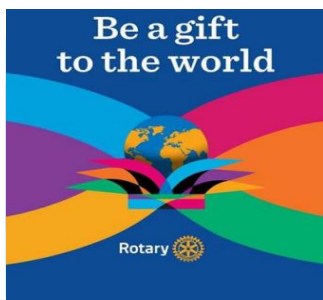




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GUEST OF HONOR AND SPEAKER

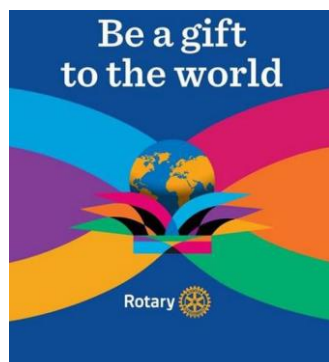


HON. FRANCIS JOSEPH "CHIZ" G. ESCUDERO

Senator
Republic of the Philippines

KABALITA

It's time to say "Chiz" as Bicol's foremost legislator and *Iskolar ng Bayan*, whose youthful appeal has certainly captured the "Heart" of every Filipino, strikes an imposing pose at Asia's First Rotary Club while setting his sights on the second highest office of the land.



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RCM's 13th for RY 2015-16

September 24, 2015, Thursday, 12N,

Manila Polo Club McKinley Room

OIC/Moderator : Rtn. Babe Romualdez

PROGRAM TIMETABLE

11:30 PM	Registration & Cocktails	
12:25 PM	Bell to be Rung: Members and Guests are requested to be seated	Rtn. Babe Romualdez OIC/Moderator
12:30 PM	Call to Order Singing of Republic of the Philippines National Anthem	Pres. Ebot Tan RCM WF Music Chorale
	Invocation	PVP Manny Dy
	A moment of silent prayer for the eternal repose of the soul of PS Augusto Z. "Gus" Fajardo who had peacefully joined our creator last September 17 RCM Hymn	RCM WF Music Chorale
	The 4-Way Test Credo	All Rotarians
12:40 PM	Introduction of - -Guests and Visiting Rotarians -Personalities seated at the Head Table Welcome Song	Rtn. Jun Aventura RCM WF Music Chorale
12:45 PM	Maligayang Bati (Weekly RCM Birthday Celebrants) : Sept. 24....Rtn. Ed Angara; Sept. 28....PD Ed Lee Happy Birthday Song	RCM WF Music Chorale
	Distribution of moon cakes to everyone & raffle of 10 red wine bottles in celebration of The Mid-Autumn Festival through the generosity of PVP Manny Dy	
12:50 PM	President's Time	Pres. Ebot Tan
12:55 PM	Introduction of Guest of Honor & Speaker	PD Rod Valencia
1:00 PM	Address : Honorable Francis "Chiz" G. Escudero Senator, Republic of the Philippines	
	Public Forum Response and presentation of token of appreciation to Hon. Francis "Chiz" G. Escudero	Pres. Ebot Tan
2:00 PM	Adjournment	

PRESIDENT'S CORNER



Dear Fellow Manila Rotarians,

Our Guest of Honor and Speaker last week, Dr. Onofre R. Pagsanghan, was certainly different from all the other speakers we've had so far this Rotary Year. He presented a very inspirational and refreshing perspective of what the meaning of life is. At 88 years old, "Pagsi", as he is known to all of his many students, has been a classroom teacher at the Ateneo de Manila High School since 1951. He has dedicated 64 years of his life to the molding of the minds and hearts of high school students at the Ateneo and, as he himself told us, he thoroughly enjoyed his vocation and calling. It was very obvious that all of his students (who numbered in the thousands) held Pagsi in very high esteem and respect. They were many of our Club's members who were students of Pagsi when they were very young high school students at the Ateneo. They remembered him fondly, and he certainly remembered all of them. I could not help noticing that our meeting room was unusually quiet throughout Pagsi's speech, and the applause at the end of his speech clearly showed the appreciation of all for Pagsi's very inspirational and moving speech.

