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## THANK YOU PNAA

FOR THE  
OPPORTUNITY TO  
SERVE YOU AS YOUR  
PRESIDENT FOR  
2014-2016



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# Thank You! PNAA Metropolitan DC!!!

Dear Metro DC Friends:

Your warm hospitality and extraordinary hosting of our 37th PNAA Annual Nursing Convention is immeasurable! My personal THANK YOU and deep appreciation for making the last few days of my Presidency most memorable. Special Thank you to Lolita Compas and Juliet Manlapaz for the preparations and detailed work they carried out to insure that materials and preparations for the convention were in order.

Beginning with our warm stay and cookout in Susie and Tony's fabulous residence with Juliet, Lolit, Jeanette and Rochie in Alexandria few days before the convention, to the Thanksgiving mass with the entire PNAA delegation on Sunday and the spiritual tribute for cancer victims and survivors. The Welcome Night, Executive Board Meeting, Leadership Institute, Education Day, General Assembly and all the events: every minute and every event will stay in my memories for a lifetime.

Best wishes to all and keep PNAA shining for many generations to come. Maraming Salamat sa inyong lahat!

Leticia Hermosa, PhD, JD, RN  
President PNAA 2014-2016

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# Day 1 - 7/20 Executive Board and Committee Report





# Day 2 - 7/21 Leadership Institute





# Day 2 - 7/21 Networking Night





## Day 3 - 7/22 Educational Program



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## Day 4 - 7/24 General Assembly

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# 2016 PNAA National Convention

## Award Recipients

At the 2016 PNAA National Convention, the Communication and Marketing Committee presented the PRIDE Awards for Outstanding Chapter Newsletter and Editorial. The Awards Committee presented the Nursing Excellence Awards. Congratulations to all award recipients.

Award	Recipient
Advanced Practice Nurse	Maria Luisa Ramira, DNP, APRN, FNP-BC, CEN PNA San Diego, WR
Clinical Staff Nurse	Ruth Alea, MSN, RN, CCRN PNA New Jersey, ER
Community Service	Elizabeth Rosas, BSN, RN, HNC PNA Greater Kansas City, NCR
Community Service	Karen Michele Cendana, BSN, RN, CRN PNA Texas, SCR
Nurse Administrator	Marites Welch, MA, Ed., BSN, RN, CCRN PNA New Jersey, ER
Nurse Educator	Rita Marie Wi Mahmoud, PhD, RN, PMHCSN-BC PNA Georgia, SCR
Presidential Awards	Reynaldo Rivera, DNP, RN, NEA-BC, FAAN <i>Educational Innovation</i> Lolita B. Compas, MA, RN, CEN <i>Executive Administration</i> Rosario May Mayor, MA, RN <i>International Nursing Education</i> Jeanette Livelo, DNP, MS, MBA, RN <i>Outstanding Service</i> Amparo De la Paz, MSN, RN <i>Outstanding Service</i>
PRIDE AWARD Outstanding Chapter Newsletter	PNA SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
PRIDE AWARD Outstanding Editorial	Deovina N. Jordan, PhD, MSN, MPH, BSN, RN, BC PNA Southern California



# PNAA Executive Board

## 2016-2018

Portrait	Title / Position	Name / Address	Region / Chapter
	President	<b>Dino Doliente III, MBA, BSN, RN</b>	<u>Western</u> <u>Southern California</u>
	President-Elect	<b>Madelyn Yu, MSN, RN</b>	<u>Eastern Region</u> New Jersey
	Vice President Eastern Region	<b>Mary Joy Garcia-Dia, DNP, MA, RN</b>	<u>Eastern Region</u> New York
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	Secretary	<b>Roland Santos., MSN, RN</b>	<u>Western Region</u> Los Angeles
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	Assistant Treasurer	<b>Susan Castor, MSN, RN, CRRN, NE-BC</b>	<u>Eastern Region</u> New Jersey
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	Board Member	<b>Leila Busch, MSN, RN</b>	<u>North Central</u> Greater Kansas City
	Board Member	<b>Erlinda Gonzalez, MSN, MBA, RN</b>	<u>North Central</u> Ohio
	Board Member	<b>Maricar 'Gail' Jones, MSN, RN, PHN</b>	<u>Western Region</u> Los Angeles
	Board Member	<b>Gemma Rio, DNSc, CPH, ARNP, GNP, BC, FCN</b>	<u>South Central</u> Northeast Florida
	Board Member	<b>Ariel Zabala, MN, RN, CEN</b>	<u>South Central</u> Tampa Bay Florida



