

# People and Events

## Real life hero from "Heroes" honored on API HIV/AIDS Awareness Day

LOS ANGELES—Actor James Kyson Lee, who plays "Ando" on NBC's *Heroes*, was called a real-life hero May 19, for encouraging members of the Asian and Pacific Islander communities to get tested for HIV. Lee was just one of the honorees at the 5th Annual Asian and Pacific Islander National HIV/AIDS Awareness Day Luncheon in Los Angeles. He received the "Unsung Hero Award" for serving as the national spokesperson for the Banyan Tree Project. "He plays a hero on television, but James Kyson Lee is a real-life hero for helping erase the stigma associated with HIV and AIDS in our Asian and Pacific Islander communities," said Jury Candelario, executive director of the Asian Pacific AIDS Intervention Team (APAIT).

Also honored at the luncheon was Stephen Simon, AIDS Coordinator for the City of Los Angeles. Martha Chono-Helsley, Executive Director of REACH LA presented Simon with the 2009 Banyan Tree Project "Public Health Leadership Award." Additionally, the Banyan Tree Project honored "IMRU," the long-

running gay and lesbian radio show on KPFK. Rita Gonzales, executive director and co-host, accepted the 2009 Banyan Tree Project "Media Award" on behalf of the show. The Banyan Tree Project, a community program supported by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and local HIV and AIDS outreach organizations across the United States, commemorates national Asian Pacific Islander HIV Awareness Day annually.

Candelario said the goal of the Banyan Tree Project is to reduce HIV-related stigma and discrimination in Asian & Pacific Islander (A&PI) communities that delays or prevents access to critical HIV prevention and care services.

"HIV/AIDS continues to spread in communities of color, including Asians and Pacific Islanders," he said. "Among A&PIs as a population, AIDS diagnoses increased by 34 percent from 1999 to 2003 in the United States; the only statistically significant increases in HIV/AIDS diagnoses among all racial groups in the US, with A&PI women having the largest increase of all." ■

## 'Green & White': Animo La Salle May 22-24

De La Salle Alumni World Congress, May 22-24, 2009  
Hilton Universal City, Los Angeles  
For info & registration: [www.dlsaasc.org](http://www.dlsaasc.org)

ALL systems are definitely GO > "Green & White" for the 7th La Salle Alumni World Congress in Los Angeles this Memorial Day weekend, with the 5th La Salle invitational golf tourney on May 22 kicking off this reunion.

The golf event will be held at the Brookside Golf Course # 1 in Pasadena, starting at 7:30 am, with registration at 6:30 am.

The list of registrants for the World Congress continues to grow, but don't worry: We'll take more! Interestingly, confirmed attendees already include graduates from 1958 up to at least 2006 (a Metro New York Chapter officer).

### Election of New DLSAA Officers

Themed "Green and White Convergence," this last World Congress in North America before the Centennial Celebration in Manila in 2011 includes the election for the new De La Salle Alumni Association President --replacing outgoing head Johnny Valdes -- and other officers.

"We salute the outgoing officers for their achievements," says World Congress Chair Ramon Manalo, adding that funds raised from the souvenir program drive -- with a top prize of a new Honda Civic Hybrid -- will go toward the One La Salle Scholarship Endowment Fund as well as other causes supported by the host Southern California Chapter, headed by Denny Cagampan.

The One La Salle Scholarship Funds aims at granting scholarships to one out of five students enrolled in all La Salle schools in the Philippines, based on financial need, by 2011.

### Dine & Dance

The hosts announced new dining options, with tickets available on site, specifically, \$35 for Friday Night, \$30 for Saturday's Plated Breakfast, \$45 for Saturday Lunch, \$75 for Saturday's Dinner Dance, and finally, \$30 for the Sunday Brunch.

It is, after all, the grand reunion of all the La Salle alumni chap-

ter officers and members from around the world. In highlighting the diversity of the alumni group, the host chapter will recognize the attendance of different Lasallian 'batches,' in addition to honoring outstanding Lasallians.

### Coming Together

Why do alumni go to this biennial event? Rekindling friendships, networking, keeping in touch with the De La Salle Philippines schools and programs. The savvy ones make it a family vacation or combine it with business or pleasure, especially since it's the Memorial Day weekend, the signal to summer, and what better venue than Southern California?

On the first day, in addition to golf, other activities include Bowling, a Universal City Walk, and Americana at Glendale. That evening features a Fellowship Night featuring jazz star Boy Katindig and Band, plus Chito Dakay at Ballroom A.

Saturday's schedule after the Breakfast is highlighted by the Election of DLSAA Officers as well as separate sessions on "La Salle Education," "Social Responsibility" and other topics. Bishop Oscar Solis of California will also celebrate Mass at 6 pm. To cap the evening, the Dinner Dance starts at 7 pm, featuring performances by Kevyn Lettau, Louie Reyes and Joey Albert, and the raffle for that \$20,000 Civic Hybrid (Go GREEN!).

Sunday wraps up the Congress, starting with brunch on to the talent show song and dance face-offs, and opportunities for one-on-ones with La Salle Brothers.

Relive the Lasallian spirit and camaraderie. As the host chapter declares, "It is our hope that the World Congress will rekindle the spirit of St. La Salle within each one and make us ever more proud to be called a green-blooded La Sallite" and to "continue to work toward the goal of educating the next generation of nation builders."

Sunny Southern California beckons: "Animo La Salle!"

For more info and to register, please check out [www.dlsaasc.org](http://www.dlsaasc.org). ■

## PWU College of Nursing Class '76 Reunion

THE Philippine Women's University College of Nursing Class 1976' Reunion will be held on Saturday, July 25, at Lana Lubang Uy's Residence in Naperville, Illinois USA.

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## Under the Tree Community Outreach Ministry

UNDERNEATH the spreading tree on the Church's front lawn, the Rosewood United Methodist Church held its first "Under the Tree Community Outreach Ministry" on December 13, 2008. Stemming from a very successful outreach effort, the Rosewood family was able to reach out, touch and administer to the community that surrounds the church facility. In previous years, Rosewood has held outreach efforts which have been responsive to some needs of the community, but not as extensively as the Under the Tree Ministry which has been able to cover a larger range of services and assistance to the community.

On Saturday, May 30, Rosewood UMC will be holding another offering of the "Under the Tree Ministry" on the front lawn of the church located at 4101 W. Rosewood Avenue, Los Angeles 90004. The activities will begin at 2pm and end at 5pm. Rosewood will be staging the "Under the Tree Ministry" about 3-4 times a year.

City/County agencies (DPSS, etc.), Filipino non-profits (SIPA, FASGI, etc.) and other service-providing community-based organizations (Worksource, etc.) will be participating in the outreach event. Other services to be addressed at the event are: immigration information/education assistance, health issues, job training/opportunities; youth empowerment; welfare benefits; referrals including prayer requests. Rosewood also contemplates on providing assistance for other identified special needs.

Although the outreach services and assistance truly blessed the community, it was twice of a blessing for the church to come together (both Pilipino and Hispanic ethnicities) to serve the community and the less fortunate of our brethren in our own neighborhoods. All the different congregations, church ministries, organizations and committees had all come together in a joint effort to touch our community with Christ's Love. ■

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