

THE KNIGHTS OF RIZAL WINNIPEG CHAPTER INC ANNUAL REPORT

Annual Report for
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Chapter Commander's message

By Sir Dr. Tom Colina KCR

Chapter Commander

The 2008 year for the Knight's of Rizal Winnipeg Chapter proved to be one full of activities geared to serve the Filipino Canadian Community of Winnipeg. To appropriately report on the activities and accomplishments of the Chapter and it's membership, this report is presented in newsletter form. It is intended to be not only informative but enjoyable to read. It has been a true honor to serve such an active Chapter and have the opportunity to collaborate on worthwhile and significant projects with individuals of noble intentions. I would like to extend my appreciation to the contributors of this report (they are acknowledge accordingly). To provide continuity

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from the past year, the report begins with the last activity of 2007.

Rizal Day Celebration 2007

By Tess Dizon Ang Peryodiko editor and Sir Rev Neil Parado KGOR

The Knights of Rizal, Winnipeg Chapter, Inc., and the Ladies of the Knights of Rizal solemnly commemorated the 111th Anniversary of the Martyrdom of Dr. Jose P. Rizal, the foremost National Hero of the Philippines, with a twofold celebration. The first part which started at 2:00 P.M. on Sunday, December 30th, consisted of the Wreath-Laying at the Everlasting Granite Memorial Bench Marker at Dr. Jose P. Rizal Garden of Serenity, Chapel Lawn Memorial Gardens on 4000 Portage Avenue. The Coordinators of Part I were Mr. Andrew Earle, Manager for Funeral Services, and Sir Edgar and Lady Rosabelle de Leon, KCR.

Part II of the Rizal Day Celebration, which was coordinated by Sir Dr. Tom Colina, KCR, Chapter Commander, Sir Rev. Dr. Neil Parado, KCR, Area Commander for Western Canada, Sir Felino de Jesus, KCR, Exchequer, and Sir Manny Fabre, KCR, Chapter Advisor, included Dinner and Dance, Ceremonial Rites and Presentation of Awards, at 6:30 P.M. in the Philippine-Canadian Centre of Manitoba. This occasion also served as the KNIGHTS' CHRISTMAS and NEW YEAR'S PARTY. The Program, emceed by Sir Felino de Jesus and Sir Terry Duguid, started with the Entrance of Colors. Flag bearers were Sir Mohamed Alli, KCR, and Sir Art Domingo, KCR, followed by Sir Dr. Roland



Rizal day Celebration—Commemoration of Dr. Jose Rizal Martyrdom.

Guzman, KGOR, Canada Region Advisor; Sir Dr. Rey Pagtakhan, KGOR, Western Canada Advisor; Sir Rev. Dr. Neil Parado, KCR, Area Commander for Western Canada; Sir Les Crisostomo, KCR, Western Canada Executive Officer; Sir Dr. Tom Colina, KCR, Chapter Commander; Sir Edgar de Leon, KCR, Deputy Chapter Commander; Sir Nap Ebor, KCR, Chancellor; Sir Claro Venzon, KOR, Pursuivant; Sir Jesus Angel Miguel Garcia, KOR, Interim Pursuivant; Sir Felino de Jesus, KCR, Exchequer; Sir Rene Carino, KOR, Deputy Exchequer; Sir Eric Orbeta, KCR, Deputy Pursuivant; Sir Manny Fabre, KCR, Chapter Advisor. The Singing of the National

Anthems, Lupang Hinirang, and O Canada, was led by Lady Dr. Lydia Lucman, followed by the Invocation prayed by Sir Rev. Dr. Neil Parado.

After dinner, catered by Sir Dino and Lourdes Miranda of Pampanga Restaurant, Sir Dr. Tom Colina did the Opening Remarks and presided at the INITIATION Ceremonial Rite. Sir Dr. Rey Pagtakhan presided at the ELEVATION Ceremonial Rite; and Sir Dr. Roland presided at the EXALTATION Ceremonial Rite.

Initiated as new Knights of Rizal were Sirs Tony Bonifacio (Posthumous), Ramon Cairo and Chito Sta. Brigida. The following were elevated to the 2nd Degree with the rank of Knight Officer of Rizal (KOR) : Sirs Moises Ben, Jesus Angel Miguel Garcia, Ed Kean, MLA Kevin Lamoureux, and Romy Nazario. The following were exalted to the 3rd Degree with the rank of Knight Commander of Rizal (KCR) : Sirs Dr. Berhanu Balcha, Rene Carino, Terry Duguid, Philip Pascual and Claro Venzon.



The five knights elevated to the second degree. Sir Romy Nazario (second from left) passed away due to complications in surgery in January, 2008.

Sir Dr. Roland presided at the Necrological Service in honor of Sir Tony Bonifacio, KR, and Sir Councillor Mike Pagtakhan did the Opening Prayers. At the end Sir Rev. Dr. Neil Parado presented the KR Medal and Certificate to Tony's widow Josie and son Glen .

Then Sir Dr. Roland Guzman announced the promotion of Sir Dr. Tom Colina as Deputy Area Commander for Western Canada.

LIFETIME MEMBER PLAQUES from the Supreme Council were presented to Sir Dr. Rey Pagtakhan, Sir Rev. Dr. Neil Parado and Sir Dr. Fran Violago. The KEY KNIGHT AWARD was presented to Sir Ed Kean for his active participation in all OKR sponsored activities including his attendance at the 16th International Assembly of the Knights of Rizal in Manila on Feb. 23-25 /07.

Carols were jointly led by Sir Manny and Lady Precy Fabre and Lady Gory Parado.

A CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION was presented posthumously to Sir Ric Medina, KCR, for his exemplary collaborative leadership in Youth Recognition Awards and Seniors Wellness Seminars.

The Closing Remarks was done by Sir Edgar de Leon, Deputy Chapter Commander, who also made a few announcements from Sir Dr. Chito Collantes, KGOR, Consultant to the Supreme Commander. A group picture taking of all who attended and the important parts of the Program was taken by Ms Dolly Gutierrez of ANG PERYODIKO.

HAPPY RIZAL DAY ! MABUHAY ANG FILIPINAS.

Wpg KOR Inc General Assembly and Election of Officers

The Knights of Rizal Winnipeg Chapter held it's General Assembly and elections of officers on Febraury 17, 2008. The result of the election were as follows:

Sir Dr. Tom Colina KCR Chapter Commander

Sir Edgar de Leon KCR Deputy Chapter Commander

Sir Nap Eborá KCR Chancellor

Sir Jesus Garcia KCR Interim Pursuivant

Sir Felino de Jesus KCR Exchequer

Sir Milton Mestito KCR Archivist

Sir Randy Viray KCR Auditor

Sir Mohamed Alli KCR Deputy Pursuivant

Sir Rene Carino KCR Deputy Exchequer

For a list of the active members of the Winnipeg Chapter for 2008, see page 20.

During this Assembly, initial discussions were put forth in planning the presence of the Winnipeg Chapter KOR in the world wide web by establishing a web site. Sir Felino de Jesus led the charge in the initiative and put Sir Chito Sta Brigada in charge of composing the site.

Incidentally, the elections of the Board of Directors for the Philippines Canadian Center of Manitoba resulted in several Knights and Ladies of Rizal elected or retained for the 2008 year. In particular, they are Sir Edgar de Leon, who took over the executive position of president, as well as Sirs Nap Eborá, and Sir Claro Venzon. Ladies Dra. Irene Guzman, Leah Magsino and Julie Javier are also current members of the Board. Lady Linda Cantiveros (wife of Sir Rod Cantiveros, KCR) stepped down as president to become Board Advisor. The entire Filipino Canadian community of Winnipeg mourned the death of Lady Linda on March 2008 after a prolonged battle with cancer.

