



# The Filipino-American Association of Newport County, Rhode Island Newsletter



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## FIL-AM 2012 OFFICERS INDUCTED

Armando (Doy) Heredia, the new elected President of the Filipino-American Association of Newport County for 2012 was inducted along with the rest of the officers that will lead FIL-AM this year. The successful event was held at the Mainstay Inn, Best Western Hotel in Newport on Saturday, January 7. Over 117 members and guests attended along with local and military leaders. Other guests from neighboring organizations from Boston and Connecticut also came to support FIL-AM. Attorney Robert J. Healey, Jr., inducted the officers as shown below. U.S. Navy Chaplain Manuel A. Biadog, Jr. who flew all the way from Seattle, WA officiated the Invocation and Benediction. Reverend Fr. John O'Brien blessed dinner. Congressman Peter Martin was the guest speaker and Esmeralda San Andres represented Senator Sheldon Whitehouse and presented certificate to President Heredia. EmCee was Gary McKenna. Larry Soriano provided the dancing and dining music. Everyone had a great time.



Atty. Robert Healey, Jr. officially inducted the officers as shown from left are Gina (Ning) Gotauco, PRO; Minda P. Dizon, Auditor; Donatila (Donna) Umiten, Asst. Treasurer; Delicia (Dee) St. Denis, Treasurer; Chester (Chet) Gotauco, Executive Vive President; Armando (Doy) Heredia, President; Job Palaya, Sr., Vice President; Bert Villacorta, Secretary and Advisory Board are Larino (Larry) Soriano ((Past Pres. 2009-2011); Diosdado (Dio) Urgasan (Past Pres. 2008); Fredesvindo (Fred) Bebe, Sr. (Past Pres. 2007) not in photo; Antonio (Tony) Cercena (Past President 2006)  
Photo by: Commander (Chaplain) Manuel (Don) Biadog, USN.



Martin San Andres Biadog O'Brien Anne (NLUS) Bordado (NWC) Gail (CIV) Rosario (CT) Platon (SN) Solar (PM) Chan (Boston) McKenna (MC)



President Doy Heredia and his ardent supporters big and small are appreciated.



Chaplain Don Biadog with President Heredia and Past Presidents of FIL-AM.