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PCG New York Holds Another Successful Leadership Management Seminar for Fil-Am Community Leader

From L-R: Speakers Consul General Mario Deleon Jr., Deputy Consul General Zaldy Patron, Mr. Gil Vendiola, Atty. Reuben Seguritan, Ms. Imelda Jones, Mr. Joselito Mecua, Dr. Ramon Henson, and Panelists Dr. Gino Ang, Atty. Sylvester Salcedo, Marissa Magno and Christopher Lee. (Photos by Mr. Antonio Abad and Nini Garcia)


Seventy-nine (79) participants representing twenty-two (22) organizations attended the LMS, which was the third that the Consulate General had conducted in a year, following the previous seminars held in New York on 23 February and in Philadelphia on 9 March.

In his opening remarks, Consul General Mario De Leon, Jr., said, “I am optimistic that the LMS will provide a venue for community members and in particular, leaders of Filipino American organizations to learn more about the latest leadership and management practices and also the important regulations which have a direct impact on the way their organizations are managed. The Consulate General is conducting this LMS on the firm belief that an informed community is an empowered community.”

Six modules were taken up at the seminars.

Deputy Consul General Zaldy Patron talked about the topic Overview of the Philippine Conditions, with focus on the economic resurgence of the Philippines and the country’s sound macroeconomic fundamentals and growth industries. Mr. Gil Vendiola, a certified public

A panel discussion on the topic Engaging the Emerging Generation of Filipino-Americans followed the speakers’ presentations. Five first and second generation Filipino Americans exchanged ideas and perspectives on the role that new generations of Filipino Americans can play in the community and the challenges in getting them involved. The panellists were Dr. Gino Ang (an anaesthesiologist and entrepreneur), Atty. Sylvester Salcedo (practicing lawyer in CT), Ms. Marissa Magno (Compensation Professional of the Human Resources at KKR, New York) and Christopher Dee (a junior student at Yale University who works for College Admissions Mentors for Peers in the Philippines, a group that helps local high school students around Metro Manila apply to US colleges). Mr. Zultan Bermudez, Chair of the Filipino American Human Services Inc. (FAHSI), moderated the discussion.

The community organizations that gave extra support for the LMS included the Philippine American Association of CT, CT Association of Filipino American Families, Pilipino Association of CT, Inc., Federation of Filipino Association in CT, Filipino Amateur League of CT, Kasamahan ng mga Pilipino sa Westchester County at Ibp., Connecticut Association of Philippine Physicians, Philippine American Women’s Association of Connecticut, Bayanihan Club of CT, and Knights of Rizal. END
LMS participants and speakers in front of Worthington Hooker School in New Haven, Connecticut.