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## President's Message

Adelle De Guzman BSN, RN, CCRN  
PNANJ Middlesex Subchapter President

As the new president of the PNANJ Middlesex Subchapter, I congratulate and welcome our new subchapter officers for the term 2010-2012. I also congratulate and thank the outgoing officers for a successful term through their commitment and great leadership.

I am proud to bring you our premium edition of Bayanihan newsletter. It will provide you information and upcoming events of PNANJ and our subchapter. I am looking forward for your participation in these exciting events.

## Successful Events



## Matters of the Heart: Challenges and Complexities in Cardiac Care

Over 100 nurses attended the 4th Annual Educational Event of the PNANJ Middlesex Subchapter last March 27, 2010 at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital. The event was coordinated by our educational committee chairs, Jackie Baras and Emma Lapena. "Matters of the Heart: Challenges and Complexities in Cardiac Care" discussed current interventions and evidence based practices in the care of cardiac patients delivered by our dynamic speakers Dr. Jeff Taylor, Dr. Ranzam Zakir, Dr. Allan Tannenbaum, Dr. Zyd Younan, Dr. Richard Cytryn and Dr. Alpesh Patel. Poster presentations were prepared by various PNANJ members from RWJUH which they developed for their clinical ladder CN III projects. To top it all, the President of RWJUH, Mr. Stephen Jones, graced the occasion and gave us a few words of inspiration.

It is my honor to be part of this very dynamic organization. PNANJ offers great opportunities for professional and personal growth through continuing education, leadership training, community outreach and social events. It offers scholarships and CARE nursing excellence awards yearly. It also provides great opportunities for networking with other professional and healthcare organizations.

Our goal is to continue to uphold the mission of our organization (PNANJ). I do encourage everyone to join and be a part of PNANJ. The strength of our organization depends on our members. Come join us so that together we can make a difference and build a stronger foundation for our profession.

**THANK YOU  
TO ALL OUR GENEROUS  
SUPPORTERS!!!**

## Induction of Subchapter Officers

The newly elected officers were inducted into office by Prof. Leo Felix Jurado, PNAA President during the Annual Spring Convention held at Marriott Newark Liberty Hotel last April 24, 2010.



Left to right: Victoria Pangilinan (secretary), Emma Lapena (Vice-president), Adelle De Guzman (President), Lilibeth LaRosa (Board of Director), Marley Nicolas (President, PNANJ).

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**Middlesex  
Subchapter**

Coming  
together is  
a beginning.  
Keeping  
together is  
progress.  
And working  
together is  
success.  
(Henry Ford)



**Upcoming Events/ Save the Dates**

**Middlesex Subchapter Family Picnic and General Membership Meeting – July 31, 2010.**

To be held at Mae Divinagracia’s poolside. Come join a fun-filled family summer event featuring a Filipino cultural awareness day for kids to learn about our values and culture. Food and entertainment for the whole family are included.

Please make RSVP to Mae Divinagracia at [sotellme@email.com](mailto:sotellme@email.com) or call 732-546-1502 by July 24, 2010.

**Fundraising Concert at Atlantic City -**

Featuring Arnel Pineda, lead singer for Journey. To be held on **July 25, 2010** at the Atlantic City Convention Hall. Tickets can be purchased from Myrna Young at [myoung132@aol.com](mailto:myoung132@aol.com).

Ticket prices: \$48, \$68, \$88, \$108 and VIP \$150.

**Community Service**

We welcome back and congratulate our very own Teresa DeVries, Jackie Baras, Glenna Tan, Jessa Manalastas and Emy who joined the Love Made Visible Foundation for a Medical Mission in Bohol, Philippines last June 19-20, 2010. Our organization donated \$600.00 for the mission and hosted a bake sale to raise funds to help our *kababayans* with some medical needs especially the remote areas that are unable to readily access healthcare. Job well done!!!

**Membership Updates**

As of July, 2010 we have 230 members in our Middlesex Subchapter. We have the highest membership among the subchapters. Way to go. Keep up the good work!!!

For information on membership application, please email Ann Marian Ramirez (Membership Chairperson) at [ann.rami@gmail.com](mailto:ann.rami@gmail.com) and Lilibeth LaRosa (Membership co-chair) at [lovelleroz@yahoo.com](mailto:lovelleroz@yahoo.com).

**COME JOIN AND BECOME A MEMBER!**

**TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!**

**Middlesex Subchapter Dinner Dance and Awards Night**

The awards night will be on **October 22, 2010** at the Pines Manor. This will be a formal event that will celebrate the achievements of the organization’s members. Student scholarship will be awarded to a deserving nursing student who is a child of a PNANJ Middlesex Subchapter member. For scholarship info and application, please email Teresa De Vries at [titat1107@hotmail.com](mailto:titat1107@hotmail.com).

**PNANJ Annual Picnic – August 14, 2010.**

To be held at Ocean County Park, Lakewood and hosted by Ocean County.

**PNANJ Annual Dinner Dance and CARE Awards Night – Sept. 24, 2010.**

To be held at Imperia in Easton, Somerset. Awards will be given to the recipients for the C.A.R.E. nursing excellence awards and nursing scholarship awards. Applications are available at [www.pnanj.org](http://www.pnanj.org). All members who qualify are encouraged to apply by August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2010.

**To learn more about PNANJ membership benefits and applications, please visit us at [www.pnanj.org](http://www.pnanj.org).**