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## Medical Mission is Set to Go

The medical mission to the Philippines is set to go with almost everything in place. Doctors, nurses, and lay people from the Greater Kansas City area are joined by volunteers from Ohio and New Jersey for a team of 31 volunteers. They vary from a super specialist like a pediatric cardiologist to college students. All share the same goal of helping out our poor, indigent patients in the province of Laguna.

Members of the team from the Philippine Medical Society, Philippine Nurses Association and the Filipino Association have been busy for the last six months gathering equipments and supplies, and seeking donations. These last two weeks had been frantic sorting medical samples and supplies to fill 35-40 pieces of luggage. A luggage of small toys will be for children operated in the hospital.

Denys Collins and George Shepard drove all the way to Long Island, New York and back to Kansas City hauling a trailerload of vital equipments. Area hospitals have been very generous with donations, particularly the Overland Park Regional Medical Center who donated two-thirds of the contents of the "container". The 45 foot container with medical equipments worth over \$300,000 already had arrived in Manila earlier this month.

Substantial private donations of medical supplies and equipments were received from different individuals as well as medical groups. The financial goal is almost met, but donations from concerned friends are still coming. See Medical Mission on page .....7.....

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## Halloween Party Is a Blast

They all came- 180 of them. In spite of the bitter cold, ghouls and witches and plain Janes and Joes trekked to the Community Hall of the Old Mission Methodist Church last October 30 for a fun-filled Halloween Party. And they had a blast.

Both kids and adults vied for awards like the ugliest, weirdest and scariest costumes. Angie and Al Agustin received for their unusual costumes a special "Plug Couple" award. Continue on page .....7.....

# TAMBULI

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## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

December 3, Friday

FAGKC General Meeting

Philippine House 7:30 PM

December 10, Friday

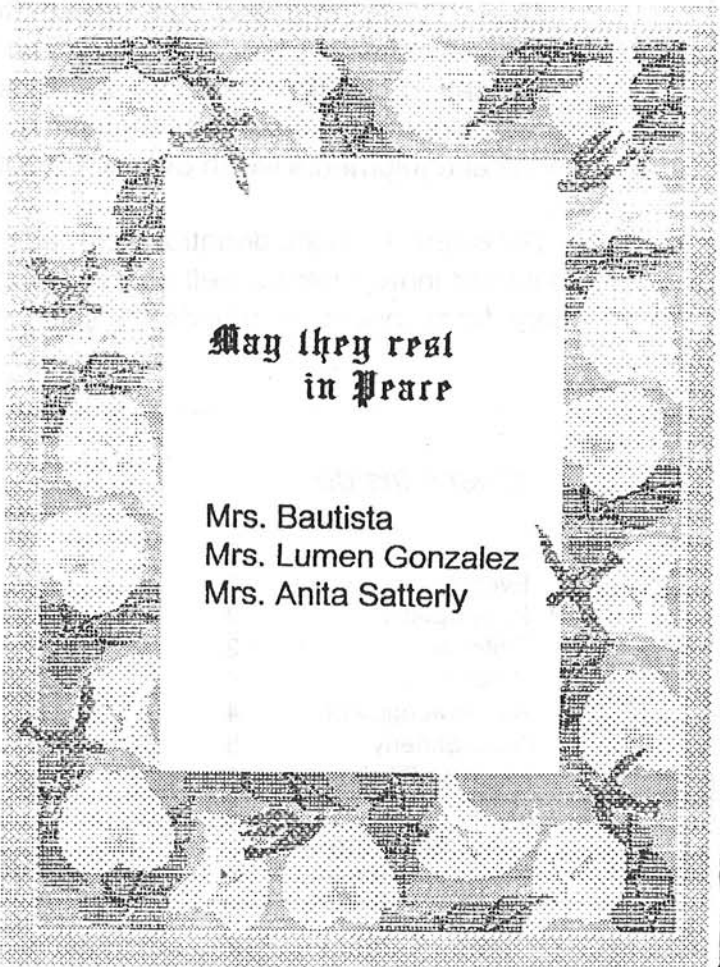
Christmas Party

St. Regis School 6:00 PM

(See flyer and Map)

December 27-30

Endorsements



May they rest  
in Peace

Mrs. Bautista

Mrs. Lumen Gonzalez

Mrs. Anita Satterly

## EDITORIAL

### WHAT'S IN STORE FOR 1994?

By: Ric Labayen, M.D

1993 for the FAGKC is a year to remember. It is our Silver Anniversary, celebrating 25 years of existence. Many deserve special commendation for placing the FAGKC where it is today. Surely, the officers, committee workers, and board of directors are responsible for their excellent guidance. However, the membership is the sustaining life of this organization and they are the ones who make the FAGKC run and breathe. So, let's give everybody a round of applause.

