

PGHMFH Holds 11th Annual Membership Meeting

*new members and officers
inducted...*

Dr. Telesforo E. Gana, Foundation Vice President and ad interim President welcomed the members during the annual meeting on March 28, 2014, held at the Ortoll Reproductive Health Care Center.

Through a visual presentation, he reported on the Foundation's gains and accomplishments as of year-end and traced the steady growth in membership since its rebirth in 2003-from a minimal number of 23 to a high of 100 in 2013.

Likewise, a rise in individual and corporate donations was seen, although the extraordinary rise in 2007 may be attributed to the PGH's centennial celebration. Dr. Gana emphasized on the Foundation's assistance to PGH and its patients in keeping with its objectives.



UP Manila Chancellor Manuel Agulto (third from right) with the Officers and Members of PGHMFH

In behalf of the Foundation, he committed to continue its fund-raising activities through direct solicitations for cash and non-cash donations, tie-up with private partner organizations, coin banks deployment and other income-generating activities to achieve its mission to support the less privileged Filipinos through our assistance to the Philippine General Hospital.



UP Manila Chancellor Manuel Agulto (right) inducts new members of the Board of Trustees (L-R) Mrs. Daisy Z. Nodque, Hon. Mary Ann L. Susano, Mme. Lolita Escobar-Mirpuri and Dr. Bien Cabral.

After the presentation, Dr. Gana called on the new members to take their oath before PGH Director Jose Gonzales. They are Former Representative Mary Ann Susano, Dr. Josephine Dizon, Mssrs. Milagros Manapat, Mercedes Posadas, Eulalia Tolentino, Mr. Noel Gonzalez, Victor Silverio and Ms. Ping Valencia.

The new members of the Board of Trustees were, likewise, inducted into office by UP Manila Chancellor Dr. Manuel Agulto. Mrs. Daisy Nodque replaced Ms. Jennie Zamora whose term expired, and former Representative Mary Ann Susano who replaced Mr. Jose Bayani Baylon.

From the President...

As we rise from 2013, we move on this 2014



The year 2013 saw a drop in the fund raising activities of the PGHMFI which led to the almost depleted savings. The Board had to intervene and resorted to temporarily suspend big spending on patient care and special projects. The Board took over and appointed new leadership to run the day to day activities of the foundation until the election of new officers in the next Annual membership meeting. The rest was history and new developments were instituted to resuscitate the foundation.

Last March 28, 2014 the Annual membership meeting was held at the Ortoll building with new members inducted and the election of the new officers followed. The Board elected a new president and a new set of officers to complete the executive officers. The Board created a new position of the Executive Director which is expected to bolster the administrative, fiscal and operational functions of the foundation. A new comer but armed with excellent managerial skills came into the scene. Dr. Dione Suter was unanimously elected as the new Executive Director.

As the new president of the foundation this imposes a big challenge to take the foundation to greater heights. Of course it would be very hard for me to fill in the very big shoes that Dr. Greg Alviar left. But I have to start with a smaller shoe that will fit my own capability and limitations. The biggest consolation is that Dr. Greg as chairman of the board is always within reach to solicit guidance and advices. Dr. Greg has steered the foundation to national recognition for the last 10 years with enormous accomplishments. This I promised to continue the good projects he has done to raise funds for PGHMFI- donor solicitations, pledges, art auction, golf tournament, fun runs, etc.

I certainly believe that in any organization the organizational set up and work flow should be fine tuned as to its administrative, fiscal management and daily operations. With the help of the Executive Director all the other aspects will be addressed appropriately. The Standing Committees should be reorganized and their capabilities utilized to increase the foundation's savings and liquidity. The primary function of helping provide the needs of the PGH charity patients in terms of medicines and diagnostics is a primary concern of the foundation. It is heart warming that helping charity patients who are in dire need are very grateful even with the small help that the PGHMFI extends to them.

Indeed I would like to extend my sincere appreciation to the Board for the trust and confidence that they have given to me to lead the foundation. Rest assured I will exert utmost efforts to achieve the mission and vision of the foundation. I would like to appeal to our dear donors and supporters to please continue helping PGHMFI and extend the much needed support.

We picked up what has remained in 2013 as we move on and bounce back this 2014. GOD bless us all!

*Very sincerely,
Edward C. Tordesillas, MD
President*



THE WIND BENEATH OUR WINGS

OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:



A doctor by profession, an entrepreneur by occupation, and now a humanitarian advocate by inclination- that is how we describe our new Executive Director Dr. Maridione M. Suter.

