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GUEST OF HONOR AND SPEAKER

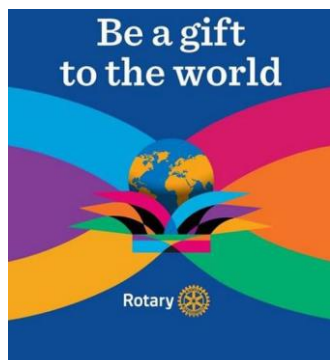


HON. CARLOS JERICHO L. PETILLA

Former Secretary
Department of Energy
Republic of the Philippines

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With a nickname that suggests a turnaround in the nation's economy, no wonder setting his sight on the upper chamber of Congress has been a source of renewable energy as he provides the electrical current at Asia's First Rotary Club.



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RCM's 16th for RY 2015-16

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

OIC/Moderator : Rtn. Bodo Goerlich

P R O G R A M T I M E T A B L E

11:30 PM	Registration & Cocktails	
12:25 PM	Bell to be Rung: Members and Guests are requested to be seated	Rtn. Bodo Goerlich OIC/Moderator
12:30 PM	Call to Order Singing of Republic of the Philippines National Anthem	Pres. Ebot Tan RCM WF Music Chorale
	Invocation	Star Rtn. Teying Arcilla
	RCM Hymn	RCM WF Music Chorale
	The 4-Way Test Credo	All Rotarians led by Rtn. Caloy Reyes
12:40 PM	Introduction of - -Guests and Visiting Rotarians -Personalities seated at the Head Table	Rtn. Rosel Doval Santos
	Welcome Song	RCM WF Music Chorale
12:45 PM	Maligayang Bati (Weekly RCM Birthday Celebrants) : Sept.25...STAR Rtn. Jovee Ong; Oct. 15....PD Joey Yujuico, Rtn. Henry Sy; Oct. 18....Rtn. Andy Lising; Oct. 21....Rtn. Jon de Padua, STAR Rtn. Yukio Asahina Happy Birthday Song	RCM WF Music Chorale
12:50 PM	Presentation of Paul Harris Fellows: PVP Lance Masters, PVP Fausto Preysler, and IPS Albert Alday	DG Obet Pagdanganan, Pres. Ebot Tan; Dir. Oscar del Rosario PAS Addie Topacio, Chair., Paul Harris Fellows Committee
12:55 PM	President's Time	Pres. Ebot Tan

1:10 PM Introduction of Guest of Honor & Speaker **STAR Rtn. Jack Rodriguez**

1:15 PM Address : **Honorable Carlos Jericho L. Petilla**
Former Secretary, Department of Energy

Public Forum
Response and presentation of token of appreciation
to **Hon. Carlos Jericho L. Petilla** **Pres. Ebot Tan**

2:00 PM Adjournment

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER



Dear Fellow Manila Rotarians,

Last week's general membership luncheon meeting had the National Water Resources Board's (the "NWRB") Dr. Seville D. David, Jr. inform us of the steps being undertaken to soften the impact of the strong El Niño phenomenon that we are experiencing this year and discuss the future of our water supply in the country, particularly in Metro Manila. He explained the jurisdiction, functions, and powers of the NWRB and how critical it is to correctly and properly allocate our scarce water resources among its many uses - from domestic use in our homes and offices, to use in agriculture and power generation. Also, he explained the plans and efforts being put in place to find and develop a new and adequate source for raw water needed to service our growing needs, especially in the National Capital Region.

On news within our Club, I wish to announce that, as the October brew of merry making seeps in, one of the most awaited fellowship activities of the Rotary Club of Manila, the RCM Oktoberfest, will take place this year at the German Club on Tuesday, 20 October 2015, at 7pm, starting with the very popular Happy Hour. This annual event will be hosted by the German members of our Club, namely, PSAA Gunter Matschuch (who is the Chair of the RCM Oktoberfest Committee), His Excellency Rtn. Thomas Ossowski (who is the German Ambassador to the Philippines), Rtn. Bodo Goerlich (who is the President of the Philippine-German Chamber of Commerce), Rtn. Uwe Hesse, Rtn. Henning Karcher, Rtn. Klaus Muller, and Rtn. Horst Kessler Von Sprengisen, and will be co-hosted by the other European members of our Club, namely, Rtn. Mikael Avellan and PD Knud

Hedeager. Don't miss this once-in-the-year event, as this promises to be another evening of fun, fellowship, and camaraderie. Please make sure not to miss the delectable German dishes and the overflowing beer that will be served.