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## 2016-2018

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	COPRR North Central Region	<b>Rowena David, MSN, RN, CNOR</b>	<u>North Central</u> Cincinnati/Northern KY
	COPRR South Central Region	<b>Patsy Puyot, RN, BSN</b>	<u>South Central</u> Georgia
	COPRR Western Region	<b>Ramon Sumibcay, MHA, BSN, RN</b>	<u>Hawaii</u> Western Region
	COPRR Eastern Region	<b>Lorna Seidel, PhD, CNS, DN, RN</b>	<u>Metropolitan DC</u> Eastern Region
	Executive Director	<b>Araceli Antonio, MS, RN</b>	<u>Western</u> Northern California
	Parliamentarian	<b>Leo-Felix Jurado, PhD, RN, NE-BC, APN, CNE</b>	<u>Eastern</u> New Jersey
	Legal Counsel	<b>Arnedo S. Valera, Esq.</b>	<u>Eastern</u> Virginia



# PNAA Committee Chairperson

## 2016-2018

Portrait	Committee / Chairperson	Region / Chapter
	Archives <b>Chit Abriam, BSN, RN</b>	<u>Eastern</u> New England
	Awards <b>Grace Diaz-Font, MS, RN</b>	<u>South Central</u> Metropolitan Houston
	Budget and Finance <b>Marley Nicolas, MSN, RN</b>	<u>Eastern Region</u> New Jersey
	Bylaws <b>Jeannette Livelo, DNP, MS/MBA, RN</b>	<u>Eastern</u> New England
	Community Outreach <b>Elizabeth Rosas, RN, BSN, HNC</b>	<u>North Central</u> Greater Kansas City
	Education <b>Amelia Guzman, MSN, RN, CCM</b>	<u>Eastern</u> New Jersey
	Ethics <b>Leticia Hermosa, RN, ESQ</b>	<u>Eastern</u> New England
	Human Rights <b>Marife Sevilla, RN, BSN, CNOR</b>	<u>Western</u> Northern California
	JNPNARR <b>Leo-Felix M. Jurado, PhD, RN, NE-BC, APN, CNE</b>	<u>Eastern</u> New Jersey
	Legislative <b>Marissa Usman, BSN, RN</b>	<u>Eastern</u> Metropolitan DC

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## 2016-2018

Portrait	Committee / Chairperson	Region / Chapter
	Marketing & Communications <b>Cristina Dimafiles, RN, BSN, CVRN-BC</b>	<u>South Central Region</u> North Houston
	Membership <b>Susan Castor, MSN, RN, CCRN, NE-BC</b>	<u>Eastern Region</u> New Jersey
	Nominations & Election <b>Leticia Hermosa, RN, ESQ</b>	<u>Eastern</u> New England
	Policy & Procedure <b>Madelyn Yu, MSN, RN</b>	<u>Eastern</u> New Jersey
	Practice/APNF <b>Jennifer Aying, MSN, RN, ACNP/ANP-BC</b>	<u>Eastern</u> New England
	Research <b>Marlon Garzo Saria, PhD, RN, AOCNS, FAAN</b>	<u>Western</u> Southern California
	Scholarships <b>Nini Jurado, MSN, RN, CNN</b>	<u>Eastern</u> New Jersey
	Ways & Means <b>Nancy Walch, BSN, RN, MPH, MCHES, LNHA, CCHN, CMC, DNPc</b>	<u>Western</u> Hawaii
	Website <b>Jonathan Gecomo, MSN, RN, CVRNII</b>	<u>South Central Region</u> Metro Houston



# PNAA on the Move: From Western Region to North Central Region

By: Dr. Jeanette Livelo

## In recognition of the hard work of WR and NCR members

PNAA recently concluded the back to back PNAA Western Regional Conference (WRC) and North Central Regional Conference (NCRC) and delegates went home in awe and admiration for the quality of the leadership and educational program provided to attendees. The fun-filled, relaxed and welcoming atmosphere at the Networking and Gala Night on both conferences was an excellent feature to an already fully packed three-day event. These two conferences have the magnetism and the artistic flavor that will not be forgotten. Our President's mantra, "To lead, empower and transform" is alive and well during these conferences.

