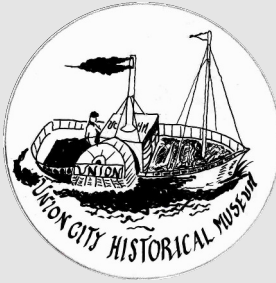


# UNION CITY HISTORICAL MUSEUM

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**Mission Statement:** *The Union City Historical Museum is a non-profit organization committed to the preservation, maintenance and protection of, and the education of the public about the architectural, cultural, natural and historical heritage resources of the City of Union City.*

**Three Components:** (1) Museum & Artifacts; (2) Oral History; (3) Preservation of Historical Homes.

**Board Meetings:** quarterly at the Museum at 7:00pm.

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• <http://www.facebook.com/UCMuseum>

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## GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS / DIRECTORS

The General Membership Meeting and Election of Officers/Directors was held on June 3, 2019 at the Museum. The Nominating Committee conducted the election. The following officers/directors were elected for a one-year term, from July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020.

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS: July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020

**President** - Ian Condon

**Vice-President** - Hugh McNamara

**Secretary** - Tammy Condon

**Treasurer** - Carlen Gregorio

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## NEWS AROUND UNION CITY

### **New Haven School District Teachers' Strike**

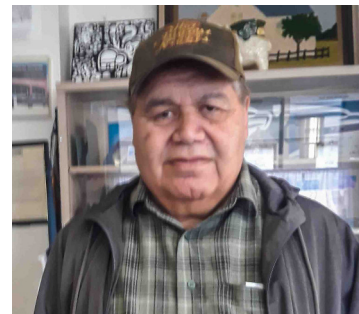
In May 2019, the City of Union City experienced for the very first time in its history, the *New Haven School District Teachers' Strike*, which is still going on as of this writing. They say New Haven students and teachers deserve more from the School Board.

"We deserve a greater investment in support services for students. No more cuts to librarians, counselors or mental health services."

"Our students deserve more attention by lowering class sizes especially in grades 1-3."

"We deserve a district that invests more in attracting and retaining the best and brightest teachers."

"STOP socking away money (\$26 million) in reserves while laying off teachers."



**Larry Orozco**, formerly head of the *Union City Leisure Services*, visited the Union City Historical Museum. He is requesting for the Historic Preservation of the *Union City Teen Workshop* located at 33623 Mission Blvd., Union City. Back in 1941, the name was *Vernon's Service Station*, P.O. Box 272 – Decoto, California, Phone #2981...



**Union City Mayor Carol Dutra-Vernaci and Assembly Member Bill Quirk Present the Certificate of Recognition to Myrla Raymundo**

**Myrla Raymundo** was the recipient of a *Certificate of Recognition* from the California Legislature Assembly, District 20, as one of the **Women of the Year**, last March 2, 2019 in Hayward, California. It was presented by Assembly Member Bill Quirk.

The Certificate reads: "In special recognition of outstanding and invaluable service to our community you are hereby recognized as the 20th Assembly District's Woman of the Year Civic Engagement Honoree. In acknowledgement of your ongoing leadership in advocating for the establishment of the Union City Historical Museum and your continued support of this important asset to preserve and recognize Union City's rich history. Your volunteerism to the City of Union City is laudable. Your dedication to serving our community and building trust is truly commendable."



Coffee with the Human Relations Commission was held on May 4, 2019 at the Farmers Market to welcome residents and address city concerns and issues. Councilmember Jaime Patino and Historical Museum Founder/Chief Executive Officer Myrla Raymundo came to visit.



Bonding of three sisters: Myrla Raymundo, Raquel Tan and Lillian Geronimo, who visited from San Diego, California.



Myrla Raymundo and Ian Condon manning the History Book Sale to raise funds for the Museum.



The City of Fremont recognized the Union City CAP volunteers, who are also Museum members, for their volunteer works in the community.



Fr. Gus, Myrla Raymundo and Bess Filardo at Deacon Carlos Rabuy's birthday party.

## PACIFIC COAST SUGAR COMPANY IN ALVARADO



Contributed By  
Anthony Gualco

This is the old Pacific Coast Sugar Mill built in 1888 by E.H. Dyer and sold to the Alameda Sugar Co. circa 1890. The Alameda Sugar ran this mill until December

1926 when it was sold to the Holly Sugar Co. In 1935, the Holly Sugar Co. built a new metal structure and tore down this old building. You can see from this picture how poorly maintained the facility was and the reason for its destruction.

Behind the building you can see the bare trees of the Alameda Creek and beyond that is visible the town of Alvarado. The Alvarado Grammar School is barely visible on the far left of photo just above the "ALV" of Alvarado. To the right center at the top of photo is downtown Alvarado.



Next issue: The inside of the new building.

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## ANNUAL REPORT (FISCAL YEAR 2018 - 2019)

JULY 1, 2018 - JUNE 30, 2019

Presented to the Union City Council by Myrla Raymundo, MBA, Founder/CEO  
June 2019

On behalf of the Union City Historical Museum, I am presenting this Fiscal Year 2018 - 2019 Annual Report.

This document contains information about our goals and objectives, our activities and accomplishments for this fiscal year and the people who contributed to make the past fiscal year productive and successful and to fulfill the City's request to account for our activities.

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### UNION CITY HISTORICAL MUSEUM PAST ACTIVITIES

The Union City Historical Museum Gallery was designed by Museum Director Ian Condon to depict the four historical periods of the City of Union City: Native American Era, 19th Century European Settlers, Early 20th Century and Modern History.

