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5000 GOVERNANCE BUILD SARONG COOPERARIVE

Good governance builds strong cooperatives. This was the theme of the 7th National Cooperative Summit held in Bacolod City on October 14-16, 2004. the summit was convened by the Philippine Cooperative Center in conjunction with the Cooperative Development Authority and hosted by the Capitol Government Employees Multipurpose Cooperative (CAPGEM) in Bacolod in tandem with the Federation of Cooperatives of Negros Occidental (FOCONO).

Fifteen officers and staff of the Baguio-Benguet Community Credit Cooperative attended the summit: Chair Renato C. Fernandez, GM Amado Jesus F. Cendaña, Vice Chair Oscar R. Adversalo, Dirs. Gregorio V. Andal, Emerita C. Fuerte, Amparo T. Rimas, Bernard D. Padang, Ruben A. Corpuz, Crecom Chair Arturo G. Asuncion, Treasurer Marcial V. Esquejo, Secretary Nida Flavier, AIC member Roberta A. Balangue, Elecom member Basiliza Laconsay, and staff members Marlita Fernandez and Shane R. Tadeo.

The summit events were plenary sessions, workshops, and study tours. The opening plenary session, where the statement of summit objectives was read, was highlighted by the keynote speech of Sen. Ramon B. Magsaysay, Chairman, Senate Committee on Agriculture.

The workshop topics were: "What government support and incentives are needed by cooperatives?"; "How may coops expand and diversify their businesses?"; "How can coops govern and self-regulate effectively?"; "How can coops and LGUs work together in job creation and poverty alleviation?"; "How may coops take advantage of information technology?"; and "How many coops tap emerging business opportunities in retail, marketing, and export processing?"

Study tours were conducted simultaneously with workshops. Selected coops in and around Bacolod City were visited, resulting in invaluable learning experience for the participating delegates.

BBCCC Officers under the leadership of BOD Chair Atty. Renato Fernandez hand over the BBCCC Death Aid to Mrs. Francisca B. Brillantes, the widow of the late Atty. Alexander H. Brillantes (BBCCCC Founder)



BBCCC FOUNDATION RAFFLE DRAW WINNERS NOVEMBER 6, 2004, 3:00 P.M.

Ticket No. 1st Prize 2810 2nd Prize 4266 3790 **3rd Prize** 4th Prize 2588 5th Prize 2845 6th Prize 4271 4211 7th Prize 8th Prize 4119 9th Prize 4396 10th Prize 4226

Name Prescilla D. Ebasco Liberty G. Carlos Lolita C. Aranca Adoracion P. Novela Jacqueline Colas Melanie Miranda Clair H. Paningbatan Josephine R. Teodoro Cristina Segnaken Roberto Legaspi Prize 1 unit Union 14" Color TV 1 unit DVD Player 1 unit Eureka Hot & Fresh Water Dispenser 1 pc. Kyowa Rice Dispenser 1 unit Standard Rice Cooker 1 unit Standard Oven Toaster 1 Baltimore Cook Set 1 Micromatic Oven Toaster 1 pc. Standard Flat Iron 1 pc. Durastar Flat Iron

Certified Correct:

Dr. Amparo T. Rimas Chair, BBCCC Foundation

PASKONG HIRIT, PALAKIHIN ANG DEPOSIT RAFFLE DRAW WINNERS - JANUARY 8, 2005

	Ticket No.	Name	Prize	
1st Prize	5129	Maritess Montes	1 unit Whirlpool Gas Range	
2nd Prize	0257	Gloria Babael	1 unit LG 21" Color TV	
3rd Prize	5427	Elda May dela Peña	1 unit Whirlpool Microwave Oven	
4th Prize	7504	Michael Cruz	1 unit DVD Player	
5th Prize	0995	Digna Reyes	1 unit Convention Oven	
6th Prize	0104	Marjorie Ticag	1 pc. Rice Dispenser 50kg. SK	
7th Prize	5515	Helen Dangatan	1 unit Eureka Hot & Fresh Water Dispenser	
			w/ empty bottle	
8th Prize	4758	Jane A. Bangsilan	1 pc. Standard Stand Fan 16"	
9th Prize	3488	Susana Catalan	1 pc. Kyowa Sandwich Toaster	
10th Prize	1365	Erlinda Benitez	1 pc. Kyowa Sanswich Toaster	
Other Prizes:				
0708		Jane A. Bangsilan	1 pc. 10 cups Toyohash Rice Cooker	
5230			1 pc. 10 cups Toyohash Rice Cooker	
		Federico Oaing	1 pc. Standard Rice Cooker 5 cups	
2359 Ricardo M		Ricardo Martinez	1 pc. Standard Rice Cooker 5 cups	
7642 Brenda		Brenda Cirilo	1 pc. 6 qt. Elephant Pressure Cooker	
0156 Maria B.		Maria B. Ofo-ob	1 pc. 4 qt. Toyotomi Pressure Cooker	
7857 Bayani Te		Bayani Tecson	1 unit Standard Oven Toaster	
6523 Isabel Go		Isabel Golingab	1 unit Standard Oven Toaster	
6639 Nenita R. C		Nenita R. Catabay	1 pc. Cordless American Automatic Kettle	
6745	5745 Elvira G. Bul		1 pc. Automatic Durastar Flat Iron	
Certified Cor	rect:			
(Sgd.) Josephine Perez			(Sgd.) Oscar R. Adversalo	
Chair, AIC			BOD Vice-Chair/Vice President	

MALIGAYANG PASKO AT MANIGONG BAGONG TAON SA INYONG LAHAT!

Merii Kurisumasu (Japan)

I'd miilad said oua sana saida (UAE) Bon Pasco, Bon Anja (Netherlands Antilles) Shuvo Baro Din (Bangladesh) Mboni Chrismen (Bahrain, Kuwait, KSA) Zalig Kerstfeest (Belgium) Feliz Navidad (Bolivia, Spain) Feliz Natal (Brazil) Selamat Hari Natal (Brunei Darussalam) Joveux Noel (Canada, Congo) Sheng Tan Kuai Loh (China) Frohliche Weihnachten (Germany) Afishapa (Ghana) Sing Dan Fiy Loc (Hong Kong) Salamet Hari Natal (Indonesia) Shub Christu Javanti (India) Idah Saidan (Iraq)



Sung Tan Chuk Ha (DR of Korea) Selamat Hari Krismas (Malaysia) Krist Yesu Ko Shuva Janma Utsav Ko (Nepal) Prettige Feestdagen (Netherlands) Bara Din Mubarrak Ho (Pakistan) Subha Nath Thalak Vewa, Nathar Puthu Varuda Valthukkal (Sri Lanka) God Jul (Sweden) Sheng Tan Kuai Loh, Nathar Puthu Varuda Valthukkal (Singapore) Ewadee Pe-e Mai (Thailand) Kung His Hsin Nien Bing Chu Shen Tan (Taiwan) Chuc Mung Giang Sinh (Vietnam) Masayang Pasku Ampong Mayap a Bayung Banua (Kapampangan) Maayo Pasko Sa Inyo Tanan (Visaya) Maganay Paskua Ed Sikayo Tan Maaligwas Ya Balun Taon Naimbag a Paskua ken Nagasat a Baro a Tawen Tayo Amin Maabig Ya Paskua Tan Maliquet Ya Balon Taon Ed Sikayon Amin.

Officer representatives of BBCCC and CIBI Information Inc. sign the MOA entered into by said entities at Paladdin Hotel, Baguio City on Nov. 4, 2004 as other officers looks on.



Director Emerita Fuerte (center-second row with white t-shirt) accompanied prospective BBCCC homeowners in visiting the housing site at Lubas, La Trinidad, Benguet last December 11, 2004.



MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR TO ALL!