On news from around the District, last 9 October 2015, DG/PP Obet Pagdanganan, CoS/PP Rudy Bediones, and I attended the Induction and Handover Ceremonies of the Rotary Club of Pasay Harrison at the Turf Room of the Manila Polo Club in Makati City, where WCP Jessica Lugtu was inducted as Club President, right after the club's Governor's Visit. Five days later, on 14 October 2015, DG/PP Obet Pagdanganan and CoS/PP Rudy Bediones attended the Induction and Handover Ceremonies of the Rotary Club of Manila South at the Heritage Hotel in Pasay City, where WCP Jannett Concepcion-Valdes was inducted as Club President. Let's keep our fingers crossed that our very own candidate for District 3810 Governor Nominee, CoS/PP Rudy Bediones, will be elected as District Governor Nominee this Rotary Year, so that he will become the District Governor in Rotary Year 2018-2019 and lead the centennial celebration of our Club, and that of Rotary in the Philippines and Asia, in that Rotary Year.

Today, we shall have Carlos Jericho Petilla, Former Secretary of the Department of Energy, Republic of the Philippines, and a Liberal Party Senatorial aspirant, as our Guest Honor and Speaker. He is expected to enlighten us on his many advocacies, including the development of renewable energy, as he prepares to run for a Senatorial seat in 2016.

Please take an active part in the discussions with our guest Speaker today and continue to actively support our Club's programs and projects this year.

Mabuhay ang Rotary Club of Manila!

GUEST OF HONOR AND SPEAKER'S PROFILE



Hon. Carlos Jericho "Icot" L. Petilla is a Filipino politician, management engineer, and businessman. He is former Secretary of the Department of Energy (DOE) of the Philippines. He had served as the governor of the Province of Leyte from 2004 to 2012 before joining the cabinet of President Benigno Aquino III. He is in the senatorial slate of the administration's Liberal Party for the upcoming 2016 elections.

Petilla finished his Bachelor of Science in Management Engineering at the Ateneo de Manila University. He also attended the same school during his high school days. After finishing college, Petilla was a professor in Ateneo de Manila University and was a consultant to various companies in Manila such as Meralco, Security Bank and Philphos.

His business interests included the International Data Conversion Solution Inc. based in Mandaluyong City and Accudata, Inc. based in Tacloban City where he is both President and Chief Executive Officer (CEO). He is likewise the part owner and consultant of Direct Data Capture with business offices in United Kingdom and New York and Datahold in London, UK.

During the 2004 election campaign, he divested his shares in his private investments to make a run as a governor of Leyte, even challenging a more popular bet in the person of three-term Representative and now Presidential Legal Adviser Sergio Apostol. He won during that year's election.

His first 100 days of office saw the drafting of the implementing Rules and Regulations of the Leyte Province Investment Code of 2004. The code aims to encourage investors to locate in Leyte with the salient feature of getting a 100% real property tax holiday for 5 years.

Petilla also supported The Philippine Economic Zone Authority in approving the application of the Province of Leyte to convert the 6.9 hectares lot at Barangay Pawing, Palo, Leyte, where the developed and ready for operation Leyte Academic Center is located, into the Leyte Information Communication Technology Park.

Petilla accepted the nomination of the ruling Lakas-CMD party as one of its candidates for Senator under the Team Unity umbrella in the May 14, 2007 Philippine midterm elections. However, only days after he filed his candidacy for the Senate, he withdrew his name from the list of Team Unity candidates, with Boholano actor Cesar Montano acting as his replacement in the slate.

