

Congen meets Riverside Board of Supervisors

LOS ANGELES- Consul General Maria Hellen Barber De La Vega met with chair John Joseph Benoit and officials of the Board of Supervisors, mayors and educators on 27 March 2013 held at the Board Riverside County Administration Center, California.

De La Vega thanked the officials and vowed to work closely with Riverside County in promoting the Philippines as a fast-emerging investment target in the region and as a hub to other Southeast Asian markets such as Cambodia, Laos PDR and Myanmar. That sparked the interest of the Board of Supervisors.

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Officials present Distinguished Diplomat Award to the Consul General de la Vega for her statesmanship and leadership, noting that she is the first diplomat to reach out to the Riverside County.

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THOMASIANS USA 26TH AWARDS GALA Recognizing excellence, empowerment

ALLICE Kumares & Kumpares begin their 10th year of community service being honored for their dedication to family health and safety through free education events and resource fairs. Co-honoree Joseph Palafox joins them at right. Photos by VOLTAIRE YAP.



Brave women who inspire ALLICE, from left, seated: Clara Tempongko, Vangie Buell and Nette Flores-Vencio; standing: Julia Tempongko, Janine Bersabe, and Perla de Jesus.

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of Supervisors, the Cities of Daly City, South San Francisco, and East Palo Alto.

"We are extremely proud to acknowledge the work of our honorees this year," said Thomasians USA president Alice Bulos. "We have a professional, who exemplifies the work ethic instilled in all who attended UST, and we have an organization of volunteers who model our Thomasian spirit of educational empowerment."

LEADER

Since 1987, Joseph A. Palafox has been a registered architect in California and the Philippines with 35 years' experience in those areas. He also worked all over Asia for 10 years.

In 1997, he opened his eponymous company of architects and consultants based in Newark, California. He clients include hotels, banks, theaters, shopping center, mixed-use developments, housing, and master planning.

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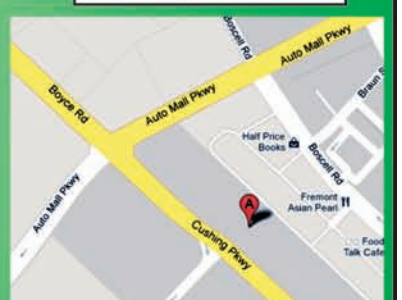
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