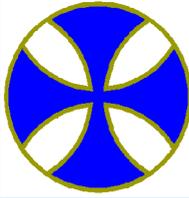


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Luke's Hospital School of Nursing in 1968.

On December 6, 1969, she married Dr. Franciso Trilles. After the birth of their son Richard Verzola Trilles at St. Luke's Hospital in Quezon City the following year, the couple moved to Oahu, Hawaii, where they both worked at Wahiawa General Hospital for three years before moving to Jersey City, New Jersey. Their second child Aileen Verzola Trilles was born there on October 11, 1974. Marizon's mother, Damiana joined the family to help raise the children.

Marizon worked to help start and run her husband's medical clinic in Jersey City for 20 years, and subsequently became involved in marketing health care products, first with Diamite and then Symmetry.

She also devoted much of her time to SLANF,USA, serving as New Jersey representative from 1991-92 and director-at-large from 1992 to 1997. She was secretary in 1998, elected president—elect in 2003, and then president in 2005.

She was a founding member of the East Coast Chapter and served as its secretary for many years. She was also the driving force behind the success of two national SLANF,USA reunions, one in Atlantic City 1996 and the other Las Vegas 2002.

A moving eulogy was delivered by her daughter, Aileen, at her funeral, March 31, at St. Aloysius Church in Jersey City.

She rightly said that Marizon was “classy, full of integrity, personal strength, and a whole lot of grace.” Marizon was interred in Holy Name Cemetery. We all will miss her very much and join in condolences to her family.

Note: Mike is the loving husband of Hideliz Quane '60, SLANF,USA and East Coast Chapter past president and he has given a lot of his time and support to both SLANF,USA and East Coast Chapter.

Presidential Message

Fellow alumni, family and friends, I honor the privilege you have given me to lead SLANF,USA and sincerely appreciate your confidence in me. It is my intention to reciprocate by sharing my love and dedication through service. It is indeed a wonderful way to give back to my alma mater.

Aided by a group of dependable and dedicated officers, I look forward to accomplishing our goals for the Alumni Foundation reaching out into the future. The motto of the previous administration led by Nora Escarez, “**Rebuild to Share and Care**”, strengthened the groundwork once more for our Foundation. Boosting and maintaining the membership will be a priority as always. I want to implement a system simplifying the process of recording, maintaining and categorizing the membership roster, ultimately

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Marizon Verzola Trilles '68



SLANF,USA President

January 2005 – March 2005

May The Good Lord Grant Her Eternal Rest

In Memoriam

Mike Quane

Members of SLANF,USA were shocked and saddened by the tragic sudden death of their President Marizon Verzola Trilles on Easter Sunday, March 27, 2005.

Marizon who everyone admired for her bubbly and energetic personality was born Maria Corazon Ramos Verzola on May 17, 1947, in Laoag City, Ilocos Norte, the daughter of Damiana Ramos and Gonzalo Verzola.

Her father died at an early age and her mother worked oversea, so she was raised by her grandmother, Albina Ramos, and her aunt, Justa Nicolas Ramos. She often said that her grandmother's strength and integrity greatly influenced her life. She had aspired to be a nurse from a very young age and she graduated from St.

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increasing the efficiency by which the committee processes membership updates.

The proposed process is currently being carried out by Lisa Pamintuan, membership chairperson and president-elect. But we cannot increase membership by ourselves solely; we need your help to reach out to all alumni through networking, inclusive of the newly created yahoo group specifically for our alumni, StLukesAlumni@yahoo.com.

Thanks to Aireen Aguilar, SLANF,USA secretary, you may communicate with the Board and with one another through this site for any pertinent issue. We encourage you to do so because membership is vital to the strength of the Foundation. Collectively, we are the bridge to the future. Come celebrate and integrate with your friends. Join us to experience the spirit of belonging!