I learned from the Executive Director Lolit Compas that the Leadership Institute for both conferences was well attended. The delegates were engaged and participated in the discussion about membership recruitment and retention particularly around the multi generation of nurses in the workforce. The leadership activity "The Marshmallow Challenge" was received very well. This is a test of patience, creativity, teamwork and leadership traits of PNAA members and leaders. Participants embodied the principles of a high performing team during this activity. PNAA members are no doubt top caliber high achievers. Dr. Rey Rivera is commendable for his talent and expertise in approving the leadership and educational program for PNAA and for facilitating the leadership program and excellent topics such as "Ted Talk on Leadership; Building and Sustaining and High Performing team; and Multigenerational Communication in an Organizational Setting: The Cultural Twist".

At the WRC, the afternoon of the Leadership Day was spent productively. Delegates walked along the streets of Scottsdale and enjoyed the scenery of giant cactuses while the majority went to join the WR Town Hall meeting led by President Hermosa and RVP Mindy Ofiana where chapter leaders shared their accomplishments as a chapter. We also toured the Grand Canyon University specifically the nursing part of it. We were shown the simulation lab and other learning facilities for the nursing students. The Western Region's Educational day carried topics which are diverse in nature and rich in cultural implications. The participants were proactive and participating in the question and answer portion. Examples of educational topics presented by the knowledgeable and engaging speakers are:

- PNAA Professionals Turning Stress into Success: The New Science of Stress Management
- Leading and Empowering : The Future of Nursing
- The Role of Supportive Care in Cancer Survivorship
- Transgender Health and Awareness
- Nurses Collaborating and Serving our Military Partners

The last speaker, Professor Marilyn Omifuke Torres spoke about "The Gift of Storytelling in Empowering Nursing Practices to Balance Mind, Body and Spirit". The topic was charismatic, intriguing yet, fun and very educational. This particular presentation exhibited the uniqueness of PNA Arizona's educational program. Kudos to Dr. Merlie Ramira, Vice Chair, WRC Education Committee and Chapter President Dr. Jay Maningo-Salinas for a job well done.

The WRC entertainment at the Gala sum it all. We were entertained by the younger generation with their rendition of the modern *Tinikling* and *Pandanggo sa Ilaw*. The dances and the music of the Filipino culture ignited the patriotic feelings from all of us. It was heartwarming. Talking about cultural twist, the Filipino cultural dances were matched by Arizona's "Native Spirit Hoop Dancers" and world champion, a father and son tandem. It was authentic, mesmerizing, and jaw dropping exquisite number. You need to see it in action

to appreciate it.

The last day concluded with a Mass Offering and a sumptuous Continental breakfast at the hotel's patio, another way to say hello and goodbye to all the delegates. It was truly an amazing weekend. Our sincere appreciation goes to the PNA Arizona chapter led by Jay, Emma and Billie for making this event an affair to remember. My parting words to Jay and her team for an excellent job well done, "have your much deserved R and R; then start thinking about National Convention hosting in the future". The "Think Tank" meeting led by incoming PNAA President Dino Doliente and Parliamentarian Dr Leo-Felix Jurado to prepare the next administration followed shortly.

A short four days in between and we are back to another regional conference, and this time with the North Central Region (NCR). President Hermosa and RVP Bessie Schiroky kicked off the event with a Town Hall meeting on Thursday afternoon. I also learned that the leadership day facilitated by Education co-chair Dr Gloria Beriones, is equally engaging and highly productive. The Networking Night that followed is another way to show our team spirit. Wearing our favorite shirts and jersey of our sports hero or team, it was a great manifestation of delegates' competitiveness and sports mindedness.

