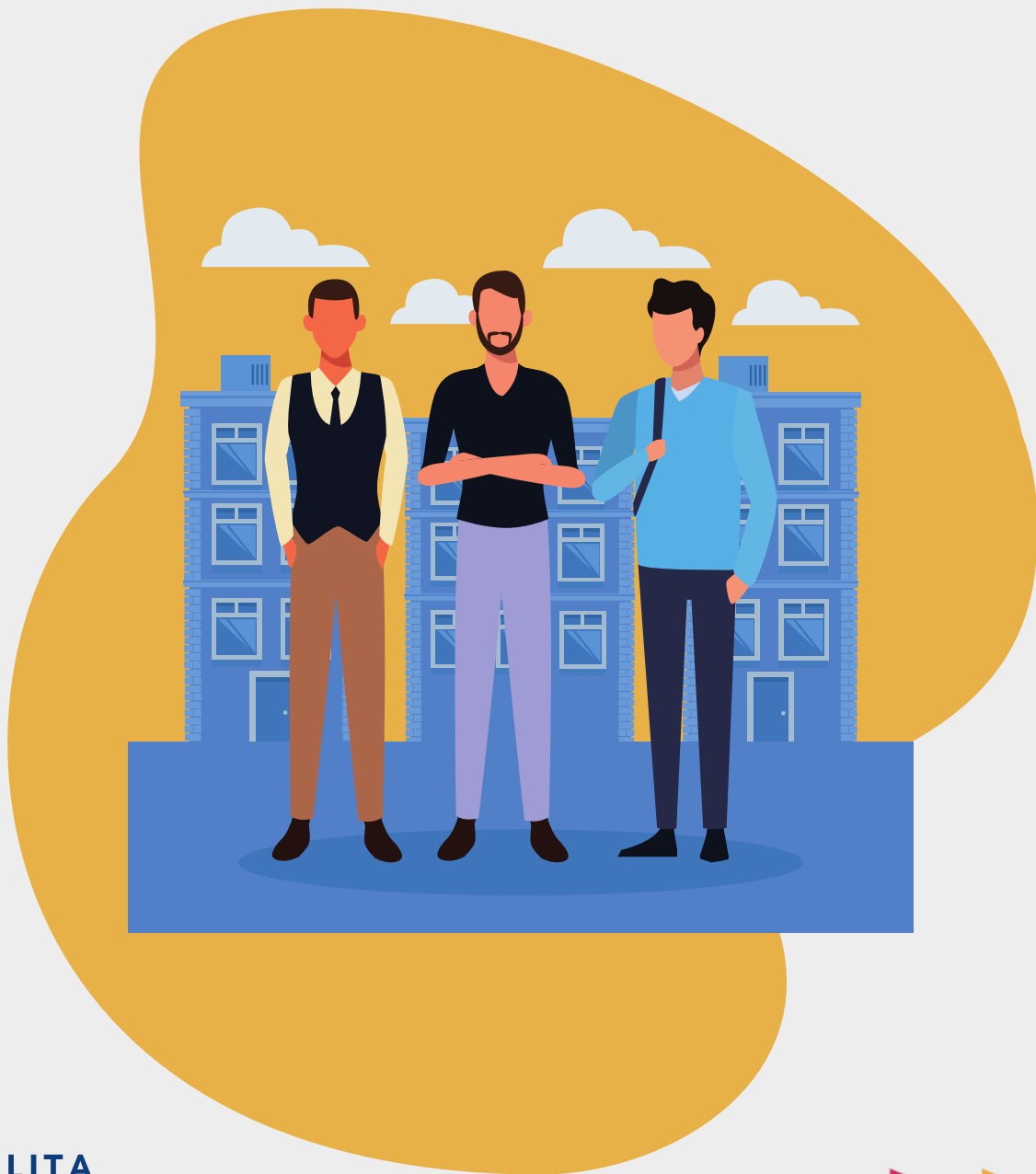


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It is common knowledge in Rotary that "a great way to share information about your vocation is to give a classification talk or presentation at a club meeting." Knowing the professional lives of members brings to fore the core of Vocational Service in Rotary. Let our three fine gentlemen enlighten the members of Asia's First Rotary Club how they could be of help to our communities through their respective expertise.



Rotary Opens Opportunities

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Zoom Weekly Membership Luncheon Meeting Rotary Year 2020-2021

Thursday, October 22, 2020, 11:00 AM

PROGRAM TIMETABLE

11:00 AM	Registration & Zoom In 1. Program Technical Moderators 2. Program Moderator/Facilitator	STAR Rtn. Toby Rast / EA Sol Troniado-Encarnacion Rtn. Karl Leung
11:50 AM	Zoom Meeting House Rules	

PART I

12:00 NN	Call to Order Invocation and Special prayers for the repose of the soul +Engr. Ziad Eldebs (Brother of IPD Issam Eldebs) and for the healing and speedy recovery of PP Cesar Ubaldo, Ambassador Rtn. Joey Syjuco, PVP Mike Guerrero, Rtn. Butch Tamayo and Ms. Fiona Lideza (partner of PDSAA Ike Stranathan) Philippine National Anthem RCM Hymn Rotary Hymn The Rotarian Pledge The Four (4) Way Test Introduction of Guests and Visiting Rotarians Welcome Song Maligayang Bati Happy Birthday Song RC Manila Birthday Celebrants for the week October 23 PD Nick Locsin	Pres. Bobby Joseph PP Frank Evaristo AVP of RCM Members AVP of RCM WF Music Chorale AVP Rtn. Ludek Vrana AS Henry Go AVP Rtn. Karl Leung AVP of RCM WF Music Chorale AVP of RCM WF Music Chorale AVP of Birthday Celebrants
12:30 PM	President's Time	Pres. Bobby Joseph



Zoom Weekly Membership Luncheon Meeting
Rotary Year 2020-2021

Thursday, October 22, 2020, 11:00 AM

PROGRAM TIMETABLE

PART II

12:45 PM

Classification Talks

Rtn. Nagi Zeitouni

Classification: Machinery/Equipment
- Food Processing Equipment

Rtn. Butch Alcantara, Jr.

Classification: Mining - Nickel Mining

Rtn. Cons Robertz

Classification: Business Services
- Online Fashion Retailing

Open Forum

2:00 PM

Response and Meeting Adjournment

Pres. Bobby Joseph



SPEAKERS FOR CLASSIFICATION TALKS



Rtn. NAGI ZEITOUNI

Vice President of Operations, Middleby Philippines Corporation



Rtn. ISIDRO "BUTCH" C. ALCANTARA, JR.

President, Marcventures Holdings, Inc.



Rtn. CONSTANTIN FRANZ JOSEF "CONS" ROBERTZ

Managing Director, ZALORA Group

SPEAKER'S PROFILE



Rtn. NAGI ZEITOUNI

Vice President of Operations, Middleby Philippines Corporation

He is a Lebanese/Canadian, born in Lebanon in August 1966. He moved to Paris at the age of 13 where he studied for three (3) years. After that, he moved to Canada where he finished high school and at the university. He graduated with a degree in Economics. He possesses an MBA in graphic design.

He first worked in the food and kitchen equipment manufacturing industry. He has a special interest in real estate such that he has always found time to invest in this field.

He is the Vice President of Operations at Middleby Philippines Corporation. He likewise owns a commissary, a finance company and has invested in some real estate, mostly condominiums.

He averages 4 to 5 hours of sleep everyday which gives him lots of time to do many things in 24 hours and still have time to do what he loves most, sports.

In college, he was part of the rugby and football (soccer) team. He is likewise a first degree black belt in Judo and a fifth degree black belt in Taekwondo. He was part of the Canadian Taekwondo team as a heavy weight for three years and when he moved back to Lebanon he was part of the Lebanese Taekwondo team. He competed in Tennis and Downhill Skiing.

Presently, most of his sports activities include tennis, running, biking, swimming, weight lifting, Taekwondo, basketball and hiking.

In Canada, he volunteered in the Red Cross, Canadian Ski Patrol, family outreaches and as a motivational speaker.

He has been a resident of the Philippines for fourteen (14) years and plans to make the Philippines his primary home because he loves the country and the people.

SPEAKER'S PROFILE



MR. ISIDRO C. ALCANTARA, JR.

President – Marcventures Holdings, Inc.
Vice Chairman – Marcventures Mining Development Corporation

Mr. Isidro C. Alcantara, Jr. is the President of Marcventures Holdings, Inc., a position he has held since he was elected in September 2014. Before his Presidency, he was elected Director in August 2013 and had served as the Company's Executive Vice President. He currently sits as Vice Chairman and Director of Marcventures Mining and Development Corporation, the Company's wholly owned subsidiary; as Director and President of Bright Kindle Resources and Investment Inc. and Financial Risk Resolution Advisory, Inc.; as Chairman of BrightGreen Resources, Corp.; Alumina Mining Philippines Inc.; and Bauxite Resources, Inc. In April 2018, Mr. Alcantara was elected Chairman of Philippine Nickel Industry Association (PNIA) and served until June 2020.