On news within our Club, it is with a deep sense of sadness that I announce the passing of one of the most passionate members of our Club, PS Gus Fajardo, Co-Chairman of the World Famous Music Chorale, who suffered a stroke last 13 September 2015. He was rushed to Medical City on that same day and passed on to the next life in the evening of 17 September 2015. A necrological service was immediately scheduled by Sunshine Committee Chair PP Boy Guevara on 18 September 2015 at the Christ the King Church in Greenmeadows, Quezon City. Twenty-eight (28) Manila Rotarians attended the affair, a vast majority of whom were members of our Club's World Famous Music Chorale, as well as two (2) former Manila Rotarians. The Manila Rotarians present were DG/PP Obet Pagdanganan, PE/VP Teddy Ocampo, Dir. Issam Eldebs, Dir. Ning Lopez, Dir. Oca del Rosario, Treasurer Chito Zalzarriaga, Secretary George Salazar, AS Alvin Lacambal, PP Archit Bartolome, PP Banit Caasi, PP Boy Guevara, PP Benny Laguesma, PP Babes Reyes, PP Dong Saludo, SDG/PP Cesar Ubaldo, PVP Ben Diokno, PT Jim Chua, PT Chito Tagaysay, PD Beda Fajardo, PD Abe Pascual, PDSAA Tony Lopa, Rtn. Nilo Aventura, Rtn. Bren Egan, Rtn. Hermie Esguerra, Rtn. Thad Liamzon, Rtn. Jason Ong, Rtn. Caloy Reyes and Rtn. Tong Payumo. The former Manila Rotarians in attendance were PDG/PP Ed Tumangan and Nanding Caluag. PS Gus had a passion for music and the arts and I am sure that he was warmly welcomed in heaven by a choir of angels. Meanwhile, our Club's representatives who attended the induction and anniversary ceremonies of the Rotary Club of Bangkok, namely, AG/IPP Frank Evaristo with Vicky Montilla, PP Francis Juico, PD Ed Lee and Rtn. David Wong, recently returned and reported that AG/IPP Frank Evaristo extended our Club's appreciation and thanks for the US\$ 15,000.00 donation given by the Rotary Club of Bangkok for the Yolanda Rehabilitation Project. He also submitted a report on how the money donated was spent. Moreover, AG/IPP Frank represented us at the renewal of the sisterhood agreement between our Club and the Rotary Club of Bangkok.

On Monday, 28 September 2015, the Department of Social Welfare and Development (the "DSWD") will officially issue to us a Certification that the RCM Foundation has met all of the DSWD's requirements, which would entitle our foundation to be accredited with the *Philippine Council for NGO Certification (the "PCNC") to enable it to obtain tax exemption benefits for its donors.*

On news from around the District, last 18 September 2015, DG/PP Obet Pagdanganan, CoS/PP Rudy Bediones with wife, Sharon, IDCOS/ISDG/DE/IPS Albert Alday, and I attended the 21st District 3810 Autumn Mooncake Festival hosted by the Rotary Club of Chinatown Manila headed, by WCP Susana de Jesus, at the Golden Bay Seafood Restaurant in Pasay City. Our Club acted as one of the affair's co-hosts. The event was, as usual, very well-attended and many prizes were raffled off and

given away. IDCOS/ISDG/DE/IPS Albert Alday won the grand prize (a Standard Turbo Broiler) at the dice game played at our table and he was automatically qualified to play in the championship round. The following day, 19 September 2015, DG/PP Obet Pagdanganan and CoS/PP Rudy Bediones attended the Induction and Handover Ceremonies of the Rotary Club of Tondo at the City State Tower in Manila, where WCP Elizabeth Wu was inducted as Club President. Two days later, 21 September 2015, DG/PP Obet Pagdanganan, CoS/PP Rudy Bediones with wife, Sharon, and I attended the 19th JEPROCS (Joint Efforts of Pasay Rotary Clubs) Induction at the Golden Bay Seafood Restaurant in Pasay City, which had a '70's theme. Two days later, 23 September 2015, DG/PP Obet Pagdanganan and CoS/PP Rudy Bediones attended the Induction and Handover Ceremonies of the Rotary Club of Lubang Island at Club Filipino in Greenhills, San Juan, where WCP Joselito "Chito" Torregoza was inducted as Club President.

Today, we shall have Vice-Presidential candidate, Senator Chiz Escudero, to enlighten us on his various advocacies and the plans and programs he intends to pursue in event he is elected Vice President in 2016.

Please continue to actively participate in and support our Club's activities and projects.

Mabuhay ang Rotary Club of Manila!

