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Spring/Summer 1986**Spring Fundraiser**

The Foundation had our annual Spring Fundraiser on Wednesday, May 14 at the home of Father Leo McCarthy. Boardmembers and guests drank wine and munched on Shanghai lumpia and puto. Talk switched from nostalgic memories to hopes for future plans and objectives. Contributions collected during the night will go a long way for our scholars in the Philippines. Sixty people contributed \$1,492.00 during the event. Although Loret Ruppe (current Director of Peace Corps) could not attend, she sent the following note which was read by Philippine Country Desk Officer Lynn Gorton:

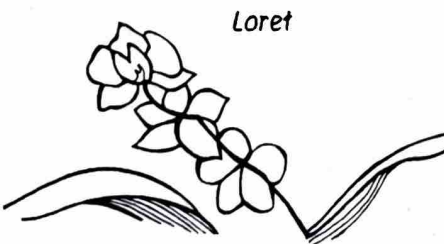
Dear Peace Corps Alumni and Father McCarthy,

How proud I am of your work--the true living up to the Third Goal of Peace Corps. I wish I could be with you tonight, to visit and commend you on your work--a conflict came up unfortunately...

Please continue your strong work for the Philippines--I know that the 7,000 Volunteers who have served there helped create the "People Power" we saw so proudly evidenced these past months. As Vice President Laurel said recently to our Country Director--"Peace Corps is needed now more than ever." Let us work together--human resource development-- "people power" for peace!!

All best--and we should study whether your organization can be a prototype for other country specific Volunteer groups around the nation.

Loret



Guests enjoy the buffet at the Spring Fundraiser

1986; New Hope, New Challenges Board Member Elections

The Foundation recently completed its third year of operations with an impressive record of accomplishments. To list a few, we graduated our first scholars, entered into an agreement with the Bicol Association to fund a student, and enrolled our first tribal minority scholar. Either as former Volunteers who have built support for the Peace Corps in the Philippines or as supporters of the Foundation, each of you helped to make these accomplishments possible and each of you should be proud of them.

For 1986 our scholarship program faces several challenges. As the economic situation in the Philippines deteriorates, the number of needy students increases and the level of support they require grows. As the number of scholars grows, so does the administrative challenge of policing scholarship funds. Some of the challenges are welcomed; after graduating scholars we must select new ones to take their place. Following our agreement with the Bicol Association, we have been contacted by other organizations who are also interested in sponsoring a scholar, and after enrolling our first tribal minority we have been confronted by requests from other tribal minorities.

As we build a foundation of accomplishments in our scholarship program, our horizon recedes and a series of new opportunities and new challenges become apparent to us. One of the Foundation's goals is to provide opportunities for former Volunteers and

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Board member elections were held in January, 1986. The President of PCAFPD is Steve Vineski. Steve was a Volunteer in Negros Oriental and Manila from 1978 to 1982. He now works for the Environmental Protection Agency as a Program Analyst. Steve and Lani live in Washington D.C.

Our Vice President for Promotions is Lita Altea. Some of you may remember Lita when she worked in the HRD office of Peace Corps/Manila. She now lives in the Washington area and is an Administrative Assistant for Sheladia Association, Inc.

The Vice President of Operation Affairs is Carol Hamner. Carol is living in Silver Spring and working as an International Programs Specialist at the Department of Agriculture. Carol, together with several other people have just been able to bring a Filipino boy over to the States for a badly needed operation.

Mel Beetle is our Vice President of Finance. Mel has put in quite a few years in Peace Corps and in the Philippines. He was originally assigned in Ilocos Sur and the Norte. He was the Regional Director for Southern Mindanao and then the Orientation Development Officer in the Philippines. He is now the Director of Evaluation and Acting Associate Director of Compliance with ACTION. Mel and his wife Naty live in Alexandria.

The Vice President for Philippine Operations is Modesto de Jesus. Mod is the man who coordinates all of our activities in-country and acts as liaison between the Foundation and the students. Mod is the

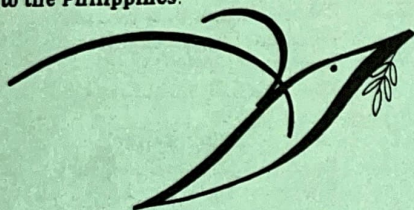
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NCRPCV Affiliation

In December 1985 PCAFPD became affiliated with the National Council of Returned Peace Corps Volunteers (NCRPCV). Through this affiliation we join in the nation-wide network of RPCV groups.

