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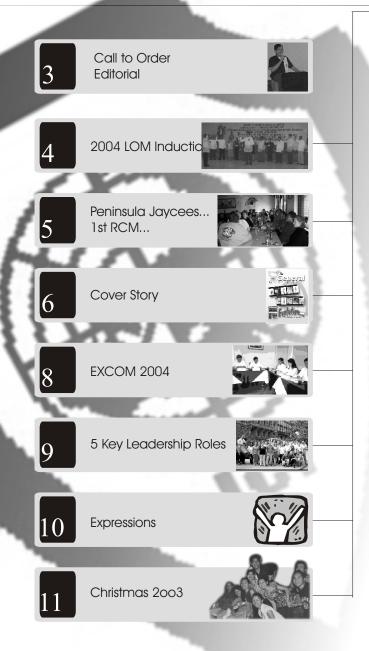




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The dawning of a new age





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# Call to order

JC SONNY SAGALONGOS LOM President

### Greetings to all!

It is with great pleasure and privilege to extend my sincerest thanks to all the members of the General Santos "Twin Star" Jaycees. I am greatly honored to be given a chance to serve as your LOM President this year. I look forward to your most eager support and active participation in all our projects and activities.

This year, our focus will not only be limited to the usual schemes and concerns that we give our attentions to, but this time, we shall be employing novel steps at intensifying our distinct craft, and learn from the wealth of experiences or opportunities that the Jaycees have in store for all of us.

I personally feel the need for a comprehensive leadership program for our members and the LOM. I see that this program would lead to the realization of our Jaycee advocacy for social awareness and political involvement with the end of promoting national economic development.

In this respect, "THE GENERAL" is very important in our desire to achieve this goal as if would serve as a means of communication of our ideas to others.

I am therefore grateful to all the contributors and staff of this publication. They would truly make "THE GENERAL" worthy of its name. With your help and God's blessings, we can make a big difference as Jaycees this year.

### Editorial:

## To be or not to be....

When the LOM decided to publish "The GENERAL", it was for the sole reason of providing the "Twin Star" Jaycees information and updates of the goings-on in the Philippines Jaycees and Junior Chamber International.

The then LOM President, JC Ceasar Capili told his Jaycees peers, "If we have to do it, let's shoot for the moon."

Loud and clear, his message reverberated in that small room where the LOM Board was having a meeting. The challenged was thrown, and ultimately it was accepted.

The rest is history as his words turned into a very wonderful reality - The GENERAL won as the Most Outstanding LOM Publication of the Philippine Jaycees. Little did we expect that in shooting for the moon, we'll eventually land among the stars!!

This experience has taught us a lot of lessons. We now know that nothing worthwhile and fulfilling is achieved if we do not go the extra mile. We now know that problems are just opportunities in disguise. We now know that every notable accomplishment starts with that bold decision to try. We now know that in THE JAYCEES, as well, as in LIFE, things do not just happen.

As another portentous Jaycee Year unfolds before our eyes, we are expected to do better, to try harder.

Are we up to the

## [Individual News]

## 2004 GenSan "Twin Star" Jaycee board sworn into office



NSEVP JCI Senator Manny Yao inducts the 2003 LOM Board.

Bv: Jonathan Roda

In a very formal, yet festive ceremony, amid the jubilant crowd coming from at least fifteen (15) Jaycee Chapters in Southern Mindanao, the 2003-2004 Board of Directors of the General Santos "Twin Star" Jaycees took their oath of office to formally jumpstart the coming Jaycee year. Held at the plush Phela Grande Convention Center, this City, JC Sonny Sagalongos and his Board were charged into office by JC Martin Robert Antepuesto, National Vice President for Southern Mindanao, and were subsequently inducted by the Philippine Jaycees' National Senior Executive Vice President, JCI Senator Manuel Yao, Jr.

The LOM Board members inducted into office were JC Rey Jayme, as Executive Vice-President, VP for Individual JC Zavier Palao, VP for Business JC Melodee Amor Tatel, VP for International JC Donna La Rosa, VP for Community JC Edwin Ravelo, JC Joan Salazar-Haresco as Secreatry-General, JC Yvonne Fuentespina-Mercado as Treasurer-General, and JC Ma. Victoria Irene Cantos as Treasurer-General. Other Members of the Board sworn into office were JC Thomas Hilomen, Past President Jose Lasalita, Jr. and JC Ellie Acuesta, Jr. the Immediate Past President.