BBCCC OFFICERS PARTICIPATE IN CUP EDUCATIONAL FORUM AND SILVER JUBILEE FELLOWSHIP DINNER

Eight officers of the Baguio-Benguet Community Credit Cooperative participated in the Cooperative Union of the Philippines' Education Forum and Silver Jubilee Fellowship Dinner held at the Bayview Park Hotel, Roxas Blvd., Manila on December 17, 2004. They were Vice Chair Oscar R. Adversalo, Dirs. Gregorio V. Andal and Emerita C. Fuerte, Crecom Chair Arturo G. Asuncion, AIC Chair Josephine G. Perez, Treasurer Marcial V. Esquejo, Secretary Nida Flavier, and IT consultant Eufracio delos Reyes.

The forum had for its theme "EXPANDING THE HORIZONS OF COOPERATIVE BUSINESS AND SERVICES". Forum presentations were: "Coops are not Taxable" by Felix A. Borja, CUP Secretary-General; "The Ebonuslink: A Breakthrough in Communication Technology The Power of Hydrogen in Healthful Living" by Joey Aranal, President, Automated Information Generation System; and "Bringing Down the Cost of Medicine (Botika Ng Bayan)" by Roberto Pagdanganan, Chair, PITC.

During the Fellowship Dinner and Recognition Ceremonies, inspirational messages were rendered by Cong. Ernesto C. Pablo, Chair, House Committee on Cooperatives and APEC Party-List Representative; Cong. Leonila V. Chavez, BUTIL Party-List Representative. The keynote address was given by Sen. Alfredo S. Lim, Chair, Senate Committee on Cooperatives.

In Addition, the BBCCC received a very prestigious award from the CUP – "OUTSTANDING COOP PIONEERS AWARD," in recognition of its leaders' pioneering spirit in the promotion and organization of cooperatives; for consistently maintaining leadership on the credit, savings and banking sector of the Cooperative Movement; and for demonstrating the true cooperative spirit of volunteerism and cooperation among cooperatives.

UPDATES ON THE BBCCC FOUNDATION

The BBCCC Foundation has extended dental assistance to members and their dependents last December 2004 in "Libreng Bunot Ngipin" activity held at the BBCCC Seminar Hall. Sixty recipients, consisting of 45 dependents and 15 members, had their tooth extraction. In addition, they were also given medicine.

The dental team was composed of Dr. Nida Alip, Head, and Drs. Nette Lucero, Libay Mananig, Eric Padeo and Aggie Anuring.

Assisting them were Foundation Chair Ampy Rimas and GM Jess Cendaña.

It will be recalled that a similar activity, including blood pressure reading, was conducted at Lubas Barangay last July 2004.

The scholars continue to receive developmental lectures in their monthly meetings. After getting insights on such topics, Cooperatives, Developing Self-Confidence, Coping Mechanisms, they have just undergone a seminar on Academic enhancement given by Dr. Mario Valdez and Communicating Effectively given by Dr. Amparo Rimas.

In a related development, the scholars donated goodies to the victims of typhoons Winnie and Yoyong. They decided to forego their exchange if gifts during Christmas so they can be able to donate to the victims.

The Foundation has been in receipt of a number of assistance – financial and otherwise – which are being evaluated in the light of the resources available. If at all possible, the Foundation tries its best to extend assistance in whatever way and efforts to generate the much-needed finds are continuously pursued to make this and possible. Thus, the Foundation appeals to generous benefactors to enable it respond to the numerous appeals for help.

BBCCC FAMILY DAY 2004

By Romano M. Bulatao

The BBCCC Family Day was held on November 21,2004 at Saint Louis University Covered Court. The celebration happened the whole morning with lots of fun and surprises. The program started with the registration of BBCCC members, staff members, officers and Board of Directors, for attendance purposes as well as securing meal and claim stubs.

There were games prepared by the Youth Committee (Chairman: Dir. Greg V. Andal; Members: Romano Bulatao and Michelle Carino) properly coordinated and approved by the board and General Manager Jess Cendana.

The games and other contests together with the major and consolation winners are as follows:

I. BALLOON BURSTING. For the Siblings Category, the major prize goes to Bernard and Karla Ronquillo. For the consolation prizes; Lester and Alzer Agualin, Romar and Ralph Biares, Evander and Joker, Kris and Ladylyn. For the Parent-Child Category, the major prize goes to Maria Leonor and Jonathan Agualin. For the consolation prizes; Oscar and Dea Yra, Jenny and Karla Ronquillo, Riza and Ruby, Melissa and Miguel. For the Husband and Wife Category, the major prize goes to Pedro and Lani Ubongen. For the consolation prizes; Melvin and Carol Quidiling, Emilio and Lourdes Agcolieol, Oscar and Corazon, Edward and Jovilyn.

