

GUEST SPEAKER

JOAQUIN "QUINITO" M. HENSON

Sports Journalist / Sports Broadcaster



ROTARY CLUB OF MANILA JORGE B. VARGAS ATHLETE OF THE YEAR AWARD



KABALITA

It's a Sporty Thursday as the Ultimate Sports Analyst/Broadcaster brings human kinetics to life at Asia's First Rotary Club on the occasion of the milestone staging of the inaugural Rotary Club of Manila Jorge B. Vargas Athlete of the Year Award.

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**RCM BALITA EDITORIAL TEAM,
RY 2020-2021**



Zoom Weekly Membership Luncheon Meeting
Rotary Year 2020-2021
 Thursday, March 25, 2021, 12:00 PM

PROGRAM TIMETABLE

11:00 AM	Registration and Zoom In	
	1. Program Technical Moderators	Rtn. Tobi Rast /
	2. Program Moderator/Facilitator/ChikaTalk	EA Sol Troniado-Encarnacion
		IPP Jackie Rodriguez
11:55 AM	Zoom Meeting House Rules	



Part I

12:00 PM	Call to Order	Pres. Bobby Joseph
	Invocation and Special prayers for the healing and speedy recovery of Rtn. Butch Tamayo, PVP Mike Guerrero and PVP Lance Masters	STAR Rtn. Tony Meloto
	Philippine National Anthem	AVP of RCM Members
	RCM Hymn	AVP of RCM WF Music Chorale
	Philippine Rotary Hymn	AVP
	The Rotarian Pledge	Rtn. Nando Camus
	The Four (4) Way Test	STAR Rtn. Joel Talampas
	Introduction of Visiting Rotarians and Guests	IPP Jackie Rodriguez
	Welcome Song	AVP of RCM WF Music Chorale
	RC Manila Birthday Celebrants for the week	
	March 19 IPD Issam Eldebs	March 28 Rtn. Marlon Roño
	March 20 Rtn. Rey Vea	Rtn. Wolf Harle
	STAR Rtn. Joel Talampas	March 29 Rtn. Vee David
	March 25 Rtn. Ludek Vrana	Dir. Hans Palacios
	March 26 PDSAA Uwe Hesse	March 31 PVP Ben Diokno
		Rtn. Ramby Nolido



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PROGRAM TIMETABLE

Maligayang Bati
Happy Birthday Song

AVP of RCM WF Music Chorale
AVP of Birthday Celebrants

TOWER AWARDS 2021 Announcement
President's Time

AVP
Pres. Bobby Joseph



Part II

12:30 PM Rotary Club of Manila Jorge B. Vargas Athlete of the Year Award

Opening Remarks

IPP Jackie Rodriguez
Chairman
Most Outstanding Athlete
Awards Committee

HON. JORGE B. VARGAS

AVP

Message

Mr. Ricky Vargas
PBA Chairman
Vargas Family Representative
Past President
Philippine Olympic Committee

Introduction of Guest Speaker

PP Teddy Ocampo

Address:

MR. JOAQUIN "QUINITO" M. HENSON
Sports Journalist and Sports Broadcaster
Guest Speaker

Topic:

"The Future of Philippine Sports"



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Survey/Selection Results
of the Rotary Club of Manila Jorge B. Vargas
Athlete of the Year Award

IPP Jackie Rodriguez

MR. CARLOS EDRIEL YULO (Gymnast)

AVP

Announcement and Presentation of the
Rotary Club of Manila Jorge B. Vargas
Athlete of the Year Award to
MR. CARLOS EDRIEL YULO
(represented by Usec. Cynthia Carrion-Norton)

Pres. Bobby Joseph
IPVP Hermie Esguerra
IPP Jackie Rodriguez
Usec. Cynthia Carrion-Norton
Mr. Quinito Henson

Message

Usec. Cynthia Carrion-Norton
Representative of Mr. Carlos Edriel Yulo

Video Message

Mr. Carlos Edriel Yulo
Rotary Club of Manila Jorge B. Vargas
Athlete of the Year Awardee

