



JOSEA, 1 YEAR OLD , WITH HER CHRISTMAS GIFT
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ISABEL, MJ, JOENABIE & DAISY MAE ARE ALL EXCITED TO OPEN THEIR GIFTS
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NIÑO, CHARLIE, OLIVER & MICHAEL GETTING READY TO OPEN THEIR GIFTS
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CCV'S URGENT NEEDS

Oats
Pasta (spaghetti and macaroni)
Cereals
Powdered Milk / Chocolate drink
Sugar
S-26 Milk (0 to 6 months)
Promil (6 to 12 months)
Diapers: Adult (size: M)
Socks and Underwear for all ages

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SMALL MIRACLES

SEASON OF LOVE and SHARING



**CHOSEN
CHILDREN
VILLAGE
FOUNDATION, INC.**

OPENING OF GIFTS ON CHRISTMAS DAY

Christmas day is a much awaited day at the village as the CCV children, teens and young adults always look forward to open the gifts they have received from the donors and their sponsors. This holiday season is no different. Regardless of their disabilities, the children, teens, and young adults were overly excited to open their gifts. Their smiles were from ear to ear as they eagerly tore open their gifts. Everyone generally received clothes and shoes and other personal items for their day to day use.

Thank you so much to all the donors and sponsors for putting a smile on the faces of our children!



**JHAREN CANNOT
CONTAIN HIS
EXCITEMENT WITH
HIS GIFTS**

VOLUNTEERS

ISM ICARE WEEK 2015

The high school students from the International School Manila (ISM) spent four (4) fulfilling days in the village as part of their ICARE (International Community Actively Responding to the Environment) Week 2015. Twenty-five (25) students rotated in four different cottages which housed the babies, the hyperactive, the toddlers and the wheelchair-bound. The students willingly assisted the caregivers with the different tasks in the cottage and the village. But more significantly, the ISM students realized that giving and sharing is much more rewarding than anything else.



THE ISM TEAM POSE FOR A PHOTO BEFORE LEAVING THE VILLAGE



THE ISM TEENS SHARE A BONFIRE NIGHT WITH SOME CCV TEENS

CHARITY WORK

A YOUNG CELEBRITY AT CCV



MS. SOBERANO, HOLDING A RED ROSE FROM THE CHILDREN, IS BEING SERENADED BY CHARLIE

A lovely lady with an equally beautiful heart best describes young actress Liza Soberano. The star of a recently concluded local TV series entitled "Forevermore," Ms. Soberano celebrated her 18th birthday in the village with some of the CCV children and teens on the 27th of December 2015. With no media entourage in tow, Ms. Soberano and her immediate family, together with her manager, came to the village for a simple celebration of her 18th birthday. The girls (and especially the boys) were starstruck with the exquisite beauty of Ms. Soberano. The young lady and her family were impressed with the facilities after having a tour of the village. Ms. Soberano especially lingered in the babies' cottage and promptly fell in love with Terence, an adorable 1 year old boy who will soon leave for Spain for adoption. Ms. Soberano promised to come back to the village soon hopefully to witness the discharge conference of Terence.



MS. SOBERANO WITH ROBIE PAZ AND OTHER CHILDREN & CCV EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR MS. CHE NAVAL POSE BEFORE THE CAMERAS

BSM (British School Manila) Volunteers

Aurora Guild, BSM student



THE 6 BSM STUDENTS POSE FOR A PHOTO BEFORE DEPARTURE FROM THE VILLAGE

Despite a typhoon, we volunteered our services at Chosen Children for 3 days, organized by a student who had visited several times before. The experience was a first for most of us. During our stay, we took turns in assisting the caregivers in the cottages for the babies, the toddlers and the wheelchair-bound children and teens; falling in love with all the children as the days progressed. We all universally agreed that the best part of the volunteer work was spending time with and getting to know the children, wishing we could have spent more time at CCV. The Foundation is an exceptional charity organization that gives a chance to children with disabilities. The visit was enlightening and heartwarming to us all. We cannot wait to visit again soon!



AURORA ATTENDING A PARTY FOR THE CHILDREN

Christmas Carol at the Picasso Boutique Serviced Residences



THE SINGERS WITH SOME CCV STAFF AT THE LOBBY OF THE HOTEL

Five CCV teens and young adults (accompanied by some CCV staff) were once again invited by the management of Picasso Boutique Serviced Residences to serenade their patrons with Christmas songs at the hotel foyer. The CCV teens and young adults crooned a medley of Christmas songs much to the delight of the hotel clients. After their performance, instead of going back to CCV, the group stayed overnight at the hotel giving the children a different kind of sleepover.



BELTING IT ALL OUT FOR THE HOTEL PATRONS...

CCV Family Christmas Dinner



CCV PRESIDENT GUENTER TAUS IN BLUE SHIRT POSES FOR A PHOTO WITH THE RESIDENTIAL STAFF

The CCV Board of Trustees and Staff got together in the village on the 6th of December 2015 for the traditional Christmas party. Setting aside work for a few hours, the CCV family shared a delectable dinner prepared by the kitchen staff. Four groups energetically performed for everyone for the much-coveted 1st prize in the performance competition that has been a custom during the CCV Christmas get together. The Green group (composed of 10 employees) who performed a hand mime entitled "We Are the Reason" bagged the over-all 1st prize. Before wrapping up the night, CCV President Mr. Guenter Taus handed out monetary gifts, putting the widest smiles on everyone's faces! Items from the CCV Board were also raffled off and nearly everyone received a nice present.

Thank you so much to the CCV Board of Trustees for the gifts!



CCV EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR MS. CHE NAVAL (MIDDLE), WITH THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

A MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S DESK:



CCV EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR MS. CHE NAVAL

There is no better way to end a remarkable year than to thank everyone for their support to the children.

To sum up, in the 1st quarter of 2015, the Spouses of Heads of Mission (SHOM) generously funded the renovation of Cottage 9, which now houses ten (10) teenage girls and young ladies. To date, the babies' cottage has been renovated with Catholic Charities of Baltimore (an adoption agency in Maryland, USA) and SHOM as the donor of the funds. Five (5) solar panels have been installed in five (5) different facilities in the village ensuring a 24-hour availability of hot water for the showers and especially for the central dining area of the village. The solar panels have somewhat helped decrease the MERALCO bill of the village. Midyear, CCV acquired a new vehicle for the children. At The School for Chosen Children (TSCC), a new project under the Pinili Works Skills Training has been keeping the children busy. Since June of this year, TSCC has produced its own detergent powder, fabric conditioner and liquid soap for dish washing. All of these products are made solely for the village's use.

I would also like to welcome Mr. Marc Dumetz, formerly a banker, who was recently appointed as member of the Board of Trustees during the last quarter of the year replacing Mr. Armin Demetillo. Mr. Demetillo will now be joining CCV's Board of Advisors as he will be busy with his campaign activities for the position of Governor in the province of Siquijor for the 2016 elections.

To the Board of Trustees, thank you so much for a very fruitful year! I am looking forward to working with you again during the next 12 months.

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