



BE THE INSPIRATION



balita

No. 3752, July 12, 2018

GUEST OF HONOR AND SPEAKER



H.E. JOSE MANUEL "BABE" G. ROMUALDEZ

Ambassador of the Republic of the Philippines
to the United States of America
Immediate Past Vice President, RC Manila

KABALITA

It's time for Asia's First Rotary Club to get a Babe's Eye View of understanding Uncle Sam in terms of bilateral relations.

Countdown to Centennial

<http://www.rcmanila.org>



BE THE INSPIRATION

<u>What's Inside</u>	
Guest of Honor and Speaker's Profile	2-3
Newspaper Release	4-5
Online Newspaper Release	6-12
Presidents' Corner	13
International Service	14-18
The Week that Was	19-22
Attendance Report	23
Club Awards Committee Final Meeting	24
Fellowship	25-26
Centennial News	27-30
The Rotary Foundation	31-32
Interclub Activities	33-37
Public Health Nutrition and Child Care	38
RCMFI and Sagip Kabataan Officers	39
RCM B.O.D. and Editorial Staff	40
Program	41-42

THE ROTARY CLUB OF MANILA BOARD OF DIRECTORS and Executive Officers 2018-2019

SUSING PINEDA
President

JIMMIE POLICARPIO
Immediate Past President

LANCE MASTERS
Vice President

RAFFY ALUNAN
ALBERT ALDAY
ISSAM ELDEBS
CALOY REYES
BOBBY JOSEPH
JACKIE RODRIGUEZ
Directors

ALVIN LACAMBACAL
Secretary

NICKY VILLASEÑOR
Treasurer

AMADING VALDEZ
Board Legal Adviser

RENE POLICARPIO
Assistant Secretary

NER LONZAGA
JASON ONG
Assistant Treasurers

DAVE REYNOLDS
Sergeant-At-Arms

OSCAR DEL ROSARIO
Deputy Sgt-At-Arms

Secretariat

ANNA KUN TOLEDO
Executive Secretary

GUEST OF HONOR AND SPEAKERS' PROFILE



JOSE MANUEL ROMUALDEZ y DEL GALLEGO

I. PERSONAL INFORMATION

NAME : Jose Manuel del Gallego Romualdez
 DATE OF BIRTH : 08 November 1947
 PLACE OF BIRTH : Manila

II. EDUCATION

Ateneo de Manila University	Grade School	1954-1962
Ateneo de Manila University	High School	1962-1965
Forest Hills High School	New York, USA	1965-1966
De La Salle College	College	1966-1970 B.S.B.A.

III. CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

1970-1979	News Reporter/Newscaster (NEWSWATCH RPN-9)
April 1989	Coordinated Media group for the official visit of Vice-President Salvador H. Laurel in Washington DC, New York, Los Angeles, San Francisco
May 1997	Member, Business Delegation of President Ramos to Los Angeles, San Diego & Mexico
November 1997	Member, Business Delegation of President Ramos to APEC Conference in Vancouver, Seattle, San Francisco & New York
July 1999	Coordinated official working visit of the former President Joseph Ejercito Estrada to San Francisco, New York and Washington DC
September 2011	Member, Philippines, Inc. delegation during President Noyonoy Aquino's official visit to China and Japan
October 2012	Member, Philippines, Inc. delegation during Pres. Aquino's official visit to New Zealand
June 2015	Member, official business delegation with Pres. Aquino's State Visit to Japan

October 2016	Member, official business delegation during Pres. Rodrigo Duterte's official visit to Japan
July-Dec 2016	Special Envoy of the President to the United States
July 2017	Special Envoy of the President to the United States
2016 January	Honorary Consul, Grand Duchy of Luxembourg (up to Sept. 2017)
Current	Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to the United States of America Ex-Officio, Manila Overseas Press Club (MOPC) Columnist, The Philippine Star (Babe's Eye View and This Week on PeopleAsia) Chief Executive Officer, Stargate Media Corporation (On-leave) Publisher, PeopleAsia Magazine (Philippine Star affiliate) Executive Vice-President, Philippines, Inc. Chairman & CEO, FCB Group (On-leave)

IV. CLUB AFFILIATIONS / MEMBERSHIPS

1. Manila Overseas Press Club
2. Olympic Club, San Francisco
3. Makati Business Club
4. Manila Polo Club
5. Manila Golf
6. American Chamber of Commerce
7. Philippines, Incorporated
8. Canadian Chamber of Commerce
9. The Tower Club
10. Rotary Club of Manila
11. The City Club

NEWSPAPER RELEASE

THE PHILIPPINE STAR **P12 • SUNDAY / JULY 8, 2018**

Business

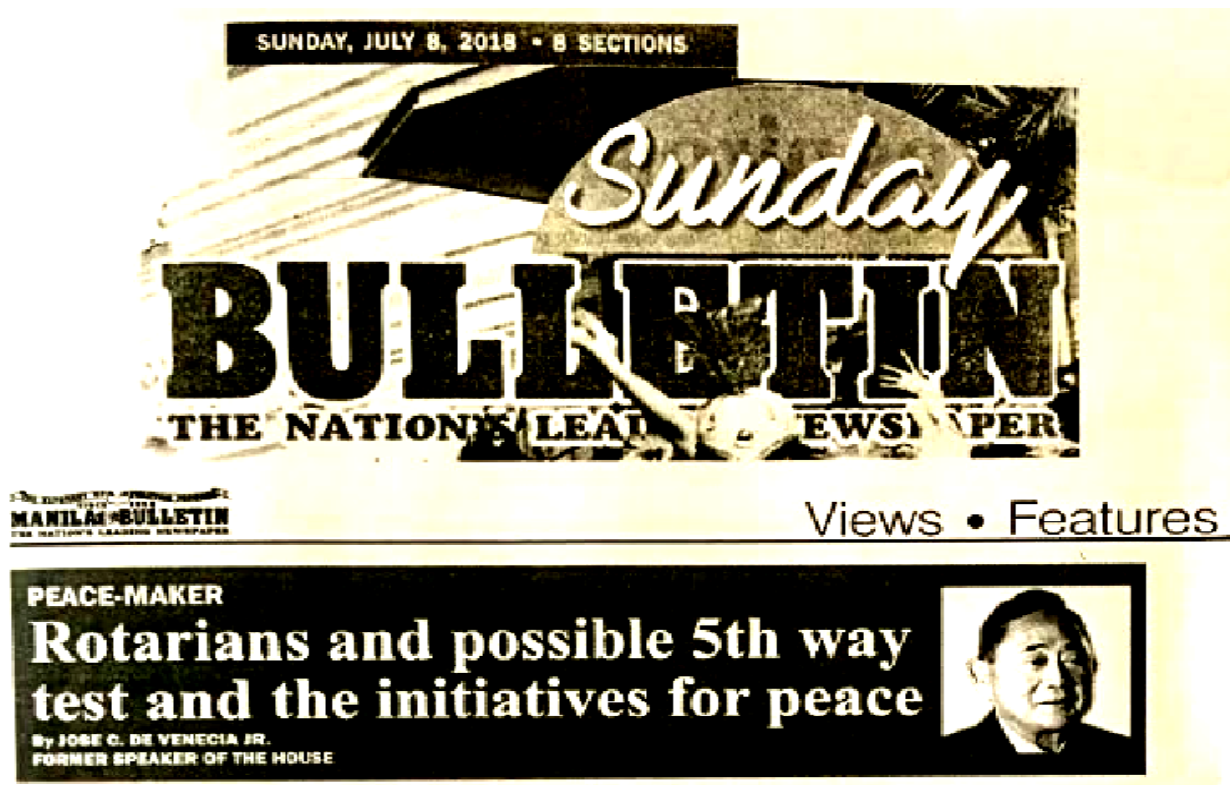
people&events

Romualdez to speak before Manila Rotarians

Philippine Ambassador to the United States Jose Manuel "Babe" Romualdez will speak before his home club, the Rotary Club of Manila. First in Asia, Centennial president Susing Pineda announced during its weekly Thursday luncheon meeting for the Rotary Centennial Year 2018-2019, on July 12 at the New World Makati Hotel Ballroom.

Romualdez will talk on the bilateral relations between the Philippines and the United States. US Ambassador Sung Kim will introduce Romualdez during the program.





At our meeting last Thursday noon of the 100-year-old Manila Rotary Club, the oldest Rotary organization in Asia, we were asked to lead the reading of the Rotary's "Four Way Test," traditionally spoken by all members, before the start of the regular weekly meeting of Rotary Clubs around the world.

The "Four Way Test," of what we, Rotarians, Think, Say or Do in the Rotary Creed include the following:

First, "Is it the Truth?". Second, "Is it Fair to All Concerned?". Third, "Will it build Goodwill and Better Friendship?" Fourth, "Will it be Beneficial to All Concerned?" We thought an addition would be relevant to God-fearing Rotarians among Catholics, Protestants, Iglesia Ni Cristo, Buddhists, Muslims, Hindus, and others throughout the world, of course with the exception of non-believers like atheists.

After reciting the 4th Test, we then sprang a suggestion for the possible inclusion of a Fifth Test, which we thought would be equally important, if not the most important: "Will it be pleasing to the Lord, our God?" and which perhaps could be considered for adoption by global Rotary.

