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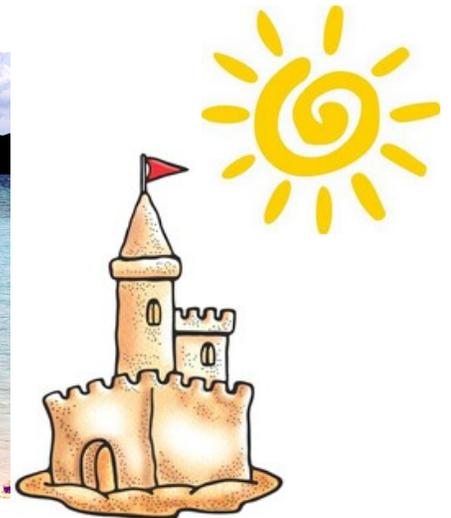
Company Outing 2014

Company Outing is said to be a creative way of recharging as it lets our brain relax from the from the busy state of our everyday lives.

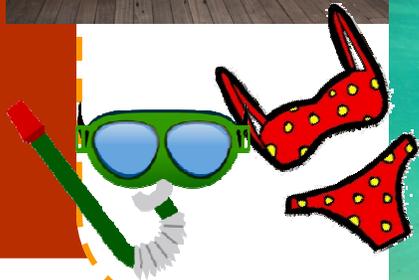
Naess Shipping Philippines, Inc. had it's 2nd trip to the beautiful island of Coron, Palawan last May 8-11 2014 via KFO vessel. The beauty of the island indeed wowed our first-time visitors. While it was the 2nd time for most joiners, they too were not an exempt from being enchanted by the place.

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SUMMER



Boss Migs' Birthday Celebration



There is no better way to celebrate a birthday than to rejoice it with your loved ones and friends. It is easy enough to say you are thankful but it is far better to show it by doing something good. Not because someone is forcing you. Not because someone suggests it, but simply because your inner goodness, your soul, wants to express its thanks for being born and alive. This is one way of describing how our Boss Migs is –

kind, humble, open-minded and making an effort to know employees as individuals and understand the importance of achieving work-life balance.

On Boss Migs' birthday-also known as Mr. Pedro Miguel F. Oca, family and friends gathered and spend something meaningful together. Boss Migs' birthday started with a mass, conducted by Father Paolo Pirlo, following a scrumptious lunch and a little program from the staff.

We don't get to say it often enough how incredibly grateful we are to have such an amazing boss running our company. Boss Migs is as hardworking as he is kind and compassionate and that combination is more than anyone could ever ask for when describing their boss (*and he's also a whole lot of fun!*). We are so blessed to have him in our lives and are always inspired by all that he has accomplished! So with that said, we wish him *lots* of love!

Cheers Boss! Happy birthday!



happy biRthday Boss Migs!



Feature: Erik Dela Cruz



No matter how old you are, where you're from or what you do for a living, we all share something—a desire to be successful. Although each person's definition of success is different, it may be career, sport, business or even personal; one thing is common; we all work hard for it.

The good thing about working hard is that people who are driven towards their goal enjoy their hard-earned success and therefore, the work does not seem overly exhausting to them. When you begin to work hard towards achieving success, make sure to work smartly too. An intelligent working technique, along with relentless effort will go a long way in helping you achieve the success that you always desire. One can't simply be successful just by hoping for it. To achieve it, you need the strength of mind and body, you need the right attitude, self-discipline and the ability to put your goal before your own needs, and that's exactly what Erick D. Dela Cruz did.

This 21 yr old champ was once a walk-in applicant at NSPI back in 2011. After being a cadet for 5 months he was immediately recommended to join and be trained in KFO and eventually started being an engine cadet at RMS; one of the valued principals at NSPI. His hard work has never failed him to reach his dreams and pushed him even further when he got promoted as 3rd A/E on his second contract with RMS.

One cannot merely imagine how a life of a seafarer is on board. The workload, the stress, the sacrifices not to mention years away from family is not even close to what these "Heroes" do just to give their loved ones the life they never had. This, we can all say, is every seafarer's dream, including Erick's. And his real life story is something we can all achieve ourselves, with a little motivation, determination, passion and hard work; success is just a stone-throw away in this huge sea we are all sailing in called ... life.

NSPI would like to recognize and congratulate Mr. Erick D. Dela Cruz for a job well done on board.

Boss Migs' UNTV guesting



NSPI President, Mr. Pedro Miguel F. Oca appeared live on UNTV's "My OFW Story" hosted by Former Administrator of Overseas Workers' Welfare Administration and recently retired Commissioner of Human Rights, Atty. Wilhelm Dabu Soriano, last 6th June 2014 to discuss the role of the manning agency in the deployment of Filipino seafarers. "My OFW Story" is a public service oriented program intended to address

issues and concerns related to actual experiences of overseas Filipinos and members of their families.

Provident Fund Awardees



Top (left-right): Chief Engineer Nestor F. Pallon; Capt. Den Q. Silorio; Chief Engineer Aprodicio A. Ewican

Bottom (left-right): Chief Engineer Ricarido R. Capioso Jr.; Chief Officer Juanito F. Ramos;
Chief Engineer Romeo P. Ramirez

NSPI Sponsors Essay Writing Contest

Here are the next two (2) winning essays from High school level.

