

Fil-Am Leaders Dinner Party

Consul Evangelista cites attributes of leadership

Honorary Consul General Jose Evangelista gave an excellent presentation on the “Dynamics of Leadership” during a speech delivered before leaders of the Filipino-American community in Michigan.

The occasion was the Filipino-American leaders’ party held on Dec. 17, 2010 at the clubhouse of the Laurel Woods Apartments in Southfield. Philippine Consul General Leo Herrera- Lim was the main speaker at the event hosted by the Evangelista family. Evangelista said that the best form of leadership is the goal-oriented type. He said that members must choose a leader who has knowledge of the organization, who has credibility and who has good leadership attributes.

Those leadership attributes are adaptability or flexibility, good communication skills, dedication, determination and decisiveness, judgment and experience and hard work.

On the attribute of experience, he explained that problems “do not set us back but make us grow.” On hard work, he said that “the degree of success is commensurate to the amount of hard work put in.”

Evangelista, who is a medical doctor by profession, also cited the need for a leader to assess what he or she has accomplished at the end of his or her term of office.



(From Left to Right) Attorney Marcus Evangelista, Dr. Stella Evangelista, Honorary Consul General Jose Evangelista, Mrs. Fides Herrera-Lim, Philippine Consul General Leo Herrera-Lim.

He talked about the “mastermind principle” which states that if you have a core of dedicated people working for a common goal with a positive mental attitude, “you have an unbeatable force.”

He said that “one of life’s greatest laws is to always give people more than what they expect to get and that you will be remembered longer for things that you have done for others, rather than for what you have done for yourself.”