II. EAT AND SMILE (the first of its kind c/o RMB). For the Kids Category, the major prize goes to Lester Agualin. For the consolation prizes; Robert Gagaoin, Roxanne Yra, Alzer Agualin, and Jonathan Agualin (for the Young and Adults Categories, the names of the contestants were accidentally misplaced).

III. TOWER BUILDING. The major prize goes to Ubongen Family having a 29-inched tower. For the consolation prizes; Laoyan Family (22 inches), Mendoza Family and Quidilig Family (both made 18-inched tower).

IV. BRING ME. The participants were asked to bring forward the longest belt, the smallest mirror and a pocket-size family picture. For the three winners; Pedro Ubongen, Edwin Madriaga, and Baltazar Family.

V. DANCE CONTESTS. For the Kids (4 years old and below) Category, the major prize goes to Althea Retig. For the consolation prizes; Sharlene Jana Genove, and Albert Emocling. For Children (5 to 10 years old) Category, the winners; Sarah Mae Lindayan, Patricia Florendo, Kimberly Dairo, Agustina Pokais, and Kris Bagares.

VI. SINGING CONTESTS. For the Kids Category, the major prize goes to Clarissa Perez and consolation prize goes to Patricia Florendo. For the Adults Category, we have two major winners namely; Judith Pokais and Cesar Bandao. For the consolation prizes; Leny Nayosan, Jocelyn Baldino, and Rhodora Balinte.

VII. BREAKING THE POT. For the Kids Category, the winner is David Sey-ao. For the Adults Category, the winners are as follows; Melissa Manadal, Pedro Ubongen, and Randy Catubig.

OPERATION LIBRENG BUNOT NGIPIN II

The BBCCC Foundation, in coordination with the BBCCC Management, sponsored another free dental examination and extraction at the Seminar Hall on December 12, 2004.

Assisted by four volunteer dentists (Drs. Nette Lucero, Erick Padeo, Aggie Anuring, and Libay Mananig), Dr. Ricarda Alip, herself a coop member, took charge of lending dental assistance to sixty beneficiaries, coop member and non-coop members as well. In addition, free medicines were given to thirty beneficiaries.

Present during the free tooth extraction were Amado Jesus F. Cendaña, BBCCC General Manager and Amparo T. Rimas, Chair of the BBCCC Foundation Board of Trustees.

The Operation Libreng Bunot Ngipin is a current project of the BBCCC Foundation, in line with its mission of reaching out to the marginalized members of the community and in keeping with the social responsibility of the BBCCC.



Two volunteer dentists doing tooth extraction during the BBCCC sponsored free dental examination and extraction held last December 12, 2004 at BBCCC Hall

VIII. OLDEST AND YOUNGEST. The oldest member to attend the Family Day is Mrs. Julita Motas (71 years old). The youngest members to attend are Adrian Retig (4 months old) and John Paul Milo (2 months old).

Practically all are winners because we partake our simple merienda and the drawing of raffle prizes are given to lucky winners. The games were facilitated by some Board of Directors present during the activity, together with the youth core members and staff members assigned to different committees.

The fun, joy and success had not been possible without the helping hand of the BBCCC Board of Directors, Officers, members of various committees, and Staff members who deserve a word of thanks. Most of all, thank you for the General Assembly, especially those who attended and actively participated on this family day affair. Your presence has manifested your sense of being kapamilya and kapuso. Until next BBCCC Family Day!

(The names of the winners were copied from a drafted list, the author's apology for any mistake and or misrepresentation. Thank you very much!)

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The BBCCC COOPSERVER

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The BBCCC delegates ruse and pose in the Art Room of the PCC. Dir. Andal quipped that this coulde a vision for the BBCCC's Young Særs' Movement. (Amen to that!)

