

Presentation of RCM check for the Governor's Fund **Pres. Susing Pineda**

12:55 PM President's Time **Pres. Susing Pineda**

1:00 PM Introduction of the Guest of Honor and Speaker **Rtn Tong Payumo**

Address : **Hon. Jose "Joe" C. De Venecia, Jr.**  
 Special Envoy for Inter-Cultural Dialogue  
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 Conference of Asian Political Parties  
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Public Forum

2:00 PM Response, presentation of plaque of appreciation to  
**Hon. Jose "Joe" C. De Venecia, Jr.**  
 & meeting adjournment **Pres. Susing Pineda**



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- 2. IS IT FAIR TO ALL CONCERN?**
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ALL CONCERN?**

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## GUEST OF HONOR AND SPEAKER



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## KABALITA

Let our very own Legislator and Peace Advocate Par Excellence show the world how rebuilding roads of congeniality bring wonders to mankind as he takes the podium at his home, Asia's First Rotary Club.

## Countdown to Centennial

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Honorable JOSE DE VENECIA, Jr., who was elected five-times as Speaker of the House of Representatives, Republic of the Philippines (1992-1995, 1995-1998, 2001-2004, 2004-2007 and 2007-2008), unprecedented in postwar Philippine Congress, is Founding Chairman and Chairman of the Standing Committee of the International Conference of Asian Political Parties (ICAPP), now composed of more

than 340 ruling, opposition and independent political parties in 52 countries in Asia.

Last December 2016, he was also chosen Chairman, with former 30-year U.S. Congressman Dan Burton as Co-Chairman, of the International Association of Parliamentarians for Peace (IAPP), representing members of parliament from the various continents.

He is also President of the Centrist Asia Pacific Democrats International (CAP-DI), the first organization in Asia Pacific, bringing together political parties and key institutions of civil society, think tanks, business leaders, media, women and youth groups.

#### INITIATIVES IN ASIA

- Co-founded the Asian Parliamentary Assembly (APA), composed of more than 40 parliaments in Asia, with Sen. Mushahid Hussain Sayed of Pakistan, to create what he envisioned to be the beginnings of an Asian Parliament. He also transferred the APA headquarters from Manila to Tehran to bring APA into an Asia-wide organization, instead of limited to East Asia, and to help bring Iran into the mainstream. De Venecia also served as President of the Association of Asian Parliaments for Peace (AAPP), forerunner of APA, and twice President of the ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Organization (AIPO).

- Initiated and co-founded the Asian Peace and Reconciliation Council (APRC), with former Thai Deputy Prime Minister and former Foreign Minister Surakiart Sathirathai, composed of former heads of governments, leaders of parliament, foreign ministers and policy-makers. APRC aims to assist governments and organizations in peace-building and conflict resolution in Asia and other areas.

- In the belief that Asia's future depends on its economic and political integration, JDV has proposed an ASIAN Parliament, (an expansion of the proposed smaller ASEAN Parliament), an Asian Monetary Fund (which he acknowledges was initiated by the Japanese), an Asian Anti-Poverty Fund or Asian Micro-Finance Fund, or Global Anti-Poverty Fund, and other modalities of cooperation that he hopes will eventually contribute to an Asian Community.

- Another JDV initiative is the Debt-for-Equity Program that the Philippines has proposed to the U.N., the IMF, and the Paris Club (which organizations de Venecia personally addressed) and the G-7 and G-20 nations. The formula empowers the poorest and heavily indebted debtor-countries (102 countries) to divert a percentage of their debt-service payments into anti-poverty programs that offer the prospect of profit, and recently for anti-climate change projects. This is still awaiting consideration.



RCM's 30th for Rotary Centennial Year 2018-2019  
Thursday, February 21, 2019, New World Makati Hotel Ballroom  
Officer-In-Charge/ Program Moderator : PVP Fausto Preysler

#### PROGRAM TIMETABLE

D-3810 Governor Rodolfo P. Bediones' Official Visit to the Club

|          |                                                                                          |                                                       |
|----------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| 11:30 AM | Registration & Cocktails (WINES courtesy of Centennial Dir. "Bobby" Joseph)              |                                                       |
| 12:27 PM | Bell to be Rung:<br>Members and Guests are requested to be seated                        |                                                       |
| 12:29 PM | Welcome remarks/Formal Turnover of the Program to the OIC/Moderator                      | <b>DE/BLA Amading Valdez</b>                          |
|          | Chairman, Program Committee                                                              |                                                       |
| 12:30 PM | Program Proper                                                                           | <b>PVP Fausto Preysler</b><br>OIC/Moderator           |
|          | Call to Order                                                                            | <b>Pres. Susing Pineda</b><br>Presiding Officer       |
|          | Singing of the Philippine National Anthem                                                | <b>RCM WF Music Chorale</b>                           |
|          | Invocation                                                                               | <b>PP Frank Evaristo</b>                              |
|          | RCM Hymn                                                                                 | <b>RCM WF Music Chorale</b>                           |
|          | The Four (4) Way Test Credo                                                              | All Rotarians led by<br><b>Star Rtn. Ariel Abriam</b> |
| 12:35 PM | Introduction of Guests/Visiting Rotarians/Personalities Seated at the Presidential Table | <b>DE/Dir. Caloy Reyes</b>                            |
|          | Welcome Song                                                                             | <b>RCM WF Music Chorale</b>                           |
| 12:40 PM | Maligayang Bati (RCM Birthday Celebrants)                                                |                                                       |
|          | Feb. 21.....PD Ning Lopez                                                                |                                                       |
|          | Feb. 22.....Rtn Dante Gierran                                                            |                                                       |
|          | Feb. 27.....DE/Treas. Nicky Villaseñor, Rtn Dicky Yujuico                                |                                                       |
|          | Mar. 1.....AT Jason Ong, Rtn Raji Mendoza                                                |                                                       |
|          | Mar. 2.....PVP Fausto Preysler, Rtn Ray Rysbergen                                        |                                                       |
|          | Mar. 6.....Rtn Mari Antuñez                                                              |                                                       |
|          | Happy Birthday Song                                                                      | <b>RCM WF Music Chorale</b>                           |
| 12:45 PM | Message                                                                                  | <b>D-3810 Governor Rudy Bediones</b>                  |

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• JDV also initiated the Philippine proposal—which the United Nations has approved and began to carry out—Interfaith Dialogue to help heal politico-religious and cultural schisms in Asia, the Middle East, and Africa, principally those between Islam and the West, the Sunni-Shi'ite conflicts, etc. to prevent the dreaded "clash of civilizations" and "clash of religions," following his speeches at the U.N. General Assembly and the U.N. Security Council.

• JDV serves as Co-Chairman of the International Ecological Safety Collaborative Organization (IESCO), devoted to fighting climate change and environmental degradation, with offices in Beijing and New York and granted Special Consultative Status at the U.N. Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC).

• JDV was appointed Co-Chairman of the International Association of Parliamentarians for Peace (IAPP) during its launching in Washington D.C., December 2016, with former U.S. Congressional leader Dan Burton, also as Co-Chairman.