GUEST OF HONOR AND SPEAKER'S PROFILE



Office of Senator Chiz Escudero

Francis Joseph Guevara Escudero

EDUCATION

Master in International and Comparative Law, Georgetown University Law Center, Washington D.C., 1995-96

Admitted to the Bar, 1994

Bachelor of Laws, U.P. College of Law, 1989-1993

B.A. Political Science, U.P. Diliman, 1985-1989

High School, U.P. Integrated School, 1981-1985

Elementary U.P. Integrated School, 1975-1981

AWARDS

Rotary Golden Wheel Awards for Political Governance and Legislation, 2012

Most Admired TV Personality, Anak TV Seal, 2008

Young Global Leader, World Economic Forum, 2008

Asia's Idol, Asia News Network, 2007

TOYM Awardee in Youth Leadership, 2005

CAREER

Senator, Senate of the Philippines, 2007-present

Chairman, Senate Committee on Finance, 16th Congress

Representative, 1st District of Sorsogon, House of Representatives, 1998-2007

House Minority Floor Leader, 13th Congress

House Assistant Majority Floor Leader 11th Congress (July 1998 - Nov. 2000)

Commander, Philippine Navy Reserved Command

Partner, Escudero Marasigan Sta. Ana Vallente & Villareal Law Office, February 1995 – Present

ORGANIZATIONS

Lord Chancellor, Alpha Phi Beta, 2009-2012

Member, Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi of the University of the Philippines

PREVIEW OF SUCCEEDING THURSDAYS' GUEST OF HONOR AND SPEAKERS

October 1, 2015, 12N, McKinley Room, Manila Polo Club



Honorable Antonio T. Carpio
Associate Justice
Supreme Court of the Philippines

October 8, 2015, 12N, McKinley Room, Manila Polo Club



Honorable Ramon R. Jimenez, Jr.
Secretary of the Department of Tourism

October 15, 2015, 12N, McKinley Room, Manila Polo Club



Honorable Carlos Jericho Petilla
Secretary of the Department of Energy

October 22, 2015, 12N, McKinley Room, Manila Polo Club



Mr. Arthur P. Tugade
President and Chief Executive Officer,
Clark Development Corp.

October 29, 2015, 12N, McKinley Room, Manila Polo Club



RCM PSAA Alfredo S. Lim
Former Mayor of the City of Manila

THE WEEK THAT WAS...



OIC/Moderator PDSAA Tony Lopa directs the program of activities.



PP Boy Ampil delivers an ecumenical prayer.



VPE Babe Romualdez leads in the recitation of the four (4) way test in tagalong version.



DE/Dir. Susing Pineda introduces the guests, visiting Rotarians and personalities seated at the presidential table.



Pres. Ebot Tan report on the club's activities during the President's Time.



Rtn. Jun-Jun Capistrano does the pleasure of introducing **Dr. Onofre R. Pagsanghan**, Professor and Screenplay Writer, Ateneo de Manila University as guest of honour and speaker.



Iconic Atenean classroom teacher **Dr. Onofre Pagsanghan** spoke before Manila Rotarians, who were mostly his former students, Visiting Rotarians and guests on life's travails and his passion for education while injecting bits and pieces of songs from known Broadway musicals thereby leaving an engaged audience yearning for more inspiring lessons that would make life worth living.



An interactive public forum followed suit post the speech of **Dr. Onofre R. Pagsanghan**.



Pres. Ebot Tan presents to **Dr. Onofre R. Pagsanghan** a religious icon of Jesus Christ and Mother and Child as the club's token of appreciation for being the guest of honor and speaker.

RCM WEEKLY BIRTHDAY CELEBRANTS



Pres. Ebot Tan presents the birthday celebrants : **PDG Frankie Roman** and **PP Cesar Ubaldo**, for the traditional blowing of candle on the birthday cake amidst the singing by the **RCM World-Famous Chorale** of the Happy Birthday song.

BOARD MEETING



Present during the 3rd regular board meeting were: (counter-clockwise) Pres. Ebot Tan, Dir. Ning Lopez, Dir. Sam Eldebs, AT Raoul Villegas, Dir. Oscar del Rosario, PDG Frankie Roman, Sec. George Salazar, Treas. Chito Zaldarriaga, Dir. Susing Pineda, Dir. Amading Valdez and ES Anna Kun Toledo.