The Education Day is filled with speakers who are leaders and clinical experts. Again, delegates were very enthusiastic, energetic and participated at great length during the discussion. After a plated lunch, the ambiance became somewhat different, first, there were plenty of people, and all the seats are occupied. It was "standing room only". The ambiance is subdued and you could almost feel the angst from almost everyone; cold hands, sweaty palms, and other more obvious signs of anxiety. Why not, everyone is in pure anticipation of the first PNAA Presidential Debate. The audience were cordial, cheerful, and supportive of the candidates ( Mindy Ofiana, Madelyn Yu and yours truly, Jeanette Livelo). There were whispers of encouragement and moral support. The debate started and ended precisely on time. The NOMELEC Chair, Vicky Navarro and Co-chair Sofia Bole and their team ended the event with accolades and congratulatory remarks from everyone for a job well done. The host chapter, PNA Michigan is very proud for being the host chapter of this historical event. The audience and PNAA members were an inspiration to all of us on center stage. They were very attentive and we enjoyed it as much as they did.

The NCR Gala was another portrayal of Filipino culture. The Orchestra and Rondalla serenaded and entertained us with their beautiful music and dances. There were so many highlights of the Gala Event. For example, Ms. NCR captivated the audience with her beautiful voice; the Induction of the new set of PNA Michigan Executive Board Members, the usual Awards Ceremony and the passing of the torch from the current host, PNA Michigan and to the future host, PNA Cincinnati/Kentucky will be most memorable knowing that PNA CinNKy is a very young chapter with very enthusiastic and energetic leaders. In the absence of the Chapter President, Sonia Montano who had a family emergency, her leadership remained palpable as her chapter managed the whole event successfully.

The souvenir program showed the accomplishments of PNA Michigan for the past two years. It also showcased the names and accomplishments of the recipient of the awards including the scholarship award-ees. As I read through the pages, I could not help but compare the NCR souvenir journal to that of the National Convention. Sofia Bole, Chair of the Membership Committee who was responsible for the production of the journal must be very proud for what she and her team had accomplished. Leaving the hotel at 3:30 am Sunday morning was bittersweet as I will miss the Mass and the going away festivities. I wish I could have stayed much longer and further enjoy the company of the host chapter and the delegates, but previous commitments prevented me from doing so.

In summary, both conferences have something in common: a very energized, engaged and enthusiastic leaders and future leaders; membership focused; emphasis on leadership, diversity, culture and innovation; reminiscence of Filipino traditions and culture through music and dances; unsurpassed camaraderie of all and the presence of several PNAA leaders besides the PNAA Executive Board (Clarita Miraflor, PNAA Founding President and Merlita Velasquez, PNAA-F President). SCR here we come (May 20, 21 and 22).



