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Dear Speaker Won Pat:

In accordance with Public Law 17-35, enclosed is the FY 2015 Senior Citizens Month report which includes the expenditures of funds spent for Senior Citizens Month activities.

Should you have questions, you may contact Senior Citizens Administrator Arthur U. San Agustin, MHR at 735-7421 or 7415.

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## SENIOR CITIZENS MONTH 2015

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The Department of Public Health and Social Services (DPHSS), Division of Senior Citizens (DSC) coordinated and/or facilitated the events to celebrate Senior Citizens Month (SCM) 2015, which is observed annually in May. The theme for this year’s month-long celebration, “Get into the Act” was derived from the official theme for the national celebration of Older Americans Month 2015, as developed by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Community Living. In Chamorro, the translated theme is “*Saonao Gi Kinalamten.*” The theme focuses on how older adults are taking charge of their health, getting engaged in their communities, and making a positive impact in the lives of others.

To lead in the planning of SCM, Mrs. Geraldine T. Gumataotao of the Division of Senior Citizens was appointed this year’s Chairperson, and with the support of the Health Services of the Pacific (HSP), Mrs. Kavita Hemlani Ré Co-Chaired the SCM Central Planning Committee (CPC) meetings. The meetings convened at the DSC on December 30, 2014. Thereafter, the CPC met twice monthly through April 21, 2015, with the close-out meeting held on Tuesday, June 23, 2015. Members of the CPC included representatives from government agencies and departments and private and non-profit entities, to include: HSP - Service Provider for the National Family Caregiver Support Program; Catholic Social Service (CSS) - Service Provider for the Case Management Services, Adult Day Care, In-Home Services, and the Emergency Receiving Home Programs; Mayors’ Council of Guam (MCOG) - Senior Center Operations Program; Kloppenburg Enterprises, Inc. - Vendor for the Transportation Services Program; 33<sup>rd</sup> Guam Legislature - Office of Speaker Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D. and the Office of Senator Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr.; Santa Rita Mayors’ Office; St. Dominic’s Senior Care Home; Guam Fire Department; Lions Club International – District 204; GovGuam Association of Retired Person; American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) - Guam Chapter; Guam Visitors Bureau (GVB) and staff of the DPHSS DSC and Division of Public Health, Bureau of Family Health and Nursing Services.

The CPC developed the CALENDAR OF EVENTS, listing 10 events, as follows:

DATE	ACTIVITY	SPONSORING ORGANIZATION	VENUE/TIME
April 28 Tuesday	Senior Citizens Month Proclamation Signing	Office of Governor Eddie B. Calvo; DPHSS/DSC; Santa Rita Mayor Dale Alvarez, and the Santa Rita Senior Citizens Center Participants	Santa Rita Senior Citizens Center 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
April 28 Tuesday	Senior Citizens Month Memory Wave	DSC/DPHSS, Mayors’ Council of Guam	ITC Intersection (Park Side), Tamuning

		(MCOG), and Catholic Social Service	4:00 p.m.
May 1 Friday	GGARP Talent Show and Contest	GovGuam Association of Retired Persons (GGARP)	University of Guam Field House 10:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
May 6 Wednesday	Frail Elderly Mass	Catholic Social Service (CSS)	Adult Day Care, Inarajan Senior Center 10:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. 10:30 a.m. Mass, followed by the May Crowning and Reception
May 8 Friday	Guam Conference on Aging	DSC/(DPHSS)	Pacific Star Hotel 8:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.: Check-in/ Pre-Conference Activity 9:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.: Conference
May 13 Wednesday	May Crowning	St. Dominic's Senior Care Home	St. Dominic's Senior Care Home 10:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. 10:30 a.m. Mass, followed by the May Crowning and Reception.
May 20 Wednesday	Centenarian Celebration	DSC/DPHSS and Health Services of the Pacific, and the luncheon was hosted by the Lions Club International – District 204	Government House 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
May 22 Friday	Legislative Reception	33 <sup>rd</sup> Guam Legislature	Hyatt Regency Hotel 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
May 26 Tuesday	Bingo Bash	MCOG	Fortune Bingo, Compadres Mall Tamuning 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
June 20 Saturday	SCM Outreach Event  (Rescheduled from May 16 due to Typhoon Dolphin)	DSC/DPHSS, MCOG and CSS	Agana Shopping Center 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

## GETTING THE WORD OUT

This year, DSC staff and members of the 2015 SCM CPC made appearances on both radio and television talk shows to share information about the senior citizens month events. Shows included: KTKB 101.9 FM Megamixx, Damdaming Pinoy Show, KUAM News Weekend Edition, K57 AM Patti Arroyo Show, and KISH 102.9 FM.

