

Knights of Rizal, Czech Republic
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2008 Summary in Perspective

June 19, 2008 - Prague was installed as a Chapter.

Congratulations to the Area Commander Sir Jaroslav Ludva, and 4 Litomerice Knights who initiated the installation of Prague Chapter with a memorable 5-day celebration that started with an **Exhibition** about the Philippines on **June 17** at the City Library, headed by Dr. Samuel Bernal, a **River Boat Cruise**, and a **Musical Concert Duo** of one of the best performers flown from the Philippines to sing



along with Czech's top group performers, **Bambino de Praga** as climax presentation of the celebration on **June 21**.

The installation was graced by the presence of **3 direct descendants** of Jose Rizal, **5 descendants from Maximo Viola**, and 1 descendant from **Juan Luna**. The 3 played important roles in the Philippines

history and during the buildup of Rizal-Blumentritt friendship. The presence of the Descendant also played a historical memory in modern times.

August 02, 2008 – Official website was lauched. www.knightsofrizal.net

August 18-22, 2008 – Salud Reyes, great grandniece of Jose Rizal, returns back to Prague and Litomerice to help the Knights Projects. Litomerice Mayor Ladislav Chlupac, Chapter Commander of Litomerice welcomes Rizal's descendant and Prague Chapter Commander Sir Noubikko. They discussed cooperative effort to promote the presence of Knighthood in both cities of Prague and Litomerice.



Aug 29 – Sept 2, 2008 –Knights of Rizal, Czech Republic joins Canada Regional Assembly in Toronto, Canada.



September 8, 2008 –Czech Republic Area Commander H.E. Amb. Sir Ludva organized the Blumentritt Exhibit which was attended by the Supreme Commander Sir Esguerra in Angeles City, Philippines.



October 18, 2008 - Czech Republic representatives attends European meeting and Leadership Turnover of Sir Antonio Guansing, KGOR and his Deputy Commander Sir Peter Pluckebaum, KCR in Brussels, Belgium.

October, 2008 – Rizal-Blumentritt Museum in Litomerice is now being prepared headed by the Mayor and Vice-Mayor, both are Knights of Rizal Members. Opening will be announced soon.

October 27, 2008 – Knights of Rizal representative visits Ceske Budejovice Museum and initiated future exhibition alliance for the works and artifact of Rizal-Blumentritt. Proposals were welcomed with interest by the Museum Director and Curator.



November 2, 2008 –Prague Art Support, the first non-profit support group organization for artists was established by the Knights of Rizal. It was registered by Sir Lukas Maly and Sir Richard Carrithers, both are in the Czech Film industry.

November, 2008 – Knights of Rizals mourns the loss of Litomerice Chapter Commander son. And feels sorry for the sudden hospitalization of a Filipina leader Nita and the hospitalization of a mother of a Knight member. Series of unfortunate events caused postponement of November 14-16 event which was supposed to be held in Litomerice, Brno and Ceske Budejovice.

November 30, 2008 – A party was given and a Service Acknowledgement plaque was presented by the Knights of Rizal to H.E. Philippine Ambassador Salas at the Philippine Embassy on her last day of service in Czech Republic.



December 1, 2008 –Fashion Designers Association of Czech Republic was organized and registered as a non-profit organization by Knights of Rizal with several Czech Fashion Designers as member candidates.

December 12, 2008 – Knights of Rizal were invited and honored by the Cultural Club of Prague Arhem at the Clam Gallas Palace



December 14-15, 2008 –Czech Republic was represented in the First European Commanders Assembly in Bonn, Germany.



December 15, 2008 –Regional Commander Sir Guansing approved Prague to host the 2009 European Assembly. Czech Republic Chapter was voted to lead the Committee on Scheduling of Events and Sir Noubikko was voted by European Chapter Commanders to lead the Ethics Committee for the European Region.

UPCOMING for 2009

- 1) **Possibilities is being discussed** and arranged by Prague and Paris Chapters for a European Cooperative Project headed by Sir Noubikko in organizing an International Film Fest and Artists Fair as a major civic project, the first European civic projects of the Region.
- 2) **Rizal-Blumentritt Museum in Litomerice** will be opening soon. Collections of valued exhibit materials are now being solicited.
- 3) **Major Preparation** for the Knights of Rizal 2009 European Assembly will take place on Sept. 18 and 19 with welcome party at the Clam Gallas Palace and a Blessing for the visiting Knights at the Shrine of the Infant Jesus of Prague on Sept. 20.

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