

ONPA Celebrates Mother's Day, Year 2021



Happy Mother's Day to all mothers around this globe! You are all unique and special in your own ways. There are no words that can describe a mother's love and the important roles she carries upon her shoulders every day and night.

In recognizing this very important fact, the Office of the National Public Auditor (ONPA), on May 7, 2021, hosted a surprised luncheon at the *Fushion restaurant* in Kolonia, Pohnpei to honor the hardworking mothers at ONPA, who are doing their best to help ONPA attain its goals and mission.

The meeting over lunch was a success! All the ONPA mothers were taken aback by the quick preparation of the ONPA's men who all along had planned it as a coverup luncheon to launch one of the internal projects. It began with an opening remark from the Public Auditor, who expressed his appreciation to all his staffs for continuing to ensure that the office strives towards attaining its yearly goals and operational targets.

Following the Public Auditor's remarks, a beautiful and touching Mother's Day poem was shared by Christopher Delcampo, an auditor and the MC for the program. Following the poem by Chris, Brandon Rodriquez, another auditor and the Committee Chair, gave a speech that expressed his appreciation and recognition of the importance of a mother to her family and the roles she carries as a mother, a wife, and an office worker. He extended his gratitude and appreciation to all the hard work that the ONPA mothers have contributed to ONPA.

At last, a Mother's Day Card prepared, signed (with the ladies' photo) and framed by the male colleagues was presented by the Public Auditor, who revealed that the main purpose for the luncheon was to honor all the mothers at ONPA. Ms. Shelolyn Neth, Administrative Specialist/Audit Trainee, said "we are all speechless. We are touched by the surprise thoughtfulness of the men at ONPA." Ms. Miriama Naivalu, Audit Manager, added to the ladies' appreciation, "What a thoughtful and well-crafted surprise! The act of conspiracy was amazing and revealed hidden talents of good

(heart-warming) writers and speakers; you guys are truly great family men! Goes to show as well the level of unity and brotherhood you all share as part of our ONPA family.

The mood quickly changed when the mothers started whispering among themselves "let's start planning our surprise for the Father's Day" which is next month in June 2021. Oooops.... surprise!