DSC also promoted participation of SCM events by displaying outdoor vinyl banners proclaiming May as SCM on a billboard at the Paseo Loop. The Department of Parks and Recreation is recognized for waiving the permit fees associated with the Paseo Loop billboard reservation. Additionally, there was media coverage in the Guam Pacific Daily News (PDN), Guam Super Shopper, and KUAM. A traveling banner was also displayed at each SCM event.

*The following are the highlights of the celebration of Senior Citizens Month 2015:*

## PROCLAMATION SIGNING

The Honorable Ray Tenorio, Lt. Governor of Guam signed Proclamation 2015-35 at the Santa Rita Senior Citizens Center on April 28, 2015, officially proclaiming the month of May 2015 as Senior Citizens Month (SCM). For over twenty-five years, the month-long observance is celebrated with activities recognizing the achievements, contributions and longevity of our *man'amko*.

The coordination of the Proclamation Signing was led by the Division of Senior Citizens, DPHSS, in collaboration with the Office of the Governor and Mayor Dale E. Alvarez, Municipality of Santa Rita and the *seniors* from the Santa Rita Senior Citizens Center. For the past 10 years, to include this year's event, the proclamation signing for Senior Citizens' Month has taken place at one (1) of twelve (12) Senior Citizens Centers. The village center designated to host the proclamation event is selected in the order it became a Senior Citizens Center (i.e., Sinajana was the first Senior Citizens Center on Guam, thus in 2006, Proclamation Signing was held at the Sinajana Center; in 2007, the Proclamation Signing was held at the Mangilao Senior Citizens Center, etc.), as illustrated below in Table 1. Senior Citizens Month Proclamation Signing Ceremonies. As the Governor is invited to proclaim Senior Citizens Month at the designated village Senior Citizens Center, the participants graciously host the event. Two (2) of the twelve (12) Senior Citizens Centers remain on the list to host a Proclamation Singing event: Merizo and Agana Heights Senior Citizens Center.

Table 1. Senior Citizens Month Proclamation Signing Ceremonies.

No.	Senior Citizens Center	Date
1.	Sinajana Senior Citizens Center	April 20, 2006
2.	Mangilao Senior Citizens Center	April 19, 2007
3.	Yigo Senior Citizens Center	April 23, 2008
4.	Astumbo Senior Citizens Center	April 30, 2009
5.	Dededo Senior Citizens Center	April 27, 2010
6.	Tamuning Senior Citizens Center	April 27, 2011
7.	Yona/Talofof Senior Citizens Center	April 24, 2012

8.	Inarajan Senior Citizens Center	April 26, 2013
9.	Agat Senior Citizens Center	April 28, 2014
10.	Santa Rita Senior Citizens Center	April 28, 2015
11.	Merizo Senior Citizens Center	TBA
12.	Agana Heights Senior Citizens Center	TBA

This year's proclamation signing event was attended by approximately 125 individuals which includes participants of the Santa Rita Senior Citizens Center, members of the Senior Center Executive Council, representatives from the 33rd Guam Legislature, the Mayors' Council of Guam, newly appointed members of the Guam Council on Senior Citizens, members of the Aging Network (Catholic Social Service, Health Services of the Pacific and Kloppenburg Enterprises, Inc.), members of the 2015 SCM Central Planning Committee, DPHSS staff, and family and friends of the Santa Rita Senior Citizens Center participants. Mrs. Marian Aflague, President of the Santa Rita Senior Citizens Center provided welcoming remarks and Lt. Governor Tenorio urged residents to recognize our island's *man'amko* for their contributions and continuous involvement in our community, and commended caregivers, volunteers and community organizations for their dedication to our *man'amko*.