• JDV sits as Chairman Emeritus of the Universal Peace Federation (UPF) with offices in Seoul and in New York, and as Board Member of the Sunhak Peace Prize Committee. Established by the late Rev. Sun Myung Moon, Sunhak Peace Prize is the Asian counterpart of the prestigious Nobel Peace Prize, which honors individuals and organizations that have made significant contributions to peace and human development.

• JDV also serves as Chairman of the Advisory Committee of the Philippine Council for Foreign Relations (PCFR).

POLITICAL LEADER

• He was first elected congressman in 1969, at the age of 32, but after two years, Congress was abolished by then late President Marcos under Martial Law. Upon democracy's return, he ran again in a new congressional seat in Pangasinan (4th District) in 1987 and subsequently became Acting Chairman of the House Foreign Relations Committee.

• In the disastrous earthquake of 1990 which destroyed his hometown Dagupan City and parts of Baguio, La Union and Cabanatuan City, JDV authored with Rep. Rolando Andaya the P10-billion Earthquake Fund Law and went to various countries to seek official assistance and completely rebuilt Dagupan City in two years.

• Elected five-times as Speaker of the House of Representatives (1992-1995, 1995-1998, 2001-2004, 2004-2007 and 2007-2008), which is unprecedented in postwar Philippine Congress.

• Co-founded, with then President Fidel Ramos and Foreign Secretary Raul Manglapus, the Lakas-Christian Muslim Democrats (Lakas-CMD), which became the ruling party for some 15 years. He was alternately its Secretary General, President, Chairman and Co-Chairman.

- Architect of the "Rainbow Coalition" in the House of Representatives, which united the country during the turbulent post-Martial Law years, and which paved the way for the smooth passage of the economic, political and social reform legislation, principally more than 200 reform laws, during the Ramos administration, helping create the modest Philippine economic miracle in the Ramos years.

- Ran for president in the 1998 elections. He emerged second in the field of 10 candidates, with four rivals in his own party, and with President Joseph Estrada as winner. When Estrada went to prison, de Venecia initiated a move for his pardon. De Venecia's running mate, Vice President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo, succeeded to the presidency. Mr. Estrada later became Mayor of Manila.

#### LAWMAKER

- JDV, with Reps. Felicito Payumo and Victor Ortega, was the principal author of the landmark B-O-T (Build-Operate-Transfer) Law, which has become a model for other developing countries and the formula for "Private-Public Partnerships." In the Philippines the law has made possible private investments and public-private partnerships in infrastructure projects in the 1990s valued in excess of \$30 billion as early as the mid-1990's.

- He authored the Military Bases Conversion Law, which has turned the former American military bases on Luzon Island—the biggest of them being Clark Airfield and Subic Naval Base, including Baguio's Camp John Hay and La Union's Camp Wallace and Poro Point—into thriving export zones and free ports. The law which JDV authored included the conversion of the Filipino military camps Fort Bonifacio into the now booming satellite city in Metro Manila and the Resorts World in the old Nichols Air Base, also in Metro Manila.

- He co-authored the law which created the Central Bank of the Philippines—a reform that has strengthened supervision of the country's financial sector and opened banking to greater competition.

#### PEACEMAKER

- In the early 1990s, Speaker de Venecia reached out to Muslim secessionists (MNLF) in Mindanao, southern Philippines, to mutinous rightist military officers (RAM-YOU) and to the Communist New People's Army (NPA) insurgents.

- He crossed the North African desert twice to meet Libyan Leader Muammar Qaddafi, then-patron of the largest rebel force in Mindanao and the MNLF leader Filipino Muslim Nur Misuari. The peace agreement with the MNLF was subsequently signed in 1996, following JDV's offer of a Coalition Agreement with Nur Misuari, who became ARMM governor.

- His talks with rightist military officers who launched eight coup attempts between 1987 and 1989 led to a ceasefire in December 1992, a peace agreement with the Government in 1995, and subsequently to an amnesty program initiated by President Fidel Ramos and JDV, approved by Congress for Rightist, Communist, and Muslim rebels.

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## JOURNALIST

• After graduation, at the age of nineteen, he became Manila Bureau chief and Philippine correspondent for Pan-Asia Newspaper Alliance, then Asia's earliest wire news agency. He wrote a weekly column on Asian affairs that appeared in the pre-martial law Philippines Herald, a Pulitzer Prize winning newspaper under then Editor Carlos Romulo. His articles also appeared in a number of Asian newspapers.

• Co-founded in the 1960s the Radio Philippines Network, now the RPN, which pioneered in radio broadcasting stations in the Northern Luzon capitals of Baguio, Laoag and Tuguegarao, which holdings he later sold when he was appointed Minister to Vietnam in 1966. It is today one of the large Radio-TV networks.

## DECORATIONS

• Received from French President Jacques Chirac in Paris the French Legion of Honor, decoration from King Juan Carlos of Spain, high decorations from the Royal Government of Cambodia, and the Government of Equatorial Guinea in Africa, the Knights of Rizal, the International Conference of Asian Political Parties (ICAPP), and honorary doctorates from universities at home and abroad.

• JDV has addressed the U.N. General Assembly, the U.N. Security Council, the Council of Europe, and spoke in meetings at the British Parliament, the French National Assembly, the Japanese Diet, China's Great Hall of the People, Italy's National Assembly, the Belgian Parliament, and the California and Guam Legislatures.

• Today he is regularly invited to speaking engagements in Asia and various parts of the world.

## EARLY LIFE

• Born on December 26, 1936 in Barangay Pogo Grande, Dagupan City, in the northwestern province of Pangasinan on the main Philippine island of Luzon, to late Judge Jose Ravago de Venecia and Casimira Villamil Claveria. His grandfather Guillermo de Venecia was Mayor of the then Municipality of Dagupan.

• Youngest among eight siblings.

• Finished High School at De La Salle College, Manila.

• Studied Journalism at the Ateneo de Manila where he became an Editor of The Guidon, the award-winning student newspaper, and Editor-in-Chief of The Aegis, the school annual. In his senior year, The Guidon was rated one of the best college newspapers of the world by the U.S. Columbia University.