As a long-time Senior Banker for 35 years, he was Senior Vice President and Head of Corporate & Institutional Banking at HSBC. He was former President and CEO of Philippine Bank of Communications (PBCom) from 2000 to 2004 where he led its rehabilitation and recovery. In addition, he served as Executive Vice President of the Corporate Banking Group of Equitable PCI Bank (EPCIB) from 1981 to 2000 and as Director of Bankers Association of the Philippines from 2000 to 2004. Moreover, from 1975 to 2000 he occupied high-level posts at Bancom Finance Corporation, PCI Bank, and Insular Bank of Asia and America (a Bank of America Affiliate). Mr. Alcantara is a Certified Public Accountant and holds an Economics and Accountancy Degree from the De la Salle University and took Special Studies on International Banking at the Wharton School of Finance at the University of Pennsylvania.

SPEAKER'S PROFILE



CONSTANTIN FRANZ JOSEF ROBERTZ

Managing Director, ZALORA Group

Constantin Robertz is an entrepreneur and executive with extensive experience in building and scaling companies in the logistics, e-commerce and technology sector, predominantly in Southeast Asia. Based in the Philippines since 2013, he has started and led eLogistics company Entrego as CEO & President, and scaled Zalora's operations in the Philippines as Managing Director & COO. He acts as a board member, early-stage venture investor and advisor to several technology companies in Southeast Asia.

Entrego is a technology-driven logistics provider in the Philippines, offering nationwide Express and Parcel delivery as well as Freight, Warehousing and Supply Chain Management designed for Ecommerce, Modern Retail and Just-in-Time supply chains. Zalora is Asia's leading Ecommerce platform in the fashion and lifestyle segment with localized sites across South-East Asia, and part of the Global Fashion Group. Both Entrego and Zalora Philippines are joint ventures between Ayala Corporation, the Philippines oldest and largest conglomerate with a diverse portfolio of business interests, and the Global Fashion Group, which operates fashion Ecommerce platforms in emerging markets and is listed on Frankfurt stock exchange in Germany.

Prior to moving to Southeast Asia, Constantin has worked with digital commerce companies in multiple geographies, including Lamoda in Russia (Global Fashion Group), as well as Zalando and Rocket Internet in Germany.

He is active in fostering German-South East Asian business relations as Vice President of the board of directors of the German-Philippine Chamber of Commerce and Industry (AHKPH), and a member of the German Asia-Pacific Business Association (OAV). He supports startup founders as Advisor & Investor at Antler, a startup generator and early stage venture capital firm.

He graduated in Business Administration from the University of St. Gallen, and studied in Switzerland, Singapore, and the United Kingdom.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Dear Colleagues in RCM,

Good afternoon, this gorgeous Thursday of October, fellow Rotarians. May God's blessings shine upon you, your family and friends! May your prayers be answered for the good of mankind and the world.

On the 26th of October, Monday, at 5 pm, we shall see you for the first time after several months of being in quarantine, to celebrate our turn over and inaugural ceremonies. Congratulations in advance to the awardees during the recognition time at the Heritage Hotel in Pasay City. We have invited the leaders in District 3810 led by District Governor Odie Tarriela, PDG Roberto Obet Pagdanganan, IPDG Liza Elorde, DGE Robert Koa and DGN Joyce Ambray. Health protocols will be imposed, including proper distancing. This is the first face-to-face meeting and we hope it continues for better rapport and synergy.

The Awards for Tourism Personalities and the Journalism Awards will be held in January 2021. The Tower Awards is still in limbo until we get a benefactor like Metrobank Foundation or Petron Foundation to sponsor the event. We shall not touch the coffers of the Rotary Club of Manila for the three events.

Let me reiterate, should you need any clarification about any procedures in administration or on any matter, kindly email ES Anna and cc: The President, for the Board to officially reply to avoid miscommunication.

As agreed, we will invite the Star Rotarians next week to meet the Board for a short briefing followed by a Question and Answer portion. We will choose a date for the President to host in groups of five (5) to six (6) Star Rotarians for cocktails.



Congratulations! The new Board for RY 2021-2022 is now organized. We shall meet regularly during our board meetings, encouraging them to take early online training courses with www.rotary.org and soon with Rotary International District 3810.

Now that we have emailed the soft copy of the Constitution, By-Laws and Code of Policies, it is incumbent for all members to review and appreciate the documents crafted for the betterment of the Rotary Club of Manila.

We need to conduct a survey among those who have never participated in Zoom. If necessary, we shall send someone to visit the homes of our members to teach them how to use Zoom. We also need feedback where we can improve.

I am looking forward to more suggestions, contributions, and out-of-the-box ideas to make the Rotary Club of Manila proactive. Please help the needy, the sick and the marginalized – your contributions will go a long way. Please issue your check to RCManila Foundation, Inc.

Thank you for your time and efforts.

Your Servant President,

Robert "Bobby" Lim Joseph, Jr.
President
RY 2020-2021
(101st President)

THE WEEK THAT WAS



Star Rtn. Toby Rast, assisted by **EA Sol Troniado-Encarnacion**, as **Program Technical Moderator**.



Rtn. PJ Garcia, as Program Moderator/Facilitator, calls the day's sequential order of activities.



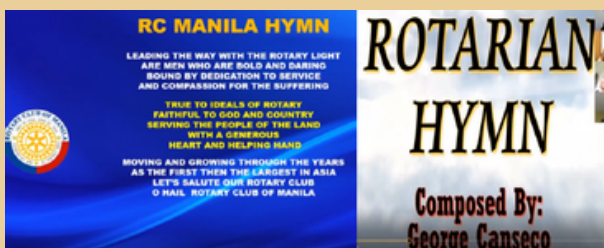
President Bobby Joseph calls the meeting to order.



Rtn. Hansel Tillman delivers an invocation and special prayers.



The **Rotary Club of Manila Audiovisual Presentation** of the **Philippine National Anthem**.



The **World Famous Music Chorale Audiovisual Presentation** of the **RCM Hymn** and the Singing of the **Rotary Hymn**.



Star Rtn. JB Pallasigue recites the **Rotarian Pledge** as a perfect prelude in fostering and strengthening ties amongst fellow Rotarians by way of reinforcing their resolve in furtherance of **Service Above Self**.

THE WEEK THAT WAS



Dir. Hans Palacios introduces the Four (4) Way Test song for RCM members to renew their commitment to the Rotary movement.



The **audiovisual presentation** of the **World Famous Music Chorale** singing the Welcome Song.



Rtn. PJ Garcia, Program Moderator, acknowledges the week's birthday celebrants, namely, **PD Joey Yujuico**, and **Rtn. Art de la Cruz**, which was followed by an audiovisual presentation of the World Famous Music Chorale singing the happy birthday song.



The **audiovisual presentation** of the **World Famous Music Chorale** singing the happy birthday song.



President Bobby Joseph delivers his message during the President's Time.

THE WEEK THAT WAS



AT/Dir. Jujut Enriquez presents the RCM Membership Trend and Plan.



An open forum immediately followed right after the RCM Membership Trend and Plan presentation of **AT/Dir. Jujut Enriquez**. Among those who participated in the open forum were **Rtn. Manny Blanco, IPVP Hermie Esguerra, IPP Jackie Rodriguez, BLA/PD Amading Valdez, Star Rtn. Jed Dayang** and **Pres. Bobby Joseph**.



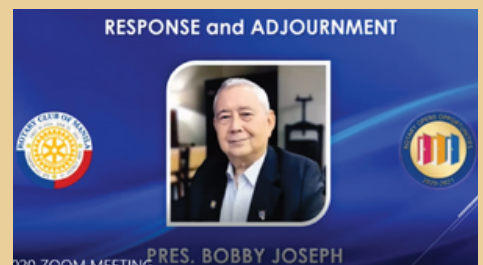
PDG Obet Pagdanganan introduces **Past Regional Rotary Coordinator PDG Rolando "Oyan" Villanueva** as Guest Speaker.



Past Regional Rotary Coordinator PDG Rolando "Oyan" Villanueva speaks on **Journey Towards Engaged Club Members**.



An open forum immediately followed right after the talk of **Past Regional Rotary Coordinator PDG Rolando "Oyan" Villanueva**. Among those who participated in the open forum were **President Bobby Joseph, Programs Committee Chairman IPVP Hermie Esguerra, VPE Henning Karcher, BLA/IPD Amading Valdez, PDG Obet Pagdanganan, PT Chito Tagaysay** and **Dir. Celso Abastillas**.



President Bobby Joseph delivers his response and thereafter, adjourns the meeting.

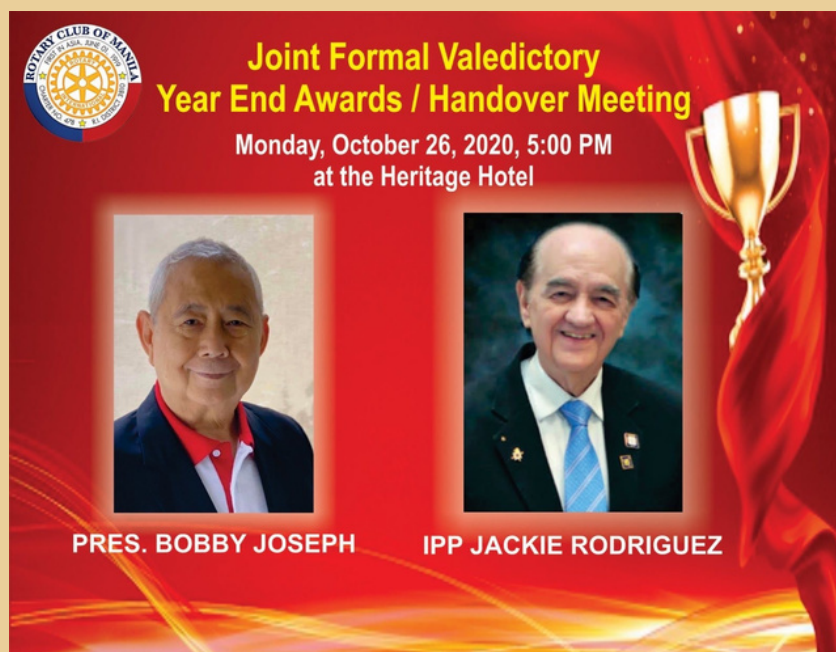
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FROM THE PROGRAMS COMMITTEE

Dear Fellow Manila Rotarians,

Today, tradition makes a fierce comeback with the Classification Talks of three of our very own members, Rtn. Nagi Zeitouni, Rtn. Butch Alcantara and Rtn. Cons Robertz. Diverse as their professions and businesses may be, let their talks enlighten us on how their respective careers can be of help to the communities we serve.

