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### **NORMA MANANKIL'S COLUMN**



SIR Robby Tantingco, an advocate at the Center for Capampangan Studies at Holy Angel University in Angeles City, Pampanga, announced an exciting project sponsored by book author Conrado Nepomuceno Manankil Jr., who hails from and now resides in Chicago, USA. He further noted that despite their age, 86 and 89 respectively as well as their distance and health challenges, Conrad and his wife Norma continue to promote the Amanung Sisuan

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This project of the Center for Capampangan Studies is a one-day, on-the-spot essay writing contest in the Capampangan language, with all entries typed on a computer. It is open to stu-

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ing and Essay contest, Gina Santuyo Cherry Mallari and Irene Tulio.



KAPAMPANGAN cultural advocate and book author Conrado Manankil Jr. with his wife Norma (seated) together with Center for Kapampangan Studies (CKS) officers Robby Tantingco (standing, center), Leo Calma Jr. (L), and Myra Lopez (R), during the celebration of Aldo ning Amanung Sisuan as part of Buwan ng Wika (August).

dents across Pampanga, with prizes of ₱25,000 for college, ₱20,000 for high school, and ₱10,000 for elementary participants.

The main objective of the contest is to promote the continued use of the Capampangan language. The winners were announced by HAU President on Aug. 29 at the Peter G. Nepomuceno Auditorium.

HAU Pres. Leopoldo Jaime Valdez took center stage at the over crowded Peter Nepomuceno auditorium.

End of the program also featured the screening of the Kapampangan mini short film "Ing Tanaman a Maimut" and the launching of the Kapampangan translation of Antoine de Saint Exulerry's "The Little Prince".

# PANEL OF JUDGES

Dr. Maria Torosa S







# **BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS**



ARLENE Inocencio's (seated) 80th birthday celebration with daughters Mylene Dizon (actress in the PH), Jessica McKeon, Cristina Dizon, Dino Dizon. Also in the photo (not in order) Melody Dizon, Ric Vergel de Dios, Ruben inocencio and Jed McKeon.

## **PIWC / PMAC PICTORIALS**



PIWC 2025 Chair Dr. Nida Hernaez (L) with her husband Dr. Edward Hernaez, and their daughter, Dr. Anne Margaret Hernaez, crowned 2025 PIWC Ms. Illinois on June 28 at the Hyatt Regency in Rosemont.



NORMA with Ms. Salvy Marino, past president of the PMAC Auxiliary.



RIGODON DE HONOR participants gave a standing ovation to choreographer Norma Manankil (2nd from right, front).



PMAC guest performers (not in order) Mr. and Mrs. Ramon Lopez, Mr. and Mrs. Castro, Mr. and Mrs. Gadrinab, Dr. Phoebe Tan, Roger Liboon and Norma Tsai



DURING the PMAC Auxiliary Foundation picnic at Seafood City, five college scholars: Amileah Bautista, Jenna Tumlos, Elliana Stotler, Mike Mornell and Jayem Nato proudly showing their checks received from their sponsor, PMAC Foundation.



BIRTHDAY celebration of Arlene Inocencio with Circulo Capampangan Friends



CIRCULO picnic celebrating the birthdays of August celebrants Dr. Maelen Pantano (5th from left) and her sister, Stella Muñoz. Drs. Maelen and John Pantano (inset).