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### *President's Message*

FAMOS was privileged to listen to a very interesting narration of **William Kehayias** on his 40 missions flying over the Pacific as a **B24 tail gunner during WWII**. He had covered almost all the islands of the Philippines at that time. It was indeed a privilege to see him as one of the speakers among the WWII survivors at the celebration of the **Spirit of '45** at the **Veterans Museum** at Balboa Park last August 13, 2017.



**CAPT Elsa P. Ang**  
MC, USN, Ret.

I had a hard time understanding what a tail gunner does and how big was his B24 airplane until I asked someone at the **Flying Leather Neck Aviation Museum** where I have been a **volunteer sales clerk** at the gift shop for the **past five years**. There are many retired Marine pilots volunteers in the gift shop and one of them showed me a model of a **B24 aircraft**.

I am impressed with the generosity and dedication of our **FAMOS members**. FAMOS thanks **Ed Danico**

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### **RADM Cathal L. Flynn, USN, Ret., To Speak At FAMOS General Membership Meeting**

The Filipino American Military Officers Association (**FAMOS**) will hold its quarterly **general membership meeting** on Saturday, September 2, 2017 at the Broken Yolk Cafe in Pacific Beach at 0900.

Invocation, self introduction and breakfast will precede the meeting. As a token of its appreciation, FAMOS will defray breakfast for the **new members** as well as **old members** who have not yet attended a meeting. The rest of the attendees will go Dutch.

The guest speaker will be **Rear Admiral Cathal L. Flynn, USN, Retired**, a counter-terrorism expert and former SEAL/UDT commander. During his 30-year military career, he worked in naval special warfare, joint special operations, anti-terrorism and international security affairs. He had led various commands including SEAL detachments in

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**Meetings are held on the first Saturday of the month from 0900 to 1100 at 1341 East 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite A, National City, CA 91950**  
**Members are invited.**

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and **Cynthia Danico** for volunteering to coordinate the **Spirit of '45** event and for providing the delicious lunch. I also want to thank **Gloria & Manny Supnet, Cesar Adan, Oscar & Veronica Garcia, Ernie & Remy Liwag** and **Roger Ang** for their help in our FAMOS booth. Our cold water and bananas were gone before the event was over at 3:00 P.M. We look forward to our active **FAMOS** participation in the 2018 Spirit of '45.

We hope to see most of you at our General membership meeting on September 2, 2017 at the Broken Yolk Cafe. We will have a very interesting speaker, a retired flag officer and former SEAL/UDT commander. Our special thanks to **Julio DeGuzman**, our energetic PRO for extending invitation and coordinating the meeting.

MABUHAY !

**CAPT Elsa Peñaranda Ang, MC, USN, Retired**

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**Payment of Debts**

Military retired pay is exempt from garnishment for anything other than child support, spousal support, or a property division under the Uniformed Services Former Spouses' Protection Act. It is exempt from garnishment for the collection of commercial debts.

Members of the active duty military are not subject to garnishment for commercial debt; however, their pay can be attached through the military involuntary allotment process.

**RADM Cathal L. Flynn.. —**  
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Vietnam in 1964 and 1967-68.

RADM Flynn was commissioned in the U.S. Navy a year after graduating from the **University of Dublin, Trinity College in Ireland**. He was promoted to rear admiral in 1985. He is a graduate of the **Naval War College** and **National War College**.

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**VA Appraisal**

No loan can be guaranteed without first being appraised by a VA-approved appraiser. A lender can request a VA appraisal through VA systems. The veteran borrower typically pays for the appraisal upon completion, according to a fee schedule approved by VA. This VA appraisal estimates the value of the property. It is not an inspection and does not guarantee the house is free of defects. VA guarantees the loan, not the condition of the property. A thorough inspection of the property by a reputable inspection firm may help minimize any problem that could arise after loan closing. In existing house, particular attention should be given to plumbing, heating, electrical and roofing components.

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**Disability Retirement**

If you have been found to be physically unfit for further military service and meet certain standards specified by law, you will be granted a disability retirement. Your disability retirement may be temporary or permanent. If temporary, your status should be resolved within a five-year period.

## Editor's Nook

## Julio DeGuzman Community Doer



CWO4 Manny Supnet  
USN, Ret.

He was very young. He was not even old enough to start grade school but already he was bound for the United States. **Julio DeGuzman** had to say good-bye to his playmates, relatives and acquaintances in Malasiqui, Pangasinan, Philippines, the beloved town of his birth and an amicable abode where folks virtually knew one another.

