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SPU MANILA STANDS UP TO BE COUNTED AGAINST MARCOS BURIAL AS HERO

St. Paul University Manila, as an active member of the Catholic Educational Association of the Philippines or CEAP, adopts and supports Duyan ng Magiting's Letter to President Rody Duterte on the plan to bury Ferdinand Marcos in the Libingan ng mga Bayani.



"We-students, teachers, priests and nuns, activists, good governance and human rights advocates and ordinary Filipinos - stand with Martial Law victims and claimants-survivors against granting a hero's burial to the late dictator Ferdinand E. Marcos at the Libingan Ng Mga Bayani. The Libingan is a national shrine for heroic Filipinos who have rendered great service and sacrifice for the nation, including 32,268 WWII military personnel who bravely suffered the Death March.

As citizens, we plead with you to finally end all plans of burying Ferdinand E. Marcos at the Libingan, and to urge the Marcos family to permanently bury Mr. Marcos in Ilocos.

Mr. Marcos' final resting place determines how our past is remembered and how our future as a nation will be cast. The pillars upon which your administration rests, marked by the strong platforms of fighting corruption and criminality, will lose value if we give this undeserved honor to the country's most infamous plunderer and tyrant. We ask you to affirm to our nation's children that wrongdoing is not something to be emulated.

When the Marcos family returned from exile, they gave their word to former President Fidel V. Ramos that his body would be buried in his hometown, and that they would return the ill-gotten wealth they amassed. At his deathbed, Mr. Marcos himself asked that he be buried next to his mother in Ilocos, where he is revered and loved. Sadly, none of these promises and wishes have been fulfilled.

Fulfilling Mr. Marcos's deathbed wish will give us all the unity and closure that this country desperately needs. At the same time, it grants our nation a final measure of justice, justice due decades-long after the dark chapter of our history under dictatorial rule.

Mr. Marcos does not belong in the Libingan ng mga Bayani.

He was not a hero. His medals were proven to be fake and fabricated. He ordered the torture, detention, and death of thousands who dared question his rule. He was a plunderer who was responsible for a failed economy – the effects of which we are seeing now in the oppressive poverty we see all around us, causing much of the massive criminality you are fighting so hard against.

Given the gravity of Mr. Marcos' crimes against the people and country, his burial at the Libingan will not heal or foster unity. It will invalidate all that many heroes have spent their lives fighting for—heroes such as your beloved mother, whom we honor and remember as one of the strongest crusaders in the fight for democracy and justice.

We look forward to your promise of change being fulfilled, of old wrongs being redressed. We ask that you take the biggest step in rectifying one of the country's oldest wrongs.

President Rody, we ask nothing that you have not already promised. Justice. Unity. Healing. A better Philippines as envisioned by the thousands who gave the ultimate sacrifice to restore the freedoms that we now enjoy. President Rody, we ask that you heal this festering wound. Let this be your legacy. Please do not allow the burial of Mr. Marcos at the Libingan ng mga Bayani."

SPMAFI HOLDS FOUR-PRONGED MEETING

The meeting of the St. Paul Manil Alumni Foundation, Inc. (SPMAFI) on 2 August 2016 had four major agenda items.

The first topic was the update on the Golden Jubilarians' plans for the homecoming in January 2017 given by HS 1957 lead, Celia Sandejas. Mrs. Sandejas said that the final plans will be presented in the September meeting.

Second on the agenda was the proposal for a special screening of a Brillante Mendoza film in SM Manila for the SPU Manila students. The screening, which will be held in September or October, will also feature an exhibit on the University and a Q and A with Mr. Mendoza, an internationally acclaimed director.

Dr. Marichen Dychangco, Vice-President for Academic Services introduced Madonna Sanchez, an alumna (AB-CA 1981), who produced an indie film, *EDSA*, which won the Best Picture Award from the Cinemalaya, as well as Best Picture, Best Cinematography, Best Editing, and Best Sound.

Ms. Sanchez (shown second from left in photo right) invited the administration, faculty, and alumnae to watch the screening of the movie on 12 August 2016 in the CCP Little Theater.



Highlight of the meeting was the celebration of the birthday of Sr. Ma. Anunciata Sta. Ana, SPC, SPMAFI Moderator.