MOONCAKE FESTIVAL



PP/ COS Rudy Bediones and spouse Sharon, Cora dela Rosa and DE/RAC Chair Albert Alday.



Dist. Gov. Obet Pagdanganan with the District Officers and World Class Presidents during the celebration of the **Mooncake Festival** hosted by **RC Manila Centennial**.



Pres. Ebot Tan and DE/Balita Chair. Albert Alday awaits their turn to participate in the games.



Spouse Sharon Bediones receives her prize during the District Mooncake Festival.



Pres Ebote Tan participating in the games of the mooncake festival hosted by RC Manila central with Manila Rotary Club as one of the major co host.



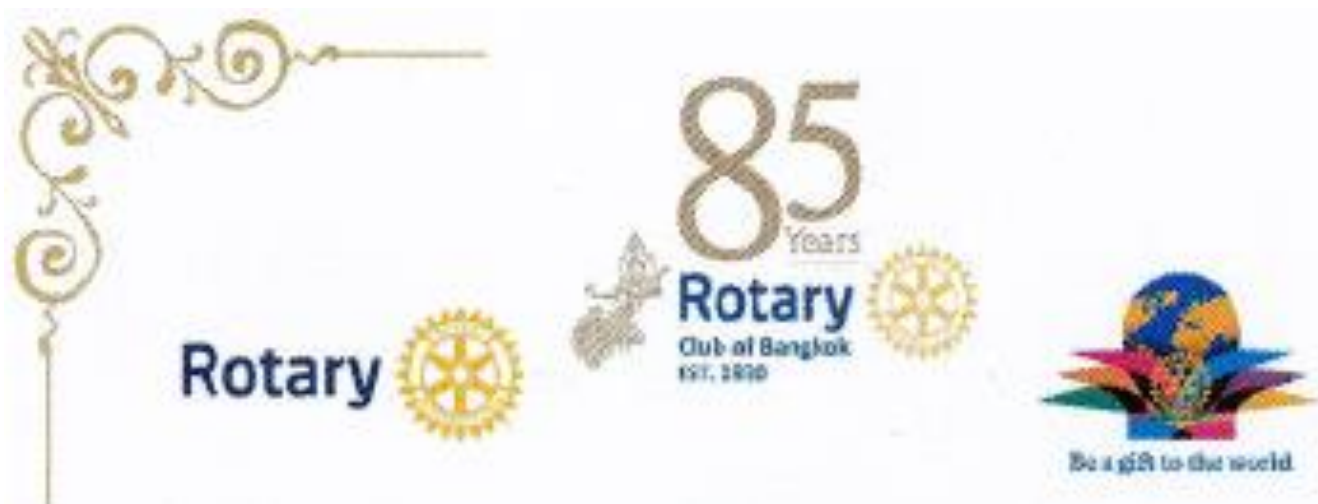
PP / Chief of Staff Rudy Bediones is shown participating in the games conducted as part of the celebration of Mooncake Festival.



DE/ RAC Chair Albert Alday is shown participating in the games as part of celebrating the Mooncake Festival.



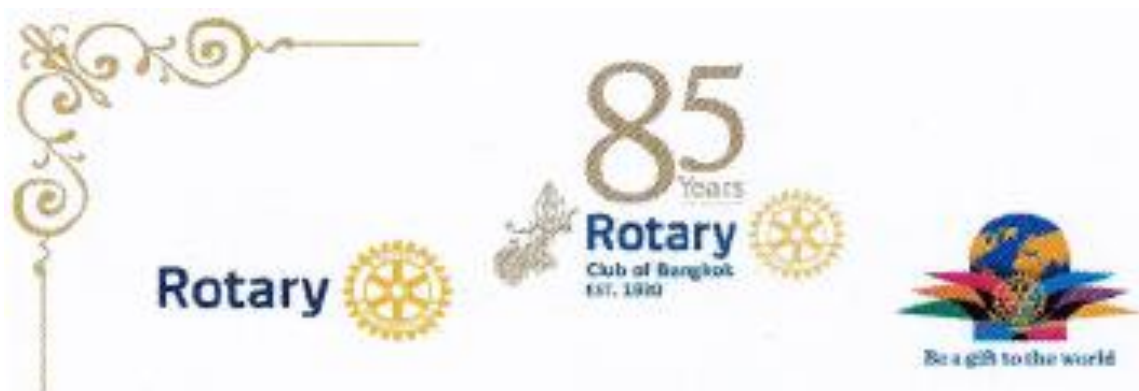
Pres. Ebot Tan at the JEPROCS Induction on 21 September 2015 at the Golden Bay Seafood Restaurant with other World Class Presidents.



