



Senden Home Newsletter

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OLIVER JIM OLIVEROS , now a Fully Qualified Teacher!

Oliver Jim Oliveros, a beneficiary of the family outreach program passed the Licensure Examination for Teachers (LET), the board exam given by the Philippine Regulatory Commission.

This is something that Senden Home can really be proud of! Thanks to the support of the sponsors for the family outreach program, especially those from France.

Oliver graduated Bachelor of Science in Business Technical Education, a four-year course, from Polytechnic University of the Philippines, Santo Tomas, Batangas.

He was supported by the services of Senden Home from June 1995 to June 23, 2009.

His family lives in a squatter area in Banlic, Cabuyao, Laguna.

When asked about his recent achievement, Oliver wrote this epistle:

"It's been a long time since I started to be a part of Senden Home. I was the shy type then. But eventually, I learned to get along with everybody. I met a lot of people. They just come and go. The good part is that I learned a lot from them and I realized how lucky I am being part of Senden Home"

"I can still remember the prosperous days of Senden Home. Every Christmas, we all

received gifts from head to foot".

"What's nice about Senden Home is that they're helping you without asking anything. Where in this world can you find a scholarship that do not require a maintaining scholastic grade? Just be able to have a passing grade, even 75% is okay with them. Just do not fail. Many Senden Home scholars do not realize this. There were some who really wasted this rare opportunity. It's a loss for them!"

"I am now a graduate of a Bachelor's Degree in Teaching. It wouldn't be possible without the help of Senden Home. My parents alone cannot support me to go to college that's why I really appreciated Senden Home."

"And now, finally, I passed the Board Exam. To tell you honestly, I didn't expect that I will pass it, considering my working schedule. I worked in graveyard shift, just imagine how tiresome really I am and sleeping when I get home. But I find effort to review. I do review on my table fronting the computer where I am working at a call center in Manila. I also filed two days leave to have a review before the examination. I would wake up the first day at 5 am and stop reading at 10 pm. Then the second day, while reviewing, came the typhoon "Ondoy".

"It was disturbing!



Jinx! I had to stop reviewing and help my family fix our house until midnight. I was really worried then because the following day is the examination. Luckily, PRC (Philippine Regulatory Commission) postponed the exam. God is really good. Thank you Lord!"

"My message to every child in Senden Home. Don't waste the opportunity. We do not owe from our parents that they send us to school. We owe them that we are going to school because of them."

"To dream is free. But don't just day dream, put a lot of effort and determination. And this is my secret: Always think positive even if everything goes wrong. More Power to Senden Home!". * * *

October 12, 2009. He had his on-the-job training as Steward May 28 to July 28, 2009 in Vessel Docked at Pier, M/V Maria Oliva.

Joey appreciated the support of Senden Home to him through the years. He is now searching for his first job. Goodluck Joey!

Jayson Oppus Wins Again!

Jayson Oppus, one of the residential boys, our perennial artist winner, once again bring home the bacon for his painting and drawing skills.

He won first place in his school beating all other students.

Then he was sent to the Municipal Competition to represent his school. There, he won first place again.

Soon this coming March, Jayson will be graduating high school and looking forward to go to college.

His drawing skills is beneficial to the residential program.



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Senden Home Foundation, Inc.
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Residential Care and Training Center (RCTC)
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For having satisfied the standards in the implementation of Residential Care Programs and Services for Children in compliance with the provision of Section 23, Republic Act 4373 "An Act to Regulate the Practice of Social Work and the Operation of Social Work Agencies in the Philippines and for Other Purposes."

This certificate of accreditation is valid for three (3) years from July 16, 2008 to July 15, 2011, unless renewed before expiration.

Issued this 16th day of July, 2008 in Quezon City, Philippines.

ALICIA R. BALA
Undersecretary for Policy and Programs

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Joey sails as Seafarer

Joseph Laurence Villa also known as "Joey", has successfully graduated from Namei Polytechnic Institute for Seafarer Rating Course with Specialization for Steward. He graduated last



Year 2009 produces more Senden Home Graduates



Cyril



Dencie

In the family outreach program, among the elementary graduates are **Joy-joy Lugo**, **Bernadette Muñoz** and **Catherine Grace Antonio**.

High School Graduates are **Dencie Abaigar**, **Cyril Aguilion**, **Stephen Joy Devocion**, **Ila Mae Guiripon**, **Marlowie Larga**, **Crisanta Mirador** and **Janice Villagrancia**.