KOR Sponsored Senior's Wellness Seminars and Filipino Canadian Senior's Cultural Project

By Sir Dr. Rev Neil Parado KGOR
Area Commander for Western Canada

Way back in 2002 the late Sir Ric Medina, Chapter Commander of the Winnipeg Chapter of the Knights of Rizal, with the recommendation of Sir Dr. Roland Guzman, KGOR, Regional Deputy Commander for Canada, and Sir Dr. Romy Magsino, KGOR, Area Commander for Western Canada, appointed Sir John Gano, KOR, Chairperson of the newly created OKR – Seniors' Wellness Workshops Committee. Sir John's appointment was an excellent choice because he has been the Cultural Minorities Rep to the Manitoba Council on Aging. The Chapter Council readily confirmed Sir John's appointment.

The Committee decided that a series of Seniors' Wellness Seminars on the various needs of Seniors would be held beginning on January 11, 2003, from 9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. at Filgrin's Palace. Initially, 5 Filipino-Canadian Seniors' Organizations, namely, OFSAM, FILCASA, ORIGINAL WINNIPEG SENIORS' GROUP, SENIORS' PEACEFUL ASSOCIATION OF MANITOBA, and UNITED FILIPINO-CANADIAN SENIORS OF MANITOBA, participated, with the assistance of the Manitoba Seniors Directory that provided the professional Speakers. Two OKR – Seniors' Wellness Seminars are held every year. In 2006 the first one was held on Feb. 12th and the second one on Oct. 21st, both at FILCASA Hall. In 2007 there was no OKR Seniors' Wellness Seminar, but on Oct. 19th, from 11:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. at the PCCM, a Seniors' Cultural

Celebration was held to honor the elderly of various Ethnic Groups and Organizations.

Through the initiative of Sir John Gano, Deputy Chapter Commander, Sir Rev. Dr. Neil Parado, Chapter Commander, and Sir Fausto Yadao, Area Commander, with the approval of Sir Dr. Romy Magsino and Sir Dr. Roland Guzman, and the assistance of the Filipino Writers' Guild composed of Mrs. Gemma Dalayoan, Mrs. Leah Magsino and Ms Leonie Bailon, the Filipino-Canadian Seniors' Cultural Research Project entitled ***"Understanding the Filipino Seniors in Manitoba: Their Immigration, Settlement, and Adaptation Process"*** was born on January 29, 2005. The Committee applied for and was awarded a grant from the Manitoba Culture Heritage and Tourism Grants Advisory Council. Two years later a Draft of the OKR Seniors' Cultural Research Project was presented to the Ethnocultural Secretariat and to Hon. MLA Doug Martindale at a brief ceremony in FILCASA. But due to that terrible accident suffered last Aug. /07, by Sir Dr. Romy Magsino, our Editor, the editing is still in the process of being finalized. Once completed, the Project will be printed in book form.

Update: The initiators of the project proudly announces that the project is nearing completion with the editing completed and printing to be finished shortly.



Gemma Dalayoan shares the initial print of the book with Sir John Gano, KCR and chair of the Senior's Wellness Program, Sir Rev Neil, Sir Mohammed Alli, KCR Deputy Pursuivant.

"Participants of the latest Senior's Wellness Seminar— May 24, 2008. Topics covered: Peer partnership Program/Abuse and Drug Addiction/ Benefits and Services for Seniors.



The honorable MLA Doug Martindale (center) attended a brief ceremony where he was handed over a draft of the Senior's Cultural project book. A second Wellness seminar is planned for Oct. 08.

Philippines Heritage Week Celebrations 2008

Philippines Independence Week is a very busy time as the membership is involved in participating and sponsoring events. The week is kicked off with a flag raising ceremony at the Philippines Canadian Center of Manitoba on June 7, 2008.



The membership with the KOR Winnipeg Chapter Banner in front of the PCCM .

There are several activities that the KOR sponsors. The **SHARE OUR WORLD** held on June 11th was organized by the **Philippine Heritage Council of Manitoba, Inc.**, and hosted by the Knights of Rizal, Winnipeg Chapter, Inc. and the Ladies of the Knights of Rizal, by Anak Inc., BIBAK, Magdaragat and Mount Carmel Clinic. This event and initiative is an opportunity for the Filipino

Right, : Several ethnic dances were presented at the SHARE OUR WORLD, like the East Indian Dance, the Magdaragat Muslim Filipino Dance and the BIBAK Canao Filipino Dance as shown in the photo.



Above / to r: Ladies Grace Davies, Gory Parado (MRO), Jean Guiang (PCCM Executive Director), Carrie Yudai (President), Vida Venzon, Dr. Irene Guzman (Honourary Chairperson), Dr. Lydia Lucman (Treasurer), Belen Gabay (Secretary), Julie Javier, Rosabelle de Leon (Asst. Secretary), and Ampy Gobenciong.

Canadian Community to foster understanding among the numerous cultural groups of Winnipeg.



Keewatin Street, Winnipeg renamed Dr. Jose Rizal Way

On June 19, 2008, one of the shared dreams of the KOR Winnipeg Chapter membership and Rizalians was actualized as the community gathered to celebrate the renaming of Keewatin Street north of Santa Fe Drive to Dr. Jose Rizal Way. The process of honoring the Philippines foremost national hero began a year earlier, and the new street was unveiled under a sunshine filled day (see page 19 for the chronology of events for this project). The concept and plan was proposed by Sirs Felino de Jesus KCR and Terry Duguid KCR.



Above: the Action Committee chaired by Sir Felino (seated in the far right), with Sir Rev Neil and Sir Terry standing, and Sir Councillor Mike and Sir Dr. Tom. (seated) making final preparations for the unveiling day.



Left: The ribbon cutting ceremony of the unveiling of Dr. Jose Rizal Way, Winnipeg, MB. June 19, 2008

Below: commemoration of the 147 birthday of Dr. Jose Rizal — laying of flowers in the Glen Eden Rizal marker.

An action committee chaired by Sir Felino de Jesus, and composed of members Sir Terry, Sir Dr. Rev Neil Parado, Sir Councillor Mike Pagtakhan and Sir Dr. Tom Colina was formed. The endorsement letters and formal request to rename the street came from Sir Dr. Romy Magsino and Sir Sr. Roland Guzman. The re-naming of the street is considered a form of recognition of the contributions of the Filipino Canadian community to Winnipeg to the city, and hopefully a prelude to having Jose Rizal recognized as a significant figure in



the development of human rights ideals and so have him honored in the planned National Human Rights Museum in Winnipeg. Sir Felino de Jesus put together a cd and written package distributed on the unveiling that describes and contains the teachings and writings of Rizal and thus fulfills the KOR mandate to spread the ideals and teachings of our national hero.

The day of the unveiling was planned to coincide with Jose Rizal's 147th birthday. The membership commemorated the event by laying flowers on the Jose Rizal marker in Glen Eden Memorial Gardens.

The following insertions are located with this report in the following pages:

The text of the original motion presented by Sir Mike Pagtakhan to Winnipeg city Council pg. 22.

The banner designed by Sir Felino de Jesus unveiled at the event pg. 23.

The formal request for the renaming addressed to Winnipeg Mayor Sam Katz composed by Sir Dr. Romy Magsino and edited by Sir Dr. Roland Guzman pg. 24–25.

A copy of two of many articles that were written about the street unveiling pg. 26–27.

Chronology of Events from concept to execution of the plan—by Sirs Felino and Councilor Mike pg. 28–29.

