

Bailliage National des Philippines

GRAND CHAPITRE INTERNATIONAL

Celebrating 40 years of Excellence!

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Manila Polo Club, Makati City

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MICHEL J. LHUILLIER

Bailli Delegue National
Membre, Conseil Magistral

Mes chers confreres,

Anniversaries are important milestones that we remember and celebrate because they mark special occasions in our lives and invite us to call to mind happenings in the past that shaped us into what we have become and brought us to where we are today.

This year we mark the 40th anniversary of the Chaîne des Rotisseurs' Bailliage de Manille which was created in 1972 at a precarious time in Philippine history. It must have seemed irrelevant then to found an organization whose heart lies in things that, in times of chaos and fear such as the early 70s were, might have been deemed out of step with the times—good food, fine wines, impeccable table manners, and the exclusive company of kindred spirits. But like all good things, the Chaîne has not only survived but thrived, proving that anything that lifts the soul and warms the heart can endure the toughest tests and, indeed, does.

It is to the credit of the men and women of the Chaîne who came before us that we are here today to savor the pleasures of the table in the company of dear friends. Our thanks to them and our congratulations to our present members who today lend life and color to our organization.

Today, we lift our hands in thanksgiving for the Chaîne and raise our glasses in praise of the splendid concept upon which it rests, certain that as long as there are people in our midst who appreciate and seek the finest things that life has to offer, the Chaîne will be here to stay!
Vive le confrerie! Vive la chaîne!



FEDERICO S. BORROME0, JR.

Bailli de Manille

To my dear confreres,

It has been said that one should be careful with whom one dines with as it is fraught with meaning as in breaking bread with someone, a symbol of peace and mutual respect, a form of intimacy between family members, close friends or lovers in a date.

For the past forty years the Chaîne des Rotisseurs in the Philippines has been fostering this kind of fraternity and the culture of the table in new and exciting ways; in experimenting with menus and titillating liquors and beverages in the experience of stately functions formal dinner with awesome vintage wines and of caresse champagne.

With the flurry of activities leading to the Grand Chapitre International compressing of spectacular events over 5 days. We have collated pictures over the past two years with a reference to the early days to commemorate the few that takes place in our monthly sometimes twice monthly get-together, there priceless experiences of the epicurean lifestyle, so vital for those who need the relaxatio from their work week as the excitement of seeing ones closest friends, over a great dinner and that heavenly ELIXED-COME?.

Let us therefore raise our glasses once more to friendship, the Chaîne and the next 40 years.

Vive la Chaîne!



AMPARITO L. LHULLIER

Bailli de Cebu

It is with great pride that our Chaine des Rotisseurs, Cebu Chapter wish to congratulate the Bailliage de Manille for celebrating it's 40th Anniversary with a Grand Chapitre on March 14-18, 2012. This prestigious International Gastronomic Society, was founded in Paris, France in 1950.

From the officers & members of the Confrerie of Cebu—CHEERS & A TOAST of good wishes, to the Bailli de Manille, Federico S. Borromeo Jr. for leading the bailliage for what it is today. To the fellow officers and members we extend our greetings for your achievements, cooperation and collaboration on the work done all this years.

The events of 2011, was a product of the creative mind of the officers and crowned with resounding success, should give us reason to celebrate. I look forward to another year of formal dinners and casual gatherings that will not only bid us to do our best but more important, inspire us to be at our best, at the table where we meet and forge friendships with one another, and everywhere else, where we live and laugh and love, as members of the larger confrerie of humankind.

The Chaine des Rotisseurs Bailliage de Cebu marks its 20th Anniversary in 2013.

I thank you all for the friendship and camaraderie as we are "United as One" around the World.

Vive la Chaine!



ARNALDO DEL ROSARIO

Vice-Charge de Mission
Professionel du Vin

Dear Confreere,

The Bailliage de Manille of the Chaine de Rotisseurs celebrates its 40th Anniversary with a Grand Chapitre on March 14-15-16-17-18, 2012. Gourmands and gourmets from the numerous chapters of the Chaine worldwide, including many from the Bailliage de Cebu, are expected to converge onto Manila to attend the festive gastronomic experiences being organized by the Baliage de Manille under the leadership of Federico Borromeo Bailli de Manille and Michel Lhuiller Bailli Delegue. This will only be the 2nd time that a Grand Chapitre will be held locally.

The 5-day festivities begin on March 14 with a Bacchanalian celebration in Cebu Shangri-La. Arriving from Cebu, those who wish to join can engage the raconteur Carlos Celdran in a walking tour of Old Manila, that will thrill them with his often humorous interpretation of the saga of Manila. 4:00Pm at the romantic walled City of Manila on March 15, 2012.

