

6 achievers honored

Woman, 5 men get TOYM awards

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The Philippine Jaycees and the Gerry Roxas Foundation honored six outstanding achievers in various fields as The Outstanding Young Men for 1984 in ceremonies held Wednesday evening.

The awardees are Manuel Canlas for medicine, Bro. Rolando Dizon of La Salle for education, Olympio Mañalac for agriculture, Eufemio Tan Jr. for science, Pacita Abad for arts, and Alfredo Navarro Salanga for journalism.

It was the first time that a woman was awarded a TOYM, but according to the board of judges, it would not be

the last.

During the evening, lawyer Eugene A. Tan's award as the first Filipino awardee of the Ten Outstanding Young Persons (TOYP) of the World in November, 1983, was confirmed.

Tan received the TOYP Meritorious Award in Law during the 28th JCI World Congress in Taipei. The Philippine Jaycees officially announced the confirmation.

Salanga, a regular columnist of Bulletin Today's Sunday magazine, Panorama, dedicated his award to the newsmen who died in the pursuit of their profession. A

few, like Tempo's Tim Olivarez, are "missing."

Cardinal Sin in his inspirational talk, revealed that this year's TOYM contest and all future searches are under entirely new guidelines and directions. This stripped the Jaycees of many of the prerogatives they had exercised in previous years with the TOYM.

Plagued by many setbacks in the search for the TOYM of 1983, Ramon Bagatsing Jr., the '84 national president, and Miguel Tan, chairman, had approached the cardinal for help on how to "re-
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TOYM awardees

The Ten Outstanding Young Men (TOYM) awardees this year pose with Jaime Cardinal Sin during the award rites at the Century Park Sheraton Hotel Wednesday night. The awardees (from left) are Bro. Rolando Dizon, Eufemio Rasco Jr., Pacita Abad, Dr. Manuel Canlas, Olympio Mañalac Jr., and Alfredo Salanga.

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suscitate" the TOYM.

Sin agreed to help them on the condition that he appoint a board of judges that would draw up entirely new guidelines for the awards. Sin himself would only vote in case there was a tie.

Sin hand-picked Ramos, Dr. Buena Ventura

Angtauco, Felix Bautista, Minister Salvador Escudero III, Bro. Andrew Gonzales, Vicente Jayme, Dr. Estefania Aldaba Lim, Raul Locsin, Vicente Paterno, and Judy Roxas.

The screening committee was composed of J. Roilo Golez, Jose Cuisia Jr., Emmanuel

Angeles, Rudy Robles, Rod Paras Perez, and Domingo Panganiban.

Hailing the sincerity and humility of the Jaycees to save the TOYM, Sin likened the state of the tainted awards to the present state of the nation. He said the only way the country can be saved from the present economic and moral crisis was for sweeping reforms and drastic measures to be carried out. He also urged that these steps be done by a completely new set of national leaders.

Among those present at the ceremonies held at the Century Park Sheraton were World Jaycees President Victor Luciano, Miguel Tan, TOYM national secretary, and Frank Evaristo, Jaycee adviser and past national president.