa.

Our club celebrated its final event of the year in the Anthem Center ballroom with over 250 members and guests dining, socializing and dancing the night away to music of the Bohol Songbirds Band. Everyone enjoyed the food provided by Ray Esposito, Superior Event Services. As part of the night's entertainment, we raffled off an iPad, an iWatch and a Fitbit with the raffle's net proceeds being donated to the Wounded Warrior Project.

Oh, what a year we had ... the Filipino food festival and luau, the Philippine Independence Day celebration with the raffle for roundtrip airfare to the Philippines (donated by A and A Travel Services of Las Vegas and enabling us to donate \$1,500 to the Foundation Assisting Seniors), the New Mexico bus trip and the Tuacahn trip to see "Beauty and the Beast." We welcome input from all of our members for 2016 events.

The SCA Filipiniana Club aims to preserve, promote and share the Filipino culture and traditions among all residents of Sun City Anthem. One does not have to be of Filipino heritage to join, and membership is open to all residents. Annual dues are only \$5.

If you are interested in joining our club, go to www.scafc.org and download and complete the application form. Attach your payment of \$5 and drop both in the Filipiniana Club mailbox across from the Fitness Center desk in Anthem Center. For questions or more information, membership chair, Cici Roshon at cici724@gmail.com.

Nakakawiling Katotohanang Filipino (interesting Filipino facts). Who knew? The yo-yo had its beginnings as an ancient Filipino studded hunting weapon attached to a 20-foot rope. The modern yo-yo was invented by a Filipino American, and its name *yoyo* comes from the Filipino language Ilocano and means "come back" (facts.randomhistory.com).





The Bohol Songbirds



Cirino Farinas, gray suit, is the happy winner of the iWatch



Rex and Beth Weddle



Guest singer Stella Dizon