Many years later Julio would return to the Philippines not to stay for good nor to visit solely. Rather he would go back to carry out **surreptitious assignments** for the United States. **His mission:** Seek and investigate personnel assigned to Subic Bay Naval Base and its neighboring commands including the U. S. Embassy in Manila who were involved in **drugs dealing or misappropriating aircraft parts**. To help accomplish the stint, Julio would pose as a buyer of the illegal merchandise himself. This proved effective albeit perilous.

Julio also pursued **American fugitives** who absconded to the Philippines to avoid prosecution and several other counterintelligence and counter terrorism operations. Additionally, he sought those who were **spying for the Soviet Union**.

How did Julio get into the **undercover assignments**? Simple - it was **official routine**. He worked for the Naval Investigative Service, now known as the **Naval Criminal Investigative Service (NCIS)** as a **Special Agent**. When he received his designation in 1982, he got to be **only the second Filipino American** to become a Special Agent for the Naval Investigative Service. Julio worked many assignments in various offices in Alameda, California before he was transferred to the Philippines in 1984.

Assigned to the San Diego Regional Fraud Unit in 1986, **Julio** investigated white collar crimes, kickbacks, bribery and other fraudulence. One of his big cases occurred in the late 1980s when he went undercover and **infiltrated the "Filipino mafia"** whose members were accepting bribes in exchange for lucrative government contracts.

In 1994, Julio was awarded a promotion and was assigned to the Department of Defense **Office of Inspector General** to investigate DOD fraud. He took on a new criminal area called **medical fraud** where he investigated physicians, chiropractors, other personnel in medical clinics, blood labs and representatives of durable medical equipment who were defrauding the government.

Julio was the **first DOD special agent** to open the criminal investigation in the Philippines targeting fraud on Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Uniformed Services (**CHAMPUS**) and **Tricare**. Julio would travel from town to town throughout the Philippines in 1996 until 2000 seeking U.S. Navy veterans (U.S. citizens of Filipino descent) suspected of defrauding CHAMPUS/Tricare by submitting inpatient

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hospital **claims for hospitalization that never occurred.**

Julio succeeded in locating and investigating 27 veterans and **successfully prosecuted** 21 of them in Madison, Wisconsin. In 2000 Julio was one of the top nominees for the **DOD Special Agent of the Year** on account of his 22 indictments and 21 convictions. Julio secured almost a half million dollars in criminal restitution.

**In retrospect**, Julio attended elementary school through high school in San Diego. He played baseball and participated in the **Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts** activities. He also wrestled in high school.

While attending San Diego State University, Julio received a **wrestling scholarship** and wrestled with the University Wrestling Team. Julio was on the **student council** and was invited to join the Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity and the OCEOTL Honorary Men's Fraternity. Meanwhile, he worked part-time at the San Diego County Probation Department. Upon graduation he became a **Deputy Probation Officer** and supervised a caseload of probationers. Julio majored in **Criminal Justice and Political Science.**

The **NCIS Special Agent** retired from the government in 2006 as a GS-14 (equivalent to 0-5). The day after his retirement he was offered a job as a special investigator by **San Diego City Attorney Michael Aguirre**. In 2009, then City Attorney Jan Goldsmith promoted Julio to **Director of Community Relations** for the office. Julio now works in the criminal division as an investigator.

Aside from his job, Julio is deeply involved in his community. He is on the board of the **La Jolla Town Council**. He is **President** of the **La Jolla Lions Club**, **President** of the **NCIS Retired Association**, Southwest Chapter and **Vice President for Corporate Affairs** for the U.S. Army Association San Diego Chapter. He is a former president of the **All Hallows Catholic Academy Dad's Club** and past president of the **Pangasinan Association of San Diego County**. He is affiliated with other boards of various organizations. Julio is a member of the **Knights of Columbus**. And, of course, he is **Public Relations Officer** of the **Filipino American Military Officers Association (FAMOS).**

**Julio** is married to **Lisa** who is an intensive care unit nurse. They have three children: **Marissa**, a Customs and Border Protection Officer at the San Diego Airport; **Christopher**, a sophomore at Mesa Junior College, and **Jonathan** who attends Stanford University in Palo Alto, California.



