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Laguna Area Mass Induction 2014

By Maria Cristina Dimaano

With the theme, *Haciendero/Haciendera*, Rotaract Clubs from all over Laguna gathered for one night. A night for turn over ceremonies, fellowship and fun in the 2014 Laguna Area Mass Induction at Bahay na Bato, Balayhangin, Calauan, Laguna. The place was owned by the Bautista family, known in the Rotary Club of Los Baños (RCLB) as the place of Past President Roberto "Bobby" Bautista, now the New Generations Director of RCLB.

The place has been the training ground of different Rotaractors and Interactors of Los Baños, and catered various events such as Mini-Ryla, special Rotary events, camps and even fellowship. After all the deliberation of different Rotaract Clubs in Laguna, the place was just perfect for the gathering.

The preparation and time management were a huge challenge to the host and participating clubs. There were unexpected circumstances that the committees did not foresee. However, due to the persistence of the participating clubs, the Area Induction made it entertaining enough for the guests and speakers.

Before the main event, the entire group enjoyed the classic Filipino

dish called "*Adobo*" while bonding with other Rotaract Clubs. District Rotaract Area Representative (DRAR) Ryan Macadangdang, PP Bobby Bautista and District Rotaract Representative Darius Sarmiento were the inducting officers for the new Best Class Presidents of the two participating clubs – Rotaract Club of PWU-Sta. Cruz and Rotaract Club of Los Baños — as well as to the new set of officers and members for the Rotary Year 2014-2015 with the theme Light Up Rotary.



The Four Way Test

Of the things we think,
say or do

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it BUILD GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all CONCERNED?



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*"Half of what I say
is meaningless; but
I say it so that the
other half may
reach you."*

— Khalil Gibran
(*Sand and Foam*)

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To Our Loving Readers,

Rejoice for we have come from the depths of the earth and have decided to reveal our deepest and darkest desires of conquering the hearts of many young men and women, professionals and students alike! (*evil laugh*)

OK, so joking aside, HELLO everyone!

This is Team Patatas of the Rotaract Club of Los Baños's official newsletter "LB Quibbler." Our team is currently composed of college students and thus we humbly ask for your wide understanding and perseverance in reading our short and funny newsletter that we were able to make.

We are truly happy to release our very first issue of our newsletter LB Quibbler for it is beyond doubt a feather in our caps especially taking into account the schedules and priorities each of Team Patatas' members. Friendships conquer all, even the craziest of all things to be a better individual. Despite the things that block this project, we, as a team, tried the very best in us to pursue and deliver the things you, as a Rotaractor of Los Baños, must know.

Because the Team Patatas of LB Quibbler is serious enough to give you a piece of Rotaract Club of Los Baños in you, we encourage you to be a part of this team. Let's laugh and be depressed together while creating a distinct newsletter. With that, please enjoy our work and expect more of Team Patatas and LB Quibbler in the following issues!

Sincerely yours,

Team Patatas



Bañamos Civic Parade 2014

By Angelica Obrador

Once again the Rotaract Club of Los Baños, along with the Rotary Club of Baños, took part in the Annual Bañamos Civic Parade held on September 16, 2014 from Olivarez Plaza to Paciano Rizal Park. It was truly a hot weather. However, it did not stop the participants of the parade from breaking the tradition. Despite the heat, Rotarians and Rotaractors were able to enjoy and bond with each other through small talks and casual jokes.

The Civic Parade signifies the start of the Bañamos festival. Bañamos celebrates the town's hot springs that are believed to have curative effects and also the founding of the town. The Bañamos festival also promotes the town's tourism



industry. The festival flaunts Los Baños history, products, culture and residents.

At the end of the parade, the bonds of the Rotaractors and Rotarians were further strengthened while eating and drinking refreshments such as the popular *sago't gulaman*. All in all, it was a joyous event. Surely, the Rotaract and Rotary Club of Los Baños will be participating

again next year with more members coming along.

