

Philippine Republic Day Celebration PISTA SA NAYON 2017



On Saturday, June 10, 2017, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., the “Pista Sa Nayon” or Barrio Fiesta, another annual major event of the Philippine Republic Day Celebration, will be under the Green Expo at Traders Village at 2602 Mayfield Road, in Grand Prairie. Traders Village, one of the largest flea markets in the United States, offered a huge pavilion for the comfort of the festival goers. The event will start with the parade of banners, followed by the program showcasing Filipino and other multi-ethnic cultural presentations, choirs, bands, and singing contest. Vendors will sell exquisite paraphernalia and delicacies. There will be games for adults and children, elbow rubbing among families and friends. The Santacruznan, procession honoring the Blessed Virgin Mary, winds up the activity. Around 20,000 visitors are expected on this year’s festival. The Philippine Republic Day Celebration (PRDC), formed in 1993, with the vision of a joint month-long celebration of the Philippine Republic Day roughly close to June 12th, the day General Emilio Aguinaldo proclaimed the independence of Filipinos from Spain in 1898. Admission to the festival is Free. There is a minimal parking charge.

Impelled by the need to strengthen the bond of solidarity among Filipino-Americans, majority of the different Filipino American organizations, professionals, religious, cultural, business establishments joined forces to celebrate the anniversary of their precious independence won by their forefathers from Spain 119 years ago. PRDC aims to reach the 40,000 Filipino-Americans residing in the DFW Metroplex, who make significant contributions to the local economy as doctors, nurses, engineers, teachers, professionals, and business owners. Coordinating organizations are PACCTX, FAANTEX, PCCI, NTAPP, NTAACA, DFLC, MAHARLIKA DANCERS, ROSCON, NTAACA, GRACE HULA, Edd M DANCE COMPANY, MS. PHILIPPINE INDEPENDENCE, FILIPINO EDUCATORS, FILIPINO NURSES, HILIGAYNON, COUPLES FOR CHRIST, FILAM CATHOLICS, MEGA GOLF, COUPLES FOR CHRIST, FILAM CATHOLICS, MEGA GOLF, & MANY MORE.



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