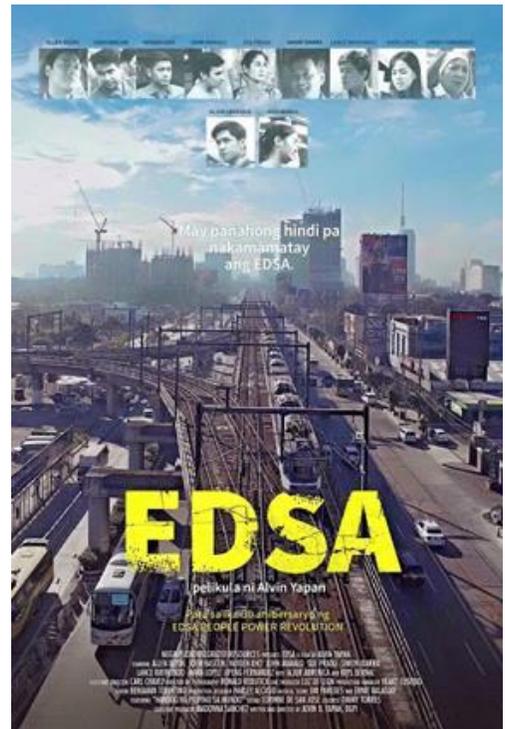
Sr. Anunciata blowing the candles on her cake

and posing for a souvenir photo with her well-wishers.

SPU MANILA REPS WATCH *EDSA*, THE MOVIE

Sr. Evangeline Anastacio, SPC, President, led a group of Sisters, administrators, faculty, and alumnae in watching a special screening of the movie, *EDSA*, on 12 August 2016 in the CCP Little Theater.

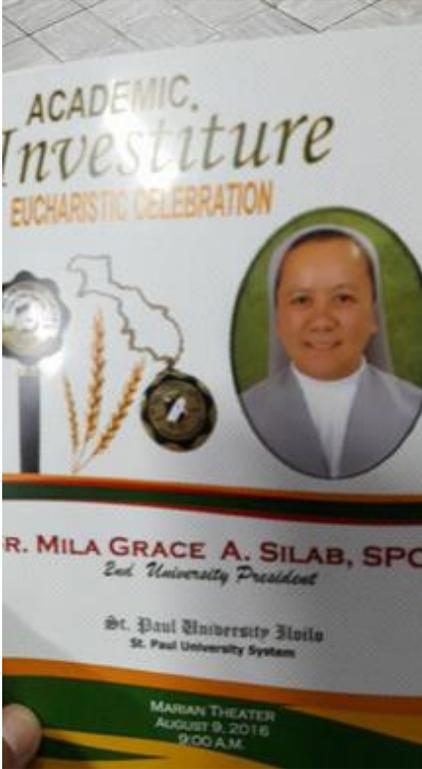
It was the school's way of giving its support and congratulations to Madonna Sanchez (AB-CA 1981), producer of the award winning film.



Producer, Donna Sanchez, standing second from right, with SPU Manila routers—Marichen Dychangco, Popi Gutay, Lahla Laforteza, Wynna Medina, Sr. Anunciata, Sr. Evangeline, Annette Asuncion, MOM, and Sr. Flor.

NEWSBITS IN PHOTOS

**INSTALLATION OF SR. MILA GRACE SILAB, SPC
PRESIDENT, ST. PAUL UNIVERSITY ILOILO**



**AND VISIT TO MERE MONIQUE HOME
IN ILOILO**



HAPPY FEASTDAY, MAMA MARY, AND HAPPY ENTRANCE DAY, SISTERS



**HAPPY FEAST DAY: SR. FLORDELIZA
SR. ASSUMPTA, AND SR. MA. CELINE**



HAPPY ENTRANCE DAY: SR. JESUSA, SR. ANGELY AND SR. HEIDI

**NEW FRIEND OF ST. PAUL: ARCHITECT CARLOS DYCHANGCO
RENEWAL OF PROMISE: SPU MANILA FRIENDS OF ST. PAUL**



SPU Manila Friends of St. Paul with Sr. Evangeline, President, and Sr. Anunciata, Moderator, Sr. Jesusa, Sr. Flor, and Sr. Angely

Architect Carlos Dychangco (seated second from right) with wife, Marichen, Sisters, and other SPU Manila Friends of St. Paul



INVITATION TO ALUMNAE



Sr. Evangeline Anastacio, SPC, posted the following invitation to alumnae:

Be a Paulinian and become the best that you can BE!

Dear Paulinians from St. Paul Manila,

What is it that you like best about St. Paul University Manila, your alma mater? I encourage you to tell us about this. You can take a video or an audio recording of yourself and express how your Paulinian education has made an impact in your life. If you agree to have it published as part of our promotional campaign for our beloved SPU Manila, please share it with me on Facebook through PM together with your name, program, and year.

This will be of great help to us in our efforts to expand young people's access to Paulinian education.