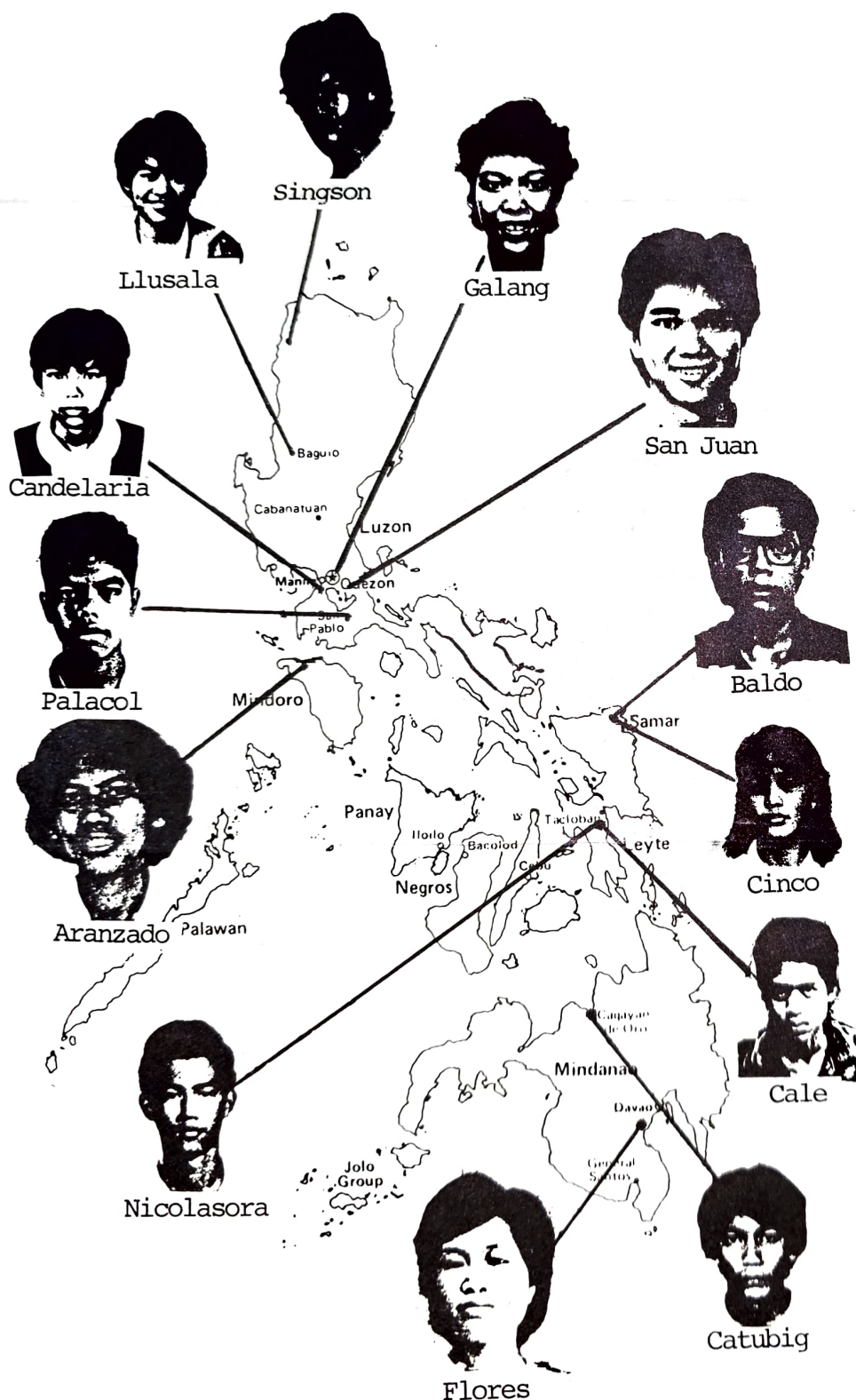




FOUNDATION SCHOLARS—1984

Sixty (60) scholarship applications for the 1984 school year were handcarried to Foundation Vice-President Modesto de Jesus in Manila by Board member Denise Conley-Lionetti. These applications were distributed to community leaders identified by members of the Board, RPCVs and former staff members. The Board sought to achieve a wide geographic spread among applicants and thus targeted community leaders from across the Philippines.