Manila Rotarian and successful businessman Rudy Bediones pointed out that today there are 873 Rotary Clubs and 24, 894 members, who are occasional sources of support for community service projects throughout the Philippines. Our eminent Centennial President Jesus Pineda and active Rotarian-leader former Justice Amado Valdez said they were backing our proposal to bring God into the Rotary Creed and would submit it to Rotary's global leadership, pioneered then by American Paul Harris, founder of the original US Rotary, for possible international adoption in six continents.

Rotary records show that today some 26,850 Rotary Clubs worldwide have been advancing one basic ideal, the "Ideal of Service." To us, Manila Rotary Club's (RCM) most valuable Declaration made in earlier days was:

"I shall value success in my vocation as a worthy ambition only when achieved as a result of service to society and as it helps others to be successful; to accept no profit nor distinction which arises from unfair advantage, abuse of privilege or betrayal of trust..."

The founders of Manila Rotary at the time – American Leon J. Lambert, president; Alfonso Sycip, vice-president; E. E. Elser, secretary; and Walter Beam, treasurer – were the first Rotary officers in January, 1919, following Manila Rotary's launching by American Rotarian Roger D. Pinneo, then a member of the Rotary Club of Seattle. He sailed to Manila with a commission to assist in the organization of Rotary Clubs in the Far East. The first Rotary Club of Manila had a membership of 38, with an office located in the office of the Benguet Consolidated Mining Co. where further meetings were held.

In 1939, through the invitation of then Rotary International Vice President Carlos P. Romulo, who later became the first Asian president of the UN General Assembly, the Rotary Club of Guam was organized as RCM's first overseas daughter, a Filipino initiative. However during World War II, under Japanese occupation, all the clubs in the Philippines stopped all formal meetings.

The last memorable emergency gathering of RCM was held on the embattled island of Corregidor on May 6, 1942, to induct Gen. Douglas MacArthur, World War II's greatest general, as honorary member, on the eve of the fall of Bataan. Today there are some 1.2 million Rotary members in some 35,000 Rotary Clubs throughout the world.

We remember, as a young 19-year-old in Asia's Asia-owned first news agency, Pan-Asia Newspaper Alliance and as weekly columnist then on Asian affairs of the Philippines Herald, we used to ferry outstanding public speakers from Manila like great journalists, Ambassador to Germany Melchor Aquino and Washington-based media adviser Al Valencia via the old Ferrocarril de Manila trains to address Dagupan City's Rotary Club, then headed by Pantranco bus transport co-founder Rafael Gonzalez, followed by the subsequent Secretary of Health Francisco Duque.

Oh, what we used to do as a young man in the service of Rotary for this went on almost every week for a year on the now defunct Manila-Dagupan railways run. As a prize for their task as guest speakers, and on their return to Manila, we would gift them tokens of Pangasinan's priceless Dagupan bangus fish to take home, since at the time up to now, there are no honorariums for Rotary guest speakers.

* * *

ONLINE NEWSPAPER RELEASE

The Other 'No-Nonsense' President in Philippines Stirs Up Outrage, Praise

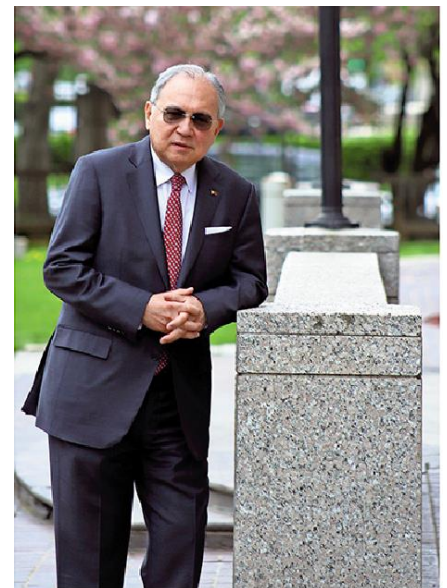
By Larry Luxner

Uploaded on June 29, 2018

It's hard to imagine a head of state who's more outrageously confrontational, incendiary or vulgar than Donald Trump. Maybe that's part of the reason Trump admires Rodrigo Duterte so much.

Elected president of the Philippines in May 2016 with 38.5 percent of the vote, Duterte — who at 73 is one year Trump's senior — raised eyebrows from the moment he moved into Manila's Malacañang Palace. During a September 2016 press conference, he compared himself to Adolf Hitler, boasting that "Hitler massacred 3 million Jews. We have 3 million drug addicts. I'd be happy to slaughter them."

That same month, he called then-President Barack Obama a "son of a whore" for criticizing Duterte's violent anti-drug campaign. The former mayor of Davao also bragged about once tossing a Chinese rape and murder suspect from a helicopter; publicly suggested that journalists "are not exempted from assassination, if you're a son of a bitch"; labeled Philip Goldberg, former U.S. ambassador to the Philippines, as gay (and also a "son of a whore"); and told shocked business leaders



JOSE MANUEL "BABE" ROMUALDEZ
ambassador of the Philippines to the United States

during a recent meeting that “when I take Viagra, it stands up.”

And this past February, he famously ordered his soldiers to shoot female communist rebels in their vaginas — a threat that makes Trump’s “grab their pussy” remark tame by comparison.

But Duterte’s actions speak even louder than his words. Under his presidency, an estimated 12,000 suspected drug dealers and users, including children, have been killed by police and police-backed vigilantes, according to Human Rights Watch. Duterte, who gained prominence for his “tough-on-crime” approach as the gun-toting mayor of crime-ridden Davao City, has openly bragged about personally killing three men suspected of kidnapping and rape.

“And I’d go around in Davao with a motorcycle, with a big bike around, and I would just patrol the streets, looking for trouble. I was really looking for a confrontation so I could kill,” he reportedly told a group of business leaders in late 2016. One self-confessed former death squad member said he witnessed Duterte execute a government official with a machine gun in the early 1990s.

In fact, when Trump and Duterte met in the Philippine city of Da Nang last November, Trump asked his host if the Philippines had reinstated the death penalty — a campaign promise Duterte has madenumerous times.

The two leaders, described by Washington Post columnist Dana Milbank as “brothers from another mother,” certainly have a lot in common. But just as Trump’s sledgehammer approach continues to be popular among his base, especially when it comes to issues such as immigration, Duterte’s bluntness remains popular with his supporters, many of whom are fed up with drugs, crime and corruption.

That’s partly why Duterte’s chief defender in Washington, Philippine Ambassador Jose Manuel “Babe” Romualdez, advises critics not to take his president’s off-the-cuff remarks too seriously.

“There was some disagreement on human rights issues raised by the Obama administration. It was precipitated by a question asked by a foreign reporter trying to get the president’s goat. The president was angry that he was being lectured,” Romualdez explained in a recent interview with The Washington Diplomat.

“Our president listens to advice, but he doesn’t like advice that’s given publicly through the media. This president is particularly sensitive to people trying to make a show of something,” said the ambassador, who himself used to be the CEO of Stargate Media Corp. and publisher of People Asia Magazine (an affiliate of the Philippine Star). “But this administration is more prudent in the way it raises issues, and since Trump went to the Philippines, that relationship has changed dramatically.”

In fact, Romualdez recalled that “when I presented my credentials to Trump, the first thing he told me was ‘your president sings like Frank Sinatra [a reference to Duterte’s on-stage performance during the November 2017 ASEAN Summit in Manila]. There’s friendship now. Our relationship has warmed up.”

It certainly has. On June 12, the Philippine Embassy threw an extravagant Independence Day party at the Trump International Hotel in D.C. Some 350 guests came out to celebrate the country’s 120th anniversary of independence from Spain, feasting on *lechón asado* (roast pork), *sisig* (pig head and liver) and other Filipino dishes that were prepared by embassy chef Abie Sincioco-Mateo (who won both the People’s and Judge’s Choice Awards at this year’s Embassy Chef Challenge for her pork sisig). According to the Philippine Star, the party at Trump Hotel didn’t cost Philippine taxpayers a cent because the cost was borne by private businesses like Asia Brewery, PAL/Megaworld and other big companies.



CREDIT: OFFICIAL WHITE HOUSE PHOTO BY SHEALAH CRAIGHEAD

President Trump meets with Philippine President Rodrigo Duterte during his trip to Asia last November.

Was that a conflict of interest? Absolutely not, as Romualdez himself suggested in a [column](#) for the Philippine Star back home.

“The Trump hotel may have some political undertones because it is associated with the U.S. president,” he wrote, ignoring any mention of the 30 or so protesters waving anti-Duterte placards outside the hotel during the event. “But since several other embassies have also held their national day celebrations at the Trump hotel which were well-attended, I decided, why not do it there too?”

Envoy is Manila’s Third in D.C. Named Romualdez

Romualdez, a Manila media executive who has never held political office, is president of the Manila Overseas Press Club and vice president of the Rotary Club of Manila. Unlike the man who named him ambassador, Romualdez thinks carefully before he opens his mouth to speak.

But when he does, he expresses only admiration for Duterte.

