40TH YEAR REUNION

OPERATION MANONG
&
OFFICE OF
MULTICULTURAL
STUDENT SERVICES

March 25, 2012
3:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Filipino Community Center
94-428 Mokuola Street
Waipahu, Hawaii'i

With The FRIENDS OF OPERATION MANONG
OUR MISSION

Throughout its 40 years Operation Manong/Office of Multicultural Student Services’s mission has remained constant:

To encourage underrepresented students to pursue and succeed in higher education and to promote cultural diversity and tolerance in the community.

OUR HISTORY

OM was organized in 1971 by a group of UH faculty and students, members of the Filipino community and the State Immigrant Services Center who saw a need to assist Filipino immigrant school children. The Ilokano term for ‘older brother’ was chosen to restore its original positive meaning.

In 1972 OM received grants from ACTION (a Federal agency), the Presbyterian Church and other community groups to provide student training and academic credit for community field work. OM’s activities were a response to the influx of immigrants to Hawai‘i since the U.S. Immigration Law of 1965 and the Indochinese Refugee Act.

By 1985 OM was mandated to encourage minority students to enter and succeed at UHM. In 2000 OM was renamed as the Office of Multicultural Student Services (OMSS) to encompass the variety of outreach activities OM was conducting. For more detailed histories of OM/OMSS, see the following:

March 16, 2012 issue of Fil-Am Courier
http://thefilamcourier.com/

March 2012 issue of the Fil-Am Observer
http://filamobserverarticles.blogspot.com/

http://opmanong.ssc.hawaii.edu/aboutus.html
PROGRAM

Courtyard Activities

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Welcome

Emcees
Rosie Ramiro & Rouel Velasco

Video

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Dinner

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Entertainment
Willie Domingo, Romel dela Cruz and
His Sing-Along Singers & Ukulele Ensemble

Presentation of Certificates
State of Hawai‘i
Hawai‘i State Senate
Hawai‘i House of Representatives

Testimonials
Phyllis Dayao, Domingo Los Banos,
Ebil Matsutaro, Grace Barnacha Quidilla,
Emme Tomimbang, Johnny Verzon

Door Prizes

Closing Remarks
The early years...
10th Year Reunion (1982)
OM Open House (1986)
15th Year Reunion (1987)
Honoring Helen Nagtalon-Miller. (1989)

Pulong sa Mānoa. (1990)
OM college recruitment at Waiakea High School. (1991)

First Future Teachers Workshop (1992)
25th Year Reunion (1997)

Friends of Operation Manong fundraising garage sale. (2007)
Samoa Ala Mai conference coordinators, OMSS students and staff. (2010)

Black Experience in Hawaii Tour. (2011)
ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

40th Year Reunion Planning Committee

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Current OMSS Staff & Students

Clement Bautista  Adrianne Guerero
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We hope you’ve enjoyed this day of recognition, rekindling of friendships, and “going down memory lane.” Through the past four decades, much has been accomplished -- yet more remains to be done.