Post-High School Graduates are **Joan Aculana** –Associate in Computer Technology (3 yrs, course); **Manilyn Coroña** - Computer Secretarial (2 yrs. Course); **Jeanelyn Martires** – Computer Secretarial Course (2 yrs. Course); and **Glazerr Velasco**—2 yrs. Midwifery.

College Graduates are **Oliver Jim Oliveros**—Bachelor of

Science in Business Technical Education (4 yrs); and **Jay-Ar Rivera**—Bachelor of Science in Education—Physical Science Major.

In the residential care program, only **Jay-R Viojan** is the elementary graduate.

Two residential boys bagged the first honor award in their class. They are **Alimar Palapar** and **Paolo Maceda**.



Jay-Ar



Alimar



Glazerr

“Our richness is our love. Let your richness be your love. Give of your poverty. Forget yourself.”

-Rev. Fr. Francis Senden

The Residential Senden Home Boys in Action!!!





Events, Sponsors, Friends and Visitors



Hope & Compassion Night
CLARELY B. ALL
Ciel Philippine Plaza

Sr. Inday, Ms. Elisa Buenaventura, Ate Rose, Mr. & Mrs. Vardakis (Belgian Ambassador), Kuya Jonathan & Kuya Omar.



Jean Jacques & Marie Paule Choulot with the SH staff



Best Manpower & Lucky Star



ArcHaus Asia



Phil. Buddha Dharma Fdn. Inc.



Accenture-Mandaluyong



NCBA-Taytay



Rotary Club of Makati Salcedo



Mark Bolsens of Belgium



Knights of Columbus



Landbank



C.A.N.DLE Families



Rizal Nat'l. Science High Sch.



INARTZ Club



ASI, CIMM and ICM



Local Water Utilities Adm.



Ligaya ng Panginoon



Grown-Up League



Mr. Huub Keultjes



Divine Mercy



Watson Wyatt



Twinkle Music & Sports Shop



Bro. Tito & Fr. Pedro

All Soul/Saints Day Activity

Boys Wearing their Christmas Clothes

Boys' Had Fun on the New Year's Eve





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From the Desk of the Board of Trustees

Greetings!

There were two main events that Senden Home had to go through this year: (1) the transfer of the reception and temporary shelter at Sta. Ana, Manila to the residential care and training center in Binangonan, Rizal, and (2) the occurrence of typhoons and storms - *Ondoy, Pepeng, and Santi*.

The transfer of the reception and temporary shelter (known more as RTSC, viz., *Reception and Temporary Shelter Center*) took effect before the school year started. It actually materialized the *objective* of integrating the programs and services of the two sites of Senden Home into *one* area for better efficiency and effectivity in behalf of the children under its care and custody. Moreover, the *site* at Binangonan is a much better location and place of residence for the children, as there are ample rooms for a more decent living quarters and grounds for their recreation, as well as enabling the staff to conduct a much closer monitoring and follow-ups of the children in the course of the children's daily chores and schooling. Of course, this was not without a cost - the *loss* of some local donors in terms of convenient access for them to hold their outreach activities with the children. But Senden Home had to make the difficult choice, considering the prime importance of the safety of the children and for them to have a more decent living quarters, viz., a better environment, if not a milieu, particularly in terms of their schooling while they are still recipients (and residents) of the programs and services of Senden Home.

The other event was the occurrence of natural calamities. It was fortunate that the *site* at Binangonan was not much affected by the flood brought about by *Ondoy*. It was more the *site* at Sta. Ana, Manila, where the entire first floor of the building was flooded with rain-water almost above the knees. It was, so to speak, a blessing that the children were already living in Binangonan when these calamities happened. God must have a hand in protecting them from the onslaught of typhoon *Ondoy*.

As we come to the beginning of the year 2010, we thank all our supporters who made it possible for Senden Home to continue its mission in helping the **deprived, neglected and abandoned** children and youth throughout the years. At the same time, we take this opportunity to appeal once more to all our donors and sponsors, here and abroad, to please continue to support Senden Home in its efforts to provide opportunities for these children to have a better future and become responsible citizens. For foreign donors and sponsors, SOS was kind enough to grant Senden Home the number by which donors can avail themselves of tax credits in their favour. (Please see footnote of the newsletter).

Once again, our warm greetings for the new year, and may God bless us all!


Dr. MINA RAMIREZ
Chair & President

This Year's Batch of Senden Home Boys in the

Residential Care and Training Program



High School



Home Learning Class Level 1,2,3



Elementary Boys

Fr. Paul Van Daelen, CICM blesses the Senden Home vehicle for the service of the Senden Home Boys