The Annual Museum Picnic was held and was attended by the Museum members and guests.

The newly-elected Officers/Directors of the Union City Historical Museum were installed by Councilmember Pat Gacoscos.

Anthony Gualco published the article *Standard Manufacturing Company* in the Museum newsletter.

*The Friends of Sister Cities* held the 14th Annual Festival last August 19, 2018 at the *Mark Green Sports Center* in Union City. There were cultural presentations and show, a delicious dinner and raffle. Councilmember Pat Gacoscos is the President.

Robert (Bob) Swartz, the Past President and Present Board Director of the Union City Historical Museum passed away last August 29, 2018. He was a very prominent person in the City of Union City, having served in different organizations in the City.

The *Flight 93 Remembrance and Celebration of Life* was held in Union City last September 11, 2018. It was a well-attended event.

The *SDES Hall* in Union City held the *Our Lady's Ministry's 15th Annual Fundraiser Dinner* last September 15, 2018. There were great speakers and a sumptuous dinner. The main event was the live auction.

October 27, 2018 was the celebration of *Filipino American History Month* held at *Itliong-Vera Cruz Middle School*. There were a lot of activities, to name a few: workshops, performances, presentations and speeches.

Groups of people in Union City spent October 27, 2018 volunteering in the *22nd Make a Difference Day* in Union City. They planted trees, cleaned creek trails, and participated in beautification projects to improve the overall appearance of the community.

The County of Alameda General Election was held last November 6, 2018. Congratulations to the following from the results of the Union City election: **City Council:** Emily Duncan, Jaime Patino, Pat Gacoscos; **New Haven Unified School District:** Sarabjit Cheema, Linda Canlas.

Anthony Gualco published the article *The Pacific Coast Sugar Company* in the Museum newsletter.

The *Ruggieri Senior Center* celebrated its 29th year on November 14, 2018. Larry Orozco was the Master of Ceremonies.

*The Trees of Angels for Hospice and Palliative Care* was held at the Union City City Hall last December 5, 2018. Helen Kennedy, President of the organization, welcomed the attendees.

At the Union City Council last December 11, 2018, several proclamations and oaths of office were held. Farewell remarks from Councilmember Lorrin Ellis, oath of office of re-elected Councilmembers Emily Duncan

and Pat Gacoscos, and installation of newly elected Councilmember Jaime Patino.

A proclamation was given to retiring Police Chief Darryl McAllister for his work and service to the community.

Congratulations to Union City Police Captain Jared Rinneti for his appointment as the new Police Chief of Union City.

Councilmember Gary Singh was appointed to the position of Vice-Mayor.

The Museum's Annual Christmas Party was held last December 2018 at the Union City Historical Museum.

*Coffee with Cops* was held last January 15, 2019.

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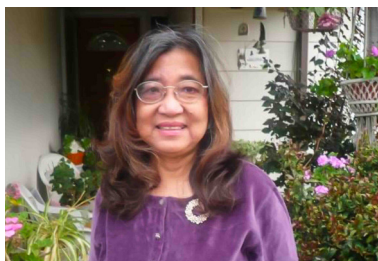
## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Hugh McNamara

Thanks for the support for FY2018 - 2019 as President of the Museum. We will have another slate of officers for FY2019 - 2020. Let us support the new officers/directors with open arms and give the support they need in all aspects of the Museum. Along with getting more members, we must do a better effort on keeping them on the membership list.

## FOUNDER'S NOTES



**Myrla Raymundo, MBA,  
Founder/CEO**

Thank you to the ones who again volunteered to help the Union City Historical Museum by becoming officers and directors.

The new set of Museum officers and directors are again ready to implement the Museum strategic plans: (1) Continue to educate the community by doing "Presentations of Walk Through Union City History"; (2) Continue to work on the City's Preservation Ordinance, which identifies and encourages preservation of historical homes and buildings. The Museum has a list of 400 historical homes and buildings; (3) Continue to collect and maintain artifacts and maintain the library of books and historical documents; (4)

Conduct several open house events; (5) Conduct fund raising events.

These are the big challenges facing us this new Fiscal Year. I enjoined the new Board of Directors to think of ways to make these happen. We look forward not only to this fiscal year, but also to the next 100 years.

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### EDITORIAL BOARD

Myrla Raymundo, MBA

Dennis Jeffrey, PhD

### MUSEUM MEETINGS FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020

**October 7, 2019:** Quarterly Board Meeting

**January 6, 2020:** Quarterly Board Meeting

**April 6, 2020:** Quarterly Board Meeting

**June 1, 2020:** Election of Officers and Directors

**All Meetings on Mondays, 7:00pm at the Museum**

### MUSEUM LIFETIME MEMBERS

Myrla Raymundo

Phil & Leila Verzola

John & Cathy Tester

Eva Kamakea

Mike dela Cruz

Gina Lewis

Al & Marsha Badella

Barbara Scheifler

William & Dorothy Pearce Hubbard

Leslie Swartz

Steve Miller & Diane LaMountaine

Helen Cabiles

Allen Cecil

Angelo dela Cruz

Marcos Gatan, Jr.

Joey & Vilma Golaw

James Celcer

Sarabjit Kaur Cheema

Emily Duncan

Richard & Barbara Aro Valle

Kathy Logan

Manuel & Lita Abad

Elmer & Vicky Guzman

Alice Robie

Alvarado Historic District Merchants Association

Dennis Jeffrey & Smruti Parichha

Adrian Swartz

Ann Bess Chanco

Edgar Roldan

Evelyn Abellera

Marlene O. Benedict

Avtar Singh Dhami