“I’ve met seven presidents and this one is totally different from any president we’ve ever had,” he said. “Any president is a product of his time. Donald Trump became president through the electoral system because voters are tired of the old kind of politics that go on here. Middle America wants to see some changes made, and they want him to talk that way. Duterte is saying the things many people want to say about their government, but they can’t say it because they don’t have a voice.”

Asked about the vulgarities and sexual jokes, Romualdez paused for a moment.

“I’m not going to justify anything that is said in that manner, but our president has made it clear that he didn’t become president to be proper and politically correct,” the ambassador said. “He became president because the people elected him to do what he promised. I think it’s clear that the language he uses is the language he’s been using all his life. Sometimes he controls himself, but it’s not going to change.”

In effect, the Duterte presidency has split his nation’s 103 million people into two camps.

“Duterte is a source of deep dissonance among Filipinos today,” Jessica Mendoza wrote in an April 6 [article](#) for the Christian Science Monitor. “Either he is leading the Philippines to ruin, paving the way for the demise of democracy and human dignity; or he is carving a violent path out of the mire of crime and corruption that has corroded the nation’s soul for more than three decades, and shattering status quos along the way. In each side’s eyes, the other lives in a fantasy wrought of malice, ignorance, or some warped combination of both.”

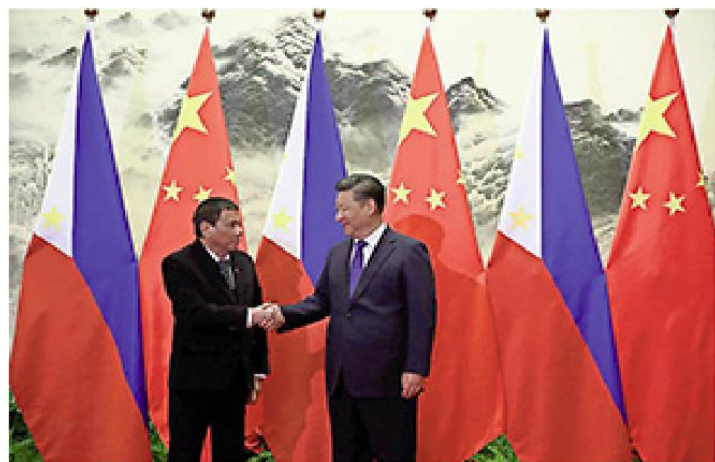


PHOTO: BY KING RODRIGUEZ OF PHILIPPINE PRESIDENTIAL DEPARTMENT - PHILIPPINE GOVERNMENT

Philippine President Rodrigo Duterte shakes hands with Chinese President Xi Jinping during a visit to Beijing on Oct. 20, 2016.

Romualdez said Duterte is especially popular with Filipino housemaids, laborers and others working in the Middle East and Asia who send back \$26 billion a year in remittances, keeping the Philippines afloat economically.

“I have gone with him on many occasions to address overseas workers in Japan, Laos and elsewhere,” said the ambassador. “We call these people heroes, but they’re not well treated. He really feels for them.”

Romualdez is his country’s third ambassador to the United States with that surname.

The first was the brother of the current envoy’s father (at the same time another brother was speaker of the House of Representatives). The second was a cousin of his father. But the family dynasty is not why he was selected to represent the Philippines in Washington, the ambassador said.

"In the Philippines nowadays, there are no more name brands," he said. "It's perhaps because the president has read many of my columns and feels I'm the best person to communicate what his program is to a host country like the United States."

In fact, the first time Duterte offered Romualdez the job in September 2017, he declined. Later he said OK, but postponed the appointment because of upcoming eye surgery.

"He asked me again in July last year, and I said, 'Mr. President, I will do it for you.' He responded: 'Don't do it for me, do it for the country.'"

'Worst Human Rights Crisis' Since Marcos Regime

Romualdez, who in November 2017 took over from his predecessor, the highly respected *José E. Cuisía Jr.*, said Filipino-American relations are good, despite differences in many areas.

"Generally, the relationship remains pretty solid," he said. "Our military agreements are being followed. Our president has said that whatever defense treaty we have with the U.S., we will honor."

Despite the condemnation Duterte has received from other world leaders, back at home, the president retains wide swaths of popular support. His pledge to root out corruption, bridge the country's vast inequality gap and streamline its notorious bureaucracy — instituting a nationwide complaint hotline, for instance — has been met with cheers. At the same time, Transparency International notes that corruption has actually spiked since Duterte took office.

Most notably, as mayor of Davao for nearly 20 years, Duterte earned a reputation for his brutal drug crackdown that included allegations of death squads and extrajudicial killings. Duterte pledged to replicate those tough tactics as president, vowing to dump all drug traffickers in Manila Bay "and fatten all the fish there."

Romualdez insists that when Duterte talks about "killing" drug traffickers, it's a misnomer.

"When you say that, it sounds like you're putting a gun to their head," he said, calling it instead an act of resistance or self-defense.

"These drug traffickers are violent people, and when there's a drug war, they kill each other," he said.

"There's a lot of collateral damage. It's a war and some of them may be innocent, but at the end of the day, it's something that really needs to be done. This is what he promised the Filipino people."

The ambassador justifies his government's all-out war on drug dealers on the restive island of Mindanao because of the links he says exist between traffickers and terrorists.

"Afghanistan became a center of terrorist activity precisely because of drugs. That's how they fund themselves. It took our armed forces five months to finally quell that war. Their resources came from drug money; U.S. intel clearly showed that.

"You're assuming that human rights violations have already been committed. But what he did in Davao is what he's going to duplicate. He cleaned up Davao from crime. It's hyperbole when he says, 'You make trouble here, I will shoot you.' It's actually the fear factor, which is normal for any strong leader to do. The drug war is where the stage was set. He's a no-nonsense president."



PHOTO: AFP IMAGES / KEITH BACONGCO / ROMUALDEZ IN PHILIPPINES - ENVAO CITY
MAYOR RODRIGO DUTERTE / UPLOAD BY BLUEMASK, CC BY 2.0

Philippine President Rodrigo Duterte speaks to city residents in 2009 in Davao, where as mayor he became popular for his tough-on-crime reputation but was also criticized for vigilante death squads that allegedly killed hundreds of people.



PHOTO: BY VOCAL NY (VOICES OF COMMUNITY ACTIVISTS & LEADERS) - FLICKR, CC BY 2.0

Protesters demonstrate in front of the Philippine Consulate General in New York City in October 2016 to denounce President Rodrigo Duterte's brutal war on drugs.

Some streets were unsafe for pedestrians even during the daytime, he added, “because they were a drug den. Now they walk there at 2 or 3 in the morning.”

Yet that campaign has come at an enormous cost, and experts disagree on whether Duterte’s tactics have actually resulted in fewer crimes or reduced drug consumption.

According to [Human Rights Watch](#), Duterte “has plunged the Philippines into its worst human rights crisis since the dictatorship of Ferdinand Marcos in the 1970s and 1980s.” The New York-based group says his war on drugs, launched in June 2016, has claimed an estimated 12,000 lives of mainly poor urban dwellers, including children.

“Duterte has vowed to continue the abusive anti-drug campaign until his term ends in 2022,” HRW noted in its latest [World Report](#). “Throughout 2017 and the latter part of 2016, he engaged in harassment and intimidation of individuals and agencies tasked with accountability — including United Nations officials. In the face of mounting international criticism, the Duterte government has adopted a tactic of denying as ‘alternative facts’ well-substantiated reports by human rights and media organizations of high death tolls linked to the ‘drug war.’”



PHOTO: HERBERT HANSEN / POINBAY

Despite robust economic growth, poverty and inequality remain endemic in the Philippines — issues President Rodrigo Duterte has vowed to address.

‘Fake News’ and a White House Invitation

It is perhaps ironic that Romualdez, a former media executive, says he has little patience with “fake news” — the kind Trump fumes about, and the kind the ambassador himself says distorts the truth, especially when talking about Duterte’s alleged human rights abuses.

“We media people love intrigue; that’s how you get stories. So, you try to lure a person to say something so you can quote him. Our president has told journalists, ‘I don’t really care what you say.’ Sometimes media people have a tendency to think they’re God’s gift to the world. This president doesn’t really care. It also sends a signal: ‘You better write something that’s correct.’”

He added: “If I could say the same things he does, I’d do it, but I’m wearing a different hat now. I created a few enemies when I was a columnist, so whenever I got threats, I used to tell them to take a number.”

Trump has not only refused to criticize Duterte's record on human rights but has gone out of his way to praise his friend, suggesting that the United States, too, should execute drug dealers. In April 2017, he even extended a White House invitation to the Philippine president, though that visit has yet to materialize.

"So many things are happening that people don't see, but I see it," said Romualdez. "The fear factor is so prevalent now because he doesn't fool around with corruption. For example, he had a good personal friend who was the local government secretary. There was a smell of corruption, so he fired him right there in the cabinet meeting. He said, 'I don't want to see your face ever again.' It's sifted down to every level of government that this president is not going to tolerate any form of corruption.

"It all boils down to personal feelings," Romualdez added. "When you're a friend, you talk to me like a friend. When you start telling another president what to do, it's not correct."



The Rockwell Center mixed-use development center sits among skyscrapers in Makati City in the Philippines.