**Julio DeGuzman** presents a **Certificate of Community Service** to the Pangasinan Association of San Diego County **Veteran of the Year, CW5 Teddy Datuin, USA, Ret.** on behalf of **State Senator Joel Anderson**. At the podium is the vigilant and ever judicious master of ceremonies, **CDR Benny Valerio, USN, Retired.**

## FAMOS Again Helps Keep Spirit of '45 Alive

As it has been doing in the past, the **Filipino American Military Officers Association (FAMOS)** again helped keep the **Spirit of '45** alive by continuing as one of its sponsors and participating in its annual celebration at the Veterans Museum at Balboa Park. Unanimously approved by Congress, the **Spirit of '45** serves as the National Day of Remembrance of the victory celebrations at the end of WWII. It is also a day to honor the achievements and sacrifice of the **World War II veterans** and hometown heroes. The event is celebrated on the second Sunday of August.

Telling stories about “**Where Were You on August 14, 1945?**” is the highlight of the annual celebration. There were at least 15 **Pearl Harbor survivors** including **Ray Chavez, 104 years old** who attended this year’s celebration and related their memoirs to the younger generation. Meanwhile there were those, young and old, who danced to the nostalgic music of WWII provided by the American Flyboys Orchestra.

Numerous participants showed up in assorted **WWII military uniforms**. There were ladies who wore WWII nurses outfit. Most of the members of **FAMOS** donned their FAMOS white polo shirts. Participating in the event’s **72<sup>nd</sup> anniversary** were **CAPT Elsa P.**

**Ang, USN, Ret., President** and her husband, **Roger Ang**; the **1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, CWO4 Manny Supnet, USN, Ret.** and his wife, **Gloria**; the **3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President, CWO4 Oscar Sa. Garcia, USN, Ret.** and his wife, **Veronica**, the **Treasurer, CWO2 Ernie Liwag, USN, Ret.** and his wife, **Remy**; the **Auditor, CWO4 Ed Danico, USN, Ret.** and his wife, **Cynthia**; **PRO Julio DeGuzman** and the **prolific member, MACM(SW) Cesar Adan, USN, Ret.**

FAMOS erected a booth in the same place as it was the last two years. It was accessible to the public for free bottled water, candies, bananas and a few pancit and fried chicken. FAMOS polo shirts and pins were available for a nominal sum.



Posing for a souvenir picture taking at the conclusion of the celebration are (l-r) Gloria Supnet, Remy Liwag, Veronica Garcia and CAPT Elsa Ang, FAMOS President.

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**CWO4 Danico** again took charge in coordinating the FAMOS participation. As he did last year, he again prepared sumptuous food for his group on his own volition. Again, he baked a savourous cake. All in all, he again did a marvelous job. His outstanding performance last year triggered a motion from **CDR Benny Valerio** that **CWO4 Danico** be made the permanent chairman and coordinator for the **Spirit of '45**. The motion was overwhelmingly concurred by all the members. To date, the proposition is germane.

### Where were you on August 14, 1945?

There are those who claimed they were not yet born, or they were still infants or pre grade school boys and girls. Some could be telling the truth; others certainly were making themselves much younger than their actual age.

It is ironic that some people wish to live long but do not want to be old. To help accomplish their wish to live longer, they would exercise, eat healthy meals, try to get enough sleep and endeavor to do whatever it takes to succeed. Nevertheless, when they succeeded they didn't want to be old. This is dichotomous. On the contrary, they should be proud that they were able to attain their old age. They should consider it an accomplishment and they should be proud about it.



A Spirit of '45 lady spectator genially helps herself with free goodies from the FAMOS booth.

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## Amount of Disability Retired Pay Is Determined By One of Two Methods

1. The first method is to multiply your base pay or average of highest 36 months of active duty pay at the time of retirement, by the percentage of disability which has been assigned. Members who entered the service September 8, 1980 or later must use the highest average formula. The minimum percentage for temporary disability retirees will equal 50%. The maximum percentage for any type of retirement is 75%. This computation is sometimes referred to as "Method A".
2. The second method is to multiply only your years of active duty at the time of your retirement by 2 1/2% by your base pay or average of highest 36 months of active duty pay at the time of retirement. This computation is sometimes referred to as "Method B".

## FAMOS First Vice President is Veteran of the Year 2017



**CWO4 Manuel P. Supnet, USN, Retired**, has been named **Veteran of the Year 2017** of the **Filipino American Retirees of Southern California (FARSOC)**. He will be inaugurated at a dinner/dance on November 4, 2017 at the **Double Tree Hotel by Hilton**, 7450 Hazard Center Drive, San Diego, CA 92108. The Veteran of the Year is the First Vice President of the **Filipino American Military Officers Association (FAMOS)**.