I feel the energy of the younger generation coming closer to the fold. During the last reunion, several alumni came forward to offer their expertise in the educational field of nursing. That is encouraging. We need your participation. We have to strengthen the cord, for you are the future leaders of the Foundation. Your involvement will continue to bring it success.

The spirit of giving to our alma mater is what we are, and I further encourage.

individuals and/or classes to give. There is still a need.

Imagine this! In the future SLANF, USA, graduates of St. Luke's School of Nursing and St. Luke's College of Nursing, Trinity College of Quezon City, will be known to have helped this new nursing institution. What an accomplishment and what a legacy that would be!

By the way, St. Luke's centennial celebration will be held in 2007 and is fast approaching. We hope to inform all alumni to come help commemorate this event in the Philippines. Let us assist the college in a financial way by contributing to the **ST. Luke's Centennial Fund 2007**.

I am hoping that the St. Luke's family spirit has been rekindled.

I wish to meet you all in the future.

Peace and Prosperity!

MARIZON VERZOLA TRILLES '68

Editor's note: In her organized and efficient ways, Marizon finished writing her presidential message for this publication ahead of the deadline.

Marizon's Easter Message

StLukesAlumni@yahoo.com

Bulletin Board

*Where ever you are in this world,
I wish you and your family
God's greatest blessings for a
glorious Easter and a joyous and
blessed beginnings!!*

Remembering Marizon

EMIL NIEVERAS '62

*God saw she was getting tired
He puts His arms around her and
whispered, "Come with me"
Although we need and love her dearly
We could not make her stay
Her heart stopped beating
God broke our hearts and He took her
away from us
To let us know that He only takes the best.*

Monday, March 28, 2005, was such a nice day. Glee and joy pervaded our home that day as my visiting grandchildren showed off their prizes and golf scores from the amusement park. Then came Nora Escarez's phone call, "Marizon is dead." I could no longer remember the rest of my conversation with Nora. My husband and I talked for a long time about Marizon. We were both overwhelmed with sorrow that my husband even commented, "wala na akong ganang mag-attend nang reunion sa Florida." The telephone call and e-mails following the news of Marizon's death were from alumni who were all in shock and in disbelief about her untimely demise.

Yes, I missed her very much. Marizon and I frequently called each other since 2001. We worked together when I was the chairperson for the Grand Reunion in Las

Vegas in 2002 and she was in charge of reservation and seating arrangement. Marizon was so dedicated, active, task-oriented, and very dependable, both in the national and chapter scenes. She is a pillar of the Foundation, has attended most of the reunions, supported fund raising activities and paid advertisements on all the souvenir programs.

In the 2002 Las Vegas reunion, I was given a nomination form for president-elect. I had her in mind for that position, but I know I had to say the right words to convince her to accept the nomination. It was a hard sell. Before she consented, I needed to do a lot of persuasion and encouragement, like promising her "you will be working with a president who is your friend and classmate and with a board with vast experience; and I will assist you in any way I can."

When she took the helm of the organization in January 2005, she embarked on a task to preserve important documents that included donations by SLANF,USA to the College of Nursing and other organizations, the names of the past leaders of the Foundation, the reunion venues, Guidelines on How to Plan a Reunion Policy and Procedures. She started preparing for the June 2006 reunion in Orlando and the 2007 centennial celebration. She put together her Class'68 advertisement for the back

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(continued from page 4) **Remembering...** page of the 2006 Souvenir Program. She even thanked me in advance for my Class 1962 advertisement.

I enjoyed her sense of humor. We teased each other and shared many good laughs. Our conversations were not all about SLANF, USA. We talked about our children and she spoke of Ritchie and Aileen with much love and care. We also talked about my grandchildren, her desire for a grandchild, health foods, cooking the easy way, and gardening from flowers to herbs. We conversed about our ideal jobs: for her, it would be a part time job in ICD Coding (she passed the certification) and for me, as a receptionist in the casino once a week. About the ideal job she wanted? Her son Ritchie told me a letter of acceptance came after her death.