## 2016 NCR Conference Photo Collage – April 23, Gala Night



**PNAA Pres., Letty Hermosa, giving a welcome speech.**



**NCR Choral Group sang the National Anthems led by their RVP.**



**NCR RVP welcoming all the PNAA members, families and friends.**



**Sonia Montano's son received Sonia's recognition plaque on her behalf.**



**Bessie presenting gifts of appreciation to the NCR COP group.**



**Philippine Arts and Culture Ensemble of MI - rondalla and folk-dancers.**



**Induction of 2016-2018 PNAM EB by the PNAA President.**



**Presentation of the 2016 Mr./Ms. NCR candidates from each chapter.**



**Ms. NCR, Dahben Farley, crowned by 2015 Homecoming Queen, Geraldine Gaden.**



**Honoring the young-looking septuagenarians and octogenarians!**



**NCR Conference hosting plaque turn-over from PNAM to PNACin/NKY.**



**Bessie receiving gift of appreciation from PNAM leadership.**

*Photo Credit: Bessie Schiroky*



## NCR Conference Photo Collage – April 21-22, 2016



**NCR Face to Face Meeting with RVP and PNAA EB/AC/Committee guests**



**RVP presided the F2F meeting –here with Letty and Cita (Marasigan)**



**Clarita and Letty lighting the candle on the PNAA's 27<sup>th</sup> Anniversary cake!**



**Leadership Institute - moderated by Dr. Gloria Beriones**



**Zumbathon fund-raiser – everyone got loose and sweaty!**



**Networking Night – the sports fans got to the dance floor!**



**D' four RVP buddies in uniforms... what a team!**



**Group photo by the sports fans. There was so much laughter and camaraderie!**



**Education Day – back to our serious learning activities!**



**First PNAA Presidential Debate – Vicky explaining the processes/rules.**



**The 3 Pres. Elect candidates on stage behind their podiums.**



**The audience attentively listening to the 3 candidates.**

*Photo Credit: Bessie Schiroky*



# PNA Chapter Newly Elected Boards

## June 11, 2016 PNACin/NKY

Executive Board	President – Rowena David Pres. Elect – Camlaria Felismino Secretary – Janet Paguigan Asst. Secretary – Jerry Ramos Treasurer – Nancy Mathur Asst. Treasurer – Catalina Zablan Auditor – Aliezar Agaran
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Board Members:	Sharon Walters Rita Gasapo Melanie Quilla-Deza Louella Pacheco Marie Wise Debbie Maquidato
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Advisory Council:	Suzy Hussey, Founder Christine Dimaculangan Leah Hand Abigail Villarroya
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## June 25, 2016 PNAI

Executive Board	President – Gloria Simon Pres. Elect – Bryan Ranchero Vice President – Florence Palmaira Secretary – Bessie Baldovino Corresponding Secretary – Nieva Panes Treasurer – Marilou Dangan Auditor – Melinda Svastisalee
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Board Members:	Dean Baron Paz Fortes Geraldine Gaden Gigi Melendez Merly Perricone Lolita Ranchero Teresita Viloria Felicitas Vincoy
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## June 18, 2016 PNACOh

Executive Board	President – Wendy Blakely President-Elect – Rochelle Santos Vice President – Gloria Domasco Secretary – Cristina Garinger Treasurer – Ninfa Devakul
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Board of Directors:	Marissa DeJesus Cora Munoz Lorna Valdez- Straw Alabelle Zghoul
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**July 9, 2016  
PNAGSL**

**Executive Board**

President: Evelyn Sullivan  
Auditor: Betty Biasbas  
Pres. Elect: Maria Hipolito  
1<sup>st</sup> Vice President: Marjorie Gamino  
2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President: Josie Veit  
Secretary: Lori Abuelo  
Asst. Secretary: Gemma Flores  
Treasurer: Judy Ferrer  
P.R.O.: Ces Arcaya , Noreen Tan  
Business Manager: Irma Efrung, Adora Agustin  
Editor: Annabelle Cosas

**June 18, 2016  
PNA Tampa Bay**

**Executive Board**

President: Maribel Soriano  
President-elect: Liwliwa Villagomez  
Vice-President: Cris Hermano  
Secretary: Rosie Sadangsal  
Asst. Secretary: Darlene Barcelos  
Treasurer: Flory Magsakay  
Asst Treasurer: Julie Lindsey  
PRO: Jet Zabala  
Asst PRO: Clem Lazaro  
Auditor: Gealdina Irvine

**Board of Directors**

Ana Resulta  
Elena Garcesa  
Elizabeth Remo  
Nanette Tupaz  
Nenette Apostol  
Unidad Bonoan  
Martina Abrogena

**Advisors:**

Ariel Zabala  
Vicky Fabreo  
Tess Ebrada



**June 4, 2016  
PNA Gulf Coast**

**Executive Board**

President: Norma Quintong-Milnes  
President-elect: Kathy Abelgas  
Vice-President: Elsie Barlow  
Recording secretary: Mildreth Balderama  
Corresponding Secretary: Janella Puyot  
Treasurer: Analisa Bailey  
Auditor: Edwin Llatras

**Board Members**

Marilou Bacalan  
Adelwisa Baker  
Sonja Borders  
Aliza Felix  
Janua Navarro  
Pilar Padua  
Lolita Plandes  
Elda Renegar  
Barbara Tolentino

