



# Filipino Community Center of Charleston

April - June 2023

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Annual Easter Egg Hunt — 09 April
- Mar & Apr B'day Celebration — 22 April
- Scholarship Awards — 13 May
- Outreach Welcome Dinner—18 May
- Outreach Program — 19 - 21 May
- Barrio Fiesta — 10 June
- May & June B'day Celebration — 24 June

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### PRESIDENT'S CORNER by Roger Viduya

Dear Kababayan and Friends,

There is so much going on at your FCC. From dinner dances and an Easter egg hunt to Consulate visits and Scholarship awards, your Board has been busy coordinating many activities while also meeting the FCC's financial obligations. The good news is that our Bank Loan has finally been paid off, and I am sincerely grateful to Ms Lily Cabading for her perseverance and determination to settle our Mortgage once and for all. Be sure to thank her when you see her next. And lastly, I want to thank all of you for your continued support as we move forward. Full speed ahead. Mabuhay FCC!

Roger Viduya  
FCC President

**Induction Ball.** The FCC inducted its 2023-2025 Executive Officers and Board of Directors on Saturday, 14 January. The Honorable Mrs. Christie Rainwater, Mayor of Hanahan, SC was our Guest of Honor. The very talented Hiyas-min Dance Troupe performed its Filipino cultural dances to everyone's delight. Evelyn Lee was the grand prize winner in our drawing for a 43" Westinghouse flat-screen TV. Congrats!

**Financial News.** Great news! As of March 30, our FCC facility's mortgage has been paid off. We want to thank our many donors for their generosity and Ate Lily Cabading for all of her hard work that made this happen. Our goal has been achieved!

**Annual Easter Egg Hunt** and potluck is being sponsored by the FCC, Travelers, PNA, Hiyas-min, and Caviteanan & Associates at the FCC from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00

on Sunday, 09 April. Entrance is free. Come join us and let's have a fun time. See the flyer posted at <https://fccofcharleston.com/>.

**Outreach Program** headed by Consul General Eric Arribas of the Philippines Consulate in Washington, DC will be held at the FCC on 19—21 May. Consular services include processing of Philippine passports and dual citizenship. Registration is online from 01 March to 30 April. For more details, please go to the FCC website <https://fccofcharleston.com/>, which has a simplified guide and points of contact.

**Outreach Welcome.** A "potluck" dinner will be held at the FCC on Thursday, 18 May to welcome the Honorable Mr. Eric Arribas and the Consulate staff to Charleston. Please plan to attend this important event, so our FCC and the Filipino community at large are well represented. Please stay tuned for details!

**Birthdays:** We want to wish all of our FCC members with birthdays in April, May, and June a very “Happy Birthday!” on their special day.

#### April

Cindy Dacanay Nancy Sampson  
 Tony Tolentino Letty Dedios  
 Lumin Sapinoso Ed Felipe  
 Benny Samson Lily Cabading  
 Merlyn Moore

#### May

Joseph Baker Cora Sion  
 Julie Estrada Violy Arcaras  
 Vangie Reolegio Roger Antonio  
 Linda Tolentino Del Morgan

#### June

Ed Edpao Julet Hughey  
 Jan Caseja Alice Morga  
 Eddie Villanueva Joey Caseja  
 Pete Adona Ernest Agustin  
 Cora Maningding

**Wedding Anniversaries:** To all our FCC members celebrating wedding anniversaries in April, May, and June, we want to congratulate you on an accomplishment that is a true testament of your deep and enduring love for each other. Congratulations!

#### April

None

#### May

Raoual & Violy Calimlim  
 Del & Alice Morga

#### June

Pete & Mendy Adona  
 Larry & Ofelia Acala

**Condolences.** On behalf of the Filipino Community Center of Charleston, our most sincere condolences & deepest sympathies are offered to the families & friends of...

Gener Gulatera  
 Zennie Doria Mendoza

**FCC Work Day.** In preparation for this year’s Annual Easter Egg Hunt, a member’s workday was held on Saturdays, 25 March and 01 April. The grounds were cleared of dead tree limbs and litter, the grass was mowed, leaves blown, and hedges trimmed. The four wooden columns at the facility’s entrance were re-stained. We want to thank the following members, who participated in this clean up. Roger Viduya, Ed Inigo, Pete Adona, Nomer Adona, Bobby Davidson, Rey Bongalonta, and Lonny Haddox.

**Special Note.** So that the FCC may continue recognizing the individual birthdays, anniversaries, and other special days and achievements of our members and their families in our quarterly newsletter, please email this information to the FCC email address [info@fccofcharleston.com](mailto:info@fccofcharleston.com) in the following format: Fname, Lname, mmm dd, and include a brief comment about the special occasion being celebrated or recognized. (e.g. the 5 W’s... who, what, where, when, and why?)

**Miss Teen FCC pageant** to be held at the FCC on 10 June. Submission deadline is 31 May. Contact Gilda Florendo or Lily Cabading for details.

**Hiyas-min Dance Team.** Witness the live showcase of the different World Dances in celebration of the 40th Annual North Charleston Arts Fest on 06 May, 2023!

The Hiyas-min, Philippine Cultural Society of Charleston will be showcasing a vast array of colorful and unique folk dances of the Philippines in their vibrant costumes on 06 May, 2023 (Saturday) from 12:30 PM to 1:00 PM at the Oak Terrace Preserve Pavilion, 5200 Lackawanna Blvd, North Charleston. Hope to see all of you there!

**The Filipino Community Center Scholarship 2023.** The Filipino Community Center is pleased to offer an academic scholarship worth \$3300.00 for the year 2022-2023. Awards night will be held in the Filipino Community Center on May 13, 2023 (Saturday) at 5:00 PM. Recipients have to be present to win.

The scholarship will be awarded to students of Filipino descent who have been accepted to an accredited school.

Factors included in the evaluation process are:

- Academic merits honors/recognitions, current GPA, SAT or ACT
- **Please send Transcript of records**
- Extracurricular activities
- Essay

**Applications must be received by the deadline April 19, 2023.**

Please return completed applications to:

FCC Scholarship Program  
 c/o Carmen Malamug  
 204 Westminster Ave.  
 Summerville, SC 29485