On the same occasion, the new batch of regular members led by the Batch President JC Michael Biñas were also inducted. Joining him in the roster of new regular members are, JC Solrac Adle Sevilla, JC Carla May Difunturum, JC Josephine Cariño, JC Jon Paolo Fucilero, JC Jonathan Roda, JC Grace Edralin, JC Aprl Anne Rabe and JC Henry Albanao. This young and vibrant group of new Jaycees call themselves, The Young Generals.

## Community News

## Twin Star Jaycees inks pact with SCDS and PPDS-Minda Circle

The General Santos Twin Star Jaycees signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the South Cotabato Dental Society and Philippine Pediatric Dental Society-Mindanao Circle during its 38th Annual Installation of Officers and Induction of New Members held last December 6, 2003 at the Phela Grande Convention Center, General Santos City.

Dr. Glenn Gabas President of The SCDS and Dr. Rafael Borromeo of PPDS-Mindanao Circle officially signed the MOU with JC Sonny Sagalongos, representing the General Santos Twin Star Jaycees. Dr. Simonette Manlangit, Dr. Maribel Deocampo Acuesta and JC Edwin Ravelo, DVM, served as witnesses to the memorandum signing.

The SCDS, PPDS Mindanao Circle and Jaycees agreed to multilaterally campaign and conduct projects to promote consciousness on proper dental care and prevention

## Jaycees, harbingers of cheers

Though Christmas carols have slowly faded in the air as the year slowly come to a close, the celebration of Christmas has not yet officially ended.

And what could be more meaningful to celebrate Christmas other than spending it with the less fortunate?



In this season of hope the General Santos
"Twin Star"
Jaycees
together with
Bayantel and
ABS-CBN
Gen. San

Gemma's Orphanage to distribute toys and clothes to the orphans. Christmas is definitely for children, so these orphans should not be deprived of celebrating this event even though they have been "abandoned".

Dubbed as "Pasko sa Tanan", around 40 children enjoyed the celebration with the Jaycees, in a simple yet meaningful Christmas party. A thankful Director of St. Gemma's lauded the effort of the group even as she said that they are looking forward to spend another Christmas with the Jaycees in the future.





Peninsula Jaycees celebrating the Chinese New Year.

## International News

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Way in 2004

Peninsula

Jaycees

### Peninsula Jaycees of Virginia, USA: 1st international sister chapter of "Twin Star" Jaycees

General Santos City, Philippines. More than two hundred (200) Jaycees coming from at least 15 chapters in Southern Mindanao became witnesses to the on-line twinning sans webcam of the General Santos "Twin Star" Jaycees with the Peninsula Jaycees of Virginia, USA.

The Twinning Committee led by PP JC Allan Licera and EVP JC Rey Jayme through a power point presentation, bared ing about the people behind the Peninsula including their projects and activities. This gave

Jaycees, including their projects and activities. This gave everybody an overview of what this new sister chapter of "Twin Star" Jaycees is doing on the other side of the globe. JC Jim Hart Vice President for Community of Virginia District Jaycees, JC Swee Hart, Incoming President of Peninsula Jaycees and five other members of the Peninsula Jaycees joined in the on-line twinning via Yahoo Messenger, as early as 10:00pm (9:00am Virginia Time) of December 6, 2003.

JC Jim Hart also gave a short message, said his greetings and good wishes to their new found Jaycee brothers in the Philippines via phone patch courtesy of Bayantel.

## Business News



# Twin Star Jaycees to implement Jaycee MAXX

One of the longest-running business opportunity projects of the Philippine Jaycees, the "Jaycee MAXX" will be implemented this year by the LOM. This was revealed by the LOM President himself, JC Sonny Sagalongos. He explained this effort by saying that, "the General Santos "Twin Star" Jaycees leadership is doing this project to actualize and maximize the privileges of the membership in the Jaycees. Jaycee MAXX will be one of our pet projects under Business Area of Opportunity for the year 2004."

'This project will also help our fellow members promote their products and services to other Jaycees. Moreover, this can be a tool in encouraging young entrepreneurs to join the Jaycees" opined JC Sonny. He added that, "this year's participating business establishments will be published in the succeeding issues of the General, the LOMs official monthly magazine, and will also be posted in the LOM's website, twinstarjes.tripod.com."