Open Forum

Presentation of Certificate of Appreciation

Pres. Bobby Joseph
IPVP Hermie Esguerra
Programs Committee Chairman

Attested by:
Sec. Reggie Yu

2:00 PM

Meeting Adjournment

Pres. Bobby Joseph

PROFILE OF GUEST SPEAKER



JOAQUIN "QUINITO" M. HENSON **Sports Journalist / Sports Broadcaster**

Joaquin M. Henson is well-known in media as a sports journalist and sports broadcaster. He writes a column A Sporting Chance in the Philippine Star five days a week and appears as an analyst for the Philippine Basketball Association on TV. Quinito has been recognized for his excellence in journalism as the only sports columnist to be cited back-to-back by the Catholic Mass Media Awards, the only sports columnist to receive the Philippine Olympic Committee award for Olympism and the only sports columnist to be honored with the Sport-For-All award by the Philippine Olympic Committee and the Philippine Sports Commission. His works have been published in the US and UK. He has covered on site such events as the London Olympics, the FIBA World Championships in 2002, 2014 and 2019, the World Taekwondo Championships, Formula 1 racing, boxing title fights all over the world, the NBA Finals, the NBA All-Star Game, the Asian Games and the Southeast Asian Games. In 2019, he became the first and only Asian tapped by FIBA, the world federation of basketball, to broadcast the FIBA World Cup to a global audience on TV. Quinito is often invited to speak before students in schools from Tuguegarao to Koronadal, professionals in inspirational talks for such institutions as Metrobank, PhilAm Life Insurance and HSBC and members of organizations such as Rotary Clubs from Manila to Pampanga to Tarlac to Pangasinan.

Quinito's other side is his professional background in microfinance. For over 30 years, he was Managing Director of the Kaunlaran Kabuhayan Microcredit Corp., the Eduardo Cojuangco Foundation and Botika Sama Sama which is engaged in socialized dispensing of medicine. Quinito has retired as Managing Director and in 2017, was conferred the prestigious honor of Adopted Son of Tarlac by the provincial government for his socio-civic-economic contributions, only the fourth in history and the first in 20 years. He has lectured on microfinance before the United Nations in Geneva and Lyon, France and met with Nobel Prize winner Muhammad Yunus at the World Microcredit Summit in Washington D. C. Quinito played a key role in implementing two landmark projects in Tarlac--Project Free which provided scholarships for about 2,000 public school teachers in their Masteral and doctorate studies and Project Hope which provided scholarships in tech-voc skills courses and employment opportunities for close to 1,000 out-of-school youth. Before his involvement in microfinance, Quinito was Vice President of Bancom Development Corp. and Union Bank of the Philippines.

Quinito earned Liberal Arts and Commerce degrees, majors in Economics and East Asian Studies, cum laude, at La Salle and a Master's degree in Business at the Asian Institute of Management. He is married to the former Carmencita (Menchu) Genato with a daughter Cristina. Quinito is an avid squash player and a consultant with the La Salle seniors basketball team. He is a strong Catholic and a devoted family man.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER



Dear Colleagues in RCM,

The most valuable reasons why leaders join RCM are to develop friendship and camaraderie among its members, to share and serve the needy in our society, to protect the environment, and to care for the sick. Fund the youth and help them get an education that will probably change their lives for the better. Feed the street children. Help eliminate polio—Rotary has been working to eradicate polio for over 35 years through its Global Polio Eradication Initiative. Rotary Club of Manila also established the Boy Scouts of America Philippine Islands Council No. 545. We also collaborate with the Philippine Cancer Society and we are involved in many outreach programs in the community.

What is vital is that our outreach projects must be sustainable. Every member may solicit funds from their friends to help the underprivileged and secure corporate co-sponsorship to decide the project they can co-produce. Let's have fund-raising projects that can promote the camaraderie of our members. The leaders should get everyone involved. While it is expected that we, Rotarians, become real friends, we need to set aside friendship when moral principles are transgressed or abused.

We need a deeper bench of volunteers. We need to tap creative members—those with a goal of pursuing active involvement. We are moving to get more young leaders who are inspired to work above self. There is a need to review the standing committees, what needs to be eliminated and what we have to add.

As leaders, we need to have the time, effort, connections and willingness to spend from their

resources or be able to persuade others to believe and contribute to our projects. The increase in membership is a priority for the growth and well-being of RCM. We don't want to see a dying organization because of loss of passion to serve and share due to politics or other priorities that do not serve the interest of the Rotary movement.

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Involvement in different projects is a must for Rotary to thrive and exceed expectations in bringing out the best in whatever we do. We all have to be concerned with branding to promote the image of Rotary and our RCM brand.

On the other hand, allow me to give you an update on the activities we are undertaking.

First, the Athlete of the Year Award Project has been initiated by IPP Jackie Rodriguez. We appointed the principal adviser, Joaquin “Quinito” Henson, who prepared a video of the six (6) athletes who competed. Based on the tabulation of the Board, the world-renowned gymnast, Carlos Yulo prevailed. Our award is named after Jorge Vargas, a member of RCM who served as Executive Secretary of President Manuel Quezon. Rtn. Jorge Vargas was the first head of the Boy Scouts of the Philippines, and he held different positions in the government after the war. He died in 1980.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER



The membership development committee is passionately moving to recruit more leaders in the business community to join RCM. Our target is to go beyond 225 members.