From among a large number of outstanding applicants, 11 students were selected for Foundation awards. Awards were renewed for Mr. Elmo Singson and Mr. William Catubig who received Foundation awards last year.

Four high school students were selected:

Ms. Rhea A. Cinco of Catarman, Northern Samar was granted a scholarship to attend the high school at the University of Sto. Tomas (UST) in Manila. Eventually, she desires a medical degree. She is involved in choir, Hijos del Pueblo Girl Scouts and other civic organizations. She graduated valedictorian of her elementary school.

Mr. Joselito C. Palacol of Sta. Cruz, Laguna is attending the high school at Union College in Sta. Cruz. He will undertake accounting. He worked for two months of his vacation painting woodcraft to earn some money for school.

Ms. Severa M. Aranzado, 21 years old of Puerto Galera, Oriental Mindoro has resumed fourth year high school at the Puerto Galera Academy. With four younger siblings and a chronically ill mother, Severa dropped out of high school and took on a job as a housemaid. Now, she has resumed her education. Though she will focus on out-of-school youth when she graduates, she is committed to "educate not only the children, but also the adults."

1984 SCHOLARS (continued)

Ms. Annaliza I. Candelaria of Imus, Cavite will attend fourth year high school at Del Pilar Academy. She was valedictorian in elementary school and has been a consistent honor student in her first three years of High School.

Seven college students were selected:

Ms. Maria Carmen Galang of Quezon City will enter medical school at UST where she received her B.S. in Psychology in 1984. Her experience includes involvement in a 2-month Psychology practicum at the University of the East Medical Center.

Mr. Rogelio T. Cale of Biliran, Leyte is undertaking either civil or agricultural engineering at the Leyte Institute of Technology. Rogelio states, "...through civic organizations, I will do my best to lead people in putting up worthwhile community projects such as bridges, artesian wells...and feeder roads to barangays." Rogelio graduated as valedictorian of his high school class and was president of the Future Farmers Club and the Science Club.

Mr. Julio J. Baldo, Jr. of University Town, Catarman, Northern Samar graduated as valedictorian of his high school and scored in the 99+ percentile on his National Collegiate Entrance Examination (NCEE). Mr. Baldo is now undertaking a political science degree at UP/Diliman which will prepare him, he hopes, for the study of law. Mr. Baldo hopes to serve the people of Northern Samar, letting them "know their worth... and thus pave the way to establishing a politically and socially aware and awake community for their progress/development rather than being overly dependent upon others."

Ms. Ruth G. Llusala of Baguio City is enrolled in the pre-medical biology program at St. Louis University in Baguio. Ms. Llusala elected to take an advanced Biology course in high school, and has been active in barangay civic affairs.

Mr. Al Bernardo Nicolazora of Tacloban City was awarded a grant to enable him to continue his second year in the pursuit of a bachelor's degree in Political Science at UP/Tacloban. He considers his current undertaking preparatory to a law degree.

BOARD HOLDS FIRST ANNUAL MEETING

The first annual meeting of the Board of Directors of the Foundation was held at the offices of the Foreign Student Service Council in Washington, D.C. on March 27, 1984. The original members of the Board were congratulated for their contributions of time and money to the Foundation making possible a successful first year and the Board looked forward to the bright potential in the years ahead.

The meeting was chaired by Foundation President Jan Twarowski who reported that \$4,300 had been raised by the Foundation during its first fiscal year. Direct mail contributions accounted for over 50% of this income. Approximately 1,150 former PC/Philippines volunteers, staff, and friends were contacted by the Foundation. The November 1983 reception at the Washington residence of philanthropist Stewart Mott, the highlight event of the past year, raised \$1,465.