Petilla is the son of former Leyte Governor Leopoldo E. Petilla (1992–1995) and Rep. Remedios Matin Petilla. He is married to Frances Ann Regis Basilio of Cebu and they have five children.

PREVIEW OF SUCCEEDING THURSDAYS' GUESTS OF HONOR AND SPEAKER

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



Mr. Arthur P. Tugade

President and Chief Executive Officer,
Clark Development Corp.

Confirmed

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



RCM PSAA Alfredo S. Lim

Former Mayor of the City of Manila

Confirmed



Rtn. Roy Zosa as OIC/ Moderator directs the program of activities.



Dir. Ning Lopez delivers an ecumenical prayer.



PVP Roy Golez leads in the recitation of the four (4) way test in tagalog version.



STAR Rtn. Jovee Ong 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.



PVP Fausto Preysler does the honor and pleasure of introducing **Dr. Sevillo D. David, PhD**, Executive Director, Republic of the Philippines National Water Resources Board as guest of honour and speaker.



Hon. Seville D. David, Jr., Ph.D., Executive Director of the National Water Resources Board, Republic of the Philippines, spoke before Manila Rotarians, Visiting Rotarians and guests on the country's water situation, the effect of the severe El Niño phenomenon on our water resources and the advocacies of his office in dealing with the situation.



An interactive public forum followed suit post the speech of **Dr. Sevillo D. David, PhD.**



Pres. Ebot Tan presents to Dr. Seville D. David, PhD a religious icon of Jesus Christ and Mother and Child as the club's token of appreciation for being the guest of honour and speaker.

Paul Harris Fellows Major Donor Level 2



Dist. Gov. Obet Pagdanganan, Pres. Ebot Tan & Dir.-in-charge Oscar Del Rosario presented to PDG Alex & Spouse Anna Cureg the Crystal and Diamond Pins with a necklace as token of appreciation for their donation to The Rotary Foundation as **Major Donor Level 2**.

Membership Admission of New Members



Rotarian Babe Romualdez, President Ebot Tan & Rotarian Joe Assad deliver brief introductory remarks on their sponsored-proposed members to RCManila, **Messrs. Carmelo L. Arcilla, Mr. Ramon J.A. Cruz, Mr. Yukio Asahina & Mr. Joaquin C. Rodriguez**, respectively before the formal induction ceremony.

MEMBERSHIP



Pres. Ebot Tan administers the oath of membership pledge to **Messrs. Carmelo L. Arcilla, Mr. Yukio Asahina, Mr. Ramon J.A. Cruz & Mr. Joaquin C. Rodriguez** new members to the Rotary Club of Manila, together with their respective sponsors/proposers.



Present during the DISCON 2016 Organizational meeting were (counter-clockwise): **Pres. Ebot Tan, PE/VP Teddy Ocampo, Dir. Oscar del Rosario, COS/PP Rudy Bediones, PVP Lance Masters, AG/IPP Frank Evaristo, DG Obet Pagdanganan, PDG Alex Cureg, ES Anna Kun Toledo and AS Alvin Lacambacal.**

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2015

PEOPLE & EVENTS

Tomas Meana Dumpit
"UNCLE TOM"



BCPs ASSISTANCE MISSION: The Rotary Best Class Presidents (BCPs) for Rotary Year 2015-16 led by BCP/chairman Frank Evaristo brought medical and dental equipment for humanitarian assistance mission with hundreds of indigent patients/families treated in Bauang, La Union, hosted by BCP Congressman Butch Dumpit in cooperation with BCP Andrew Co of Reliance Surety and Insurance Company. In photo are (from left, seated) BCPs Abel Labarda, Ricky Bajen, Dumpit, Frank Evaristo, Joe Bello, (standing) BCPs Cathy Piczon, Arlene Divinigracia and Lyka Olson.