Marizon, a good friend, an excellent leader, a great and loving mother, a beautiful person, will always be in our thoughts and heart.

And of course, my husband and I will be in Orlando in 2006 for the best tribute we can give to our good friend is continue what she has started for the school that she has loved so dearly.

YahooGroup Postings...

By this time we would all have received the very sad news about Marizon's

demise. She was such a vibrant soul, so full of life. I am still in shock and still couldn't believe that she is gone.

We have exchanged so much emails since January, she has touched my life and felt close to her even via the cyberspace.

To everyone of you who have known her and loved her, I share your sorrow for such a great loss, we will miss her so.

Much love,

ELIZA PAMINTUAN'71

It is such a shock to hear the news of the untimely passing of Marizon. I can only imagine the sadness that her family and all the members of St. Luke's family is going through.

May everyone find comfort in all the many and wonderful memories we have of her, as well as the prayers and support of her many friends and family.

I have lost my sister at tender age of 56, 2 months ago; and, it seems like things actually get worse in the days and months to follow... as the depth and finality of the loss really starts to sink in.

Do not lose heart, though, it will get easier to bear; but, there will always be a little void in our hearts because of Marizon's death.

We surely will miss her!

CELI MATEO'71

The Mateo family

"Mommy" was what Chie and I used to call our classmate, Marizon, when we were at St. Luke's.

How could such a terrible thing happen to her, to her family, and to us.

I have so much to say but cannot find the right words.

I am so upset; and God forgive me for feeling this way.

I pray for her peace with God and for all of us who love her and will miss her so.

The St. Luke's family and I offer you this 21-gun salute, Madam President!!

LETTY VALLAR LALAS'68

*I am so distraught and in shock. We emailed each other often and called me **kabsat** which means sister in Ilocano.*

Aside from 2006 reunion, we discussed plans for the centennial celebration at St. Luke's.

So many plans, so many laughs, and she will be missed and will always be remembered, especially her vibrant personality.

She was my classmate, Class of 1968.

MAY SHE REST IN PEACE.

NORA ESCAREZ'68

& FAMILY

So sorry I missed your call re: Marizon's untimely demise. She was such a vibrant person, one cannot help but be drawn to her. I still cannot believe this has happened. She certainly has left a void in

our lives. I know I will find solace in reminiscing about the happy times we had.

To her loved ones, sincere condolences from my family.

FE MENDOZA'69

Marizon was laid to rest last Friday with many alumni in attendance.

Southern California was represented by Letty Anel. I have asked Beulah Cabanban and Christina Hing to order the wreath for SLANF, USA.

They had the St. Luke's t-shirt encircled by flowers and had "beloved president" written on it. There were a lot of beautiful orchids sent by relatives from Hawaii.

A beautiful and fitting tribute to Marizon. Let us keep her in our prayers.

The family may be reached through this address: 44 Center Grove Rd. T-46,

Randolph, NJ 07869

LISA PAMINTUAN'71

IN SYMPATHY

We would like to extend our condolences to the family of **ZENITH VELASQUEZ'60** who passed away on May 3, 2005.

FROM THE EDITOR

This issue is dedicated to the memory of Marizon Trilles. Her term as President of SLANF, USA for 2005 –2006 was sadly cut short.

The unfortunate turn of events brought changes to our leadership.

ELISA PAMINTAN'71 needed to step up from president-elect to president and AURORA REBORTIRA'72 was nominated and approved as president-elect for 2005 –2006 during the board meeting held on April 23, 2005 in Rosemont, Illinois, per our Constitution and By-Laws Article V, Section 5.

Elisa P. and Rorie: We salute you and wish you the best in your new positions.

At the centerfold of this issue are pictures of the 2005-2006 officers and some of the board members. We hope to complete the presentation of the rest of the board members in the next issue which will be printed in December, 2005.