The successful production of this year's 2015 Senior Citizens Month Proclamation Signing event is attributed to the great team effort of Division of Senior Citizens staff and to the various individuals, agencies, and organizations who supported and contributed to the event, as follows:

*Office of the Governor • Office of the Lt. Governor • Mayor Dale E. Alvarez, Municipality of Santa Rita • Santa Rita Mayor's Staff • Santa Rita Municipal Planning Council • Santa Rita Senior Center Participants • Mrs. Marian Aflague, President Santa Rita Senior Citizens Council • Mr. Francisco Espinosa, Santa Rita Senior Citizens Center Participant • Father Vincenzo Acampora • Guam Fire Department • DPHSS, Division of Public Health, Bureau of Family Health & Nursing Services Staff*

## **2<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL MEMORY WAVE**

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Senior Citizens Month Memory Wave, sponsored by the Department of Public Health and Social Services Division of Senior Citizens (DPHSS-DSC), Catholic Social Services (CSS), and the Mayors' Council of Guam (MCOG), was held on Tuesday, April 28, 2015 to kick off the annual celebration of SCM. Participants outfitted in purple t-shirts congregated at the ITC intersection (Route 1, Marine Corps Drive) in Tamuning and waved to on-going traffic.

Approximately 133 individuals participated and supported the afternoon wave also memorializing loved ones afflicted with Alzheimer's disease and related dementia. There was a slightly higher turn-out this year in comparison to last year's early morning wave. This year's attendees came out with homemade banners and signs and a lot of enthusiasm to show their support!

*Special thanks is extended to the following partners: Division of Senior Citizens Staff and Volunteers • Catholic Social Service (2015 Memory Wave Co-Chair): Adult Day Care:*

*North, Guma Ginefli'e, and South; In-Home Services Program; and Case Management Services Program • National Family Caregiver Support Program • Transportation Services Program • Senior Center Operations Program and representatives from the Agana Heights Senior Citizens Center; Agat Senior Citizens Center; Astumbo Senior Citizens Center; Merizo Senior Citizens Center; Tamuning Senior Citizens Center; and Yigo Senior Citizens Center • University of Guam - 4-H • Office of Senator Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr. • Government of Guam Association of Retired Persons (GGARP) • American Association of Retired Persons (AARP)-Guam Chapter • Guam Behavioral Health and Wellness Center (GBHWC) • Mr. Ken Duenas (Private Donor) • Honorable Louise Rivera, Mayor of Tamuning • Mr. Albert Toves, President of the Tamuning Senior Citizens Center*

**GOVGUAM ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED PERSONS (GGARP)  
 TALENT SHOW AND COMPETITION**

The GGARP Talent Show and Competition, chaired by Mrs. Mae Pellacani, was held on May 1, 2015 at the UOG Fieldhouse. Representatives from seven (7) Senior Citizens Centers participated in this event. The following are the list of winners of the Talent Show Competition:

<u>Category:</u>	<u>Results:</u>	<u>Winners:</u>	<u>Senior Center:</u>
<u>Division</u>			

**SINGING**

<b>Single (Soloists)</b>	First Place:	Ruth Jesus	Santa Rita
	Second Place:	Leo Macaregg	Tamuning
	Third Place:	Bernadette Frias	Tamuning
<b>Duet (Couple)</b>	First Place	Jose & Mary Torres	Sinajana
	Second Place:	Jose San Nicolas & Teresita Barcinas	Merizo
<b>Group</b>	First Place:	Santa Rita	Santa Rita
	Second Place:	Edwin Carbinel, Aurelia Datuin, Helen Meneses & Catalina Raquel	Dededo

**DANCING**

<b>Couple</b>	First Place:	George Perez & Lou Taitingfong	Yigo
	Second Place:	Ligaya Mendoza & Antonio Seville	Tamuning
<b>Group</b>	First Place:	Merizo	Merizo
	Second Place:	Dededo	Dededo
	Third Place:	Palau: Maxie Mereb, Martha Edsin, Fasty Issac,	Mangilao