She obtained the degree of Doctor of Medicine at the University of Sto Tomas in 1982, and underwent a four year Residency in Radiology at the Medical City General Hospital.

She then managed their company that deals with the distribution of diagnostic laboratory equipment and consumables. She has now reached the time of her life when she realized that she must find time to give it more meaning by giving back in terms of service to her poor countrymen. That was after she attended a seminar entitled "Finding Meaning in the Second Half of Life", that made her decision easier to retire her business of 25 years.

Working now for PGHMFI has brought back in full circle her medical education as well as in sharing her vast experience in running a company which has brought a great advantage in the efficient running of the Foundation's administrative operations and in the effective conduct of its programs and projects.

Dra Dione, as she is fondly called is happily married to Dr. Ramon S. Suter, a neuro-surgeon and a member of UPCM class 1962.

CHANGING of the GUARDS

During the 11th Annual Membership Meeting held last 28 March 2014, the PGHMFI Board of Trustees elected Dr. Edward C. Tordesillas as President, Dr. Alfonso A. Doloroso as Vice-President, and Mrs. Daisy Z. Nodque as Auditor.

Dr. Edward C. Tordesillas who was erstwhile Foundation auditor and member of the Board of Trustees prior to his election was designated as Chief Operating Officer to temporarily fill the administrative vacuum during the interim period. He has been a dedicated and strong pillar since the foundation's inception in 1997.

Likewise the Board of Trustees created the position of Executive Director and appointed Dr. Maridione M. Suter to directly manage the administration and operation functions of the foundation.

Samsung Donates to PGH



Contract Signing with Dr. Edward C. Tordesillas, PGHMFPI President and Ms. Arlita Narag, Samsung Public Affairs Head. Witnessing the signing (L to R) Dr. Dione M. Suter, Dr. Blanca De-Guia Fuerte, and Dr. Ernesto S. Uichanco.

Samsung International, through Samsung Electronics Philippines Corporation donated Php 17 Million for the Samsung Sono School Project through PGHMFPI.

The project will cover the renovation of the Honoria Acosta Sison Conference Room of the PGH which will be used for the training of medical and paramedical workers on Ultrasound Basic Theory and hands-on-training in Obstetrics-Gynecology Radiology courses. To compliment these trainings, Samsung will provide the ultrasonic diagnostic equipment including its corresponding maintenance cost. On the part of the PGH Department of Obstetrics & Gynecology, it will provide the medical trainers and participate in the development of the appropriate curriculum.

PGHMFPI Acquires Php 9M Equipment for PGH



Turn-over of the 9M equipment donation to PGH

(L to R) Dr. Alfonso A. Doloroso, Dr. Ma. Teresa Julleta U. Benedicto, Dr. Josellito R. Legaspi, Dr. Greg Alviar, Ms. Cory Quirino, Mrs. Agnes Essem B. Perez, Ms. Pinky Medina, Mme. Lolita Escobar-Mirpuri, Dr. Jose Gonzales, Mr. Boonlong Koh, Ms. Cleo Conti, Dr. Edward C. Tordesillas, Dr. Wilma Baltazar, Dr. R. Irineo Luis C. Querol, and Dr. Ramon de Vera.

An anonymous donor extended 9M thru PGHMFPI for the purchase of hospital equipments, viz: 3 units of Portable X-ray Machine for the Dept. of Radiology, 2 units of Electro Cautery Machine and 1 unit of Choledochoscope for the Dept. Surgery, 1 unit of Plasma Freezer and Blood Bag Tube Sealer for the Blood Bank Section, Dept. of Laboratories.

(photos of equipment on page 6.)

“For the Love of PGH” - The Biennial Art Auction



The newly inducted Officers- (L to R) Dr. Bien V. Cabral- Member BOT, Dr. Edward C. Tordesillas-President, Mme. Lolita Escobar –Mirpuri-Corporate Secretary, Dr. Greg T. Alvior-Chairman BOT, Mrs. Agnes Essem B. Perez–Treasurer, Mrs. Daisy Z. Nodque - Auditor and Dra. Dione M. Suter- Executive Director.

Aptly labeled “For the Love of PGH” the PGHMFI’s Biennial Art Auction is dedicated for the benefit of the Charity Patient’s Medical Fund. It was held in its favorite venue, The Manila Polo Club on 23 April 2014.

