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## Upcoming Events:

- **Congressional Seminar, US Capitol, Washington, D.C., October 31**
- **2017 Career Development Mentoring Program Graduation, November 8**
- **Career Fair, Washington Adventist University, November 16**

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## President's Message

It has been about a year since I took oath as the President of FAPAC. My first action was a briefing with our Agency Ethics Official. I was reminded of the trust placed in each of us as civil servants and as elected officials of FAPAC to conduct ourselves with integrity and a focus on ethics. As servants to the organization's members, we have the distinct honor and responsibility of serving our FAPAC constituents for the good of all Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders (AAPIs) and the communities we serve. Our understanding and observance of Federal ethics rules are essential to maintaining that trust and carrying out our roles and responsibilities to meet our mission.

I am proud to report that we have made great progress this Fiscal Year. First, the FAPAC Strategic Plan will be implemented effective October 1, 2017, providing FAPAC with a five-year roadmap for organizational development from Fiscal Year 2018 to Fiscal Year 2022. FAPAC Leadership is totally committed to reviewing the plan's progress semiannually and updating the plan annually (as needed) to proactively accommodate the dynamic and ever changing environment we operate in. Second, the major revision of our Constitution and Bylaws will also be posted on our website ahead of a General Membership vote this month. If passed, we should be able to implement this in a timely manner. Third, we are also preparing for the Congressional Seminar scheduled on Oct 31, 2017; the 2017 Career Development Program-Mentoring Program graduation scheduled for Nov 8, 2017; and planning for the Career Fair at the Washington Adventist University on Nov 16, 2017.

I urge you to get involved, volunteer as a Committee Chair and take note of our successes in moving FAPAC forward. I thank you for your dedication and the professionalism that you commit to as a volunteer each day in fulfilling FAPAC's vision and mission for the future of AAPIs.

Thank you,

*Olivia Adrian*  
President



## FAPAC Picnic 2017



### Member Appreciation Potluck Picnic and Luau

FAPAC members and guests enjoyed a Hawaiian themed event at the Member Appreciation Potluck Picnic held on August 5<sup>th</sup> at Nottoway Park in Vienna, VA. Almost 300 members were in attendance as well as state leaders, including Congresswoman Barbara Comstock (R-VA).

The gathering represented many of the federal agencies in the Metropolitan DC area. Several new members joined FAPAC to take advantage of the many benefits offered by the organization – leadership and communication training at the national level as well as the regional level. Members can gain valuable experience by serving as national officers or by participating on a committee. FAPAC also offers a popular Career Development Mentoring Program geared towards high performers.



Annabelle Flores, Marina Milton, Congresswoman Barbara Comstock (R-VA), Olivia Adrian (FAPAC President) and Peter Nguyen (from left to right) at FAPAC Potluck Picnic on August 5, 2017.



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**FAPAC is the only organization representing all AAPIs in the federal government, no matter what your grade is or whether you are in uniform or a civilian.**

## Launch of Department of the Interior Chapter of FAPAC (FAPAC-DOI)

In July 2017 FAPAC officially chartered the Department of the Interior (DOI) Chapter with a launch celebration that took place in Washington, DC. FAPAC-DOI was honored to have Mr. John W. Burden, DOI Director, Office of Civil Rights & Chief Diversity Officer as the Key Note Speaker at the event.

FAPAC-DOI's mission is to support the Department in addressing issues of interest to the DOI Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) community and to foster professional development and networking. FAPAC-DOI is recognized by the Employee Resource Group that serves as a resource for the AAPI community and a conduit through which the interests, issues and representation of AAPIs in the DOI across the nation are addressed.



*FAPAC National Chapter Committee Chair, Dr. Puri Subramaniam, presents the chartering plaque to (from left to right) FAPAC-DOI Executive Board: Rudy Quiachon, Vice-President; Thao Tran, President; Kelly Kim, Senior Advisor; Olivia Adrian, Senior Advisor; and John Burden, Leadership Liaison.*

## The National Coalition for Equity in Public Service (NCEPS) attended Blacks in Government (BIG) Conference

Established in 1994, the National Coalition for Equity in Public Service (NCEPS) is a joint initiative of the seven national organizations that promote the participation and advancement of minority and women managers and employees in the Federal Government.



*From left to right are Wanda Killingsworth, FEW President; Doris Santor, BIG President; Olivia Adrian, FAPAC President; and Darleen Young, NCEPS President.*

## FAPAC Officers Support International Leadership Foundation Gala

The International Leadership Foundation (ILF) is a non-profit organization that promotes the civic awareness, public service, and economic effectiveness of the Asian Pacific American (APA) community. The 18th Anniversary Awards & Scholarship Gala of 2017 was hosted by ILF and the Coalition of Asian American Business Organizations (CAABO) on July 20th at the Capital Hilton in Washington, D.C.

*FAPAC Members at the International Leadership 2017 Awards Gala., held July 20th at the Capital Hilton, Washington, D.C. From left to right are Alan Adrian, Kin Wong, Parveen Setia, Eva Ngai, Olivia Adrian (FAPAC President), May Chan, Liqun Wong, Kaye Nitta, ChauLe Williams and Bing Huang.*

