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Art, backed by Cummins, Intl., empowers differently abled children and females. Beyond creative expression, it fosters inclusion, confidence, and growth. For children with disabilities, art enhances cognitive development, motor skills, and social connections through collaborative projects. Similarly, females break societal norms, finding empowerment and self-expression through art.

Supported initiatives provide a safe space for creativity and skill development. Through art, voices are amplified, advocating for inclusivity and diversity. Cummins, Intl.'s support ensures the profound impact of art activities, fostering a more equitable and compassionate society. Together, let's celebrate the transformative power of art for all.





# CELEBRATING ACHIEVEMENT: TSCC ANNUAL REWARDS ACTIVITY

BY: MS JAYEAN LEIGH DELA CRUZ

The School for Chosen Children (TSCC) prioritizes inclusive education and the holistic development of its learners. Through its Skills and Development (SD) Program, TSCC annually honors the dedication and achievements of its students, particularly those in Food and Beverage Services, Housekeeping, and Greenworks.

This incentive recognizes SD learners for their perseverance and excellence in tasks like crafting Pinili products and participating in school and village activities. Their unique contributions, despite challenges, showcase their commitment to community service.

The rewards activity aims to motivate CCV SD learners to continue excelling. It fosters pride and accomplishment, emphasizing the value of their efforts. Special dining experiences reinforce the appreciation for their hard work and highlight their significance within the community.

Moreover, the event strengthens bonds among TSCC, its partners, and the local community, fostering hope, confidence, and resilience among learners. It underscores the belief that, with support and determination, every learner can thrive.





# ENCHANTED KINGDOM: WHERE MAGICAL ADVENTURE AWAITS

BY: MS KIMBERLY PAREDES

Five years had elapsed since our last visit, the anticipation is building up for our return to Enchanted Kingdom. This trip served as a reward for Michael and me, the sole recipients of recognition for our Junior Staff performance evaluations.

Excitement bubbled as we embarked on our adventure, joined by Joenabie, Dave, and me. Before delving into the park's offerings, we paused at Hap Chan Restaurant to celebrate Mama Bing's birthday with a delicious meal.

Upon entering Enchanted Kingdom, we eagerly indulged in various attractions, from the exhilarating Bumper Car ride to the adrenaline-pumping Extreme Tower. Despite Dave, Papa Sonny, and me reveling in the excitement, Michael harbored apprehensions about the roller coaster.

Our day was punctuated by rest breaks and snack indulgences, including pizza and Oreo ice cream. Rides like Swan Lake and Air Race filled us with wonder and delight, leaving us with cherished memories as we bid farewell to the park.

Reflecting on our enchanting day, we dream of returning with our CCV family to relive the magic once more. Until then, we hold onto these unforgettable moments, eagerly anticipating the chance to create new memories together.





## BRIDGING THE GAP: ON-THE-JOB TRAINING JOURNEY



Recognizing the importance of practical skills in today's job market, TSCC (The School for Chosen Children) at Chosen Children Village Foundation, Inc., has been implementing On-the-Job Training (OJT) programs. These initiatives bridge the gap between classroom learning and real-world application, preparing students for successful careers.

Partnering with industry leaders, TSCC ensures OJT opportunities align with the curriculum, allowing students to apply acquired knowledge directly. OJT aims to translate theory into practice, providing networking opportunities and exposure to professionals. These experiences foster personal and professional growth, enhancing skills like communication and adaptability.

By immersing students in diverse environments, OJT promotes resilience and resourcefulness in problem-solving. Ultimately, this collaboration between educational institutions and industry partners equips students with the necessary tools to excel in today's competitive job market, enriching their educational journey and ensuring future success.



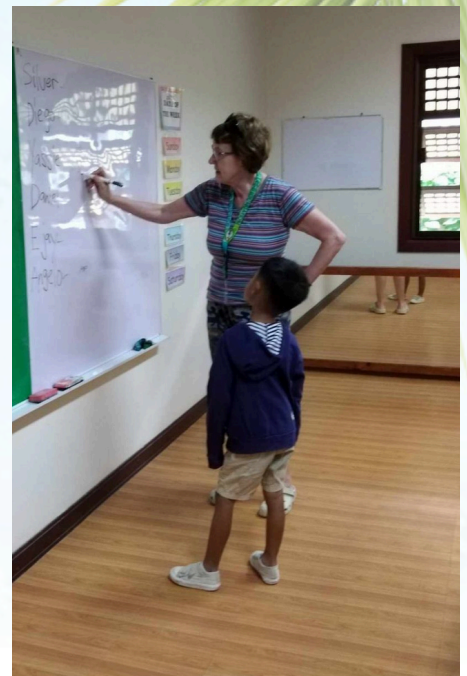


## "JOURNEY OF GIVING: A VOLUNTEER'S REFLECTIONS"

My first time volunteering at the Chosen Children Village in Silang, Cavite, was in March 2023. The happy memories and enjoyment I experienced during that time compelled me to return, so I volunteered again this year from March 18th to 23rd, 2024. Upon arrival, I was warmly welcomed and shown to my lovely accommodation, where I later joined everyone for lunch.

Settling into my accommodation was easy, as was meeting the children, caregivers, and teachers. Language was not a problem, as everyone spoke English, although my Scottish accent did raise a few laughs!

The love and care given to the children by all the staff members was evident from the early hours of the morning until the end of the day. A program of activities was drawn up for me, including reading classes with children of all ages. I found that the younger children particularly enjoyed having me read to them, often asking for the same book repeatedly. Additionally, I assisted in pushing wheelchair-bound children to the dining room and feeding those who were unable to feed themselves. Spending time with non-verbal wheelchair users was another way of showing love and care. I also enjoyed playing games with the younger children, although I couldn't quite keep up with their speed!



I was thoroughly entertained by all the children at the village, with their singing, dancing, laughter, and their inclusivity towards me in all their activities. Having volunteered in other countries, I found Chosen Children remarkable in its operation. The caregivers and teachers truly care, as do the children who help look after their less fortunate brothers and sisters.

I am grateful for the opportunity to have volunteered at Chosen Children Village and for the many fond and happy memories I have from my time there. I often think of those still at the village and hope they are all well. I would love to return and stay a little longer next year.

Special thanks go to Leny, the Program Director, Doc Obet, and Jen for making me feel at home so quickly and for all their hard work. I also extend my appreciation to the founders, Lita and her husband Ron, who are visibly present every day. Thank you for allowing me to be part of Chosen Children Village, even if only for a short time.

Ann Hastings  
12 April 2024



We have a lot of events planned for our community this 2024! If you want real-time updates, please join our Facebook Group! [CLICK HERE TO JOIN >>](#)

## VOLUNTEER



Chosen Children Village is opening up to volunteers this 2024! Sign up through the link below to be added to our Facebook group!

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# Chosen to Shine

Season 2

May 25, 2024 @ 6:00 pm

Venue

Chosen Children Village Foundation, Inc.  
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Your presence and support to our differently-abled children is greatly appreciated.

**SEE YOU THERE!**

Shine once more!

Join us for an unforgettable evening of music and inspiration as the talented children from our village take the stage to showcase their remarkable skills and passion. These incredible performers, despite facing challenges, continue to shine brightly and touch hearts with their incredible talents.

Date: MAY 25, 2024 Time: 6PM Venue: Arantz Hall

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