Roman Diaz, Palina  
Remengesau & Tok Arini

**STORY TELLING** First Place: Sjaway Sally Mangilao

**COMEDY** First Place: Francisco Espinosa Santa Rita

### **CENTENARIAN RECOGNITION CELEBRATION**

The DPHSS/DSC in coordination with the Office of the First Lady and the Lions Club International - District 204 held the annual Centenarian Recognition Ceremony at the Government House on May 20, 2015 to recognize those seniors identified to turn 100 years of age or older in 2015. A DSC staff, Ms. Jeanette Gomez served as the lead coordinator in the planning of this celebration, with assistance provided by DSC's Mrs. Monica Untalan. The event was also hosted by the Lion Club International - District 204. HSP's Kavita Hemlani Ré, Co-Chair for this year's SCM celebration along with LCI Lion Herbie Perez served as Mistresses of Ceremony. There were approximately 100 attendees at this celebration.

The 2015 Centenarians recognized are as follows:

- 1) Maura Rufo Robeniol, age 101
- 2) Regina M. Reyes, age 100
- 3) Josefina Yamanaka Blas, age 99
- 4) Magdalena San Nicolas Bayani, age 99

A posthumous recognition was also held for Rita Calvo Artero†, age 101, who passed away on April 1, 2015. All four living centenarians attended the ceremony.

Dignitaries present were: Governor and Mrs. Eddie B. Calvo, Archbishop of Guam Anthony Sablan Apuron, Jon Calvo from the Office of Congresswoman Madeleine Z. Bordallo, Senators Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr., Frank Blas, Jr. and Thomas A. Morrison and Department of Parks and Recreation Director, Mr. Raymond Blas.

The program began with Mistresses of Ceremony Kavita Ré and Herbie Perez opening the event, followed by the welcoming remarks provided by 2015 SCM CPC Chair Geraldine T. Gumataotao, and then the blessing of the Centenarians by Archbishop Anthony Sablan Apuron. After the blessing, the Governor provided his remarks and presented the iconic gift sponsored by Cost-U-Less to the surviving Centenarians. A floral wreath from Radhi's or fresh leis from Ms. Nina Callahan (Private Donor) was presented by First Lady Calvo to the family of Centenarian Artero and the surviving Centenarians, respectively.

The presentation of birthday gifts from sponsoring organizations as well as from Senator Rodriguez, Jr. were made. This year's gift sponsors included:

1. Latte Stone Lions Club sponsored Ms. Robeniol

2. American Association of Retired Persons and Iloilo International sponsored Mrs. Reyes
3. Guam Sunshine Lions Club sponsored Mrs. Blas
4. Kloppenburg Enterprises, Inc. sponsored Mrs. Bayani
5. Radhi's provided the floral wreath for Mrs. Artero

Then the cakes, one 2-tiered celebratory cake compliments of Crown Bakery and four (4) individual cakes from the Asahi Association of Guam were paraded into the reception area by representatives of Crown Bakery, the Asahi Association of Guam, Palau Community Association of Guam, DSC and SCM CPC; while Mr. Jesse Bias and Ms. Ruby Santos of "Jesse and Ruby" played instrumental music in the background. After the candles on the cakes were lit, Jesse and Ruby led the singing of the "Happy Birthday" song. After the candles were blown from the individual cakes, Centenarian Reyes blew the candle that was on the celebratory cake. As a finale, the Guam Lions Clubs also sang a song for the Centenarians, "You Are My Sunshine".

On display throughout the ceremony were large framed poster boards depicting the lives of each Centenarian, sponsored by the Palau Community Association of Guam.

**Special Thanks** are extended to the following individuals and organizations for their contribution and support of this year's Centenarian celebration:

*Governor and Mrs. Eddie B. Calvo • Archbishop Anthony Sablan Apuron • Asahi Association of Guam • Mr. Allan Vilorio and Mr. Simeon Palomo • Bank of Guam • Catholic Social Service • Cost U Less • Crown Bakery • American Association of Retired Persons-Guam Chapter • Guam Facilities Foundation, Inc. (GFFI/Core Tech International • Department of Chamorro Affairs • Guam Fire Department • Guam Regional Medical City • Health Services of the Pacific • Iloilo International • Lions Club International - District 204 and the Guam Sunshine and Latte Stone Lions Clubs • Kavita Hemlani Ré and Herbie Perez (Mistresses of Ceremony) • Kloppenburg Enterprises, Inc. • Office of Congresswoman Madeleine Bordallo • Ms. Nina Callahan • Office of Speaker Judith T. Won Pat • Palau Community Association of Guam • Pomika Sales • Radhi's • Senator Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr. • Mr. Tommy Taitague • TriVision Media Group LLC • Mrs. Geraldine Gumataotao (2015 SCM Chairperson)*