## RCM Members' Attendance Report RY 2018-2019

## Rtn Joe de Venecia, Former Speaker of the House

*Thursday, 14 February 2019*

|                              |  |            |
|------------------------------|--|------------|
| All members present          |  | 47         |
| Less: Exempt from attendance |  | 11         |
| Total active members         |  | 36         |
| ADD: Make-Up *               |  | 1          |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                 |  | <b>37</b>  |
| <b>Total # of Members</b>    |  | <b>229</b> |
| Less: Exempt from attendance |  | 33         |
| <b>On Leave</b>              |  | <b>22</b>  |
| 1 Abriam, Ariel              |  |            |
| 2 Alcantara, Butch           |  |            |
| 3 Alunan, Raffy              |  |            |
| 4 Arnaiz, Mon                |  |            |
| 5 Benedicto, Noy             |  |            |
| 6 Bolton, Bollie             |  |            |
| 7 Gogovich, Jason            |  |            |
| 8 Davis, Ray                 |  |            |
| 9 De Rossi, Andy             |  |            |
| 10 Engelbrecht, Francois     |  |            |
| 11 Evaristo, Frank           |  |            |
| 12 Fajardo, Beda             |  |            |
| 13 Go, Mike                  |  |            |
| 14 Goerlich, Bodo            |  |            |
| 15 Gonzales, Peter           |  |            |
| 16 Hallare, Jun              |  |            |
| 17 Jankovsky, Zdenek         |  |            |
| 18 Palacios, Hans            |  |            |
| 19 Patterson, Colin          |  |            |
| 20 Pelino, Willie            |  |            |
| 21 Robertz, Cons             |  |            |
| 22 Sibayan, Lito             |  |            |

|                                              |            |           |
|----------------------------------------------|------------|-----------|
| Total Active Members (Total Percentage Base) | 174        |           |
| <b>TOTAL ATTENDANCE %:</b>                   | <b>21%</b> |           |
| <b>ATTENDANCE REPORT</b>                     |            |           |
| List of members and guest in attendance:     | 2.07.2019  | 2.14.2019 |
| RCM Members                                  | 61         | 58        |
| Members' guest                               | 19         | 10        |
| Members' spouse                              | 0          | 6         |
| Visiting Rotarians                           | 9          | 1         |
| Honorary Members                             | 0          | 0         |
| Club Guest- RAC Manila                       | 0          | 0         |
| Club Guest - RAC DLSU/CSB                    | 0          | 0         |
| Club Guests- guest of GOHS                   | 1          | 2         |
| Media                                        |            | 0         |
| <b>Total</b>                                 | <b>90</b>  | <b>77</b> |



## TEEN DEPRESSION (Part 4)

Elias D. Adamos, M.D.

Signals that your teen needs to seek professional help

As parent or guardian to your teen, it is sometimes difficult to determine what is normal and what is not. Ups and downs are very common in teenagers and these are the reasons why it is so hard to decide whether you need to bring your teen to a doctor or you just need to wait and see what happens next. There are simple rules of thumb that, like an alarm, can prompt you and make you decide that your teenager, who is in crisis, needs to see a doctor:

1. If his behaviors or feelings are already interfering with his daily life, like schoolwork, sleep, family, friendships, and relationships, and such feelings or behaviors are persistent during the last two weeks or so, he needs professional help.
2. If your teens safety is already at stake, like for example, he begins to talk about suicide or ending his life, or if he starts to become a danger to those around him (violent behaviors), talk to a doctor, a guidance counselor, or a mental health professional. Your family doctor is a good starting point. You may also try visiting the school physician who may recommend someone who is trained to handle adolescents in crisis or dilemma.

When is there a need to involve other persons in your teen's problem?

Suicide is often associated with teen depression. If you think your teenager is in danger of hurting himself or he poses danger to other people, share your concerns with his teacher, a priest or spiritual leader, a fellow parent, or someone else you trust. If you have difficulty in conversing or communicating with your teen, encourage him to reach out to a close friend or loved one. Seek help from your primary doctor. Talk to his best friend or the family member closes to him and make sure someone always stays with him, most especially at night, when most suicides happen, probably because of some confusion during that particularly moment of the day. Never ignore comments or concerns about suicide. Always take action to get help.

What can happen if teen depression is left untreated?

Teen depression symptoms likely will not get better without treatment. If left untreated teen depression might get worse or lead to other problems. Without treatment or professional help and advice, your teen might resort to alcohol and drugs. He might have academic and school problems. Not to mention suicide, he might end up committing juvenile crimes that are punishable under the judicial system. His symptoms might lead to, start and complicate family and relationship problems.

(To be continued)

## FAMILY

• JDV is married to Ma. Georgina Vera-Perez, who has ended her second term (2010-2013, 2013-2016) in 2016 as Congresswoman of the 4th District of Pangasinan. Congresswoman Gina de Venecia was also elected in January, 2011 President of the 80-strong Association of Women Legislators in the House of Representatives and was unanimously reelected last September 25, 2013. She led three successive Congressional Ladies Missions to China. As President of the Congressional Spouses Foundation, Inc. (CSFI), she led congressional spouses in building 17 women's centers nationwide that have treated almost 20,000 raped and abused women, carried out a parallel program with regional branches for drug-dependent street children in Metro Manila and the provinces, and a senior citizens complex in Rizal Province, who have been abandoned by their families. Recently, Gina de Venecia established a center for mothers, Inang Naulila sa Anak (INA), who have lost their children, in partnership with the Department of Social Welfare and Development. Her successful initiatives for women and children have earned admiration at home and abroad.

• His children, Alexandra, finished with a Doctorate in Chemistry in the U.S. Princeton University, after graduating from Wellesley College, married to Mark Haner, also with a doctorate from Princeton. Alexandra is also a patent lawyer for international companies; Leslie, finished in Yale with Masters in Columbia University, is a weekly columnist of the Barrons, the prestigious economic magazine in the U.S. and was former professor at Columbia University; Vivian Garcia is a graduate with Masters in Social Work at Smith College, married to Dr. Dennis Garcia, who finished at Harvard; son Joey de Venecia III, currently as Honorary Consul of Azerbaijan, was a scholar and finished his MBA and was assistant professor at Fordham University and was former Executive Vice President of Vice President Jejomar Binay's PDP-Laban Party, now incumbent President Duterte's ruling party. He has since retired from the Party. And youngest son Christopher, who finished Political Science at the Ateneo de Manila University, was a youth columnist of the newspaper Philippine Star and a director-producer of Broadway plays staged in Manila, who was elected and also succeeded his mother as the incumbent Congressman of the 4th Congressional District of Pangasinan; and stepchildren Carissa C. Evangelista, former Trade and Industry Undersecretary and graduate of Boston University, married to business executive Juju Evangelista; and Felipe Cruz III, a graduate of the Ateneo and with a Masters, with honors, in Publishing at New York University.

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Dear Fellow Manila Rotarians,

Last week, we celebrated Valentine's Day with a renewed love for our economy this 2019. with great insights from Socio-Economic Planning Secretary Ernesto Pernia. With our Rotary Ann's present and red roses distributed amid the serenade of Ms. Kate Castillo, our club experienced a celebration like no other.

The day of reckoning for our centennial culminating activities is fast approaching. Hence, to ease the burden on our shoulders, our club has formally engaged the services of Prime Trade Asia, Inc. as the events team for our activities and Mr. Frederick Alegre to handle our public relations.

We are vigorously campaigning throughout the Rotary districts, participation in "A Legacy of Rotary Service". Towards this end, we are making our presence felt in the 81st Charter Anniversary of the Rotary Club of Baguio as well as in the Rotary Concerns Forum in Clark.

Likewise, I will be delivering the Welcome Address at the DISCON 2019 in OKADA MANILA on March 1, 2019 and will take the opportunity to invite fellow Rotarians in the district to attend our centennial celebration.