**85th Anniversary of Rotary Club of Bangkok and
Rotary Movement in Thailand
Monday, 14th September 2015
Grand Hyatt Erawan Bangkok**

Programme

- 18:00 Reception
- 18:20 Door opens
- 18:45 Gong
 - National Anthem
 - Toast to HM King
 - Toast to HRH Princess Maka Chakri Sirindhorn
 - Toast to RCB and Rotary Movement in Thailand
 - President Welcome Address
 - MCs introduce guests
- 19:00 Dinner served
 - Music (Quartet)
- 19:20 Khon (Thai Classical masked play, enacting scenes from the Ramayana)
- 19:50 Trophy awards for Golf Competition=
- 20:00 History of 85Years of Rotary Club of Bangkok and Rotary Movement in Thailand
- 20:10 Congratulatory notes by
 - RID Asso. Prof. Dr. Saowalak Rattanaovich
 - District Governor 3350 Chaivai Poonlapmongkol
 - Rotary Club of Manila
 - Rotary Club of Kyoto
 - Rotary Club of Kuala Lumpur Diraja
 - Rotary Club of Makati
 - Rotary Club of Taipei South World
- 20:45 Birthday Cake cutting and song
- 20:55 Thank you note from President, Rotary Club of Bangkok
- 21:00 Close of meeting



On behalf of all members of Rotary Club of Bangkok, it is my great honor and pleasure to welcome Rotarians, families and friends to our 85th Anniversary Celebration.

The Rotary Club of Bangkok is the first Rotary Club to be established in Thailand. Since our first meeting on September 17, 1930 at Phaya Thai Palace, with 69 founding members from 15 nationalities, we are very proud of our long and successful journey as a Rotary Club. For 85 years, we continue to uphold Rotary Ideals while serving our communities with many service projects every year. It has been a wonderful journey because of the hard work and never-stop contributions of all our Past Presidents and members.

As the 85th President of Rotary Club of Bangkok and being the first Japanese President of our club, I am so honored to celebrate this special year with you all.

Thank you so much for joining us and thereby making this such a special occasion.

Yours in Rotary,

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read 'Chiemi Svensson'.

*Chiemi Svensson
President
Rotary Club of Bangkok 2015-2016*

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS



Rotary Club of Bangkok Thailand 85th Anniversary Celebration induction held at Grand Hyatt Bangkok with **PP/ Assist. Gov. Frank Evaristo** and **Past Rotary International President Bhichai Rattakul, RY 2002-2003 (former Governor of Bangkok)**. The Rotary Club of Bangkok is the first Rotary Club to be established in Thailand since September 17, 1930, with Pres. Chiemi Svensson, the first Japanese president of RC Bangkok.



Rotary Club of Bangkok Thailand 85th Anniversary Celebration. In photo from L-R: **Rtn. David Wong, Ms. Dafodill Costello, PD Ed Lee, IPP/AG Frank Evaristo, Ms. Vicky Montilla and PP Francis Juico.**



With RC of Bangkok lead by President Chiemi Svensson, IPP/AG Frank Evaristo with 69 founding member from 15 nationalities.

COGS IN THE WHEEL



Rtn. Architect Philip Recto was the Chairman, Board of Judges of the largest and most prestigious architectural competition in the country, namely; The 2015 MADE Architecture Competition sponsored by The Metrobank Foundation, Inc. through its Metrobank Art & Design Excellence (MADE) program. The awarding ceremonies and exhibit opening is Painting, Sculpture, Architecture and Interior Design will be held on Sept. 24 at the Le Pavillion in Pasay City at 6:00 pm. The grand prize winners in each category will receive P400,000.

Source: The Philippine Star, Sept. 19, 2015

NECROLOGICAL SERVICE



PP Boy Guevara, Chairman, Sunshine Committee, serves as moderator at the necrological service of **Past Club Secretary Augusto Z. "Gus" Fajardo** held last September 18, Friday, at Christ The King, Greenmeadows Avenue, Quezon City.



