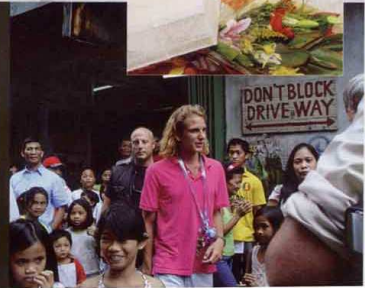




Andrea of Monaco

The second in line to the throne of Monaco, Andrea Albert Pierre Casiraghi visits the Philippines



MANILA MAYOR LITO AND BENG ATIENZA AND ANDREA CASIRAGHI WITH THE HIYAS NG MAYNILA DANCE GROUP



AURORA AND SPANISH AMBASSADOR IGNACIO SAGAZ, JILL BECKINGHAM, JOLYNNE SUTHERLAND, AGNES DE KOK



BENG AND MAYOR LITO ATIENZA, DOMINIQUE LAMAY OF VIRLANIE FOUNDATION, ANDREA CASIRAGHI, CONSUL FORTUNE LEDESMA, FRANCIS KASASA OF AMADE



CHARINA ZARAGOZA SAINZ, YOGI AND PIA ZARAGOZA



ERIC MALLONGA OF AMADE PHILIPPINES, ARMIN DEMETILLO OF VIRLANIE FOUNDATION, ANDREA CASIRAGHI



CARLA SIBAL, SARIYAR, CONSUL FORTUNE LEDESMA, HELENA BELMONTE, RJ LEDESMA



EU AMBASSADOR JAN DE KOK, UNITED KINGDOM AMBASSADOR PETER BECKINGHAM, SOUTH AFRICAN AMBASSADOR PIETER VERMEULEN, CONSUL OF BULGARIA RENE LEDESMA

Intramuros

DURING HIS TRIP TO THE PHILIPPINES, ANDREA ALBERT PIERRE Casiraghi was exposed to a wide range of experiences. Deeply involved with his mother Princess Caroline of Hanover's charities, particularly non-governmental organization Association Mondiale des Amis de L' Enfance (AMADE), Andrea immersed himself in the world of marginalized Filipino children. He met orphans, street children, juvenile delinquents, children living in Payatas, and children crippled by toxic waste in Pampanga and Olongapo City. Andrea's dialogues with AMADE's secretary general Francis Kasasa, Consul Fortune Ledesma and Manila Mayor Lito and Beng Atienza focused on the building of halfway homes, the strengthening of community-based approaches by District Councils of the Protection of Children, and one's responsibilities towards children.

Andrea was given a taste of the Philippines' colorful traditions, as well. A cultural dinner program was held at Ilustrado in Intramuros, Manila, where song and dance numbers were performed by scholars from Manila's slum communities. Delighted by the children's performances, guests discussed the possibilities of a children's tour around Europe, including Monaco.

The dinner was attended by British Ambassador Peter Beckingham and wife Jill, South African Ambassador Piter Vermeulen, Spanish Ambassador Ignacio and wife Aurora Sagaz, Consul Monique Pacetti of the French Embassy, and other dignitaries. All of them expressed their sincerest wishes and pledged support for the children's programs of the AMADE and Virlanie Foundations.





