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Save the Date

UPCOMING EVENTS

**1/15 GENERAL MEETING
BOARD DIR MTG**

1/30 ART EXHIBITION

**2/5, 12, 19 AND 26
3/5, 3/12 - TAGALOG
CLASSES, INTERM.**

**2/12 VALENTINES DAY
SCHOLARSHIP**

**3/19 & 3/26. 4/2, 9, 16
& 23 - BISAYAN CLASS,
BEGINNING**

A Note from our FACC President

BY VIVIAN EGONIO-NORMAN

I am honored to step into the role as President of FACC, following in the footsteps of so many hardworking and extraordinary people before me for the past 67 years.

As we move into a new year, we owe a huge thank you to the 2019-2021 Officers and Board of Directors for their dedication, service and leadership over the past years, as well as to all of our members for giving your time and talents to make the years a success. Despite the uncertainties and obstacles that arose in the last 2 years, we fought through it and met few of our goals.

Over the past year, we successfully completed around 20 Rockies games, now we are about to close out the Denver Broncos season at Empower Field, we had our festival, homeless initiatives, Pop-up Vaccination clinic for Covid-19, our Bahay Kubo also hosted the Covid testing through 9Health and among other events for the community.

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On behalf of our Officers and Board of Directors, we would also like to say a special heartfelt Salamat Po to outgoing **FACC President Chona Palmon** for her contributions and continued dedication to our community. Ms. Palmon, was there to lead us during the most critical times of the Pandemic, ensuring that we continue our festival traditions and taking on additional responsibilities to once again, lead our Cultural Group.

I want to also say Thank You to our Corporate Sponsors. Without their donations, many of the FACC Events, Programs and Renovation of our Bahay Kubo would not be possible. Thank you to **SCFD, United Way Denver, Community Acts Fund, Bonfils Stanton** and **Rose Community Foundation**.

As I look ahead to the upcoming year and the challenges we will face. I would like to share one of my favorites saying, "Many hands make light work." There is tremendous power in the size of our membership and the many talents our members bring to this organization. Through our collective action, I am confident we can fulfill our goal if we work together as a community. We need volunteers to make this happen.

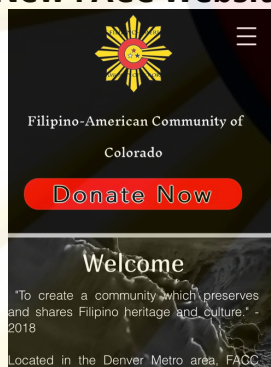
I hope you will take some time learn more about the amazing men and women that comprise the 2021-2022 Board of Directors. I am thrilled to be working with such an exceptional group of leaders in the months ahead.

Thank you for allowing me to serve alongside you this year. I truly appreciate your support and encourage you to share any feedback and ideas you may have as we work together in the upcoming year.

Gratefully,

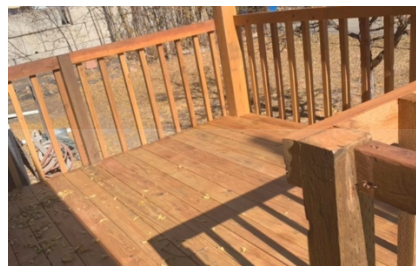
Vivian Egonio-Norman

New FACC Website



Our very own new **Board of Director Rodric Lewis** has been hard at work with our new website. When you get a chance, please visit **www.colorado-filipinos.org**. Our old site will drift off into the sunset having done her job over the years. Our new website will help the FACC grow our members, be a place for news and updates, easier to pay your membership, help with our donations and so much more. If you have any suggestions to improve, please send us a message.

Renovations Continues



We continue to chip-a-way at all the projects necessary to keep our Bahay Kubo Safe and Operational for our upcoming events in 2022 and beyond. Bledsoe Construction, has been up to the task. Bledsoe Construction so far has cleaned up our front and back yard, fixed our front door, added a wheelchair friendly ramp, patched up our walls in the basement, fixed the walls in our boiler room and somehow managed to move out and dump our 2000 lb. old Boiler.

Meanwhile, New **VP Quentin Norman** and **Secretary Andrew Strasheim** added new Cameras and Flood lights. New **Board of Director Jeff Albright** has fixed our indoor lighting and keeps our Bahay Kubo spotless.

All the new Renovations that have been completed and future projects to come have been paid for by Fundraising, Donations and Grants. Thank you to all of sponsors and FACC members that have given their time and money to help the FACC. To Donate or Volunteer, please reach out to domingo.belen@faccorg.onmicrosoft.com.



The FACC would like to wish a Maligayang Kaarawan (Happy Birthday) to our Members born in January.

Joel Pollack, Pepper Sanchez, Manuel Avante, Claire Brooker, Aaron Brooker, Paul Hemschoot, Kevin Grinstead, Nathan Pai Schmitt, Paige Heideman, Carrey Arnick, Rodric Lewis, Robert Ault, Courtney Samuel, Domingo Belen, Joy Romero-Meyers, John Rushford, Nora Niblo, Ronald Heideman, Kayla Cenicerros, Michael Bland and Quentin Norman

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