The NCRPCV grew out of grass roots desire on the part of many returned Volunteers to bring their Peace Corps experiences back home, to share their insights with others, and to continue to work for peace and development throughout the world. Currently, there are about 120,000 RPCV's in the U.S. NCRPCV provides a forum for individuals and groups to share ideas, and contribute to the Peace Corps policy-making process. NCRPCV also provides RPCV's with general information on development, legislative updates, upcoming events, and career opportunities.

RPCV groups and interested PVO's are encouraged to affiliate with the NCRPCV to extend and strengthen the network. There are now more than 25 RPCV groups and 22 PVO's across the nation who are affiliated with NCRPCV. In joining together with the NCRPCV we hope to reach more individuals and groups of returned Volunteers who are interested in continuing their commitment to the Philippines.



Letter from the Editor

Returned Peace Corps Volunteers of the Philippines and others who, interested in the development process of that country, are faced with an awkward and difficult decision. We see the nation in which many of us have lived for two years, made friends and adopted a family, worked toward development and world understanding undergoing tumultuous times. What can we do to help while still maintaining the commitments we feel are important and we made as Volunteers? We, as Peace Corps have always recognized the need to remain apolitical and concern ourselves with development projects at the grassroots level. As a new government emerges in the Philippines to begin the complex struggle it now faces, the importance of such projects increases.

In 1982, a group of RPCV's decided to keep up their Peace Corps commitment to the Filipino people. These Volunteers met together and, realizing the need for education would always be great, organized the Peace Corps Alumni Fund in order to offer scholarships to deserving young people throughout the Philippines archipelago. PCAF founders especially wanted to offer an educational opportunity to students in rural areas who often can not get the education they deserve and who otherwise would not be able to make the contribution they have the ability to make.

Meet some of our scholars:

Celia Ugi is a college student from the T'boli tribe in South Cotabato. She is attending Notre Dame College of Lake Sebu and is in pursuit of a bachelor of science

degree in community development. In response to the question of how she would put her education to use, Celia said, "...the best way is to teach each other members of my tribe what I will learn from college - not only reading and writing but also more practical things that they should know like farming methods that will not destroy our forests and land. Also, most of our lands were lost to lowlanders because our elders were ignorant of legal process. Organizing adult groups and teaching them will be the best that I can contribute to my people. Without our lands, our tribe will disappear slowly but surely."

It is with the help of the energetic and committed talent of young people that the Philippines will emerge from today's troubled times and realize her potential among developing nations. Returned Peace Corps and other interested people can help a nation we have come to know and love on human terms, with the people, helping to educate the leaders of tomorrow that the Philippines will surely need.

If you have been on our mailing list and have already supported us in the past, then you know the importance of organizations such as ours and realize the role that you can play in the future of the Philippines. We encourage you to maintain your support. If you are reading this newsletter for the first time, perhaps you will feel inspired to join us in our endeavor to give some hope and opportunity to some Filipino students who warrant our attention and will undoubtedly pay us back many times through service to their country. Thank you and hope to hear from you soon.

Fundraising Update

The Foundation has been fortunate to receive the support of many former Philippine Volunteers and friends. Since our inception in 1982, we have had 268 PCAFPD contributors, of which 123 donated during 1985 and 47 of these were first time contributors. The average amount given per donor has risen slightly over the 3 years, but still remains about \$25.00. There have been a few very generous members who have contributed over \$100.00 and often more than once.

Many of you may not be aware of the fact that the cost involved in fundraising for any organization is relatively high. Fortunately, we have the help of a few people who volunteer their valuable time to make this foundation work; there are no paid staff members working for the Foundation. Recently our mailing lists have been computerized, which will significantly reduce our time and production costs in keeping records, mailing information and sending out newsletters.

At present we are trying to coordinate our bi-annual newsletter and fundraising efforts such that the time lag between arrival of donations and obligations for payment of scholarship fees are timely. The Philippine school year is based on two

semesters, the first starts in June, the second in October. Therefore, the push to solicit funds will follow the school year and we will start asking members to contribute, if they can, twice a year with each newsletter that comes out. We hope that you will be able to give at least \$25.00 per semester, which is only \$50.00/year (think what it costs just for high school in this country).