PHOTO BY HOLYKIDKID - OWN WORK, CC BY-SA 4.0

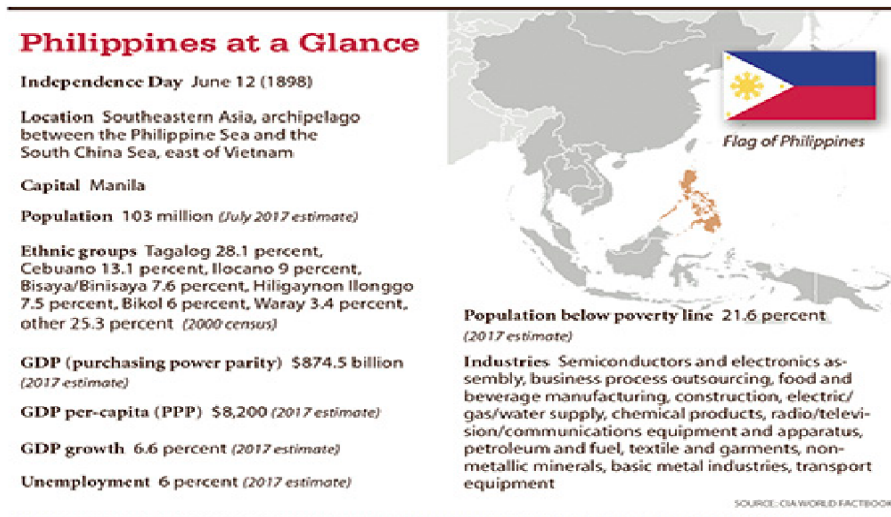
Shifting Attitudes on China

A number of issues still separate Washington and Manila — most notably Trump's get-tough attitude toward immigrants, even those who are in the U.S. legally. The Philippine government warns that some 10,000 Filipinos might be affected if the Dreamers program, which allows undocumented immigrant children to stay legally in the United States, is rescinded.

Hawaii would be especially hit hard; Filipinos in that state number about 209,000 and constitute 14 percent of the 50th state's population. About a decade ago, Filipinos overtook the Japanese as Hawaii's largest ethnic minority; they now make up nearly half of the state's foreign-born population.

"We're here to obviously assure our friends in Congress, the State Department, the White House and the Pentagon that our relationship is solid," Romualdez said when asked whether he was worried. "Regarding immigration, obviously we're expressing our concern. But every time I talk to these legislators, one thing I hear from them is the good reputation Filipino workers have in this country. I hardly ever hear anyone say they don't like Filipinos."

Meanwhile, Romualdez predicted his country would see GDP growth of 6.7 percent this year, with even faster growth in 2019. The Duterte government plans to spend \$175 billion on basic infrastructure over the next five years, and also aims to bring down the percentage of Filipinos earning less than a dollar a day from the current 24 percent to 14 percent by 2020.



When it comes to foreign policy, perhaps the most glaring example of Duterte's unpredictability is his relationship with China. Barely three years ago, Romualdez's predecessor, Cuisía, warned that Beijing's aggressive actions in the South China Sea were threatening the security of the entire Asia-Pacific region.

"Security continues to be a major issue in Southeast Asia, and the Philippines remains very concerned over the exacerbating tensions in our region," said Cuisía, speaking at Johns Hopkins University's School for Advanced International Studies right across the street from the Philippine Embassy.

In contrast, Duterte — who's been accused of being too lenient toward China — publicly declared in April that he loves Chinese President Xi Jinping.

Yet only a month later, Duterte said he'd go to war with China if it unilaterally begins exploiting oil and gas resources in the South China Sea. Tensions worsened after reports of the Chinese military landing long-range bombers on their artificial islands for the first time.

"Our government's policy is to engage China," Romualdez explained. "Our president is practical enough to say we don't have the arms or resources to fight a country like China — to go into the islands and say, 'This is ours and we're ready to die for it.' The best thing is to engage them economically. Xi has been very generous in offering to help our country."

In fact, during an October 2016 trade mission to Beijing, Duterte declared that "there are three of us against the world: China, Philippines and Russia."

It was during that same visit that the Philippine president famously announced his "separation" from the United States — a declaration Romualdez plays down.

"Obviously, people will have to accept that China will become a powerhouse. Russia is now flexing its muscles," he said. "In our case, we don't have any real fight with any of these countries. We just have to talk to them. This is what we call an independent foreign policy. It's time for us to start doing things we feel are good for us."

Romualdez added: "The bottom line is we don't want to be taken for granted. Respect is very important for any nation. People won't respect you if you have no respect for yourself."

PRESIDENTS' CORNER



Dear Fellow Manila Rotarians,

We are off to a good start this Rotary Year 2018-2019 with a very good attendance during our first weekly luncheon meeting with no less than our very own Manila Rotarian, Secretary Carlos "Sonny" Dominguez, III, as our Guest of Honor and Speaker. This is definitely an ominous sign of bigger and brighter things to come during the course of our centennial year.

Speaking of big things to happen, 2018-2019 Rotary International President Barry Rassin and Lady Esther will be visiting the Philippines as they will grace the 15th Asia Pacific Regional Rotaract Conference. As such, our club has taken advantage of this opportunity to host "An Evening with Rotary International President Barry Rasin and Lady Esther" on July 19, 2018, 6:00 pm, at the Grand Ballroom of the Okada Manila in Parañaque City. For this event, I have created a Steering Committee headed by AS Rene Policarpio which meets almost twice a week just to ensure the success of the forthcoming event. So far, 524 out of 600 seats have been paid. To assure our club of premium seats during the event, I have personally guaranteed the reservation of 90 preferred seats of which 49 of our members have already paid. The guaranteed reservation for the remaining seats of our club is only up to July 12, 2018. Otherwise, these seats will be issued out to other Rotarians. The highlight of this event will be the induction of Inspiring District Governors and Inspiring Presidents present by no less than Rotary International President Barry Rassin. Photo opportunities with Rotary International President Barry Rassin and Lady Esther will be available. However, selfies will not be allowed so as not to disrupt the flow of time and motion. Six photographers will be covering the event and marquee performers Dulce, Gerphil Flores and Banda Kawayan as well as showband Sabor Latino were tapped to add spice to the evening. A food tasting and ocular by the Steering Committee had been conducted to assure only the best dishes for the evening are served and that the venue is adequate for our needs during the event. Hence, in lieu of our weekly luncheon meeting on that day, I enjoin and request each one of you to attend this milestone event. We will furnish a map to the venue for the benefit of our members attending.

On the other hand, on the occasion of the Philippine visit of Rotary International President Barry Rassin and Lady Esther, we will likewise seize this opportunity to launch one of our centennial projects, the Rotary Club of Manila Centennial Friendship Trees Project chaired by Rtn. Celso Abastillas. The tree planting will be held in Intramuros, Manila. Our Sari-Saring Aralan and REAP projects are underway. I need your full cooperation for the success of these projects.

Aside from milestone events and projects that have kept our club as vibrant as ever, a fellowship will be hosted by PAT Hermie Esguerra, PD Pepo Nuñez and PT Lito Sibayan, dubbed as the "Centennial Fellowship Kick-off" on July 26, 2018, from 6:00 pm to 11:00 pm at the Salvatorre Roofdeck, Low Rise Tower, Pacific Star Building, Sen. Gil J. Puyat Avenue corner Makati Avenue in Makati City. Hence, I hope all of you would attend this fun-filled fellowship.

This Saturday, July 14, 2018, our very own DG Rudy Bediones takes centerstage on the occasion of the DISTRICT HANDOVER 2018 where he takes over the mantle of leadership of District 3810 from IPDG Emmanuel "Loy" Cosico. Let us all support DG Rudy in this endeavor by attending this important event.

Today, we welcome one of our very own Manila Rotarians, His Excellency Jose Manuel "Babe" Romualdez, Ambassador of the Republic of the Philippines to the United States of America and Immediate Past Vice President of the Rotary Club of Manila, as he briefs us on the current state of US-Philippine bilateral relations. For today, our venue will be the Gallardo Ballroom of the Makati Diamond Residences as I continuously encourage your participation in our weekly meetings.

In ONE CENTURY ONE MISSION ONE ROTARY, we remain.

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE



The Steering Committee of “An Evening with Rotary International President Barry Rassin and Lady Esther” held a meeting with Rotary International Director Raffy Garcia, III, last July 5, 2018 at The Lounge of the New World Makati Hotel in Makati City.