LAKBAY ARAL 2004

The BBCCC Employees and Officers went on the Annual "LAKBAY ARAL" last November 27 and 28. The trip was to visit other Cooperatives in Metro Manila and Cavite.

This year objectives were to improve oneself through exposure to culture and arts and to witness and benchmark other cooperatives.

PASIG PARISH CREDIT COOPER

WELCOME

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The BBCCC and PPCC officersose as the BBCCC graciously accept the tokens given by the PPCC.

At the PPCC entrance, the BBCC delegates brace the heat of the sun to get view of the PPC building facade

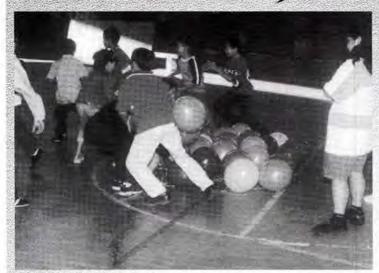
The BBCCC delegation attentively watches the Audio-Visual presentation prepared by the PPCC in their multi purpose function hall.

The Lakbay Aral started on an early departure of two o'clock in the morning of the November 27. The first destination was the PASIG PARISH CREDIT COOPERATIVE. The officers, employees and staff of the BBCCC were enthusiastically welcomed by the officers, employees and staff of the PPCC. Included in their program for the day were an audio-visual presentation of the history and highlights of the PPCC, a tour of the PPCC and the surrounding parish. Lastly, the PPCC and BBCCC officers, employees, and staff had a small salo-salo at the roof deck of the PPCC building.

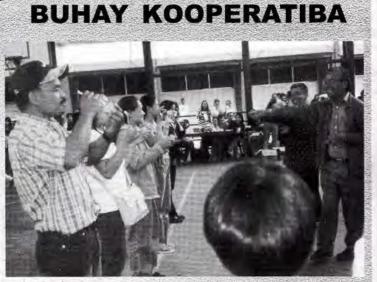
The last stop for the BBCCC officers, employees and staff was the PACO-SORIANO-PANDACAN DEVELOPMENT COOPERATIVE. The warm welcome and the excellent accommodations were really appreciated by everybody - it was really more than the regular thing!

Side trips included a visit to the world renowned Ayala Museum in Makati City and the Kawit Shrine in Cavite. PAGE 8 October - December 2004

PICTORIAL



Mga bata takbo andyan na si "Meaning Go... ... at kunin ang mga gift ninyo"...



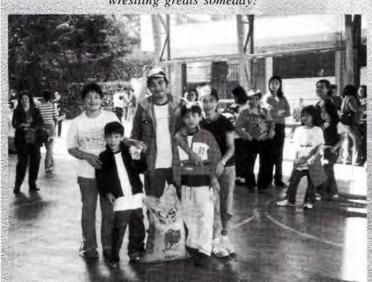
Member-contestants taking 'anti-bio-tic' given free by the cooperative with the supervision of Dirs. Greg and Bernard... Jay ngay met para kaniami appo Directors...



Did you know that our coop holds the record for having the most conjoined twins? Others are not even shown here... Here they are, the BBCCC balloon kids ... or do they want to become wrestling greats someday?



Believe it or not... Someday... BBCCC will produce the first player ever to play baseball with covered eyes... And he will be the greatest player of all time... worldwide ... More practice ...



O ano inggit ba kayo sa bigas na napanalunan namin nung Family Day?.. Attend kasi kayo pag may coop affairs... Maraming salamat BBCCC !



The future coop leaders, drinking milk and sleeping... Uray adda ni Meningo agatendar kami lata ti coop affairs kasla ita family day ta kasapulan kas miembro... Dakkel la ti kaasi ni Apo Diyos...