On the other hand, please take note that we will have the Joint Formal Handover/Awards Meeting on Monday, October 26, 2020, 5:00 pm at The Heritage Hotel Manila, Pasay City, details of which are found below:



This will be in lieu of our weekly membership meeting. Hence, there will be no meeting next Thursday. Please be guided accordingly.

Yours in the service of Rotary,

IPVP HERMINIO "HERMIE" S. ESGUERRA
Programs Committee Chairman
RY 2020-2021

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ATTENDANCE

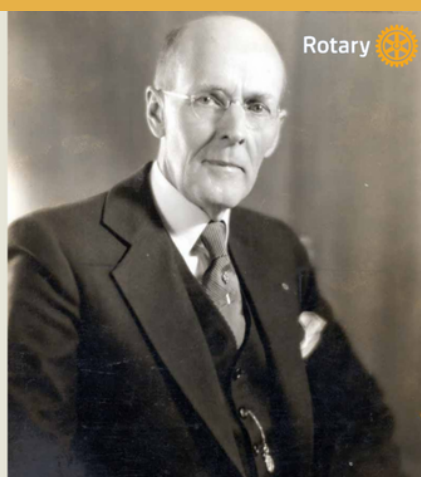
RCM Members' Attendance Report, RY 2020-2021

Oct-20	October 1, 2020 Candidates for BOD for RY 2021-2022/ Town Hall Meeting		October 8, 2020 Rev. Fr. Rocky Evangelista		October 15, 2020 Past District Governor Oyan Villanueva	
	computing w/ exempt	computing w/o exempt	computing w/ exempt	computing w/o exempt	computing w/ exempt	computing w/o exempt
All Members Present	70	70	49	49	46	46
Make Up			1	1	11	11
Less: Exempt from Attendance	5		27		8	
On Leave	6	6	6	6	6	6
TOTAL ATTENDANCE %:	32%	34%	11%	25%	24%	28%

	Credit for MAKE-UP	Date	EVENT				
	Rtn. Momo Mommaerts	10.8.2020	Fellowship with Rotary Club of Bangkok				
1	Pres. Bobby Joseph	10.16.2020	RCM 1st Family Rosary				
2 *	PP Boy Guevara						
3 *	PP Archit Bartolome						
4 *	PP Boy Ampil						
5 *	PP Susing Pineda						
6	PP Frank Evaristo						
14	PDG Vince Carlos						
15	PDG Rudy Bediones						
16	IPVP Hermie Esguerra						
17	Dir. Johnny Chotrani						
18	PD Pepo Nuñez						
19	Sec. Reggie Yu						
20	AS Henry Go						
21	DE Noy Benedicto						
22 *	PD Alvin Lacambacal						
23 *	PD Phil Ong						
24 *	PD Abe Pascual						
25 *	PDSAA Tony Lopa						
26 *	PT Lito Sibayan						
27	PT Chio Tagaysay						
28	Rtn. PJ Garcia						
29 *	Rtn. Willie Peliño						
30 *	Rtn. Ricky Guevara						
31	Rtn. Jed Dayang						
32	Rtn. Nando Camus						
	TOTAL			70	64	47	

"We ambassadors of good will must acquire the habit of speaking kindly of our neighbors whether they be neighbors at home or those across the seas."

Paul Harris
founder of Rotary
1935 International Convention



Source: Rotary International FB page

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LIST OF MEMBERS WHO HAVE PAID THEIR ANNUAL DUES FOR RY 2020-2021
(as of October 21, 2020, 11:00 AM)

	ANNUAL DUES 19-20
152	FULLY PAID
48	NOT YET PAID
4	PARTIALLY PAID
204	TOTAL NUMBER OF MEMBERS

NO.	NAME	OR NUMBER	ANNUAL DUES 20 21	REMARKS
1	Abastillas, Celso E.	50061	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
2	Aboy, Valentino "Val" G.	50049	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
3	Abriam, Ariel	50105	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
4	Acosta, Crispiniano "Cris" G.	50113	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
5	Adamos, Elias "Eloy" D.			NOT YET PAID
6	Agnes, Jerry A.			NOT YET PAID
7	Alberto, Raymund Arnold S.	50275	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
8	Alcantara, Isidro "Butch"	50075	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
9	Alday, Albert S.	50035	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
10	Alingog, Aldous "Rex" A.	50271	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
11	Alunan, Rafael "Raffy" M.			NOT YET PAID
12	Alvarez, Servando Jr.	50272	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
13	Amplil, Renato "Boy" A.	50130	23,800.00	FULLY PAID
14	Ang, Richard T.			NOT YET PAID
15	Antunez, Jose Mari "Mari" M.	50277	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
16	Aquino, Armando "Armie" A.			NOT YET PAID
17	Arcilla, Carmelo "Teying"			NOT YET PAID
18	Aslam, Muhammad			NOT YET PAID
19	Aventura, Avenilo "Nilo" P.	50263	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
20	Aventura, Jr., Avenilo "Jun" L.	50263	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
21	Bartolome III, Arsenio "Archit" M.	50047	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
22	Bautista, Jacinto "Jack" S.			NOT YET PAID
23	Bediones, Rodolfo "Rudy" P.	50108	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
24	Bella Jr., Geronimo "Jun" Dela Paz	50069	24,553.57	FULLY PAID
25	Benedicto, Sixto "Noy" T.	50237	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
26	Benedicto III, Bernardo "Dong-dong" T.			NOT YET PAID
27	Bhalla, Pardeep "Bobby"			NOT YET PAID
28	Blanco, Manuel "Manny" M.	50078	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
29	Bogovich, Jason M.	50102	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
30	Bolton, Wilhelm "Bollie"	50258	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
31	Branellec, Jacques "Jack"	50083	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
32	Buendia, Carlos "Caloy" C.			NOT YET PAID
33	Caasi Jr., Urbano "Banit" S.			NOT YET PAID
34	Cabunag, Rogelio "Roger" R.	50279	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
35	Campos Jr., Joselito "Butch" D.	50148	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
36	Camus, Fernando	50068	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
37	Capistrano Jr., Jose "Jun-Jun" A.	50245	12,500.00	PARTIALLY PAID
38	Carlos, Vicente "Vince" J.	50124	23,800.00	FULLY PAID
39	Castro, Karlo Eugene Josef "Karlo"	50025	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
40	Cenica, John T.			NOT YET PAID
41	Chigloji, Matthew			NOT YET PAID
42	Chotrani, Johnny N.	50106	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
43	Chua, Domingo "Doming" T.	50137	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
44	Co, Ferdinand "Ferdie" C.	50255	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
45	Coyioto Jr., Robert "Jun" G.	50059	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
46	Cruz, Avelino "Ave" V.			NOT YET PAID
47	Cureg, Alexander "Alex" P.	50041	23,800.00	FULLY PAID
48	Cutter, John Michael "Michael"	50118	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
49	David, Virgilio "Vee"	50126	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
50	Davis, Raymond "Rey" N.	50089	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
51	Dayang, Juan E.	50049	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
52	Dee, Marcus L.	50252	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
53	De Venecia, Jose "Joe" C.	50149	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
54	Del Rosario, Oscar	50265	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
55	Dela Cruz, Artemio "Art"	50147	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
56	Desierto, Aniano "Ani" A.			NOT YET PAID
57	Diokno, Benjamin "Ben" E.	50043	25,000.00	FULLY PAID