What is then in store for 1994? A great act like 1993 is difficult to follow. The incoming "administration" will not try to outdo 1993. Instead, it will continue the excellent work and foundation already started.

Membership recruitment will be a prime goal. Every aggressive and innovative way to maintain old members and attract new ones will be implemented. In conjunction with these objectives, emphasis will be given to both the younger and senior members of the Filipino-american community. Increased attention and guidance for the Youth Group will be stressed. We want them to feel as much a part of this Association as their parents. We want them to take a more active role. Why shouldn't they? After all we expect them to be the future leaders of the FAGKC. On the other end of the spectrum are our Seniors citizens. 1994 is the year that we will have a Senior Group. We want them to have a full, active, and especially healthy life style. Social activities including weekend trips to entertainment areas like Worlds of Fun, Lake of the Ozarks, Branson, etc. will be in the works. Certainly, even an occasional get-together for card games like mahjong or bingo can be revitalizing for them. Lectures on health awareness will be provided. Of course, there will be an Annual Parents' Day Celebration designed just for them.

Fund-raising is the other important objective. These are not very nice words to most people. But an association such as the FAGKC, in order to survive depends partly on solicited funds. But no need to hide or deepen your pockets. A raffle with a ticket price within easy reach of everyone is planned. There will be the usual Candy and Bake sales. Our garage sales were so successful that we will do it till everyone runs out of giveaways.

All these money-making activities are geared toward one thing..... to fulfill our dream the last twenty-five years- to build a Cultural Center. During the last two to three years, the FAGKC had made tremendous strides toward this goal. It has been more aggressive on sponsorship solicitation and our community has shown signs of response. Now is the time to stop asking: "What can the association do for me?" It's time for the FAGKC to ask you these questions:

1. Why do you want a Cultural Center to enhance our Filipino heritage through educational, cultural and social activities? A place we can call our very own; a place for the Sinag-Tala to practice, and to store valuable costumes, props, etc.; and a resource center for us?
2. Why do you want a Cultural Center where we can hold our Annual Social events, instead of hopping from one church hall to another? A place where we can hold and accomodate plenty of space and parking to spare, our monthly and other meetings?
3. Why do you want a Cultural Center that will identify us as a strong ethnic group and will provide a link to all Filipino-Americans together?

Anybody with Filipino blood running in his/her body should not have any difficulty answering these questions. 1994 will be another great year to remember if each one remembers he/she is Filipino.

## DECEMBER CELEBRANTS

### BIRTHDAY

2 Dr. Catalino Martin  
 3 Linda Lisondra  
 4 Athena Simko  
 9 Krystle Ember Buri  
 10 Ian Tally  
 11 Rodney Estey  
 12 Dr. Frederick Covillo  
 14 Carolina Wehrle  
 15 Fred Ramos  
 16 Sonia Tumanut  
 Jamie Austin  
 17 Lily Casillan  
 Loreto Sulit  
 18 Richard Hipona  
 21 Elizabeth Cordero  
 22 Cora Lising  
 Anna Marie Vilkins  
 23 Glen Juan  
 Gladys Miranda

24 Hermie Gatapia  
 25 Gary Lee Buri  
 Don Getulio Buri  
 27 Max Martin  
 Marco Tumanut  
 28 Angie Chico-Agustin  
 30 Chris Javillonar  
 31 Sonny Decena  
 Joy Perry

### WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

5 Rod and Vicky Herrera  
 Romy and Cora Lising  
 20 Melvin and Irma Carey  
 21 George and Cora Sorio  
 23 Drs. Catalino and Linda  
 Martin  
 31 Rio and Emilia Cachola

## ACKNOWLEDGMENT and some parting words from a daughter



Thank you to the Filipino Association Board and Members who expressed their sympathy through their cards, flowers and prayers for my mother, **Lumen Gonzalez**.