We have a vaccine survey among our members for those who might be interested to buy in bulk if this may be convenient and cheaper.

I thank our Transformational Team who are relentlessly doing their best to promote the goodwill and image of RCM among the Districts, Sister Clubs, Circle of Centennial Rotary Clubs worldwide, as well as the recipients and beneficiaries of our outreach projects and the different communities who are familiar with the Rotary movement.

Leadership is not the position, but who you are.

Maraming salamat.

Your Servant President,

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



THE WEEK THAT WAS



ES Anna Kun-Toledo and **EA Sol Troniado-Encarnacion** as **Program Technical Moderators**



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



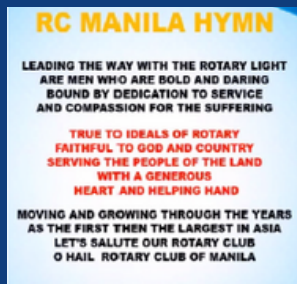
President Bobby Joseph calls the meeting to order.



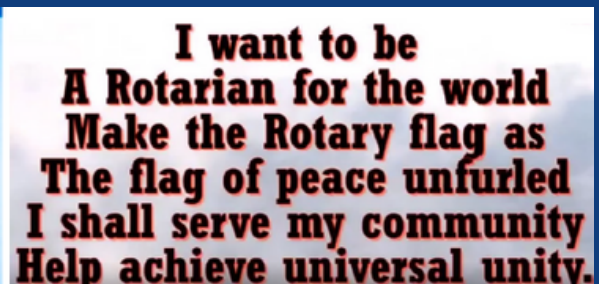
Rtn. Warren So delivers an Invocation and Special Prayer.



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 **Philippine Rotary Hymn**



Rtn. Romy Nones 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.



PDSAA Ferdie Co leads the recitation of the Four (4) Way Test for Manila Rotarians to renew their commitment to the Rotary movement.

THE WEEK THAT WAS



Program Moderator/Facilitator Rtn. Warren So introduces guests and Visiting Rotarians.



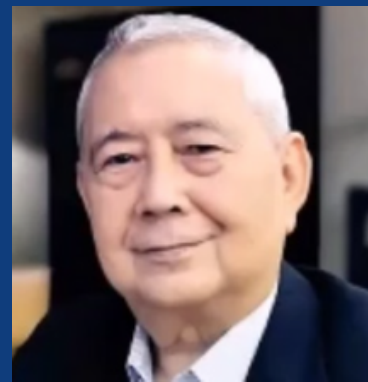
The **World Famous Music Chorale** singing the Welcome Song



Rtn. Warren So, Program Moderator/Facilitator, acknowledges the birthday celebrants, namely, **Rtn. Mon Montaño** and **Rtn. Hansel Tillman** which was followed by an audiovisual presentation of the World Famous Music Chorale singing the happy birthday song.



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



An open forum for the Classification Talks of **PT Chito Tagaysay**, **Rtn. Jordan Pizarra**s and **STAR Rtn. Robi Joseph** took place. Among those who participated in the open forum were **BLA Amading Valdez**, **PE/PVP Chito Zaldarriaga**, **VPE Henning Karcher**, **PD Jun Hallare**, **PD Beda Fajardo**, **Rtn. Manny Blanco** and **DE/Dir. Johnny Chotrani**.



PDG Obet Pagdanganan delivers the Charging Rites to **STAR Rtn. Joel Talampas**.



President Bobby Joseph administers Oath of Membership to **STAR Rtn. Joel Talampas**.



STAR Rtn. L.A. Sevilla and **STAR Rtn. Xavy Zialcita** deliver their respective Classification Talks.

THE WEEK THAT WAS



An open forum immediately followed right after the Classification Talks of **STAR Rtn. L.A. Sevilla** and **STAR Rtn. Xavy Zialcita**. Among those who participated in the open forum were **Rtn. Tony Lopez**, **PE/PVP Chito Zaldarriaga**, **VPE Henning Karcher**, **Rtn. PJ Garcia**, **President Bobby Joseph**, **DE John Michael Cutter**, **Rtn. Mike Ozaeta** and **PP Susing Pineda**.



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

CLUB ADMINISTRATION

From the Programs Committee



Dear Fellow Manila Rotarians,

Let not the hazards of the global pandemic prevent us from manifesting our fondness for Philippine Sports as Asia's First Rotary Club brings you Sports Analyst and Sports Broadcaster Par Excellence JOAQUIN "QUINITO" HENSON as the club ushers in the first ever Rotary Club of Manila Jorge B. Vargas Athlete of the Year Award.

Let's get our bodies moving on an exciting Weekly Membership Meeting! We're on Zoom today live, 12PM, March 25!