58	Domingo, Rico V.			NOT YET PAID
59	Dominguez III, Carlos "Sonny" G.	50065	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
60	Dy, Manuel "Manny" C.	50050	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
61	Egan, Brendan "Bren" W.L.	50230	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
62	Eldebs, Issam "Sam"	50021	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
63	Engelbrecht, Francois	50121	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
64	Enriquez III, Eduardo "Jujut" V.	50051	24,553.57	FULLY PAID
65	Esguerra, Herminio "Hermie" S.	50062	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
66	Eugenio, John Emyl "Emyl" G.	50254	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
67	Evaristo, Frank	50079	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
68	Fajardo, Beda G.	50138	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
69	Follosco Jr., Ceferino "Jun" G.	50027	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
70	Garcia, Paul Joseph "PJ"	50150	12,500.00	PARTIALLY PAID
71	Garcia, Victor	50052	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
72	Gaspar, Fernando "Nando" L.			NOT YET PAID
73	Gierran, Dante "Dan"	50242	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
74	Go, Daniel "Danny" C.	50070	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
75	Go, Henry Sy	50048	37,138.00	FULLY PAID
76	Go, Michael	50241	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
77	Guarin, Michael Arcatomy "Mike" H.			NOT YET PAID
78	Guerrero, Miguel Ma. "Mike"	50300	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
79	Guevara Jr., Domingo "Boy" S.	50150	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
80	Guevara, Ricardo "Ricky" S.	50236	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
81	Hallare Jr., Delfin "Jun" T.	50114	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
82	Hallerbach, Mathias	50094	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
83	Harle, Wolfgang Kurt	50122	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
84	Hedeager, Knud			NOT YET PAID
85	Henkelmann, Martin	50097	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
86	Hernandez, Edwin	50044	37,138.00	FULLY PAID
87	Hesse, Uwe	50283	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
88	Jang, Jae "Jay-Jay" J.	50284	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
89	Joseph Jr., Robert Lim "Bobby"	50038	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
90	Jucaban, Jeric J.			NOT YET PAID
91	Juico, Francis E.			NOT YET PAID
92	Karcher, Henning	50091	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
93	Ko, Solomon "Mon"	50037	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
94	Kunack, Lutz	50216	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
95	Lacambacal, Alvin D.	50259	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
96	Laurel, Ricardo "Ricky" P.			NOT YET PAID
97	Laya, Jaime "Jimmy" C.			NOT YET PAID
98	Lee, Richard "Dick" L.	50074	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
99	Leung, Karl A.			NOT YET PAID
100	Liamzon, Romeo Thaddeus "Thad" T.	50028	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
101	Libanan, Marcelino "Nonoy" C.			NOT YET PAID
102	Lim, David Eduardo Ty	50111	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
103	Lim, William "Willy" C.	50267	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
104	Locsin, Arsenio "Nick" Z.	50092	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
105	Locsin, Roberto R.	50036	24,500.00	FULLY PAID
106	Lonzaga, Reinerio "Ner" C.	50099	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
107	Lopa, Antonio "Tony" A.			NOT YET PAID
108	Lopez, Arthur "Art" M.	50034	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
109	Lopez, Antonio "Tony"	29-Sep	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
110	Macapagal, Michael	50134	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
111	Macatoman, Abdulgani "Gani"			NOT YET PAID
112	Manalaysay, Cesar P "Citos"	50233	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
113	Marking, Amado "Butch" M.	50110	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
114	Masters, Lance A.	50090	12,500.00	PARTIALLY PAID
115	Matschuck, Guenter "Gunter" G.	50046	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
116	Mendoza, Estelito "Titong" P.	50060	25,000.00	FULLY PAID

CLUB ADMINISTRATION

LIST OF MEMBERS WHO HAVE PAID THEIR ANNUAL DUES FOR RY 2020-2021 (as of October 21, 2020, 11:00 AM)

117	Mendoza, Raymond Joseph Ian "Raji" O.	50244	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
118	Mommaerts, Steve "Momo"	50253	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
119	Montaño, Ramon "Mon" E.			NOT YET PAID
120	Montecillo, Daniel Gabriel "Dennis"	50119	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
121	Montel, Juan Manuel C.			NOT YET PAID
122	Montinola, Antonio "Tony" J.	50042	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
123	Mueller, Klaus			NOT YET PAID
124	Nones, Romeo "Romy" C.	50120	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
125	Nolido, Ramon Alberto "Ramby" B.	50273	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
126	Nunez Jr., Jose "Pepo" A.	50260	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
127	Ocampo, Teodoro "Teddy" J.	50117	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
128	Ong, Jovee K.			NOT YET PAID
129	Ong, Phillip "Phil" L.	50082	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
130	Ozaeta, Miguel Antonio L.	50136	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
131	Pagdanganan, Roberto "Obet" M.	50064	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
132	Palacios, Albert "Hans" C.	50141	12,500.00	PARTIALLY PAID
133	Pallasigüe, Brian	50135	37,138.00	FULLY PAID
134	Pascual, Abraham "Abe" F.	50098	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
135	Pascual, Jose Augusto "Jappy"	50098	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
136	Patterson, Colin David	50276	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
137	Payumo, Felicitio "Tong" C.	50240	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
138	Peliño, Wilfredo "Willie" M.	50180	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
139	Pineda Jr., Jesus "Susang" M.	50093	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
140	Pineda Jr., Patricio "Bebot" F.	50030	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
141	Pizaras, Jordan M.	50151	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
142	Polcarpio Jr., Jose "Jimmie"	50221	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
143	Polcarpio, Renato "Rene" R.	50088	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
144	Preysler Jr., Fausto R.	50087	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
145	Pujalte Jr., Jose "Brix" S.	50274	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
146	Quisumbing, Ramon "Mon" J.	50095	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
147	Ramos, Claver P.			NOT YET PAID
148	Ramos, Ricardo "Ric"	50301	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
149	Rast, Tobias	50033	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
150	Recto, Philip H.	50101	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
151	Resabal, Peri			NOT YET PAID
152	Reyes, Crispino "Babes" P.	50247	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
153	Reyes, Edgardo "Ed" P.	50235	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
154	Reynolds, David John "Dave"	50029	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
155	Roberts, Constantin "Cons"			NOT YET PAID
156	Rodriguez, Jose "Pepe" R.			NOT YET PAID
157	Rodriguez, Joaquin "Jackie"	50127	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
158	Romualdez, Jose Manuel "Babe" G.	50282	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
159	Rono, Marlon	50140	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
160	Santos, Antonio T.			NOT YET PAID
161	Santos, Jesus "Jess" I.			NOT YET PAID
162	Santos Jr., Jose Primo "Jun" M.			NOT YET PAID
163	Sarmiento, Ricardo	50045	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
164	Schoucair, Farid Alain	60109	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
165	Schneider, Bernd	50104	24,500.00	FULLY PAID
166	Shigei, Kentaro	50269	36,395.34	FULLY PAID
167	Sibayan, Joselito "Lito" H.	50100	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
168	Sicat, Michael Allan E.			NOT YET PAID
169	Skinner, Brian			NOT YET PAID
170	So, Warren	50123	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
171	Sobrepeña, Robert John "Bob" L.			NOT YET PAID

172	Stranathan, Ike	50055	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
173	Syjuco Jr., Jose "Joey" A.	50086	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
174	Tagaysay, Hector "Chito"	50125	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
175	Tamano, Shalimar Hofer "Shah"	50234	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
176	Tamayo, Victor "Butch" L.	50199	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
177	Tan, Eusebio "Ebot" V.	50131	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
178	Tang, Jimmy T.	50264	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
179	Tanglao, Noel V.	50195	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
180	Tankiang, Francisco "Paquito" V.	50139	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
181	Dormond Taylor, Marvin	50115	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
182	Tea, Thierry Yung Hong			NOT YET PAID
183	Tillman, Hansel	50116	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
184	Ubaldo, Cesar C.	50268/50132	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
185	Uy, Ivan John Enrile "Ivan"			NOT YET PAID
186	Valdes, Joel C.	48310	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
187	Valdez, Amado "Amading" D.	50081	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
188	Valencia, John Nico "Nico" P.			NOT YET PAID
189	Valencia, Rodolfo "Rod" G.	50281	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
190	Mierlo, Marcel Van			NOT YET PAID
191	Vea, Reynaldo "Rey" B.	50128	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
192	Villacorta, Daniel Deo B.	50142	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
193	Villarica, Henry R.	50227	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
194	Villegas, Raoul A.	50133	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
195	Vrana, Ludek	50058	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
196	Yap Jr., Enrique "Rickie" Y.			NOT YET PAID
197	Yu, Geoffrey "Geof" C.	50261	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
198	Yu, Reginald	50103	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
199	Yujuico, Benedicto "Dicky" V.	50266	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
200	Yujuico, Joselito "Joey" Z.	50169	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
201	Zalamea Jr., Enrique "Rick" M.	50107	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
202	Zaldarriaga, Felix Francisco "Chito" S.	50112	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
203	Zeitouni, Nagi	50133	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
204	Zosa, Rolando "Roy" M.			NOT YET PAID
			TOTAL	3,892,316.48
Resigned				
1	Tago, Naoto			
2	Kuwabara, Atsushi			NOT YET PAID
3	Nakatsuka, Hiroki			NOT YET PAID
4	Del Rosario, Francisco "Toting" V.			NOT YET PAID
5	Ortiz Jr., Justo "Tito" A.			NOT YET PAID
6	Lopez, Mariano "Ning" B.			NOT YET PAID
7	Reyes, Hermenegildo Carlos "Caloy" L.			NOT YET PAID
8	Villaseñor III, Nicanor "Nicky" S.			NOT YET PAID
9	Ong, Jason L.	50084	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
10	Paras, Neil	50084	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
11	Seña, Edwin P.			NOT YET PAID
12	Gonzales, Leo Peter Paul K.			NOT YET PAID
13	Laguesma, Bienvenido "Benny"	50096	23,800.00	FULLY PAID
Deceased				
1	Lim, Alfredo "Fred" S.	50071	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
2	Legarda Jr., Benito "Beniting" J.	50063	12,500.00	PARTIALLY PAID
				4,003,616.48

CLUB ADMINISTRATION

KNOW YOUR CLUB CONSTITUTION, BY-LAWS AND POLICIES

Q: Does the Rotary Club of Manila have a Conflicts of Interest Policy for general officers?