For those of you who have lost their loved ones, the loss of a mother is a very different and special loss. For mothers give life and nourish our spirits. Unconditional in their love, mothers sustain us in moments when we have but lost all hope. Yet, mothers are also there during joy and laughter, during triumph and victory and always eager to be with the fruits of our labor- the grandchildren. Yes, I will miss her.

Many of you will miss her jovial spirit, and hope that you will never forget an elegant

and classy lady, who never lied about nor looked her age. She was one of the few who had to produce an ID card for a senior citizen discount. She relished those moments, as I did, and I try at every opportunity to lay claim that "looking young" is genetic. And then she would give that look, with a "Hmmmph!" expression.

The Filipino Association was dear to her heart, and she had done her share in some small way for the Sinag-Tala, of which she was proud of.

The memories will linger but the spirit must go on- remember her in your prayers.

With love and affection,  
 Lillian Gonzalez-Pardo, MD

## ANITA SATTERLY- A Role Model Filipino

By: George Sorio

I first met Anita three years ago at a federal government meeting. She was presiding over the Asian Pacific American Government Employee Council (APAGEC), a sub-committee of the Federal Executive Board of Greater Kansas City. Here is a lady in full uniform, sharp-looking, and in full command of the attention of a multi-national group. She spoke in perfect American english, without any hint of an accent. I had no inkling then that she was of Filipino heritage.

Shortly after that, she became an active member of the Filipino Association. She came as a speaker to one of our monthly meetings, sharing information about job opportunities for Filipinos in the federal government. As time went on, this desire to promote the image of Filipinos became like a crusade for her. She embraced the concept of a Filipino Cultural Center with enthusiasm, becoming a member of the fund-raising committee for the big cash raffle in 1991. Her presence in our various social activities including the July picnic and Ethnic Ball demonstrated her pride in being a member of the Filipino community. She easily

mingled with everyone and developed friendships with many of us.

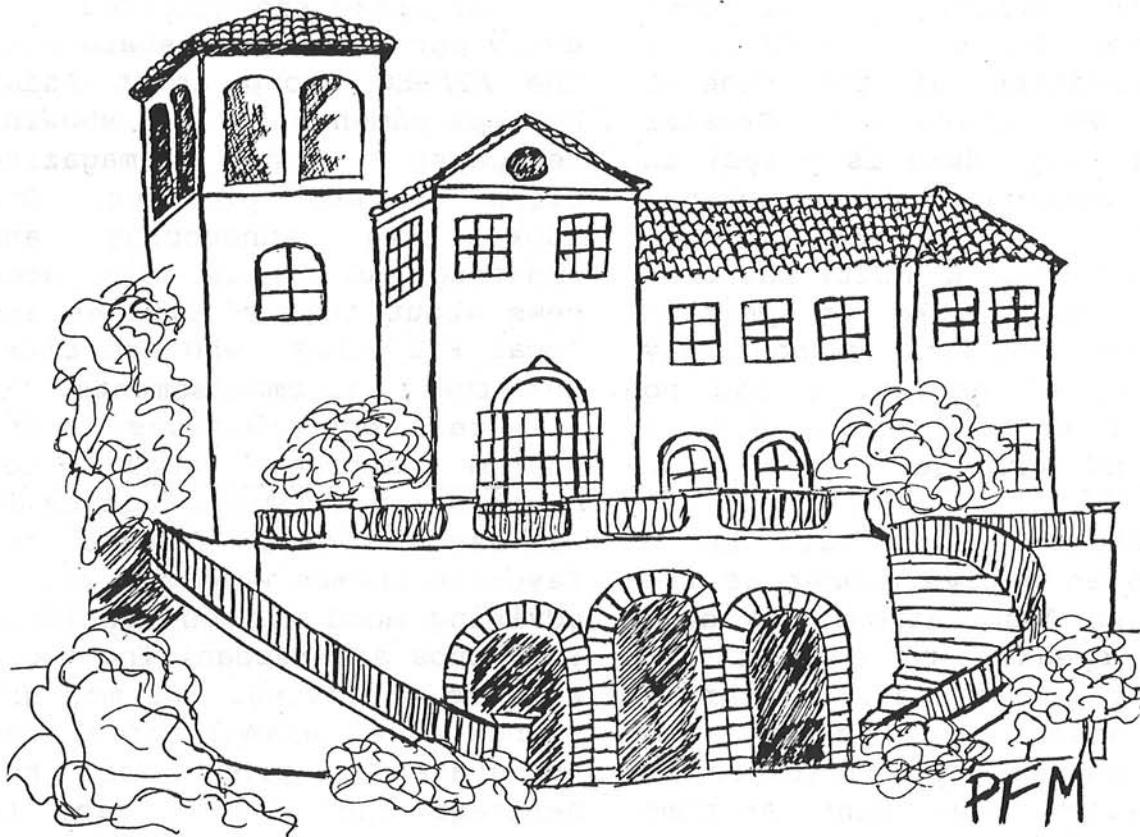
At work, she utilized every opportunity to share with the APAGEC group about Asian accomplishments, showing newspaper and magazine clippings and pictures. She took time announcing and updating our group with good news about the Philippines and local Filipinos who are cited for their accomplishments. In private conversations, she shared stories about her parents and Filipino friends in Galveston, Texas. One of her favorite themes when she was on advising mood was on upholding Filipinos and recognizing those who are deserving. For me, she stands as an example of a true "Kababayan", proud of her heritage and always ready to elevate Filipinos. In her association with the Filipino community, she had expressed a sense of belonging and fellowship.