The Centennial Awards Committee has already closed the reception of entries. Twenty-eight (28) entries have been submitted from the ten (10) districts of the Philippines. Towards this end, we have invited His Excellency Sung Kim, Ambassador of the United States of America to the Republic of the Philippines, to head the panel of judges composed of Ayala Foundation President Ruel Maranan and Gawad Kalinga Founder Antonio Meloto. Two other distinguished judges will be invited to complete the panel.



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01 February 2019

JESUS 'SUSING' PINEDA, JR.

Centennial President

RC Manila, D3810

Dear Pres. Susing,

Greetings from the Rotary Club of Baguio! Hope all is well with you.

We would like to ardently invite you, Rotary Club of Manila officers and members to attend Rotary Club of Baguio's 81<sup>st</sup> Charter Anniversary Celebration on February 27, 2019 at Baguio Country Club, WC Forbes Ballroom at 6:00pm.

This is a very special occasion for us as we will reach another milestone of our club for sustaining its existence for 81 years. We will be very happy to welcome you and your members to join us in this one big celebration!

We respect and look up to you as our Mother Club. We have sustained the deep friendship and partnership in service through the years and we continue to do good in the world. Again, our heartfelt thanks for your unrelenting support to our club and we look forward to more collaborative projects with RC Manila.

Please honor our club with your presence and we enthusiastically await your positive response to our invitation.

Yours in Rotary,

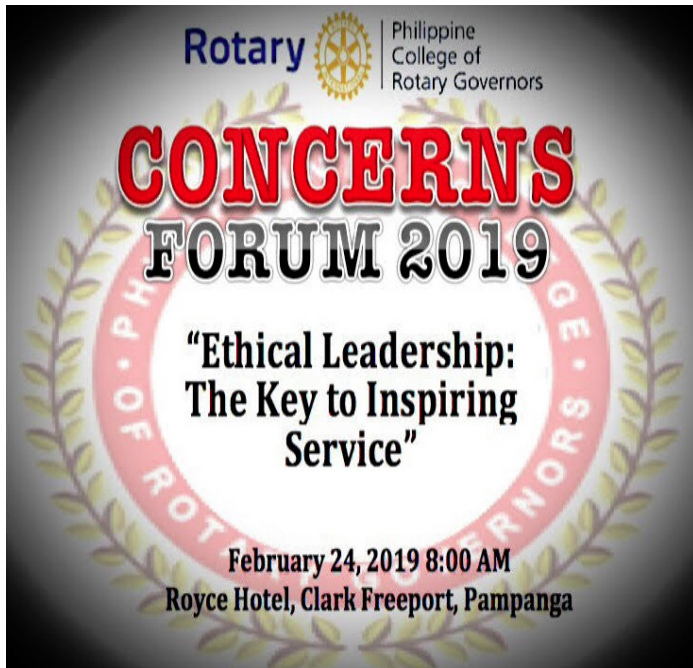
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The Rotary Club of Manila Centennial Chorale Competition has just revised the Final Guidelines for the Grand Finals. The members of the committee met with representatives of the DepEd for this purpose. On this note, I wish to thank DE/BLA Amading Valdez for hosting the meeting at the Tower Club.

The Centennial Commemorative Stamps are now on sale. Please don't miss the opportunity to secure for yourself this once in a lifetime memorabilia.

The Rotary Club of Manila Educational Assistance Program (REAP) needs more benefactors so that we can help more students from PLM and PUP realize their dreams of a better life.

Today, we welcome our very own Manila Rotarian, the Hon. Jose "Joe" de Venecia, Jr., Special Envoy for Inter-cultural Dialogue, Founding Chairman of the International Conference of Asian Political Parties (ICAPP) and Former Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Republic of the Philippines, as he talks on "Rebuilding Roads to Peace" in the Asian region. Earlier, we had a fruitful Governor's Visit to our club.

Undoubtedly, all these are colossal undertakings which need our earnest efforts in furtherance of Service Above Self. Indeed, great things in Rotary are never done by a single individual, but, by a team of Rotarians, moving together towards a common goal. Under ONE CENTURY, towards ONE MISSION and in furtherance of ONE ROTARY, the best is yet to come. Let us all BE THE INSPIRATION as we embrace Rotary in our everyday lives.





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### Fees\*

|                                          | Rotarians | Rotaractors |
|------------------------------------------|-----------|-------------|
| Now through 15 December                  | \$395     | \$120       |
| 16 December 2018 to 31 March 2019        | \$495     | \$170       |
| 1 April 2019 until the convention closes | \$595     | \$220       |

\*All prices include a 19 percent value-added tax (VAT)



# DISTRICT CONFERENCE 2019

HOST CLUB: ROTARY CLUB OF MANILA

When: MARCH 01-02, 2019

Where: OKADA HOTEL

Cost: P 4,500

### PAYMENT DETAILS:

Project account -  
Rotary Club of Manila  
151-7-15151486-0

Deposit slips should be submitted either by email to [rcmanila@rcmanila.org](mailto:rcmanila@rcmanila.org), viber to 09083737405 or fax to 5271885 to allow the Rotary Club of Manila to acknowledge payment not later than three days after bank transaction is made.

## RSVP

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

As the Host Club of the our District 3810 Conference to be held in Okada Resort Hotel on March 1 and 2, 2019 and in support of our District Governor/PP Rudy Bediones, our Club is raising to buy a minimum of 100 tickets at P4,500/ticket as our participation in this great Rotary event.

As such, may I request all of us to be active participants in our District Conference by purchasing ticket/s to attend this 2-days Rotary event as part of our involvement in the Rotary Movement in the Philippines and as active members of the Rotary Club of Manila, the first and premier club in Asia.

For your information, 30 members have committed to support the Ad Sponsorship with a value of P300,000 as our initial support to the District Conference.

Kindly indicate your valued commitment and support by signing up for your ticket reservation/s with premier seats reserved for our Club.

Thank you.

Yours in Rotary,

Susing Pineda  
Centennial President



ISDG/IS/DE/Dir. Albert Alday sharing his suggestions on resilience of new Rotary clubs during the Assistant Governors and District Team Training Seminar.



ISDG/IS/DE/Dir. Albert Alday attended the Assistant Governors and District Team Training Seminar for District Officers serving during RY 2019-2020 last February 16, 2019 at the Midas Tent, Midas Hotel and Casino, Pasay City. He attended in his capacity as Senior Deputy Governor for District Publications and Editor-in-Chief of the Governor's Monthly Letter (GML) for RY 2019-2020. Photo shows him receiving his certificate with the other members of the EXECOM.



The District 3810 Champion Team of District Officers who will serve during RY 2019-2020.

## ON ROTARY LEADERSHIP

By: PDG Alex Cureg

### THE ART OF WAR Part I



Sun Tzu was a premier military tactician. In the 6th century B.C., he wrote an immensely influential book, *The Art of War*.

Sun Tzu's *The Art of War* brought him to the notice of Ho Lu, the King of Wu. Ho Lu asked Sun Tzu: "May I submit your theory of managing soldiers to a test? And may the test be applied to women?" Sun Tzu agreed, and so arrangements were made to bring 180 of the King's most beautiful concubines out of the Palace.