A copy of a congratulatory letter from the City of Winnipeg Mayor, Sam Katz sent to the Street Renaming Action Committee pg. 30.

KOR Youth Recognition Awards Night

By Sir Dr. Rev. Neil Parado KGOR
Area Commander

On November 8, 2008 the Knights of Rizal Winnipeg Chapter (KoR-W) celebrated the pride and honour that 24 young Filipino-Canadian members of the community richly deserved, in the organization's annual Youth Recognition Award (YRA). The KoR-W congratulates the students and their family for having achieved success in their study and community involvement. The following students are the recipients of KoR-W YRA 2008: Ms. Alva Joyce Alibango Espino, Ms. Celine Jimenez, Ms. Diana Bernardo, Ms. Geraldine Cabungcal de Lemos, Ms. Gretchen Marie Ann Derige, Mr. Jan Ulric Macaraeg Garcia, Ms. Janniena Kate Tabuloc Robles, Mr. Jason Cesar Rona, Mr. Jim James

Camia, Mr. John Jorrel Camuyong, Mr. Juan Paolo Bernasconi Zaragoza, Ms. Julie Manguba, Ms. Katrina Mendoza, Ms. Lizah Myles Reyes, Ms. Maria Carmela Carandang Kalaw, Mr. Neil Vincent Reyes, Ms. Nicole Anne Aquino Barairo, Mr. Paolo Matusalem, Mr. Ronald Gervacio, Ms. Rosel Lyn San Miguel, Ms. Simone Jaman (I. B. Courses), Sanley Nickarz (I. B. Courses), Mr. Stephen Pagaduan Pescador and Ms. Tiphannie Felix. (for a list of corresponding highschools, see page 31). The KoR-W also recognized and honoured the valuable work that Ms. Perla Javate contributed to the cause with selfless professionalism. The relevance of Dr. Jose Rizal's ideals are extolled by all the speakers at the event, where Hon. Mohinder Saran (MLA for the Maples) insisted in his speech and statement in the Manitoba Legislature that Dr. Jose Rizal is not only a hero of the Filipinos

but of all people who believe in justice, equality, education, democracy, and freedom thru peaceful means (see page 32 to see the citation); these are sentiments that are echoed by Ms. Darlyne Bautista, Dr. Denise Koh, Councilor Mike Pagtakhan, Dr. Tom Colina and Jason Cesar Rona. The speakers also encourage the award recipients to keep applying

themselves and continue to get involved and stay in Winnipeg to further contribute to the City's progress. Ms. Simone Jaman is a recipient unknown to KoR-W, was an exemplary International Baccalaureate student,

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Youth Recognition Awards Night 2008, with awardees seated and surrounded by their friends and families attending the event, as well as the KOR and the Ladies of the Knights of Rizal.

Other Programs and Events for 2008

Folklorama, the multicultural extravaganza that occurs in various pavilions in Winnipeg in the first two weeks of August, has several KOR members volunteering or playing key organizing roles in not only the two popular Filipino Pavilions but also in other country pavilions. The multicultural celebration was again a resounding success.

The **3rd Annual KOR Golf Tournament** that honors Sir Dr. Roland and Lady Irene Guzman and is tool for fundraising for our annual programs such as the KOR Youth Recognition Awards Night was cancelled due to it's near occurrence to the **3rd Canada Regional Assembly and 9th Commander's Ball**. The KOR Winnipeg Chapter founder, Sir Dr. Roland Guzman led the contingent from Winnipeg. The Assembly was hosted by the Canada Regional Headquarters and the Toronto

Chapter. The Assembly occurred between August 29 and September 01, 2008 in the Doubletree Hotel in Toronto. Our chapter congratulates the Canada Regional Commnder, Sir Emilio Silvero, KGCR , the chair of the organizing committee Sir Chito Collantes, KGOR, and Sir Doug Ord, KCR the Toronto KOR Chapter commander for a well attended and extremely organized event that saw the delegates renew acquaintances and friendship. This Assembly was also the venue that saw members of our Winnipeg Chapter honored for their labors in the past year. The following delegates were awarded the Distinguished Service Medals—Sir Felino De Jesus KCR and Sir Nap Eborra, KCR. As well, Citation Certificates were provided for the following—Sir Glynn Davies, KCR, Sir Edgar De Leon, KCR,

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Special Notes and Accomplishments for the 2008 Year

Sir Dr. Rev. Neil Parado, our Area Commander of Western Canada Region has been once again performed his required duties with consistent zest and dedication. His leadership is a source of inspiration to the KOR membership in our efforts to accomplish the mandate of the Knights of Rizal. On April 13, in Scarborough, Sir Rev Neil was conferred the 4th Degree to the rank of KGOR (see picture below).



Another well deserved honor had included the appointment of Sir Rev Neil to the **Manitoba Ethnocultural Advisory and Advocacy Council (MEAAC)**. The KOR had nominated him for one of the position and the appointment was formally announced March 25, 2008. Below, Sir Rev Neil is congratulated by Minister of Labor and Multiculturalism Honorable Miss Nancy Allen who the Council works closely with. Sir Jesus Angel



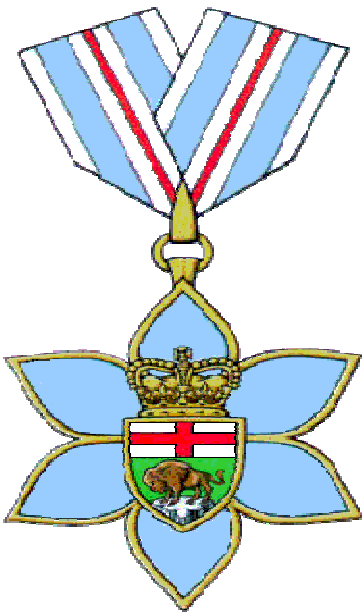
Miguel Garcia, KOR Pursuivant, who represents the Spanish Institute as well, was also appointed for the term starting 2008 to 2011.

Sir Jesus and Sir Rev Neil collaborated on a project that allowed attendants of **the 44th Congress of the Spanish Association of Canada** to learn about Rizal. Sir Ambassador Jose Brillantes, Philippines Ambassador to Canada, joined our Winnipeg Knights to present to this Congress held in the University of British Columbia. They presented their Rizal related topics on June 3, 2008 (see page 33 for the details on the topics presented).

We are proud of our Area Commander as he is able to be involved and is constantly called upon by other organizations for service.

The membership was full of pride as one of our key members, KOR Winnipeg Chapter Advisor Sir Dr. Romy Magsino was the recipient of the **Order of Manitoba** which recognizes individuals who have demonstrated excellence and achievement in any field of endeavor (multiculturalism and education as related to Sir Dr. Romy) benefiting in an outstanding manner the social, cultural or economic well being of Manitoba and it's residents. The Lieutenant Governor of Manitoba, John Harvard, presented the certificate and medal with the insignia seen on page 11 at the Legislative Building on June 10, 2008. Please see page 34 for a brief biodata outlining Sir Dr. Romy's specializations. As the KOR international membership is aware, on August 19, 2007, a terrible accident resulted in severe injuries for Sir Dr. Romy—we continue to pray and hope for his complete recovery.

The Order of Manitoba medal has a stylized emblem of the crocus, the provincial floral emblem, bearing the shield of Manitoba's Coat of Arms surmounted by the Crown.



Sir Randy Viray, KCR and Chapter Auditor, has been fundraising annually for an orphanage in Metro Manila by way of organizing golf tournaments. Last year, as seen below, Sir Ambassador Jose Brillantes collaborated with Sir Randy for this purpose.



