

celebrity world

By Ferdie Villar

Superstar Nora Aunor turns 55 on May 21, singing sensation Charice will be 17 on May 10

TWO internationally known entertainment celebrities will head the list of personalities celebrating their birthdays this May. Nora Aunor, the one and only Superstar of Philippine entertainment, will turn 55 on May 21. La Aunor, who already has her US green card, will celebrate her birthday quietly in Los Angeles with her former leading man, Indian actor Sajid Kahn.

Internet singing sensation Charice on the other hand will celebrate her 17th birthday on May 10 with her beloved mom, Raquel. Her second album entitled *My Inspiration*, released by Star Records last May 2, includes a duet with her mother to commemorate her birthday as well as her gift to her mom for Mother's Day which falls on the same day.

Aside from Nora and Charice, other well-known celebrities celebrating their birthdays this month are

May 3 - Well-known hair stylist and owner of Ely-Lyn Beauty Salon along Callan Blvd. Lynda Elvina,

May 4 - Registered nurse who works for Sequoia Hospital, Redwood City and San Mateo General Hospital Vicky Tongco Garcia; and internationally known golfer Joey Stevens,

May 7 - Zinnelle International Cosmetic products proprietress Zeny Coronado and well-known fashion designer Patricia,

May 10 - Well-loved San Mateo County caregiver Frida Shaw,

May 12 - GMA 7 talent and actor Dennis Trillo, and LuzViMin Association of Northern California finance director and nursing home supervisor Gloria Nielsen,

May 13 - Entertainment concert producer from Rodeo, CA Maribeth Ugalde and SFSU student leader Marc Alexander Garvida,

May 14 - Former RP-USA World Diva Tirol,

Tourism Director at the San Francisco Consulate General Rene delos Santos, and GMA-7 talent and actress Jennylyn Mercado,

May 15 - Well-known painter / artist from Manteca Jessie Marinas,

May 17 - Owner of Gerry's Boutique and part owner of Saint Francis Square Shopping Mall in Daly City Gerry Sy, and well known San Francisco community leader Lynda Teehanke Normand,

May 21 - Well known entertainment concert producer Ana Puno,

May 22 - Vallejo-based real estate broker and ballroom dancer Janet Mandap,

May 23 - Fil-Am matinee idol of Star Cinema Sam Milby, who is turning 24 (ASAP will be celebrating his birthday on May 24),

May 24 - Well liked dentist and owner of Boadmoor Dental Clinic in Daly City Dr. Renato "Butch" Calip,

May 25 - Internationally known soprano from Milpitas Amer Paterson,

May 26 - Former Miss RP-USA World who now resides in Concord, Zeny Lutao Sarmiento,

May 27 - ABS-CBN International Marketing Services executive Nerissa Fernandez,

May 28 - Santo Nino de San Augustine chairperson Pacita Rodriguez,

May 30 - My own natal day...I will be celebrating my 72nd birthday in the best of health and with colorful blessings from the Lord. Other celebrants on this day include Place One Travel general manager Conrad Camilosa, LuzViMin secretay Imelda Canosa, successful building contractor Orle Buena, and multi-awarded actor Ricky Davao,

May 31 - Legal secretary of Littler & Mindelson Law Offices in San Francisco Cora Manuel Garvida.

Happy birthday to all May celebrants! ■



Nora Aunor, the one and only Superstar of the Philippines who now resides in Los Angeles, will turn 55 on May 21. She will be celebrating her birthday quietly with her close friends. Shown in photo with La Aunor is Oakland Hills socialite Sylvia Tongco Ford.



Suzie Halim, a Filipina-Egyptian beauty from San Bruno, is one of the candidates who will compete for Miss RP-USA this year. The grand finals and talent competition will be held on Sunday, May 24, at the Grand Ballroom of the Cathedral Hill Hotel in San Francisco at 1pm.



Anna Maria Alberto Amador, daughter of Harrington and Yayo Amador of Richmond, is one of the candidates who will compete in this years Little Miss RP-USA.



Senator Leland Yee is shown with San Jose socialite Susan Pacifico, who was chosen as Fashionable Lady of the Year for the annual Celebrity Star Awards Gala Dinner and Dance on May 30, at the Grand Ballroom of the Cathedral Hill Hotel in San Francisco.



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Cesar Montano, well known movie actor in the Philippines and host of the amateur singing contest 'The Singing Bee,' televised over ABS-CBN 2, is shown with his wife actress Sunshine Cruz, during a welcome party given by actress Jean Saburit at Archipelago Restaurant in Burlingame recently. The Montanos were here in San Francisco to attend a convention.



Charice will be celebrating her 17th birthday on May 10, which is also Mother's Day. She will spend this special day with her mom, Raquel. In photo with the Internet singing sensation is beauty impresario Ferdie Villar.



Candidates who will compete for this year's five-in-one beauty and popularity contest (Mrs. RP-USA, Mr. and Miss RP-USA, and Little Mr. and Miss RP-USA) were formally presented to the members of the press and sponsors last Sunday, May 3 at the Grand Ballroom of the Cathedral Hill Hotel in San Francisco. Shown in photo are (seated, front, L-R) Maria Nelle Baltazar, Joylynn Narayan, Anna Alberto Amador, Clarina Camicio, Gigi Perez and Joseph Hermoso, (seated, middle, L-R) Gil Navarro, Moring Macalinao, Senator Leland Yee, Daly City Councilman David Canepa and beauty impresario Ferdie Villar, (standing, L-R) Jonathan Perez, Suzie Halim, Rachele Joy Marayan, Karen Perez, Jhosmin Toledo, overall chairperson Jett Viray Navarro, Trinna Dimaranan, Genel Sison, Karhisa Medina, Kimberly Madjus and Joshua Farinas.



Cora Manuel Garvida, a legal secretary at Littler and Mindelson Law Offices in San Francisco, will celebrate her birthday on May 31 with her family at their residence in South San Francisco.



Mercie B. Dandoy will be receiving the award for Caregiver of the Year in the annual Celebrity Star Awards Gala Dinner and Dance on May 30, at the Grand Ballroom of the Cathedral Hill Hotel in San Francisco at 6pm. Miss Dandoy is a resident of Palo Alto.



Mercedes Tanner of Milpitas, is this year's recipient of the Nurse of the Year award from the annual Celebrity Star Awards on May 30 at the Grand Ballroom of the Cathedral Hill Hotel in San Francisco.

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