A: Yes, the club has such a policy. The following items in the Code of Policies are authoritative:

"2.1.5.3.3 Conflicts of Interest

The RCM Board has adopted a "Conflicts of Interest Policy" for general officers as follows:

2.1.5.3.1 Statement of Policy

No member of the Board of Directors of RCM shall use his or her position, or the knowledge gained therefrom, in such a manner that a conflict between the interest of RCM and his or her personal interest arises.

Each Board member has a duty to place the interest of RCM foremost in any dealings with the organization and has a continuing responsibility to comply with the requirements of this policy.

The conduct of personal business between a member of the Board and RCM is prohibited.

If a Board member has an interest in a proposed transaction with RCM in the form of any personal financial interest in the transaction or in any organization involved in the transaction, or holds a position of trustee, director, or officer in any such organization, he or she must make full disclosure of such interest before any discussion or negotiation of such transaction.

Any member of the Board who is aware of a potential conflict of interest with respect to any matter coming before the Board or a committee shall not be present for any discussion of or vote in connection with the matter."

Q: Is disclosure of conflict of interest necessary?

A: Yes, disclosure is of the essence. The Code of Policies provide the following:

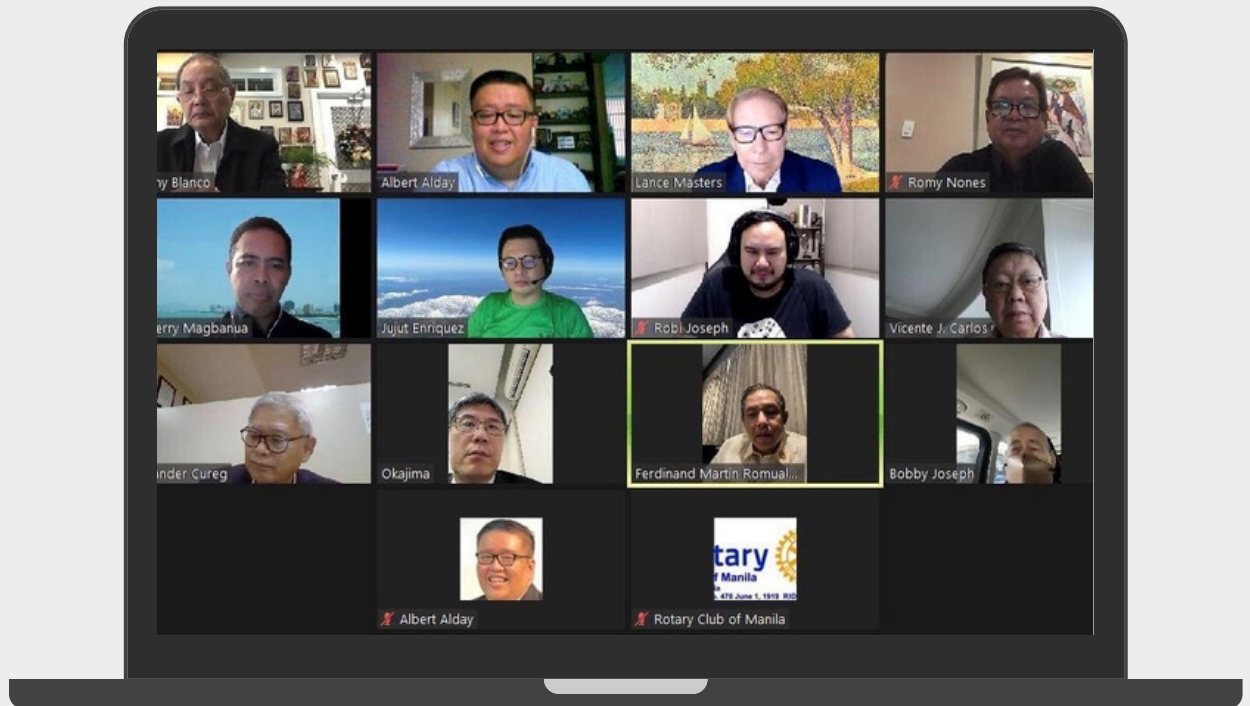
"2.1.5.3.2 Disclosure

To implement this policy, Board members of RCM will make full disclosure of all potential conflicts of interest prior to any relevant Board or Committee action."



CLUB ADMINISTRATION

ROTARY BRIEFING



The PDG Romy M. del Rosario Rotary Information Committee conducted a briefing on prospective members, Robi Joseph, Gerry Magbanua, Embassy of Japan Consul Hiroyuki Okajima and House Majority Floor Leader Rep. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez last October 20, 2020 via Zoom platform. The committee members present were PDG Alex Cureg (Chairman), ASAG/DE/Dir. Albert Alday, Rtn. Romy Nones, Rtn. Manny Blanco and PVP Lance Masters. Also present were AT/Dir. Jujut Enriquez, PDG Vince Carlos, Pres. Bobby Joseph, DE/VP Thad Liamzon and ES Anna Toledo.

ROTARIAN OF THE WEEK

STAR RTN. TOBIAS "TOBY" RAST: THE NEW IT KID ON THE BLOCK

By Rhea Vitto Tabora

Growing up in Germany where traveling was previously limited to other communist countries, Star Rotarian Tobias Rast developed a passion for traveling at an early age. When German reunification happened on October 3, 1990, he felt the entire world opened to him. From a young boy who was amazed with the world map, he started to explore the world and make all his dreams come to reality.

Star Rtn. Rast has been in Asia since 2009, lived and worked in the Philippines, Nepal, India, and Sri Lanka. In 2015, he came back to the Philippines and founded an IT company. He fell in love with the country, made it his second home, and started to build his family here.

Discover more about Star Rtn. Rast as he shares a slice of his life and what made him stay in Asia. As an IT expert, he also shares what will be the biggest trends in web/app development.

Rhea Vitto Tabora (RVT): What inspired you to join the Rotary Club of Manila? How would you describe your experience with the Club so far?

Tobias Rast (TR): The Rotary Club of Manila is a unique and exciting institution. At the Club, I experienced the mark of a group of people that takes action to create lasting change and love for this Club. The Club activities, social events, and volunteer projects have inspired me. I want to contribute with my knowledge and capabilities to support RCM activities. I experienced, in the pre-COVID-19 times, the very welcoming weekly face-to-face meetings and the exciting guest speakers. Even when I was only an RCM member for two months, I already made some friends and have had inspiring conversations.



Star Rtn. during his induction as a member of Rotary Club of Manila on January 30, 2020, held at the Manila Polo Club.

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The Rotary Motto "Service Above Self" and the 4 Way Test are things I try to apply in every aspect of my life. Heraclitus, the Greek philosopher, said "Change is the only constant in life". My values, which I learned from my parents, are influencing this constant change. I included the Rotary values into my own. Whether it is personal or professional, I always stick to my values and to what I believe.

ROTARIAN OF THE WEEK

STAR RTN. TOBIAS "TOBY" RAST: THE NEW IT KID ON THE BLOCK

RVT: How did you end up working in Asia, and what made you stay in the region for over a decade?

TR: My passion for traveling started very early as a young boy. I was born in East Germany, and traveling was limited only to other communist countries. I was always amazed by the world map and wanted to travel. 1990 was an exceptional year in my life. For twenty-eight years, the wall split Germany like an iron curtain into the capitalist West and the communist East. On 3 October 1990, we had a peaceful reunification, and the whole world opened to me.

After I lived and worked for three years in Manila, I left the country and moved to Nepal, India, and Sri Lanka. I must admit, I always missed the Philippines, and five years ago, destiny brought me in a position to choose my place of living. With no hesitation, I moved back to Makati and founded an IT company, Pegotec. For the first time in my professional life, I had no contract, no maximum time to stay, and no new destination where to go next. I started a family in a foreign country that I now consider my second home.



Star Rtn. Rast has been working in Asia since 2009. He then founded Pegotec, a web and app development agency.

RVT: What do you think will be the biggest trends in web/app development?

TR: I am in the IT business since 1998, when I developed the first website for a local race track in my hometown. Since then, I have experienced the Dot-com boom, Web 2.0, and Industry 4.0. revolution. We, the creative IT industry, never stop looking forward. There is always another thing that can be improved or disrupted. Web and App solutions changed the world and will continue to do so. Most of us use mobile phones with modern and innovative mobile apps on it. But my business is not limited to consumer apps. We create apps that make an impact in the industry and for organizations. Our apps collect data from work processes, machines, or even humans. With mobile development, we can support any workflow and help optimize it.

The most significant trend I can see now is Big Data. With billions of mobile devices, industry, and homes connected to the internet, self-driving cars, etc., we collect terabytes of information. To analyze this data and make the right assumptions out of it will be the big business. Data will become a currency and will influence all our lives. IT is one of the most potent things now; you cannot ignore it or try to live without it. RCM is influenced by IT. We receive E-mails from the office, communicate in Viber groups, and see each other in the Zoom meetings. Automatization, digitalization, mobile apps, and enterprise web-based software can improve any businesses and industries.

ROTARIAN OF THE WEEK

STAR RTN. TOBIAS "TOBY" RAST: THE NEW IT KID ON THE BLOCK

RVT: Name the person who had a great influence in your life. How did this person make an impact in your life?

TR: That is an exciting question that made me think. I believe that it always depends on the chapter in one's life.

My family influenced me in raising and teaching me manners and fundamental values. "A man of his word" is something I learned from my grandfather. I believe this is one of the essential things to follow, regardless of private or business life.