The Jaycee MAXX is a national project of the Philippine Jaycees which aims to provide the Jaycee membership with discounts on purchases of goods and services to all participating business establishments nationwide.

### 1st SouthMin regional leaders summit held

More than fifty Jaycee leaders coming from 15 chapters in Southern Mindanao attended the 1st Regional Council Meeting hosted by the General Santos "Twin Star" Jaycees last December 6, 2003 at the Phela Grande Convention Center, this city. The confab, which was presided by the recently-inducted National Vice President for Southern Mindanao, JC Martin Robert Antepuesto of the Davao Jaycees intended to shape the Jaycee future of the region through a number of innovative plans that shall be undertaken this coming year.

"Among the salient points discussed during the meeting were the proposed region's organizational structure for the year 2004, creation of SMART (Southern Mindanao Alliance of Regional Trainors), and schedule of Inductions for the coming year", the eloquent NVP of Southern Mindanao JC Bobby Antepuesto revealed.

In the said meeting, JC Sonny Sagalongos, President of the Host LOM, General Santos "Twin Star" Jaycees also expressed his thanks to all LOMs who were able to send their respective representatives to the said meeting. Jaycee chapters present were the Davao Jaycees, Kadayawan Jaycees, Central Davao Jaycees, Durian City Jaycees, Metro Kidapawan Jaycees, Tuna Jaycees, Tacurong "Kampilan" Jaycees, Isulan "Sultan" Jaycees, Mt. Apo Jaycees, and the Cotabato Jaycees.



1st Southern Mindanao Regional Council Meeting.









Philippine Jaycee President JCI Sen. John Jimenez with his board at San Pablo City.

## **EXCOM 2004**

JCI Manila - The 2004 Executive Committee held its 1st Executive Committee Meeting at the Legend Hotel in Puerto Princesa City last November 22, 2003. The meeting was aimed to formalize their Objectives, Strategies and Plan of Action (OSPA) for the incoming administration, based on what was taken up by the Planning Session of the incoming National Board held last October 8, 2003 during the Natcon in Tagaytay City. The OSPA will be presented for further deliberation and approval during their first National Board Meeting on January 10, 2004 in San Pablo City. Bannered by the 2004 NOM Theme, JC ADVANTAGE "Applying Developed Visions through Alternative National Training to Attain and Gain Excellence," incoming National President Jose B. Jimenez III presented his plans, particularly focusing on instituting reforms with the aim of streamlining the operations for a better and stronger Junior Chamber in the Philippines.

One of the main objectives is to have an effective program on the conduct for a massive membership recruitment and LOM revival. But the most significant undertaking they are considering is the generation of more funds by inviting as many sponsors through a "repackaging agreement." This agreement aims to invite corporate partners of the organization to alleviate its long festering financial situation. One strategy presented consisted of reimaging of the NOM itself by coming up with a pocket kit or a brochure stating all the facts about the Junior Chamber of the Philippines. This will be used to champion the organization as a brand. With this plan, there is also a need of professionalizing the National Secretariat so that it can efficiently serve and improve its services not only to the general membership but also to other organizations and companies. Corollary to this is the strengthening of the National Training Commission so that it can provide more trainings and seminars nationwide to improve the Leadership skills of all its members.

Among other items taken up were the proposed amendments to the JCP Constitution and By-Laws. Since 2004 is an amendment year, it is critical for the organization to formulate new policies that will be improve cohesion and unity among the local member-chapters and to the general membership. Special commissions to handle special projects were also proposed with the objective of addressing the exigencies of times. Among the salient topics discussed were the following:

- During the JCI World Congress in Copenhagen, the JCI General Assembly approved a new corporate identity logo reflecting the Jaycee organization as being a "worldwide federation of young leaders and entrepreneurs." In this regard, JCI affiliate NOMs and LOMs are encouraged to adopt the new corporate identity in order to have a global brand.

- The creation of a National Training Institute (NTI). The Board agreed to make the NTI an independent body and juridical in nature, having its own by-laws and policy manual, finding its own financial sourcing and managing its own affairs. It will be composed of 15 members, eight of whom will come from the National Training Commission, and seven will come from the National Board. Its main purpose is to formulate plans, oversee the effective implementation and the maximization of the all training needs of the members of the national organization.