**Advisory Board**

Medina Madrinan  
Orpha Mineque  
Betty Miranda  
Tita Ravi  
Alma Asuncion  
Emy Santos  
Cecille Medenilla

**June 25, 2016  
PNA North Houston**

**Executive Board**

President: Maria Jennilyn Salvador Lano  
President-elect: Ira Martin  
Vice-President: Rosie Pescador Marquez  
Secretary: Aileen Corros  
Treasurer: Emily Campos Linang  
Asst. Treasurer: Cecilia Mendoza  
Auditor: Reynaldo Macusi

**Advisory Council**

Cristina Dimafiles  
Eileen Linang  
Jaime Puspos  
Carlito Silva  
Cleo Montecillio Robinett  
RVP: Romeo DeVera

September 2016 PNA Tennessee	
Newest PNAA Chapter	
Executive Board	President: Encarnacion Bagay-Baker President-elect: Angelo Bosque Vice-president: Maria Anglin Secretary: Diana Santos-Alvarez Assistant Secretary: Adeleen Mendizabel Treasurer: Joyzel Bermejo Assistant Treasurer: Cherie Alfane Auditor: Maricor Sistrunk Business Manager: Michelle Jamias PRO: Fatima Agravante
Board Members	Harold Syco Jennifer Villanueva Alex Labrador Aleta Flores John Caparas Rhodora Marquez

May 14, 2016 PNA Southern California	
Executive Board	President: Sonia Sabado, MSN, RN, FNP-BC President - Elect: Regalado Valerio, MS, CRNA Vice President: Deovina Jordan, PhD, MSN, RN Recording Secretary: Leilani Unite, MSN, RN Corresponding Secretary: Lilibeth Cruz, BSN, RN Treasurer: Roland Santos, MSN, RN Auditor: Antonette Nunez, MSN, RN PRO: Gail Jones, MSN, RN, PHN Parliamentarian: Brenda Cohen, BSHS, RN
Board Members:	Sheryll Corpus, BSN, RN Georgina delos Reyes, MSN, RN Jesse Jurado, BSN, RN Maria Sagun, MSN, RN, CNML Isidro Sarmiento, MSN, RN, GNP-BC Dorianne Tillano, MSN, RN, RNP-BC Glenda Totten, MSN, RN, CNS Velma Dumag-Yep, MSN, RN, FNP Immediate Past President: Mel Carrillo, MBA, BSN, RN, NEA-BC

May 14, 2016 PNASC Orange County Subchapter	
Executive Board	President: Giselle Abellera, MSN/ED, RN President-Elect: Sasha Rarang, PhD, RN Vice President: Michelle Paysan-Modina, DNP, RN, FNP Secretary: Annabelle Faeldan, BSN, RN Treasurer: Joy Kiat-Floro, MSN, MBA, RN PRO: Ronnie Dunao, MSN, RN



**June 11, 2016  
NA San Diego**

Executive Board	President: Vivian Sanderlin President-Elect: Erlinda Mascardo Recording Secretary: Lorna Herce Corresponding Secretary: Ariane Luzano Treasurer: Fe delos Reyes Assistant Treasurer: Menjinda Marteja Auditor: Crisabel Ramos PRO: Dorothy Brown, Jose Samson Parliamentarian: Emeline Yabut
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Board of Directors	Lourdes Deperio Chona Lutap Cecilia Echon Marita Ferrer Elvira Magsarili Merlie Ramira Victoria Berbano Teresita Porciuncula
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**June 11, 2016  
PNA South Riverside**

Executive Board	President: Gigi Narisma-Estabillo President-Elect: Gina Cascolan Secretary: Triton Fornasodoro Treasurer: Marylou Magallon-Ignacio
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**June 25, 2016  
PNA Northern California**

Executive Board	President: Lydee Hersley President - Elect: Sol Hafalia Treasurer: Teresita Baluyut Secretary: Malu Cruz Auditor: Pureza Belza Immediate Past President: Alicia Fortaleza
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Board Members	Kathy Abriam Yago Fe de Jesus Tess Estrie Elisa Ramirez Melinda Bender Mila Josue
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# Leadership Book Launched at National Convention

At the 37th PNAAN National Convention in Washington, DC., three accomplished and successful Filipino-American nurses: Leticia C. Hermosa, JD, PhD, RN; Jeanette N. Livelo, DNP, MS/MBA, RN and Lorna Imperial Seidel, PhD, RN, CNS launched the release of their groundbreaking leadership book entitled, "Lead, Empower, Transform: You Can Do It!"