Sun Tzu proceeded to divide them into two companies and placed one of the King's favorite concubines at the head of each company. He told them all to take spears in their hands and addressed them thus: "When I say, 'Eyes front,' you must look straight ahead. When I say, 'Left turn,' you must face towards your left hand. When I say, 'Right turn,' you must face towards your right hand. When I say, 'About turn,' you must face right round towards your back. At first, the women assented. He then gave the order "Right turn." But the women only burst out laughing. Sun Tzu said: "If words of command are not clear and distinct, if orders are not thoroughly understood, then the general is to blame."

Patience, he started drilling them again, whereupon the women once more burst into fits of laughter. Sun Tzu declared: "If words of command are not clear and distinct, if orders are not thoroughly understood, the general is to blame. But if his orders ARE clear, and the soldiers nevertheless disobey, then it is the fault of their officers."

He ordered the leaders of the two companies to be beheaded. Now when the King of Wu heard that two of his favorite concubines were about to be executed, he implored of Sun Tzu: "If we are bereft of these two concubines, our meat and drink will lose their savor. It is our wish that they shall not be beheaded." But Sun Tzu will not stand down. He had the two leaders beheaded and installed the next pair of concubines to act as leaders in their place. Sun Tzu began the drill once more. This time, the women went through all the entire drill flawlessly, not even venturing to utter a sound.

The King, still reeling from the loss of his two favorite concubines, did not wish to come down and inspect the troops. Sun Tzu said: "The King is only fond of words and cannot translate them into deeds." After that,

Ho Lu saw that Sun Tzu was one who knew how to handle an army and appointed him general. Sun Tzu claimed many territories for his king. What a grand tale. But historical records say that it did happen. Many important lessons can be derived from it, but I wish to stress only two of them: First, the importance of setting a good example as a leader and secondly, the importance of translating words into action.

Sun Tzu made perfect, though tragic, examples of the two beautiful concubines who were beheaded. As leaders, it is vital that we set an example to those whom we lead. We cannot reasonably expect our members to achieve something we cannot do ourselves. That is why it is our duty to set the standard of behavior in all aspects of our governance.

The second lesson that I want to share from the story is the importance of translating words into action. Sun Tzu said to the King: "The King is only fond of words and cannot translate them into deeds." Those are strong words against a King coming from a mere general, but nonetheless meaningful.

In this regard, I hope our club will be comprised of men who walk their talk. Let us do away with mere rhetoric and translate into action all the promises we have made. If, for example, we made pledges to contribute to THE ROTARY FOUNDATION, let us all make good our word on that. For the rest of us who have not made up their mind yet, I would like to encourage all of us to contribute 1,000 USD through the Annual Giving Program. It would be a great honor and achievement if, for this centennial year, the Rotary Club of Manila will become a 100% Paul Harris Fellow Club.

The Rotary Foundation's mission is to advance world understanding, goodwill and peace through the improvement of health, promotion of education through scholarship programs and alleviation of poverty. The Foundation promotes the Polio Plus Program such that for every dollar that is contributed, the Bill Gates Foundation shall match the same amount aiming for the complete eradication of this endemic disease.

To our dear RCM members, our club is the oldest club in Asia and with the celebration of our centennial year, I hope it is not a tall order when I ask that RCM lead others in contributing to The Rotary Foundation. When each one of us was inducted as a Rotarian, we all pledged to support not only our club but also the endeavors of Rotary. My dear RCM members, this is the time to walk our talk and deliver on all promises we have made, no matter how difficult. In so doing, you will set yourself apart as a true leader and leave behind a legacy worth emulating and remembering. Together with our esteemed RCM members, most of whom dare I say are captains of industries and able and enthusiastic Rotarians, we can make the Rotary Club of Manila a force to be reckoned with and "BE THE INSPIRATION" to all Rotary Clubs and Rotarians around the world. [to be continued....]



Rtn. Jun Aventura gets ready to blow the birthday cake held by his wife, Rotary Ann Emily Aventura.



Rtn. Deo Daniel Villacorta, Rtn. Geoffrey Yu, Birthday Boy Rtn. Jun Aventura and PP Teddy Ocampo



The RCManila Foundation held its Annual Meeting of the Board of Trustees to elect the Board of Trustees for RY 2019-2020 last February 14, 2019 at the Gallery 1 of the New World Makati Hotel in Makati City.



Rtn. Marcus Dee, DE/Treasurer Nicky Villaseñor, Rtn. Deo Daniel Villacorta, PP Teddy Ocampo, Rtn. Geoffrey Yu and DE/Dir. Caloy Reyes attended the Surprise Birthday Fellowship for Rtn. Jun Aventura last February 16, 2019 at the terrace of the Mireio Restaurant, Raffles Hotel, Makati City.



Rtn. Geoffrey Yu, Rtn. Thad Llamzon, DE/Treasurer Nicky Villaseñor, Rtn. Marcus Dee and Rtn. Deo Daniel Villacorta.

## CENTENNIAL PROJECTS



Rotary Club of Manila Centennial Watch is a limited edition watch (100 pieces) made by Ibarra bearing the new logo of the Rotary Club of Manila which will be sold as part of a fund-raising endeavor.

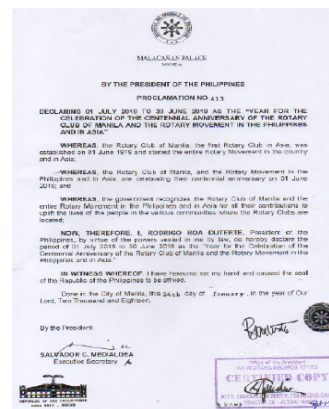


Monty Python's SPAMALOT is a Rotary Club of Manila-sponsored musical comedy adapted from the 1975 film Monty Python and the Holy Grail. Like the motion picture, it is a highly irreverent parody of the Arthurian legend, but it differs from the film in many ways. This show is a fund-raising endeavor of the club.

## HOSPICIO DE SAN JOSE-NORZAGARAY PROJECT



This project aims to provide shelter for street families from the City of Manila within the hospice site located in Norzagaray, Bulacan and to equip parents from these families with the livelihood skills training to be conducted within the hospice site to adequately prepare them for independent living.



Presidential Proclamation No. 413 is a proclamation signed by President Rodrigo Roa Duterte "declaring 01 July 2018 to 30 June 2019 as the 'Year for the Celebration of the Centennial Anniversary of the Rotary Club of Manila and the Rotary Movement in the Philippines and in Asia'". This was obtained through the help of IPP Jimmie Policarpio and his Board of Directors and Executive Officers.



Philippine Booth of the Rotary Club of Manila at the Rotary International Convention in Toronto, Canada was an initiative in cooperation with the Department of Tourism and Philippine Airlines to promote the centennial of the Rotary Club of Manila and the Rotary movement in the Philippines and in Asia. The booth was designed by Rotaractors from the Rotaract Club of Manila, one of our sponsored clubs.



**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.



Pres. Susing Pineda for his response, presentation of the centennial plate to Secretary Ernesto M. Pernia, as a token of appreciation and meeting adjournment.