Also, in my business life, I got influenced by people who have been my mentors. I meet experienced business people and learned a lot from them. Listening to them and understanding their way of doing business helped me a lot to start my own. Young entrepreneurs run fast, but the experienced entrepreneurs know the shortcuts. To be in permanent exchange with professional people is inspiring and beneficial.

My friends are some of the biggest influencers in my life. To have open discussions and get honest opinions from friends is very important.

The latest person who influenced me a lot is my daughter Amara. I learned that a smile is worth much more than everything else in this world. I changed my lifestyle and try to be with her as much as possible. The simple things in life as a family are unpayable with money.

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Star Rtn. Tobias Rast enjoying the Philippines. (Clockwise from top left): Attending hot air balloon festival in Clark, enjoying water activities in Puerto Galera, Island hopping in Cebu

RVT: What is your favorite Filipino dish? Have you tried any exotic dishes?

TR: Filipino and German food have some similarities. For example, German Pork Knuckle is called *crispy pata* in the Philippines. My most favorite dish in the Philippines, *lechon* (roasted pig), is also related to Germany. It is called *Spanferkel* in Germany, and I love to eat it in Cebu. I also like *Bicol express* (spicy pork dish) and *pancit canton* (noodle dish) very much.

I tried *balut* (boiled fertilized duck egg) a long time ago. I think that was the most exotic and unusual thing I had to try in the Philippines.

ROTARIAN OF THE WEEK

STAR RTN. TOBIAS "TOBY" RAST: THE NEW IT KID ON THE BLOCK

RVT: What is one thing you miss most in your home country that you cannot find here in the Philippines?

TR: I miss the four seasons. To see nature changing is something extraordinary. Broadleaf forests turning red in autumn is a beautiful thing to enjoy.



Experiencing the four seasons is what he misses.

*Top: **Sächsische Schweiz** in full bloom.*

*Bottom: **Bastei** during winter (Bastei is the most famous rock formation in Saxon Switzerland, Germany)*

RVT: When this pandemic is over, where will you go and why?

TR: When the pandemic is over, I want to go to Germany to see my family and introduce my daughter to them. I know how badly my family wants to see her in person.

RVT: What is your favorite sport and why?

TR: I am German, so football is our national sport. I play it myself, and it is not only a sport. For some Germans, football is an essential part of their lives, and it brings people together.

Aside from professional football, there is also another aspect of it. Thousands of amateur players meet every week to play football and socialize after.

Even here in Manila, the German Club Football Team, the Eagles, is a team where you can easily make friends and get introduced to many players.



Star Rtn. Rast enjoys every bit of football.

RVT: If you could relive the last 10 years of your life, what would you do differently?

TR: I would not do anything different. I believe making mistakes is a part of life. I have made a lot of mistakes, but I learned from them. Of course, every action comes with consequences, but if you draw a lesson from the mistakes made, it is beneficial to who you are.

SUPPORTING THE ENVIRONMENT

DENR LETTER



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October 5, 2020

ROBERT L. JOSEPH, JR., President
JOAQUIN C. RODRIGUEZ, SR., Immediate Past President
Rotary Club of Manila
543 Arquiza cor. Grey Street,
Ermita, Manila

Dear Mr. Joseph and Mr. Rodriguez.:

Greetings from the Department of Environment and Natural Resources!

This refers to your letter dated September 12, 2020 providing us your Statement of Support in the rehabilitation of the Manila Bay dubbed as "Battle for Manila Bay" which started on January 27, 2019 in response to the writ of continuing mandamus issued by the Supreme Court in 2008.

Please be informed that the Department of Environment and Natural Resources appreciates your full support in the improvement, beautification, restoration, and clean-up of the Manila Bay. We thank you for your continued partnership and assistance in the protection, preservation, and conservation of the country's environment and natural resources.

Very truly yours,

BENNY D. ANTIPORDA

Undersecretary for Solid Waste Management
and Local Government Units Concerns
and Supervising Undersecretary for Strategic
Communication and Initiatives Service
and Task Force *Tayo ang Kalikasan*

cc: **Office of the Secretary**
Department of Environment and Natural Resources

Let's Go Green!

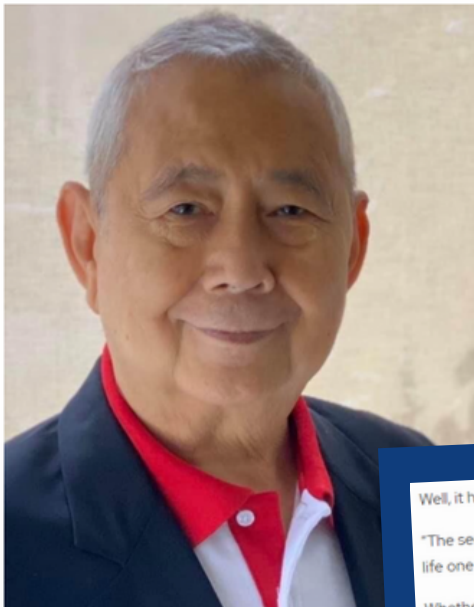
COGS IN THE WHEEL

THE INCREDIBLE JOURNEY OF BOBBY JOSEPH



If there is anyone who can steer an organization and keep it steady in turbulent skies, it is Bobby Lim Joseph.

Bobby is a survivor. A survivor of the ups and downs of the travel industry, and a cancer survivor. Diagnosed with renal cancer in 2002, Bobby has battled Stage 4 cancer since 2007, when he was given six months to live. Eighteen months at most.



Well, it has been 18 years and Bobby is still up and about.

"The secret to my survival is the miracle of hope from Mama Mary, the support and love of my family, living life one day at a time and doing my best in Jesus' name," reveals Bobby.

Whether in fighting illness, or anxiety due to the pandemic, Bobby has these pieces of advice: "Break down problems to solvable parts. One's outlook should be focused on one's goals. Discard self-created difficulties that have no basis for one's concern. Work one step at a time to get things done with a projected timeline."

He does not shirk from responsibilities but he has learned to delegate. "(I) accept the challenges, but pass them on to expert networks to relieve me of stress and tension."



COGS IN THE WHEEL

THE INCREDIBLE JOURNEY OF BOBBY JOSEPH

Bobby, a pillar of the travel and tourism industry, is also president of the Rotary Club of Manila (RCM), the first Rotary Club in Asia. He began his term in the midst of the pandemic, but he has not put the RCM's projects on hold.

Under Bobby's leadership, the Rotary Club of Manila has pledged its full support to the Department of Environment and Natural Resources' (DENR's) efforts in the improvement, beautification, restoration and cleanup of Manila Bay.

"Environment and Natural Resources Secretary Roy Cimatu has been instrumental in carrying out the Supreme Court order for 13 government agencies to clean up, rehabilitate and preserve Manila Bay. This has been neglected since 2008," says Bobby.

According to Bobby, RCM has gotten the support of 116 Rotary Club presidents for the signing of a memorandum of understanding with DENR for the cleanup of Manila Bay and tree planting all over the country.

"We have elevated what we started at the Manila Yacht Club in saving Manila Bay and now we go nationwide in collaboration with the Department of the Interior and Local Government and other government agencies to support various projects for sustainability. In RCM, we will continue getting bigger projects in collaboration with other Rotary clubs abroad to secure grants to help the Philippine General Hospital (PGH), the Tuloy Foundation of Father Rocky Evangelista, scholarships and student exchange programs, among others. We shall be partnering with big corporations to do outreach programs through our RCM Foundation Inc.," Bobby says proudly. That's a busy timeline for anyone, much more for a cancer survivor in the time of COVID-19.

"Last week, we gave \$3,000 and two boxes of masks given to Dr. Gap Legaspi, director of the PGH," adds Bobby.

He attributes his "can-do" attitude to "optimism and positive thinking." And to his beautiful ever-supportive wife, the former Ida Manalo, and their children.



COGS IN THE WHEEL

THE INCREDIBLE JOURNEY OF BOBBY JOSEPH

Bobby is an exemplar in the travel industry. He was named top salesman for Egypt Air from 1965 to 1979. When he was with Korean Air Lines, he received a citation from its president for sales and marketing in Asia. This was way before the Korean craze crash landed on our shores.

He once collaborated with Asia's "Fashion Czar" Pitoy Moreno in mounting a fashion show in the sky – onboard a KAL 747 flying from Seoul to New York with the 747's aisles as the catwalk.

Despite the fallout from the assassination of Ninoy Aquino in August 1983, Bobby recalls spearheading the Philippines' hosting of the 17th Annual World Airline Clubs Association (WACA) Convention in 1984. The country clinched the hosting despite the uncertainty at the time.

Looking back, Bobby views the experience like a half-full glass. "We had 427 foreign delegates instead of 800." But the show went on.

Bobby held the post of Kuwait Airways district sales manager for passenger and cargo for the Philippines from 1983 to 1992 and was a recipient of Kuwait Airways' "Best Productivity" recognition.

He started the Skål Tourism Personality Awards. (Founded in 1934, Skål International is the only professional organization promoting global tourism and friendship, uniting all sectors of the tourism industry. There are more than 342 Skål Clubs in 102 countries around the world.)

After his retirement from sales and marketing in the airline business, Bobby continued to be active in strengthening the industry. He founded the first travel cooperative in the Philippines for micro travel agencies. According to him, this has been accredited by the International Air Transport Association (IATA). He is president of the Network of Independent Travel Agencies (NITAS) as well as of the National Association of Independent Travel Agencies (NAITAS), with chapters all over the country.

What is Bobby's forecast for the struggling travel industry, inbound and outbound?