Very truly yours,

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



CLUB ADMINISTRATION

Attendance

RCM Members' Attendance Report, RY 2020-2021

March 2021	March 4, 2021 His Excellency Harald Fries, Ambassador of Sweden to the Republic of the Philippines Classification Talk Rtn. Jerry Agnes	March 11, 2021 Classification Talks PT Chito Tagaysay, Rtn. Jordan Pizarra and STAR Rtn. Robi Joseph	March 18, 2021 Classification Talks STAR Rtn. L.A. Sevilla and STAR Rtn. Xavy Zialcita
All Members Present	65	64	63
Make Up	8	2	
Less: Exempt from Attendance	7	6	5
On Leave	6	6	6
Total Active Members	73	60	58
Total # of Members	209	210	210
TOTAL ATTENDANCE %:	35%	29%	28%
Visiting Rotarians	0	0	
Rotaract Club of Manila/Rotaract Club of DLSU-Manila	0	0	
Media	0	0	
Guest Speaker/Guest of Honor and Speaker	1	0	
Guests of RCM MEMBERS	0	1	7
Total Attendees	74	65	70



CLUB ADMINISTRATION

List of Members Who Have Paid Their Annual Dues for RY 2020-2021

(As of March 24, 2021, 10:00 AM)

	ANNUAL DUES 19-20
188	FULLY PAID
23	UNPAID
0	PARTIALLY PAID
211	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	Alberto, Raymund Arnold S.	50275	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
6	Alcantara, Isidro "Butch"	50075	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
7	Alday, Albert S.	50035	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
8	Alingog, Aldous "Rex" A.	50271	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
9	Alvarez, Servando Jr.	50272	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
10	Ang, Richard T.	50318	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
11	Antunez, Jose Mari "Mari" M.	50277	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
12	Aventura, Avenilo "Nilo" P.	50263	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
13	Aventura, Jr., Avenilo "Jun" L.	50263	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
14	Bartolome III, Arsenio "Archit" M.	50047	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
15	Bautista, Jacinto "Jack" S.	50390	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
16	Bediones, Rodolfo "Rudy" P.	50108	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
17	Bella Jr., Geronimo "Jun" Dela Paz	50069	24,553.57	FULLY PAID
18	Benedicto, Sixto "Noy" T.	50237	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
19	Bhalla, Pardeep "Bobby"	50395	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
20	Blanco, Manuel "Manny" M.	50078	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
21	Bogovich, Jason M.	50102	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
22	Bolton, Wilhelm "Bollie"	50258	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
23	Branellec, Jacques "Jack"	50083	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
24	Buendia, Carlos "Caloy" C.	50650	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
25	Cabuñag, Rogelio "Roger" R.	50279	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
26	Campos Jr., Joselito "Butch" D.	50148	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
27	Camus, Fernando	50068	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
28	Capistrano Jr., Jose "Jun-Jun" A.	50245/50411	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
29	Carlos, Vicente "Vince" J.	50124	23,800.00	FULLY PAID
30	Castro, Karlo Eugene Josef "Karlo"	50025	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
31	Chigioji, Matthew	50393	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
32	Chotrani, Johnny N.	50106	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
33	Co, Ferdinand "Ferdie" C.	50255	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
34	Coyluto Jr., Robert "Jun" G.	50059	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
35	Cruz, Avelino "Ave" V.	50336	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
36	Cureg, Alexander "Alex" P.	50041	23,800.00	FULLY PAID
37	Cutter, John Michael "Michael"	50118	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
38	David, Virgilio "Vee"	50126	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
39	Davis, Raymond "Rey" N.	50089	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
40	Dayang, Juan E.	50049	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
41	Dee, Marcus L.	50252	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
42	De Venecia, Jose "Joe" C.	50149	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
43	Del Rosario, Oscar	50265	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
44	Dela Cruz, Artemio "Art"	50147	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
45	Diokno, Benjamin "Ben" E.	50043	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
46	Domingo, Rico V.	50387	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
47	Dominguez III, Carlos "Sonny" G.	50065	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
48	Dy, Manuel "Manny" C.	50050	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
49	Egan, Brendan "Bren" W.L.	50230	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
50	Eldebs, Issam "Sam"	50021	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
51	Engelbrecht, Francois	50121	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
52	Enriquez III, Eduardo "Jujut" V.	50051	24,553.57	FULLY PAID
53	Esguerra, Herminio "Hermie" S.	50062	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
54	Eugenio, John Emyl "Emyl" G.	50254	25,000.00	FULLY PAID