“**CWO4 Supnet** has been selected **Veteran of the Year** based on his professionalism and outstanding accomplishments while on active duty and retirement,” remarked **FARSOC Founder Cesar Adan**. “We invite all military on active duty and veterans to join us in our celebration and be recognized as the Fighting Soldiers and Defenders of Freedom,” said **FARSOC President Zeny Macaoay**.

The **Veteran of the Year** retired from the Navy on January 1, 1986 after more than 30 years of continuous active service. As a retiree, he was **lauded** by the **Secretary of the Navy** for his service as a member of the **Navy Retiree Council** which was responsible for reviewing the effectiveness of current programs and policies affecting retirees and making recommendations for improvement.

He was also **commended** by the **President of the Philippines** for his “valuable contributions, outstanding services and sustained efforts” in helping obtain the passage of the **World War II Filipino Veterans Equity Bill** which granted a one-time lump sum payment to the

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surviving WWII Filipino veterans. **CWO4 Supnet** had served as **advisor** to the **WWII Filipino American Veterans Federation of Southern California**.

The former Navy Retiree Councilmember had worked as a **volunteer interviewer** for the **Navy and Marine Corps Relief Society** at the **Miramar Marine Corps Air Station**. The Society provides emergency financial, educational and other assistance to active duty and retired personnel and their families. Over the years, **NMCRS** has helped sailors, Marines and their families rebuild, relocate and recover.

While on active duty assigned to the Bureau of Naval Personnel in Washington, D.C, **CWO4 Supnet** served as the Navy-wide Advisor and Coordinator for training methodologies for enlisted personnel in all areas of **Human Resource Management Training**. “**Because of your insight, candid evaluations and observations**, I am in a much better position to perform my duties not only as Assistant Secretary (of the Navy) but also as a member of the **Department of Defense Subcommittee on Excellence in Education**,” wrote the **Assistant Secretary of the Navy** to the **Veteran of the Year** who was then a **Senior Chief Personnelman**.

**PNCS Supnet** subsequently worked with the **Human Goals Program** and became the first to represent the minority affairs for Filipinos in the Navy. Before he took over, he completed the **Equal Opportunity Instructors Course** at the **Department of Defense Race Relations Institute** at Patrick Air Force Base in Florida.

He wrote in his **point paper** that “the Navy must possess a sophisticated knowledge of the perception, attitudes, and culture of the **Filipinos** if naval leadership and management is to **utilize the maximum potential and capabilities** of the second largest minority group in the Navy along the doctrine of the Human Goals Program. It is obvious there is not sufficient information available on the Filipino group and has resulted in serious interpersonal problems. **Thus, an in-depth timely assessment** of psycho-cultural disposition is proposed with special regard to problems affecting motivation, performance and service satisfaction.”

A relevant study subsequently was carried out and it had helped open the gate for more ratings the Filipino servicemen could enter. **CWO4 Supnet** had accompanied the contracted PhD in gathering materials for the study through interviews with Filipino Navy personnel stationed throughout the United States.

In the interim, **PNCS Supnet** was graduated *magna cum laude* from the Northern Virginia Community

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## ‘T’WAS BEFORE THE FOURTH OF JULY

Members of **FAMOS** have their picture taken after their quarterly general membership meeting on the first day of July 2017. Seated, from left are: COL **Cef Ruiz**, MC, USA, Ret.; **Daniel DeMarco**; **William Kehayias**, former Army Staff Sergeant and special guest, who recounted his **WWII combat experiences** as a bombardier in the Philippines; **Gloria B. Supnet** and CWO4 **Ed Danico**, USN, Ret.

FAMOS will hold its next general membership meeting on Saturday, September 2, 2017 at the Broken Yolk Café in Pacific Beach where the members, their families and friends could have breakfast before the meeting gets underway at 0900. The guest speaker will be **Retired Navy Rear Admiral Cathal Lynn**, a counter-terrorism expert and former SEAL/UDT commander.