On March 16, one and all can join the group on a trip to the countryside and a Filipiniana Lunch set amidst the lush tropical surroundings and lakes of Villa Escudero in San Pablo City. Guests will be treated to a sumptuous spread of native delicacies served by waiters and waitresses donning native costumes, and will be treated to a cultural show featuring a series of exotic dances

Following that with the famous Manila bay sunset as its backdrop, the 40th Grand Diner Amical follows on March 17, at the Marquee of the Sofitel Manila. The Philippine Opera Company will render a vignette of Philippine history thru music; this date coinciding with the arrival of Magellan and the 1st Europeans in 1521. The menu will feature exquisitely prepared dishes paired with world-class wines, with both food and drink having links to the Philippines and its history.

To cap off the Grand Chapitre in a spectacular fashion, a polo tournament and farewell party will be held at the hallowed grounds of the Manila Polo Club on March 18. Steeped in tradition and ceremony, it will be a fitting finale to this epicurean event.

Through this Grand Chapitre, the Bailliage de Manille hopes to prove to both our visitors and ourselves, that even in gastronomy, it indeed is more fun in the Philippines!

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WEDNESDAY, 14 MARCH 2012

19th Cebu Grand Diner Amical and Intronisation
Shangri-La Mactan, Cebu

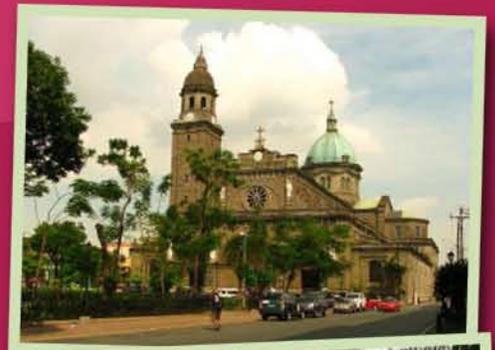
The Philippines' premier luxury resort, Shangri-La's Mactan Resort and Spa Cebu is a lush garden retreat ideal for vacationers and families. This Cebu luxury hotel features kid's play areas, a wide range of restaurants, and CHI, one of the largest and most luxurious spas in the region.



THURSDAY, 15 MARCH 2012

Old City of Manila Tour
Intramuros, Manila

Intramuros, the walled city multifaceted built by the Spaniards upon their occupation of Manila, is a marvelous way to spend the day in Manila. It is located along the southern bank of the Pasig River and was built by the Spaniards in the 16th century and is the oldest district of the city of Manila, the capital of the Philippines. The name is taken from the Latin, intra muros, literally "Within the walls", meaning within the wall enclosure of the city/ fortress, also describes its structure as it is surrounded by thick, high walls and moats. During the Spanish colonial period, Intramuros was considered Manila itself.

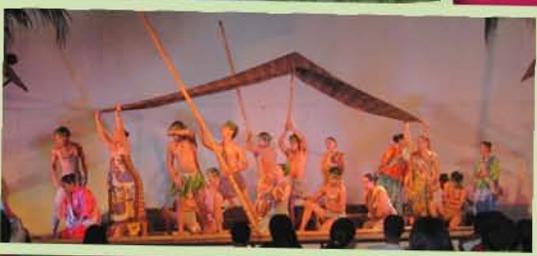


FRIDAY, 16 MARCH 2012

Filipiniana Lunch
Villa Escudero, San Pablo City

Experience the allure of Philippine country life at Villa Escudero Plantations and Resort.

A self-contained working coconut plantation, It was founded in the 1880s by Don Placido Escudero and his wife Dona Claudia Marasigan. Originally planted to sugarcane, the crop was converted to coconut by their son Don Arsenio Escudero in the early 1900s. A pioneering agro-industrialist, he built the country's first working hydroelectric plant to supply his dessicated coconut factory and Villa Escudero, where he and his wife Dona Rosario Adap built in 1929.



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SATURDAY, 17 MARCH 2012

40th Grand Diner and Intronisation
Sofitel Manila

Sofitel Philippine Plaza is a unique luxury hotel in Manila with a resort setting close to the largest convention center, theaters, museums, government offices and the Mall of Asia. 5-star accommodation includes 609 rooms and suites with balconies showcasing spectacular views of Manila Bay sunsets. Le Bar offers library-bistro-patisserie service, Snaps Sports Bar is a 24-hour sports lounge and Sunset Bar has nightly cultural shows. Spiral is being reconceived and is slated to launch in 2012.

SUNDAY, 18 MARCH 2012

Polo Tournament and Farewell Party at Nanten
Manila Polo Club

The Polo Club history dates back in the 1900s when a true lover of Polo arrived in the Philippines - Commissioner of Commerce and Police William Cameron Forbes.

When Forbes became the Governor General, the Philippines officially embraced Polo with the birth of the Manila Polo Club.

The Club was established in November 27, 1909 in Calle Real, Pasay. The original clubhouse was burned down and was rebuilt in 1950 where it currently stands.

Significantly in 1977, the Club assumed its PROPRIETARY classification and the club membership has evolved through the years. As the Polo Club family grows, its legacy continues...