Like a bright shooting star, Anita traversed through our path and left us with a trail of fond memories. We will cherish her in our hearts as one of us, a real Filipino.

# LEARNING PILIPINO

BY: Ka Indang

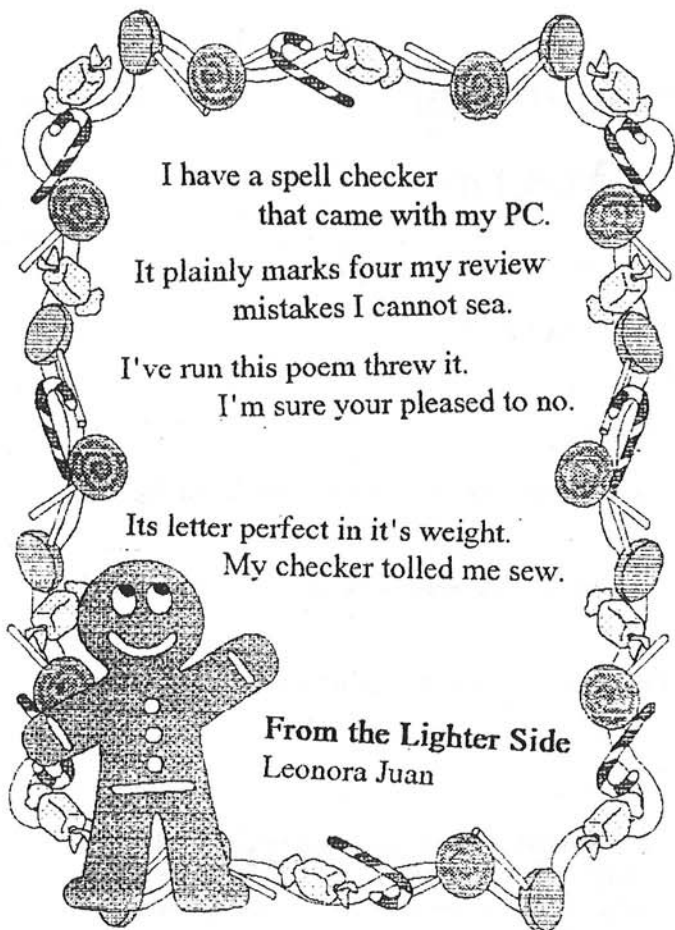
Ang bahay ni Mang Elo ay malaki at maganda. Ang bubong ay tisa. Ang pader at dingding ay konkreto. Ang bintana ay salamin. Ang sahig sa loob ay kahoy at ang sahig sa beranda ay marmol. Ang hagdan ay bato. Maraming puno sa hardin ni Mang Elo.



