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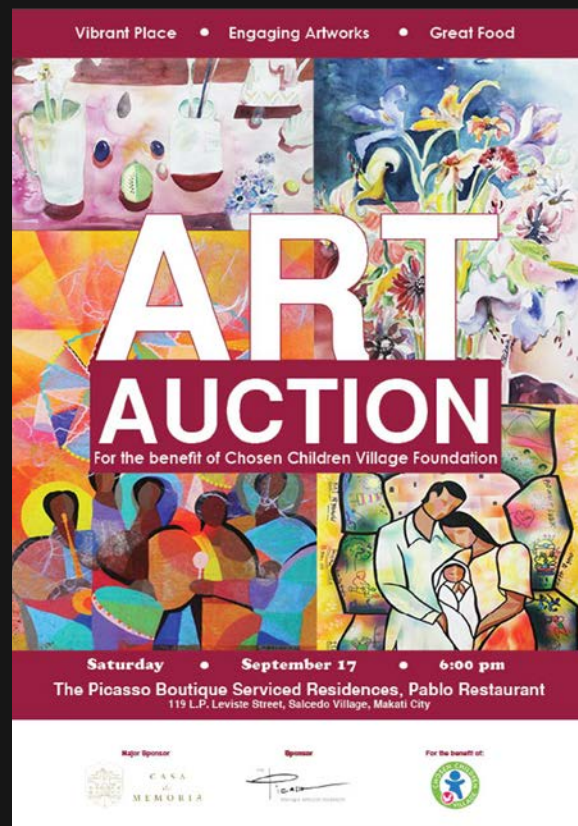
22 to 29 August, Silang, Cavite – The time-honored annual Founders' Week is a double celebration of the birthdays of the CCV Founders Ron & Lita Fullerton. The opening of the games on the 22nd is the birthday of Ronald Fullerton while the awarding ceremonies always fall on the birthday of Lita Fullerton, the 29th of August. This much-awaited week-long event in the Village features both indoor and outdoor games for the children and staff. Volleyball is by far the most popular game during the annual sports fest which is played in men's, mixed, and women's categories.

For two years in a row Mommy's team emerged the champion. Composed of 24 staff and 4 children, the team prevailed in most of the indoor and outdoor games. Mommy Lita was on cloud nine with the results of the games.

Daddy Ron's encouraging words to the blue team?

"Better luck next year!"

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FOUNDERS' WEEK 2016



CCV & the Riggs



Mama Bing and the girls sit together for lunch



The gracious hosts with the CCV young adults



Niño hits the pot on first try

24 August 2016, Alfonso, Cavite - Mr. & Mrs. Bryan and Joselina "Josie" Rigg prepared a delectable lunch for the CCV young adults and staff at Casa de Bugai, a cozy restaurant in rustic Alfonso. Casa de Bugai opens its doors to its clients of small groups and on reservations basis only.

Mr. & Mrs. Rigg are two of CCV's longtime sponsors. The Rigg couple was happy to have the CCV family as guests at their restaurant which was named after Mrs. Rigg's beloved sister. The invitation for the lunch treat was made several months ago by Mrs. Rigg but due to some make-over and renovation of the restaurant, it was only now that she opened the invitation again to the CCV family.

It was a totally new experience for the CCV young adults, dining out in a secluded restaurant. Everyone was replete with the tasty lunch buffet meticulously prepared by the hostess. Ice cream and baked-to-perfection home-made cookies finished the meal. The indulgence did not end with the lip-smacking dessert... Each one had a banana muffin to take home.

Thank you so much for an unforgettable lunch, Mr. & Mrs. Rigg!



Dave & Mrs. Rajini Hiranand reunited after a long time



A Day Out with the Sponsor

25 August 2016, Silang, Cavite – For a CCV child to have a sponsor (or numerous sponsors), is indeed a big help for that child. But for a CCV child to be visited by his sponsor, this means a lot to the child. Dave is one of the lucky CCV young adults who has been sponsored by Mrs. Rajini Hiranand since he was a toddler. For nearly 2 decades, Mrs. Hiranand has been generously helping Dave, now 22 years old and a Junior employee working at the kitchen department of the Village. She only stopped sponsoring Dave when he was hired by CCV in 2013.

Every year, Mrs. Hiranand remembers Dave's birthday and she either sends a gift to Dave or has one of her assistants call the Foundation to ask about Dave. This year though, after more than 5 years, Mrs. Hiranand visited Dave a day before his birthday (26 August). The reunion proved to be a bit emotional to Mrs. Hiranand. She was delighted to see Dave growing up into a fine young man. Without a doubt, Dave's 22nd birthday will be unforgettable for him as he received gifts and a chocolate cake from Mrs. Hiranand. The sponsor's visit wrapped up at one of Tagaytay City's premier destinations, Taal Vista Hotel, where Mrs. Hiranand treated Dave to an early dinner.

On behalf of Dave, thank you so much for your precious time, Mrs. Hiranand! We hope to see you again soon in the Village.

Motherland Visit of Petter Michael

23 August 2016, Silang, Cavite – For the second time this year, another adopted CCV child came back to the Village for a visit. The child had been earlier placed with a childless Norwegian couple back in June 2010. That fortunate child who is now a Norwegian citizen is called Petter Michael formerly known in CCV as Michael Angelo, fondly referred to by everyone as Angelo.

Looking back in June 2010, we can still remember vividly how Angelo immediately established rapport with the adoptive couple upon first meeting them. There were no crying spells or tantrums. Back then, Angelo and his newfound Dad enjoyed shooting balls together in the gym during their tour of the Village's facilities.

This time, Petter Michael's adoptive parents again decided to open their hearts and their home to another child. As a side trip before flying to Cebu City where they would pick up their second adopted child, the Norwegian family made it a point to visit CCV, Petter Michael's first home. The Norwegian family was welcomed by CCV with an early dinner and some performances from the young adults.

Mama Ecaterina is the only caregiver still working in CCV who was present at the time of Angelo's discharge in 2010. Mama Ecat had mixed feelings upon seeing Angelo again after 6 years. As a family, we are glad to know that Angelo's match to the Norwegian couple was perfect and now he will have a sibling... and that... is another story.



Petter Michael with his Mom & Dad



Reunited with Mama Ecat



Angelo at 1 year old

Thank you, Donors!

CHOSEN CHILDREN VILLAGE



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Rev. James Shin Provides Helmets

Dr. / Rev. James Shin provided new head protectors / helmets to Charlie and Ivan Francis, two young men with arrested hydrocephalus. Dr. Shin, a Korean national currently based in the United States, fulfilled his promise to the two young men after his initial visit to the Village in May 2016. Dr. Shin further donated two pieces sphygmomanometers for the medical staff of the Village. On behalf of Charlie and Ivan Francis, thank you, Dr. / Rev. Shin.

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SHOM Grants Funds for Repair of Cottage

The Spouses of Heads of Mission (SHOM), a charity group of wives of ambassadors, again granted funds to CCV's request for the repair of another cottage in the village. Renovation will commence soon after the current repairs of the Maintenance department are completed. On behalf of the CCV family, thank you so much, SHOM!

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Pep Squad Events Gives to the Trust Fund

It is Pep Squad Events' fourth time to give to the children's trust fund. On the 14th of August 2016, a fundraising event was organized by the Pep Squad dubbed the Pinoy Fitness Kasama Fun Run. A percentage of the proceeds from the fun run augmented the CCV trust fund. On behalf of the children, thank you for your continuous support!

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Eggs

Fresh milk

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Powdered milk

Promil Kid (for 1 to 3 years)

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