VP/PE Teddy Ocampo presents to widow **Tessie Fajardo** the official Rotary name badge of **PS Gus Fajardo**.



The RCM World-Famous Chorale performs as a tribute to the late **PS Augusto Z. "Gus" Fajardo**, Co-Chairman, Music Committee, during the necrological service held last September 18, at the Christ The King, Greenmeadows Avenue, Quezon City. Seen in photo are **Chairman PP Babes Reyes**, VP/PE **Teddy Ocampo**, Dir. **Oscar del Rosario**, Dir. **Issam Eldebs**, Sec. **George Salazar**, AS **Alvin Lacambacal**, PP **Benny Laguesma**, PP **Cesar Ubaldo**, PD **Beda Fajardo**, PDSAA **Tony Lopa**, Rtn. **Nilo Aventura**, Rtn. **Tong Payumo**, Rtn. **Hermie Esguerra**, STAR Rtn. **Caloy Reyes**, former member **PDG Ed Tumangan** & **Nonong Sampang** (Musical Director).



RCMers' take a few moment to pose for the camera: Seated are **PP Dong Saludo** & **Chairman PP Babes Reyes**. Standing are (L-R) **PDSAA Tony Lopa**, Dir. **Oscar del Rosario**, VP/PE **Teddy Ocampo**, Rtn. **Thad Liamzon**, PP **Banit Caasi**, Mr. **Nanding Caluag** (former member) and STAR Rtn. **Caloy Reyes**.

RCMers' present at the Necrological Service of **PS August Z. "Gus" Fajardo** last September 18, 2015, Friday, at Christ The King, Greenmeadows Avenue, Q.C.

1. DG Obet Pagdanganan
2. VP/PE Teddy Ocampo
3. Dir. Issam Eldebs
4. Dir Ning Lopez
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28. Rtn. Tong Payumo

Former RCMers'

1. PDG Ed Tumangan
2. Mr. Nanding Caluag

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE



PDG VINCE CARLOS

Who am I?

One Monday morning a mailman is walking the neighborhood on his usual route. As he approaches one of the homes he noticed that both cars were in the driveway.

His wonder was cut short by Bob, the homeowner, coming out with a load of empty beer and liquor bottles. "Wow Bob, looks like you guys had one hell of a Party last night." the mailman comments.

Bob in obvious pain replies, "Actually we had it Saturday night.

This is the first I have felt like moving since 4:00 am Sunday morning. We had about fifteen couples from around the neighbourhood over for "Party Cheer" and it got a bit wild. Hell, we got so drunk around midnight that we started playing WHO AM I."

The mailman thinks a moment and says, "How do you play that..?"

Well, all the guys go in the bedroom and we come out one at a time with a sheet covering us and only our "privates" showing through a hole in the sheet. Then the women try to guess who it is."

The mailman laughs and says, "Damn, I'm sorry I missed that."

Probably a good thing you did," Bob responds. "Your name came up four or five times."

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Sleeping With

Jack goes to his friend Mike and says, "I'm sleeping with the minister's wife. Can you hold him in church for an hour after the services for me?"

Mike doesn't like it, but being a friend he agrees. After the services, Mike starts talking to the minister, asking him all sorts of stupid questions, just to keep him occupied.

Finally the minister gets annoyed and asks Mike what he's really up to.

Mike, feeling guilty, finally confesses to the minister. "My friend is sleeping with your wife right now, so he asked me to keep you occupied."

The minister smiles, puts a brotherly hand on Mike's shoulder and says, "You better hurry home. My wife died a year ago."
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Fireman Love Life

A fireman came from work one day and told his wife, "You know, we have a wonderful system at the fire station. Bell 1 rings and we all put on our jackets. Bell 2 rings and we all slide down the pole. Bell 3 rings and we're ready to go on the trucks."

"From now on," he said, "we're going to run this house the same way."

"When I say Bell 1, I want you to strip naked. When I say Bell 2, I want you to jump into bed. When I say Bell 3, we're going to make love all night."

The next night the fireman came home from work and yelled, "Bell 1!" and his wife took off her clothes. "Bell 2," and his wife jumped into bed. "Bell 3," and they began to make love. After two minutes his wife yelled, "Bell 4!"

"What the hell is Bell 4?" the husband asks.

"Roll out more hose," she replied, "you're nowhere near the fire!"

