

HIGHLIGHTS OF UPAAGC HISTORY

Inception of UP Club of America July 25, 1971

First organizational meeting August 21, 1971

UPCA founded, Constitution & By-Laws ratified
September 24, 1971

UPCA incorporated as a not-for-profit organization
December 1971

1970s

Donated UPCA Scholarship fund for deserving UP undergraduate students.

Established UPCA Loan Fund

Contributed to UP Flood Victims relief fund

Presented UP Concert Chorus concerts; series of Philippine Cultural Night I-IV, and "Pistang Dakila 1873" (PCN III)

1980s

Donated UP Professorial Chair in Philippine History (P150,000) and to the Friends of UP Foundation in America (FUPFA).

Sponsored "Ana Maria," a zarzuela, First Philippine Choral Festival, and a UP Concert Chorus concert

1990s

Contributed \$10,000 to the UP Library Collection Development Fund and more than P50,000 to the UP Investment Portfolio-Research Endowment fund.

Silver Anniversary celebration. Raul Sunico gala concert. Raised \$17,000 donated to UP through FUPFA.

Fundraiser for UP Library through the sale of "All Occasions" note cards featuring selected artworks from UP artists.

Dinner-dance fundraiser with UP President Emil Javier.

"Mayo...Bisperas ng Liwanag;" "Entre Nous" (Among Ourselves) opera I-III; "Coming to America. Filipinos and the American Dream (1900-1945);" and concert and fashion show featuring Ester Hana and "Tahanang Bahay"

2000s

"Harana" special choral performances directed by Olive Rocha Aliga.

"Wings of Songs 2000" concert with the Music Theater Foundation of the Philippines.

Hosted UPAAA General Reunion and National Convention at the Palmer House Chicago; Jo Wee Sit (UPCA incumbent President) elected UPAAA President.

"Scholarships and Internships-Opportunities and Experiences" symposium with National Science Foundation Illinois Alliance for Minority Participation.

UP Rally to rekindle alumni pride, passion, & awareness of the needs of UP.

Formally created the \$25,000 UPCA Professorial Chair in Perpetuity Concert for Peace by "Ill of a Kind"

Founders Day Celebration

"Improving Filipino-American Community Relations: Examining weaknesses and the strengths of, and strategies for, Filipino organizations in America" workshop

Concert to honor UPCA past presidents, featuring pianist Adolovni Acosta and "Ill of a Kind" trio

Donated \$11,500 to the College of Music.

"Filipinos in the Diaspora: Beyond Identity and Nostalgia" forum

"What Is Going on In Mindanao?" symposium

Dialogue between IL DCEO Director Jack Lavin and Filipino-American business community.

"Let's Konek" dinner-dance to benefit the College of Social Science and Philosophy

Donated \$6,000 to CSSP to aid in Palma Residence renovation.

Organization name-changed to UP Alumni Association of Greater Chicago (UPAAGC).

Ratified Articles of Incorporation and Corporate By-Laws.

First UPAAGC Golf Challenge.

"A Dialogue with Dr. Nemenzo: The Current Political Crisis in the Philippines,"

Donated \$10,000 to the U.P. Health Service.

Received 501©3 status, Internal Revenue Service determination as a tax-exempt organization, .

Launching of the UPAAGC website, www.upaagc.org

"Bells of Balangiga" musical production with CIRCA /PINTIG

UP President Roman's reception at the Philippine Consulate General Chicago.

Annual picnic with President Emerlinda Roman in attendance.

Second UPAAGC Golf Challenge at Highland Woods Golf Course in Hoffman Estates.

"Come Together" dinner-dance at the Marriott's Oak Brook Hotel

Donated \$10,000 to the Institute of Chemistry, \$3,000 to the UPCA Scholarship fund, \$1,000 to the U.P. Sports & Wellness Center UP Manila, \$2000 for the UP Centennial Paper Writing Award, and \$500 for UPAA Carillon Restoration Project.

Leadership Training Workshop for the 2007 Officers, Directors and Committee Chairs

"Umagang Kay Ganda" Pledge Campaign to benefit the U.P. Office of Legal Aid, U.P. Foundation and the U.P. Centennial Paper Writing Award for 2008.

