



SMALL Miracles

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HEART MONTH ISSUE

CCV IS BEST NGO

The Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) gave CCV its latest award as Best Non-Government Organization (NGO). Accredited and licensed to operate by the Department as a permanent residential facility for abandoned and surrendered children, CCV bested all other NGOs. The esteemed tribute was bestowed to CCV for "its valuable contributions and support in the implementation of the various programs and services of the Department." CCV Executive Director Ms. Che Naval received the award on the 12th of February 2016 on the occasion of the 65th anniversary celebration of DSWD in its Field Office IV-A in Alabang, Muntinlupa City. Chosen Children Village Foundation wholeheartedly dedicates this award to its **Board of Trustees chaired by Mr. Guenter Taus, all the Donors, Friends and Sponsors** who have selflessly given their resources and precious time to the children.

On a side note, Ms. Che Naval, CCV Executive Director was elected on the 17th of February 2016, as Chairperson of ABSNET (Area-Based Standard Network) Cavite Cluster during their annual meeting. This is a prestigious position for our Executive Director and for CCV.



A day at Enchanted Kingdom PNPA Class 2004



WITH THE ROTARIANS

Time and again, the CCV teens and young adults visit the amusement park whenever a group of donors liberally provide funds for the trip. And time and again, the magic of the 17-hectare theme park never ceases to amaze the teens and young adults.

This time, the Rotary Club of San Pedro Magic (R.I. District 3820) charitably funded the trip for CCV. The Rotarians' generosity is a legacy of a former CCV Board member named Edison 'Magic' Ong. Mr. Ong may have passed away but still his magic lives on...



ALL SET FOR THE RIDES



CCV EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CHE NAVAL RECEIVES THE CHECK DONATION FROM THE CLASS 2004

Who would have thought that uniformed men and women would still have time to do some charitable acts for disadvantaged children? These men and women comprise the Class 2004 of Philippine National Police Academy (PNPA) of Silang, Cavite. For 3 years in a row, the class 2004 has been visiting the Village and has been donating to the Trust Fund since year one. On their visit of 26th February, they gave a dinner party for selected CCV teens and young adults and again donated to the children's Trust Fund. The group was composed mainly of first-time visitors to the village who were impressed with everything. One officer remarked that his visit was an eye-opener for him. The class targets to reach the Ruby category in the Trust Fund which is equivalent to P 100,000.00. What a valiant way to serve the children!



THE CLASS WITH THE CCV TEENS AND YOUNG ADULTS

SHOM & CCB Restores another Cottage



SHOM WITH MS. OTTUS TAUS, FR. BOB SABAYTON, CCV FOUNDER LITA FULLERTON & EXEC. DIRECTOR CHE NAVAL

Eleven babies have benefited from the recent renovation of Cottage 5. Originally donated by Jollibee Foods Corporation, Cottage 5 is the most current project of the Spouses of Heads of Mission (SHOM) and Catholic Charities of Baltimore (CCB). SHOM is an organization of wives of ambassadors to the Philippines while Catholic Charities of Baltimore is a Foreign Adoption Agency (FAA) in the USA, one of CCV's adoption liaison agencies. SHOM's incumbent President, Ms. Agnes Roscigno and four other ladies attended the inauguration / re-opening ceremonies of Cottage 5 on February 20. To date, eleven babies and 3 stay-in caregivers / nurses reside in the cottage. For SHOM, it is their fifth (5th) time to restore a cottage in the Village since their very first project in CCV in 2012. Aside from the general renovation of five cottages, SHOM had previously given funds for the termite eradication / treatment of the soil in the village. Similarly, Catholic Charities of Baltimore had given prior funds for the construction of Cottage 3 together with other local donors. Once more, the SHOM ladies had been totally impressed with CCV's fund management and thorough financial reporting after each project completion.



CEREMONIAL RIBBON-CUTTING



FEBRUARY 18, 1966 FEBRUARY 19, 2016

THE WEDDINGS -- THEN AND NOW

Courtesy of CHAT PEYPOCH AND PARTNERS



THE NEWLY-WEDS WITH THEIR ENTOURAGE

Courtesy of CHAT PEYPOCH AND PARTNERS



THE COUPLE AT THE WEDDING RECEPTION

Courtesy of CHAT PEYPOCH AND PARTNERS



FR. CESARE BETTONI OFFICIATES THE WEDDING MASS

Courtesy of CHAT PEYPOCH AND PARTNERS

THE GOLDEN WEDDING

CCV FOUNDERS'
50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

In an age of unbridled use of social media, very few among us mortals ever find true love in our lifetime. After all, happily-ever-after and true love happen only in fairy tales and movies.

CCV Founders Ron & Lita Fullerton dispelled all our cynical views on love and lasting relationships and once again made us believe that indeed it is possible to find true love.

As we witnessed the renewal of vows of Ron & Lita Fullerton on their 50th wedding anniversary on the 19th of February 2016, we can conclude that they have indeed found lasting, sacred and true love with each other. After 50 years of blessed union, their love for one another has not faded but has grown stronger than ever. We can see it in their eyes and in the way they care for and respect each other.

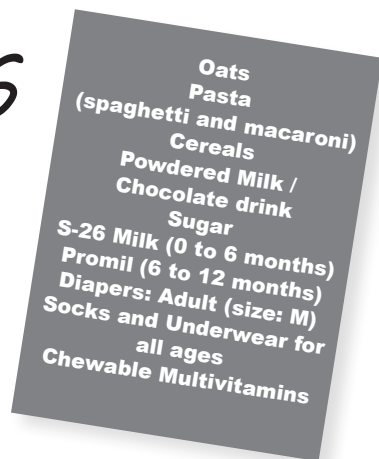
The evening wedding ceremony of the CCV Founders took place in the Village's chapel with Rev. Fr. Cesare Bettoni as the officiating priest. The Founders' nearest relatives and friends graced the couple's very special occasion. Also in attendance were CCV's Board and Honorary Members and a few donors and sponsors. But most of all, the original bridesmaids were able to participate.

No celebration is complete without good food and flowing wine all around. The diverse Asian and Western food prepared by the Kitchen staff exceeded everyone's gastronomical expectations. The magnificent décor and flower arrangements in the venue were done by the residential staff of the Village. We were not surprised with the generous commendations of the guests for the food and the over-all look of the entire venue. Everything was simply delightful and enchanting! A night to remember...

Somehow, the magical wedding celebration came to an end. One at a time, the wedding guests said their well-meaning wishes to the newly-weds and made their exits as the night drew to a close.

In lieu of gifts, the celebrants requested for monetary donations to the Foundation. For some donors who were not able to make it to the wedding ceremony, they made their donations through CCV's accounts. As funds for construction / repairs are not easy to come by, the wedding donations will eventually benefit some renovation projects in the Village.

CCV's URGENT NEEDS



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