REGULAR MEMBERS AS OF 2004

Approval of Membership for 2004			Withdrawal of Membership for 2004
Year End 2003 – 14,185			For the month of January - 33 (2-W, 27-WO, 4-D)
For the month of January		81	For the month of February - 22 (1-W, 20-WO, 1-D)
For the month of February	-	128	For the month of March - 38 (1-W, 35-WO, 2-D)
For the month of March	-	84	For the month of April - 22 (19-WO, 3-D)
For the month of April	-	151	For the month of May - 34 (2-W, 30-WO, 2-D)
For the month of May	-	114	For the month of June - 31 (4-W, 25-WO, 2-D)
For the month of June	-	190	For the month of July - 93 (16-WO, 2-D, 75-T)
For the month of July		144	For the month of August - 26 (1-W, 24-WO, 1-D)
For the month of August		148	8 For the month of September - 36 (2-W, 32-WO, 2-L
For the month of September	-	134	For the month of October - 120 (26-WO, 94-T)
For the month of October	-	170	For the month of November - 19 (1-W, 16-WO, 2-D)
For the month of November		105	For the month of December - 21 (1-W, 19-WO, 1-D)
For the month of December	-	148 *	
			Total - 495
Total		15,782	Legend: W-With Right of Re-entry D – Deceased
* effective date of approval is January 1, 2005			WO – Without Right of Re-entry T – Terminated

CUBC CONDUCTS SEMINAR ON BUDGET PREPARATION & CONDUCT OF MEETINGS

The Cooperative Union of Baguio City conducted a one-day seminar on "Annual Budget Preparation and How to Conduct Meetings" at the Cooyesan Hotel, Baguio City on Dec. 21, 2004.

Atty. Renato C. Fernandez, Chair of the Board of Directors of BBCCC gave a very detailed and down-to-earth discussion on the conduct of coop meetings, e.g. board meeting, committee meeting, general assembly. Mrs. Ma. Cecilia Paredes talked intensively on Budget Preparation, to the delight of the participants.

Representing BBCCC on the forum were Chair Renato C. Fernandez, Vice Chair Oscar R. Adversalo. Dirs. Amparo T. Rimas, Emerita C. Fuerte, Gregorio V. Andal, Bernard D. Padang, and AIC Chair Josephine Perez.



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Featured Employees of BBCCC for the Quarter



LILIAN VILORIA-BASILIO Loans Clerk (Verification-Loan Clearance)

Since October 1992, Lilian has been with the BBCCC. She started off with being a Grocery Accounts Clerk, Accounting Clerk, Posting Clerk and now in the Verification-Loan Clearance.

Lilian enjoys dealing with members with different personalities and also enjoys making new friends. Lilian is frequently described as strict but very much work-oriented. She is known to implement the policies of the Coop to the officer, staff and members alike! As they say, "trabaho lang, walang personalan". That is why sometimes she is misunderstood to be "masungit" or "mataray". However, co-employees see her as a role model when it comes to work.

On the comic side, she is considered as a friend by others, someone who can lend lipstick. A few more descriptions about her are being funny at times, neat in doing her work, sensible, and lastly she is also sweet and kind.

Lilian envisions the BBCCC to be better in its computerized stage.



BENJAMIN M. SISON BBCCC Driver (Grocery Dept)

Fondly called "Ben" by all, he has been with the BBCCC for ten years now.

Ben enjoys driving even if he has to endure the hardships of the wee

hours of night and day. He makes sure that the passengers reach their destination safe and sound. He also knows that he is known as "the fastest driver", but according to BBCCC elders: in his 10 years of servicehe has excellent record in driving. As they said, "fast but safe".

Ben is known and described as the "fastest driver and singer in the west", "mabait", friendly, faithful, joker, and "gwapo"at" feeling gwapo daw pero totoong gwapo." He is also known to be "may prinsipyo", strong-willed and a fighter.

Ben envisions that the BBCCC will be able to foster trust and confidence so that the members will avail of the transportation services of the BBCCC and it that way, he may be able to continue service to the members.

Testimonial

A MILLION THANKS!



A million words to say thanks is not enough to express my gratitude to the institution that brought me to where I am now ... The instrument in making me a well-rounded person and a competent professional! My refuge in all aspects of life. The nest where I hatched a great foundation to success.

To our dear officers and coop superiors, who sometimes treat me not only as a staff but also as a daughter...

To my co-employees who have been so understanding to me, who joke and laugh with me even in times of tribulations...