Dialogue between the IL Dept of Commerce & Economic Opportunity and Filipino American entrepreneurs

Picnic 2007 at the Busse Woods Forest Preserve.

Third UPAAGC Golf Challenge at Highland Woods Golf Course, Hoffman Estates, Illinois.

Won the "Most Rehearsed Presentation" at the Fellowship Night Presentations at the UPAAA Convention in San Francisco.

Olive Rocha Aliga received the 2007 UPAAA Most Outstanding Professional Award in the Field of Music.

"Umagang Kay Ganda" dinner-dance at the Marriott Oak Brook Hotel

Donated \$10,000 to the UP Office of Legal Aid

"Business Forum in Health Care Entrepreneurship" with the Philippine American Chamber of Commerce of Greater Chicago

1st Annual "Walk for Education" celebrating the U.P. Centennial Year.

Fourth UPAAGC Golf Challenge and Family Picnic at Highland Woods Golf Course.

"Balancing Act in Health Care Delivery: Challenges, Innovation & Advocacy" health care symposium

UPAAGC Appreciation Party and General Membership Meeting & Elections in Skokie, Illinois

Donated \$10,000 to the College of Education & \$5,000 to the UP Integrated School Health and Physical Education Department

UPAAGC Board of Directors Leadership Retreat at Lake Geneva, WI

The UPAAGC Leadership participated in series of strategic fundraising workshops by the Chicago Global Donors Network

Presented the UPAAGC Recognition Award to Soledad "Soly" Roselada Munoz, BS Education 1959

Presentation of new UPAAGC new logo designed and artwork donated by Raven Guerrero, a UP Fine Arts graduate

"Housing Crisis" community workshop

Fifth UPAAGC Golf Challenge and Family Potluck Picnic

"The Essence of Health Care Entrepreneurship" healthcare symposium

General Meeting & Elections, Induction of Officers and Dinner-Dance held at The Seville, Streamwood, Illinois.

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2010

Donated \$5,000 to the UP Manila College of Nursing and \$5,000 to the UP Los Banos University Library
UPAAGC Leadership Retreat held at the Techny Towers Conference and Retreat Center
"Wright Census 2010 Forum" in collaboration with AFIRE
Hosted a bienvenida party to welcome the new Philippine Consul General Leo Herrera-Lim, UP LLB '87, at the consulate office.
First participation and co-sponsorship with the Chicago Children's Museum Passport-to-the-Philippines three-day event
Sixth UPAAGC Golf Challenge and Family Picnic at Highland Woods Golf Course, Hoffman Estates, Illinois.
"Raul M. Sunico piano recital" to benefit scholars in food technology and agri-business programs at UP Mindanao
Filipino American History Month (FAHM) forum at Wright College.
Guest speaker: Kevin Yabut Nadal, PhD
General Meeting & Elections, Induction of Officers and Appreciation Party held at The Seville, Streamwood, Illinois

2011

Donated \$6,000 to the Institute of Chemistry Diliman to rebuild laboratories destroyed by fire in June 2010 & \$30,000 to UP Mindanao
"Financial Literacy and Investing in the Philippines," workshop with Living Water Community Church, PACCGC PTIC-Midwest, Philippine DOT-Midwest, and the Office of the Philippine Consulate General.
Co-sponsored the Chicago Children's Museum Passport-to-the-Philippines for the second year.
Book launch of "Remembering Rizal: Voices from the Diaspora", celebrating Dr. Jose Rizal's 150th birth anniversary.
Annual Picnic & 7th Annual Golf Challenge
Co-presented "Best Practices in Home Health Care Operations" with Education Resources Inc.
UP Madrigal Singers: Alay Sa Iskolar ng Bayan" concert
Annual Dinner-Dance & General Elections at Marriott Oakbrook.