Guests and patrons who attended the event were given the opportunity to view 64 *object d’art* on display while enjoying cocktails prior to the official opening. A ribbon cutting ceremony immediately followed led by Dr. Ferjenel Biron, Managing Director of Endure Medical Inc, assisted by Mr. Noel Gonzales of Muebles Italiano, PGHMFI Chairman Dr. Gregorio Alvior and Event Chair Mme. Lolita Escobar-Mirpuri.

The occasion also witnessed the official induction of the newly elected President of the Foundation, Dr. Edward C. Tordesillas and Executive Director Dr. Maridione M. Suter. Dr. Greg Alvior called upon the other officers present to reaffirm their strong commitment to faithfully discharge the duties of their respective positions.

Madame Lolita Escobar-Mirpuri, welcomed and acknowledged all those present and implored them to open their hearts and “pockets” for the success of this project which she said will go a long way in the Foundation’s ability to achieve its mission of helping the poor patients of PGH.

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Dr.Ferjenel Biron winner of the bid (second from left), Mr.Ryan Tordesillas holds “Cradle of Love ” artwork by Ramon Orlina . He is flanked by Mme. Lolita Escobar– Mirpuri and Dr. Greg Alvior. The amber glass was the most valuable piece and received the most number of bids during the auction.



Sculptures Donation (left to right) “My Cherished Dream” by Seb Chua, “Cradle of Love” by Ramon Orlina, “Kite Flyer ” by Michel Cacnio, “Diwata 1.0” by Toym Imao.



Mr. Noel Gonzales of Muebles Italiano holds his winning bid or “A Positive for Forbearance” by Juvenal Sanso.



(L to R) Mr. Noel Gonzales of Muebles Italiano, Committee Chair Mme. Lolita Escobar– Mirpuri, and Dr. Ferjenel Biron Managing Director of Endure Medical Inc.,

For the Love From Page 4

Ms. Besty Westendorf, a well known visual artist graced the occasion with her presence, who also donated two of her prized art pieces. Among the artists whose works were offered for auction, some of whom are national artists, Manuel Baldemor, Ramon Orlina, Juvenal Sanso, Arturo Luz, Nestor Vinluan and Abdul Imao to name a few.

Intermission numbers were provided by the beautiful performance of Miss Fame Flores, a coloratura-soprano and tenor Al Dresden Ramos who brought the audience in awe with their rendition of three (3) classical pieces. Mr. Johnny Litton, who acted again as the auctioneer successfully conducted the event to its completion.

The auction was a big success as it gave a 45% gain advantage over the event of 2012. The Foundation wishes to thank its event sponsors for their; generous support; Cong. Mary Ann L. Susano, Mr. William Uy of Liberty Flour Mills, GMA Network, Aficionado Germany Perfume Inc., Exclusive Traders, National Bookstore and Maynilad.



Mr. Randolph Dungo holds the painting "Egg in Hale" by Ephraim Samson. He is flanked by Ms. Elmee Cragun, winning bidder and Dr. Greg Alviar.



Mr. Johnny Litton the Event Auctioneer



The "Milflores" painting donated by artist Betsy Westendorf (second from left) is shown with Mme. Lolita Escobar-Mirpuri and Meredith Lim.



Ms. Lalle Tolentino the winning bidder of the painting "From A Stone Form" of Nestor Vinluan is shown with President Dr. Edward C. Tordesillas, Mr. Ryan Tordesillas.



(L to R) Dr. Gap Legaspi won the bronze sculpture "My Cherished Dream" of Seb Chua, with Dr. Greg Alviar.

UPCIEM Partners with PGHMFI for the Color Blast Fun Run



The UP Philippine Circle of Industrial Engineering (CIEM) represented by its Vice Chair for Finance Ms. Sharmaine Ann Tanyag entered into a partnership arrangement with PGHMFI to conduct the “Color blast” Fun Run.

The activity was held at the UP Academic Oval, at the UP Diliman campus last 30 March 2014. The PGHMFI shared sixty percent (60%) of the net proceeds which shall accrue to its General Fund.

Dr. Dione M. Suter PGHMFI Executive Director delivering her Opening Message to the participants

On the Pipeline

PGHMFI Project for the Department of Pediatrics

The Sta. Elena Construction & Development Corporation through its President and CEO, Ms. Alice G. Eduardo committed to donate Php 9M for the construction of the Hematology-Oncology Isolation Ward at the Department of Pediatrics. To compliment this project, Ms. World Limited, represented by Ms. Cory Quirino, Chairman & CEO of CQ Global Quest Inc. agreed to donate a certain amount for the provision of the necessary equipment.

The target date of completion of the project is before the end of year 2014.