The Board unanimously approved continued support for the two scholars who received grants in 1983, William Catubig of Cagayan de Oro and Elmo C. Singson of Pagudpud, Ilocos Norte. Both Mr. Singson, who is studying architecture at the Technological Institute of the Philippines in Manila, and Mr. Catubig a second year Commerce student at Xavier University in Cagayan de Oro City, continue to meet the high academic standards of the Foundation.

Nominations for the Board of Directors were accepted for the April election. Then current Board members John Sequiera, Mark Phillips, Pam Johnstone, and Kathy

Mr. Merlino S. San Juan of Taytay, Rizal has sought and been granted Foundation assistance in his second year in civil engineering at the Technological Institute of the Philippines. Despite his employment as a houseboy, Mr. San Juan graduated in the top ten percent of his high school.

Ms. Evelyn A. Flores of Sta. Maria, Davao del Sur is attending Holy Cross of Digos for vocational training in secretarial/bookkeeping. She enjoys reading and participates in special programs at school and in the community. Ms. Flores intends to work in her municipality upon graduation.

Comtois were not re-nominated for Board membership due to changes in their residences.

In reviewing the events and the accomplishments of the Foundation's first year, the members of the Board of Directors expressed their pride as well as their gratitude to all those who have donated their time, their efforts, and their monetary support. From what started as a vague idea in the minds of a few, has now become an operational means of continued involvement with Filipino people.

BOARD CONTEMPLATES THE FUTURE

Three months after its incorporation, the Peace Corps Alumni Foundation for Philippine Development was able to award grants to Elmo Singson and William Catubig. One year later, the Foundation has 13 students in school including Elmo and William whose academic progress has been remarkable.

With the selection of this year's scholars completed, thoughts turn to the next and subsequent years. What level of sustained support can be generated? What groups and organizations should be targeted for involvement? What number of students will the Foundation support? When should the Foundation begin to participate in areas of human resource development other than that of formal education and what will these areas be?

These questions have been and will continue to be discussed by the executive board. There are many opinions and suggestions, but the Board agrees that the Foundation will:

- o meet ongoing commitments to individuals as a top priority;
- o seek to promote the Foundation among a larger audience to include both profit and non-profit corporations, private voluntary organizations and the general public; and
- o increase to at least 25, within the next two years the number of students concurrently enrolled with Foundation grants.

Let us hear from you!

IN THE PHILIPPINES

Modesto de Jesus, Vice President and Philippines Field representative for the Foundation, is a key factor in this year's success story.

Mod, retired after 37 years with the U.S. Government, immediately took on the task of finding worthy scholars for PCAFPD grants. He not only distributes applications, interviews prospective recipients and visits schools on behalf of the Foundation, but he assures that the grants are administered properly and handles the financial transactions in the Philippines. Vice President Liz Abernethy and Directors Denise Lionetti and John Abernethy visited Mod at different times the past year and all report that he is thoroughly committed to the work of the Foundation and spends many hours each week on this new development project.

Assisting Modesto is our newest Board member Mr. Renato B. Bulaon. As manager of the printing business the Foundation uses in the Philippines, Mr. Bulaon learned of our objectives and generously volunteered to give us his time and energy.

A college instructor and a businessman, he has offered to help not only in the administration of our program but also in promotion and fund-raising. The Board joins Modesto in welcoming Mr. Bulaon to the Foundation!

CONTRIBUTORS

We wish to extend our thanks to all supporters of the Foundation. Your collective actions have enabled the Foundation to extend its awards to 13 scholars for the school year 1984-85. Contributors since the publication of the last newsletter follow:

Arnott, Michael	MA
Ballendorf, Dirk	Guam
Banducci, Rick & Pauline	CA
Barclay, Karen	WA
Blaylock, Mike & Colleen	CA
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Brodbeck, Emma	CA
Brown, Joan	NY
Butts, Priscilla	WS
Cabell, Chris	VA
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KEEPING IN TOUCH WITH THE PHILIPPINES ...AND WITH US ALL!!!!