MARIXI PRIETO AND PRECIOUS SOLIVEN

FRANCIS KASASA CONSUL FORTUNE LEDESMA, DOMINIQUE LEMAY

PAENG HECHANOVA, CONSUL RENE LEDESMA, PINKY DEL ROSARIO ZELLER, AMBASSADOR KLAUS ZELLER

MICHEL BONQUIER AND VICENTE ZARAGOZA

SOVEREIGN PRINCE HSH ALBERT II OF MONACO AND CONSUL FORTUNE LEDESMA

PHILIPPINE AMBASSADOR TO ITALY PHILIPPE LHUILLIER, EDNA AMPARITO AND MICHAEL LHUILLIER, MARGARITA YONG



PHILIPPE CARETTI AND SENATOR JAMBY MADRIGAL

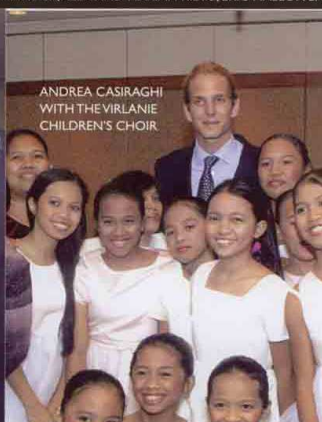
VANESSA PASTOR AND RJ LEDESMA

JOY WASSMER, ALEX AND MARIXI PRIETO, ERIC MALLONGA

YOLANDA DOMINGUEZ ZARAGOZA, CONSUL FORTUNE LEDESMA, CHARINA ZARAGOZA SAINZ

A fundraising gala dinner was recently held at Hotel D'Paris, capping off the week-long Monaco Film Festival and heralding the beginning of the Grand Prix in Montecarlo. Organized by the Pentium Fund Foundation of Paris, the event was graced by His Royal Highness Prince Albert II of Monaco, Philippine Ambassador to Italy Philippe Lhuillier, and Consul of Monaco to the Philippines Fortune Aleta-Ledesma. Guests were treated to superb performances by Kuh Ledesma and Grace Nono, with Louie Ocampo as musical arranger.

The gala dinner not only benefited Philippine charities, but through the assistance of Consul Fortune Aleta-Ledesma, it paved the way for the recent visit of members and officers of the Monaco Chamber of Commerce & Industry to the Philippines.



DR. JOERG BREUER, CONSUL AGNES HUIBONKUA, PINKY DEL ROSARIO, ANDREA CASIRAGHI

MELLIE HECHANOVA AND ANDREA CASIRAGHI

ANDREA CASIRAGHI WITH THE VIRLANIE CHILDREN'S CHOIR

OSCAR TORRES, EDITHA HILL, DR. SAMUEL BERNAL

LOUIE OCAMPO, RAQUEL GARCIA, MARIETTA HOLMGREN

FRANCESCO BONGIOVANNI, CONSUL FORTUNE LEDESMA, MARCO FIORESI

Makati Shangri-La

An intimate dinner was hosted by consul of Monaco Fortune Aleta-Ledesma in honor of Andrea Albert Pierre Casiraghi at the Makati Shangri-La Hotel. A toast to Andrea was made by Consul Ledesma's son, RJ Ledesma. Afterward, a musical performance by Virlanie Foundation Children's Choir delighted guests with traditional and contemporary Filipino songs. Andrea thanked the children for their performance by giving each one a kiss on the cheek.



Monaco

Monaco is usually top of mind when it comes to two things—the annual Formula One Monaco Grand Prix and former Hollywood actress Grace Kelly, who later lived a fairytale come true when she married Prince Rainier III. The royal couple had three children, Princess Caroline of Hanover the reigning Prince of Monaco since 2005 Albert II and Princess Stephanie. Since Prince Albert II has no current heirs of his own, Princess Caroline is considered heir presumptive to the throne. She has had three marriages so far, with no children from her first marriage. Her second marriage to Italian oil fortune heir Stefano Casiraghi bore her three children, Andrea Albert, Charlotte Marie and Pierre Rainier, while her third and present marriage to Ernst August V, Prince of Hanover bore her one child, Princess Alexandra of Hanover. Eldest son Andrea Albert Casiraghi is currently second in line to the throne of Monaco after his mother, if Prince Albert II dies without a successor.

MONACO-VILLE, ONE OF MONACO'S FOUR QUARTERS, IS AN ORIGINAL FORTIFIED TOWN ON A ROCKY CLIFF EXTENDING TO THE MEDITERRANEAN. THE PRINCE'S PALACE, SAINT NICHOLAS CATHEDRAL AND THE OCEANOGRAPHIC MUSEUM ARE ALL LOCATED HERE



PALACE GUARDS ROAM THE GROUNDS OF THE PRINCE'S PALACE, THE OFFICIAL RESIDENCE OF THE SOVEREIGN PRINCE OF MONACO AND HIS FAMILY



THE SECOND SMALLEST, INDEPENDENT STATE IN THE WORLD AFTER THE VATICAN CITY, THE PRINCIPALITY OF MONACO LOCATED ON THE MEDITERRANEAN COAST IS ALSO ONE OF THE BEST