This book seeks to highlight the experiences of three influential and accomplished women from the nursing industry. The blended talents of a nurse lawyer, an entrepreneur nurse educator and clinical nurse director detail the importance of becoming exemplary and contemporary leaders in today's fast-paced world. These women describe the challenges and opportunities presented to each and every one of their respective careers. In addition, the book illuminates the lessons learned through the power of storytelling. For more information about the book, please contact the authors:

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- Jeanette N. Livelo DNP, MS/MBA, RN, [rjinc20w@aol.com](mailto:rjinc20w@aol.com)
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*(Source: Press Release)*





# U.S. State Secretary Kerry Reaffirms Close Bilateral Ties and Cooperation with the New Duterte Administration

**MANILA, PHILIPPINES-** Secretary John Kerry met and congratulated newly-elected President Rodrigo R. Duterte, 27 July, 2016, at a working luncheon held at the President's official residence, Bahay ng Pagbabago (House of Change). In his readout, State Department Deputy Spokesperson Mark Toner stated that they discussed bilateral and regional issues that underpin U.S.-Philippines relations, including the recent decision by the arbitral tribunal on the South China Sea, security and defense cooperation, law enforcement assistance, human rights, countering violent extremism, economic development and climate change.



US State Secretary John Kerry shakes hands with President Rodrigo R. Duterte. Photo credit: US State Department.



US State Secretary John Kerry and PH Foreign Secretary Perfecto Yasay at the joint press conference after bilateral talks. Photo credit: US State Department.

Prior to meeting President Duterte Secretary Kerry met with Foreign Affairs Secretary Perfecto Yasay. Secretary Kerry remarked, "We view you as a partner ... that means an equal voice, an equal discussion, and our relationship obviously is historic in terms of people-to-people ties that form the foundation of the very, very close bilateral relationship. And it's built on strong economic ties, on strong cultural ties, and also on our societal ties."

At the press conference after their meeting, Secretary Kerry referred to his visit to the Philippines in 1986 as an observer during the snap election. Secretary Kerry continued, "Today, this nation is a model of democracy. The election that was held here in May was open and transparent, it offered a real choice, and the voters flocked to the polls - a turnout of more than 80 percent. That is exactly what democracy is all about, and I congratulate the Filipino people."

He cited the purpose of his visit to reaffirm "the value that the United States places on the alliance and the true friendship and relationship that we have with the people of this country." Regarding the recent Arbitration Ruling that the Secretary viewed as binding, he urged "all the claimants to exercise restraint and to work to reduce tensions; not to look for confrontation...but for a solution." He also discussed the importance of the Enhanced Defense Cooperation Agreement.

*(Source: US-Philippines Society)*

# Palakpakan Corner

PNAACongratulates Drs. **Leo-Felix Jurado**, **Butch de Castro**, and **Joseph Tariman** to the American Academy of Nursing (Class 2016). The Filipino Community celebrates your accomplishments! They join the following Filipino nurses who are Fellows of the American Academy of Nursing (FAAN):

- **Francisco Conde**, PhD, APRN, AOCNS, FAAN, Queen's Medical Center
- **Ma. Christina Roble Esperat**, PhD, RN, FAAN, Texas Tech University Health Science Center
- **Lorraine S. Evangelista**, PhD, RN, FAAN, University of California Los Angeles
- **Divina Grossman**, PhD, RN, FAAN, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth
- **Dina Krenzischek**, PhD, RN, CPAN, FAAN, Johns Hopkins Hospital
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**Butch de Castro**, PhD, MSN/MPH, RN will be inducted as a Fellow of the American Academy of Nursing at its conference on October 2016 in Washington, DC. He is Adjunct Associate Professor at the University of Washington Bothell School of Nursing and Health Studies and the UW School of Public Health, serving as Director of the Occupational and Environmental Health Nursing. His research principally focuses on occupational health disparities among immigrant and minority worker populations, with an emphasis on how employment and working conditions contribute to chronic stress. (Source: [www.bothell.washington.edu](http://www.bothell.washington.edu))