### RCM WEEKLY BIRTHDAY CELEBRANTS



Pres. Susing Pineda presents the week's birthday celebrants : **PSAA Gunter Matschuck** and **Rtn Klaus Mueller** for the traditional blowing of the candle on the birthday cake amidst the singing by the RCM World Famous Chorale of the Happy Birthday song.



Ms. Kate Castillo performs requested songs with BLA Amading Valdez and PD Oscar dell Rosario from the floor on the occasion of Valentine's Day.



**Secretary Ernesto M. Pernia** presents before Manila Rotarians and Guests on the topic of "The Philippine Economy : Recent Performance, Infrastructure and Policy Reforms for Sustained Inclusive Growth."



Among the participants to the public forum were: **PE Jackie Rodriguez, PD Jess Santos, Rtn. Celso Abastillas and Rtn. Tong Payumo.**



**One Rotary One Philippines One for Marawi** is an initiative that aims to provide medical, psychological and palliative care to wounded soldiers who have fought for the liberation of Marawi from the shackles of terrorism as well as civilians who have been displaced as a result of the armed conflict.



**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.



**Seeds of Change** by Rotary Club of Manila is an initiative to plant 100,000 gmelina and seedlings in commemoration of the 100 years of the Rotary Club of Manila and the Rotary movement in the Philippines and in Asia.



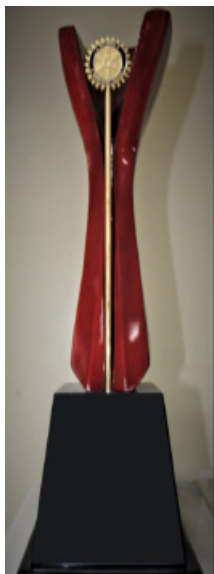
Centennial Hymn is an initiative towards composing a song that will embody the 100 years of the Rotary Club of Manila.

Rotary Club of Manila Coffee Table Book is an initiative to set forth the strides of Asia's First Rotary Club and the Rotary movement in the Philippines and in Asia in its 100 years of existence.



Rotary Activities with the Boy Scouts of the Philippines is an initiative to showcase the Boy Scouts of the Philippines, a creation of the Rotary Club of Manila, as they take part in centennial activities of our club.

The Search for The Outstanding Workers of the Republic (TOWER) Awards was founded in 1975 by the Rotary Club of Manila as an annual search for outstanding "blue collar" workers of the country. Subsequently, it included in its coverage "white collar" (non-supervisory) workers. It aims to recognize the contributions to economic development of the legions of skilled workers who constitute the backbone of our country's manpower capacity. The awards program transcended the confines of a Club's concern because of its nationwide reach and significance in uplifting the Filipino workers' morale and social status leading to greater prestige at the workplace – to the entrepreneur / employer and the colleagues, to the family and the community while enhancing individual career opportunities and promoting industrial peace.



PD Abe Pascual delivers an ecumenical prayer.



STAR Rtn Ludek Vrana as lead reciter of the Four (4) Way Test, renews fellow Rotarians' commitment to the Rotary Movement.



Rtn Karl Leung introduces the personalities seated at the presidential table. While for the guests and visiting Rotarians list were acknowledged/flushed over the wide screen in the interest of time.



Rtn Joel Valdes does the honor, privilege and pleasure of introducing Secretary Ernesto M. Pernia, Department of Socio-Economic Planning, National Economic and Development Authority, as guest speaker.



Ms. Kate Castillo belts out favorite love songs on the occasion of Valentine's Day.



Pres. Susing Pineda calls the 29th weekly meeting of the Rotary Club of Manila, to order.



PP Teddy Ocampo as Officer-In-Charge/ Program Moderator, directs the program of activities.

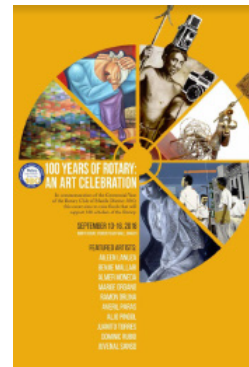


## JOURNALISM AWARDS

The Journalism Awards revolutionized the image of the press in the eyes of the public whose undying vigilance became a continuing inspiration for many a journalist to make the tri-media a medium to discuss issues of national significance. It has become a yardstick of prestige for any media outfit as they often mention this triumph in identifying themselves to the public in many a radio broadcast, television program or newspaper.

## TOURISM AWARDS

The objective of the Tourism Awards is to recognize outstanding personalities in the Tourism industry.



## 100 Years of Rotary: An Art Celebration

This is a fund-raising project of the club where paintings of well known artists will be displayed at the lobby of the Powerplant Mall, Rockwell, Makati City and the proceeds of the sale will go to our centennial fund.

## ROTARY NATIONAL CENTENNIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

This is a golf tournament spearheaded by our club in coordination with our daughter clubs in the various districts in the Philippines that will take charge of the leg in their respective areas. Our club will spearhead that of District 3810 and will likewise take charge of the championship round during the centennial week to be held at the Sta. Elena Golf Club which will feature the winners of the different legs.

## CENTENNIAL LAUNCH

This activity aims to announce the different projects and activities for the Centennial of the Rotary Club of Manila and the Rotary movement in the Philippines and in Asia through a press conference launch where cocktails will be served and with Rotarians from different clubs and districts in attendance.



## A LEGACY OF ROTARY SERVICE

This activity aims to recognize Rotarians and clubs from all over the Philippines for their noteworthy projects. The highlight of the evening would be the induction of the District Governors-Elect and the Presidents-Elect by the Rotary International President-Elect.

## CENTENNIAL GALA NIGHT

This is the culminating activity of the centennial of the Rotary Club of Manila and the Rotary movement in the Philippines and in Asia in an evening of nostalgia and congeniality uniting Rotarians from different parts of the archipelago which will be graced by the presence of Rotary International President-Elect Mark Maloney.

## ROTARY CLUB OF MANILA CENTENNIAL CHORALE COMPETITION

This concept of BLA Amading Valdez targets the youth who will be called upon to serve in the next 100 years. The resulting musical composition from this competition may trigger a national consciousness for service and sacrifice for country and humanity. It will be the lasting legacy of our club. It is just appropriate albeit a necessity that this musical competition be the centerpiece of the culminating centennial celebration to be held on June 21, 2019. This competition will be open to all high school students in cooperation with DepEd and qualified out-of-school youth in cooperation with DILG.