"Local and outbound will start to pick up by December, if the quarantine requirements are simplified. For inbound, the destinations should hopefully not impose quarantine upon arrival since tourists stay on the average of three to four nights only," he says.

At the end of the day (or the year), Filipinos have it in them to survive this crisis. They only have to look at Bobby as a template.

COGS IN THE WHEEL

ASIAN BANKER CITES BSP FOR COVID-19 RESPONSE



Asian Banker cites BSP for COVID-19 response



Lawrence Agcaoili (The Philippine Star) - October 17, 2020 - 12:00am

MANILA, Philippines — The Asian Banker has cited the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) for doing the heavy lifting through aggressive actions to cushion the impact of the coronavirus disease 2019 or COVID-19 pandemic on the economy.

BSP Governor Benjamin Diokno accepted the “Best Systemic and Prudential Regulator in Asia Pacific” award for 2020 in behalf of the institution through a virtual awarding ceremony Thursday.

“The BSP was among the central banks in the world which swiftly responded to the crisis through the deployment of a comprehensive set of measures,” Diokno said.

The COVID-19 response measures of the central bank unleashed P1.9 trillion into the financial system to help fight the impact of the global health pandemic.

These include the aggressive 175-basis point rate cuts, the lowering of the reserve requirements for banks, the P540-billion provision advance to the national government to boost its COVID-19 war chest, the P300-billion repurchase agreement with the Bureau of the Treasury, and the purchase of government securities in the secondary market, among others.

“The BSP continues to be front and center of the Philippines’ COVID-19 economic response by ensuring ample liquidity in the financial system, providing regulatory relief to banks and implementing policies to assist Filipino businesses and households weather and recover from the crisis,” the BSP chief said.

Banking intelligence provider Asian Banker evaluates the achievements of central banks and financial services regulators in the Asia Pacific, Middle East and Africa.

According to Asian Banker, this year’s awards are aimed at assessing the performance of central banks and financial regulators during the COVID-19 pandemic.

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

AN INVITATION TO JOIN THE ROSTER OF PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

July 14, 2020

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

An Opportunity has now opened doors for our club to be a 100% Paul Harris Club. With only US\$ 500.00 as a beginning contribution, you can now become a Paul Harris Fellow.

We have members who have risen to donor levels that have earned them significant point values. Our fellow members led by IPP Jackie Rodriguez, PDG Alex Cureg, IPVP Hermie Esguerra, PDG Rudy Bediones and PDG Obet Pagdanganan have indicated their willingness to share the points they have earned to allow Rotarians to be enrolled in the Roster of Paul Harris Fellows for only an initial contribution of US\$ 500.00 instead of the regular US\$ 1,000.00.

Contributions can easily be made by enrolling in www.rotary.org using your R.I. Identification Number. Once enrolled, you are allowed to learn Rotary, increase your circle of friendship and contribute conveniently using the website.

We, Rotarians, belong to a global family of service-oriented people who believe that our congregation is a means to share our blessings to the less fortunate communities globally. The Rotary Foundation is the funding arm of global humanitarian undertakings of Rotary International. It was formally named in 1917 and the first trustees were appointed after Rotary International President Arch Klumph proposed for the establishment of an endowment for the purpose of doing good in the world. The first grant of US\$ 500 benefitted the International Society for Crippled Children (Easter Seals). History marks the milestone projects of The Rotary Foundation such a scholarship for international graduate study, the elimination

of Polio worldwide, the initiation of a World Peace Forum, among others. Under the Rotary's 7 Areas of Service Focus, namely, Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution, Disease Prevention and Treatment, Water and Sanitation, Maternal and Child Health, Basic Education and Literacy, Economic and Community Development and lastly, Supporting the Environment, Rotary International and The Rotary Foundation have made themselves relevant to developing communities globally.

All these services would not have been made possible if not for the generosity of Rotarians, who voluntarily enlisted themselves to become members of The Rotary Foundation through a minimal contribution of US\$ 1,000.00.

We are currently working on a Global Grants for COVID-19 and other community-related projects. Your contribution will significantly improve the community living of our target beneficiaries.

For any assistance, please feel free to contact me.

Yours in the service of Rotary,

ROMEO THADDEUS LIAMZON
Vice President
Chairman, The Rotary Foundation
RY 2020-2021

Noted by:

ROBERT L. JOSEPH, JR.
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Rotary Club of Ermita Manila **Rotary Club of Metro Antipolo**

TOPICS :

Dangers of Internet

- Child Pornography
- Cyber Bullying
- Cyber Squatting
- Online Apps
- Phishing
- Scam
- Online Modelling Scam
- Online Predators
- Sextortion
- Scandal
- Email Spoofing

ANGEL NET Global

CYBER AWARE

AT SCHOOL AT HOME ONLINE

OUR FIRST LINE OF DEFENSE AND PROTECTION TO OUR ON-LINE LEARNERS FROM CYBER-EXPLOITATION WEBINAR

Dangers of Internet

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- Swindling/Estafa(Online Scam)
- Identity Theft
- Online Grave Threats
- Hacking
- Unjust Vexation
- Illegal Access
- Credit card Fraud
- Anti-Trafficking in Persons Act
- Online Illegal Recruitment
- Online Piracy
- Anti-Photo/Video Voyeurism

Oct. 22@7:30PM

Rotary District 3810 Rotary Opens Opportunities

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 3810

WORLD POLIO DAY **END POLIO NOW**

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24 OCT 20

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DG LEODY "Odie" TARRIELA
District Governor, RY 2020-2021
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DISTRICT 3810 WORLD POLIO DAY ACTIVITIES

- TRANSFORMATIONAL MOTORCADE**
Starts at 7am at STARCITY
- DRONE VIEW PHOTO OPTS AT LUNETTA**
- CITY BILLBOARDS PROMOTIONS**

NOTICE
ALL ATTENDEES MUST WEAR FACE MASK AND FACE SHIELD. STRICT OBSERVANCE OF SOCIAL DISTANCING IS A MUST.

Rotary District 3810 **Rotary Opens Opportunities**

District 3810 Membership Development Committee

NEW MEMBERS & SPONSORS NIGHT

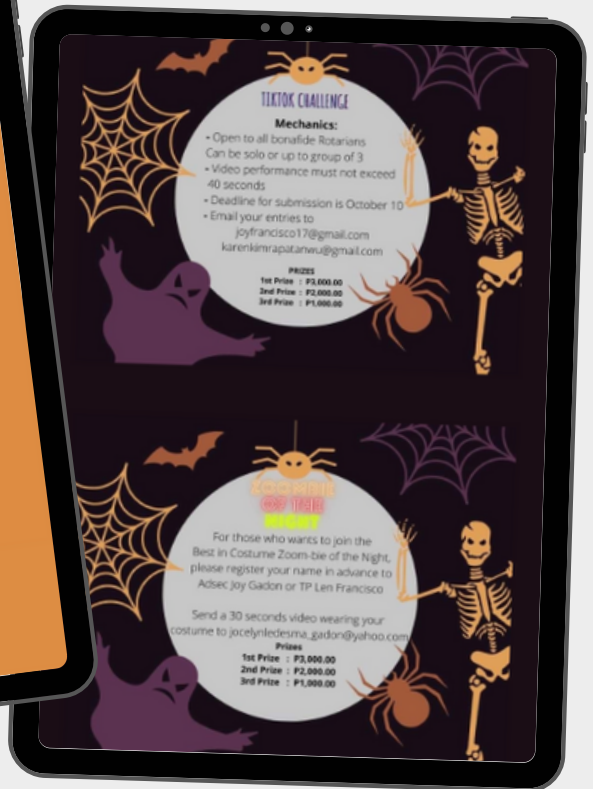
Wine & Cheese Virtual Fellowship

Saturday, 24th October 2020

Starts at 7:00 PM, Manila Time via Zoom Meeting
Meeting ID: 896 2263 6515 Passcode: 010118

Host Club
ROTARY CLUB OF BAGUMBAYAN-MANILA
Participants are requested to dress for the occasion and bring out your wine and cheese
Music mix from the Art of Sound.

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ROTARY INFORMATION

CHESLEY R. PERRY: ROTARY'S FIRST GENERAL SECRETARY

Chesley Reynolds Perry, a Spanish-American War veteran and former Chicago Public Library employee, served as Rotary's first secretary and is known as "the builder of Rotary International."

While Rotary's president changes every year, only 12 people have served as general secretary, a role that's equivalent to a chief executive — and at 32 years, Perry served the longest.

In August 1910, the newly formed National Association of Rotary Clubs (now Rotary International) unanimously selected Perry for the role then known as secretary. He accepted the part-time position at \$100 per month, with an agreement that the amount of time he'd devote would remain unspecified. By 1912, the job had evolved into a full-time executive role, and Perry's pay was increased.

Perry's own office on LaSalle Street in Chicago, Illinois, USA, served as the first headquarters of the association. By 1911, Rotary had established an office in the First National Bank Building at the intersection of Dearborn and Monroe in Chicago.

Perry concurrently served as editor and business manager of *The Rotarian* from 1911 to 1928, and he opened Rotary's first international office, in Zurich, Switzerland, in February 1925. He oversaw the expansion of Rotary as it grew during his tenure from 16 clubs in the United States to more than 5,000 worldwide. His title was officially changed to general secretary in 1941-42, his final year in office.