- The creation of a Commission On

Retention, Revival and Extension (CORRE) and allocating a budget for it in order to function effectively, especially on the recruitment of members. Unlike the present set-up, this will be automatically headed by the Immediate Past National President and have all the Immediate Past LOM Presidents as its members to help him in the revival, retention and extension of members.

- The creation of an International Relations Commission, renamed as "CIRCA," or the Commission on International Relations Correspondence and Activities. This commission will be under the National Senior Executive Vice-President and all international activities, such as the JCI World Congress, JCI Asia-Pacific Conferences, JCI Dignitaries v i s i t a t i o n among others.

- The creation of a JCP Corporate Image Packaging Committee for which the primary purpose is to sell the organization and invite sponsors to become corporate partners. A comprehensive and effective marketing strategy will be formulated and the plan of creating a pocket kit or a brochure that will contain a complete overview of what is the Jaycees will be done. The said kit will also be used to orient and recruit new members.

- The creation of a JCI-UN Commission which will handle the implementation of the eight millennial projects to be participated in by all NOMs. This is part of the agreement forged during the JCI-UN leadership summit held in New York last August 2003.

- The creation of a JCI-AIESEC Commission as there will be a tie up agreement to for joint undertaking of projects by the NOM and the AIESEC, a worldwide student organization.

- The creation of a Commission for Youth Business International that handles the creation of business entity composed of young people, since the JCI Major Emphasis Theme is Entrepreneurs in Action."

- The creation of a Committee on International Chamber of Commerce which all Jaycee members around the world are encouraged to conduct or participate in business forums with the aim in view of making them feel that the Jaycees are alive and strong.

Among other things taken up besides the national flagship projects as enumerated in the NOM Schedule of Activities are the plans of implementing other projects, such as the "WOW Pinoy!" Caravan, the 55th JCP Anniversary celebration, JCP Growth Day, First Young Entrepreneurs Forum, JCP Markers, "Text Tie Up" with Globe and many others. The mechanics of all these undertakings will be circulated in the coming months to the general public.

So watch out! Let us fully support the 2004 JCP National Board and wish all of them best of luck!







Fernando Sánchez - Arias will Lead JCI with "Passion for Action" in 2004

Fernando Sánchez-Arias, from Maracaibo, Venezuela, was elected JCI President for 2004 at the 58th JCI World Congress held in Copenhagen, Denmark, in November 2003. With "Passion for Action" as his personal theme, he will take over the leadership of JCI in 2004 implementing a plan of action that will complement 2003 JCI President Bruce Rector's Plan of Action.

Born in Maracaibo, Venezuela, on August 15, 1966, Sánchez-Arias is an honors graduate in business administration with a major in organization and methods. Specialized in psychology and education applied to business, he is a learning facilitator, executive coach and speaker. He runs his own international consulting, training, and coaching firm; leads a business-oriented TV weekly segment; and contributes to various newspapers and magazines specialized on management.

After joining Junior Chamber Zulia in 1988 and becoming active in various areas, Sánchez-Arias became Local Executive Vice President in 1990 and National President in 1995.

At the international level, he was Councilor for the American Development Council (ADC) in 1996; JCI Vice President assigned to various South American countries in 1997; Executive Assistant to the JCI President for Area C (the Americas) in 1998; Special Assistant to the JCI President for Sponsorship in Area C in 1999; and JCI Chief Commissioner of Growth and Development in 2000.

As JCI Executive Vice President responsible for Europe, he chaired the JCI European Conference in Tampere, Finland, in 1999. He was also Chief Executive Assistant to the World President in 2003.

Sánchez-Arias is the head designer of JCI LEAD, the official JCI Leadership Competences Seminar. He has attended 23 JCI Area Conferences and 11 JCI World Congresses. He speaks Spanish, English, and Portuguese. He is JCI Senator No. 56949 and JCI Training Institute International Training Fellow (ITF) No. 31. He lives in Maracaibo, Venezuela, with his wife Olimpia Petzold and his son Andrés Enrique.