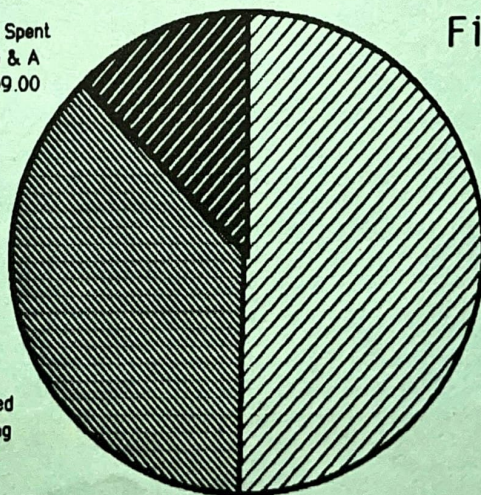
This year the Board of Directors has decided to put about 10% of income

generated into a reserve buffer fund to insure that sufficient funds are always available.

You are all well aware of recent events occurring in the Philippines, and now more than ever your commitment to help is needed during its reconstruction. We hope that we can continue to count on your support in order to maintain and hopefully expand our scholarship program which is aimed at helping a few needy and highly motivated Filipino students.

Total Spent
on G & A
\$809.00

Total Expended
on Fundraising
\$2,479.00



Fiscal Year
1985

Amount Dispersed
to Students
\$3,390.00

Kain, kaon, mangnaon...

Board members of the Returned Peace Corps Alumni Foundation for Philippine Development and guests gathered for an enjoyable evening at the Manila Cafe in Georgetown on Friday, February 21. RPCV's from the Philippines, some spouses and other interested guests dined and chattered in English and assorted Filipino dialects. Who would have guessed that we would order rice and fish for slightly higher prices than those of our neighborhood candelaria and smack our lips in appreciation? There were even some who ordered extra portions of bagoang.

The evening provided the opportunity for the group to investigate as to whether to hold our spring fundraiser at the restaurant as well as a chance to reminisce about the Philippines and discuss events happening there. The atmosphere and good food of the Manila Cafe elicited many fond memories for those who shared the evening together.

Peace Corps 25th Anniversary

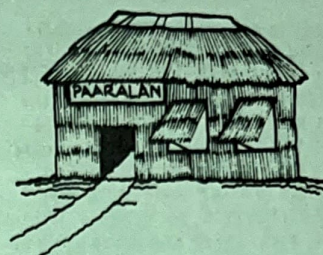
Dozens of events related to the 25th anniversary are going on around the country, but the centerpiece of these activities will be a two day National Conference entirely planned and carried out by Returned Peace Corps Volunteers and Staff. The conference will be part of the 25th Anniversary Weekend in Washington, D.C., September 18th through 22nd, which will also include a Congressional Reception, a walk to the Kennedy gravesite, a Memorial Service lead by Bill Moyers for Peace Corps Volunteers who died overseas, a Kennedy Center Gala, and special September 22 activities for Volunteers and Staff.

There is an unprecedented level of interest among former Peace Corps people and the general public for strengthening the ideals and the quiet approach to problem solving that the Peace Corps represents. The 25th Anniversary National Conference will not only be the culmination of the Peace Corps' silver anniversary year, it will be a major step towards a continuing process much larger and more lasting. For the conference will not end at the closing gavel. Fulfilling its objectives will continue long after it ends, and ultimately the conference will only have succeeded if a strong national movement of reinvigorated former Peace Corps people carry on in its wake, continuing the quiet patient work towards a better world that they once did within the bounds of the Peace Corps itself.

There is much that needs to be done to make this process succeed, and not much time before September. We hope that our vision intrigues you - and that you will lend us a hand in making it manifest. For information, suggestions, or offers to help, please call (202) 544-0191 or write RPCV Conference, P.O. Box 4924, Washington, D.C. 20008.

Contributors

Below is a list of those who have contributed since the last newsletter. The names with an asterisk indicate contributions of over \$100.00, a plus sign indicates those names which should have appeared on the last newsletter, but were erroneously omitted.