Please submit articles and pictures on or before **October 30, 2005** via e-mail at acvrear@aol.com or by postal mail to: 6530 Dunham Rd, Downers Grove, IL 60516.

Happy July 4th to all!

May we all remember to thank God for the freedom we enjoy in this country.

God bless all.

ELISA A. REYES'64

WELCOME REMARKS

ELISA CALVELO PAMINTUAN'71

Incoming SLANF, USA President 2005-2006 at the biannual meeting, Chicago, April 23, 2005

Welcome to the biannual meeting of the SLANF, USA. It is a happy and sad event for us today. While we are happy to meet again, we grieve the untimely passing of Marizon Trilles. She should have been here because she had looked forward to this meeting and prepared the agenda to set the tone and content of this meeting, as well as look ahead for our 2006 reunion.

As president-elect I had the opportunity to talk and email with her and shared information about her vision and plans for our organization. In effect, she prepared well for us to meet and renew our fellowship and organize ourselves for the coming year(s).

Now as national president (two years ahead of time), I commend all of you who have been dedicated officers of our organization, especially those who have been with us since 1987. We have been able to structure our organization in such a way that whoever takes the helm has all the guidelines, paperwork needed for a smooth transition of the presidency, without any breakdown in the line of command.

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(continued from page 7) **WELCOME REMARKS...** The best way to lead this organization I think is through teamwork and with a strong spirit of camaraderie -- in short, hard work but fun! We all share the affection, fellowship and commitment to help our alma mater St. Luke's. We can do this well by our unstinted support and trust that the officers and members mean well and will do well. We are in this together without any motive other than pure love and support for St. Luke's so that they can be better in providing world-class nursing education to our next generation.

There is work to be done. Let us work together with sustained synergy and constant understanding of each other, especially for us in our level of maturity and age. Let us be examples and role models for our younger members. Let us listen carefully and respect each other.

We are where we are now because St. Luke's taught us well. As leaders of some 1,000 nurses across the US and Canada, we are the pride and joy of St. Luke's because we respond to every request for support and we want to be there at its moment of glory, during the centennial celebration in 2007.

So as a request and reminder, let us not get hang up on minor problems or shortcomings but bask in joy for what we have become and what a strong organization we have achieved. We each

bring with us our individual talents to this organization which if used together well and at the appropriate time will make this alumni foundation even stronger and indeed, a shining example to other school alumni groups across the nation.

Di ba maganda? Nakakatuwang isipin.

Thank you very much. Now let's get to work.



Aurora Rebortira and Elisa Pamintuan as president-elect and president, respectively, were sworn in by SLANF, USA adviser Dr. C.V. Reyes.



Elisa Pamintuan '71 (seated, center) led the officers and board members in a marathon and productive meeting held in Chicago.

**MEET SOME OF THE 2005-2006
SLANF, USA LEADERS**



Eliza Pamintuan '71, President



*Aurora Rebotira '72
President-Elect
Chair, Membership Committee*



*Aireen Aguilar '71
Secretary
Chair, Ways & Means Committee*



*Fe Pangan '65
Treasurer*



*Fe Mendoza '69
Internal Auditor*



*Linda Alcasid '65
Executive Director*



*Nora Granados '62
Press Relations Officer
Chair, 2006 Orlando Reunion*



*Fely Santiago '66
Northern California Chapter President
Chair, Nomination & Election Committee*



*Letty Lalas '68
Midwest Chapter President*



*Emilia Nieveras '62
Chair, Awards Committee*



*Franora Avila Escarez '68
Immediate Past President*



*Araceli Mateo '71
Chair, Professional Development Committee*



*Curie Catuncan '62
Co-Chair, 2006 Orlando Reunion*

BREAKFAST at Copper Trellis



Fellowship and some protracted discussion amongst the board members highlighted that lovely Sunday morning after the SLANF, USA biannual meeting in Chicago.