2012

First board meeting with new directors and officers, which included workshop on corporate governance and e-mail communications
Launch of new website featuring online payment for the first time
Filipino community event in Marae tradition at the Field Museum of Natural History, facilitated by the Department of Anthropology
70th Commemoration of Bataan Day, with the Philippine Consulate General in Chicago
UP Concert Chorus 20th Anniversary Tour at Living Water Community Church in Bolingbrook
Summer Picnic at Adobofest in Morton Grove
Donated \$ to U.P. College of Fisheries and Ocean Sciences in Iloilo

2013

UPAAGC Leadership Team Workshop featuring Good Governance, Best Practices, & Transparency, Principles of International Charity and Understanding of Other's Personality Style
1st UPAAGC Financial Governance workshop to promote proper and consistent financial and audit reporting and different tax filing commitment dates
Initiated a project to consolidate documentation of all board resolutions made throughout the years (work in progress)
8th UPAAGC Golf Challenge and Annual Alumni and Family Picnic on August 24, 2013.
Dinner Dance and 2nd fundraising event on December 14, 2013 at the Meridian Banquets Rolling Meadows.
Donation of \$15,000 (\$7500 to UPLB Undergraduate Scholarship Grant Program and \$7500 to UP Visayas Tacloban College)

2014

Baseball for Tacloban Fundraiser featuring the Kane County Cougars vs Lake County Captains on April 12, 2014
Visit of UP President Alfredo Pascual July 16, 2014

2014 (continued)

9th UPAAGC Golf Challenge and Annual Picnic on August 16, 2014
Fundraising Event with the UP CAMP Alumni to benefit research on "The Involvement of Therapists in Disaster Response & Risk Reduction Efforts," September 2014
"Get UP for U.P.!" Annual Fellowship (Dinner Dance) and General Meeting & Elections, December 6, 2014
Donated \$5136.88 to the UP College of Allied Medical Professions

2015

Leadership Team Workshop on Principles of Charity and Understanding Nonprofit and Tax Exempts, January 2015
UPAAGC Officially Recognized as Bona Fide Filipino Organization Duly Registered at the Consulate General of the Philippines in Chicago
Actively Participated in Chicago Visit of His Excellency Benigno Aquino III, President of The Republic of the Philippines, May 6, 2015
Participated in an Educational Workshop on Immigration Programs, a Cooperative Program with AFIRE, USCIS, Archdiocese of Chicago, Consulate General Office and St Hubert Bayanihan Office, June 20, 2016
Sponsored and Participated in The Annual Piyesta Pinoy, June 2015
10th Annual Golf Challenge Fund Raising and Family Picnic, August 2015
Supported the 2015 Activities and Programs of the Philippine Consulate General Office of Chicago
"UPAAGC Kasangga Ng Sambayanang Filipino" Annual Dinner Dance, General Meeting & Elections, and Fundraising to Benefit The UP Socialized Tuition System, Featuring Loida Nicolas Lewis as Keynote Speaker

2016

2016 Team Building
Participated in Piyesta Pinoy sa Chicago,
Co-sponsored the Regine Velazquez Concert in Chicago,
Hosted UP President Alfredo Pascual
11th Annual Golf Outing and Family Picnic and Fundraiser
Awarded grant money to UP Kabataang Pilosopo Tasyo from Diliman Campus and UP Civil engineering Executive Organization from Los Banos Campus for their alternative classroom projects
2016 Annual December Event with Guest Speaker R.M. Austria, Co-Founder and Founding President of UP Club of America, 1971 and Founder of UPAA-Wisconsin, 1974

2017

2017 Fellowship and BOD team meeting
Meet and greet with Consul General Generoso Calonge at the consulate official residence
Welcoming of honorary members from the Consulate General's Office
Despedida fellowship with Con Gen Calonge
12th Annual Golf Outing and Family Picnic Fundraiser
2017 Annual Dinner Dance and Fundraiser with UP Alumnus Guest Speaker Dr. A. Gabriel Esteban, 12th President of De Paul University and first lay leader in the university's history.
Donated \$ to UP College of Arts & Letters to help restore Faculty Center in Diliman after devastating fire.

2018

13th Annual Golf Outing and Family Picnic Fundraiser
Participated in Piyesta Pinoy in Bolingbrook
2018 Annual Dinner Dance & Fundraiser with guests Consul General Gina Jamoralin and IL Secretary of State Jesse White
Donated \$10K to UP Visayas establishing scholarship fund