Standing, from left are: Retired NCIS Special Agent **Julio DeGuzman, Jr.**; CDR **Nap Ferraris**, USN, Ret., CWO4 **Manny Supnet**, USN, Ret.; EMCS(SS) **Jay Ruiz, Sr.**, USN, Ret.; CAPT **Chuck Pierce**, USN, Ret., CW5 **Teddy Datuin**, USA, Ret.; CAPT **Myles Esmele**, USN, Ret.; CWO2 **Ernie Liwag**, USN, Ret., Mrs. **Debbie Adan** and her husband, MACM(SW) **Cesar Adan**, USN, Ret. *(Photo by CAPT Elsa P. Ang, USN, Ret., FLASH Staff Photographer & FAMOS President)*

## Birth of American Independence Day - July 4 or July 2

We have been observing the Fourth of July as a federal holiday since 1941. But the tradition of Independence Day celebrations goes back to the 18<sup>th</sup> century and the American Revolution.

On **July 2, 1776** the Continental Congress voted in favor of independence. **Two days later**, delegates from the 13 colonies adopted the **Declaration of Independence** that was drafted by **Thomas Jefferson**.

Since then, **July 4** has been celebrated as the **birth of American Independence** with festivities ranging from fireworks, parades, barbecues and associations get-together.

Nevertheless, **John Adams, the second President of the United States** believe that **July 2 was the correct day** to celebrate the birth of American Independence and would turn down invitations to appear at July 4<sup>th</sup> events in protest. Ironically, he died on **July 4 in 1826**.

In keeping up with the Independence Day tradition, members of **FAMOS** participated in the Fourth of July parade in Mira Mesa. **Retired Army Colonel Cef Ruiz**, outgoing FARSOC Veteran of the Year donned on her camouflaged uniform and rode on a camouflaged helicopter float that was pulling the float of the incoming FARSOC **Veteran of the Year, CWO4 Manny Supnet, USN, Retired** with his wife, **Gloria**. Providing security to them was **MCPO Cesar Adan, USN, Ret., Law Enforcement Specialist**.

Following the float of the Veterans of the Year was **Fida Pierce, FASCA Queen** on a top down convertible bright red Mustang driven by her husband, **CAPT Chuck Pierce, USN, Ret.**

Other **FAMOS** members participating in the celebration were **CAPT Elsa Ang, President** and the first gentleman, **Roger Ang**; **EMCS(SS) Jay Ruiz, Sr., Secretary** and **Debbie Adan**.



**FARSOC VETERANS OF THE YEAR:** Retired Army **COL Cef P. Ruiz**, Veteran of the Year 2016 waves at the spectators. Her escort is **Sgt. Billy J. Guthrie**, Army Recruiter in Escondido. **In tandem** is the float for the Veteran of Year 2017, **CWO4 Manny Supnet, USN, Ret.** With him are his wife, **Gloria** (not visible) and **MACM Cesar Adan, USN, Retired**. The driver of the vehicle is Navy Veteran **Bernie Lozano**.



**FASCA QUEEN, Fida Pierce** takes time out for pictures taking with her husband, **CAPT Chuck Pierce**, their daughter, **Dr. Allison P. Becker** and their 18-month old grandson, **Dexter**.

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Community College under the Navy's ADCOP with an **Associate of Science degree in General Studies**. **CWO2 Supnet** subsequently earned a **Bachelor of Arts degree in Personnel Administration** from Upper Iowa University under the Officers College Degree Completion Program. **CWO4 Supnet** received a **Master of Science degree in Education Administration** from the National University after he retired.

Early in his Navy career, **JO3 Supnet** served as editor of the **Quonset Scout**, the newspaper of the Naval Air Station, Quonset Point, RI. He said the highlights of his job were his exclusive interviews with **Hollywood movie stars** who were appearing in nearby **Warwick Summer Stock Theater** like **Jane Russell, Lloyd Bridges** and **Joan Fontaine**. The Warwick Theater relied on the Naval Air Station for patronage as it was the largest employer in the tiny state of Rhode Island. Hence, the interviews for publicity in the station newspaper was necessary.

After three years in Rhode Island, **JO2 Supnet** reported for duty aboard the USS FORRESTAL (CVA-59) in the Mediterranean. He worked as the editor of the **Fifty-Niner**, the ship's newspaper. He also coordinated tours to various places such as **Paris** and **Rome** while the ship was moored at ports of call. After the Mediterranean Cruise, he left the ship for **Yokohama, Japan** to report for duty at the headquarters of the Military Sea Transportation Service, Far East Area (MSTSFE) but not before he took a three-month reenlistment leave in the Philippines. It was an independent duty because he was the only journalist in the headquarters and there was no other to help him work on the "**Anone**", (*pronounced Ah no ne*) the MSTSFE biweekly newspaper which was discontinued when its editor was transferred six months ago without relief. Anyhow he was able to compose the newspaper by himself. The printing was done locally.

