



CONSULATE GENERAL OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES CHICAGO

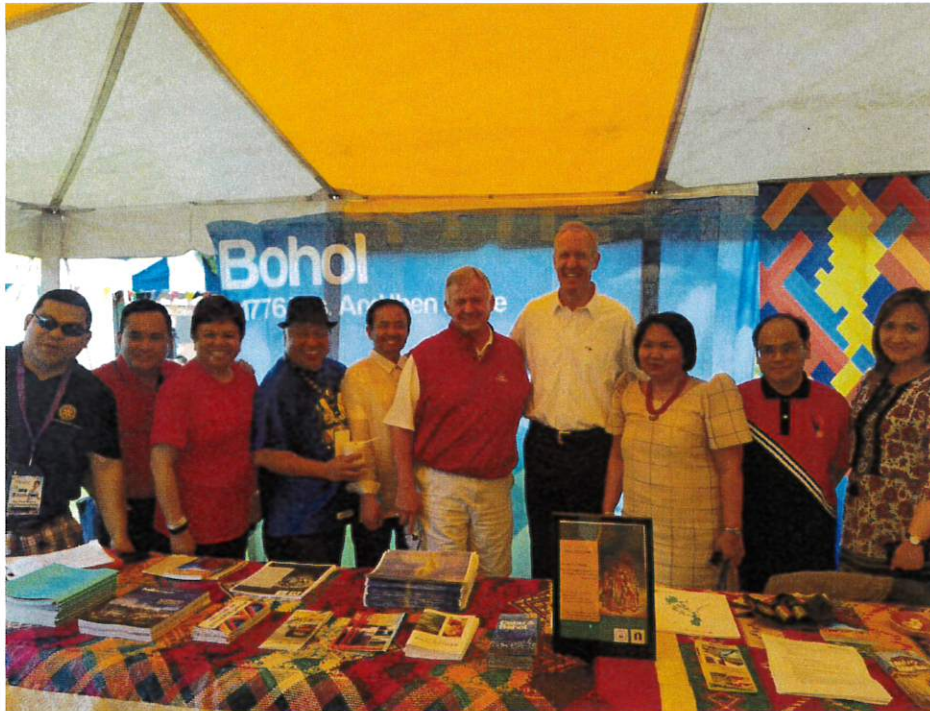
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GOVERNOR OF ILLINOIS STATE GREETES FILIPINO COMMUNITY ON THE EVE OF THE 120TH ANNIVERSARY OF PHILIPPINE INDEPENDENCE DAY

Governor Bruce Rauner, of State of Illinois delivered a personal greeting to the Filipino community in Illinois on the occasion of the 120th anniversary of Philippine Independence Day. The said message was uploaded in You Tube with the link:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3MFMqGNgwZg&feature=youtu.be>

Governor Rauner lauded the resilience and vibrancy of the Filipinos in Illinois and in the US Midwest. He also paid tribute to the Filipino veterans of World War II for their valor and sacrifice which were given due recognition by the awarding of the Filipino World War II US Congressional Gold Medal last year.

The Illinois governor also graced and spoke before the Filipino-American community present during the Philippine Independence Day celebration in Bolingbrook, Illinois dubbed "Piyesta Pinoy" which was held on June 9, 2018. The Mayor of Bolingbrook, Roger Claar was also one of the guest speaker of the Piyesta Pinoy.



Gov. Bruce Rauner of Illinois and Mayor Roger Claar of Bolingbrook and Consul General Gina Jamoralin with the Philippine Consulate staff and Filcom community at the Philippine Consulate booth in Bolingbrook





Bolingbrook Mayor Roger Claar joining the Filipino Parade in Bolingbrook with Philippine Consulate staff and Filcom members.



Bolingbrook Mayor Roger Claar, Consul General Jamoralin and Illinois Governor Bruce Rauner holding Philippine flaglets at Piyesta Pinoy in Bolingbrook