

FILIPINIANA

This is a folkloric love story about the Sampaguita (*Jasminum sambac*), the Philippine national flower symbolizing purity, dedication and endurance. The word sampaguita comes from two Tagalog words “sumpa kita” meaning “I promise you”. Legend has it that once there was a young woman named Liwayway, so beautiful that her suitors came from far and wide. While passing by her domain, a man named Tanggol was gored by a wild boar. He was brought to Liwayway’s house to recuperate and fell in love with her. After being healed, Tanggol left for home, promising to return with his parents and marry her. But it took so long that Liwayway died, pining for her lover. At her deathbed, she cursed him for forgetting his promise. When Tanggol returned, his copious tears so watered her gravesite that a plant grew bearing the fragrant white flower sampaguita, so-named after his promise.



NOTICE of the 2018 Calendar of Events (for details go to SCAFC.org)

May 7 Pontoon Boat ride from Lake Mead to Willow Beach

June 9 Philippine Independence Dinner Dance

July 8-13 Scenic Portland, Oregon

August 27 Tuacahn “Cinderella”

September 17 Tuacahn “Prince of Egypt”

December 9 Filipiniana Christmas Party

The SCA Filipiniana Club aims to preserve, promote, and share the Filipino culture and tradition among all residents of Sun City Anthem. Membership is open to all residents. You do not have to be a Filipino to join. Annual dues are \$5 per person. Time to renew your dues.