



FAAFL  
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MISSION: FAAFL is an organization whose membership consists of ordinary men and women with extraordinary spiritual goals and dreams for themselves, their families and their community. They join together to bring its many gifts to the men and women of the St. Anne's parish and neighboring parishes in Bergen County to serve and advance the interests and welfare of Filipino Americans in the community they reside in and to create a positive image on Filipinos and their culture and continue the traditions they grew up in as Catholic families did in the Philippines.

HISTORY: FAAFL was founded in the year 1995 through the efforts of 11 Filipino couples who wanted to create an organization who will always have a great impact to the community-at-large and at St. Anne's in particular. The following year, 1996, the BINHI Awards was born. The name "BINHI" is the Filipino word for choice seed. In 1998, the Association was granted a 501 (C) 3 status, a non-profit, tax-exempt organization. To date, 15 years and counting, "BINHI" *Scholarship Awards* have been given to 113 BINHI outstanding high school seniors from Fair Lawn, the neighboring towns of Ridgewood, Paramus, Glen Rock, Elmwood Park, Rochelle Park, Saddle Brook and beginning in 2002, in all of Bergen County; nineteen (19) are Filipino Americans. A statuette in the likeness of a seed or Binhi, and \$500.00 are given to awardees during a formal gala.

Annual FAAFL Events & Activities 2 <sup>nd</sup> Half of Year	2010 Schedule
➤ Walk-a-thon - Picnic	Saturday, July 3
➤ St. Anne's Street Fair	Sunday, July 18
➤ 15 <sup>th</sup> Binhi Awards Luncheon	Saturday, July 31
➤ Pasayaw / Halloween Costume Contest	October 31
➤ Christmas Party	Saturday, December 11
➤ Simbang Gabi	Friday, December 17

Membership in the FAAFL is never restricted to FairLawn parishioners nor to Filipinos only. We welcome everyone and from any parish in Bergen County. Above all, we are a Family-Oriented Service Organization committed to serving St. Anne's Church, FairLawn and its neighboring communities. We are Filipinos and Americans, who are a bit fun loving but dedicated to our cause. Come join us. Feel the Filipino pride of hospitality. Share the fun and experience the ecstasy of giving!. WELCOME!

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