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PHILIPPINE CONSULATE GENERAL SUCCESSFULLY CONCLUDES TEAM-BUILDING ACTIVITY

Consulate personnel and their families trooped to Margate Park Chicago on Thursday morning, 14 September, for the first of its two team-building events slated for the year. The second team-building activity, a bowling tournament, has been scheduled in late November.

The four teams with six-seven members each, decked in bright and spritely colors of green, orange, red and blue to distinguish their respective groupings, enthusiastically and vigorously participated in the games. Chosen carefully by the Committee members, the games included volleyball, badminton (doubles), caterpillar-balloon relay, turn-around and-run relay, and tug-of-war. Cash prizes were awarded to the winners.

The team-building activity was deemed successful having met the following objectives:

1. It enhanced the working and personal relationship among Consulate personnel;
2. It raised awareness on the significance of planning, coordination and cooperation;
3. It emphasized the importance of open communication and team efforts; and
4. It promoted appreciation of time-honored practices/values in the Philippines like “bayanihan” and close family ties.

The occasion also served as avenue for staff and their families to interact outside the work environment, promoting further the spirit of camaraderie and friendship among them.

The event started with the opening remarks of Consul General Gina A. Jamoralin and ended with the closing remarks of Consul Melchor P. Lalunio, Jr. END
Consul General Gina A. Jamoralin and members of the four teams proudly posed with their bright and spritely-colored uniforms for the camera.

The teams were seriously engaged in the caterpillar-balloon relay.
The dizzying turn-around and-run relay.

A crispy and succulent “lechon” added flavor to the wide array of Filipino food served during the event.