Rotary Tourism Awards

The Rotary Club of Manila recently recognized another batch of executives for their contribution to the advancement of tourism in the country during the 11th Rotary Tourism Awards. In photo are (from left): Rotary International District 3810 governor-elect Obet pagdanganan, PAL president & COO Jaime Bautista (awardee for Airline Category); Elizabeth Fernando, Hotel Elizabeth (Boutique Hotel); Tesoro's International Inc.'s Alice Guerrero and Ma. Miguel Guerrero (Shopping Tourism); Jose Mari del Rosario, Microtel Inns & Suites (Philis) Inc. (Limited Service Hotel); Vicente Carlos, former tourism secretary (Rotary Tourism); Bum Tenorio, Philippine STAR (Print Media); Kingdon Sian, Travellers International Hotel Group, Inc. (Integrated Hotel Casino Resort); RCM president Frank Evaristo; Ricardo Cano Tan, Campuestohan Highland Resort, Tullay, Negros Occidental (Resort); Milagros Castillo-Espina, dean, College of Liberal Arts, University of San Jose Recoletos (Education); Vernon Prieto, El Carmino Travel (Travel Agency); RCM Tourism Awards chairman and director Robert Lima Joseph; Rotarians Rudy Bedones, Farid Schoucair and Chito Zaldua.

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

October 12, 2015

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

RE: INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS ACTIVITIES

The International Relations Committee invites you to participate in the **46th Anniversary Fund Raising Ball, Rotary Club of Kowloon East**, our sister club since 1976, is celebrating their 46th Anniversary Fund Raising Ball .. Program of activities are as follows:

Thursday, November 19...	Welcome Dinner in honor of visiting sister clubs
6:30 PM	at the Neptune Chiu Chow Restaurant (address: 1/F, Energy Plaza, 92 Granville Road, Tsim Shau Tsui East, Kowloon
Friday, November 20..	46 th Anniversary Ball at the Grand Ballroom,
6:30 PM	Kowloon Shangri-La Hotel

Special Rotary Rate extended for Rotary Club of Manila and sister clubs of Rotary Club of Kowloon East by Kowloon Shangri-La Hotel is HKD 2,160.00 + 10% Deluxe Room (without breakfast).

As of October 6, 2015, the following have signified

- (1) Immediate Past President Frank Evaristo & Ms Vicky Montilla
- (2) Dir Ning & Josephine Lopez
- (3) Dir. Susing & Marites Pineda
- (4) PD Ed Lee (Chairman, International Relations Committee)
& Ms Daffodil Costelo
- (5) PP Dong Saludo, Jr.
- (6) Rtn Pering Bendicto
- (7) Rtn Nonoy Benedicto
- (8) Rtn David Wong
- (9) PD Ner, Femy and son Mark Lonzaga

Accommodation may be made directly either thru Book.com or Agoda.com. Thank you.

Yours in Rotary,

PD ED LEE
Chairman

DIR SUSING PINEDA
Co Chairman

International Relations Committee

CC: Pres. Ebot Tan ; Dir. Oscar del Rosario ; file

RSVP

Dear Chairman Ed Lee,

Rotary Club of Kowloon East, 19-20 November 2015

[] Attending alone [] Attending with _____

My / our flight details / accommodation are as follows

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ON THE LIGHTER SIDE



PDG VINCE CARLOS

Blonde Men Jokes

A blonde man is in the bathroom and his wife shouts: "Did you find the shampoo?"

He answers, "Yes, but I'm not sure what to do... it's for dry hair, and I've just wet mine."

A blonde man spies a letter lying on his doormat.
It says on the envelope "DO NOT BEND."
He spends the next 2 hours trying to figure out how to pick it up.

A blonde man shouts frantically into the phone, "My wife is pregnant and her contractions are only two minutes apart!"
"Is this her first child?" asks the doctor.
"No!" he shouts, "this is her husband!"

A blonde man was driving home, drunk as a skunk. Suddenly he has to swerve to avoid a tree, then another, then another.
A cop car pulls him over, so he tells the cop about all the trees in the road.
The cop says, "That's your air freshener swinging about!"

A blonde man's dog goes missing and he is frantic. His wife says "Why don't you put an ad in the paper?"
He does, but two weeks later the dog is still missing.
"What did you put in the paper?" his wife asks.
"Here boy!" he replies.

A blonde man is in jail. The guard looks in his cell and sees him hanging by his feet.