Sánchez-Arias will lead the organization with the support of an outstanding group of young people elected or appointed as members of the 2004 JCI Board of Directors:

Immediate Past President Bruce Rector, USA General Legal Counsel Matsuki Okumoto, Japan Treasurer Lisa Parrish, USA

Executive Vice President for Area A Joe Dilger, Britain
Executive Vice President for Area B Anwar Kashif
Mumtaz, Pakistan

Executive Vice President for Area C John Nygren, USA

Executive Vice President for Area D Henry Loo Chin Moy, Maurice.

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## Five Key Leadership Roles

By JCI President-elect Fernando Sanchez-Arias

Fernando Sanchez-Arias was elected JCI President at the 58th JCI World Congress held in Copenhagen, Denmark, last November. A Venezuelan citizen, he is an honors graduate in business administration with a major in organization and methods. He specializes in psychology and education applied to business. A learning facilitator, executive coach and speaker, he runs his own international consulting, training, and coaching firm. He is the head designer of JCI LEAD, the official JCI Leadership Competences Seminar. Can someone be a manager and a leader at the same time? What is the difference between a leader and a manager? Can an executive, a scientist, a sportswoman, a political leader, a homemaker, or professor play different roles in the exercise of leadership? Let's examine Five Key Leadership Roles, a subject vital for success.

#### You as a Leader

As a leader you must interact with your people everyday to inspire them to convert their vision into action and into reality. That reality depends on the versatility you demonstrate as a leader through the different roles you must play as a homemaker and family leader, as the owner of a mechanics shop, as the president of a large multinational company, as the leader of a political party, as the dean of a university, as the head of a Scout troop, as the leader of a neighborhood association, or as a JCI chapter president. As a leader you perform functions that require knowledge, attitudes, and skills that range from fundraising to forming alliances to creating a vision, developing your people, and effectively transmitting in formation.

#### The Leader's Hand

The JCI LEAD  $^{\text{\tiny TM}}$  Program for Development of Leadership Abilities presents The Leader's Hand  $^{\text{\tiny TM}}$ , which helps explain the five roles every leader must master to be truly effective:

- 1. MANAGER: As a manager, you seek out and manage the necessary resources; coordinate actions; generate results; measure and control; report; and ensure quality of processes, goods and services.
- 2. VISIONARY: As a visionary, you create and co-create the vision of your enterprise; find the means to effectively communicate it; emotionally and rationally inspire your team members; and act as an agent of change.
- 3. COACH: As a coach, you act as an athletic scout, seeking talent internally and externally, developing successors, expanding potential through coaching-style interactions.
- 4. EDUCATOR: As an educator, you transfer information, knowledge and experience through formal educational opportunities conferences, talks, workshops or instructive conversations to develop team competencies and the intellectual capital of the organization as a whole.
- 5. AMBASSADOR: As an ambassador, you form strategic alliances for mutual support; plan effective strategies to develop media and inter-institutional relations; and promote the philosophy, history and services of your organization.

The myth that a manager cannot be a leader appears to be gradually fading as the roles of successful leaders are being assumed by individuals who may be highly skilled only in one of the five roles, but gain proficiency in the rest and achieve the balance needed to achieve the critical objectives of the business or organization.

The Leader's Hand, on which the thumb represents the manager, the index finger the visionary, the middle finger the coach, the ring finger the educator, and the little finger the ambassador, allows you to observe and analyze your performance and results in each role.

#### The "Hidden Role"

However, it is not enough to master these five roles. There is another role called the "hidden role." It is represented by the wrist, which gives flexibility and mobility to the hand and its fingers (representing roles). This sixth role, like a sixth sense, is the role of LEARNER. As a learner, you proactively seek to improve yourself, not only through information, but also through attitudes and abilities to become more capable, more able to compete, and better at directing yourself and others.

Aspiring to take our people to the summit, you must learn to master these six roles to achieve positive results in terms of quality, effectiveness, productivity, profitability, and enjoyment in all your activities.

Being a Manager, Visionary, Coach, Educator and Ambassador at different times and in different situations makes you an excellent executive, businessperson, community leader, scholar, scientist or athlete. You have the opportunity to ask yourself: How good am I at each of these roles? What do I have to learn or change to be better in each role?