During his three-year tour in Japan, **JO1 Supnet** led a **pilgrimage** to the shrine of the well known **World War II correspondent Ernie Pyle** who was killed on **April 18, 1945** while covering the bloody fight in the tiny island of **Ie Shima** just off **Okinawa**.

At present, **Retired CWO4 Supnet** is the **editor** of the FAMOS newsletter, **THE FLASH**. Before this, he was **President** of the Filipino American Association of San Diego North County. He was also the **Founder** and **President** of Santa Maria Ilocos Sur Association of Southern California aside from being an **Advisor** to the **WWII Filipino American Federation** of Southern California. Currently he is a member of the **FARSOC Board of Directors**.

The **Veteran of the Year** enlisted on October 11, 1955 at the Sangley Point Naval Base in the Philippines as a Steward Recruit as did virtually all Filipinos around that era. After Boot Camp, he attended the

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Steward School. After completion of the school, he was sent to Dahlgren Naval Proving Grounds for duty. He immediately requested to change rate. In no time, he received BUPERS approval and was assigned to the Yardcraft Division as **Seaman Apprentice**. He eventually became qualified as **coxswain** of LCMs and LCVPs. He enjoyed his job and he wanted to strike for **Boatswain's Mate** but the rating was “frozen” at that time.

Thus, he requested instead to attend the Journalists School. While awaiting for the result of his request, he took the competitive examination for Yeoman Third Class. He was already in school when he was notified he made YN3. The only Filipino Journalist student eagerly sewed on his “crow” to his uniform. The badge of Master at Arms was then transferred to him from the school MAA who was a Marine Lance Corporal.

After graduation, his rate of **YN3** was converted to **JO3**. He would eventually advance to **JO1** in the minimum time required. Ironically, he was not allowed for advancement to **JOC** because he was not an American citizen.

He eventually became a naturalized American citizen and would have been able to return to the Journalist rating. But by that time he was already a **PNC**, so he decided to stay put. He would subsequently advance to **PNCM**.

When he was appointed to **Chief Warrant Officer 2**, he continued receiving the **higher pay of E-9** until he was promoted to the higher rank and pay of **CWO4** which was then the **highest warrant officer rank**.

As a Chief Warrant Officer, he had served on board the USS DIXIE (AD-14) where he wore multiple hats of **Administration Department Head**, Legal Officer, **Public Information Officer**, Personnel Officer, **Educational Services Officer**, Postal Officer and **Ship's Secretary**.

He was subsequently assigned to the **Anti-Submarine Warfare Training Center Pacific** as the **Training Operations Officer**. His collateral duty was **First Lieutenant**.

His last duty station was the Recruit Training Command where he served as **Head, Standards and Evaluations Department**. He also ran the **Company Commanders School**. Ironically, it is the same command where he “first opened and closed the book of his **most challenging but superlatively rewarding career**.”

**CWO4 Supnet** is married to the former **Gloria Tamayo Brillantes** of the same town of Santa Maria, Ilocos Sur, Philippines.. They have five children; four girls in a row and the youngest, a boy who was born in Washington, D.C.



## FILIPINO-AMERICAN MILITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION

*Founded in April 1990*

### MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL/APPLICATION

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Rank & Military Branch: \_\_\_\_\_ Commissioning Source: \_\_\_\_\_

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Children (Optional): \_\_\_\_\_

Designator/MOS: \_\_\_\_\_

Duty Station: \_\_\_\_\_

Billet: \_\_\_\_\_

Educational Background (Optional): \_\_\_\_\_

Yearly Membership Fees Attached – Circle One

Regular & Associate: \$25.00

Student & Honorary: Free

Regular member: Military Officer

Associate member: (a) Spouse of Regular or Associate member

(b) GS-11 or higher

(c) E-9

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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# FAMOS AT THE MABUHAY FESTIVAL