"Just WHAT are you doing?" he asks.

"Hanging myself," the blonde replies.

"The rope should be around your neck" says the guard.

"I tried that," he replies, "but then I couldn't breathe."

(This one actually makes sense.)

An Italian tourist asks a blonde man:

"Why do scuba divers always fall backwards off their boats?" To which the blonde man replies:

"If they fell forward, they'd still be in the boat."

A friend told the blonde man: "Christmas is on a Friday this year."

The blonde man then said, "Let's hope it's not the 13th."

Two blonde men find three grenades, and they decide to take them to a police station.

One asked: "What if one explodes before we get there?"

The other says: "We'll lie and say we only found two."

A woman phoned her blonde neighbor man and said:

"Close your curtains the next time you & your wife are having sex. The whole street was watching and laughing at you yesterday."

To which the blonde man replied: "Well the joke's on all of you because I wasn't even at home yesterday."

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To Even The Score

A young ventriloquist was touring Sweden and, one night, he was doing a show in a small fishing town. With his dummy on his knee, he started going through some of his standard dumb blonde jokes.

Suddenly, a blonde woman in the fourth row stood on her chair and started shouting: "I've heard enough of your stupid blonde jokes. What makes you think you can stereotype Swedish blonde women that way? What does the colour of a woman's hair have to do with her worth as a human being? It's men like you who keep women like me from being respected at work and in the community, and from reaching our full potential as people. It's people like you who make others think that all blondes are dumb! You and your kind continue to perpetuate discrimination against, not only blondes, but women in general; pathetically, all in the name of humour!"

The stunned ventriloquist started to apologize, but the blonde interrupted and screamed: "You stay out of this! I'm talking to that little shit sitting on your lap".

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PUBLIC HEALTH NUTRITION AND CHILD CARE



“PET EFFECT”

Elias D. Adamos, M.D.

The recent issue of the Harvard Medical School newspaper HEALTHbeat carries the title “Having a dog can help your heart – literally.” The news was about the warmth and comfort of owning a dog that results to healthy and longer life.

Dog and health

Many research suggest that having a dog may help improve you health. It is probably associated to decreased risk of having cardiovascular disease. Although this does not mean that the two have cause and effect or direct relationship, having a dog can be an overall strategy to lower the risk of heart disease. Why is this so? Here are the evidences:

1. **Dogs have calming effect.** Research shows that dog-owners have lower blood pressure compared to non-owners. The “power of touch” also appears. Several studies have demonstrated that when you cuddle and pet your dog, blood pressure goes down. The relaxing neurotransmitter, oxytocin, in the brain spikes up when you touch your dog.
2. **Dog owners experience less cardiovascular reactivity during times of stress.** This means that their blood pressure and heart rate go up less and return to normal more quickly, dampening the effects of stress on the body. A dog is an instant mood-booster.
3. **A walk with your dog is exercise in itself.** Walking a dog helps you stay more active. A 2006 Canadian study found out that dog-owners were more likely to get moderate physical activity than those who didn’t own a dog. The study also stressed that dog-owners walk an average of 300 minutes per week.
4. **Dogs strengthen bonds between humans.** A study at the Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine at Tufts University found that owning a dog have social and relationship benefits. They found that teenagers and young adults who are attached to their dog are more empathic to the feelings of others. Some research concluded that having a dog increases one’s self-confidence. A dog also makes a child more responsible. A dog is an excellent social facilitator. It can start a casual conversation with a neighbor and the stigma of talking to a stranger disappears when you’re with your dog.
5. **Just looking at your dog will make you feel happier.** A 2009 study by Miho Nagasawa of Azabu University in Japan found that interaction between dog and his master creates an intense form of happiness. He said that dogs’ willingness to meet eyes with humans is one of the things that separate them from wolves.
6. **Having a dog will make you recover from psychological crisis.** A program in the United States Army called “Paws for Purple Hearts” use dogs to help soldiers who are traumatized or are suffering from combat reaction to recover fast.

Harvard Medical School sends out a bit of advice: ***Don’t add a dog to your life if you’re not ready to take care of one.***

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