Sirs Dr. Roland Guzman and Dr. Tom Colina and others of the membership have continued to contribute to the worthwhile cause of fighting poverty in our homeland through donations to and involvement with ANCOP-Gawad Kalinga. Sir Dr. Roland donated on February, 2008 a sum of \$1800.00, the cost to build a house, to go to the GK Village Winnipeg in Narra Street, Marikina (his hometown). At right is a copy of a web article that chronicles Sir Dr. Tom's donation of \$2855.85 earned through a social fundraising event for Gawad Kalinga. Miss Sandy Vickner, long time hygienist, of Sir Dr. Tom's and co-chair of the fund raising event, hands over the cheque to Brother Vic Lopez, Winnipeg Area GK Coordinator in June, 2008. The donation was requested to be directed as well to the Marikina GK village health projects.

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Narra Winnipeg ANCOP GK Village in Marikina City receives additional funding



ANCOP GK's 777 mission continues its run in Winnipeg with the recent donation of \$2,855.85 from Ellice Dental Group/Pearl Family Dental Care. Said amount was raised from their ANCOP Fundraising Social last March 14th. The group led by Dr. Tom Colina agreed to use this donation for the Narra Winnipeg ANCOP GK Village in Marikina City, Philippines.

other stories:

The Winnipeg KOR Chapter membership continues to provide support for the Philippines Canadian Center of Manitoba (PCCM), the cultural and gathering center and pride of the Filipino Canadian Community of Winnipeg built from the ground up in 2004 through focus and efforts by numerous KOR members. Sir Dr. Rey Pagtakhan, former Member of Parliament of Canada, KGOR and chapter adviser, aided by organizing committee members Sir Edgar De Leon, KCR and Deputy Chapter Commander and Sir Rev. Dr. Neil Parado, headed the organization and co-hosted fundraising event and drive that involved hosting a dinner and breakfast with visiting former Philippines president Fidel Ramos. The events successfully raised awareness for the goals and objectives of the Gawad Kalinga(GK) movement that the former president has recently taken up cause for, as well as funds for the GK and the PCCM. The dinner that was called ***"A Night of Heroes"***, saw two members of the Winnipeg KOR honored by GK for their involvement in the movement. Sir Councillor Mike Pagtakhan had led a delegate of young people to help build homes in GK village in Tondo in 2007, while Sir Dr. Tom Colina had led a humanitarian mission to provide dental care and services to the GK villages in Marikina and Quezon City in 2007.



Above: Tony Meloto, past chairman and founder of ANCOP/Gawad Kalinga, Vic Lopez, Winnipeg Area GK organizer, Sir. Dr. Rey Pagtakhan, Mr. Larry Vickar, event co- host and local philanthropist, and visiting former Philippines president Fidel V. Ramos.



Above: Sir Councillor Mike Pagtakhan (far left) with members of his building delegation receives an award during the GK Night of Heroes event.

Other notable accomplishments related to the PCCM are the election of the PCCM Board of Directors on December 19, 2008 for the upcoming year. Once again, the KOR membership is well represented as new faces were elected to the Board. Of note was the election of Sir Rod Cantiveros, KCR and Public Relations Officer of the KOR Winnipeg Chapter, and husband of late Lady Linda Cantiveros. Rod eventually was called to act as the new president of the Board carrying on the tradition from Lady Linda. Ladies Dr. Irene Guzman, Leah Magsino were reelected while Lady Clarita Nazario was elected for a first term. Incumbent members included Sir Edgar De Leon, Sir Nap Eborra and Sir Claro Venzon. Sir Dr. Rey Pagtakhan had acted as the interim president of the Board while Sir Dr. Roland Guzman acted as Chair of the Nomination and Credentials Committee while Sir Felino De Jesus had served as the Chair of the Election Committee.

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who was a city hall page, she excelled in the music programs, so good in Math she attained 100% on her grade-12 provincial exam and shared her talent by tutoring her peers. In 2007 she won first place in Canadian speech competition at provincial level in French. She was awarded two big scholarships at Miles MacDonnell Collegiate, to illustrate the quality of young leaders there are in our community in Winnipeg, Canada (Above Brief Report prepared by Sir Felino de Jesus, KCR, YRA Chair). The 12th Anniversary Celebration of the Youth Recognition Awards Night on Nov. 8, 2008, was held at the Philippine-Canadian Centre of Manitoba (PCCM), the principal project of the Knights of Rizal & Ladies in collaboration with the 3 Levels of Government, the Filipino-Canadian Organizations and the community at large, and attended by 21 Knights of Rizal Winnipeg Chapter under the leadership of Sir Dr. Roland Guzman, KGOR, Sir Dr. Romy Magsino, KGOR, Sir Dr. Rey Pagtakhan, KGOR, Sir Rev. Dr. Neil Parado, KGOR, and Sir Dr. Tom Colina, KCR, Chapter Commander, and 14 Ladies of the Knights of Rizal, and 108 Guests, thanks most specially to Sir Felino de Jesus, KCR, Chairman,

Members and Advisors of the YRA Committee; to our YRA generous Donors and Supporters, notably, the Manitoba Ethnocultural Community Support Program of the Provincial Government, Ladies of the the Knights of Rizal, Sir Dr. Tom and Lady Sharon Colina, KCR, Sir Dr. Fran and Lady Lily Violago, KCR, Sir Councillor Mike Pagtakhan, KCR, Sir Terry Duguid, KCR, Sir Ross and Lady Norma Desiderio, KOR, Sir Rene and Lady Linda Carino, KCR, Sir MLA Kevin Lamoureux, KOR, Sir Gilles Delay, KOR, & Lady Dr. Lydia Lucman, Hon. MLA George Hicks, Hon. MLA Flor Marcelino, Hon. MLA Mohinder Saran, Mr. Larry and Mrs. Tova Vickar, Mrs. Fros de Jesus Pokhoy of A1 Nutrition, Mrs. Fely de Jesus Grieve of A1 Nutrition, Dr. Denise Viardo Koh, Mr. Darin Hoffman of Mosaic Funeral Services, and Capt. Gal & Dr. Raida Gobenciong-Varona.

A special Word of Thanks goes to Sir Manny and Lady Precy Fabre, KCR, for having designed and printed the YRA tickets and Programme; Sirs Mohamed Alli, KCR, Art Domingo, KCR, Moises Ben, KOR, Eliseo Mones, KOR, & PCCM Custodian Nards Maranan for having set up the tables and chairs and decorated the MPR; to Ladies Gory Parado, Julie Javier, Ampy Gobenciong, Dr. Irene Guzman, and Sir Philip Gobenciong for manning the Registration Table and ushering the Guests; to Sir Dino and Lady Lourdes Miranda of Pampanga Restaurant for catering; and to Glen Bonifacio of A & J Music.



Snapshots of highly successful KOR Youth recognition and Awards Night held on November 08, 2008.

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Sir Terry Duguid, KCR, Sir Manny Fabre, KCR, Sir John Gano, KCR, Sir Jesus Angel Miguel Garcia, KCR, Sir Councillor Mike Pagtakhan, and Sir Claro Venzon. These Knights will formally receive their Distinguished Service Medallion at a later date when their medallions are received from the International Headquarters. Sir Councillor Mike Pagtakhan as well as Sir Dr. Tom Colina were conferred their Lifetime Memberships. Sir Dr. Tom was present to receive his lifetime membership membership plaque as well as was honored and accepted on behalf of the Winnipeg Chapter membership the Distinguished Service Cross Award.

For a collage that chronicles the Assembly, see page 35.

