

Friends of Bantay Bata

A project of ABS CBN Foundation

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To provide Filipino children the potential for a better quality of life.

Salamat po

Thank you so much to all those who have generously helped us rehabilitate abused, abandoned and critically ill children in the Philippines.

We pay particular thanks to the Philippine Dance Company of Boston who conducted a fundraiser drive for Bantay Bata from ticket sales of their performance.

Alab Ng Puso

The Philippine Dance Company of Boston (PDCO) held a day of cultural celebration of Philippine Independence last June 2004 with ABS CBN Foundation's Bantay Bata as its beneficiary. A DVD video of their beautiful performance highlighting our culture's significant uniqueness of traditional dances and folk songs is available for sale through their website: <http://www.pdcoboston.org/>. The audience was also reminded of and perhaps was taught about our history's heroes. Congratulations to PDCO for a wonderful stage performance! We are pleased to share the gallery below!



ETV UPDATES



Many have decided to adopt their hometown public schools by donating the \$1,200 needed to install the Foundation's **Educational TV** package which consists of a classroom TV monitor, a DVD player, a video library of 108 lessons in Philippine history, folk lore, Filipino culture, simple math, simplified science and technology as well as basic English lessons besides the teacher's lesson reviews and teaching guide.

Studies have shown that this child-development package has proven to produce higher learning scores, better class attendance and increased sense of values.

So far, **ETV** has found generous donors for some 5,000 hometown public elementary schools.

There remains 25,000 schools without a Ninong for this ETV classroom innovation.

Among those who have recently adopted their hometown public school to receive the ETV learning package are:

- ◆ **Pablito Teano** - *San Jose Elementary School*, Tagaytay City
- ◆ **Jonathan Gurman** and **Roberto Lagman** - *San Basilio Elementary School*, Santa Rita, Pampanga
- ◆ **Dr. Primo Andres** - *Cordon Elementary School*, Cordon, Isabela
- ◆ **Mrs. Sylvia Andres** - *Nanyo Elementary School*, Nanyo, Panabo, Davao del Sur
- ◆ **Flordelino P. Quiocho** - *Rancho Elementary School*, Rancho, Santa, Ilocos Sur
- ◆ **Mr/Mrs Nicasio Villanueva and family** - *Moncada South Central Elementary School*, Moncada, Tarlac
- ◆ **Edgardo Mandane** representing **Kapwa Ko, Mahal Mo** - *Santa Ana Elementary School*, Mexico, Pampanga

PINOY CHARITY BAZAAR

You will soon see our **Pinoy Charity Bazaar**, a 5-minute presentation on TFC of exciting Philippine hand-crafted gift items we are offering as our Salamat gifts for your donations to ABS CBN Foundation.

It's like a TV shopping channel except that it runs only 5-minutes but aired twice a day on TFC.

Among the exciting gift items you will be surprised to see handbags cleverly made from pages of old Manila telephone directories! They come in white or yellow (using the Yellow pages) and are handmade in the slums of San Andres in Manila under the guidance of the Good Shepherd nuns.

When you make your donation just let us know by phone or email which gift items you want in exchange.

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SAGIP KAPAMILYA

Sagip Kapamilya was the ABS CBN Network and ABS CBN Foundation's joint emergency program to immediately assist the thousands of victims of the recent disastrous typhoons that devastated western Luzon provinces particularly towns in Quezon province.

Responses we received from Filipino Americans from the end of November to early December was a phenomenal windfall of cash, canned goods, rice, noodles, cereal, flashlights, blankets, old clothes, pots and pans, cutlery, plastic bags and baby items.

All were rushed to the Manila office of ABS CBN Foundation whose staff handled direct distribution to the typhoon victims.

Fortunately, ABS CBN Foundation had been involved in these emergency support operations since its inception some 17 years ago and did not need to divert distribution work through government or partisan groups. We did work with churches when necessary.



Introducing Friends of Bantay Bata, Washington Chapter

The father-daughter team of Tom and Karol Brundige organized a group properly named *Friends of Bantay Bata* in Washington. Their sole concern is to help and support the Bantay Bata program. These “friends” have created a great group of supporters that we at the Foundation would like to see happen all across the world. Though this group is not legally with the Foundation, they have finally given a name to the good people that help the Foundation, which include all of our donors.

Last July 14, 2004, the group hosted its first fundraiser with a Dinner Dance and raised over \$7,000!

If you would like more information on how you can help, email friendsofbantaybata@yahoo.com.

Tell us about yourself!

We would like to know you better. Tell us about your family, what they do, when are your birthdays, what are your favorite TFC programs?

Maybe you have some ideas on how we can promote the child-caring projects of ABS CBN Foundation in your community? Maybe you can help us get publicity in your community Filipino newspapers or within your Filipino organizations?

It will be such a pleasure to bond with you and your family because you are such kind and generous supporters of ABS CBN Foundation.

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Fundraising notes

- Rachelle Espiritu raised \$2,800 at a July 30, 2004 event in Chicago, IL.

- Several fundraisers are currently being organized by supporters of Bantay Bata. Check our website for updates. If you would like to help, please let us know!

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