EAST COAST CHAPTER SALUTES LIZA QUANE'60

Members of the board directors of SLANF, USA's East Coast Chapter honored past Chapter and SLANF, USA President Hideliza Atienza Quane'60 on her recent retirement after over 40 years as an operating room nurse.

Liza retired September 27, 2004 from her position as nursing unit director for the operating room of Mary Immaculate Hospital in Queens, New York.

The luncheon celebration was held on November 20 at the popular Rue 57 Brasserie in Manhattan, the same day tourists besieged New York city for the

reopening of the nearby Museum of Modern Art in its \$ 300 million showcase building.

The SLANF party was equally exciting, as the attendees traded jokes and stories of their travels and future plans.

A highlight of the affair was a presentation to Liza by SLANF, USA president-elect Marizon Trilles of a certificate of recognition and a beautiful engraved vase in honor of her "Leadership and Dedicated Services as president of SLANF, USA for 2001-2002."

The award was also announced during the reunion gala ceremonies held in San Pedro, California this past summer.

The East Coast Chapter board members who dug into their own pockets to treat Liza and her husband, Mike, were MARISON TRILLES, BEULAH CABANBAN, STELLA RAMOS REISS, OFELIA ANTE, and LUCY VASQUEZ LABRIOLA (and her husband, Bob).

The get-together was also a great way to kick off the holiday season and a jolly time that was had by all.

In a follow-up "thank you" email, Liza told Marizon that the event was another indication of the "life-long friendship we developed at St. Luke's."

BEULAH CABANBAN'67

EAST COAST CHAPTER REPORT

Our chapter has donated \$2,500.00 towards the science laboratory, Trinity College. We sent our check through Dean Ester Santos who will be going home soon.

For this year, our Chapter will do a memorial service for Marizon, celebrate St. Luke's Day in October, continue to have fund raising events, and do a drive to increase our membership.

I understand that SLANF Chapters get a percentage of membership fees remitted to SLANF, USA from those alumni that live and work within the Chapter areas of jurisdiction? Can we get a clarification of this.

Finally, we send our prayers and our warmest greeting to all of you who will be gathering in Chicago. We affirm our love, loyalty and priceless appreciation for our alma mater, St. Luke's School of Nursing /Trinity College of Nursing.

We send our esteem and bonds of kinship to all our fellow alumni.

We firmly believe that you all will do "the right thing" in your deliberations.

CHISTINA BATORE HING'58

MIDWEST CHAPTER FETED SOMEONE SPECIAL

LINDA CAVA ALCASID'65 was honored with a seafood buffet dinner at the famous Algauer's Restaurant in Northbrook on May 20, 2005, for her retirement from Edward Hines VA Hospital where she worked for 27 years.

The occasion was organized by LETTY LALAS'68, Chapter president. Members who attended the evening affair included LUISA LONGID'65, NORA ESCAREZ'68, CORA PURA'64, FE MENDOZA'69 and ELISA REYES'64.

The spouses of some members also joined in the celebration.

Linda is one of the founders of SLANF, USA and was its first secretary. She presently serves as SLANF, USA executive director.

She was presented with a bunch of colorful roses and a throw blanket that was embroidered with *Live Well, Laugh Often, Love Retirement* with her name and date of the party.

Congratulations and happy retirement, Linda!!

ELISA A. REYES'64

From Southern California..

The Southern California Chapter held its annual picnic at the residence of Consul General and Mrs. Jun Paynor (nee Tessie Bustamante Class 71) in San Marino, CA last May 15, 2005.

The election of the new set of officers for the year 2006-2007 was held with the following results:

- President -. Evelyn Mangaser-Wu'71
- President-elect - Lina Razon-Phillip'74
- Secretary - Sonia Sawit-Esquejo'76
- Treasurer – Marilyn Barangan-Kobran'74



From left, Cecilia de Guzman Atienza, Lim Huy Ha, Thelma Regala Calimbas, Lisa Calvelo Pamintuan, Sonia Sawit Esquejo, Evelyn Mangaser Wu, Lina Razon Phillip, Tessie Bustamante Paynor, Lites Garcia Raagas, and Terry Jereza Hudson.