DC	Abernethy, Liz and John	WI	McCluskey, Jon
MD	Alexandro, Jeannine	VT	McCobb, Jim
DC	Altes, Lita	DC	McCormick-Blair, William
+ MD	Arnade, Carlos	MO	McDowell, Mark
MA	Arnott, Michael	ND	McGeever, James
+ NY	Bailey, Fred	+ DC	McMeans, Sarah and David
+ GA	Ballendorf, Dirk		McQuestion (Columbia)
CA	Banducci, Rick and Pauline	ME	Meehan, Joan
OH	Bauer, Constance and Wolfgang	+ OH	Miller, Randy
DC	Bergman, Terri	+ RI	Murphy, William
+ OR	Berklau, David and Virginia	PA	Navalinski, Ted
OH	Blanchard, Juliet	+ MI	Norbom, Mariette
+ CA	Blaylock, Mike and Colleen	+ HI	Olsen, Philip and Fran
+ TX	Bloom, Ben	NY	Olsen, Daniel
	Bonifacio, Mely (Switzerland)	CT	Peinert, Elizabeth
+ NY	Burns, Rita	+ AZ	Petersen, Jesse
+ AK	Calhoun, Malcolm and Mila	DC	Piness, Peter
DC	Carey, David	PA	Pons, Susan
VA	Carpenter, Lew	+ IL	Pott, David
WA	Carroll, Daniel	MD	Radomski, Mark
DC	Carroll, Maurine	DC	Relacion, Connie and Nick
SD	Casey, Bruce	NY	Restaino-Merola, Linda
+ OR	Cheriel, Mary	CA	Rice, Michael and Rufina
+ CT	Chiba, Katy	VA	Robb, Esther
PA	Cochrane, Steve	CT	Robins-Foulke, Wendy
CA	Cooper, Helen	MI	Robinson, Richard and Teri
NY	Donohue, Bill	+ PA	Roseman, Eudora
DC	Duff, Daniel	NE	Rothe, Steve
DC	Eichner, June	CA	Royal, Nicholas
CA	Erdmann, William	CA	Rye, Nancy
+ NY	Flaccus, David	CO	Sattler, Berdena
+ IN	Franwick, Gary	NY	Schmitz, Robert and Beulah
+ MN	Freutel, Rosalind and Jerry	TX	Schneider, Rick and Barb
MA	Fuchs, Lawrence	MT	Schott, Susan and Ray
+ NY	Ginsburg, Henry	VA	Schulte, Teresa
+ NY	Goddard, Fred	DC	Schwartz, Charles
+ MI	Gratz, Ronald	+ MN	Searle, Susan
DC	Green, Gerald	+ MO	Searles, P. David
PA	Guthrie, George	VA	Sequeira, Stephen
CT	Hamilton, Catherine	FL	Shaffer, Steve
DC	Hannum, Kathy		Sienkiewicz, Gene (Canada)
	Henson, Robert (Brazil)	NY	Simon, Gary
+ NY	Hilsinger, Arline	MA	Smith, James
VA	Holt, Calvin	CA	Smith, Michael
TN	Kandilakis, Elena	NY	Smith, Richard
WV	Keiser, Alan	OR	Spencer, George
+ NY	Kichorowska-Kebalo, Martha	+ NM	Sprague, Scott
DC	Knapman, Jackie	SD	Stiegelmeier, James
CA	Kollmeyer, Kevin	MD	Tejada, Rey and Susan
CA	Kompariez, Alexandria	VA	Thomas, Ralph
IN	Konetzka, Walter	+ VA	Tracy, Andy
ND	Krogh, Carol and James	NY	Tucker-Kubas, Katy
IA	Lahey, Steven	NY	Valentine, William
+ NY	Leones, Julie and Emmanuel	MN	Vanderford, Mary
VA	Leswing, Kirk	DC	Vineski, Steve and Lani
CA	Levi, Michael	IN	Walker, Ann
VA	Lilienthal, Philip and Lynn	NH	Warren, William and Jay
WA	MacDicken, Ken	CA	Weiss, Diana and Norman
SD	Magendanz, Tom and Lita	MA	White, Alan and Pat
MD	Maki, Ed	TX	Wick, Joni
VA	Malovany, Gerald	CA	Wolfe, Robert
VA	Maynes, Joan	+ MD	Wood, Dennis and Jayne Millar

Peace Corps Celebrates 25th Anniversary

Vice President George Bush, Peace Corps Director Loret Ruppe and the first Peace Corps Director, Sargent Shriver, kicked off Peace Corps' 25th year anniversary celebration on October 7, 1985 in Ann Arbor, Michigan. Ann Arbor was the place in 1960 where ten presidential candidate John F. Kennedy first publicly proposed the idea that one year later became Peace Corps.

