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PH CONSUL GENERAL JOINS THE 6TH PIYESTA PINOY AT BOLINGBROOK


The undersigned delivered an inspirational message encouraging the Filipino-American youth to join the Youth Leaders in Diaspora (YouLeaD) Immersion Program II in the Philippines on 3-9 January 2020, a joint project with the Commission on Filipinos Overseas that helps young Fil-American leaders discover their roots and embrace their heritage as part of their unique identity. The undersigned also announced the schedule of upcoming consular outreach activities of the Philippine Consulate in various states in the Midwest – Seafood City, Chicago on 29 June 2019; Dayton, Ohio on 13 July 2019; Wichita, Kansas on 3 August 2019; and Maplewood, Minnesota on 17 August 2019.

The undersigned also extended her appreciation to the Philippine American Cultural Foundation (PACF), led by Mr. Ruben Salazar, and other organizers for their indefatigable efforts in promoting the beauty and greatness of what makes Filipinos proud of their identity – music, dance, food, and craft, to name a few.

The highlight of the event was the Parade led by Consul General Gina A. Jamoralin and Bolingbrook Mayor, Hon. Roger Claar. Mayor Claar gave a rousing message commending the Filipino-American community in keeping the Filipino traditions alive. The celebration ended with the Zarzuela and Miss World 2013 Megan Young’s appearance and production number.

The Consulate also set up a booth, which was visited by most of the participants. Consulate officials provided information about YouLeaD, the Rizal lecture of Dr. Ambeth Ocampo on 11 June 2019, and tourism destinations in the Philippines. The booth also showcased cultural decorations and accessories. The Consulate also provided dual citizenship and civil registration services to attendees. END
Consul General Gina A. Jamoralin delivering her inspirational message
Consul General Gina A. Jamoralin and Bolingbrook Mayor Roger Claar leads the parade
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