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Fil-Am High School Leadership Workshop Held at Harvard University



Participants, organizers, and volunteers pose for a group photo during the workshop. The Philippine Consulate General In New York was represented by Consul Arman R. Talbo (2nd row, center). Photo by NYPCG

New York, 22 April 2019- Thirty-two (32) young Filipino-American students from all over the New England states attended the Filipino-American High School Leadership Workshop held at the Sever Hall of Harvard University on 20 April 2019.

The one day leadership conference featured panels, workshops, and activities where the participating high school students interfaced with young Fil-Am professionals and college students as they discussed their Filipino roots, culture, and traditions and how these impact their student life and future careers. The event was organized and presented by the Philippine American Mainstream Advocacy for Nonpartisan Associations, Inc. (PAMANA), in partnership with the Philippine Consulate General in New York, and the Filipino Young Leaders Program (FYLPRO).

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Atty. Jennifer Coliflores Rosenthal, a FYLPRO alumna, and Mr. Philjay Somera Solar co-chaired the planning and preparations for the event which is a first of its kind in the area. They said that the workshop is part of their giving-back project for the community which they hope would empower the Filipino youth and allow their Filipino identity to shine as they pursue their studies.

In his remarks, Consul Arman R. Talbo shared the recent developments and positive news from the Philippines and discussed the services and projects of the Consulate which benefit the Filipino youth and their families. He likewise encouraged the young students to pursue their degrees in college and fulfill their destiny as the hope and future of the country.

Ms. Joy Lim Nakrin, Emmy-nominated anchor for MBC10 Boston, was the keynote speaker and she shared her inspiring experiences as well as the challenges she faced as Fil-Am lawyer and media practitioner. She said that at their age, it is normal for high school students to not fully know what career to pursue but they should take into consideration their passion when deciding and preparing themselves for the future. -end



The participants present their ideal Philippine Cultural Center design which they designed as part of a workshop activity. Photo by PAMANA



Ms. Joy Lim Nakrin shares her inspiring experiences a Fil-Am media practitioner in Boston. Photo by PAMANA



(L-R) Consul Arman R. Talbo with panelists Czara Venegas, Ellie Tiglao, Dr. Renzo Guinto, Alyanna Tenorio, and Michael Veal, a FYLPRO alumnus. The panel discussed the topic, "What is your Filipino story". Photo by PAMANA

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