#### A Passion for Action

During the coming year, we will learn from people who are successful in different areas and



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Vice Presidents (Area A):
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Slim Gomri, Tunisia

Assigned National Organizations: Botswana, Kenya, Malawi, Uganda, Zimbabwe, Namibia and Nigeria

Elidie Angora, Côte d'Ivoire

Assigned National Organizations: Benin, Burkina, Tunisia, Maurice, Madagascar, Togo and Gabon

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Shoji Okuhara, Japan

Assigned National Organizations: Australia, Fiji, New Zealand, Pacific and Indonesia

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Assigned National Organizations: Hong Kong, macau, Malaysia, Singapore, Nepal and Thailand

V. Harish Kumar, India

Assigned National Organizations: Japan, Korea, Mongolia, Philippines and Taiwan

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Nicolas Caffaro, Dominican Republic

Assigned National Organizations: Argentina, Bolivia, Chile, Ecuador, Peru, Suriname and Paraguay

German Donnola, Argentina

Assigned National Organizations: Colombia, Mexico, Panama, Venezuela and Puerto Rico

Wesley Spurrier, USA

Assigned National Organizations: Bermuda, USA, West Indies and Canada

Sanda Panggabean, Indonesia

Assigned National Organizations: USA and Dutch Caribbean

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Jefersom Machado, Brazil

Assigned National Organizations: Belgium, Britain, Ireland, Netherlands, Scotland and Austria

Michael Horn, USA

Assigned National Organizations: Greece, Switzerland, Turkey, Cyprus, Italy, Malta and Armenia

Graham Hanlon, Ireland

Assigned National Organizations: Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Iceland, Latvia, Lithuania, Norway and Sweden

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### Morbid thoughts Am I going to die?

I know everybody is destined to be... Ahhhh...ahhhh...the pain I can no longer bear. Could somebody give me the

analgesics! It's always been this way since having the seizures.

Am I really going to die?

I think my days are numbered... mmm...mmm...am sleepy I can feel myself drifting Could you sing a song for me, please.

Everytime that syringe cut through my veins I felt drowsy.

Am I ready to die?

I believe nobody is... Shhh...shhhh...I saw something Could somebody wake me up now! I always saw that vague, strange thing when I am unconscious.

Am I dead?

I hope you will remember me still... Lalala...lalala...am happy now Could you hug me tight...closer... It's getting dark...

Self Study

Why could I...

Look at myself with eyes closed Speak to myself 'tho I am silent Feel the pain even in my numbness Yet...

In looking at others I must open my eyes On talking with man, voice I must use Upon inflicting pain to others, force I employ

Why must I ...

Close my eyes to see my own faults Shut my lips to hear myself talk Be numb to experience pain.

For

I see others thru my eyes I invent gossips thru my lips I inflict pain thru my hands Then must I ...

Be blind to see the world and its goodness Be deaf to hear man and his reasonableness

Be numb to understand the feelings of others

But if all is...

Blind there would be darkness Deaf there would be silence Numb there would be stillness

And

In darkness truth could not be seen In silence reason could not be heard On stillness progress and mobility would not exist

So...

Eyes should be naked to see the truth Lips should be bared to hear all the reasons Body should be moved to attain oneness

Executive Vice President for Area D Henry Loo Chin Moy, Maurice

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## **CHRISTMAS 2003, The Gensan** "Twin Star" Jaycees way

By: JC Mykel Biñas and JC Arjho Cariño

Christmas celebration is truly a culture Filipinos are proud of ... iba talaga ang pasko sa Pilipinas, as commonly expressed! A proof to this fact is the Gensan Twinstar Jaycees Christmas Party last December 29, 2003. Rather than choosing a nice function hall of prime hotels in the city as a venue, "Twin Star" Jaycees held the Christmas Party in the serene Sto. Niño Shrine of Polomolok, South Cotabato as arranged by JC Rey Jayme. In going to the shrine which is uphill, there was that thrill of experiencing a ride through rocky yet winding road. Reaching the shrine which is nestled on top of a small plateau, and seeing all the flickering Christmas lights of the households below, with the cold breeze brushing softly against your skin... is a welcome relief after a very hectic day working in a congested mini-metropolis with a relatively polluted environment. Truly, it was a relaxing place for introspection and spiritual renewal, and even more a wholesome place for a get-together activities with friends.

