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Program Updates

Well into school year 2023-2024, the Foundation is seeing activities advancing smoothly in all program areas.

CENEP

Surprise visit to CENEP Marikina

It's the maiden voyage of CENEP Marikina this school year. To check the school's readiness to welcome our new CENEP children and parents, Trustees Noel Laguna and Lily Torrente, with outgoing and incoming Project Coordinators Nathalie Pigar and Lolit Paloma, visited the Marikina site in Tumana. They looked into the classroom arrangement and kitchen facilities and observed classroom activities, teachers' and children's performance, and parents' presence. CENEP Marikina is off to a good start!



CENEP United Nations Day celebrations

The three CENEP sites organized programs to celebrate United Nations Day with the theme **Unity in Diversity**. Activities included presentation of flags made by the children themselves and singing of songs of different countries.

The UN program in CENEP-Marikina was attended by UCMPFI volunteers Gloria Baylon and Be Bunsoy. Ms. Baylon spoke on the history of the United Nations and its purposes, one of which is to promote peace.



CENEP-Mandaluyong



CENEP-Project 8



CENEP-Marikina

GEESE and TRACE

GEESE scholars orientation

Twenty-eight scholars, 17 continuing and 11 new, attended the GEESE orientation held on October 18, 2023 at the multi-purpose hall of the Department of Education (DepEd) Schools Division Office in Makati City. Apart from the scholars enrolled in various public high schools in Makati City, the orientation was also attended by parents and guardians and foster-parent teachers.

Foundation President Emmy Huang conducted the orientation in which she explained the various aspects of the scholarship agreement. Dr. Salome Ingua, Education Program Supervisor of the DepEd Schools Division in Makati, planned and carried out the orientation.



Continuing to find their purpose

Nineteen GEESE and TRACE scholars continued their study of **The Purpose Driven Life** by Rick Warren. Presented by Trustee Lily Torrente and moderated by volunteer Cora Cabaron, the seminar is held every first Saturday of the month. We appreciate as well the participation of Foundation volunteers in the seminar.



Medical and Dental Mission

Volunteers orientation

Twenty-nine volunteers attended the orientation meeting in preparation for the next medical and dental mission of the Foundation. Also present were project coordinators of CENEP sites and volunteers in other Foundation programs. Boeing Fernandez, volunteer in charge of the management of the medical mission, presided over the meeting and provided an overview of the procedures.



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