



Newsletter Knights of RIZAL



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Diamond Chapter Antwerp—Flanders—Belgium



Knights of Rizal - Diamond Chapter - Jan. 2012

Introduction

Dear Brother Knights of Rizal Diamond Chapter and affiliated chapters in Belgium, Europe and worldwide,

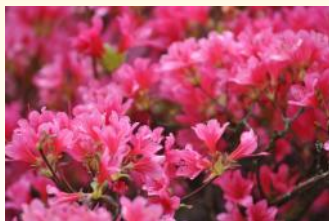
Dear friends of our organization,

Before we start our vacation break, there still are some important activities in June. First we have the Philippines Independence Day celebrations in Brussels and Bruges. One of the important events in June is the exhibition of the RIZAL Traveling Museum in the Embassy of the Philippines . Thanks to the efforts of the KOR Belgian Area Council and especially the enthusiasm of Sir Dominiek Segaert, Belgian Area Commander, a team from the Philippines which is headed by mr John Ablaza will show, amongst others, some of the really worn garments by José Rizal. The exhibition will be officially opened on 16th June, followed by a gala dinner in the Best Western hotel in Brussels.

Also on June 19th we have the commemoration of the birth of Dr José Rizal . Also special attention will be given to the 10th anniversary of "Friendship for the Philippines", an organization in Knokke-Heist that supports educational projects in Davao, Philippines and promoted by Sir Dominiek. We invite everyone to attend this yearly happening at our Belgian coast!

More details of all the activities you will find in this newsletter.

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In this newsletter we also have a report from the dubbing ceremony in the Brussels Chapter. Congratulations to the new Knights and the exalted knights!

Once again we invite everyone to send some articles or ideas for the next newsletters to the board. Those who go on vacation in the Philippines might find inspiration there!

We wish everyone a safe journey and a wonderful vacation!

Fraternal greetings,

Sir Ronny Felix, KCR

Archivist, Layout and co-editor newsletter

Diamond Chapter - Antwerp

*NOM
Board 2010-2012*

Sir Paul Verloo, KCR, Chapter Commander Diamond—Antwerp

Sir Tony Guansing, KGOR, Regional Commander for Europe

Sir Dominiek Segart, KGOR, Area Commander for Belgium

Sir Peter Van Bogaert, KGOR, Special Adviser to the Supreme Commander Manila

Sir Kris Van Thillo, KCR, Past Chapter Commander

Sir Roy De Mol, KCR, Deputy Commander

Sir Rik Van Tiggel, KCR, Deputy Commander

Sir Ronny Felix, KCR, Archivist, Editor newslett

REPORT

AREA COUNCIL MEETING

MONDAY MARCH 26 – 2012

After some meetings had taken place at the residence of Sir Felino Paras and also at the Best Western Hotel County House, this time the meeting was scheduled at the Philippine Embassy and KOR Diamond provided some sandwiches and soft drinks.

Main topic of the meeting was the organising of the Rizal Travel Museum and viewing of the new documentary “Rizal The Hero” during the period of June 14 till June 21 with high lights June 16 with opening, guiding tours, reception at the Philippine Embassy followed by a Gala-Dinner-Night at Best Western Hotel.

During the meeting – that was also attended by Atty. Mr. Roy Ecraela, Consul General of the Philippine Embassy – the program was discussed, the hosting by guest families and the fact that each of the four active chapters would offer one dinner to the group of 6 of Mr. John Caravana Ablaza and Company: Mr. Jourdan Alonso Sebastian, Mr. Jaime Paolo Torralba Abella, Miss Frances Victoria Magno Espinosa, Mr. Giovanni Manuel Vicente, Mr. Ludovico D. Badoy, Executive Director III, National Historical Commission of the Philippines.

The meeting, presided by Area Commander Sir Dominiek Segart was attended by Sir Antonio Guansing, Sir Felino Paras, Sir Rudy Nollas, Sir Paul Verloo, Sir Antonieto Sienes, Sir Mario Fajardo. Sir Jimboy Rebong of Aalst was excused and also Ambassador H.E. Victoria Bataclan who gave her sympathy and the help of the Embassy in the Rizal Traveling Museum Project. The Area Council asked to Mr. Ecraela if the Embassy could assist in taking the group from the Airport on June 14 with all the exhibit material and to bring them back to the Airport at the end of their stay, June 21. Set up of the exhibit would take place on June 15. June 16 opening on June 19 closing of the exhibit on the 151st commemoration of the birthday of Rizal.