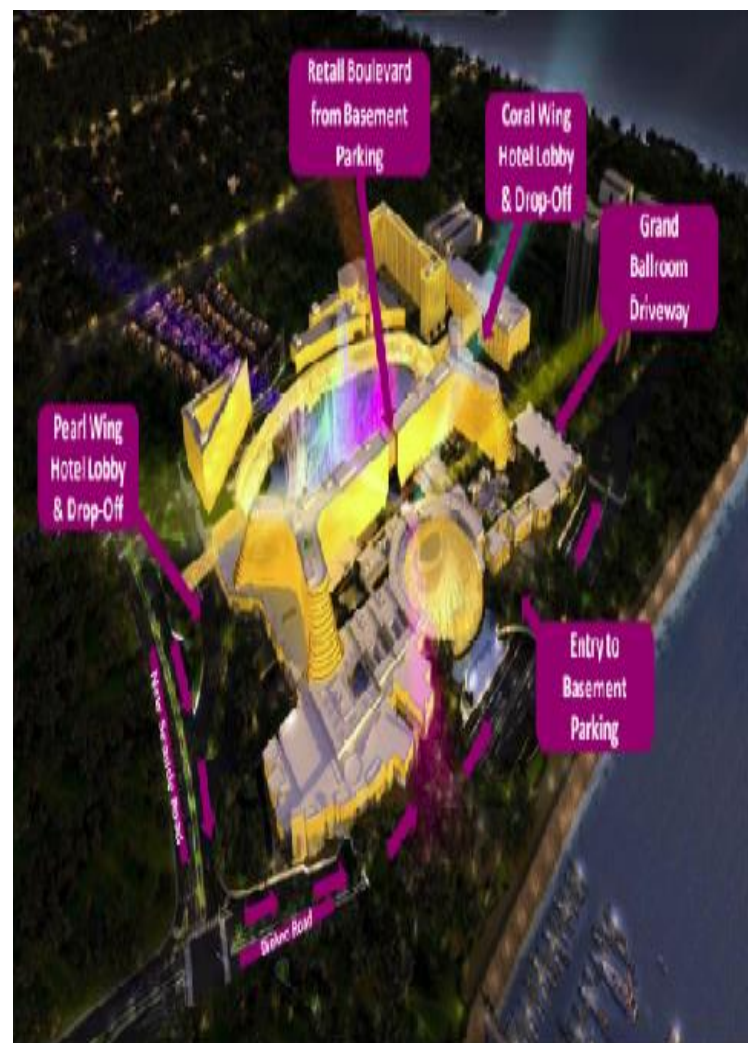
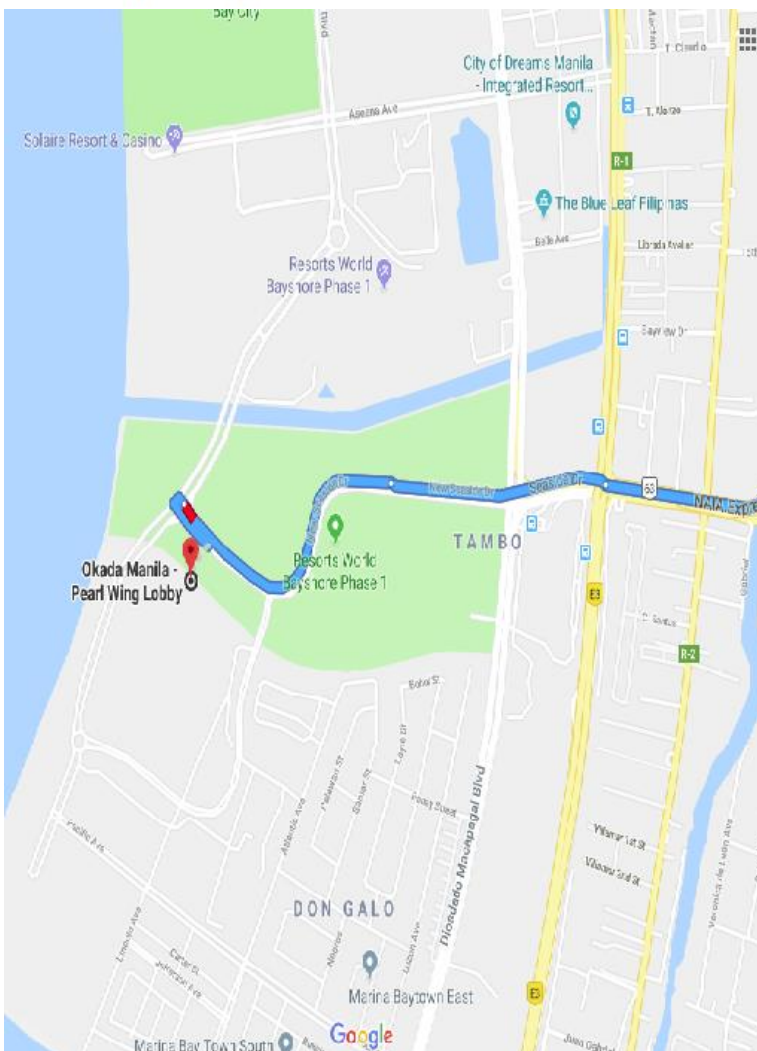


The Steering Committee of “An Evening with Rotary International President Barry Rassin and Lady Esther” had a food tasting last July 10, 2018 at the Grand Meeting Room 3 of OKADA Manila in Parañaque City. Present were **President Susing Pineda**, **IPP Jimmie Policarpio**, **PD Art Lopez**, **Club Secretary Alvin Lacambacal** and **AS Rene Policarpio**.





The Steering Committee of “An Evening with Rotary International President Barry Rassin and Lady Esther” conducted an ocular inspection of the Grand Ballroom which is the event venue last July 10, 2018 at OKADA Manila in Parañaque City.





The Steering Committee of "An Evening with Rotary International President Barry Rassin and Lady Esther" led by President Susing Pineda held a meeting last July 9, 2018 at the Chef Jessie, Rockwell Club, Makati City.

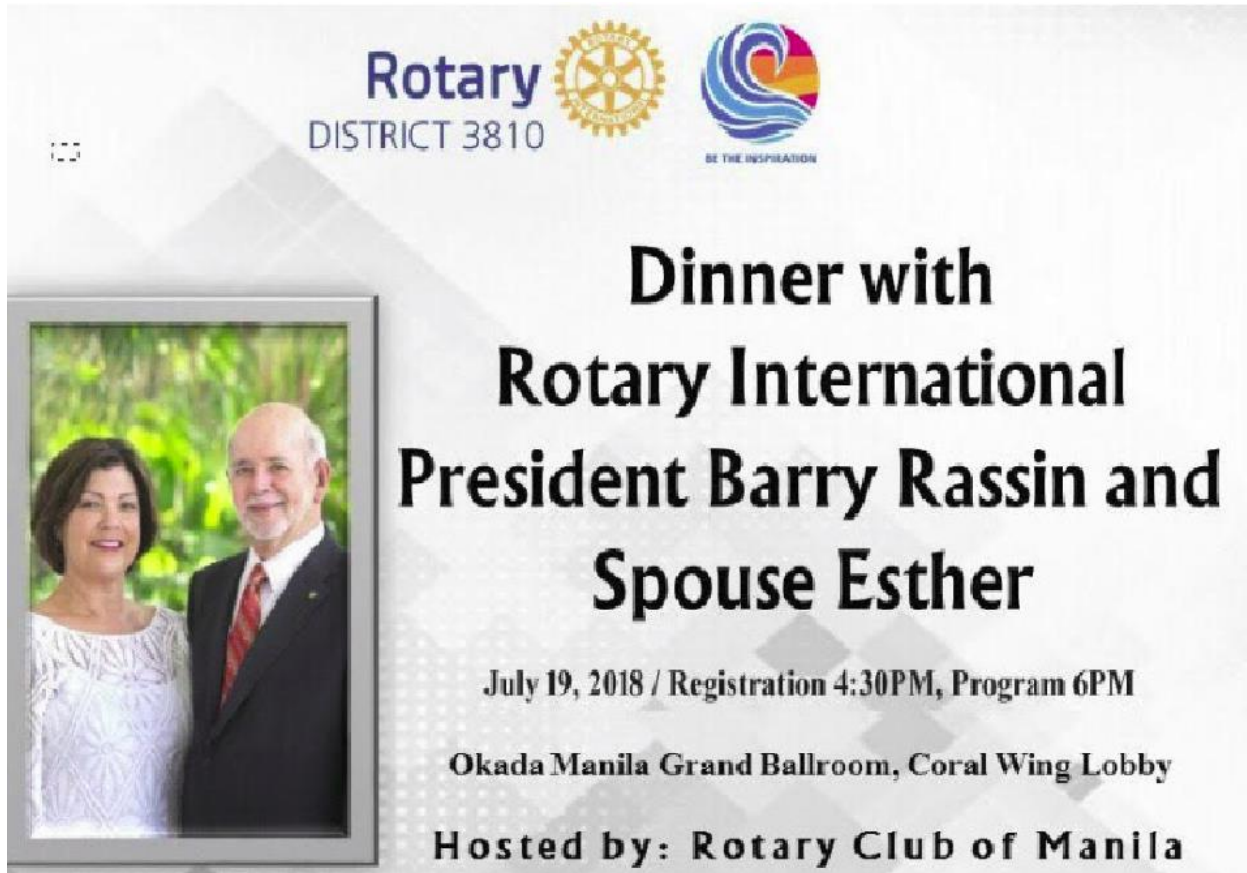
ARGENTINE NATIONAL DAY RECEPTION



President Susing Pineda, SDG Frank Evaristo, Dir. Issam Eldebs and PVP Fausto Preysler attended the Argentine National Day reception last July 9, 2018 at the Manila Polo Club in Makati City.