## **FRAIL ELDERLY MASS**

The Frail Elderly Mass is an event hosted annually by CSS. This year, the event was held at the newest Adult Day Care Center program site which is co-located with the Inarajan Senior Citizens Center. The ceremony, held on May 6, began with the crowning of the Blessed Mother at 10:00 a.m., followed by the mass at 10:30 a.m. presided by Archbishop Anthony Apuron. After mass, refreshments and a light meal were served to those who participated in the service. Present at the event were Adult Day Care and Inarajan Senior Center clients, members of the SCM CPC, staff and management of CSS, family, friends, and interested members of the community.



## **LEGISLATIVE RECEPTION**

On May 22, 2015, the 33<sup>rd</sup> Guam Legislature hosted the annual Legislative Reception for our senior center participants at the Hyatt Regency Hotel from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The event featured raffle drawings, give-aways, dancing to the music of a live band and a photo booth where groups or individuals could have their photos taken to remember the event. It was a fun day for the seniors. Approximately 500 participated in the event, of which 411 were seniors from the various Senior Citizen Centers.

## **MAY CROWNING**

The May Crowning event, hosted by St. Dominic's Senior Care Home was held on Wednesday, May 13 at the St. Dominic's Senior Care Home in Barrigada Heights. The event included a Catholic Mass and a presentation of floral bouquets to the Blessed Mother. Seniors representing the Mangilao and Sinajana Senior Citizens Centers and members of the SCM Central Planning Committee participated in the event.

## **4<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL GUAM CONFERENCE ON AGING (GCOA)**

The DSC/DPHSS with support from the Guam Medicare Assistance Program and the Guam Senior Medicare Patrol Project along with the SCM Central Planning Committee hosted the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Guam Conference on Aging as part of the annual celebration of SCM. The Conference was chaired by DSC staff Mrs. Joleen M.M. Almandres and co-chaired by DSC's Ms. Cathy Bayona. This year's Conference was held on Friday, May 8, 2015 at the Pacific Star Resort & Spa with approximately 375 senior citizens in attendance all receiving valuable information from guest presenters, and from a host of exhibitors from both the private and public sector. Mr. Kevin Delgado served as Master of Ceremony.

### **PRE-CONFERENCE ACTIVITIES**

Pre-Conference activities included line dancing as a morning energizer; a skit performed by Suzie Arceo, Mary Torres and Recreational Leader Ken San Agustin of the Sinajana Senior Citizens Center and singing by participants of the same center, as well as a video montage of center participants from various Senior Citizens Centers welcoming everyone to the Guam Conference on Aging.

### **CONFERENCE ACTIVITIES**

After Mr. and Mrs. Torres (Joe and Mary) of the Sinajana Senior Citizens Center sang the National Anthem and Guam Hymn, Senior Citizens Administrator Arthur U. San Agustin delivered the Opening Remarks for the Conference. It was followed by the Welcoming Remarks by DPHSS Director James Gillan and the Keynote Address by Honorable Eddie B. Calvo, Governor of Guam. After his address, Governor Calvo swore-in 10 of the newly appointment members of the Guam Council on Senior Citizens. The Council serves as advocates for the island's Manamko and provides guidance to the Senior Citizens Administrator on aging related issues.

The conference topics focused on leading adults to make a positive impact in the lives of others. The first conference presentation commenced with "Positive Impact on the Lives of Others" by Mr. David Peredo, Disaster Program Manager for the American Red Cross

and followed by “Getting Engaged in their Communities” by Ms. Peggy Denney of i\*recycle. During lunch, entertainment was provided by the Merizo and Santa Rita Senior Citizens Center participants. After lunch, the Guam Senior Medicare Patrol Project & Guam State Health Insurance Assistance Program recognized their volunteers and partners for their hard work and dedication in support of the division’s Medicare based programs. DSC staff, Mrs. Joleen M.M. Almandres and Ms. Cathy Bayona facilitated this part of the conference proceedings.