Perry had announced his plans to retire in 1940, but agreed to remain in his post while the organization trained his successor, Philip C. Lovejoy. A number of clubs sought to nominate Perry for RI president in 1942-43, but he declined, saying, "I am gratefully conscious of the high compliment thereby being paid to me."

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*If I can in truth be called the architect,
Ches can with equal truth be called
the builder of Rotary International.*

— Rotary founder Paul P. Harris,
"My Road to Rotary" (1948)



After retiring, Perry remained a member of the Rotary Club of Chicago, which he'd joined in 1908. But he wasn't done being a leader, and served as club president in 1944-45. In 1954, Rotary offered him the title "secretary emeritus" to honor his years of service, but he again declined, preferring the role of ordinary Rotarian.

Perry died on 21 February 1960 at the age of 87.

GENERAL SECRETARIES OF RI

Chesley R. Perry, 1910-42
Philip C. Lovejoy, 1942-52
George R. Means, 1953-72
Harry A. Stewart, 1972-78
Herbert A. Pigman, 1979-86; 1993-95
Philip H. Lindsey, 1986-89
Hugh M. Archer, 1989-90
Spencer Robinson Jr., 1990-93
Geoffrey S. Large, 1995-97
S. Aaron Hyatt, 1997-2000
Edwin H. Futa, 2000-11
John P. Hewko, 2011-present

Source: www.rotary.org

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NUTS N' BALLS

by PP Boy Guevara, Jr.

Fellow RCMers, in lieu of my normal posts, please allow me to repost Pope Francis's Homily last Sunday.

READ IT AGAIN AND AGAIN:

*You can have flaws, be anxious, and even be angry, but do not forget that your life is the greatest enterprise in the world. Only you can stop it from going bust. Many appreciate you, admire you and love you. Remember that to be happy is not to have a sky without a storm, a road without accidents, work without fatigue, relationships without disappointments.

To be happy is to find strength in forgiveness, hope in battles, security in the stage of fear, love in discord. It is not only to enjoy the smile, but also to reflect on the sadness. It is not only to celebrate the successes, but to learn lessons from the failures. It is not only to feel happy with the applause, but to be happy in anonymity.

Being happy is not a fatality of destiny, but an achievement for those who can travel within themselves. To be happy is to stop feeling like a victim and become your destiny's author. It is to cross deserts, yet to be able to find an oasis in the depths of our soul. It is to thank God for every morning, for the miracle of life.

Being happy is not being afraid of your own feelings. It's to be able to talk about you. It is having the courage to hear a "no". It is confidence in the face of criticism, even when unjustified. It is to kiss your children, pamper your parents, to live poetic moments with friends, even when they hurt us.

To be happy is to let live the creature that lives in each of us, free, joyful and simple.

It is to have maturity to be able to say: "I made mistakes".

It is to have the courage to say "I am sorry".

It is to have the sensitivity to say, "I need you".

It is to have the ability to say "I love you".

May your life become a garden of opportunities for happiness ...

That in spring may it be a lover of joy.

In winter a lover of wisdom.

And when you make a mistake, start all over again.

For only then will you be in love with life. You will find that to be happy is not to have a perfect life.

But use the tears to irrigate tolerance.

Use your losses to train patience.

Use your mistakes to sculptor serenity.

Use pain to plaster pleasure.

Use obstacles to open windows of intelligence.

Never give up Never give up on people who love you. Never give up on happiness, for life is an incredible show.* (Pope Francis).

Note: You may share this wonderful explanation by His Holiness on the real essence of life.



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QUOTES ON LIFE

by PP Frank Evaristo

- 1.) "People will always find something unkind to say so just do what makes you happy." – Vicky Belo
- 2.) "Life is the biggest university experience. It is the best teacher. We learn now by doing what we learn from school which must be useful in our day to day lives." – PDG Sonny Coloma
- 3.) "Build character and friendship so that when you're no longer in the position, you are still well-liked and respected by your peers."
- 4.) "I've never met a strong person with an easy past. Never give up."
- 5.) "When you say you will do something and don't do it, you teach others including yourself that you cannot be trusted."
- 6.) "Believe in yourself. You are braver than you think, more talented than you know and capable of more than you imagine."
- 7.) "Don't worry what people say behind your back, because God is going to bless you in front of their faces."
- 8.) "Remember when you forgive, you heal. And when you let go, you grow."
- 9.) "Peace is a choice we can make everyday."



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RCM VOICES

by PD Nick Locsin

The GOOD, the BAD and the UGLY

A view shaped from my fifteen years in the Rotary Club of Manila. I am still a relative newbie as compared to many of my esteemed RCM elders, but, I believe that I have experienced enough to qualify to share some sense with you.

Through good times and bad, we learn. Hopefully we have learned during these recent weeks what we need to do to avoid the recurrence of our recent ugly experiences.

The recent spate of unfortunate developments -- unethical behavior leading to suspensions, membership resignations leading to even more turmoil -- were not unlikely given the circumstances we had.

The all important question now ishave we learned from these regretful events?

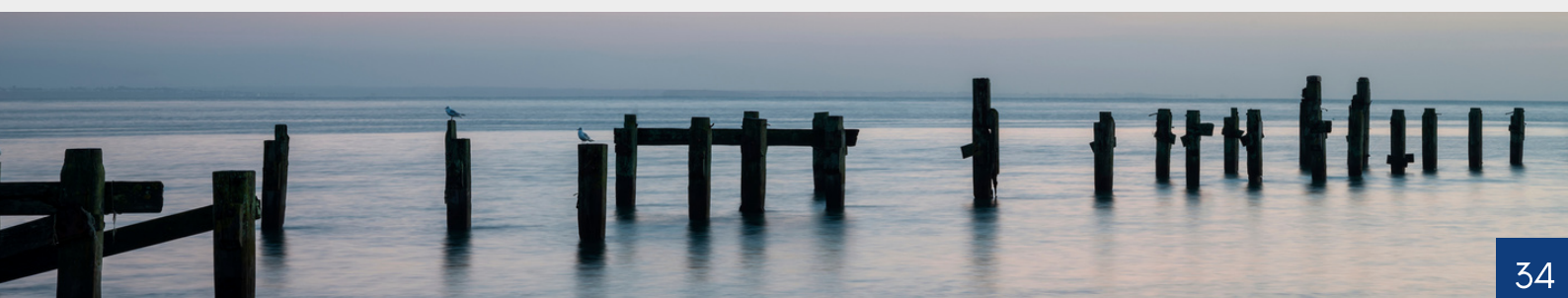
The members who were recently disciplined manifested values contrary to those of Rotary. Values so misaligned, their actions demanded sanctions which led to confusion and uncertainty.

Today is as good a time as any for each of us RCM members to consider going into serious introspect. It is apropos to ask ourselves ... do our values today still align with the values and the spirit of this Rotary movement that we joined?

For any of you whose answer may not be a resounding yes, you should look deeper into your hearts and recognize that you could be a threat, even a significant impediment, to the fulfillment of the true Rotarian spirit and all the good that comes from that. You should consider, for the benefit of the rest, stepping aside and staying out of the way of meaningful Rotary initiatives.

The iconic Four Way Test and our oft repeated motto, "Service above Self", clearly encourage the values expected of Rotarians. These resources, combined with clear guidance from our Club's Constitution and By-Laws, which by the way we each took an oath to uphold, should give us cues on how to think and behave as we move on.

From our Four Way Test, we derive HONESTY, INTEGRITY (the TRUTH), SINCERITY and TRANSPARENCY. Supplement these values with being FAIR and JUST (to ALL concerned) and exuding utmost "DELICADEZA" in our thoughts, decisions and actions. "Delicadeza " includes several qualities among which are thoughtfulness, sensitivity and bringing forth your best social graces into the Rotary family.



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“Service Above Self” is self-explanatory. I am sure all will agree that it refers to service while seeking nothing in return. For those who seek more than the opportunity to serve, then Rotary may not be the place for you. This is not the place to seek accolades, recognition and/or influence. RCM is an organization that gives us access to projects we can direct/course through our generosity and sharing. And in participating in those endeavors, we are guided and expected to make friends with all the members of the club. Yes, it may not be practical to expect that we may like all members, but, if you can bring sensitivity and your best social graces to the fore, we can maintain good working relationships and rewarding fraternization with all.

Our constitution and by-laws are more explicit as to how Rotarians should conduct themselves. It is in plain English to be easily understood. It provides clear guidance on how to deal with the decisions of the board of directors of the club. More importantly, this guidance encourages respect for these elected leaders of the club. This guidance also outlines a process to avoid unnecessary confrontations and regretful behavior. Disagreements are to be expected. Hence, a process to resolve disagreements is wisely included.

It does suggest that even when we disagree, we can still maintain the poise and proper behavior expected of a Rotarian.

Our sources of inspiration and guidance omit discussions on monies. This suggests that sincerity and selfless generosity come foremost before considering the material value of the blessings that we shared. Good values and our character will pave the way to Rotary success. When we joined Rotary, we expected to contribute to its causes. Any contribution from the heart, in any form, is welcome.

I look forward to all RCMers, applying true Rotarian values in our work, in socializing and in giving. Doing so, we will regain the luster of the true Rotarian spirit. It took honest hard work over many decades to earn the reputation that RCM deserves. As the incumbent generation of RCMers, it is our duty and it should be our mission to enhance RCM’s image.

May the guidance, the vision of Rotary’s founding fathers and those that followed after them lead us toward greater success.

Peace, prosperity and the spirit of sharing be with all of us.



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