## Centennial Projects

Please put a "check" ☒ mark over your preferred Centennial project/ committee:

### On-Going Projects:

1. Hospicio de San Jose ; Chairman: Rtn Phillip Ong
2. One Rotary, One Philippines, One for Marawi ; Chairman: Dir Raffy Alunan
3. RCM Hearts for Little Angels ; Chairman: Rtn Zdenek Jankovsky
4. Sight Conservation ; Chairman: Rtn Jack Bautista

### Awards:

TOWER Awards; Chairman: PP Benny Laguesma  
Journalism Awards; Chairman: IPP Jimmie Policarpio  
Tourism Awards; Chairman: Dir Bobby Joseph

### Centennial Year Projects:

1. Commemorative Stamp; Chairman: PP Frank Evaristo
2. Coffee Table Book (LOGISTICS) ; Chairman: PDG Vince Carlos
3. Coffee Table Book (EDITORIAL BOARD) ; Chairman: PP Boy Ampil
4. Tree Planting ; Chairman: TBA
5. Sari-Saring Aralan; Chairman: President Susing Pineda
6. Rotary Educational Assistance Program (REAP) ; Chairman: SecGen Romy Nones
7. Rotary Centennial Golf Tournament; Chairman: TBA
8. Boy Scouts of the Philippines ; Chairman: PDG Obet Pagdanganan
9. Elsie Gaches Village
10. Community Chest of the Philippines
11. Philippine Cancer Society
12. Baseco Project
13. Rotary Club of Manila Centennial Choral Competition; Chairmen: PP Teddy Ocampo and BLA Amading Valdez
14. Save Manila Bay; Chairman: DE/Dir. Bobby Joseph

### Other Projects:

1. Centennial Week
2. Centennial Launch; Chairman: IPP Jimmie Policarpio
3. A Legacy Project of Rotary Service (June 21, 2019) ; Chairman: DE/BLA Amading Valdez
4. Centennial Gala Night (June 22, 2019) ; Chairman: VPE/PAT Hermie Esguerra
5. Centennial Awards Committee; Chairman: PDG Alex Cureg

### Other Committees:

1. Invitations Committee ; Chairman: PP Francis Juico
2. Protocol Committee; Chairman: PDG Alex Cureg
3. Ways & Means Committee ; Chairman: PP Boy Guevara
4. Recognition & Awards Committee ; Chairmen: PP Boy Guevara, PP Boy Ampil & Rtn Romy Nones

Signed by:

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Dear Fellow RCMers,

As you well know, our Centennial Year is upon us. In the past few years leading up to the present, your club leadership has planned and prepared several projects and events befitting this milestone in the history of our prestigious club. During the Town Hall Meeting last August 9, 2018, these activities were presented and broadly discussed. The responses of our members afterwards were inspiring. They want to do their share in making our centennial celebrations truly memorable, not only for RCMers but also to all Rotarians of the Philippines and of Asia. Indeed, in various district functions recently, other Rotarians from all over the country have also expressed their enthusiasm in joining us in the celebration of 100 years of the Rotary movement in this part of the world. They are just waiting, in their own words, for the Rotary Club of Manila to lead them.

It is time therefore, for us to take the challenge of leading our fellow Rotarians. And for us to do this effectively, the participation of each RCM member is needed. Attached is the list of our centennial committees and their projects. Also provided is the Program of Activities for the Centennial Week. I urge you to volunteer your participation in any of the activities. Together, we can attain greater achievements for our club!

Please indicate the committee(s) / event(s) that you are joining.

Yours in Rotary,

Pres. Susing Pineda



**SAVE MANILA BAY** is a centennial project made in consultation with former Manila Rtn. Atty. Antonio "Tony" Oposa, Rtn. Bobit Avila of the Rotary Club of Cebu and Manila Yacht Club Commodore/Dir. Bobby Joseph where a persuasive follow up on the Local Government Units with respect to waste management by way of waste segregation and facilitation of sewerage treatment will be undertaken. The treatment will be undertaken for free by Maynilad and Manila Water, which both receive direct payments from homeowners and business owners' water bills for the purpose of sewerage treatment.

## CENTENNIAL AWARDS



The much coveted awards given to the most deserving clubs from the ten Rotary districts in the Philippines as their "Rotary Success Stories" take centerstage.

UPDATES ON THE CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

Latest Update:



The Steering Committee for the Centennial Celebrations formalized the engagement of the events team and the public relations person for the entire culminating activities last February 14, 2019 at the Gallery 1 of the New World Makati Hotel in Makati City. The event team is Prime Trade Asia, Inc. represented by Ms. Irene Lloren (President), Ms. Tinette Capistrano, Ms. Janelle Guinto and Ms. Bernadette Santiago. The public relations person is Mr. Frederick Alegre.

UPDATES ON CENTENNIAL PROJECTS

A LEGACY OF ROTARY SERVICE

Latest Update:



The Steering Committee led by President Susing Pineda held a contract signing with the events organizer for “A Legacy of Rotary Service” last February 14, 2019 at the Gallery 1 of the New World Makati Hotel in Makati City. The events team will take care of the many logistical requirements of this event.

ROTARY CLUB OF MANILA  
ANNUAL DUES 18-19/CENTENNIAL  
DONATION AND SEED FUND  
As of February 20, 2019

|     | CENTENNIAL DONATION &<br>SEED FUND |
|-----|------------------------------------|
| 135 | PAID                               |
| 85  | UNPAID                             |
| 9   | PARTIALLY PAID                     |
| 229 | TOTAL NUMBER OF MEMBERS            |

|     | ANNUAL DUES 18-19       |
|-----|-------------------------|
| 214 | PAID                    |
| 14  | UNPAID                  |
| 1   | PARTIALLY PAID          |
| 229 | TOTAL NUMBER OF MEMBERS |

**PHP 1,500**

Commemorative Stamp (40 pcs)

Souvenir Sheet (2pcs)

Official First Day Cover (OFDC)\*single stamp design (2 pcs)

Official First Day Cover (OFDC)\*souvenir sheet (2 pcs)

**PHP 4,000**Presentation Frame, (11' x 14') and  
8 pcs. stamps and 1 OFDC S/S and 1 OFDC

## THE ROTARY CLUB OF MANILA EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (REAP)

Latest Update:

President Susing Pineda conveys his earnest appeal for more benefactors for the project.

REAP Commitments as of February 20, 2019

| NO. | NAME                                                           | AMOUNT              |
|-----|----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1   | Source of fund: Inaugural Fund 18-19 (JMP)                     | 100,000.00          |
| 2   | Nones, Romeo "Romy" C.                                         | 35,500.00           |
| 3   | Rotary Club of Quirino Manila Central                          | 60,000.00           |
| 4   | Golez, Jose Roilo "Roy" S.                                     | 11,000.00           |
| 5   | Rtn. Isidro Alcantara/ Marcventures Mining & Development Corp. | 192,000.00          |
| 6   | Pineda Jr., Jesus "Susing" M.                                  | 48,000.00           |
| 7   | Alday, Albert S.                                               | 2,000.00            |
| 8   | Bartolome III, Arsenio "Archit" M.                             | 24,000.00           |
| 9   | Esguerra, Herminio "Hermie" S.                                 | 100,000.00          |
| 10  | Acosta, Crispiniano "Cris" G./Filminera Resources Corp.        | 24,000.00           |
| 11  | Fajardo, Beda G./Fajardo Law Offices                           | 24,000.00           |
| 12  | Del Rosario, Oscar                                             | 24,000.00           |
| 13  | Camus, Jose Fernando                                           | 24,000.00           |
| 14  | Valdez, Amado "Amading" D.                                     | 15,000.00           |
| 15  | Lonzaga, Reinerio "Ner" C.                                     | 48,000.00           |
| 16  | Bondoc, Ramon                                                  | 24,000.00           |
| 17  | Evaristo, Frank                                                | 24,000.00           |
| 18  | Joseph Jr., Robert Lim "Bobby"                                 | 340,000.00          |
| 19  | Reynolds, David John "Dave"                                    | 24,000.00           |
| 20  | Payumo, Felicitio "Tong" C.                                    | 24,000.00           |
| 21  | Ong, Jason                                                     | 96,000.00           |
| 22  | Eldebs, Issam "Sam"                                            | 24,000.00           |
| 23  | So, Warren                                                     | 24,000.00           |
| 24  | Policarpio Jr., Jose "Jimmie"                                  | 24,000.00           |
| 25  | Policarpio, Renato "Rene" R.                                   | 24,000.00           |
| 26  | Lao, Edwin                                                     | 120,000.00          |
| 27  | Pascual, Abraham                                               | 25,000.00           |
| 28  | Bondoc, Antonio                                                | 25,000.00           |
|     |                                                                |                     |
|     |                                                                | <b>1,529,500.00</b> |
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Reminder: Please secure OR within 3 days upon payment. Kindly email the copy of deposit at [rcmanila@rcmanila.org](mailto:rcmanila@rcmanila.org) or send via fax at #527-1885.