The house of Mang Elo:

bahay- house  
malaki- big  
maganda- beautiful  
at- and  
bubong- roof  
tisa- tiles  
pader- outside wall  
dingding- inside wall  
konkreto- stucco, or concrete, cement  
kahoy- wood  
sahig floor

bintana- window  
salamin- glass  
loob- inside  
beranda- veranda  
marmol- marble  
hagdan- stairs  
bato- stone  
maraming- many  
puno- trees  
hardin- garden



I have a spell checker  
that came with my PC.  
It plainly marks four my review  
mistakes I cannot sea.  
I've run this poem threw it.  
I'm sure your pleased to no.  
Its letter perfect in it's weight.  
My checker tolled me sew.

From the Lighter Side  
Leonora Juan

Halloween from page 1.....

Everybody enjoyed the hot and delicious pizza, Noy Sulit's biko and Tess Javillonar's bibingka and helped net the fund-raiser event \$620.

After all is said and done, the party achieved its goal because of the unselfish efforts and cash donations of some dedicated members. John Kulphongpatana and Paul Wehrle were some of the major cash donors.

**THANK YOU...  
SALAMAT PO.....**

To those who attended the Halloween Costume Party, to the donors and supporters and to the following without whose tremendous assistance , the success of the party would not have been possible:

Families of Yzon, Mesina, Puno, Sorio, Miciano, de los Santos, Gatapia, Bagunu and Sulit, and Marie Maristella


Medical Mission from page 1.....

Major cash donors include the Medical Staff of Overland Park Regional Medical Center, the Philippine Nurses Association, the Filipino Association of Greater Kansas City, Drs. Tony and Luz Racela, Dr. Balty Lotuaco and Denys Collins of ETC Travels.

If you have not sent in your individual contribution and would like to; please do so and be a partner in this humanitarian effort. Send your contribution to:

Medical Mission-Philippine Medical Society  
912 Burning Tree Dr.  
Kansas City, Missouri 64145

Contributed by:  
Drs. Tony and Luz Racela  
Co-Chairs, Medical Mission '93



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# Minutes of Meeting

November 5, 1993  
Philippine House  
7:30 pm

Attendance: Names of attendees noted in FAGKC General Meeting Minutes Book

Silent prayers were said in memory of the following who passed away:

Mrs. Bautista, mother of Chris and Lilia Bautista

Anita Satterly, wife of Vernon Satterly

Mrs. Lumen Gonzalez, mother of Lillian and Nonong Pardo

Agenda's Approval: Dr. Sulit moved and Cito Jalbuena seconded for the approval of agenda. Agenda approved.

Approval of minutes of meeting: Carmen Chico moved and Lee Tabiendo seconded for the minutes approval. Minutes approved as published.

Treasurer's Report: Angie Agustin moved, Paul de los Santos seconded for Treasurer's report approval. Treasurer's report approved. Please see enclosed report.

## Standing Committee Reports:

Community Assistance: Lee Tabiendo thanked Cito Jalbuena for donating books and bag of clothes. He reported that we will be sponsoring a family from Don Bosco and Rose Brooks projects for the holidays. Let Lee know of any members/families who are shut-ins so we can extend help to them.

Hospitality: Delia Yzon reported that there will be a mass in the near future in memory of Nanay Lumen Gonzalez. She will donate pens, cards, pad papers for the shut-ins. Let her know of new members or new Filipinos in the area.

Nominating Committee: Carmen Chico reported as chairman of the committee and mentioned the names of the members of the committee: Marmy Sulit, Dr. Nonong Pardo, Dr. Ruel Miciano. Nomination can be made by any member of the association. But they should inform their nominee and get their approval before nominating them.

Present nominees who have accepted:

President-elect: Annie Covillo

Secretary: Rachel Manakul

Treasurer: Norma Ramos

Auditor: Mirla de los Santos

Board members: Only vote for two (2)

Romy Bagunu

Letty Diaz

Andi Enriquez

Lee Tabiendo

Lillian Gonzalez-Pardo

Cut-off date for sending/calling in your nominees is Nov. 14th. Ballots will be mailed Nov. 15th.

It was agreed that everybody should follow voting instructions, otherwise the ballot will be voided. Ex. If anybody marks 3 names instead of 2 names for Board Members, the ballot will be voided.

Social: Marmy Sulit reported that our Christmas party will be on Dec. 10th, Friday, from 6 PM to 12 MN at St. Regis at James Reed Rd. Pot luck. Location and particulars will be published.

Parents need to buy gifts for their kids for exchange gifts at \$5 value.

