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Today's Greeter
Colleen Torrence

Today's Program
Rebecca Carrillo
Philippine Honorary Consul

March 4
Mike Mason
Fraud Trends

March 11
Shari Paul
United Way/Americorps

March 18
Ryan O'Shaughnessy
Trail Mix Update



District 5010 Governor
Joe Kashi
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**Filipinos critical
in local and state
development.**

**Alaska has its own Philippine
honorary consul and she's from
Juneau.**



The 7,000-island archipelago of the Philippines has had a long and rich association with Alaska for nearly 240 years. The first recorded contact between a Filipino seaman and an Alaska Native was 1788. Today, the 25,000-plus Filipinos in Alaska comprise half of the Asian population in the state.

Locally, Filipinos have played a critical role in the fishing, mining, and service economies for more than a hundred years. A little over ten percent of Juneau's population, or about 3,100 people, are of Filipino heritage.

In 1898, the Philippines was turned over to the U.S. as a colony as part of the settlement of the Spanish-American war. Filipinos were allied with U.S. forces in WWII and the country gained independence in 1946.

Since then, Philippine consulate offices operate across the country, including a western states' office in San Francisco. Honorary consuls, such as Becky Carrillo of Juneau, provide limited consular services, primarily facilitating the processing of various paperwork, such as birth certificates.

Carrillo recently retired after nearly 33 years with the state and 25 years with Alaska Air. She's lived in Juneau 40 years.

March Birthdays

- 3 Claudette Kreuzenstein
- 9 Liz Balstad
- 12 Laury Scandling
- 13 Pam Varni
- 17 Stephanie Hoag

**March is
Water and Sanitation
Month**

KIVA Lend

**Following our meeting,
Thursday, Feb. 25**