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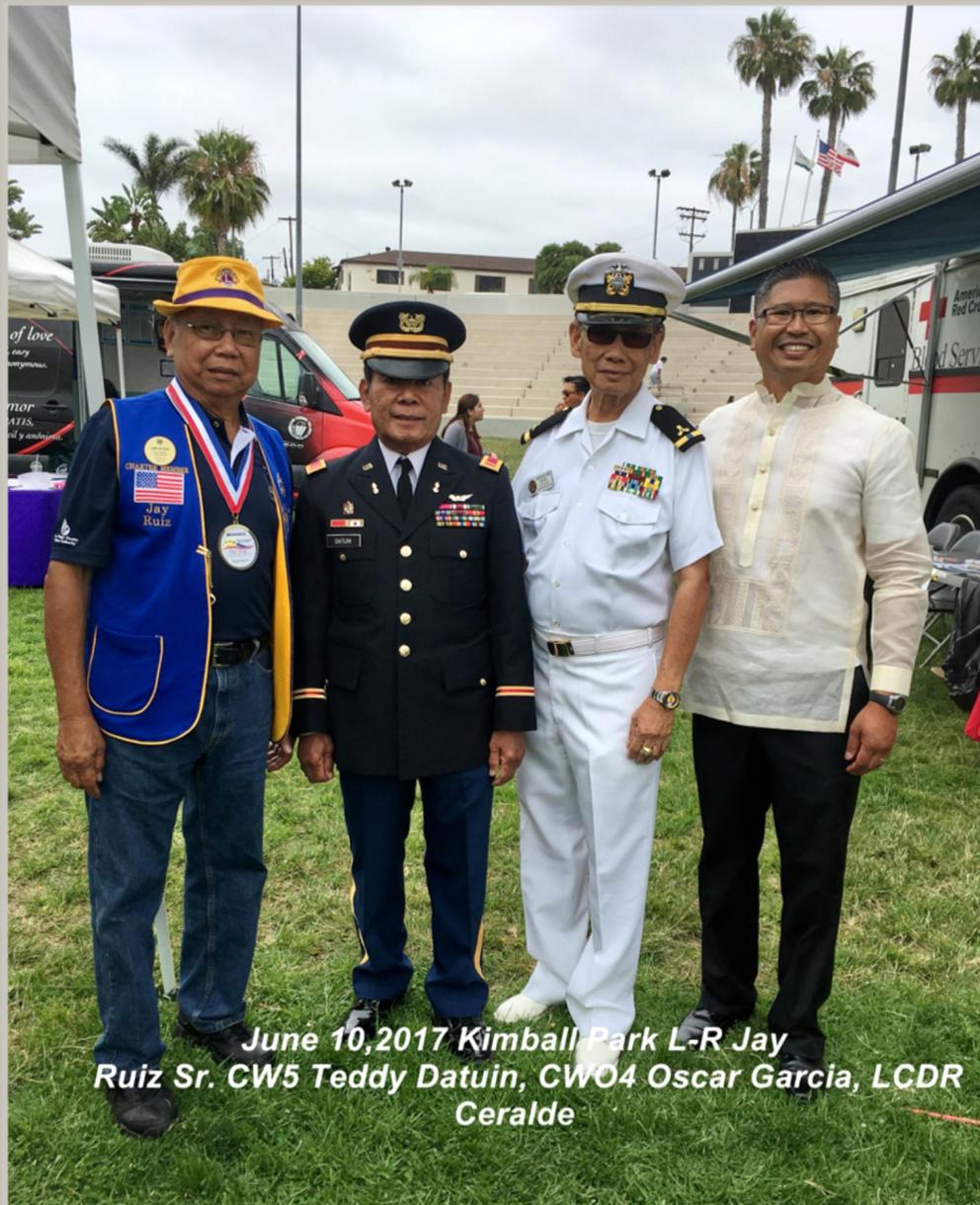


*June 10, 2017 Kimball Park, L-R: CWO4 Oscar S. Garcia, CWO2 Ernesto Liwag, CW5 Teddy Datuin*

**Yes!** Retired Navy CWO4 **Oscar Sa. Garcia** and CWO2 **Ernie Liwag** and Retired Army CW5 **Teddy Datuin** stand ready to give out bottles of water (compliments of FAMOS) to thirsty Mabuhay Festival participants.

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Members of FAMOS attending the Mabuhay Festival at National City appear like makeshift models as they manifest their homologous communities via their attire.

From left: **EMCS(SS) Jay Ruiz, Sr.** representing the Lions Club, **CW5 Teddy Datuin** of the Army, **CWO4 Oscar Sa. Garcia** of the Navy and **LCDR Clint Ceralde**, USN wearing the Philippines National Shirt.