Fun, fellowship, food... are the three essentials we enjoyed during the party. Even before the program formally started, Jaycees wiled away time enjoying videoke singing. Others danced to the videoke tune, setting the mood for the occasion while waiting for the arrival of other Jaycees.

So, what about food? Of course, there was a variety of mouth-watering home-cooked Filipino cuisine that were displayed on the center table. Everyone ate to his hearts content. And yet, more food to enjoy was left after dinner.

The Christmas Party program was formally started with the LOM President Sonny Sagalongos delivering his Christmas message of love, bonding, unity, and the

leadership challenge he is facing as the Sagalongos. Everyone enjoyed the LOM President. He also surprises as well as the thoughts behind mentioned the gifts. What's came next? The h e dancing and singing every Filipino ventures love doing whenever there are that occasions! Fun, sharing the spirit of will be giving and fellowship were the under intentions of the 2003 Gensan "Twin Star" Jaycees Christmas Party. Indeed, what a way of expressing them!

taken by the LOM for 2004.

Who says so that parlor games are already passe? With the Jaycees, parlor games have evolved to become more surprising! The apple-eating contest thrilled everyone, as the contest took on a more intimate as the partners tried to outdo each other just to become the fastest apple eaters. The "I do, I die, dyos ko day" contest gave our gentlemen a good workout as sweats came a-pouring when the guys had to carry their partners as the "dyos ko day" expression was given. Next came the mummy-making contest, a suggestion by JC Cathy of Kadayawan Jaycees. The male Jaycees devised their own novel postures as our ladies covered them with tissue papers. Another fun game was the calamansi rolling contest. The calamansi had to be inserted on the pants and rolled slowly up the bodies of male partners until it reaches the neck. Imagine how our Jaycees hunks had to put up with the tickle and all? Oh, yes ... Lady Jaycees were tickled pink to be given the chance to slowly explore the bodies of their male counterparts.

Games were not over yet! The best though last contest made the night more sizzlingly hot! Still remember the "Talong Expression" game? Yes, innate artistic skills were revealed as partners exhibited the best talong motions and expressions they themselves rehearsed before the ultimate showdown. Every pair panted hard in portraying the required action, much to the delight of the Jaycee crowd. Everybody was in his toes as each partner tried to outdo each other. Exemplary acting was conferred to the couple with their pro-dog exhibition. Extreme Game! XXtreme Fun!

The fellowship was punctuated by the exchanging of gifts which was formally opened by LOM President Sonny

### Things that matter...

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#### Industry

"Gensan is famous for abundant cheap & high grade tuna but don't you know that we are up to asparagus too ...?"

#### Asparagus: The sunrise industry

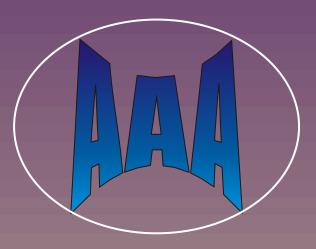
Initially about 200 hectares of prime land have been developed in Polomok, South Cotabato for cultivation of asparagus, now considered a sunrise industry. It was further expanded in 1990 to 600 hectares. Production and sales figures jumped in 1991 to a volume of 933,231 kgs. from 213,129 kgs. in 1990 and it is continuously increasing.

### Ten Principles of Highly Ethical Business Leaders

- 1. Treat all employees as unique, valuable individuals. Never treat anyone as though they are dispensable, w/o value or "just a number".
- 2. Support each employee's freedom, growth & development. Never view anyone as through stereotypes & images, or as fixed & unchangeable.
- 3. Communicate to employees by name with respect. Never use or impose demeaning, trivializing, or derogatory names on others.
- 4. Model & encourage a balanced life of good work and rest. Do not adopt policies or make demands on employees that undermine balanced lives.
- 5. Honor & respect employee families. Never undervalue the significance of families and friends of employees.
- 6. Protect employee's life, safety & health. Never harm or jeopardize the physical well being of anyone.
- 7. Create a working environment free from sexual harassment. Do not allow communication or activity that is sexually inappropriate.
- 8. Be fair & just in financial matters. Never tolerate unfair wages,, prices or financial practices.
- 9. Communicate honestly & truthfully. Never mischaracterize people, products, services or facts.
- 10. Cultivate a positive attitude toward others & their accomplishments. Do not give in to envy or the temptation to take credit for the work of others







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