55	Evaristo, Frank	50079	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
56	Fajardo, Beda G.	50138	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
57	Follosco Jr., Ceferino "Jun" G.	50027	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
58	Garcia, Joey	50406	28,938.00	FULLY PAID
59	Garcia, Paul Joseph "PJ"	50150/50285	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
60	Garcia, Victor	50052	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
61	Gaspar, Fernando "Nando" L.	50392	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
62	Gierran, Dante "Dan"	50242	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
63	Go, Daniel "Danny" C.	50070	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
64	Go, Henry Sy	50048	37,138.00	FULLY PAID
65	Go, Michael	50241	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
66	Guerrero, Miguel Ma. "Mike"	50300	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
67	Guevara Jr., Domingo "Boy" S.	50250	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
68	Guevara, Ricardo "Ricky" S.	50236	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
69	Hallare Jr., Delfin "Jun" T.	50114	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
70	Hallerbach, Mathias	50094	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
71	Harle, Wolfgang Kurt	50122	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
72	Henkelmann, Martin	50097	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
73	Hernandez, Edwin	50044	37,138.00	FULLY PAID
74	Hesse, Uwe	50283	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
75	Jang, Jae "Jay-Jay" J.	50284	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
76	Joseph Jr., Robert Lim "Bobby"	50038	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
77	Joseph, Robert Ian "Robi"	50354	37,138.00	FULLY PAID
78	Karcher, Henning	50091	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
79	Ko, Solomon "Mon"	50037	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
80	Kunack, Lutz	50216	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
81	Lacambacal, Alvin D.	50259	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
82	Laurel, Ricardo "Ricky" P.	50355	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
83	Laya, Jaime "Jimmy" C.	50389	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
84	Lee, Richard "Dick" L.	50074	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
85	Leung, Karl A.	50635	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
86	Liamzon, Romeo Thaddeus "Thad" T.	50028	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
87	Lim, David Eduardo Ty	50111	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
88	Lim, Richard	50411	28,938.00	FULLY PAID
89	Lim, William "Willy" C.	50267	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
90	Locsin, Arsenio "Nick" Z.	50092	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
91	Locsin, Roberto R.	50036	24,500.00	FULLY PAID
92	Lonzaga, Reinerio "Ner" C.	50099	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
93	Lopa, Antonio "Tony" A.	50302	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
94	Lopez, Arthur "Art" M.	50034	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
95	Lopez, Antonio "Tony"	50286	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
96	Macapagal, Michael	50285	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
97	Magbanua, Gerry	50306	37,138.00	FULLY PAID
98	Manalaysay, Cesar P "Citos"	50233	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
99	Marking, Amado "Butch" M.	50110	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
100	Masters, Lance A.	50/50292/50	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
101	Matschuck, Guenter "Gunter" G.	50046	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
102	Meloto, Antonio	50402	28,938.00	FULLY PAID
103	Mendoza, Estelito "Titong" P.	50060	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
104	Mendoza, Raymond Joseph Ian "Raji"	50244	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
105	Mommaerts, Steve "Momo"	50253	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
106	Montecillo, Daniel Gabriel "Dennis"	50119	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
107	Montel, Juan Manuel C.	50369	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
108	Montinola, Antonio "Tony" J.	50042	25,000.00	FULLY PAID

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109	Mueller, Klaus	50278	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
110	Nones, Romeo "Romy" C.	50120	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
111	Nolido, Ramon Alberto "Ramby" B.	50273	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
112	Nunez Jr., Jose "Pepo" A.	50260	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
113	Ocampo, Teodoro "Teddy" J.	50117	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
114	Ong, Jovee K.	50143	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
115	Okajima, Hiroyuki	50297/50298	37,138.00	FULLY PAID
116	Ong, Phillip "Phil" L.	50082	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
117	Ozaeta, Miguel Antonio L.	50136	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
118	Pagdanganan, Roberto "Obet" M.	50064	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
119	Palacios, Albert "Hans" C.	50141/50413	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
120	Pallasigue, Brian	50135	37,138.00	FULLY PAID
121	Pascual, Abraham "Abe" F.	50098	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
122	Pascual, Jose Augusto "Jappy"	50098	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
123	Patterson, Colin David	50276	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
124	Payumo, Felicito "Tong" C.	50240	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
125	Peliño, Wilfredo "Willie" M.	50180	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
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TOTAL **4,846,043.82**

Payments from former members

1	9 Members	203,850.00	PAID
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Know Your Club Constitution, By-Laws and Policies

Q: What is the role of the Rotaract Interact Committee?



A: The following item in the Code of Policies is authoritative:

"4.2.1.19 ROTARACT INTERACT Committee

ROTARACT – supervises and guides existing club-sponsored community or company-based Rotaract clubs of young adults between the ages of 18–30 engaged in vocational, community and international services to enlist the participation of its members in various vocational, community and international projects.

INTERACT – supervises and guides existing club-sponsored Interact Clubs for high schools dedicated to youth development and Rotary ideals of service and goodwill."

