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7th Edition of Homecoming sa Konsulado challenges alumni to give back



22 schools and universities participated in the 7th Edition of Homecoming sa Konsulado organized by the Philippine Consulate General New York on 20 October 2018 at the Philippine Center, 556 Fifth Ave., New York, New York. (photo by Boyet Loverita)

NEW YORK, 23 October 2018 – Homecoming sa Konsulado 2018 (HSK), hosted by the Philippine Consulate General in New York, showed a bigger following as this year's event welcomed 180 alumni and graduates from 22 registered schools and universities last Saturday, 20 October at the Philippine Center's Kalayaan Hall.

In his welcome remarks, Consul General Claro S. Cristobal acknowledged the alumni associations' active participation in planning the event and recognized their effort in creating the Gabay Mag-aaral Project. He underscored the HSK core team's efforts to give back and share the education they have received with the young minds in their selected communities in the Philippines.

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“It is a testament to the education that you received from your institutions, that along with the fun and games, the Homecoming sa Konsulado has now evolved into an association with a mission and a noble purpose,” stated the Consul General.

The morning session featured a parade of schools with each alumni association carrying their respective banner, marching in their university's hymn and wearing their school colors. Much of the morning session was also devoted to the civic relevance of HSK where Dr. Joie Calub, an alumna from Cebu Normal University reported the launching of the Gabay Mag-aaral Project in San Jose Elementary School in Tacloban City where 100 grade 6 students were given a one day workshop on 2 August 2018. Dr. Roxanne Cahigas of Centro Escolar University also shared her experience in the GMP workshop given to 60 Grade 6 students in Maybocog, Maydolong Eastern Samar on 25 August 2018.

HSK 2018 also showcased the talents of the attendees. Mindanao State University alumni, including Madam Marilou Cristobal, performed a traditional dance called *Pangalay*. During lunch, the alumni were treated to a special saxophone performance by Dr. Kevin Obate of Siliman University and a song number by Krizzia Daya of the University of the Philippines.

The rest of the whole day affair was devoted to networking and strengthening of ties among HSK members through games, raffle, line dancing and a special performance of Broadway Barkada. A round trip ticket to the Philippines courtesy of Philippine Airlines was raffled off, adding to the excitement of the day-long event. Other event partners were GMA Pinoy TV, Glossy Skinnovation, and the 22 alumni associations.

Certificates of appreciation were given to major sponsors, the Steering Committee Member, Mr. Alex Esteban of Philippine Women's University and the facilitator of Workshop for Mentors/Volunteers of GMP, Dr. Joie Calub.

Alumni from St. Scholastica's College and Cebu Normal University, Ms. Michelle LLado-Wrzos and Mr. Marcelo Inot served as Masters of Ceremonies, while an alumna from the College of the Holy Spirit, Ms. Mimi Samson was the stage director.

The 7th Edition of HSK was participated by alumni associations from Assumption College, All Ateneo, Cebu Normal University, Centro Escolar University, College of Holy Spirit, De La Salle University, Letran College, Lyceum of the Philippines, Maryknoll/Miriam College, Mindanao State University, Philippine Women's University, San Beda College, Siliman University, St. Scholastica's College, St. Paul's College, University of San Carlos, University of Sto. Tomas, UP, Alumni Association of America, UP Alumni Association in NJ, UP Nurses of the East Coast, and UP Medical Alumni Association. Also attended the event was alumni association of Philippine Normal University. END



22 Alumni Associations participated in the Parade of schools (clockwise from L) San Beda College, Philippine Women;s University, Lyceum of the Philippines University and Mindanao State University, which brought the highest contingent this year.

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Special performances took place throughout the day including traditional dance entitled Pangalay led by Mrs. Marilou Cristobal; Saxophone and song rendition by Krizzia Daya and Dr. Kevin Obate (photo with Consul General Claro S. Cristobal at the center); line dancing, and raffle including PAL roundtrip ticket to the Philippines. The program was hosted by alumni St. Scholastica's College and Cebu Normal University.

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22 Alumni Associations participated at the the 7th Homecoming sa Konsulado: (Clockwise) Centro Escolar University, Assumption College, UPAAA, UPNEC, UPMASA and UPAAN-J, Cebu Normal University, University of Sto. Tomas, and St. Scholastica's College.

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22 Alumni Associations participated at the 7th Homecoming sa Konsulado: (Clockwise) St. Paul's College, Siliman University, Maryknoll College and Mindanao State University, the highest contingent this year. (photos by PCGNY and Boyet Loverita)

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