Final Meeting of the Hematology-Oncology Project with the donor Ms. Alice Eduardo

(left to right) Dr. Ana Patricia Alcasabas, Arch. Ceasar Ali, Dr. Dione M. Suter, Dr. Greg Alvior, President and CEO of Sta. Elena Construction & Development Corporation Ms. Alice Eduardo, Chairman & CEO of Global Quest Inc. Ms. Cory Quirino, Mme Lolita Escobar-Mirpuri, Dr. Edward C. Tordesillas and Dr. Juliet Sio-Aguilar

Donated Equipment from page 3



Cholecholescope



Portable X-ray Machine



Electro Cautery Machine



Plasma Freezer

OBITUARY

Dr. Emilio T. Yap
Chairman and CEO of the Manila Bulletin and first PGHMFI Humanitarian Awardees met his Almighty last April 7, 2014.

The PGHMFI Officers and Members extend their deepest sympathy and condolences to his family.

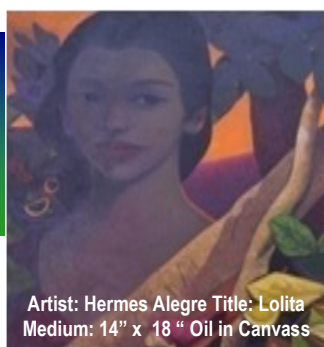
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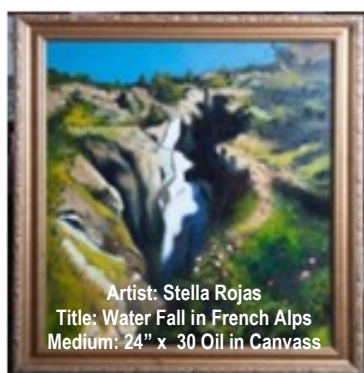
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Medium: 36" x 24 " Oil on Canvass



Artist: Romy Gutierrez
Title: Naked Eve
Medium: 10 ½ " x 13 ½ " Oil in Canvass



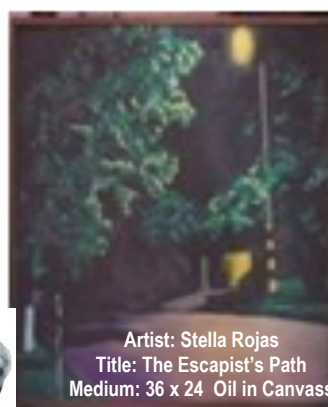
Artist: Hermes Alegre Title: Lolita
Medium: 14" x 18 " Oil in Canvass



Artist: Stella Rojas
Title: Water Fall in French Alps
Medium: 24" x 30 Oil in Canvass



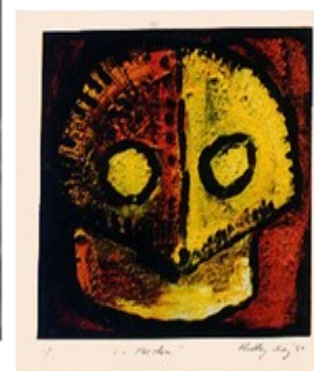
Artist: Carlo Magno
Title: Hope in a Handler's Bar
Medium: 30" x 30" Mixed Media



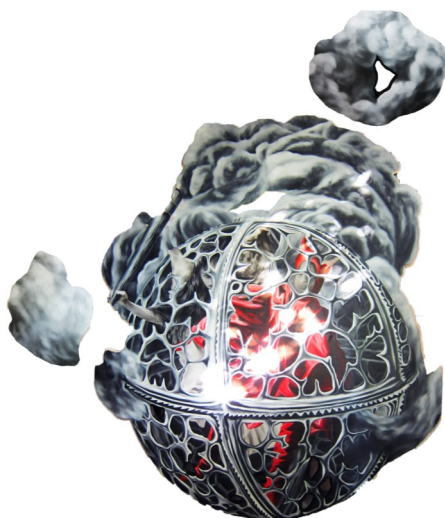
Artist: Stella Rojas
Title: The Escapist's Path
Medium: 36 x 24 Oil in Canvass



Artist: Filemon P. Dela Cruz
Title: Diwata
Medium: 13" x 20 " Oil and Pastel



Artist: Duddley Diaz
Title: La Maschera
Medium: 9.85 x 9.062
Lithograph on Paper



Artist: Liv Vinluan
Title: The Orb and The Poles
Medium: 6' x 7' Oil in Shaped Wood

The artworks in this page are for sale. Other artworks are available at the office. Please contact the PGHMF Secretariat (536-28-74) for interested buyers.

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