Sir Dominiek offered to assist in the follow up of the Visa-application and also in informing for the host families. Traveling and the costs of Visa are sponsored in the Philippines. So only the staying of the group during one week would be the task of the KOR Area Council.

If the Visa is ok, the project can go on. Meeting ended 8.15 p.m. and also the following topics were on the agenda: membership dues Belgian Chapters to Manila, election Supreme Council. (Visa: ok now – May 29).

Rizal Quiz and BBQ—31st April 2012



On March 31st we organized our yearly brotherhood activity in de Schuur with an exceptionally large number of 70 participants.

We could also welcome a brother knight from the newly created Stuttgart Chapter, Sir Jose Ubaldo and his girlfriend. After a welcome word and a brief introduction by Sir Paul, Sir Dominiek gave a presentation of the cultural differences between the Philippines and Belgium.

Following this presentation, Sir Paul had prepared a quiz regarding the topics of the presentation.

The winners received their prize from Sir Paul and then a picture was taken together with the board.

And of course, the bbq provided by the caterer, was very sumptuous and delicious!...

Remember that our next activity in de Schuur will be held on Saturday 27th October.

Mark your agenda!



A view of the participants

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Concentration!



The winners and Sir Jose Ubaldo (Stuttgart Chapter) and girlfriend, together with the board

KOR DIAMOND ATTENDED RIZALS BRUSSELS CHAPTER EXALTATION & INDUCTION CEREMONY FRATERNAL DINNER – MAY 13, 2012

Two new candidates of the Rizal Brussels Chapter under the guidance of Sir Antonieto Sienes, KCR, were dubbed to KR: Sir Marlon R. Bacosa, Sir Roger Degreef. Exaltation to the 3rd degree of Knight Commander of Rizal (KCR): Sir Rustico De La Fuente, KOR, Labor Attachee, Sir Willy Cruz, KOR and Sir Jose Perez, KOR. After the entrance of the color, Pambansang Awit Ng Pilipinas, Sir Philippe Yap, KR inspired us with the pledge to the flag, followed by a prayer lead by Rev. Fr. Bago. Sir Antonio Guansing, our Regional Commander KOR Europe led the ceremonies for knighting followed by an inspiring message by Atty. Roy



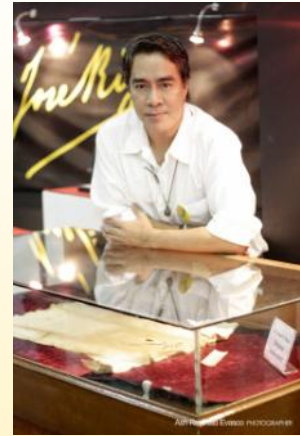
Dubbing of the new knights

Ecraela, Consul General. Short messages of Sir Rudy Nollas, Sir Cesar Alcoba and Sir Dominiek Segart, Area Commander Belgium (outgoing) ended the ceremony. Sir Dominiek gave Certificates of Gratefulness to Atty. Roy Ecraela, Sir Antonio Guansing, Sir Felino Paras, Sir Rudy Nollas, Sir Cesar Alcoba, Sir Antonieto Sienes, Sir Willy Cruz, Sir Mario Fajardo and Sir Johnny Villa. A reception and dinner at Best Western County House ended the inspiring activity attended by almost 50 people. Welcome address: Sir Jose Perez, introduction of speaker Sir Mario Fajardo. Sir Lino Paras gave an inspirational message. The meeting ended with a message of Sir Antonio Guansing while Sir Rudy Nollas acted as Master of Ceremonies. Congrats KOR Rizal Brussels! Sir Paul Verloo, our very own Chap Comm. had to excuse himself.



**Sir Rustico De La Fuente, Labor Attachee
was exalted to KCR**

UNBELIEVABLE BUT TRUE FINALLY IN BELGIUM



THE RIZAL TRAVELING MUSEUM & PREMIERE “RIZAL THE HERO” GALA-DINNER JUNE 16-19 2012 PHILIPPINE EMBASSY

HOTEL BEST WESTERN COUNTY HOUSE - BRUSSELS

Already many months the plans were drafted to bring the Rizal Traveling Museum to Belgium. You can expect real clothes, books, letters but also replicas made by the famous Filipino fashion designer John Ablaza.

After a lot of preparations, diplomatic meetings, an important Area Council Meeting of Knights of Rizal Belgium our Area Commander for Belgium, Sir Dominiek Segart, KGOR, member of the board of KOR Diamond and Past Chapter Commander was finally given the green light for the Visas of the group of Mr. John Ablaza.

It is official now: the Rizal Travelling Museum will open on June 16 at 3 p.m. at the Philippine



Embassy in Brussels, followed by a guided tour in three groups of the exhibit, a reception and a gala-dinner not to be forgotten at Hotel Best Western, County House at Square des Héros, Brussels.

On that evening also the new documentary “Rizal The Hero” will be projected for the 1st time and introduced by the producer, actor and writer. See brochure.

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Participation GALA-DINNER BUFFET JUNE 16

Included all drinks (apero, wines, water, coffee)

Exclusive non-stop buffet with desserts

7 p.m. Best Western Square des Héros - Brussels

59 EUR - enrol before June 12 - max.100 participants

Sir Dominiek Segaert, KGOR Area Commander

Cell 0479 691865 dominiek.segaert@skynet.be

Please payment 738-1230636-19 of KBC / cash

You can also inform Sir Paul Verloo, Chap Comm. if you will attend



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The Jose P. Rizal Traveling Museum in Europe

"Awakening Filipino Patriotism and
Inspiring Generation of Heroes
through a Traveling Museum,
Documentary and Forum"



- Travel Exhibit
16 - 19 June 2012
8AM - 5PM
Philippine Embassy
Avenue Moliere - 297
Brussels, Belgium

- Rizal Gala Night
Reception and 1st Viewing
"Jose Rizal - The First Hero"
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- Commemoration
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19 June 2012 - 6PM
Philippine Embassy
Brussels, Belgium

A Historic and Cultural Project of:



Maestro Filipino
Philippines



Order of the
Knights of Rizal



Embassy of the
Republic of the Philippines - Belgium




National Historical
Commission of the Philippines



University of Southern Philippines
Cebu City

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in cooperation with
ORDER OF THE KNIGHTS OF RIZAL - BELGIUM
EMBASSY OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
 and
UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN PHILIPPINES - CEBU

"THE JOSE P. RIZAL TRAVELING MUSEUM IN EUROPE"

"Awakening Filipino Patriotism and Inspiring Generation of Heroes through a Traveling Museum, Documentary and Forum"

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opening Exhibit 16 June 2012 2:30 in the afternoon Philippine Embassy Avenue Moliere - 297 Brussels, Belgium 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rizal Gala Night Reception and 1st Viewing "Jose Rizal - The First Hero" 16 June 2012 - 7PM Best Western County House Brussels, Belgium 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commemoration Dr. Jose Rizal's 151st Birthday 2nd Viewing "Jose Rizal - The First Hero" 19 June 2012 - 6PM Philippine Embassy Brussels, Belgium
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PROGRAM OF ACTIVITIES: OPENING CEREMONY

16 June 2012 - Saturday 2:30 PM / Philippine Embassy - Brussels, Belgium

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National Anthem of the Philippines • Invocation • Welcome Address 	<p>KOR Brussels KOR Aalst Jourdan Sebastian <small>Chairman MAESTRO FOUNDATION-PHILIPPINES</small> Sir Dominiek Segaert <small>AREA COMMANDER - KOR BELGIUM 2010-2012 (outgoing)</small></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction of Guest Speakers Ludovico D. Badoy Sir Antonio Guansing Her Excellency Victoria S. Bataclan • Unveiling of "The Jose P. Rizal Traveling Museum" 	<p>Executive Director III <small>NATIONAL HISTORICAL COMMISSION OF THE PHILIPPINES</small> Regional Commander <small>KNIGHTS OF RIZAL EUROPE</small> Philippine Ambassador to Belgium</p>

RIZAL GALA NIGHT & DINNER-DANCE

16 June 2012 Saturday 7:00 PM / Best Western Hotel - Brussels, Belgium

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome Address • Inspirational Message • Viewing of Documentary Film - "Jose Rizal - The First Hero" 	<p>Sir Dominiek Segaert <small>AREA COMMANDER - KOR BELGIUM 2010-2012 (outgoing)</small> Ludovico D. Badoy <small>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR III NATIONAL HISTORICAL COMMISSION OF THE PHILIPPINES</small> Paolo Abella <small>DIRECTOR - "JOSE RIZAL - THE FIRST HERO"</small></p>
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COMMEMORATION: 151st BIRTHDAY OF DR. JOSE RIZAL


19 June 2012 Tuesday - 6 PM / Philippine Embassy - Brussels, Belgium


<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National Anthem of the Philippines • Invocation • Welcome Address • Flower Laying and Moment of Silence • Short Presentation by Each Chapter 	<p>KOR Brussels KOR Aalst Sir Dominiek Segaert <small>AREA COMMANDER KOR BELGIUM 2010-2012 (outgoing)</small></p> <p>KOR Aalst - Brussels - Charleroi - Diamond Antwerp: Maria Clara by KOR Ladies Chapter Commanders Sir Jimboy Ribong, KOR, Sir Antonio Sienes, KOR, Sir Willy Cruz, KOR, Sir Paul Verbois, KOR and Lady Antonita Fernandez, President Kababaihang Rizalista Paolo Abella <small>DIRECTOR - "JOSE RIZAL - THE FIRST HERO"</small></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inspirational Message • 2nd Viewing of Documentary Film - "Jose Rizal - The First Hero" • Inspirational Message • Presentation of Memorabilia's to VIP Guests • Closing Remarks 	<p>Her Excellency Victoria S. Bataclan <small>Philippine Ambassador to Belgium</small> Jourdan Sebastian <small>Chairman, Maestro Foundation-Philippines</small> Ludovico D. Badoy <small>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR III NATIONAL HISTORICAL COMMISSION OF THE PHILIPPINES</small> Sir Dominiek Segaert <small>AREA COMMANDER - KOR BELGIUM 2010-2012 (outgoing)</small></p>




Drinks hosted by Sir Dominiek & Lady Leah Segart and Salo-Salo by Kababaihang Rizalista


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The Jose Rizal Traveling Museum in Europe is made possible by:







"I wish to show those who deny us patriotism that we know how to die for our duty and our convictions. What matters death if one dies for what one loves. We cannot keep our heads down!"

Message to my Countrymen
Hongkong, 20 June 1892

Jose Rizal

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

H.E. Victoria S. Bataclan, Ambassador Philippine Embassy - Brussels, Belgium
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H.E. Jan Verbeeck, Consul Royal Embassy of Belgium - Manila
Sir Dominiek Segar, KGOR, Area Commander Knights of Rizal - Belgium
Sir Antonio Guansing, KGOR, Regional Commander KOR Europe
Sir Lucien Spittael, KGOR - Sir Felino Paras, KGOR
Sir Antonio Sienes, KCR - Sir Paul Verloo, KCR
Sir Willy Cruz, KCR - Sir Jimboy Rebong, KCR
Sir Rudy Nollas, KCR - Lady Leah Gallego
Lady Antonita Fernandez - Sir Ronny Felix, KCR
Lady Marisa Van Thillo-Tinsay
Sir Danny Berghmans, KOR - Sir Danny Vandenberghe, KOR
Sir Bhoy Alcoba - Jaime Augusto Zobel de Ayala
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Fr. John Schumacher, S.J.
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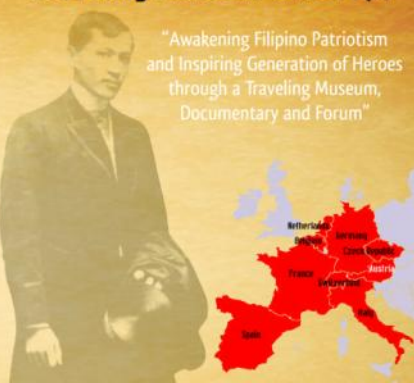
Special thanks to all the staff of Philippine Embassy Belgium, members of Knights of Rizal Belgium, all Filipino-Belgian Organizations who made publicity for this event since this project is FOR ALL FILIPINOS AND BELGIAN PEOPLE for strengthening the relations between Philippines and Belgium and for a better understanding of humankind in the spirit of Rizal, Philippine National Hero who lived in Belgium 1890-1891.

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A Historic and Cultural Project of:




The Jose P. Rizal Traveling Museum in Europe

How the Project came to life

The Jose P. Rizal traveling museum was launched in April 3, 1998 in Cebu City in line with the celebration of the 100 years of Philippine Independence. The project was undertaken by the University of Southern Philippines in Cebu City (USP), Cultural and Historical Affairs Commission of Cebu City (CHAC) and the Philippine Centennial Movement (PCM) and successfully traveled in 36 port cities in the entire Philippines on board the Negros Navigation Vessels. It was widely received by thousands of spectators local and foreign just to have a glimpse of our past through the memorabilia of National Hero, Dr. Jose Protacio Rizal.

The traveling Museum was given honors and received various citations including the "Gawad Sentenaryo Award" from the Philippine Centennial Commission.


In June 1998 the JOSE P. RIZAL TRAVELING MUSEUM went beyond the Philippines and was mounted in the United States of America where Jose Rizal came to visit in the past, including Los Angeles and Chicago. The project was in collaboration with USP, CHAC and the Philippine Consulate in Los Angeles and Chicago. The exhibit was a great success and created a lot of enthusiasm, specially among the Filipino-American youth.

Once Again the traveling museum will embark in its first travel to Europe beginning June 2012 in places where Jose Rizal spent significant and memorable time of his life including Belgium, Spain, France, Germany and Czech Republic.

The first travel of the Jose Rizal Traveling Museum in Europe is being undertaken in line with the culmination of Dr. Jose Rizal's 150 years Birth Anniversary.

This time the exhibit will be highlighted by the first International Gala Viewing of the documentary film called "Jose Rizal: The First Hero."

Destination:
Belgium • Germany • France
Czech Republic • Spain



The First European Trip of the Jose P. Rizal Traveling Museum was conceptualized by noted Filipino historian, Josepito Abella, who also did a faithful replica of Dr. Jose Rizal's clothes for the exhibit and costumes used in the documentary film "Jose Rizal: The First Hero".

Jose Rizal: The First Hero

Autobiography

To the ordinary Filipino, Jose Rizal is the ideal man, esteemed and emulated but never equaled. He is known as a phenomenal human being who accomplished more in life and much more in his death. Yet, it is because of this emulations and adoration that he is also shrouded with a lot of mysticism and myths that alienate him from people. For people to really relate to him and be enlightened by his examples they must know him intimately and personally. Only then they can really be affected deeply by a man that gave so much for his country and inspire people to be their own heroes.

JOSE RIZAL
The First Hero

is a 30 minute documentary focusing on Jose Rizal as a young hero relatable to every Filipino wherever they are in the world. A film that will inspire a generation of Filipinos to re-discover their identity and love the heritage that the country and its people offer.

"Dr. Jose Rizal was not born a great man. Through his personal talent, the knowledge and creativity and unwavering support of his family, he evolved into the man that the world and history now know him to be."

Actor : Giovanni Vicente as Dr. Jose Rizal
Writer : Christian Valdez (2 Time Palanca Awardee)
Jonathan Guillermo (Palanca Awardee)
Producer : Jordan Sebastian
Director : Paolo Abella

An Invitation . . .

114th proclamation of Philippine Independence

17 June 2012, Sunday
09.30 – 19.00



Belfort,
Markt 7
8000 Brugge
Belgium

NO entrance fee
Toegang GRATIS
Entrée LIBRE
WALANG bayad ang pagpasok

PIC2012 - Brugge Project
Classroom Galing sa Mamamayang Pilipino Abroad
New Mabuhay Elementary School, General Santos

**Maligayang
Araw ng Kalayaan
mula sa**

Organizers
Council of Filipino Associations in Flanders
Kultura Maharlika

Participation
Philippine Embassy
Filipino Community in Belgium and Luxembourg

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10.00 Eucharistic celebration
(Tag-Eng-Ned)

Sayawan - Kantahan - Palamang
PINOY
Piknikang-Bayan
Fantastic tombola prizes
Philippine trade, services & food fairs
Variety show
Featuring
Ruth Galura
with her surprise acts!



Parade of Colors & Filipino costumes
Philippine National Anthem
Philippine Independence Messages

**Happy
Independence Day
from**



PARKING: Park your car in the Centrum Parking at the train station which will only cost you €2.50 for 24h. In the bus terminal, present your parking ticket at the bus counter for free bus (2-way) tickets to the Markt.

(Buses 1, 3, 4, 6, 11, 13, 14, 16).



Order of the Knights of Rizal

Area Council Belgium - Europe

‘‘Non Omnis Moriar’’

**COMMEMORATION 151ST ANNIVERSARY
BIRTHDAY DR. JOSE RIZAL
JUNE 19, 2012**

6 PM – PHILIPPINE EMBASSY

SPECIAL PROGRAM WITH

- ♦ ***NATIONAL ANTHEM***
- ♦ ***INVOCATION***
- ♦ ***FLOWER LAYING – MOMENT OF SILENCE***
- ♦ ***EACH CHAPTER PRESENTS RIZAL***
- ♦ ***KOR DIAMOND LADIES : MARIA CLARA NUMBER***
- ♦ ***INSPIRATIONAL MESSAGE AMBASSADOR H.E. VICTORIA BATACLAN***
- ♦ ***2ND VIEWING « RIZAL THE HERO »***
- ♦ ***RECEPTION & SALO SALO KABABAIHANG RIZALISTA***

***Drinks offered by Sir Dominiek & Leah (on the occasion of the end of duty as Area Commander
KOR Belgium 2010-2012)***

Participation : free – please inform Sir Paul Verloo, KCR,

Chap Comm. KOR Diamond your participation.

VRIENDSCHAP VOOR DE FILIPPIJNEN

FRIENDSHIP FOR THE PHILIPPINES

10 YEARS with support of

KNIGHTS OF RIZAL – DIAMOND CHAPTER

The small NGO Friendship for the Philippines – based in Knokke-Heist – exists on Sep. 23, 2012 already 10 years. Together with already supported projects by our Knights of the Diamond Chapter (Operation Smile, Dental Mission, Coming Home, victims of the floodings, Trias) Friendship has been chosen by the board to be supported again during the Rizalian year 2012.

The last 10 years Friendship has established new classrooms, made new class

furniture, blackboards, installed a new library with a reasonable amount of books and multimedia, computers, provided scholarships to students of the Saint Michael's school in Padada, Davao del Sur, supported a street youth house Balay Pasilungan in Bankerohan in Davao City where more or less 60 street youth (between 6 and 17 years old) are living in good

conditions. Some of the projects that Friendship were able to establish: a new sleeping room for the boys, cabinets, instalment of a bakery with professional tools for baking bread, cakes, pizza's, a bakery shop for selling the products, providing games, bikes, building new toilets and showers, organising yearly outing to Samal island with a complete program.

Projects that are in the pipeline for this summer are supporting and maintaining a remote area elementary school in Piape Barangay, especially providing basic learning tools for children with serious learning problems, providing new black boards and if the finances allow us, restoration of two class rooms.

The last 10 years Friendship invested almost 3 million pesos.

On the pictures we see some souvenirs of the last years.



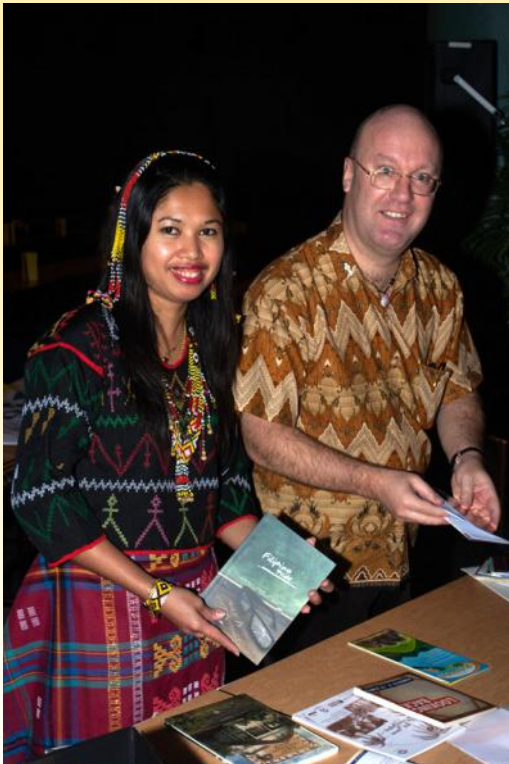
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Details can be found on the website www.vvfilippijnen.be with all news also about the upcoming celebration of 10 years VVF on Sun. Sep. 23 in Knokke-Heist, starting 11 a.m. with a special celebration with performance of Filipiniana Europa from Leuven (under the direction of Juliet Regidor), update project, reception IN the Cultural Centre Scharpoord, Meerlaan 32, Knokke-Heist, followed at 12.30 p.m. by the barbecue at Saint Bernards Sports Centre in front of the Cultural Centre. Parking: on the playground of the school at Majoor Van Dammestraat.