BAÑAMOS FESTIVAL

This festival is a toast to the hot spring bath of Los Baños coinciding with the founding anniversary of the Municipality of Los Baños, which features science discovery exhibit, beauty pageant, street dancing competition and Makiling Quest Adventure Race (Philippine Tourism).



The participants with Rotaract members and Mr. Roberto "Bobby" Bautista at the Student Union Building, University of the Philippines, Los Baños.

RACLB Orientation 2014

By Angelica Obrador

LOS BAÑOS, LAGUNA — The Rotaract Club of Los Baños held its Club Orientation on June 20, 2014 at the Student Union Building, University of the Philippines Los Baños. The club not only presented their objectives but also their projects from the previous Rotary year (Rotary Year 2013-2014) as well as forthcoming activities for the year ahead.

Participants who attended the said orientation were all graduates of the Interact Club of Los Baños National

High School (LBNHS). With an inspirational message coming from Mr. Roberto "Bobby" Bautista, Past President of the Rotary Club of Los Baños, the 11 participants' hearts were enthused with the facts presented before them starting from the experiences and skills a rotaractor could gain to the testimonials that further justifies the club's purpose.

At the end of the orientation, nine new members were welcomed to the Rotaract Club of Los Baños.

Presidential Elect and Secretarial Elect Training Seminar (PESETS) and District Team Training Seminar (DTTS)

By Angelica Obrador

LUCENA CITY — President Elects, Secretarial Elects and Members of different Rotaract Clubs in District 3820 gathered to attend the Presidential Elect and Secretarial Elect Training Seminar (PESETS) and District Team Training Seminar (DTTS) on June 14, 2014. The training seminar held at Manuel S. Enverga University Foundation, Site, Lucena City was hosted by the Rotaract Club of Lucena University District and sponsored by Rotary Club of Lucena University District.

The training seminar is done every year in an attempt to discuss the roles and responsibilities each president and secretary would bear during their terms as well as the significance it carries. This year's seminar centered on the theme "Light Up Rotary" having three guest speakers each coming from different Rotary clubs and Rotarians as lecturers and instructors for each topic.

District 3820 is composed of Rotaract Clubs from the provinces of Laguna, Batangas, Quezon, Mindoro Oriental, Marinduque, Camarines Sur, Camarines Norte, Albay and Sorsogon.



QUOTE OF THE DAY

"A leader who can stand up as a light to his/her members is worth his or her weight in gold"

-M. P. Brazas



Rotaract Academy: RACLB Present!

By Maria Cristina Dimaano

TAYABAS CITY, QUEZON — The Rotaract Club of Los Baños, together with the Rotaract Clubs of District 3820, engaged the most exciting event of August known as the Rotaract Academy. Two from RACLB, namely AJ Gonzales and Best Class President Micaela Vega, were sponsored by the Rotary Club of Los Baños to attend the event at Nawawalang Paraiso Resort, Tayabas City, Quezon last August 1-2, 2014.

The Rotaract Academy commonly called the district assembly is the time where representatives from various Rotaract Clubs congregate with each other to discuss and share their leadership skills, as well as get to know each other.

The two representatives of Rotaract Club of Los Baños participated in the team buildings and were given the opportunity to witness and attend the Quezon Area Mass Induction on the night of August 1, 2014.



*Dress-to-kill:
RACLB
representatives
AJ Gonzales
and Micaela
Vega*

Digital Photo and Video Editing Seminar

By Carla Francesca Besa

"The industrial revolution in the new century is, in essence, a scientific and technological revolution, and breaking through the cutting edge is a shortcut to the building of an economic giant." - Kim Jong-un

LOS BAÑOS — Rotaractors, Interact Club members, and enthusiasts alike hand-in-hand experienced a two-session workshop seminar in digital photo enhancement and in video editing at the Entom Food Control last August 5 and September 6, 2014

respectively.