The goal of establishing KOR Chapters in Western Canada progresses with the special efforts by the senior advisors of the Winnipeg KOR Chapter which saw Area Commander of Western Canada, Sir Rev Neil and Senior Consultant to the Supreme Commander, Sir Chito Collantes, perform initiation rites for the "King of Comedy" Dolphy (Rodolfo Quizon), after his show "Live Show of

Dolphy" on November 07, 2008 in Vancouver. Sir Resty Taruc, KCR, former member of the Winnipeg KOR Chapter and first president of the PCCM Board of Directors, who now resides in Vancouver, assisted in the ceremonies. Sir Resty was also called upon to serve as an interim chapter commander of the Vancouver Chapter that is under development. The following who will serve as charter members of the Vancouver Chapter were initiated along with Sir Dolphy:

- Sir Tom Avendano, President of the Multicultural Helping House Society
- Sir Gerry Garcia, former Ateneo Professor
- Sir Bodeng Juatco, Publisher of the Philippine Chronicle

For a collage chronicling this special event, see page 36.

Further, Sir Rev. Neil and Sir Dr. Tom continues to focus on the establishment of the Brandon KOR Chapter. Efforts of networking and recognizing potential qualified individuals have proceeded accordingly. The outlook is very good for this project.

Rizal Day Celebration 2008

The program and photos taken during the celebration is below:

112th COMMEMORATION OF DR. JOSE RIZAL 'S MARTYRDOM December 30, Tuesday, 2008

Part I: 3:00 P.M. - *Wreath-Laying Ceremony* at the Everlasting Granite Memorial Bench Marker of Dr. Jose Rizal in the Garden of Serenity, Chapel Lawn

Memorial Gardens, 4000 Portage Ave., Winnipeg City. Chairpersons: Sir Edgar and Lady Rosabelle de Leon, KCR, and Mr. Andrew Earle, Manager for Funeral Services.



Part II: 6:30 P.M. - ***Dinner, Ceremonial Rites & New Year's Eve Celebration*** at the Philippine-Canadian Centre of Manitoba (PCCM), 737 Keewatin St., Winnipeg City.

1. Entrance of Colors and Wpg. Chapter Council Officers and Advisors
Flagbearers: Sir Mohamed Alli, KCR, and Sir Ed Kean, KCR
2. National Anthems: *Bayang Magiliw* - Lady Precy Fabre
O Canada - Lady Gory Parado
3. Invocation: Sir Rev. Dr. Neil Parado, KGOR, Area Commander for Western Canada
4. Dinner (catered by Sir Dino & Lady Lourdes Miranda, KOR, of Pampanga Restaurant)
 - Acknowledgement of Guests : Sir Randy Viray, KCR, and Sir Mario Javier, KCR
 - A Special Dance *HABANERA DE JOVENCITA* : Lady Julie Javier & Lady Gory Parado
Lady Nena Ebora & Lady Cora Kean

5. Greetings Welcome: Sir Dr. Tom Colina, KCR, Wpg. Chapter Commander & Deputy Area Commander

6. Inspirational Message: Sir Dr. Rey Pagtakhan, KGOR, Western Canada Advisor

7. Community Singing *Bayang Pilipinas*

8. Necrological Service in honor of Sir Feliciano Cleofas, KOR: Sir Dr. Roland Guzman, KGOR, Presiding Officer

- Eulogy: Sir Philip Pascual, KCR

- Response: Lady Felixberta Maura Cleofas

9. Community Singing *Jose Rizal Song*

10. Ceremonial Rites: *Masters of Ceremonies* Sir Edgar de Leon, KCR, Deputy Chapter Commander

Sir Nap Ebor, KCR, Chancellor

Initiation to the 1st Degree (Knight of Rizal - KR): Sir Dr. Tom Colina, KCR, Presiding Officer

- Sir Darin Hoffman, KR, Sir Mike Knysh, KR, and Sir Ulyses Odulio, KR, were Initiated.
and

Elevation to the 2nd Degree (Knight Officer of Rizal - KOR)

- Sir Juanito Alimangohan, KOR, & Sir Chito Sta. Brigida, KOR, were Elevated.

Exaltation to the 3rd Degree (Knight Commander of Rizal - KCR): Sir Rev. Dr. Neil Parado, KGOR, Presiding Officer

- Sir Winston Esperanzate, KCR, Sir Jesus Angel Miguel Garcia, KCR, & Sir MLA Kevin Lamoureux, KCR, were Exalted.

11. Community Singing *Pilipinas Kong Mahal*

12. Presentation of Awards:

Lifetime Member Plaque: Sir Councillor Mike Pagtakhan, KCR, Awardee, to be presented by Sir Dr. Rey Pagtakhan, KGOR

Key Knight Award: Sir Philip Gobenciong, KOR, Awardee, to be presented by Sir Glynn Davies, KCR, Key Knight Cm. Chair

13. Closing Remarks: Sir Edgar de Leon, KCR, Deputy Chapter Commander

14. Community Singing *Panahon Lumipas*

15. Group Picture for the 17th International Assembly Souvenir Program



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DANCE DANCE DANCE

Masters of Ceremonies : Sir Felino de Jesus, KCR, Exchequer, and Sir Terry Duguid, KCR

KOR Winnipeg Chapter Inc. Plan of Action for 2009

The membership is confident that we will fulfill the goals and objectives for the upcoming year outlined below.

KoR Winnipeg Chapter 2009 Plan of Action

*** JANUARY 1-30th , 2009 : ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES DRIVE**

*** JANUARY 25, 2009, 2:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M. : JOINTS GENERAL ASSEMBLIES OF THE KoR AND LKoR, LKoR WPG CHAPTER ELECTION and RATIFICATION OF LKoR CONSTITUTION**

*** JANUARY 31st , 2009 : REMITTANCE TO SUPREME COUNCIL OF US \$15 per Knight in good standing.**

- **APRIL 2009, meeting., PCCM Boardroom : 3rd ANNIVERSARY OF INCORPORATION OF OKR WPG. CHAPTER, INC., Founded in 1991 with Sir Dr. Roland Guzman as its first Chapter Commander; Awarded in 1996 *The Most Outstanding Chapter* Trophy with Sir Dr. Romy Magsino as its Chapter Commnder; Incorporated on April 10,/06; at the 15th International Assembly in Jersey City, Sept.1-3 /06 Sir Rev. Dr. Neil Parado was awarded the *Distinguished Service Medal of Rizal* and cited as *The Most Outstanding Chapter Commander in Canada Region for RY 2005-2006* .**
- **Planning for KoR Community Research Project– DEVELOPING COMMUNITY SCHOLARS update developments**
- **April 2009 -meeting by partner organizations Manitoba Association of Filipino Teachers (MAFTI) and the Knights of Rizal Winnipeg Chapter to establish partnership for application to the New Horizons for Senior's Program with a project focused on raising awareness of elder abuse in the Filipino and other Asian Communities. More information will follow on approval of the regional grant.**

***MAY , 2009 : OKR SENIORS' WELLNESS SEMINAR, held at FILCASA, 442 William Ave., Winnipeg from 8:30 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. on Topics TBA**

*** JUNE 7 - 14th , 2009 : PHILIPPINE HERITAGE CELEBRATIONS, hosted by the Philippine Heritage Council of Manitoba and co-sponsored by the Knights and Ladies of Rizal, Winnipeg Chapter & other Filipino-Canadian Organizations:**

Events in the week include flag raising at the Philippines Canadian Center of Manitoba (PCCM) as well as an evening that explores ethnic diversity in the city of Winnipeg in a program called "Share Our World" which venue is also in the PCCM.

***June 19th or 20th , 2009: OKR 147th Birthday of Dr. Jose Rizal Celebration;**

Program to be developed.