WHAT'S UP NEXT WEEK:

NO WEEKLY LUNCHEON MEETING. IN LIEU OF THE LUNCHEON MEETING, WE SHALL HAVE



Rotary
DISTRICT 3810

**Dinner with
Rotary International
President Barry Rassin and
Spouse Esther**

July 19, 2018 / Registration 4:30PM, Program 6PM

Okada Manila Grand Ballroom, Coral Wing Lobby

Hosted by: Rotary Club of Manila

ROTARY CLUB OF MANILA HOSTS RI PRESIDENT BARRY RASSIN AND LADY ESTHER DINNER

The Rotary Club of Manila, the First in Asia, will host a dinner in honor of Rotary International President Barry Rassin and Lady Esther, dubbed "An Evening with Rotary International President Barry Rassin and Lady Esther" on July 19, 2018, 6:00 pm at the Grand Ballroom of Okada Manila in Parañaque City. Rassin, who assumed the presidency of Rotary International effective July 1, 2018, will be visiting the Philippines on the occasion of the Asia Pacific Regional Rotaract Conference (APRRC) which will be held in Manila. As the first Rotary Club in the Philippines and in Asia, the Rotary Club of Manila assumes its role as the lead club in hosting the dinner which it considers as a milestone event since it occurs on the occasion of the Year of the Centennial of the Rotary Club of Manila and the Rotary movement in the Philippines and in Asia as declared by President Rodrigo Roa Duterte in Proclamation No. 413 issued last January 24, 2018. Rotarians from all over the Philippines are invited and Rotarian attendees will be given the benefit of a rare photo opportunity with Rotary International President Barry Rassin and Lady Esther. One of the highlights of this event will be the induction of the Inspiring District Governors and the Inspiring Presidents. Hence, the club encourages early registration for those attending the dinner as early registrants will be given priority to preferred tables. Rotarians are urged to get in touch with their respective district governors regarding this event. Entertainment for the evening will feature renowned singer Dulce, Asia's Golden Girl Gerphil Flores, Banda Kawayan and show band Sabor Latino. Registration begins at 4:30 pm and attendees are requested to be in dark suit for men and long gown for women.

THE WEEK THAT WAS



Pres. Susing Pineda, Jr. calls the 1st meeting for the Rotary Centennial Year 2018-2019, to order.



BLA Amading Valdez as Officer-In-Charge/ Program Moderator, directs the program of activities.



Past Asst. Treas. Hermie Esguerra delivers an ecumenical prayer.

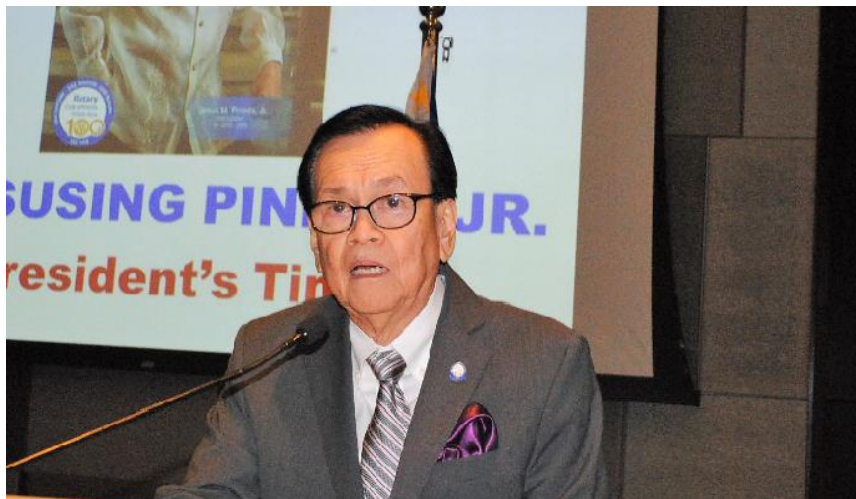


Rtn Joe de Venecia, former House Speaker of the Philippine House of Representatives, lead fellow Rotarians, in renewing its commitment to the Rotary movement, by reciting the Rotary Credo, The Four (4) Way Test.

Rtn Celso Abastillas introduces the guests, visiting Rotarians and personalities seated at the presidential table.



A special raffle with prizes courtesy of **PD Art Lopez**, was drawn by **Finance Secretary Rtn Carlos G. Dominguez III**. The lucky winners were : 1. **PP Teddy Ocampo** - 2 Nights Stay - 1 Bedroom Deluxe at Ascott Hotel Makati 2. **STAR Rtn. Hans Palacios** - Lunch or Dinner Buffet for 2 at the Grand Kitchen of Grand Hyatt Manila; and 3. **Rtn. Edwin Seña** - Overnight Stay in a Tower Deluxe Room with Buffet Breakfast for 2 at The Bellevue Manila.



Pres. Susing Pineda for some announcements during the President's Time.



PD Art Lopez does the honor and pleasure of introducing **Hon. Carlos G. “Sonny” Dominguez III**, Secretary, Department of Finance; Member, Rotary Club of Manila, as guest of honor and speaker.



Secretary Carlos G. “Sonny” Dominguez III presents **TRAIN — Tax Reform for Acceleration and Inclusion**, a major component of the Duterte’s administration 10-point economic agenda, which aims to reform the country’s tax regime to update it, and make it more efficient, equitable, and progressive.



Pres. Susing Pineda presents to **Secretary Carlos G. “Sonny” Dominguez III** the club’s centennial plate, as a token of appreciation, for being the guest of honor and speaker.

MEMBERSHIP/CLASSIFICATION

Dir Caloy Reyes does the honor and pleasure of introducing Former Ambassador **Victor G. Garcia III**, Republic of the Philippines to the Republic of Austria; Vice President, National Capital Region, Philippine Constitution Association (Philconsa). Classification: Associations – Governance, prior to formal Induction for reinstatement to the Rotary Club of Manila Membership.



Pres. Susing Pineda administers the oath of membership pledge to Former Ambassador **Victor G. Garcia III**, as the latest member to be inducted to the RCM Membership.

RCM WEEKLY BIRTHDAY CELEBRANT/S



Pres. Susing Pineda presents the birthday celebrants of the week: **Rtn Naoto Tago** and **Rtn Bobby Bhalla**, for the traditional blowing of candles on the birthday cake, amidst the singing by the **RCM WF Chorale** of the happy birthday song.

ATTENDANCE REPORT

RCM Members' Attendance Report RY 2018-2019

Hon/ Rtn Sonny Dominguez, Secretary of Finance

Thursday, 5 July 2018

All members present	76
Less: Exempt members	12
Total active members	<u>64</u>
ADD: Make-Up *	
TOTAL	<u>64</u>
Total # of Members	227
Less: Exempt from attendance	35
ON LEAVE:	9

- 1 Rtn Jason Bogovich
- 2 Rtn Sha Tamano
- 3 Rtn Rosel Doval Santos
- 4 Rtn Ricky Guevara
- 5 PD Ed Lee
- 6 Rtn Peter Gonzales
- 7 Rtn Francois Engelbrecht
- 8 Rtn MoMo Mommaerts
- 9 Rtn Colin Patterson

Total Active Members (Total Percentage Base)	192
TOTAL ATTENDANCE %:	33%

ATTENDANCE REPORT

List of members and guest in attendance:

RCM Members	76
Members' guest	40
Visiting Rotarian	9
Guest of GOHS	6
Club Guests	1
Total	132

CLUB AWARDS COMMITTEE FINAL MEETING



The Club Awards Committee held its final meeting last July 5, 2018 at the Gallery 2 of the New World Makati Hotel in Makati City. The committee members present were PAT Hermie Esguerra (Chairman), PDG Alex Cureg, PP Teddy Ocampo and Dir. Caloy Reyes.

FELLOWSHIP

CENTENNIAL FELLOWSHIP KICK-OFF

WHEN:
Thursday, July 26, 2018

TIME:
6:00 PM to 11:00 PM

WHAT NOT TO MISS:

Parking tickets only for 20 cars to be available at the membership meeting on Thursday July 12, 2018

WHAT ELSE NOT TO MISS: Cocktails, music to be provided by 2 live bands, and dancing

RSVP: Please send your confirmation of attendance via group viber ATTENDANCE or sms THRU **09228209396**



Rotary
Club of Manila
First in Asia
EST. 1919

WHERE:

SALVATORRE ROOFDECK
Low Rise Tower, Pacific Star Bldg. Sen. Gil Puyat Avenue, cor. Makati Avenue, Makati City

EVENT HOSTS:
Chairman Hermie Esguerra
PD Pepo Nunez
PT Lito Sibayan



The World Famous Chorale held a choir practice last July 5, 2018 at the Ballroom of the New World Makati Hotel in Makati City. The group has been rehearsing for their performances in the District 3810 Handover 2018 and for "An Evening with Rotary International President Barry Rassin and Lady Esther".



Dir. Jackie Rodriguez hosted a breakfast fellowship for the World Famous Chorale last July 7, 2018 at The Wholesome Table, Infinity Tower Suites, Makati City. Right after, a choir practice was held.



Manila Rotarians attended the Birthday Celebration of **PD Armie Aquino** last July 7, 2018 at the Novotel Manila Araneta Center in Quezon City.