The 25th year celebration will continue through September 30, 1986 and is being orchestrated by Jim Mayer, recently returned Peace Corps Country Director in the Philippines. There will be a series of events held throughout the United States designed to increase Americans' awareness of the developing world, one of Peace Corps' founding goals. Events include symposiums in more than 30 cities across the United States, a documentary to be shown on public television, and generous radio and newspaper discussions and educational programs about Peace Corps.

Since 1961, more than 120,000 Volunteers have served in over 90 countries. Today, more than 6,000 Volunteers serve in 61 countries.

"By the end of our anniversary celebration in October 1986, we hope everyone will have heard that the Peace Corps is alive and well and that it's worth and potential are recognized," says current Peace Corps Director Loret Ruppe.

If you would like more information about the 25th anniversary celebration, contact the Peace Corps Office of Public Affairs, M-1214, 806 Connecticut Ave., N.W. Washington, D.C. 20526, or call (202) 254-5010.



Development Education Program/NCRPCV

The National Council of RPCV's has a very active development education program designed to aid returned Volunteers in making Americans aware of the concerns, issues, and realities of developing countries--the Third Goal of the Peace Corps. The project is funded by grants from USAID, the Carnegie Corporation, individual RPCV's, UNICEF, and

several PVO's.

The development education program provides information free of charge to any RPCV (even if you're not an RPCV member) about organizing events, audio/visual resources, fund-raising, public speaking, training workshops, issues forums, and working with the media, PVO's and schools. Interested RPCV's may write for more information: NCRPCV/Dev Ed, 1241 Amsterdam Ave., New York, N.Y. 10027, Phone (212) 864-4961.

Elections (From Front Page)

retired Comptroller of Peace Corps/Manila.

Our Treasurer is Chris Rich. Chris was assigned in Abra and is now the Assistant Country Desk Officer for the Philippines at Peace Corps.

Toni Ferrara is the Recording Secretary. Toni worked with the Anak Bukid program in Zambales from 1981 to 1983. She also now works at the EPA where she gets to take great business trips to California and other sunny spots.

The Corresponding Secretary is Chad Walter. Chad's official role may be the Corresponding Secretary, but his real purpose is to gently remind us of our responsibilities with the Foundation. I know that he must have my number

memorized by now. Chad was a Volunteer at the Marine Sciences Center, a part of the University of the Philippines/Diliman. He is now employed as a museum technician at the Smithsonian Oceanographic Sorting Center.

The Editor of the Newsletter (yours truly) is Ruth Shapiro. I was a Volunteer in Bohol and then Alabang, Manila. I am now finishing my Masters at the George Washington University and working at the Voice of America.

Other Board Members include John and Liz Abernethy, Vincente Borneo, Renato Bulaon, Denise Conley-Lionetti, Tom Dine, Larry and Cindy Koskinen, Chris Polydoroff, Becky Rootes and Andy Tracy.

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other interested individuals to continue their commitment to Philippine development. Many of you have written to ask how you can help in your area and in 1986 we need to answer that question. We are beginning on the West Coast with sharing our list of West Coast supporters with former Volunteers there who have volunteered to try and sponsor a fundraising event or start a local chapter of the Foundation.

Several individuals and groups have contacted the Foundation and expressed an interest in channeling funds into educational programs or development projects. While this represents a new opportunity for us to contribute to Philippine development, we have not developed the means to identify and screen

development projects or educational programs or to account for the use of donated funds. We are beginning to explore how we can identify appropriate development opportunities in the Philippines and link them with funding opportunities in the U.S.

This is only a sample of the challenges we are facing. As in 1985, in 1986 we hope we can rely on your ideas, suggestions and continued support. You have helped us to build a Foundation from a series of small successes. As we grow our horizons have moved farther in the distance, uncovering new opportunities and challenges. At the end of 1985 we can point to our accomplishments but cannot rest on our accolades. Entering 1986 we see these accomplishments are only a beginning, for us and for the Philippines.

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