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To Marry a Frog

Long ago there was a man who had a 25 inch penis. After consulting many people and finding no solution to his big problem, he decided to consult with a local witch.

Once with the witch he said, "I need your help. My penis is so big it's hard for me to find women who can accommodate me. Can you help me?" The witch said, "Go to the forest, in the middle of it you'll find a frog, ask it to marry you. It is a cursed frog, and every time it says no, the curse will cause your penis to shrink 5 inches, which in your case is actually a blessing!"

So he left to the forest and after hours of walking he found the frog, he kneeled down and asked the frog to marry him.

The frog said, "No."

Then his penis shrunk five inches.

He asked the frog again, "Will you marry me?"

And again, the frog said, "No."

And it shrunk another five inches.

Then he thought, "15 inches is still too big. I'll ask it again. Ten inches will be fine." So he asked the frog one more time, "Will you marry me?"

The frog looked up at him in disgust and said, "I told you: No, no, and NO!"

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PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

RCM Paul Harris Fellows for RY 2015-16 as of to date

1. COS / PP Rudy Bediones
2. PVP Lance Masters
3. PVP Fausto Preysler
4. PD Nick Locsin
5. DE/IPS Albert Alday



CLUB PRESS RELEASE

Thanksgiving celebration of
Togo honorary consul Evie Acosta



Jamaica Consul Miguel Ma. Guerrero, Estonia Consul Juan Peña, Bill Christopher, Frank Evaristo and Hugh Wilson



Ayala Corp. chairman and CEO Jaime Augusto Zobel de Ayala and TESOROS chairman of the board Alice Tesoro-Guerrero

The ever-gracious honorary consul of Togo, Evie Costa, recently hosted a thanksgiving cocktail reception at her residence in Makati with guests from the diplomatic and consular community in attendance, together with friends from her various social circles. It was a pleasant evening filled with lively conversations among the distinguished guests, an event of camaraderie among Filipinos and foreigners.

PUBLIC HEALTH NUTRITION AND CHILD CARE



NEVER LIE

Elias D. Adamos, M.D.

The bible says: "The truth shall set you free." As a medical doctor, I consider telling the truth, and being honest for that matter, as healthy. Time and again, I am reminded of Dr. Mayo, the founder of Mayo Clinic, who always told his children about honesty, that he even placed a poster inside his children's room with the slogan: "Honesty is the best policy."

Before leaving my office in San Beda College, Manila last night, I asked my good friend, confidant, and chess opponent, Fr. Odilo Ma. Reyes, OSB, to translate into Latin two big phrases that I encountered during last Sunday's mass at the Sto. Domingo Parish in Quezon City: *Servitudo et humilitas* (Service and Humility) and *Honestas optima virtus est* (Honesty is the best policy). I personally would like to be reminded of these big words. To never forget, I wrote them in my new 2016 diary; the first one, on the date of my birthday and the other one in another important date – my wedding anniversary. I am writing about the second one on honesty. This article is as timely as it has always been: "Why do people lie?"

Getting hold of the book "The Rules of Work" by Richard Templar, I found Rule 48, Never Lie. The two-page rule was informative but all skin and bones. I tried to jazz-up the topic a bit to make it more interesting.

Reasons why people lie

1. **To get benefit.** People lie to protect themselves in one or the other way. Political candidates can be seen lying about their intention of reforms, in order to get votes. Children lie to avoid being punished or in the hope of getting a reward.
2. **To avoid uncomfortable/personal questions.** When people find uncomfortable answers to uncomfortable questions, they take the route of lying. You can also find people lying to manipulate or control others.
3. **To avoid problems in relationships.** People avoid problems within the relationship through lying. Telling one lie leads to another lie, resulting in a chain of lies.
4. **To protect others' feelings.** One example would be appreciating the host of a party about the food being good, when it was actually terrible. This implies that people do not always lie out of malice. They protect others who might get hurt on learning the truth.

Types of lie

White lies are often harmless and insignificant. They are told by people to hide a secret, for example, a surprise party. Bold-faced lies are outright denials of the truth, despite evidence proving otherwise. This can be disastrous because it can result to lawsuit and arrest. Lies of omission occur when one avoids confessing that he did something when someone else is taking the blame.

According to Templar, **"Never lie is really the simplest, cleanest, most honest approach to your working life and career."**

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