Tentative plan involves celebration of 1st Anniversary of the unveiling of the Dr. Jose Rizal Way in Winnipeg with celebration at the site. An evening fundraising social is also being planned out.

***Aug. 3 - 16th /09: FOLKLORAMA** in which Knights and Ladies volunteer at the Philippine Pavilions.

***Aug. 16th , /09, Sunday: 2nd OKR Annual Golf Tournament, Kingswood Golf Course and Country Club, La Salle, Manitoba, to raise funds for the KOR operating funds specifically directed towards the KOR Youth Recognition Program and other charities.**

***October 17th /09: Youth Recognition Awards Night at PCCM to honour young Filipino-Canadian High School Graduates for their Academic and Leadership Excellence:**

Possible launching of the Knights of Rizal Cultural Research Project-Developing Community Scholars.

***November 07 /09: Knights of Rizal - sponsored Seniors' Wellness Seminar at FILCASA from 8:00 A.M to 1:30 P.M on Medications and related topics.**

***November /09 –organizational meeting for the new project for Elder Abuse Awareness—designed to raise awareness among ethno-cultural communities-title: "*Innovative Cultural Approaches in the Prevention of Elder Abuse*" .**

***November 29th /09: PCCM ANNUAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY & ELECTION OF PCCM BOARD OF DIRECTORS.**

***December 30th /09: 112th Anniversary of Dr. Jose Rizal's Martyrdom**

Excerpts from the minutes of the City Council Meeting—the original motion

Moved by Councillor Pagtakhan,

WHEREAS Winnipeg consists of approximately 50,000 Filipinos, a substantial number of whom

live in the Point Douglas Ward near Keewatin and Inkster;

AND WHEREAS Doctor Jose Rizal was instrumental in the Philippines' Independence from

Spain (June 12, 1898) and is internationally recognized as an ardent and peaceful advocate of

Filipino culture, rights and freedoms;

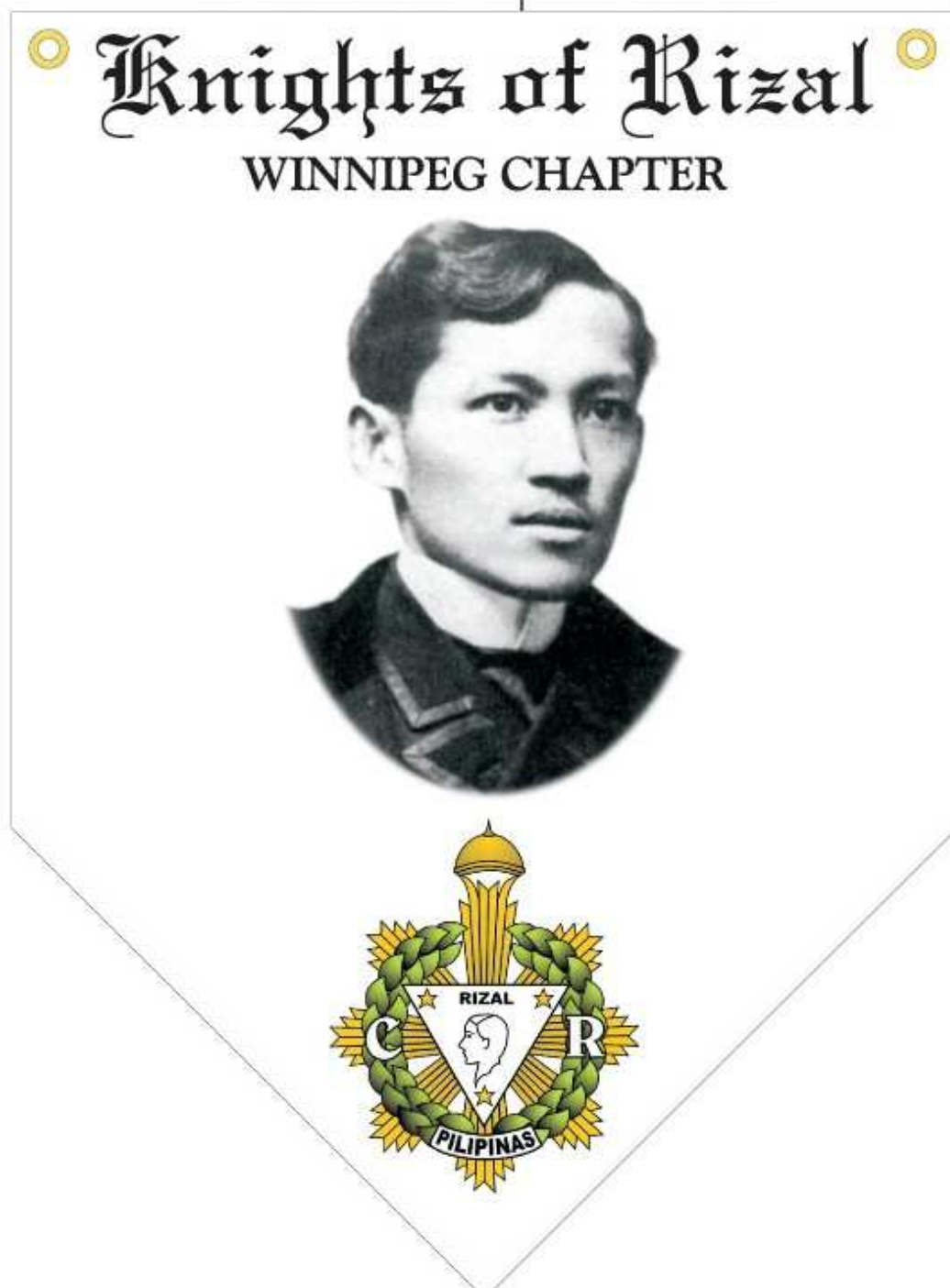
AND WHEREAS the established and highly regarded Manitoba Chapter of the Knights of Rizal

proposes to honour both Doctor Jose Rizal and the Philippine–Canadian community in Winnipeg;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Keewatin Street north of Santa Fe Drive be renamed Doctor Jose Rizal Way in honour of Doctor Jose Rizal and Philippine Independence, and forwarded to the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development.

Carried

The Podium Banner –design by Sir Felino de Jesus KCR and chair of the Action Committee for the Street Unveiling for Dr. Jose Rizal Way





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Winnipeg Chapter, Inc.



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The City of Winnipeg Council
C/o His Worship Mayor Sam Katz
City Hall, 510 Main Street
Winnipeg, MB R3B 1B9

Dear Members of Council:

Greetings from the Filipino community and the Winnipeg Chapter, Order of the Knights of Rizal!

The Order of the Knights of Rizal is an international organization, which was officially established by a statutory act of the Government of the Philippines on June 14, 1951, in order to propagate the memory and principles of Dr. Jose Rizal, the country's national hero. This non-profit, non-partisan, non-sectarian organization has spread in many countries, including Canada. The Regional Office is in Toronto, but it has a very energetic chapter here in Winnipeg.

On behalf of the Filipino community and the Knights of Rizal in Winnipeg, we are very pleased and honoured to request that a new street/avenue in the City be named after Dr. Rizal. We believe that naming a new street after him can be justified for several reasons.

1. Many streets are named after individuals who historically have made significant contributions to society or humankind. Dr. Rizal made a mark in history through his espousal of the dignity of peoples, particularly Filipinos, who were colonized by the Spaniards for 333 years. Through his writings and activities, he aroused the consciousness of the Filipino people and inspired them to work for independence. With him as their symbol and inspiration, Filipinos fought for their sovereignty and nearly succeeded, unfortunately only to be occupied by another colonial power, the United States of America.