The afternoon presentations included “Taking Charge of your Health – Six Secrets to a Long and Healthy Life” by Dr. Annette David, MD, MP, FACOEM and followed by an Aikido Demonstration by 75 year old Sensei Mutsuko Minegishi of the Guam Akikai Aikido.

Throughout the day, there were exhibits by programs affiliated with aging programs; raffling drawings compliments of Mr. Eddy Reyes of Pacific Tyre; upcycling projects made by various center participants, and a No Wrong Door (NWD) Survey was conducted which offered an opportunity to receive a ticket for the photo booth upon completing the survey. The NWD survey assessment was conducted to gather perspectives on the efforts of service agencies, such as the Division of Senior Citizens, Guam Behavioral Health and Wellness Center, Department of Integrated Services for Individuals with Disabilities (DISID), to include the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation of DISID, in providing Long Term Services and Supports (LTSS). The data collected will provide information on how services are currently being provided, how to improve services, as well as to help identify the gaps in services.

#### **UPCYCLING PROJECT**

Nine (9) Senior Citizens Centers and the three (3) Adult Day Care Centers completed their upcycling projects which were displayed in the Guahan Room of the GCOA. The Lions Club International – District 204 provided the \$500 Home Depot gift card to procure some of the supplies and materials needed for the projects.

#### **EXHIBITORS**

There were governmental, non-profit and private organizations who participated as exhibitors, sharing program and product information that would benefit and engage seniors to remain active and engaged in their communities which included:

##### Government of Guam Agencies:

1. Department of Integrated Services for Individuals with Disabilities: Independent Living Services for Older Blind Program
2. Department of Labor – Senior Community Service Employment Program
3. Department of Public Health and Social Services – Division of Senior Citizens – Guam Senior Medicare Patrol Project; Guam Medicare Assistance Program, Adult Protective Services, and No Wrong Door programs
4. Guam Housing and Urban Renewal Authority (GHURA)

5. University of Guam: 4-H Youth Development Program: Preventive Health – Guam Healthy Aging Program; Guam System for Assistive Technology (GSAT), CEDDARS; and SNAP-Ed Program.

**Non-Profit Organizations:**

1. American Association of Retired Persons (AARP), Guam Chapter 4837
2. Autism Community Together (ACT)
3. Catholic Social Service: Adult Day Care, Case Management, and In-Home Services
4. GovGuam Association of Retired Persons (GGARP)
5. Guam Coalition Against Sexual Assault and Family Violence
6. Guam Latte Stone Lions Club
7. Guam Legal Services Corporation – Disability Law Center
8. Guam Sunshine Lions Club
9. St. Dominic's Senior Care Home

**Private Organizations:**

1. Guam Facilities Foundation, Inc. (GFFI)
2. Guam Regional Medical City
3. Health Services of the Pacific

**Special Thanks** to the following individuals or organizations for their contribution and support of this year's conference:

*Honorable Eddie B. Calvo, Governor of Guam • Adult Day Care: North, Guma Ginefli'e, and South • Bank of Guam • Asan-Maina Mayor's Office • Barrigada Mayor's Office • Catholic Social Service Thrift Shop • Mr. David Peredo • Dr. Annette David • Fr. Joel Delos Reyes • Guam Facilities Foundation, Inc. • Guam Regional Medical City • Mr. and Mrs. Joe and Mary Torres • Kamalen Karidat • Mr. Ken Leon Guerrero, Kindo Electric • Mr. Ken San Agustin • Mr. Kevin Delgado • Lions Club International - District 204 • Pacific Tyre • Ms. Peggy Denney, i\*recycle • Senior Citizens Centers: Agana Heights, Inarajan, Mangilao, Merizo, Santa Rita, Sinajana, Tamuning, Yigo, Yona/Talofof • Sensei Mutsuko Minegishi • Staff of the Office of the Governor • Mrs. Suzie Arceo • Title III Senior Center Operations Program Staff.*

## **BINGO BASH**

A favorite past-time for many senior center participants is playing bingo. As a result, a Bingo Bash was arranged by the Mayor's Council of Guam, Senior Center Operations Program and the Order of the Purple Heart for the participants to try their luck at a game of chance at Fortune Bingo in Compadres Mall, Harmon on May 26, 2015.