The following upcoming activities were finalized during the picnic:

June 15, 2005 Wednesday - Trip to Getty Museum and late lunch at Redondo Beach. Meeting place will be at the Paynor's Residence at 10:00 am. If anybody needs a ride/direction, please call Iona Miranda (661) 326-8544 or Lina Phillip (310) 541-4465.

October 8, 2005, Saturday - Pot luck meeting at Evelyn Wu's Place 12:00 – 5:00 pm.

December 10, 2005, Saturday, 12:00 noon Christmas Party at Lina Phillip's home in Palm Springs. Please bring a plant or orchids for the traditional plant exchange.

February 11, 2006, Saturday - dinner dance/induction of officers at the SMR Dance Center in Montclair, CA.

Please keep these dates. For any questions, call:

Lisa Pamintuan (619) 421-4671 or (619) 370-4134

Evelyn Wu (951) 217-1464 or (909) 941-9768.

PROPOSED MISSION STATEMENT

We believe in giving back with gratitude to the school that nurtured us to become competent and dedicated nurses that we are today.

We, as members of the St. Luke's alumni Nursing Foundation, USA pledge to assist our alma mater, ST. LUKE'S COLLEGE of NURSING, TRINITY COLLEGE OF QUEZON CITY, PHILIPPINES in enhancing its capacity for quality nursing education and positive learning environment so as to produce world-class professional nurses in this age of globalization.

SLANF, USA DONATES \$5,000 TO COLLEGE OF NURSING



Nora Escarez '68, SLANF, USA immediate past president, hands a check for \$5000 to the president of the Trinity College, Dr. Josefina Sumaya who is flanked by Mrs. Ester Dimanlig, OIC, St. Luke's College of Nursing, Trinity College of Quezon City.

VITALIANA G. BELTRAN Scholarship Fund

St. Luke's Nurses Alumni Foundation, an organization in the Philippines and separate entity from St. Luke's Alumni Nursing Foundation, USA (SLANF, USA) had published in its newsletter an article on the scholarship fund initiated by Mrs. Milagros Palacio Vandiver with her generous donation.

Mrs. Vandiver, a Class'44 graduate of St. Luke's Hospital School of Nursing, currently a resident of San Diego, California, and a member of Southern California Chapter, is a lifetime member of SLANF, USA.

She wishes to honor Mrs. Vitaliana G. Beltran who was her mentor, motivator and inspiration in her nursing career with the creation of the scholarship fund to help a deserving nursing student.

To quote Mrs Vandiver, "if St. Luke's did not give me the first step, I would not be where I am now."

Mrs. Beltran, a well-known and beloved nursing leader in her time, was the director of Nursing of St. Luke's Hospital and an instructor in the school for many years.

To date, two recipients have benefited from the scholarship award.

A committee headed by Mrs. Ester A. Santos takes care of the details in granting and selecting a student for a 2-year scholarship.

To everyone, consider making a contribution towards the Vitaliana G. Beltran Scholarship Fund. Checks may be made out to St. Luke's Nurses Alumni Foundation and mailed to:

Mrs. Erlinda B. Ahorro
President, St. Luke's Nurses Alumni Foundation
c/o 277- A J.P. Rizal Street Project 4,
Quezon City 1109, Philippines

ST. LUKE'S AFFILIATES WITH SLOAN-KETTERING

Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center (MSKCC), the world's most prestigious cancer center, has acknowledged St. Luke's Medical Center as its only international affiliate in the Philippines. This affiliation agreement was signed by MSKCC executives and St. Luke's Medical Center president and CEO J.F.G. Ledesma.

The agreement affirms St. Luke's leadership in the diagnosis, treatment and management of cancer in the Philippines, for its professional medical expertise, commitment to excellent patient care, its comprehensive range of diagnostic and therapeutic services, and for having the most advanced technology in the country. comparable with the best medical institutions in the world.