CENTENNIAL NEWS

CENTENNIAL INITIATIVES FOR RY 2018-2019



SARI-SARING ARALAN: 3K para sa 3K (Kabataan, Kababaihan, Kalalakihan para sa Karunungan, Kaugalian, Kagitingan) is based on the concept of the iconic Filipino sari-sari store, a well-known place in the community, that can be a venue for learning. It is based on the premise that learning does not and should not only take place inside schools and colleges, but in communities, workplaces, and families, as well. Sari-Saring Aralan aims to become a Learning Hub for OSY to help in increasing their capacity, sociability, change of values, and mind set in life.



The Rotary Club of Manila Educational Assistance Program (REAP)

(aka Adopt-a-Student program) is an initiative to support graduating students from the Pamantasan ng Maynila and the Polytechnic University of the Philippines by providing financial aid for their everyday expenses. In line with celebrating 100 years of service, the initial goal is to provide support to 100 graduating students who will be needing financial support the most but at the same time providing better opportunities to improve their current state.



Centennial Commemorative Stamp is an initiative to commemorate the 100 years of the Rotary Club of Manila and the Rotary movement in the Philippines and in Asia through the issuance of limited edition stamps.



Rotary's Heart for Little Angels is an initiative to provide financial assistance to young children with congenital heart defects for purposes of their operation.



Rotary Club of Manila Centennial Friendship Trees is an initiative to plant 100,000 narra seedlings in commemoration of the 100 years of the Rotary Club of Manila and the Rotary movement in the Philippines and in Asia.



Centennial Hymn is an initiative towards composing a song that will embody the 100 years of the Rotary Club of Manila.



Rotary Club of Manila Presidents Book is an initiative aimed at extolling the achievements of each President of Asia's First Rotary Club in tracing the club's colorful history.



Rotary Club of Manila Centennial Coffee Table Book is an initiative aimed at extolling the achievements of each President of Asia's First Rotary Club in tracing the club's colorful history.

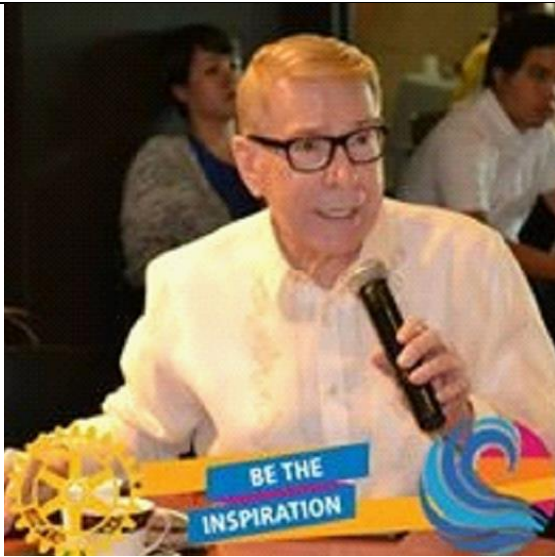
The Commitments to the REAP:

1- PE Susing Pineda	3
2- DE Albert Alday.	2
3- Treas Nicky Villasenor	2
4- AS Rene Policarpio.	1
5- Rtn Romy Nones.	2
6- Pres Jimmie Policarpio	1
7- PVP Roy Golez.	1
8- SAA Dave Reynolds.	1
9- PD Beda Fajardo.	1
10-PD Amading Valdez.	1
11. Rtn. Butch Alcantara	2
12. PD Phil Ong	1
13. Sps. Maritess Pineda	1
14. Patty Pineda	1
15. PAT Hermie Esguerra	5
Total-	25



The Rotary Club of Manila Presidents Book Committee held a meeting last July 9, 2018 at the Engracia Hall of the Aristocrat Restaurant in Manila.

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION



WHY BECOME A PAUL HARRIS FELLOW OR MULTIPLE PAUL HARRIS FELLOW, NOW.

BY CENTENNIAL VICE PRESIDENT LANCE MASTERS

In 1979, when James L. Bomar Jr., then Rotary International President, put the first drops of vaccine into a child's mouth in the barrio of Guadalupe Viejo here in Makati, he ceremonially launched the Philippine poliomyelitis immunization effort. Bomar joined Enrique M. Garcia, the country's minister of health, in signing the contract committing Rotary International and the government of the Philippines to a joint five-year effort to immunize the children of the Philippines against polio at a cost of about \$760,000 with a Rotary Foundation Health, Hunger and Humanity grant. Six million children were eventually immunized and the Philippines became Polio free. Polio eradication became Rotary's priority project in the early 1980's. With donations like yours and mine, we've wiped out 99.9 percent of all polio cases world-wide, starting right here. Our gifts make a difference, right here.

The Rotary Foundation transforms our gifts into service projects that change lives both close to home and around the world. During the past 100 years, the Foundation has spent \$3 billion on life-changing, sustainable projects. Our donations make a difference to those who need our help most. Ninety-one percent of donations go directly to supporting our service projects around the world. And the Philippines gets back FAR more in TRF funds than we contribute.



Last Rotary year, we were inspired under the outstanding leadership of IPP Jimmie Policarpio to add the second highest number of Paul Harris Fellows in our history, in his quest for our club to become a 100% Paul Harris Fellow Club by or in our Centennial. Now that we are kicking off our Centennial celebrations, let us join "Inspiring" Centennial President Susing Pineda to assure that we reach this milestone. Many people are surprised that the oldest club in Asia, with all of its high-profile members, has never achieved that target. And we SHOULD, not because of its prestige, but because we believe in the world's greatest charity, run by us, for OUR projects here and around the world.

TODAY is the best day to make your commitment to become a Paul Harris Fellow or to become a multiple PHF. Why today? Because if you commit today, you can be recognized at our District Turnover in only a few days on the 14th at the Manila Hotel! As long as your \$1,000 gift is deposited before the November TRF dinner, you will also be treated to dinner at our annual recognition night! Just inform our club Foundation Chair, Director Albert Alday, that you *commit to pay before November*. That's it! That's all you need to do today!

When you make a Rotary Foundation gift, either to the “Annual Fund,” to PolioPlus, or to a Global Grant, you also accrue “Foundation Recognition Points.” Donors receive one recognition point for every U.S. dollar contributed to these funds. Donors can transfer Foundation recognition points to others to help them qualify as a Paul Harris Fellow or Multiple Paul Harris Fellow. As an example, you could give perhaps 500 points to a friend and they donate \$500 and become a PHF or Multiple Fellow. But remember, TRF Recognition points are not cash donations and do not qualify as contributions towards “Major Donor” status. The TRF exchange rate for July is P53.

If you would like to become a PHF or advance to higher level multiple PHF, please contribute NOW. If you want assistance from points contributed by another member, just inform Director Albert, me or our club secretariat. We can find those who will happily make (usually) donations of Recognition Points to you. You cannot use your own points to advance yourself, but you can let us know if you are willing to donate them to others. Their only value is to help others!

Here is a summary of the recognition levels for Multiple PHF Fellows:

\$1,000 to 1,999.99 – plain pin

\$2,000 to 2,999.99 – one sapphire

\$3,000 to 3,999.999 – two sapphires

\$4,000 to 4,999.99 – three sapphires

\$5,000 to 5,999.99 – four sapphires

\$6,000 to 6,999.99 – five sapphires

\$7,000 to 7,999.99 – one ruby

\$8,000 to 8,999 – two rubies

\$9,000 to 9,999 – three rubies

Cash and points can take you all the way there. However, to become a major donor, your personal cash contributions must be USD \$10,000 or more.

Please consider making a gift to the Rotary Foundation NOW. Become a PHF or Multiple PHF. Thank you.

INTERCLUB ACTIVITIES



We wish to acknowledge receipt of payment and commitment from members who have indicated positive RSVP for Gov RUDY BEDIONES' Handover to be held come July 14, 2018 Saturday at the Manila Hotel Fiesta Pavilion 4PM. Registration starts 3pm.

Attire: Barong for men; Filipiniana for ladies

- 1- IPPres Jimmie Policarpio
- 2- Pres Susing Pineda
- 3- VP Chito Zalzarriaga - pd
- 4- Dir Issam Eldebs
- 5- Dir Caloy Reyes. Pd
- 6- Dir Albert Alday. Pd
- 7- Dir Bobby Joseph. Pd
- 8- Ms Anj Kwon. Pd
- 9- Ms Chinatsu Locsin. Pd
- 10-Dir Jackie Rodriguez. Pd
- 11- Sec Alvin Lacambacal
- 12- BLA Amading Valdez
- 13- AS Rene Policarpio
- 14- AT Jason Ong
- 15- PD John Cenica
- 16- Rtn Celso Abastillas- pd
- 17- Rtn Gani Macatoman
- 18- PP Benny Laguesma - pd
- 19- PP Frank Evaristo - pd
- 20- Rtn Willie Peliño - pd
- 21- PP Boy Guevara- pd
- 22- DSAA Oscar del Rosario- pd
- 23- PAT Hermie Esguerra- pd
- 24- PP Teddy Ocampo - pd
- 25- Rtn Johnny Chotrani- pd
- 26- Rtn Tong Payumo. Pd
- 27- PS Butch Marking- pd
- 28- PSAA Tony Lopa - pd
- 29- PD Bebot Pineda - pd
- 30- AT Ner Lonzaga- pd



DG Rudy Bediones led the Governor's Visit of the Rotary Club of Quirino Manila Central last July 6, 2018 at the Legend Seafood Restaurant in Pasay City.



