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Message from the Chairs

Progress celebrates victories. Every man who is progressive have triumphed over handicaps- economic, physical, mental and most of all emotional. We don't make progress by standing on the sidelines, whimpering and complaining. We make progress by implementing ideas.

In tonight's Progress Awards we will hear stories of how twenty-nine individuals accomplished what they were set to do. Each one of them with their unique setbacks had learned to weave their own strategies to be successful above and beyond personal gains. We hope that by recognizing their achievements and community service, the United Filipino Council of Hawaii will inspire our young people to follow the same principles of success and the same approach to greatness with the end in view of giving back to their community.

This evening, we will look back and give thanks to the Father of the Progress Awards as we bestow a special Award of Distinction to Mr. Antonio V. Ramil. His foresight in honoring the fine examples of Filipino ingenuity has become a tradition of tribute since 1988. We will also witness the re-affirmation of commitment by the new slate of officers officiated by last year's recipient, Judge Simeon Acoba.

Of course all these events wouldn't have been possible without the hard work of the members of our steering committee, our sponsors and patrons, our advertisers and most of all, your presence and desire to share this evening of homage.

"Coming together is a beginning. Keeping together is progress, Working together is success" says a famous quotation. Let us all join hands and rally behind this collective march to success.

Mabuhay and Dios Ti Agngina,



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From: Dolly Ortal [mailto:dollyortal@hotmail.com]

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To: Chulet; Bryan P. Andaya; Menor; Mestralynne@aol.com

Subject: RE: VOTE FOR UFCH PROGRESS AWARDEES

My vote:

Ariel is only 1 semester here. I believe it is not his time yet. The Iloco Foundation was partly the hardwork of the late Lolinda Ramos, GUMIL OAHU, and Espiritu and many other community leaders. UFCH donation for ILOCO Foundation is subject to the availability of funds. This year it was not included in the awardees. Our returning students needed every penny of UFCH funds. My husband's Foundation/DREAMS is a donor to the ILOCO F, too. The award was cut, Iloco can afford to stage expensive parties, I do believe there are other places who needed the donaion most. UFCH is overlooked to be mentioned as a donor after Espiriture retired. Let us give to Ceasar what is to Ceasar.

What am I talking about? No relevance to the award? Of course it has, very much. A nominee has to work very, very hard for the award, not the degrees, not the medals, not the schools, but how HE/SHE has made a difference in the lives of others.

Let us do a research on projects initiated by nominees. What happened to Philippine Enquirer, Gladys? Remember you solicited from me for 2 year subscription. 5 copies came then Kaput. No refund, no explanation, no nothing. Who were the people involved in this project?

The meeting 2 weeks ago we wrote Ligaya Ricaforte under Education. Let us put her back.

My vote goes to Ligaya Ricaforte.

This is for the Progress Award Committe only.

I am expressing what i believe in. It is not for a particular person but for any nominee, for that matter.

If it goes out of hand, it is UFCH responsibility.

Dolly Ortal
Auditor