The Steering Committee has formally taken in Mr. Frederick Alegre to handle the public relations of "A Legacy of Rotary Service" last February 14, 2019 at the Gallery 1 of the New World Makati Hotel in Makati City.



## CENTENNIAL AWARDS

Latest Update:

The Centennial Awards Committee has already closed the submission of entries and has received a total of twenty-eight (28) entries broken down as follows:

District 3770 under DG Celso Cruz = 3 entries  
 District 3780 under DG Mar Reyes= 3 entries  
 District 3790 under DG Panding Nisce = 3 entries  
 District 3800 under DG Marilou Co = 2 entries  
 District 3810 under DG Rudy Bediones = 2 entries  
 District 3820 under DG Boy Garcia= 3 entries  
 District 3830 under DG Al Montecillo = 3 entries  
 District 3850 under DG Lindon Diet= 3 entries  
 District 3860 under DG Bing Garcia = 3 entries  
 District 3870 under DG Frank Maga = 3 entries

## ROTARY CLUB OF MANILA CENTENNIAL CHORALE COMPETITION

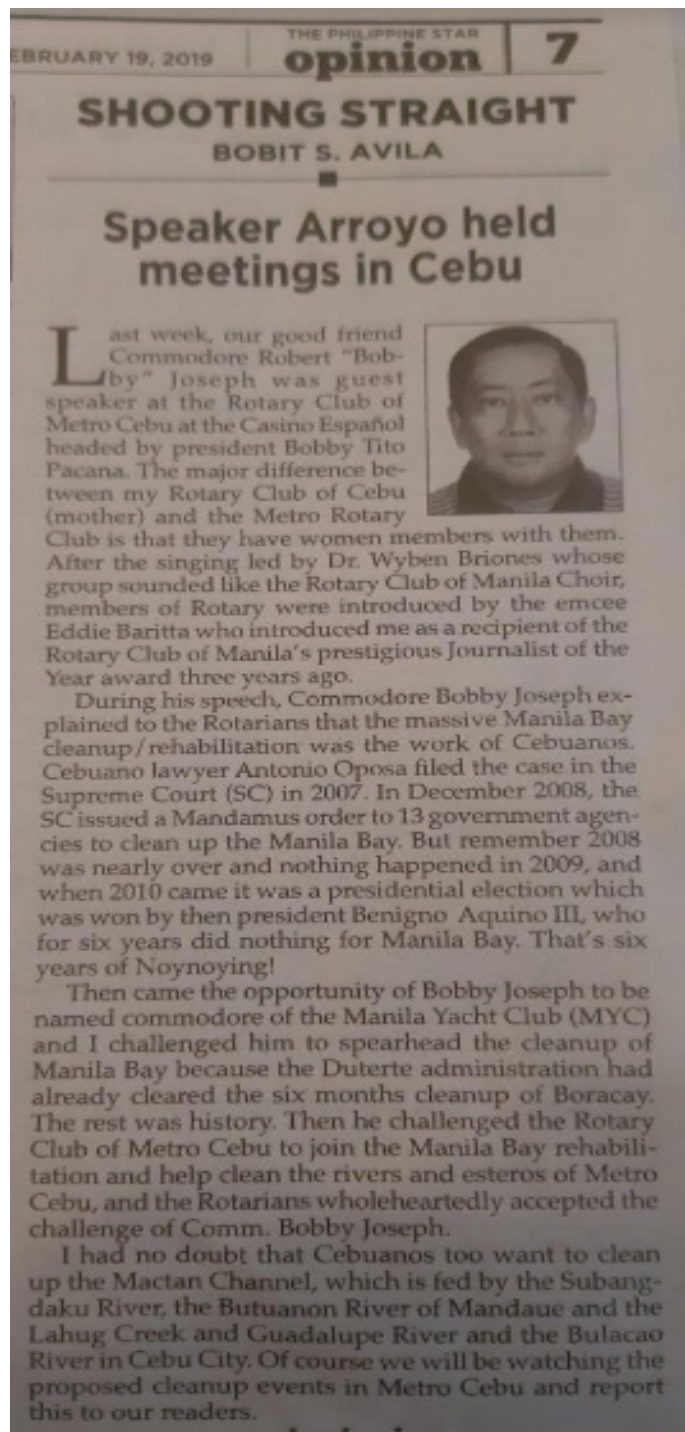
Latest Update:



The Rotary Club of Manila Centennial Chorale Competition Committee held a meeting with DepEd representatives, Mr. Jayson Tadeo, Mr. Ronnie Baldoz and Prof. Joey Soliman last February 15, 2019 at the Tower Club in Makati City. The meeting hosted by DE/BLA Amading Valdez and was attended by PP Teddy Ocampo, dwelled on the revision of guidelines for the Grand Finals.

## SAVE MANILA BAY

Latest Update:



## CENTENNIAL COMMEMORATIVE STAMPS

Latest Update:

By virtue of Presidential Proclamation No. 413, signed by President Rodrigo Roa Duterte, "declaring 01 July 2018 to 30 June 2019, as the "Year for the Celebration of the Centennial Anniversary of the Rotary Club of Manila and the Rotary Movement in the Philippines and in Asia, the Rotary Club of Manila, First in Asia, will celebrate this milestone achievement of 100 Years of Rotary Service to the Community, a once-in-a-lifetime occasion, during its Centennial Rotary Year 2018-2019, its centennial birth anniversary being this June 1, 2019.

One of the Centennial Projects of the Rotary Club of Manila is the issuance of a limited edition Centennial Commemorative Stamp in collaboration with the Philippine Postal Corporation. This is a once-in-a-lifetime memorabilia which is guaranteed to last generations such that it becomes collector's item.

Below is the Rotary Club of Manila Centennial Stamps Package (3 Sets) for your selection, reservation and payment. All payments shall be made through Ms. Devann Abayon, RCM Centennial Committee Project Coordinator, the proceeds of which shall go to the Club's Centennial Funds:

