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PREFACE



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We are now approved by SIK, The Swedish Fundraising Control and have following 90-giro number: **90 04 59-9** and bank giro **900-4599** To keep the right to continuously have 90-account SIK has conditioned some adjustments in **FTMS** by-laws. Among other we need to change that we have an approved auditor, to that we have an authorized public accountant, and we need to clarify that no private Can make a claim on any assets at a resolution of **FTMS**.

For this reason you are hereby called to our annual meeting in Sweden on 21 March. For more information and to see our directors in **FTMW** and **FTMS** see our homepage www.tribemission.com.

In January we had our Annual in the Philippines, and on following pages you can read more about **FTMW**'s board members and how the work proceed.

At the moment we have a pre-schooler from a neighbouring town which lives with us. She arrives early every Monday morning together with her mother, and return back home every Friday afternoon for the weekend n. Some mothers from the local Mamanwa group will their studies again why we has agreed that they will come every morning, weekdays, together with their children. The mothers helps to cook breakfast, and through this they learn about nourishment, contents and how to compose a meal. When children are finished their breakfast, together with their mothers, and went to school, Juralyn will give lessons in **FTMW**'s direction, alike the summer school we had last year for the children. In this way, we hope that it will be more fun for the kids to go to school when they see that their parents are engaged.

The need of sponsors to our children, youth and projects is still urgent. Help us to find more who can help us with a monthly contribution. No contribution is too small, no matter if it starts at 10, 50 or 100 SEK. To be a sponsor of a child is an investment of SEK200 per month.

1. FTMW Annual in the Philippines, 10 January

The Annual was held at Karaga Hotel in Butuan City. Due to severe flooding in parts of Agusan del Sur, representatives of the children could not come, but pleasing was that Pastor Raquel Quintas came from Prosperidad. The tribal Chief of Mamanwa, Datu Romeo, could not attend since he in turn was on negotiations for his tribe's bill in Surigao del Norte. As regards the composition of the Board of Directors Nena T. Araza and Recto T. Labrador was re-elected to the board of FTMW, while Jeniffer Y. Urquia, Juralyn U. Santos, Jovelyn U. Klaveness, Joey G. Dauz, OD Christopher O. Buniel and Thor Klaveness have one year left in term. The financial assistance FTMW could contribute to through gifts from FTMS have mainly been used according to the following:

CYP1100 Child Health Care, with sub accounts 1101 Cornea transplantation, 1102 Surgery of hernia on infant, 1199 Assistance for palate operation, as well as mother and baby to hospital in Cagayan De Oro and in Butuan City. During 2014 PHP31,186:35 has been paid out for assists within Child Health Care in shapes of travel, food, lodging and purchase of medicine due to prescription by licenced doctor. In the newly opened account CYP1102 additional PHP15,000 has been paid out to Nena T. Araza for assistance of an infant from the Malahone tribe. Unfortunately, the child has been cold and had a fever repeatedly, so doctors have set the operation several times. Therefore lets FTMW in cooperation with Arise Ministries in Cagayan de Oro mother and child stay in quarantine from the other tribe members to reduce infection risk and prepare for operation.

CYP1050 School meals with sub account 1054, Feeding the Precious, feeding of street children in Butuan City. During 2014 PHP26,400 has been paid out to Pastor Recto Labrador to help give nourishment to the street children. The Annual decided to continue pay out monthly allowance during 2015 with an increase of p600 to p3,000 compared to what has been paid out during 2014, which was PHP2,400. From the dedicated account CHP1054 PHP14,868 has been paid out, and additional PHP5,878:80 was transferred in the month of January 2015.

CHP4000 Christian Projects
During 2014 we have used money from this account to send Pastor Recto T. Labrador to hospital when he was seriously ill in fever, and it was suspected it might was Dengue or Tsetse. PHP3,123:75 was paid in total. Unfortunately, we have not received any bigger amounts to this fund why the balance for 2015 is PHP276:25 only.

CHP4051 Jovelyn's project for tribal.
During 2014 PHP84,302:62 has been paid out to give 11 children from Mamanwa in Adlay, Carrascal, daily breakfast and lunch on school days. These money includes, too, the costs when we had our summer school to train the children due to that they were off school due to absence.

EDP2020 School material.
During 2014, school materials has been bought to Mamanwas students for PHP3,102:75. Unfortunately, we have not received any bigger amounts to this fund why the balance for 2015 is PHP400:65 only.

	Jovelyn U. Klaveness CEO		Juralyn U. Santos Secretary
	Jeniffer Y. Urquia Treasurer		Thor M. Klaveness Audit
	Nena T. Araza Director		OD Christopher O. Buniel Director
	Recto T. Labrador Director		Joey G. Dauz Director

2. Invitation to FTMS Annual in Sweden, 21 March

You are greeted welcome to the compound annual meeting, **Saturday 21 March**.

Time: 14.00

Place: Ekgatan 7B

Thor & Jovelyn Klaveness

NOTE! *Sign-up to get to the annual meeting is mandatory* when we may need to book larger premises at larger number of participants. A Godparent is automatically a member of the Association with right to vote. Notification can be done both via phone/email or letter to the addresses specified on the last page.

MEMBERSHIP

Any person who submit to the Association's purposes and activities are entitled to subscribe for membership in the Association.

Any person who signs himself as sponsor and/or donates money continuously is to be counted as a member so long commitment as sponsor/donor lasts.

ON THE AGENDA:

1. Election of meeting officers
2. Determination of the voting list
3. The meeting's competent announcement
4. The Board of Directors and project managers ' activity reports
5. Auditor's report
6. Decision on the discharge
7. Election of Board of Directors
8. Election of Auditors
9. Election of Nomination Committee
10. Treatment of cases from the Board
11. Treatment of motions
12. Other issues

WHAT IS FTMS?

FTMS, Filipino Tribe Mission Sweden is a Christian humanitarian organization that conducts and coordinates the missionary activity in the Republic of the Philippines.

Development work includes areas:

- Godchild work
- School education in the local tribes
- Development of local schools in cooperation with local authorities
- Children's homes, foster care, support for street children

Missionary work capacity ranges:

- Bible teaching aid for local assemblies
- The evangelism assistance to pastors
- Development work on the Bible's basic

3. Follow up on projects from 2014

Following projects has been followed up, among some has been closed during 2014:

Project:

Place:

Responsible Director:

Cornea transplant

DMC Davao Medical Center Jeniffer Urquia/Thor Klaveness

Last reading was executed on 12 May, 2014, at Dr Jaimenito Go's clinic, Surigao Medical Center

Adult education Mamanwa

Adlay, Carrascal, SdS

Juralyn U. Santos/Jovelyn Klaveness

During 2014 it has continuously been some turbulence in Adlay which has impacted Mamanwa.



Happily, there are four moms, from our local group with children attending school, who have expressed willingness to start studying again. As by 14 January we have agreed that they will come to us together with their children in the mornings, help to cook breakfast, and when their children attend school, our crew will give lessons according to ALS, Alternative Learning System.



We, too, assist the leaders of the tribe to help their members get their Human Rights met, so that they can build their homes and live without fear from being evicted by natural disasters or by careless local policies.

Village Chieftain in consultation with FTMW's representative and one of Mamanwa's Chiefs, Datu Philippe, to create self-determination and independence for Mamanwa through that they administrate their own economy. Cooperation in order to prevent discrimination of their children and to have access to primary education was also discussed.

Fadderbarn Surigao provinces Provincially

Jeniffer Y. Urquia



Our godchildwork is an important part of our work to reach children and youth to get nourished well.

The idea to be a sponsor of a child in the subtropical rainforests is to contribute both for the best to the child as to the local population where the child lives. Through sponsorship one too have a "receipt" that the money invested for the best to the child reaches out.

Jeniffer, who works with us, has a sponsor to one of her children. It has given them ease to support their children. Jeniffer helps us within FTMW through assisting children and families in need of help.

The sponsorship fee is divided in several funds, which you can read more about on our homepage www.tribemission.com.

The fee is divided as follow: Child 35%, Family 10%, Society 5%, work- and transports in the Philippines 25%, administration in Sweden 15% and fund for unforeseen events 10%.

Please contact us to become a godparent to a child. See contact details on the last page.

Administration/update FTMW BIR, SEC and bank Jeniffer and Jernalyn

To operate a compound always means that we have to report to the authorities on their activities. This also applies to us in the Philippines.

Our annual declaration is made to SEC, Securities of Exchange Office, and to have it approved we declare our balance to BIR, Bureau of Internal Revenue, we are then reported at SEC.

There are recognized, among other things, how much we have given from FTMS to FTMW, so your contribution is available in the compilation.

This year we have a new employees, Jernalyn Vertudez, to help us with bookkeeping and budget. She will be able to go abroad for work, but in the periods she is in the Philippines she is helping us.

School Meal project Adlay Elementary and NHS Thor and Jovelyn Klaveness



Fundamental to children and youth to assimilate the education they receive in school, is that they get enough nutrition for the body to function as it should.

In order to be able to help more, we have started up a special fund for school meals that have the name CYP1050.

At the moment there are more students from Mamanwa tribe coming every morning to get breakfast. But in our commitment we will help them to understand the point of nutrition and health, which also means that we teach them wash with soap and shampoo, as well as to brush their teeth.

Beginning now in February, we too have invited children that elementary school asked us to help. There are children who live in starvation, i.e. a cup of rice per day. It is plain that children are malnourished in that they eat one-sided diet also. Unfortunately it is too common that children only get rice and water to eat every meal time. Their 5-piso (a coin their parents give them to but fruit in the school) they use to purchase junk-food.



In our work to provide nutrition to the children, we allow parents to participate to prepare food so that they become aware of how and why to compose a meal.

We keep in contact with school and local government units, and requests more, and cheaper, fruits and nourished food in the school's kiosk.

It is a difficult work, because it is in this part of the world a huge craving for sweets, and has difficult to get accustomed to the vegetables, etc. without the addition of sugar. Unfortunately circuits knowledge about food around what is known as junk-food. One would like to have home cooked ice-candy, rice-candy (suman and biko), spring rolls etc. with added amount of sugar.

Even products that you buy commercially, and which are even labelled sugars-free, may contain sugar, because one does not count sugar as an ingredient but as a flavour enhancer. This makes it extra difficult for diabetics to find the right diet, and there is a surprisingly large number of diabetics. But there is a large grey area how many they are because it is usually only the richest that can afford to go to the doctor to get the correct diagnosis.

4. Miscellaneous

INFORMATION

For more information about events, see information and follow the links from our website at www.tribemission.com. There you can too fill out a form to be a sponsor to a child or a project. You can too send us a mail to our address as stated on the last page.

Lectures/Events



If you want to book us to come, and that you will know more about the Philippines, and our local work there, please contact us on given numbers or e-mail as shown last in this newsletter.

Observe that we are pleased to come, if so only, for the sake of the information, for instance, the life in the Philippine provinces, and about how to help to own support. Information which can be well for use to, for instance, school youth, scouts etc.

Theme events



It is you that decide the theme in cooperation with us, for instance, in connection with the UN-day, or any international engagement, or theme day at your work. School – Organization – Company, does not matter.

I ask our deepest and warmest thanks from me and our co-operators for your engagement. Please, talk with a friend about the possibility to be a sponsor to a child or to any of our many projects in the Philippines.

God's peace

Thor Klaveness

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Sponsorship fee

The monthly fee for a godchild is
€20/SEK200 or €15/SEK150 for group sponsor
and can be paid as follows:

1. By autogiro
2. By payment card/bill which can be paid monthly,
quarterly, half year or own choice.

When paid within Sweden, payment can be done
to account shown lowest this page.

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NOTE

This Newsletter is written to reach people not common with the Filipino culture. To tell about the way Filipino's lives and give an opportunity to help where help is needed.

We are in no way participating in any political movements, but are involved to lift the knowledge to have patience and ability to live side by side with one another. Notwithstanding if it belongs to be to Filipino's or other.

If you want to contribute with your own experiences and/or knowledge, please feel welcome. News in our newsletters is solely based on facts from Filipino's and experiences from other within the Philippines itself. We belongs to different cultures, therefore it is sometimes different viewpoints on the news.

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Mamanwa girl attending elementary school education, January 2015