The Rotaract Club of Los Baños in partnership with Rotaract Club of Trace College, administered a workshop seminar catering the challenges brought by the advent of technological encroachment — the use of advanced softwares in the field of digital technology. The lecture seminar was administered for two meetings with the first lecture revolving more on the photo and digital enhancement. The second lecture workshop was divided into two parts having the first half of the seminar catering on additional and informative summary of photo enhancement — specifically in generating texts, layering, and the use of shortcut keys and its

properties — whereas the second half of the lecture focused on video editing which discussed the fundamentals having simple transitions, video effects, and highlighting photo to video concept as the centre of the lecture.

Ms. Kristin Camille Gapit and Mr. Samuel Balmedina of Rotaract Club of Trace College were the lecturers in photo enhancement while Ms. Cristina Dimaano of Rotaract Club Los Baños handled the lecture in video editing. The purpose of the workshop was to help develop skills in the field of digital technology and broaden its prospects to the community.

CLASH: RACLB Sports Festival

By Carla Francesca Besa

They anticipated a heavy downpour that day, so when the games finally ended with only a drizzle in the wind the clash of the two teams were definitely out of one's league.

On July 12, 2014, the Rotaract Club of Los Baños launched its first sports festival entitled "CLASH: RACLB Sportsfest" at the Baker grounds of University of the Philippines Los Baños (UPLB). The sports fest started with a turn over ceremony presided by the First Class President (IPP)

Julius Angelo Galang and the Best Class President Ma. Micaela Vega. A brief warm up exercise ensued after a short introduction from the participants. The sports festival kicked off with the game dodge ball followed by Badminton.

The two teams were in a close fight with only a point (3:2) and three-point (21:18) difference in their scores in the two games respectively. The card game *pusoy dos* was simultaneously conducted with *sungka* leaving the classical game *pinoy henyo* the last game of the festival. Team Sapin-sapin conquered dodge ball, badminton, and *pusoy dos* while Team Amethyst claimed *sungka* and *pinoy henyo*. With a total score of 134 points, Team Sapin-Sapin took home the bacon. It was truly a close fight with only a three-point difference from the two opposing teams.



The sports festival aims to bring camaraderie among the members and newly elected officers of the club as well as embody the word sportsmanship at all times.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

The most significant changes are the organization's efforts to make a sportsfest.



Unknown Journey

By Aj Gonzales

Nagsimula sa pagiging isang simpleng estudyante. Noon ay isa akong mag aaral ng Los Baños National High School (LBNHS) at tulad ng isang tipikal na estudyante. Pumapasok, kumakain, natutulog, nag aaral, nag babasa (minsan? 😊) wala sa isip ko ang sumali sa mga org noon dahil nga naka focus lang ako sa acads ko.. feeling ko kasi hadlang sa pagaaral ko ang sumali sa mga aktibidades sa aking eskwelahan at hindi kalian man magdudulot ng mabuting epekto sa akin. Pero isang beses may kaklase akong nag yaya sa akin na sumali sa INTERACT. Isang organisasyon raw kung saan pwede mong gawin ang pagaaral habang nag eenjoy. Nung una ayaw ko talaga kasi nga sa sobrang takot ko bumagsak. Pero na-realize ko. Hindi naman ako nagiging honor. Kaya nag desisyon akong sumali sa INTERACT. At doon ko sinimulan ang pagiging isang leader. Nung una mahirap para sa akin. Dahil commitment, dagdag trabaho at responsibilidad. Wala akong alam sa pagiging isang leader. Dahil nasanay akong sumunod lamang sa aking mga nagiging presidente sa aking paaralan. Pero doon nahubog ang aking kakayahan at kasanayan sa pagiging isang huwarang tao. Kahit konti lang 😊 ako pa nga yung tipong miyembrong hindi inactive sa grupo. Hanggang sa dumating ang panahon naiwan ko na ang aking alma mater. Sobra akong nalungkot.

