

Filipino International Community of America's Outstanding Parents' Award in NJ

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The Filipino International Community of America held its second Outstanding Parents' Award and Gala on July 21 at the Ramada Plaza Hotel in Newark, New Jersey. More than one hundred people attended the event with seven couples and three single parents from New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and California who were recognized for their excellence in parenting. This annual event commemorates National Parents' Day, a U.S. holiday, celebrated every fourth Sunday of July.

The gala was co-sponsored by Universal Peace Federation and Family Federation for World Peace and Unification together with other major sponsors including Women's Federation for World Peace in Elizabeth, Glossy Skinnovation, GMA Pinoy TV, Synergy Production and Marketing Inc. and Jollibee.

Honorable Claro Cristobal, the Consulate-General of the Philippine Consulate General in New York was the keynote speaker. He was very impressed with the purpose and goal of the event and reiterated some words shared by Clifton Family Church Pastor Manoj Jacob in his True Love Toast. ConGen Cristobal spoke deeply about the role of father and mother and the importance of sacrificing and caring for the family.

Many of the participants were honored to attend an event that recognized outstanding parenting and emphasizes the importance of family.

Washington, D.C. is holding their National Parents' Day Award on Thursday, August 16 at the Arbor Ballroom of The Washington Times located at 3600 New York Ave., N.E. For more information, visit www.ficaonline.org and www.parentsday.com.