2. Dr. Rizal's idea of respect for persons and its corollary, respect for the dignity of peoples, imply the fundamental principles of freedom, equality, justice, and well-being, all of which are principles that underlie the institutions and workings of Canadian society. Honouring Dr. Rizal in Canada is to recognize the universal Rizalian idea of respect for individuals and peoples, as well as its corollary fundamental principles.
3. Dr. Rizal has been honoured in other places; for example, the Government of Malaysia many years ago declared Dr. Jose Rizal as the Great Malayan.
4. Toronto has honoured Dr. Rizal by having a street named after him.
5. Winnipeg is one of the most diverse cities in Canada, and it is heartwarming that the City has welcomed many peoples from different cultural backgrounds and has recognized their contributions and heritages, in line with the policy of multiculturalism in this country. We in the Filipino community are happy that the City of Winnipeg has named one of its streets after the great East Indian hero, Mahatma Gandhi, who inspired the successful effort of East Indians to struggle for freedom in India. We trust that the Council of the City of Winnipeg will equally recognize Dr. Jose Rizal through a street name. Such recognition will not only signify the Council's acknowledgement of the presence of Filipinos in Winnipeg; it will also be much appreciated by the largest visible minority community in the City.

We trust that the Council of the City of Winnipeg will positively consider this request. We, together with the initiators of this project, Messrs. Felino de Jesus and Terry Duguid, will be very happy to appear before the Council to personally pursue our request, should that be necessary.

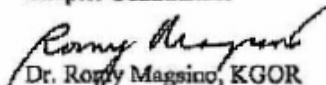
We can be reached in the following address: PCCM, 737 Keewatin St., Wpg., Mb., R2X 3B9, or through the phone at 633-9538 of Dr. Tom Colina.

Please receive our thanks and warmest best wishes.

Truly yours,



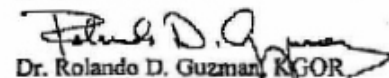
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Ang Peryodiko

May 16-31, 2008

Winnipeg street renamed Dr. Jose Rizal Way

WINNIPEG – The Filipino Canadian community in Winnipeg are awaiting with excitement the official unveiling of the new name of Keewatin Street north of Santa Fe Drive to Dr. Jose Rizal Way in honor of the Philippine national hero. The official ceremony will take place on June 19, the birth anniversary of Dr. Jose P. Rizal.

Speakeaded by the Knights of Rizal led by Winnipeg Chapter Commander, Dr. Tom Colina, the concept plan was initially drawn up Felino de Jesus and Terry Nuguid. An action committee was then established composed of Dr. Colina, Rev. Neil Parado, Councillor Mike Pagtakhan and Messrs. De Jesus and Nuguid.

On June 19, 2007, Councillor Pagtakhan presented a motion to the Lord Selkirk-West Kildonan Community Committee headed by Councillor Mike O'Shaughnessy to rename that portion of Keewatin Street to honor both Dr. Jose Rizal and his contributions that led to the Philippines' gaining independence from Spain on June 12, 1898. Dr. Colina also made a presentation to the

Committee where he spoke about the hero's accomplishments and cited the specific reasons for the street renaming.

The Committee then recommended the renaming of the street to the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development.

On July 18, 2007 during a City Council meeting, Councillor Pagtakhan formally presented the motion to rename the street which was subsequently approved by the Council.

This recognition by the City of Winnipeg reflects its respect and high regard for the Philippine national hero as well as its acknowledgement of the contributions of the Philippine Canadian community now numbering about 50,000, the largest minority group in Winnipeg.

The Knights of Rizal promotes the ideals of Dr. Jose Rizal, particularly his respect for human dignity and his peaceful advocacy for freedom and individual rights.

This year's commemoration of Dr. Rizal's birth anniversary takes a special meaning as the City of Winnipeg gives due recognition to the Philippines' foremost hero.



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July 1-15, 2008

Ang Perpekito

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KOR unveils Dr. Jose Rizal Way

WINNIPEG (June 19, 2008) — In a historic moment for all Filipino Canadians,

Dr. Jose Rizal Way in Winnipeg was officially unveiled during ceremonies

commemorating the 147th birth anniversary of the Philippines' national hero.

Located at Keeswain Extension and Adams Drive, the newly named street honours the

legacy of Dr. Jose Rizal whose literary works espoused nationalism, equal rights and the pursuit of independence through peaceful means.

The Knights of Rizal (KOR)

that initiated the street naming spearheaded the celebration which was attended by representatives of the three levels of government and various guests. Embassy Consul Adil

Pangilinan delivered her greetings on behalf of the Philippine Government. The KOR Winnipeg Chapter is headed by Dr. Tom Colino, Chapter Commander.



PC's Hugh McFadyen hosts fundraiser

WINNIPEG (June 23, 2008) — Progressive Conservative leader Hugh McFadyen hosted a fundraising dinner held at Victoria International by over 500 supporters and friends.

Former leader of the PC party in 2006, McFadyen is currently the leader of the official opposition in the Manitoba Legislature.

Keynote speaker during the event was Minister of National Defense Hon. Peter MacKay who talked about the sacrifices of Canadian troops serving in Afghanistan to preserve democracy and the Afghan's way of life. MacKay named the enthusiasm of children attending school and the participation of Afghan women in Afghan politics. Despite the fact that Canadian troops are consistently targeted by Taliban terrorist attacks their dedication to accomplishing their mission is unquestionable.

MacKay was previously the country's Foreign Affairs

Minister. He became the PC's Deputy Leader in March 2004 when the Progressive Conservative Party united with the Canadian Alliance Party.

Other party members who attended were MLA As Laroza

Reywal of Minnedosa, Sherry Driedger of Charleswood, Heather Stefanson of Tuxedo, Larry Maguire of Arthur-Virden, Marie Trillien of Morris and Peter George Dyck of Pembina.



PC Leader Hugh McFadyen



Hon. Peter MacKay, Hon. Ursula Fokkema, MP Rob Brunette and MLA Laroza Reyes



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Chronology of events in renaming part of Keewatin Street all the way to the Perimeter Hwy. into DR. JOSE RIZAL WAY

By: Sir Felino de Jesus KCR and Sir Councilor Mike Pagtakhan KCR

CONGRATS & THANKS, SIR COUNCILLOR MIKE, and of course His Worship, Mayor Sam Katz, the Honourable Members of Wpg. City Council and public employees for approving our request! May I add the following information prior to June 19th /07 just to keep the record complete:

*Sir Felino de Jesus and Sir Terry Duguid had a private meeting at Sir Terry's old International Centre for Infectious Diseases (ICID) office to strategize the effort for success.

*Sir Felino introduced the plan on a special meeting at Dr. Tom Colina's Pearl Family Dental Care Office on March 14th, 10:30 P.M.: Present were Sirs Felino, Dr. Tom & Rev. Neil.

* April 25 /07, 6:00 P.M . in Sir Terry Duguid's New Office at the ICID Office. Present: Sirs Felino, Terry, Dr. Tom and Rev. Neil.

* May 1 /07: Sir Dr. Romy wrote a letter to Mayor Sam Katz and the City Council re the OKR request to name a street after Dr . Rizal, signed by Sirs Dr. Tom , Rev. Dr. Neil, Dr. Romy and Dr. Roland.

* May 17 /07, 9:00 P.M . The Dr. Jose Rizal Way Committee met at the residence of Sir Dr .Tom. Present are: Sirs Felino, Terry, Councilor Mike Pagtakhan, Dr. Tom Colina and Rev .Neil. A copy of Sir Dr. Romy's letter to the City was provided to all present.