Graduation noon. Tapos na ang klase. Akala ko tapos na rin ang paglilingkod ko sa kapwa ko. Pero mali pala. Mas binigyan ako ng hamon magmulang ako'y mag kolehiyo. At doon ko na kilala ang RAC-LB. akala ko dati isang frat or something yon. Kaya natakot akong pumunta sa orientation. Pero dahil crush ko ang aming presidente ng INTERACT. Na siya ring nag imbita sa akin na sumama sa orientation. Walang pasubali'y sumama ako kaagad. Ako lamang ang lalaki ng mga panahong yon. Kaya medyo awkward pa sa akin. Pero

tulad ng nakaatang na gampanin sa akin na dapat ipagpatuloy ko ang aking nasimulan. Kung kaya't hindi ako natinag. Nung una akala ko lahat sila willing na sumali. Dahil marahil ay bakas na bakas sa kanila ang magagandang ngiti. Pero ng tanungin na kami kung sino ang gustong sumali ay pinapikit kami at pinatungo at ng lumabas ang resulta. Ayun nangalahati kami. Doon nasubok ang aking katatagan. Kung tutuloy pa ba ako o hindi na? Hindi doon natatapos ang lahat. Nagkaroon ng mga meeting at dumating na din ang panahon kung saan kailangan na naming pumasok sa eskwelahan. Naging busy sa amin ang karamihan. Kung kaya't paunti nang paunti ang uma-attend sa meeting. Hanggang sa ako na lamang ang natira sa aming batch. Sabi nga sa isang kasabihan. "Many are called. But only few are chosen". Kaya mas naging kapanapanabik pa sa akin ang lahat.

Sa huling pagkakataon ay gusto kong sumuko. Kasi mas busy na sa academics at sa family. Pero hindi talaga maalis sa akin ang aking nakasanayan na. Hanggang sa binigyan ako ng pagkakataon na sumama sa DISTASS 3820 2014 (district assembly) hindi ko alam kung ano yon. Pero dahil sa gusto kong makilala pa ang ROTARACT, sumama ako. At doon ko pa nakilala ng lubusan ang ROTARACT. Kung anong ginagawa nila, sino ang mga taong kabilang nito, at ang ibang mga taong kasama sa distrito. Hindi ko na kailangan pang pahabain pa. Kung susumihin ay naging masaya ako sa pag sali dito. Ang mga tao na nakasama ko, ang aking ninang, sina ate Gles, ate Mica, ate Tinay, ate Carla, kuya Juju, ate Maia, at marami pang mga ate at kuya. Pero hindi makukumpleto kung wala ang aming mapagmahal na adviser na si Sir Bobby. Masaya ako at magiging masaya pa hanggang sa aking pagtanda kasama ang ROTARACT. 😊

FUN FACTS



Quibbler

Quibbler means: "To evade the truth or importance of an issue by raising trivial distinctions and objections."



Rotaract

Stands for "Rotary in action", although the name originally comes from the combination of "Rotary" and "Interact" (International + Action), the high school level program created by Rotary International in 1962.



Team Patatas

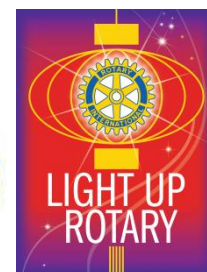
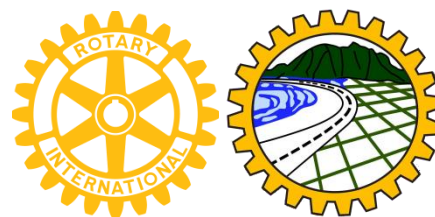
Patatas is the Filipino word for "potato." The word patatas is commonly used in memes that the whole editorial team is currently hooked into. Thus, whilst in the middle of the night, they have decided to call themselves patatas-loving, hence the name "Team Patatas."

About Rotaract

Rotaract is a service club for young men and women ages 18 to 30 who are dedicated to community and international service. Its membership totals over 184,000 in more than 8,000 clubs worldwide. Rotaract clubs are self-governing and self-supporting and can be either university- or community-based. Individual Rotary clubs sponsor Rotaract clubs and offer guidance and support, making the Rotaract clubs true “partners in service” and key members of the family of Rotary.

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