Q: What is the role of the Boy & Girl Scout Committee?



A: The following item in the Code of Policies is authoritative:

"4.2.1.20 Boy & Girl Scout Committee

Initiates programs and projects in support of the scouting movement pioneered by the Rotary Club of Manila in the country."

Q: What is the role of the Children Welfare Committee?



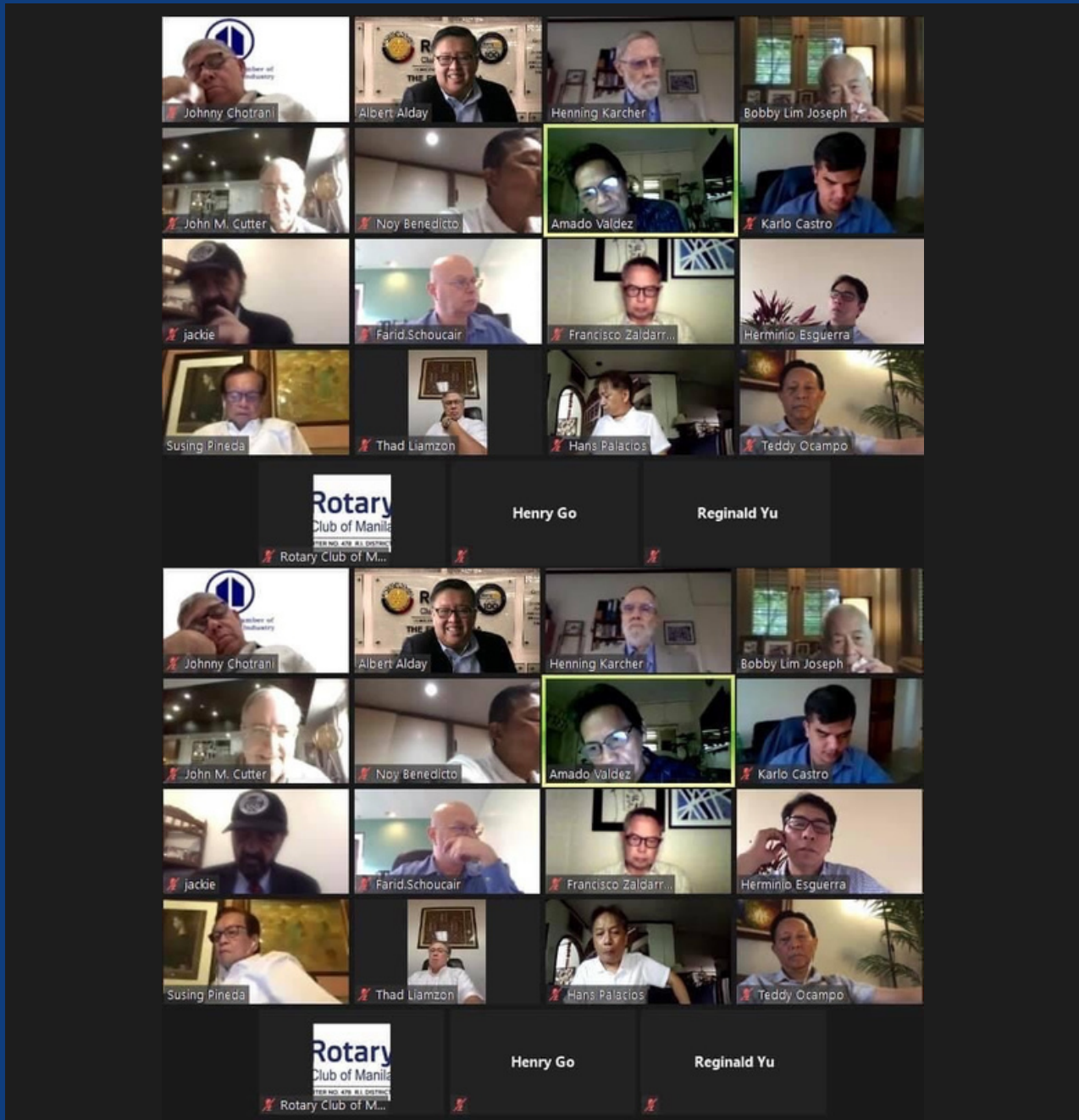
A: The following item in the Code of Policies is authoritative:

"4.2.1.21 Children Welfare Committee

Undertake special projects for children in the community, projects that will support them in their formative pre-teen years, to include but not limited to activities for the care of orphans, literacy education, street children concerns, drug abuse prevention, infant and children primary health care and immunization, basic food and clothing needs, child labor conditions, children's recreation, restorative surgery for birth defects, child care centers for working parents, prevention of child abuse, and rehabilitation for crippling injuries to children. With continuity and self sufficiency in mind the committee herein should plan and implement skills transfer initiatives to enable the benefactors to drive the program on their own in the future."

