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## Register Now For 2nd Annual SPUDAA-NA Conference in Chicago

### Midwest Paulinians Announce Fundraising Plans To Support Educational & Humanitarian Projects

The Midwest SPUDAA-NA Chapter declared “Unity of Paulinians Everywhere” as the theme for the 2nd Annual SPUDAA-NA Conference in Chicago. The August 10-12, 2007 event will be held at the Wyndham O'Hare Hotel located at 6810 North Mannheim Road in Rosemont, IL 60018 (Tel. # 847-297-1234). Make your room reservations directly with the hotel. Conference rates are:

- \$89 for single/double occupancy
- \$178 for 1BR suite/4-6 people
- \$267 for 2BR suite/up to 10 people

#### Early Registration

The Chicago planning group has been sending registration packets to those with e-mail address, and by postal mail to those without. The registration packet includes a registration form, an advertising contract form for the souvenir program, and a vendor form for the Alumni Networking Fair. Advance registration is open until July 10, after which a charge of \$30.00 applies.

According to SPUDAA-NA Vice Chair and Midwest Region Chair Gloria Flores Millare, “This is not to punish the late registrants, but this is the additional cost for the reserved activities, especially for contracted buses and tours, etc. I hope you all

understand how difficult it is to make reservations without a definite number of attendees.”

#### Fundraising Plans and Contacts

The 2nd Annual Conference hopes to raise funds to support SPUD projects, hence the planning group decided on a major raffle drive. The registration already includes a booklet of raffle tickets worth \$10.00. SPUDAA-NA Secretary Rosemarie Lagman will mail out to each Board member a minimum of 20 booklets (total value \$200.00) to sell. Gloria Flores Millare encourages Paulinians further: “I am sure that there are many of you who will be able to sell more. Just let us know.”

For more information or details, e-mail Gloria Flores Millare at glo-scar9@sbcglobal.net, or connect directly with the following contacts for:

- **Conference Registration** - Contact or send your completed registration form with your check payable to: **SPUDAA-NA, c/o Irene Meehleib** at 630 Newton Ct., Schaumburg, IL 60194. [Tel: 630-523-1186]
- **Raffle Tickets - \$1 each or 12 tickets for \$10:** Complete sold ticket stub(s) with purchaser's name/address/ telephone, and return with check payment payable to: **SILAYAN/SPUD, c/o Robert Castillo** at 9439 Overhill Drive, Morton Grove, IL 60053. [Tel: 224-528-1945]
- **Souvenir Program/Business or Personal Ads Contract** - Request

for a form or send a completed contract with a check payment to: **SILAYAN/SPUD**

**c/o Herminia Flores**  
977 Huntington Drive  
Elk Grove Village, IL 60097  
[Tel: 847 891-5241]

#### Ad space rates are:

- \$100 for full page
- \$60 for half page
- \$35 for quarter page

- **Networking Fair:** To obtain an exhibit or vending space to network or sell goods, contact **Veronica Meehleib**. Each participant pays \$100.00 and gets a table for display on Friday and Sunday.

#### Confused? ... Just Simplify!

If you feel that there are several addresses to send to, you may just send to one; or use just one check, but simply indicate what it is for. You may write and mail your check payable to:

**SPUDAA-NA [or SILAYAN/SPUD]**  
**c/o Herminia Flores,**  
**SPUDAA-NA Asst. Treasurer**  
[see above address].

**Note:** Under Silayan/SPUD, your expenses will be tax-deductible to the extent allowed by IRS rule.

#### Important Reminders

We will have a wonderful time, and at the same time work together to strengthen SPUDAA-NA, and to seriously pursue its educational, social, and humanitarian goals and objectives. ■

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## 2nd Annual SPUDAA-NA Conference 2007 Program Schedule Wyndham O'Hare Hotel, Rosemont, IL

### August 10, 2007 (Friday)

PM: 4:00 Set up—exhibits and displays  
5:00 Conference registration starts  
6:30-9:30 Dinner meeting/Session 1, Board meets

### August 11, 2007 (Saturday)

AM: 8:30 Assemble at hotel lobby for City Tour.  
9:00 Bus leaves for City Tour  
PM: 3:30 Assemble at the Navy Pier.  
4:00 Bus leaves for Wyndham Hotel  
6:30 Reception at Wyndham Hotel  
7:30-1:00 Dinner-Dance at Grand Ballroom

### August 12, 2007 (Sunday)

AM: 10:00 Mass at the hotel (Room-TBA)  
11:00-3:00 Brunch meeting/Session 2, Exhibits  
3:00 Conference ends.