2nd Prize Highschool Level

Two Letter Word

By: Estelle Hitalia (15 y/o)

It is a running joke in our family that had not my father returned from the sea I wouldn't have uttered a single word. Three days after his arrival I was able to call him Pa. Father was jolted, mother was delighted. It broke the ice so to speak. From then on, there was no turning back, I talked straight -no baby talk for me. My schedule to see a Developmental Pediatrician due to my speech difficulty was cancelled. Father was ecstatic. It was an awesome experience for him. Something he will cherish in his lifetime. You see, he missed my toddler years, the infant's smile, the first step, the nightly cries even the day I was born and yet he was the first one to hear my speaking voice. Great, wasn't it! It seemed all the events that took place in his absence were wiped-out because of that two letter word that made a big difference in both our lives.

Seafarer's life may not be easy but there are perks that comes in the territory. Aren't they lucky to reach other countries without a cent spent and well compensated for it? Although it cannot replace the loneliness, the longing of the loved ones, they have to bear with it. In their hearts and minds the needs of the family comes first. The family that awaits their arrival as it signals happy moments that became happy memories they bring with them when it is time to join the ship again.

With the advent of new technologies, OFW's benefit the most. They carry the most expensive and the latest gadgets model. The communication lines are open. My shyness towards him disappeared because of the frequent calls. His account on his trip envies me no end. How I wish I was there and together we will explore the place. I can talk to him freely and he listens. I now update him even the most mundane things. He knew my plans, my aspiration of becoming a veterinarian. His assurance of support in all my undertakings makes me promise to myself to exert all efforts to be the good daughter he deserves.

Needless to say that being an OFW entails a lot of sacrifices on both side of the fence. The one who leaves and the family that is left behind. I cant imagine myself traversing the vast ocean for thirty to forty-five days of which my father did to give us a comfortable life. I have come to realize that I am a beneficiary of a man who risk life and limb to make his family's life easier and a bit luxurious. And for that, I salute you, Pa.

Looking back on that fateful day, I believe it was God's way of having him savor the essence of fatherhood. For some, it was just a trivial matter, but for my father it is something he holds dear in his heart an added treasure to his chest of memories gathered through all the years he has been away from us.

3rd Prize High School Level

My Ideal Man

By: Khaessha Jhae P. Arsenal (15 y/o)

My father is a seafarer and I am proud of it. I am proud of the fact that I am a daughter of an honest and hardworking man. He sees the good things and is content of what he has: two priceless gems to which he devoted his love, effort and support; us, my younger brother and me. Together with my mother, they unceasingly provide us with care and essentials we need. He gives his all to us. For me, he is a wonder, he is my hero; he is the best; he is my protector.

Most of the year, he is not with us to celebrate those special times as birthdays, Christmas, New Year, and recognitions we receive in school. It has been already nine years since we celebrated Christmas and New Year together. He hadn't attended my first communion and elementary graduation because he is away. But I always understand that he was not here by our side on those times because he is out there, in the vast expanse of the waters, working to ensure us of a better future. In return he would always tell us to study hard and do our best in school for he said that he does not expect us to repay him of the work he had done for us by doing the same things as he does, but as long as he could see our achievements, triumphs and happiness, he would be fulfilled and be assured that he has done what he should. He doesn't attempt to be rich by material wealth but what he holds most important is that our family; the four of us, would stay and build a stronger bond day by day regardless of the challenges and obstacles that come on our way.

During those times when he is home with us, those are the happiest moments of our lives because we get to eat, pray, sleep, bond and play together. My father is the one who conducts and fetches us from school every morning and afternoon respectively. He is the one who wakes up early in the morning to prepare our breakfast. He is also the one who launders and irons our clothes. He was like Superman. But of course I can see that he too, has his own weaknesses. He can never be Mr. Invincible forever. I know that he needs our help always. That's why as much as possible, I and my brother minimize the mistakes and flaws we do. We study and do our work so as to lighten the burden we put on Tatay. My mother would always get angry at us but it was Tatay who would calm her down and talk her out of it. But from time to time, Tatay would also lose his temper, yet he is not like others who would spank us and make us cry, instead he would talk to each one of us about the mistake we had done and what we should do in order not to do it again.

Tatay is like an angel to us. Even though far away, we could always feel him in our hearts. That's why we get inspired to do better and better each day. We get inspired to be a better person because of his example.

Even if he is far away, we could never miss out on each other because of technology nowadays. We could talk and see each other on Skype, update each other on Facebook and keep in touch through email. Not despite the advancements of technology, we couldn't help but miss each other more and more each day. It's like every time we see each other through the webcam, the longing to feel the warmth of the embrace of our family increases. It sounds funny but it's true. But today, I am just thankful that he is here with us, to laugh and play with; to share our jokes and stories to each other. But as the time when he is again to embark on his trip nears, we know that the bond we shared would never fade; and he will leave again, nine months is a matter of short time to wait for his return again.