CLUB ADMINISTRATION

Rotary Club of Manila Board of Directors for RY 2020-2021 and RY 2021-2022 Hold Joint Special Meeting



The Rotary Club of Manila Board of Directors for both RY 2020-2021 and RY 2021-2022 held a Joint Special Meeting last March 18, 2021 via Zoom virtual platform. Present were President Bobby Joseph, DE/Dir. Johnny Chotrani, ASAG/DE/Dir. Albert Alday, VPE Henning Karcher, DE John Michael Cutter, DE Noy Benedicto, BLA Amading Valdez, Treasurer Karlo Castro, IPP Jackie Rodriguez, DE/Dir. Farid Schoucair, PE/PVP Chito Zaldarriaga, RCManila Foundation Chairman and Programs Committee Chairman IPVP Hermie Esguerra, RCManila Foundation President and Board Adviser PP Susing Pineda, DE/VP Thad Liamzon, Dir. Hans Palacios, Board Adviser PP Teddy Ocampo, Club Secretary Reggie Yu, AS Henry Go and ES Anna Kun Toledo.

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VOCATIONAL SERVICE

Tower Awards Call for Nominations



The Outstanding Workers of the Republic (TOWER) Awards: Uplifting the Dignity of Labor and Promoting a Culture of Innovation

The Rotary Club of Manila, the RCManila Foundation, Inc., the People Management Association of the Philippines (PMAP) and the Department of Labor and Employment are on the hunt for the country's top innovators for the 2021 TOWER Awards!

The Outstanding Workers of the Republic (TOWER) Awards honors the nation's most outstanding non-supervisory blue-collar and white-collar workers for their exceptional and original innovations in the workplace.

Founded in 1975 by the Rotary Club of Manila, the TOWER Awards Program aims to recognize employee excellence, innovation, and the contribution of workers to economic development while uplifting Filipino workers' morale, enhancing individual career opportunities, promoting industrial peace, and advocating for the dignity of labor. It seeks to develop critical, innovative, inventive, and creative thinking at the workplace; and to inculcate a mindset for quality and productivity in the workforce.

The TOWER Awards also honors organizations that promote a culture of innovation, put their people first, deliver future-focused excellence in the field of people management, and understand the importance of their human capital as key contributors to business outcomes and results.

To date, more than 200 TOWER Awardees have been recognized.

This 2021, the Rotary Club of Manila, the RCManila Foundation, Inc., PMAP and DOLE are once again opening their search for the most outstanding workers of the Republic.

Join us in empowering the workforce, upholding the dignity of labor, and promoting innovation in our workplaces by nominating your innovators to the 2021 TOWER Awards!

National awardees will receive the TOWER trophy and 75,000 pesos in cash.

For more information, go to www.pmap.org.ph/page/tower-awards. The deadline for Submission of Nomination Forms is March 26, 2021.

For more information, connect with Anna Kun Toledo of the Rotary Club of Manila
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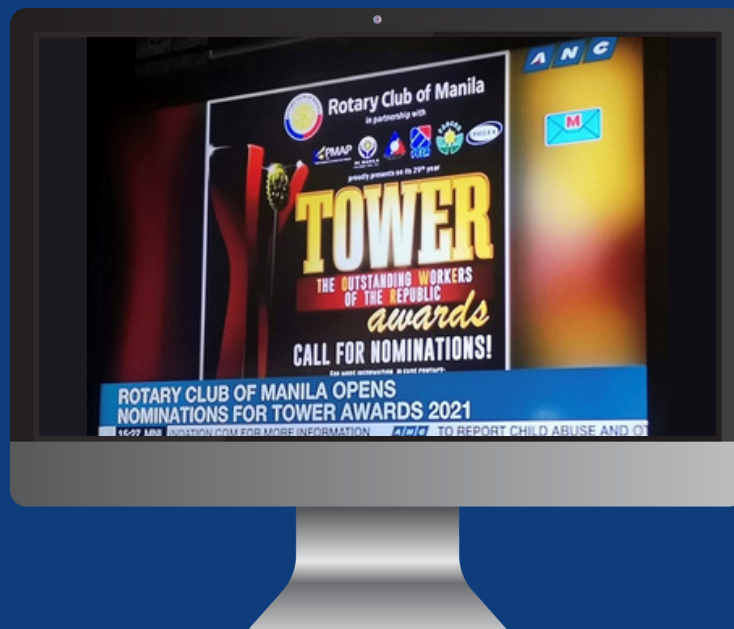
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VOCATIONAL SERVICE

Tower Awards Television Plugs



PMAP Past President Barbie Atienza promoted the TOWER Awards through an interview with Mr. Efren Alberto, PMAP Labor Policy Reforms and Industrial Committee Advisor as well as Awards Team Member, over Good Job Philippines Program, DZRJ 810 AM/Radio Bandido aired over Sky TV Channel 224 last March 20, 2021.