Approximately 410 senior center participants attended this activity. GVB sponsored the transportation for the participants to attend this event.

## **SCM OUTREACH AWARENESS**

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Senior Citizens Month Outreach Awareness was sponsored by the DPHSS-Division of Senior Citizens, Catholic Social Service (CSS), and J&G Distributors.

This year's Outreach Awareness was scheduled for Saturday, May 16, 2015; however, our island was struck by Typhoon Dolphin on this day. The event was postponed to Saturday, June 20, 2015 at the Agana Shopping Center's Center Court from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Mr. Ryan San Nicolas of Catholic Social Service served as the Master of Ceremony.

The Outreach Awareness included exhibitors, health screening, and entertainment throughout the day. There were governmental, non-profit and private organizations who participated as exhibitors, sharing program and product information, as follows:

Government of Guam Agencies:

1. Office of the Governor, Community Affairs
2. Commission on Decolonization
3. Department of Public Health and Social Services – Division of Senior Citizens (DSC)
4. Department of Integrated Services for Individuals with Disabilities (DISID)
5. Department of Labor – Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP)
6. University of Guam - Guam System for Assistive Technology (GSAT)

Non-Profit Organizations:

1. American Association of Retired Persons (AARP)
2. Catholic Social Service: Adult Day Care, Case Management and In-Home Services
3. Government of Guam Association of Retired Persons (GGARP)
4. Guam Coalition Against Sexual Assault and Family Violence
5. Guam Diabetes Association
6. Guam Legal Services Corporation – Disability Law Center (GLSC-DLC)

Private Organizations:

1. Health Services of the Pacific, National Family Caregiver Support Program
2. Guam Regional Medical City
3. Guam Facilities Foundation, Inc.
4. Mountain Pacific Quality Health

Performers that provided entertainment included:

1. Singer, Ernane Balinas, Adult Day Care – North, Nurse Assistant
2. Singer, Vicente Fabella Jr., Adult Day Care –Dementia, Nurse Assistant
3. Singer, Twinkle Angelica F. Sison (Daughter of Vicente Fabella)
4. Singer, Ruth Jesus, Santa Rita Senior Citizens Center (1<sup>st</sup> Place Soloist, 2015 GGARP Talent Show and Competition)
5. Singer, Jose San Nicolas, Merizo Senior Citizens Center (2<sup>nd</sup> Place Duet, 2015 GGARP Talent Show and Competition)
6. Singer, Danny Orlino, Mangilao Senior Citizens Center Participant
7. Singer, Juan Naputi, Mangilao Senior Citizens Center Participant
8. Dancers, George Perez & Lou Taitingfong, Yigo Senior Citizens Center (1<sup>st</sup> Place Dance, 2015 GGARP Talent Show and Competition)
9. Dancers, Tamuning Senior Citizens Center Group
10. Dancers, Mangilao Senior Citizens Center – Electric Slide

11. Zumba with Merla Ogawa, Elvie Ayson & Leonor Capistrano

Health screening to include blood pressure, blood sugar testing, and counseling were provided by Mountain Pacific Quality Health and the Guam Diabetes Association. A total of 150 participants were screened, of this 97 were senior citizens age 60 and older.

The GGARP also provided the opportunity for seniors to apply for their Senior Citizens Discount Card; and for those who qualify as “native inhabitants” as defined in Public Law 25-106, they were able to register with the Guam Decolonization Commission.