**Note:** Late check-out has been arranged. Please advise hotel beforehand. There is no parking charge for hotel guests and for local guests during the dinner-dance.

## Chicago—here we come!



Don't miss this aerial view while approaching Chicago's famous O'Hare Int'l Airport. [Photo credit: online clip art.]



### Notes from the Board Chair

Greetings! The weekend of August 10-12, 2007 holds a special meaning to all former Dumaguete Paulinians who are currently working and / or residing in the U.S. and Canada. We will gather together on that weekend in Chicago, Illinois to mark another milestone in the existence of St. Paul University Dumaguete Alumni Association of North America. It was almost like just weeks ago when a group of about 30 friends held a reunion on a nice fall weekend in Durham, North Carolina last October 2006. We had lots of fun meeting friends and classmates we have not seen in many many years. But more than that we laid the foundation of our alumni association here in North America.

Alumni organizations are established to re-ignite ties with an alma mater and its many former students. In this re-igniting of fondness for the institution, many express gratitude for the values learned and knowledge earned through the education, spiritual formation and guidance, fellowship, and community. We, former Paulinians, are no different. I dare say that much of whom we are today, whether as individuals and / or professionals, are influenced by the years we had spent in the classrooms, the halls, and the grounds of SPUD. If we have to put a price on those memories and experience, we all agree those were priceless!

In the many months since the Durham event, we donated funds to SPUD, we launched the quarterly newsletter and the web site, we have printed a members' directory, and Chicago has formed a local chapter of the SPUDAA-NA. Organizations thrive and grow not because of its officers; organizations flourish because of the energy of its members. These accomplishments I have mentioned would not be possible without the contributions of many members.

I hope that you will spend one August weekend with us, your friends, in Chicago. It has been many years since we passed through the iron gates of SPUD. But we really have not left SPUD for the knowledge and values that our teachers and the St. Paul sisters had taught us would forever define who we are.

I look forward to meeting you and your families in Chicago this summer. Thank you.

Vito Inoferio  
Board Chair, SPUDAA-NA

## You're A Paulinian When ... (Part 1)

Compiled, edited (with comments), and rated PG13 by Braddock Calumpang

[Some portions are not suitable for minors unless accompanied by an adult who passed 16 units of Religion at SPCD under Sr.