As a non-profit development organization, the Peace Corps Alumni Foundation for Philippine Development is unique in the degree of contact it has had with the country and the people it seeks to assist. All of the members of the Board of the Foundation have had a long, close association with the RP. From Country Directors to RPCVs, from a former Washington Desk Officer to past Manila staff members, the members of the Board have a combined total of over 50 years of commitment to Philippine development (not counting the long-termers: Lita Altea, Modesto de Jesus or Vicente Borneo!).

Within the past six months alone, three members of the Board have made trips to the Philippines. One piece of shocking news is that the official dollar-peso exchange rate is up to 20 to 1.

While this rate of exchange does permit us to buy more pesos for our dollars of scholarship funds, the inflation rate in the Philippines is such that our young scholars now need more pesos than before just to stay even. (By some accounts, inflation is running at 50 percent according to the Washington Post of August 12, 1984). Access to a good education in the Philippines has always been out of reach for the poorest families and now--sadly--even more than before.

Although there exists a vast network of friends, relatives, former and current Peace Corps staff, former co-workers and colleagues, we have only begun to tap the potential for the Foundation's worthy purposes. We need your support. We need you to help! With money--yes, but also with names of potential contributors. Please let us hear from you!

Foundation meetings are held the fourth Tuesday of every month at 7:00 p.m. at the office of the Foreign Student Service Council. All meetings are open to interested parties--we welcome your participation. Persons travelling to or through the Washington area are encouraged to call on the members of the Board of Directors to exchange views and information. Some phone numbers are listed below:

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Christopher E. Rich	301/946-6004
T. Chad Walter	202/483-6921

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Evans, David	VA	Magedanz, Tom & Lita	SD
Foulke, Wendy	CT	Maloney, Dennis & Linda	DC
Frankwick, Gary	WI	Melby, Eric & Pamela	France
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Green, Gerald	DC	Schneider, Barbara & Rich	TX
Hamilton, Catherine	CT	Schaffer, Steve	PA
Hargis (Erickson), Laura	CA	Small, Mary	ME
Henson, Robert	Brazil	Tejada, Rey & Susan	MD
Herupel Blasco, Jane	ND	Thomas, Ralph & Janet	VA
Hilsinger, Arline	NY	Tracy, Thomas	VA
Holton, Marion	VA	Ullrich, Chris	NY
Johnson, Pat	IA	Yahiro, Coreen	CA
Johnson, Steve	WS	Vineski, Steve & Fani	DC
Kollmeyer, Kevin	CA	Ziegenhagen, David	MN
Krogh, James	ND		
Koskinen, Larry & Cindy	VA		
Leswing, Kirk	VA		



Board Members of the Peace Corps Alumni Foundation for Philippine Development in attendance at the July 24th meeting in Washington. (From left to right, first row: Elizabeth D. Abernethy, Jan T. Twarowski and Angelita L. Altea; second row: Stephen F. Callahan, Christopher T. Polydoroff, John T. Abernethy, Christopher E. Rich, T. Chad Walter and Vicente Borneo.)

NEW OFFICERS ELECTED

At the April 24th meeting of the Board of Directors of the Foundation, new members and officers of the Board were elected.

By unanimous vote of the members present, Foundation President and RPCV Jan T. Twarowski was elected to second term as President. The Board recognized his continuing commitment to the Foundation's goals.

Elected to the Office of Vice President were Elizabeth D. Abernethy, former Co-Country Director of Peace Corps/Philippines; Angelita L. Altea, former PC/P Associate Director for Fisheries; Melvin E. Beetle, former Volunteer, Regional Director, and Orientation and Development Officer; and Modesto de Jesus, former PC/P Associate Director for Administration and the current Field Operations representative for the Foundation in Manila.

Voted to the Office of Treasurer was RPCV Christopher E. Rich. RPCV T. Chad Walter was elected Secretary.

Nine other Board members were elected: Stephen Callahan, Vicente Borneo, John T. Abernethy, Denise Conley-Lionetti, Christopher T. Polydoroff, Robert J. Wilson, P. David Searles, Thomas Dine, and Timothy M. Casey.

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