



ROBIE PAZ REACTS WHEN SHE SEES THE MASKED HALLOWEENERS
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A GROUP PHOTO BEFORE TRICK OR TREAT STARTS
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THE CCV STAFF READY TO SCARE THE WITS OUT OF THE CHILDREN
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CCV'S URGENT NEEDS

Oats

Pasta (spaghetti and macaroni)

Cereals

Powdered Milk / Chocolate drink

Sugar

S-26 Milk (0-6 months)

Diapers: Adult (size: M)

Socks and Underwear for all ages

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TRICK OR TREAT 2015

In harmony with the rest of the world, the village celebrated Halloween with the traditional Trick or Treat on the 31st day of October 2015. The moment the 1st day of October comes, all the Mamas and Papas busy themselves with their own Halloween décor in their respective cottages.

Come Trick or Treat day, Doc Obet hones his skills in face painting by becoming the official make-up artist of the village staff who want to scare the wits out of everyone (especially the children) with their bizarre make-up.

At exactly 2PM Trick or Treat opened with a dance rendition from selected children and staff. After Ms. Che (CCV Executive Director) officially opened the Trick or Treat, everyone became a blur of all colors as there was a mad rush from one facility to another (mostly) for their treats. The last pit stop was at The School for Chosen Children where the teachers had prepared an unlighted funeral booth complete with a casket and with Doc Obet and the Teachers as the zombies giving away the treats. Over-all, the event was a success as we watched the children with the widest smiles on their faces.

Our sincerest thanks to all of our very generous donors of goodies below:

Mr. Nathan Flores (friend of Dr. Binky Camara)

Mr. & Mrs. Guenter Taus

Mr. Oscar Guerrero

Mr. & Mrs. Peter Stevens



SMALL MIRACLES



Maria finally completes the family of Jason and Adrianne of Utah

MARIA ANABELL FINDS HER HOME IN UTAH

Maria Anabell or Maria as we had fondly referred to her has finally found her permanent home with a loving family in Utah. Born with no limbs at all, Maria was 2 years old upon discharge from the village.

On the 8th of October 2015, Maria was officially an adoptive daughter of Jason and Adrianne. The couple has two biological daughters and one

adopted son (also Filipino). With Maria's arrival in the family, Adrianne, a stay-at-home mom, will be able to hone her skills as Maria's Occupational Therapist. Jason & Adrianne recounted that the first time they saw Maria's photos, they could not get her out of their minds. They then made a final decision of adopting Maria despite her condition.

Meeting Maria's adoptive parents convinced her CCV family that they were just the right parents for our little girl who cannot walk but who has now been given a chance to soar to greater heights.

The CCV family is earnestly grateful to Ms. Maria Perdon of United Airlines for being part of this success story as the airline company provided free roundtrip airfare to Maria and her adoptive family.



Ms. Maria Perdon (in red), Country Manager of United Airlines and her colleague Ms. Madel Martin (in black) with Maria and her adoptive family



MY BEAUTIFUL MEMORIES IN CCV KATRIN ARMSTRONG

Time spent in CCV was a great experience for me. I have learned a lot about the work routine and the Philippine culture. The first thing you will see when you observe all Mamas and Papas while working is that they do everything for the children.

Everything they do comes from their hearts. I never saw any staff in a bad mood. Everyone is nice and friendly all the time, even if the children are fighting, crying or not following instructions. I feel like a guest in a big family where everyone is working together and trying to make every wish come true. Everyone is trying to encourage every child in the best way. A lot of times the children

surprised me with their talents and skills. I also had the honor of becoming the godmother of one baby and to spend time with wonderful people who made me laugh a lot of times and made it easy for me to be without someone I know.

I am very impressed about the engagement of all the staff and I am hoping that my workmates in the future will have the same qualities. I will miss the place, the children and the staff. It makes me sad to say goodbye but I am happy to have beautiful memories.

Note: Katrin Armstrong is a Social Worker from Germany who volunteered in CCV from October 3 until October 31, 2015. She shares her thoughts here regarding her stay in the village.

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JAZZ & WINE AT THE SOFTEL HOTEL



The Austrian Embassy and Jardine Engineering Corporation (JEC Phils.) collaborated in organizing an event called "Jazz & Wine, An Austrian and French Affair" at the Sofitel Hotel on the 6th of October 2015. The Soiree de la Musique featured a sensory serenade of three sets of 30-minute smooth jazz of the David Helbeck Trio. Part of the proceeds from this event will be donated to CCV. Mr. Gunter Taus and his wife and some of the Board members attended the special fundraising event.

SCANDINAVIAN CRAYFISH PARTY 2015



The Annual Scandinavian Crayfish Party was held on the 10th of October 2015 at the new Marriott Grand Ballroom. CCV President Gunter Taus and some of the Trustees and Executive Director Ms. Che Naval attended the event dubbed a "party like no other." The party featured imported crayfish, a selection of traditional dishes, the finest wine in town and an open-tap bar plus sing-along, party games, live music and raffle draws. Since 2013, the Nordic organization has been generously supporting CCV through this fundraising event.