The affiliation makes possible a two-way collaboration between world-class medical institutions in the United States and the Philippines. It also aims to provide high-quality cancer diagnosis and treatment to patients in the Philippines.

The partnership is expected to enhance patient care through second opinions as an integral part of the affiliation by using state-of-the-art computer technology to facilitate the clinical assessment and diagnosis, staging and treatment planning of patients with cancer and expect that based upon clinical assessment, some patients who personally prefer to be treated abroad may be referred to MSKCC for specific medical treatment or surgical procedure. In the same manner, patients of

MSKCC may come to St. Luke's for treatment and care.

It will establish a second opinion program for St. Luke's patients, who will receive the benefit without having to travel abroad for vital second medical opinion. The partnership will likewise foster an exchange of expertise, information and ideas; the exchange of and networking among medical, paramedical and management experts; and open avenues for collaborative medical research and collaborative work on clinical care of patients.

St. Luke's is also an international affiliate of New York's best general hospital, the New York Presbyterian Hospital, and of New York's two-Ivy League medical schools, the Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons and the Weill Cornell Medical College of Cornell University. These institutions are world-renowned for clinical excellence and medical education, and are among the leading medical research institutions in the world.

St. Luke's accreditation by the Joint Commission International, the international arm of the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO) makes it the only hospital in the Philippines, and the second of only five in Asia, that has passed the exacting standards of the world's most prestigious healthcare accrediting organization.

Aggressive and innovative management has made St. Luke's a leader in healthcare, as well as the most financially viable medical institution in the country for the past several years.

Source: The Philippine Star, March 30, 2005.

Reunion 2006

NORA GRANADOS'62

How time flies! It will be our reunion again. This time, Orlando is waiting. June 23, 24 and 25 will be the big 3 days for the 15th get together of the alumni of St. Luke's School of Nursing and of St. Luke's College of Nursing, Trinity college of Quezon City, Philippines.

Orlando is fast becoming the vacation spot of choice for people all over the world from all walks of life. The beautiful city offers a variety of things to do for singles and/or whole family. Dad may be attending a meeting or playing golf while Mom may be with the children enjoying Mickey Mouse in the Magic Kingdom or Shamu of the Sea World. Young people love the wild rides the different attractions offer. The beaches are minutes away for those who love the sun, sand and surf.

It is the place to be after weathering the harsh winter. Yes, folks, come to Orlando! It is a city of thousand lakes. It has the amenities of the big city, yet it still has a small town charm. We do not have many skyscrapers to block the beauty of our blue sky.

Come and join us in 2006 at Radisson Barcelo Hotel. It is located in International Drive, the new hub of activities in Orlando. There are many restaurants, shops and entertainment places around and there is a tram that runs up and down this

road. If you prefer to go out farther, there are shuttle buses that the concierge of the hotel will be able to help you with. There are also shuttle buses from the airport to the hotel.

Reservation at Radisson Barcelo Hotel must be made on or before May 24, 2006 by telephone at 407-345-0505 or via the internet at www.radisson-orlando.com.

More information will be sent to you by mail. Kindly direct your concerns and questions to Nora Granados at 407-673-2129 or Curie Catuncan at 407-568-2966.

NURSES ARE MOST TRUSTED PROFESSIONALS

In a 2004 Gallup survey, nurses are ranked highest in honesty and ethical standards among 21 professionals.

Nurses have held the top place for five of the past six years that Gallup has conducted the poll.

Some professions in the list are:

Nurses	79%
Grade school teachers	73%
Pharmacists	72%
Military officers	72%
Physicians	67%
Policemen	60%
Clergy	56%
Auto mechanics	26%
Newspaper reporters	21%
Congressmen	20%
Business executives	20%
Lawyers	18%

Source: The Gallup organization, Princeton, NJ