A synopsis of the events that took place in the process to realize the renaming of Keewatin north of Santa Fe Drive to Dr. Jose Rizal Way.

1.) the original motion presented to the Lord Selkirk West Kildonan Community Committee

2.) the decision of the Lord Selkirk West Kildonan Community Committee to concur in therequest made by the Knights of Rizal (Minute 288). Several members of the Knights of Rizal came to speak in support of the motion including Sir Rev. Dr. Neil, Chapter Commander Sir Dr. Tom Colina, Sir Felino de Jesus, and Sir Terry Duguid,,and other Knights (Sirs Dr. Romy Magsino, Les Crisostomo, John Gano, Milton Mestito, Claro Venzon, Ed Kean) were in the gallery to show their support.

3.) Council's decision of July 18, which was preceded by concurrence from The Standing Policy Committee on Planning Property & Development of July 13th, 2007, and Executive

Policy Committee's concurrence where several members of the Knights of Rizal made a delegation including Sir Felino de Jesus, Sir Dr. Tom Colina, Sir Terry Duguid, and Sir Councilor Mike Pagtakhan, and other Knights (Sirs Dr. Romy Magsino, Dr. Roland Guzman, Dr. Rey Pagtakhan, Rev. Dr. Neil Parado, Les Crisostomo, Claro Venzon, Jesus Angel Miguel Garcia, and John Gano) were in the gallery to show their support. Congratulations to you Sir Felino to Chapter Commander Dr. Tom Colina and to all of the brother Knights who have come out time after time in support of this awesome initiative. This is a historic moment in our City !!!

Mike Pagtakhan, B.A. CIM, C.P.P.

City Councilor – Point Douglas Ward

The OKR project of naming a street after Dr. Rizal has been approved by the Wpg. City Council on July 18th /07 through the efforts of Sir Councilor Mike Pagtakhan and Sirs Felino de Jesus and Terry Duguid and Dr. Romy Magsino who wrote the letter on behalf of the Knights to the City Council.

On Thursday afternoon, July 26th, at 5:30 P.M., July 26th, a meeting chaired by Sir Felino and attended by Sirs Councilor Mike, Dr. Romy, Les Crisostomo, Dr. Tom Colina (Chapter Commender), Ed Kean. Manny Febre and Rev. Dr. Neil Parado tentatively scheduled the unveiling of the Dr. Jose Rizal Way street signs which starts on northern Keewatin Street from Adsum Drive up to the Perimeter on Oct. 12th, Friday, at 11:00 A.M. , the eve of the OKR Youth Recognition Awards Night '07 at PCCM. This was postponed for the following year due to that terrible vehicular accident involving Sir Dr. Romy Magsino, Lady Leah, daughter Mabelle and her husband Alan on August 19, 2007.

On March 12, Wednesday, 2008, at Kam Ho Chinese Restaurant on St. Mary's Rd. and Fermor Ave., Sirs Felino de Jesus, Dr. Tom Colina, Terry Duguid, Councilor Mike Pagtakhan, Rev. Dr. Neil and Lady Gory Parado, had a dinner meeting to discuss the Press Release Event of *Dr. Jose Rizal Way* on June 19, 2008, the 147th Birthday of Dr. Jose Rizal.

The Knights of Rizal in formal uniform with medals and Ladies of the Knights of Rizal in uniform. The Plan is to invite Mayor Sam Katz, Councilors, Premier Gary Doer or other Provincial, Federal Officials, as well as schoolchildren from nearby schools, Community Organizations and Community at large will be invited to attend. Sir Dr. Romy will write a brief biodata of Dr. Rizal which could be published in ANG PERIODIKO and Sir Councilor Mike Pagtakhan will write about the process how the City Council approved the naming of northern Keewatin Street from Adsum Drive up to the Perimeter into Dr. Jose Rizal Way.



SAM KATZ
MAYOR • MAIRE

July 28, 2008

Sir Dr. Tom Colina, KCR
The Order of the Knights of Rizal
Winnipeg Chapter Inc.
118 Harvard Avenue
Winnipeg MB R3M 0K4

Congratulations

Dear Sir Colina,

On behalf of The City of Winnipeg, I would like to acknowledge your organization, The Order of Knights of Rizal, for your efforts into making Dr. Jose Rizal Way a reality.

The creation of Dr. Jose Rizal Way, named after the national hero of the Philippines is sure to inspire a sense of community to the 50,000 plus of Filipino people living in Winnipeg. It is a wonderful contribution to have a figure such as Dr. Jose Rizal who propagates an inspiring story of martyrdom, peace, patriotism, and unity not only to the Filipino community but to citizens of the globe.

Again, congratulations on your accomplishment. I would like to take this opportunity to extend best wishes for the future.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads 'Sam Katz'.

Sam Katz
MAYOR

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| Liza Myles Reyes | 90.00% | Sisler High School |
| Tiphannie Felix | 90.20% | Sisler High School |
| Jan Ulric Macaraeg Garcia | 97.60% | Maples Collegiate |
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| Ronald Gervacio | 99.10% | TecVoc High School |
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| Maria Carmela Carandang Kalaw | 96.90% | Dakota Collegiate |
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MANITOBA LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
PRIVATE MEMBER'S STATEMENT

Mohinder Saran, MLA The Maples
September 25, 2008
Ceremony for Naming Dr. José Rizal Way

Madam Deputy Speaker, I rise today to acknowledge a historic moment for Filipino Canadians. The renaming of Keewatin Street north of Sante Fe Drive to Dr. José Rizal Way occurred this past June 19 in recognition of the 147th birth anniversary of the Philippines' national hero Dr. José Rizal.

Dr. Rizal is extolled by the Filipino community for his martyrdom in 1896 against the colonial efforts of the Spanish during the Philippine revolution. Rizal was knowledgeable in many subject areas and was an academic, a historian, a writer, an artist, a scientist and a doctor. He believed in peaceful reform as a way to change the status quo and championed both non-violence and education as tools of social change. However, he was found guilty of rebellion against the colonial Spanish government by the Spanish court and sentenced to death before a firing squad.

In death, Dr. Rizal became a hero of the revolution, and he's regarded by the Filipino community as a great advocate for freedom. Madam Deputy Speaker, it is a fitting honour that we should recognize such an outstanding individual whose contributions to peace and justice are still remembered today.

The renaming initiative was spearheaded by the Knights of Rizal, Winnipeg Chapter, a civic, non-partisan, cultural organization which is part of the Order of the Knights of Rizal founded in 1911 for the purpose of studying the teachings of Dr. Rizal.

It is an honour and a privilege to acknowledge the significance of this renaming effort and to support Manitoba's Filipino community with a lasting symbol of pride and commitment to their unique culture and heritage. Thank you, Madam Deputy Speaker.

Mohinder Saran

**XLIV Congreso de la Asociación Canadiense de
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Tuesday, June 3, 2008

2:30 P.M. – 3:30 P.M.

**“Rizal y España en Filipinas” (1 de 1). Organizador:
Sir Jesús Ángel Miguel García, KOR, (Instituto Español
de Manitoba). Moderador: Sir Jesús Ángel Miguel
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□ **Sir Hon.Dr.José Serrano Brillantes, KGOR, Philippine
Ambassador to Canadá). *“The Knights of Rizal as a tool
for International Diplomacy”***

□ **Sir Rev. Dr. Neil Parado, KGOR, Area Commander for
Western Canada, *“Brief History of the Order of the
Knights of Rizal, in honour of the foremost National
Hero of the Philippines”***

□ **Sir Jesús Ángel Miguel García, KOR, Wpg. Chapter
Pursuivant, and Director, Spanish Institute of Manitoba,
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