DG Rudy Bediones attended the Handover and 17th Induction Ceremonies of the Rotary Club of Quirino Manila Central last July 6, 2018 at the Legend Seabod Restaurant in Pasay City where Inspiring President Roderick "Ricky" Siy was inducted.



PSDG/PDCoS/Dir. Albert Alday attended the District 3810 Philippine Rotary Magazine (PRM) Committee Meeting headed by District Governor's Representative to PRM PDG Lyne Abanilla last July 9, 2018 at the Engracia Hall of the Aristocrat Restaurant in Manila.



DG Rudy and Lady Sharon Bediones attended the Rotary International District 3780 Induction and Handover Ceremonies last July 8, 2018 at the Marriott Grand Ballroom, Newport, Pasay City where DG Pastor "Mar" Reyes, Jr. was inducted.



DG Rudy Bediones presides over the District 3810 First Area Meeting last July 9, 2018 at the Engracia Hall of the Aristocrat Restaurant in Manila. Also present were SDG/VPLance Masters and GML Managing Editor PSDG/PDCoS/Dir. Albert Alday.

PUBLIC HEALTH NUTRITION AND CHILD CARE



BOOST YOUR HEALTH AND MOOD THROUGH MUSIC

Elias D. Adamos, M.D.

The executive editor of Harvard Heart Letter, Julie Corlis, on June 07, 2018, posted “Music and Your Heart Health.” Her article is about the role of the auditory system and other areas of the brain that can boost mood and health through music.

Do you have a cheer up song?

Survey on this topic concluded that cheer up songs are songs are list of songs that perk up your mood and sometimes, if not most of the time, positively make you nostalgic; most of them are songs when you were in high school and college. Cheer up songs actually boosts your health as well as your mood.

Music and your brain

“There is no other stimulus on earth that simultaneously engages our brains as widely as music does,” says Brian Harris, a certified neurologic music therapist at Harvard-affiliated Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospital.

Music connects not only with your ears or sense of hearing. It also engages areas of your brain that are responsible for language, attention, memory, and emotion. This universal activation happens whether you listen to music, play a musical instrument, or sing – even informally in your car or inside the shower.

Make your heart sing

Music can also alter your brain chemistry. Listening to or creating music triggers the release of dopamine, a brain chemical or neurotransmitter that makes people engaged and motivated. Authorities claim that the effect of dopamine can be likened to the effects of a stimulant like cannabis or methamphetamine. Dopamine stimulation through music is therefore considered as a “*drugless high*.” As Harris points out, “An exercise class without music is unimaginable.” Many research conclude that chemical changes in the brain produce cardiovascular benefits. Studies have found that listening to music may affect the heart in the following:

1. Enables people to exercise longer during cardiac stress testing done on a treadmill or stationary bike.
2. Improve blood vessel function by relaxing arteries.
3. Help heart rate and blood pressure levels to return to baseline more quickly after physical exertion.
4. Ease anxiety in heart attack survivors.
5. Help people recovering from heart surgery to feel less pain and anxiety.

So why then do you still care about your high school and college songs? Research suggests the benefits from patient-selected music rather than those selected by someone else. According to *American Music Therapy Association*, “Music provokes responses due to the familiarity, predictability, and feelings of security associated with it.”

RCMFI AND SAGIP KABATAAN OFFICERS

RCManila Foundation Board of Trustees RY 2017-2018 PD Rob Sears Chairman Dir. Issam Eldebs President Trustees IPP Teddy Ocampo Pres. Jimmie Policarpio VP Chito Zaldivarriaga Dir. Lance Masters Dir. Caloy Reyes Dir. Susang Pineda IPT Chito Tagaysay PD Abe Pascual PDBeda Fajardo Secretary Alvin Lacambacol Treasurer Nicky Villaseñor	OFFICERS OF THE BOARD Secretary Alvin Lacambacol Secretary Treasurer Nicky Villaseñor Treasurer AS Rene Policarpio Assistant Secretary AT Ner Lonzaga Assistant Treasurer
SAGIP KABATAAN FOUNDATION Board of Trustees CY 2018 RCMPres. Jimmie Policarpio Chairman PD Abe Pascual President Trustees PD Philip Ong DGE Rudy Bediones PPEbot Tan PP Benny Laguesma PDBeda Fajardo PD Nick Locsin AT Ner Lonzaga PAT Hermie Esquerro PT Jim Chua PT Chito Tagaysay Officers of the Board IPSDG/IPDCoS/Dir. Albert S. Alday Secretary PT Chito Tagaysay Treasurer PD Nick Locsin Assistant Treasurer	

THE ROTARY CLUB OF MANILA

BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND EXECUTIVE OFFICERS RY 2018-2019

SUSING PINEDA
President

JIMMIE POLICARPIO
Immediate Past President

LANCE MASTERS
Vice President

RAFFY ALUNAN
ALBERT ALDAY
ISSAM ELDEBS
CALOY REYES
BOBBY JOSEPH
JACKIE RODRIGUEZ
Directors

ALVIN LACAMBACAL
Secretary

NICKY VILLASEÑOR
Treasurer

AMADING VALDEZ
Board Legal Adviser

RENE POLICARPIO
Assistant Secretary

NER LONZAGA
JASON ONG
Assistant Treasurers

DAVE REYNOLDS
Sergeant-At-Arms

OSCAR DEL ROSARIO
Deputy Sgt-At-Arms

ANNA KUN TOLEDO
Secretariat



PRES. SUSING PINEDA
Publisher

PSDG/PDCoSDir. ALBERT S. ALDAY
GML Managing Editor, District 3810
Chairman, BALITA Committee
Editor-in-Chief

AS RENE POLICARPIO
Co-Chairman, BALITA Committee
Managing Editor

PSAA ELOY ADAMOS
SDG/P LANCE MASTERS
Contributing Editors

RCM SECRETARIAT

ANNA KUN TOLEDO
Executive Secretary

EMMANUEL L. SALAZAR
Senior Coordinator

AMIEL M. HERNANDEZ
Committee Coordinator

ELOISA P. MANCENIDO
Funds Coordinator

PRINCESS NOIMIE A. JAVIER
Staff Assistant

RCM OFFICE

543 Arquilza Street corner
Grey Street, Ermita, Manila
Tels. No. 527-1886 & 527-1887
Fax No. 527-1885
Email: rcmanila@rcmanila.org

PROGRAM

RCM's 2nd for Rotary Centennial Year 2018-2019

Thursday July 12, 2018 Makati Diamond Residences

Officer-In-Charge/ Program Moderator : PVP Fausto Preysler

PROGRAM TIMETABLE

11:30 AM	Registration & Cocktails (WINES courtesy of Centennial Dir. "Bobby" Joseph)	
12:25 PM	Bell to be Rung: Members and Guests are requested to be seated by OIC/Moderator :	PVP Fausto Preysler
12:30 PM	Call to Order Singing of the Republic of the Philippines	Pres. Susing Pineda
	National Anthem Invocation	RCM WF Music Chorale PP Boy Guevara
	RCM Hymn	RCM WF Music Choral
	The Four (4) Way Test Credo	All Rotarians led by BLA Amading Valdez
12:35 PM	Introduction of - -Guests, Visiting Rotarians & Personalities at the Head Table	Rtn Ricky Trinidad
	Welcome Song	RCM WF Music Chorale
12:40 PM	Maligayang Bati (RCM Birthday Celebrants) July 13...Rtn Joel Valdes July 23..Rtn. Teyng Arcilla July 14...DG Rudy Bediones July 24..Rtn. Philip Recto July 15...PA Ric Roqueza, and July 26..PS Ivan Uy PSAA Muhammad Aslam July 17...Rtn. Jack Branellec Aug. 1..Rtn. Mike Sicat July 19...PDG Obet Pagdanganan July 20...VP Lance Masters Happy Birthday Song	WF Music Chorale RCM WF Music Chorale
	Special raffle of valuable items	
12:45 PM	Presentation of Paul Harris Fellow Arch C. Klumph Society Certificate and Pin, to Dir. Jackie Rodriguez , Major Donor to The Rotary Foundation Pres. Susing Pineda	

12:55 PM	Induction of new member to RCManila Membership PD Art Lopez Mr. Ramon B. Arnaiz (Filipino) Chairman, RACO Trading Philippines, Inc. Classification: TRADING-Commodities Trading Proposer: Pres. Susing Pineda Brief introduction of inductee / Formal Induction Ceremony	Pres. Susing Pineda
1:00 PM	President's Time	Pres. Susing Pineda
1:05 PM	Introduction of Guest of Honor and Speaker	His Excellency Sung Kim Ambassador Extraordinary & Plenipotentiary of the USA to the Phils. Honorary Member, RCM
	Address : His Excellency Jose Manuel G. Romualdez Ambassador Extraordinary & Plenipotentiary of the Republic Philippines to the United States of America Public Forum	
2:00 PM	Response, Presentation of a token of appreciation to Ambassador Jose Manuel G. Romualdez & Meeting Adjournment	Pres. Susing Pineda