Welcome! In the name of Friendship, Sir Dominiek & Lady Leah Segart-Galleo, KGOR, President VVF. Order your tickets now. Maximum capacity 280 people.

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10 YEARS FRIENDSHIP FOR THE PHILIPPINES

KNOKKE-HEIST



It's more fun in the
Philippines



**THANKS TO KNIGHTS OF RIZAL
DIAMOND CHAPTER
ANTWERP**

FOR THEIR SUPPORT!

**INVITATION SHOW + BARBECUE
SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 23, 2012 – 11 AM**

**10TH ANNIVERSARY WITH FILIPINIANA EUROPA PERFORMANCE – LIVE SKYPE
CONNECTION BELGIAN AMBASSADOR H.E. CHRISTIAAN MEERSCHMAN – MANILA
MESSAGE AMBASSADOR H.E. VICTORIA BATACLAN – MAYOR LORD LIPPENS
RECEPTION & BARBECUE
CULTURAL CENTRE SCHARPOORD – MEERLAAN 32 – KNOKKE-HEIST &
SINT-BERNARDUS SCHOOL (FRONT CULT. CENTRE)
TICKETS: 18 EUR / CHILDREN 12 EUR**

*We promote Philippine tourism, Rizal, culture & support an educational project for the
benefit of Saint Michael's School of Padada (Davao del Sur), remote area schools & street
Youth Foundation Balay Pasilungan Davao City (Davao del Sur)*



Board, some volunteers Vriendschap voor de Filippijnen: front: left to right: Magalie Segaert
– Ferre – Patricia Janssens – Wieske Lietaer – Back: Nyke Derde – President Dominiek
Segaert – Ria Blondeel – Leah Segaert-Gallego – Jozef Stubbe – Guido Van De Sompele –

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New youth organization

Dear brother knights,

Our webmaster, Sir Danny Berghmans, KOR, has decided to set up a organization that aim to educate the youth in the teachings and values as envisioned by Dr. José Rizal. Especially children born outside the Philippines are sometimes not fully aware of the consequences that the lofty ideals of this hero have brought to the world. In order to fill up this void in an appropriate way, the educational part will be complemented with other programs that are appealing to the adolescents and young grown-ups of today, like music and dance.

The participation is open for all youngsters with an open mind and hungry to find out more about the exemplary, heroic life of Dr. José Rizal.

Reality can surpass the imaginable! Ideals of a visionary can change the world! Learn more about the way he saw the world as a peaceful heaven considering existing cultures, human dignity and respect for the fellow-men. Even after more than a century, his ideals are still actual, and not only in Asia but actually all over the world.

The sooner one is familiar to Rizal's teachings to sooner one can live to it. Nobody is born a hero, but living according the right principals is surely a step into the right direction.

Sir Paul Verloo
Chapter Commander
Diamond Chapter - Antwerp

<http://www.kabataan-rizal.org>



Kabataan Para Ni Rizal

Youth for Rizal

Our organization "KABATAAN PARA NI RIZAL" or "YOUTH FOR RIZAL" will teach the learning's and writings of the Philippine hero Dr. José Protacio Rizal Mercado y Alonso Realonda to our youth in an enjoyable and active way.

We will teach our youth about the life and achievements of the Philippine national hero Dr. José Rizal, about a young Filipino and martyr that never must be forgotten.

Of course we are aware that teachings can be very boring for our youth, and that's why we will make a nice combination of teaching, dance and music during our meetings.

Sir Danny Berghmans
President Kabataan para ni Rizal

CALENDAR

- ♦ *June 10th: Philippines Independence Day in Brussels*
 - ♦ *16-19th June: Rizal Traveling Museum — Philippine Embassy*
 - ♦ *June 17th: Philippines Independence Day in Bruges (Belfort)*
 - ♦ *June 19th: Birthday of Rizal*
 - ♦ *September 23rd: 10 Years Friendship for the Philippines*
 - ♦ *October 27th: Activity in “De Schuur” - Kruibeke*
 - ♦ *December 30th: Rizal Day*
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NEXT NEWSLETTER

Our next Newsletter will be published in September or October 2012.

Please feel free to forward this Newsletter to anyone who shows an interest in the Knights of Rizal! They are always welcome at one of our activities.

Also former members who wish to receive again news from our Chapter are free to request to put their email address again on our list. We respect the view of everybody!

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