In conjunction with the day’s event, four (4) Agana Shopping Center tenants offered discounts to senior’s age 55 or older who shopped in their stores during the event:

1. SM Store (10% off purchase)
2. Compacific (10% off flash drives/memory cards)
3. Sunglasses Ecetera (10% off purchase)
4. Tokyo Mart Express (10% off purchase)

Additionally, the following Agana Shopping Center tenants donated raffle prizes for the day:

1. Fruits – 2 Gift Certificates
2. Payless Supermarkets – 2 Gift Certificates
3. Pizza Hut/Taco Bell – 5 Gift Certificates
4. Tony Roma’s – 5 Gift Certificates
5. Capricciosa – 1 Gift Certificate
6. Gino’s – 2 Gift Certificates
7. Pretzel Maker – 4 Gift Certificates
8. Agana Stadium Studio/Micronesia Mall Theatre – 5 VIP & Guest Passes
9. GTA – 2 Gift Bags
10. M&M Cartridge Outlet – 8 Cups Imusa Rice Cooker

Door prizes were also received through the coordination of the GGARP Board and Senior Citizens Month Co-Chair Kavita Hemlani Re’, as follows:

1. Faith Book Store - 3 Gift Certificates (via GGARP)
2. Davina’s Beauty Shop - 1 Gift Certificate (via GGARP)
3. EZ Guam – Standard Oil Change (via GGARP)
4. \$65 Gift Certificate to the Magellan Restaurant at the Nikko Hotel (via GGARP)
5. Domino’s Pizza – 10 Gift Certificates (via Kavita Re’)
6. Guam Cancer Care – 5 Gift Bags (via Kavita Re’ )
7. Gift Certificate for Scentsy (via Kavita Re’)

**Special Thanks** to KSTEO/KISH for promoting the event on their radio stations.

**BIBA MAÑAINA-TA DRIVE**

A Biba Mañaina-ta Drive, the Drive, was held beginning on April 20 through May 29, 2015 to strum up community support of items needed by the three (3) Adult Day Care Centers and the National Family Caregiver Support Program. Through this Drive, the community was invited to help with the provision of sundry items, toiletries and cleaning supplies such as bleach for laundry or cleaning; laundry detergent; liquid disinfectants, and 16 or 30 gallon sized trash bags. The drive resulted in the community providing monetary donations totaling \$1,466.00 for Adult Day Care -- Guma Gine'flie and donations of supplies of toilet tissue, foam cups and paper towel for another ADC. The Drive was coordinated by DSC staff Charlene San Nicolas and Albert Silos.

**SENIOR CITIZENS MONTH 2015 EXPENDITURES**

The following is a breakdown of the costs associated with hosting SCM 2015 paid for by the Division of Senior Citizens:

Description of Activity	Funding Source	Cost
Hotel Venue for Guam Conference on Aging Purchase Order No. P156A02939	DSC -- State Agency funds	\$14,725.00
Conference Bags Purchase Order No. P156A02270	DSC -- Guam Senior Medicare Patrol	\$3,306.00
Program Agenda Purchase Order No. P156A03007	DSC - Guam Senior Medicare Patrol	\$572.50
Name Badges and Certificate Holders	DSC - Guam Senior Medicare Patrol	\$321.63
Total		\$18,925.13

**CONCLUSION**

The SCM activities would not have been made possible without the support and collaboration from government, private and non-profit organizations, home and health care organizations and business, and the Aging Network service providers and vendors. Each event involved a tremendous amount of planning and coordination to achieve success. It is noted that our networking capacity has also increased through the coordination of the Health Services of the Pacific that was able to get the support of a new private donor, the Guam Regional Medical City, as well as the sponsorship of the Lions Club International - District 204 that was able to get support from Core-Tech and Guam Facilities Foundation, Inc..

The DSC staff conducted a debriefing after the Proclamation Signing, SCM Memory Wave, GCOA, Centenarian Recognition Celebration, and the Outreach Awareness events and the CPC members held a SCM close-out meeting on June 23, 2015 to share their successes, challenges, and to make recommendations to improve their planning of their respective events for next year's celebration.

The DSC is fully committed to celebrating next year's SCM while continuing to be of service to *I Mañaina-ta* and ensuring they receive services they need and most assuredly deserve. The DSC looks forward to the continued collaboration with the Guam Legislature and several key partners such as the MCOG; Office of the Governor; Office of the Congresswoman; St. Dominic's Senior Care Home; Guam Fire Department; Lions Club International - District 204; Guam Chapter, American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) – Guam Chapter; GovGuam Association of Retired Persons (GGARP); Catholic Social Service; Health Services of the Pacific, and Kloppenburg Enterprises, Inc. and other aging network partners, as we celebrate Senior Citizens Month in 2016.  
*Biba I Mañaina-ta!*