There will be a program for the kids, entertainment, dancing for adults. Disc jockey will provide the music. Lots of fun and surprises.

Ways and Means: In behalf of Tessie Javillonar and George Sorio, Pres. Mesina thanked everybody for the successful First Halloween costume party.

Sinag-Tala: Shirley Sulit reported that the Filipinettes are practicing regularly every Sunday since September.

Some Filipinettes will be at the American Royal Parade on 11-6-93.

Dr. Racela donated \$200.

30% of membership dues goes to the Sinag-Tala fund.

Old Business:

Christmas in October is postponed and will be rescheduled for next week.

Scrub suits donated by one of the leading hospitals in Greater KC will be given to the medical mission to the Philippines.

New Business:

Maria Jordan, member of MOCSA (Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault) requested assistance from the association. Lee Tabiando and Pres. Mesina will discuss it and will decide how we can help her and her organization.

Philippine House Manager- Amy Mesina will meet with someone whom Dr. Racela had referred. He works at Lock Llyod as bartender.

Announcements: B-day celebrants present: Marmy Sulit, Fe Bagunu, Marietta Tungol, Richard O'Neill.

Merienda hosted by: Marmy Sulit, Dick O'Neill, Andi Enriquez, and Delia Yzon.

Meeting adjourned: 9:30 PM

## MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Our fiscal year begins January 1, 1994 and ends December 31, 1994. You may pay your dues by mailing them to FAGKC c/o Membership Chairman, 9702 W. 79th St., Overland Park, KS 66204.

Types of Membership

\_\_\_\_\_ Family - \$30.00

\_\_\_\_\_ Single - \$15.00

\_\_\_\_\_ Senior Citizen - \$15.00

Please make your check payable to the Filipino Association of Greater Kansas City.

# Treasurer's Report

Filipino Association of Greater Kansas City  
Statement of Receipts & Disbursements  
For the month of October, 1993

	General Fund	Charity Fund	Building Fund	Sinagtala Fund	Dr. Pardo Sch. Fund	Total
Cash in Bank - 09-30-93	38,258.35	1,800.00	4,615.55	3,375.65		48,049.55
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Add: Receipts:						
Membership Fees	15.00					15.00
Garage Sale Income	1,147.07					1,147.07
Halloween Party Income	909.75					909.75
September Affair	210.00					210.00
Silver Jubilee	350.00					350.00
Ethnic Festival	141.25					141.25
Donation	105.18			700.00		805.18
Interest Income	40.73		18.86			59.59
Total Receipts	2,918.98	0.00	18.86	700.00	0.00	3,637.84
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Less: Disbursements:						
Water	16.08					16.08
KCPL	59.80					59.80
Gas Service	5.03					5.03
Telephone	40.77					40.77
Bldg. Maintenance(Stones)	503.29					503.29
Garage Sale Expense	53.69					53.69
September Affair Exp	21,714.23			839.89		22,554.12
Halloween Party Expense	350.28					350.28
Tambuli - Postage	78.00					78.00
Printing	93.60					93.60
Bank Charges	3.00		15.00			18.00
Donation(Medical Mission)		1,000.00				1,000.00
Misc. Expense	23.26					23.26
Total Disbursements	22,941.03	1,000.00	15.00	839.89	0.00	24,795.92
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Cash in Bank - 10-31-93	18,236.30	800.00	4,619.41	3,235.76	0.00	26,891.47
Add: Cert. of Deposit			40,208.15		2,571.83	42,779.98
Interest Earned			57.87		21.46	79.33
Total Cash in Bank	18,236.30	800.00	44,885.43	3,235.76	2,593.29	69,750.78
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Summary of Certificate of Deposits:						
A/C #1209521010	10,533.84					01/17/94 84 Days
#1099401020	8,897.12					06/17/94 12 Mos.
#122051010	8,335.06					01/30/94 6 Mos.
#883221920	12,500.00					09/10/94 1 yr.
Total	40,266.02					
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A/C #1192681010	536.93					03/16/94 6 Mos.
#1192711010	532.81					01/15/94 175 Days
#1196261960	523.55					03/16/94 6 Mos.
#1227891020	1,000.00					12/09/94 2 Yrs.
Total	2,593.29					
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Prepared By: Lita Hipona, Treasurer 1993