1. You're in Dumaguete and there's a pining curiosity to visit St Pauls.
2. You visit St Pauls and say "Oh, it's the same" even if almost everything has changed and practically you do not know anybody there anymore.
3. No matter how old or how young you are, and notwithstanding your great respect and awesome admiration for her, you call Sari, just plain "Sari".
4. You go 'S'ter, 'S'ter, when talking to the Sisters.
5. Your name was once written in dear Sr. Charles' "Utang Notebook". —Nene T. Guillen)
6. You remember laughing it off when your friends kidded that the initials SPCD actually stood for *Singkong Pancit, Can-on Diyes*. — Tess R. Real
7. You remember the girls sucking in their stomachs and pulling down their skirts to go 4 inches below the knees during inspection. — Tess R. Real
8. You use the term "sighted." —Lu M. Munroe
9. You still wonder what Human Reproduction was all about since this topic was skipped in our Biology classes. —Lu M. Munroe
10. You write your M with curves and arcs; your T like a G-clef sign; and start your compositions with a small cross. —Cherry Ozoa
11. You know that St. Jude is Ms Saavedra's patron saint, although you now are convinced that with Sari, nothing is impossible. — Cherry Ozoa
12. You stand for photos with that classic Paulinian pose - a shy smile and one foot slightly in front of the other. —Conchita Acupanda (Wow!)
13. You remember being told it was a mortal sin to cross your legs ... —Conchita Acupanda (so what, you spread them, generously?)
14. You have not memorized the Grace Before Meals so you say the loudest AMEEEEEN to make up for it. —Nesto Colina
15. You sometimes think that the Sisters habits were patterned after the Klu Klux Klan uniforms, and so wonder whether you should genuflect when you see a burning KKK cross). —Nesto Colina
16. You always complain about donations (or the Sisters) but donate (or love them) just the same. —Moxy de Mira
17. Your favorite photographer is Tom Aledro and probably still owe him; your favorite teacher was Ms. Barot; you got your diction convoluted under Enriquez; economics was misery but learned to plant camote and calabasa under Mercurio; and your real Philippine Idols are still the Acupandas and Oracoy. —Moxy de Mira
18. You still have nightmares about stepping on the crocodiles in the creek under the bridge (and, the naughty crocodiles smiling as they looked up). —Nilda Abaya-DeOrs
19. You remember appearing before the Court because you were caught speaking the Binisaya. —Nilda Abaya-DeOrs
20. You can sing out loud and clear "Hark Sans and Dowters of Sen Pol, better than "Silly Man Besaaay Dasi." —Nanen de Mira
21. You recall that SPCD was founded to neutralize that Silly Man (until ecumenism came in and realized it was not a mortal sin to have two girl friends at the same time!) (Whew!) —Nanen de Mira
22. You remember you were told to look down during kissing scenes in a movie, but you always forgot, and only remembered when the kissing was over, and so you looked down and smiled sheepishly. —Manny Garcia
23. You remember dozens of madres with flashlights and rulers to make sure you slow-danced at least a foot away from your partner (and wonder now the distance of which parts of the anatomy were they supposed to measure). —Bebotte de Mira
24. You say all your prayers in Espanol in the Spanish Class, memorize Don Quijote, and eventually learned to conjugate baroto, barotas, barota, barotamos, barotais, barotan. Thuthmaryothief, lithud kaayo ning clatheha, untha-on na lang. —Bebotte de Mira
25. You remember singing inside your head Dominick, canic, canic whenever that stern, tall and statuesque Mother Dominique looked at you with her Irish green eyes. —Levi Locsin
26. You remember the red roses by the bridge near the canteen (which were as tall as Sr Rita, as gentle as Sr Guillerma, as sturdy as Sr Peter and well, as provocative as an English teacher. —Levi Locsin
27. You remember joining the Glee Club and the Legion of Mary because of three very infatuating reasons: a) the pretty girls, b) the pretty girls, and c) the pretty girls. —Ron Somera
28. You remember your parents spending a lot for your costumes, and then had to pay for tickets to get in to see you wear them. — Ron Somera
29. You see a confessional box, and remember how, as a kid, you were dragged to Church every Friday to confess.....what did 8 year old kids have to confess, anyway? —Raine Eco Bazuin (Impoor thots?)
30. After almost a half century of absence, and miles away from Dumaguete, you seek other Paulinians from all over the planet and start a "silly" catalogue like this (but oh what fun, what a great idea, thanks, Bradd!!!) —Raine Eco Bazuin)

Note: We have a lot more of these inspired entries on file. These are being catalogued and will appear in Part II of this series. In the meantime, we'd like to thank you for reading and bearing with our "silly" ideas. Join in the fun, send us yours.

-Braddock Calumpang, CA

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**SPUDAA-NA: THE CHALLENGE**

To all who had stood in the halls of SPCD or St. Paul University Dumaguete and had enjoyed the gifts of learning, fellowship and community — please ask:

**"What Can I Do To Help?"**

We need to show our commitment of support for our Alma Mater as it continues to sharpen the minds and broaden the vision of its students to better serve their local and global communities.

We are often reminded that the tasks ahead are immense. We need as many people of good heart to make SPUDAA-NA a success.

We simply need to put our words and intentions into action. Let us work together as Paulinians do.



**Caritas Christi  
Urget Nos!**

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*Peace and Blessings*