To all the BBCCC members, MAHAL KO KAYONG LAHAT!

Lastly, I wish that the BBCCC will continue to increase in membership and provide better service to the members.

Ana Dulnuan belongs to the Loans Department of the BBCCC. She has been in service with the Coop since 1998. She has recently tendered her resignation to be a full-time mother to her two growing kids. Her resignation is considered quite a loss since she is considered as a valuable personnel of the BBCCC.

The whole BBCCC wishes and prays for a fulfilling life for Ana and her family! Dios ti kumuyog kenka!



Participants to the Cake Baking held last October 23, 2004 pose with trainor Ponciana Mateo (2nd from right) and EdCom member Maan Bungag (middle, last row). Not in picture is Vice Chair and EdCom Chair Oca Adversalo.

BBCCC NEWS TIDBITS

The Baguio-Benguet Community Credit Cooperative was a recipient of the "OUTSTANDING COOP PIONEERS AWARD" presented by the Cooperative Union of the Philippines (CUP) on the occasion of the latter's Silver Jubilee Celebration at Bayview Park Hotel, Roxas Blvd., Manila. The BBCCC was given such an award in recognition of its leaders' pioneering spirit in the promotion and organization of cooperatives.

Last quarter Capital Build-Up dubbed "Pamaskong Hirit Palakihin And Deposit" raked in an increase in members' share capital by PhP 8.4M.

GM Amado Jesus F. Cendaña and Dir. Ruben A. Corpuz flew off, on separate trips, to the United States last December on personal leave of absence.

The Education Committee had been conducting Livelihood Skills Trainings alongside the bi-monthly Pre-Membership Education Seminar during the last quarter. "Candle Making" – October 2, 2004 – Trainor: Cipriano Alvarado; "Cake Making" – October 23, 2004 – Trainor: Ponciana Mateo. This seminar was divided in three parts wherein the the last part was the decorating and icing a baked cake; "Meat Processing" – November 13, 2004 – Trainor: Cipriano Alvarado; and "Curtain Making" – November 20, 2004 – Trainor: Teresita Niwane. These trainings were conducted through the initiative of EDCOM Chair Oscar R. Adversalo and EDCOM member Mary Ann Bungag. It showed that members enjoy attending seminars that is livelihood based.

Four new faces recently joined the BBCCC workforce: MICHAEL BALAGOT (Credit Committee Collection Section); BLANCHE MANGAWA (MIS Dep't.); GENEVIEVE PEREZ (Accounts Dep't.); and RIZZA GACAO (MIS Dep't.). Furthermore, for more than fifteen years of serving the cooperative as an employee, JULIET RANIAGA (Accounting Dep't) left the cooperative with a heavy heart to pursue her dream and migrated to Canada last December.

As of December 2004, the new 7-storey BBCCC building is already 83% completed. Finishing works are already in progress. Very soon we will already realize our dream and see where part of our money goes.

YOUNG SAVERS STRIVE ON ART DAY

By: Maurene M. Pramoso (Young Adults Savers Coordinator)

The Youth Committee which is headed by Dir. Greg Andal, Romano Bulatao, and Michelle Cariño together with some members of the Young Savers Club;. headed the first Art Day held last November 7, 2004 at the BBCCC Compound. The theme of the Art Day was "Environmental Destruction: A Youth Concern, too". The Youth Committee aimed to let the children express their ideas about the theme in their own creative and artistic way.

The activities done during the day included Poster Making and Clay Molding. The Poster Making Event was joined by Patrick, Frances, and Jayson Pascua, and Geniza Campol. The Clay Molding was joined by four (4) cute and vibrant Young Savers namely, Romano Rhupert and Leila Rolith Bulatao, Gabriel Racuya and Chloie Campol.

The Savers were very enthusiastic and creative in their craft, taking into consideration that the theme was quite a serious and heavy one for their age. This just proves that our children can really go far and beyond our expectations as long as there is proper guidance and exposure.

For those who missed the activity, we do hope that you can join us in our next Art Day!



The cute participants concentrate on their clay-molding as they create their masterpieces! The four were able to finish after an hour of battling with the clay.

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