**Leo-Felix Jurado**, PhD, RN, NE-BC, APN, CNE will be inducted as a Fellow of the American Academy of Nursing at its conference on October 2016 in Washington, DC. He is currently Assistant Professor, Department of Nursing, William Paterson University. He remains an active member of PNAAC as the Editor-in-Chief of the Journal of Nursing Practice Applications and Review of Research. He also served as past president of PNAAC and PNA NJ. (Photo credit: Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey)



**Joseph Tariman**, PhD, ANP-BC is an Assistant Professor, Nursing at DePaul University School of Nursing His specialty in oncology is multiple myeloma. He is affiliated with numerous oncology organizations and is currently Chair, Research Committee, Oncology Nursing Society, Chicago Chapter and Editorial Board Member, The Oncology Nurse in addition to other oncology practices. He has written and co-authored numerous publications on Multiple Myeloma.

*L-R, Gloria Beriones, Leticia Hermosa, Joseph Tariman, and Reynaldo Rivera after his presentation, Role of Nurses in Shared Decision Making for Patients with Multiple Myeloma*

**Elizabeth E. Fildes**, EdD, RN, CNE, CARN-AP, APHN-BC, professor of post-licensure degree programs at Chamberlain College of Nursing, was elected to the American Nurses Association (ANA) Board of Directors on Saturday, June 25, at the ANA Membership Assembly in Washington, DC. Dr. Fildes will serve as a director-at-large on the board for one-year term beginning January 1, 2017. Dr. Fildes also serves as the vice president of the Nevada Nurses Association, leader of the Healthy Nevada Nurses Initiative and founder of the Nevada Tobacco Users' Helpline. (Source: <http://nvactioncoalition.org/2644-2/> Nevada Action Coalition) Photo credit Asian Journal



CGFNS International, Inc., announced the addition of **Jasper Tolarba**, DNP, RN, NEA-BC as Director of Credentials Evaluation Services. Dr. Tolarba is the first Foreign Educated Nurse to join CGFN's leadership team full-time. Dr. Tolarba comes well prepared with more than 20 years in varied and progressive roles in nursing and is CGFNS' first doctoral prepared nurse with Six Sigma Lean Certification to join the leadership team. In his new role, Dr. Tolarba will be responsible for managing the operations of the Credentialing Service programs including VisaScreen®, Credentials Evaluation Service and International Consultants of Delaware. (Source: CGFNS Press Release)

*L-R, Gloria Beriones, Jasper Tolarba, Leticia Hermosa and Reynaldo Rivera after his presentation at the 37th PNA National Convention's Leadership Institute Workshop.*



**Victoria Navarro**, past PNA President 2012-2014 was recognized that "her sterling achievements and faithful service to the Filipino-American community have contributed to building a positive image of Filipino and the Philippines in the United States." She was presented a certificate of achievement by Jose L. Cuisia, Jr. Ambassador of the Philippines to the United States on June 9, 2016 at the Philippine Embassy in Washington, DC. Victoria Navarro continues to have an active role with the Philippine Nurses Association of America and the Philippine Humanitarian Coalition.

*Ambassador Jose L. Cuisia, Jr. with Vicky Navarro (Photo credit: Carol Manilay-Robles)*



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This is the last issue published by the editorial staff during President Leticia C. Hermosa's term from 2014 to 2016. It has been an honor and a privilege to serve you.

I thank you for your contributions and encourage you to continue to share your news with the incoming editorial staff.

Davy G. Diongson

*Correction: The correct spelling of the author's name for the article Caring Hands that Lead, Empower and Transform, the PNARVA Way is Cora Marasigan.*

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