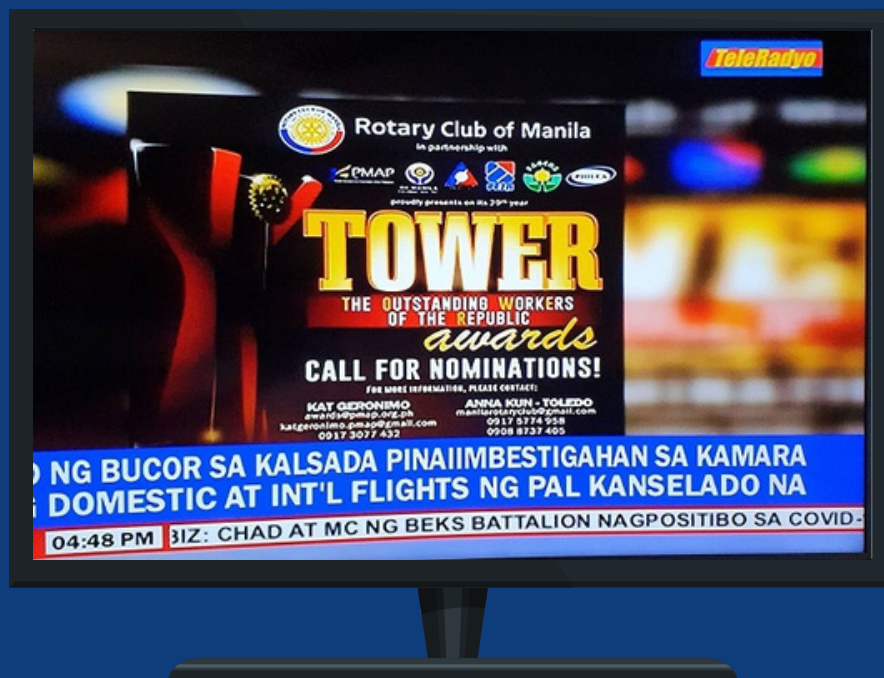
The TOWER Awards Television plugging on ANC (ABS-CBN News Channel) held last March 23, 2021.

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Tower Awards Television Plugs



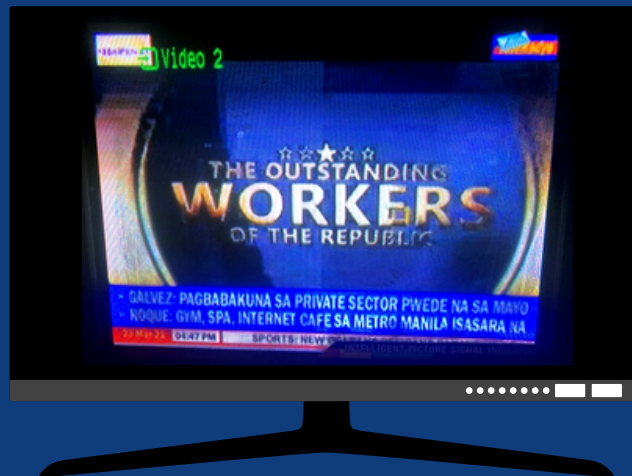
BLA Amading Valdez was interviewed by Winnie Cordero and May Valle-Ceniza on the “Hapinay” Program over DZMM Teleradyo on the TOWER Awards last March 23, 2021. This was facilitated by RCManila Foundation President, Board Adviser and TOWER Awards Committee Chairman PP Susing Pineda.



The airing of the TOWER Awards Poster on DZMM Teleradyo during the “Hapinay” Program last March 23, 2021.

VOCATIONAL SERVICE

Tower Awards Television Plugs



The airing of the TOWER Awards Audiovisual Presentation on DZMM Teleradyo during the “Hapinay” Program last March 23, 2021.



Anchor Peter Musngi promoting the TOWER Awards on the PASADA Program over DZMM Teleradyo last March 23, 2021.



Anchors Anthony Taberna and Gerry Baja promoted the TOWER Awards 2021 over the radio program Dos Por Dos last March 23, 2021 over DZRH. This was facilitated by RCM Manila Foundation Chairman, Programs Committee Chairman and TOWER Awards Co-Chairman IPVP Hermie Esguerra.

VOCATIONAL SERVICE

The Rotary Club of Manila Jorge B. Vargas Athlete of the Year Award

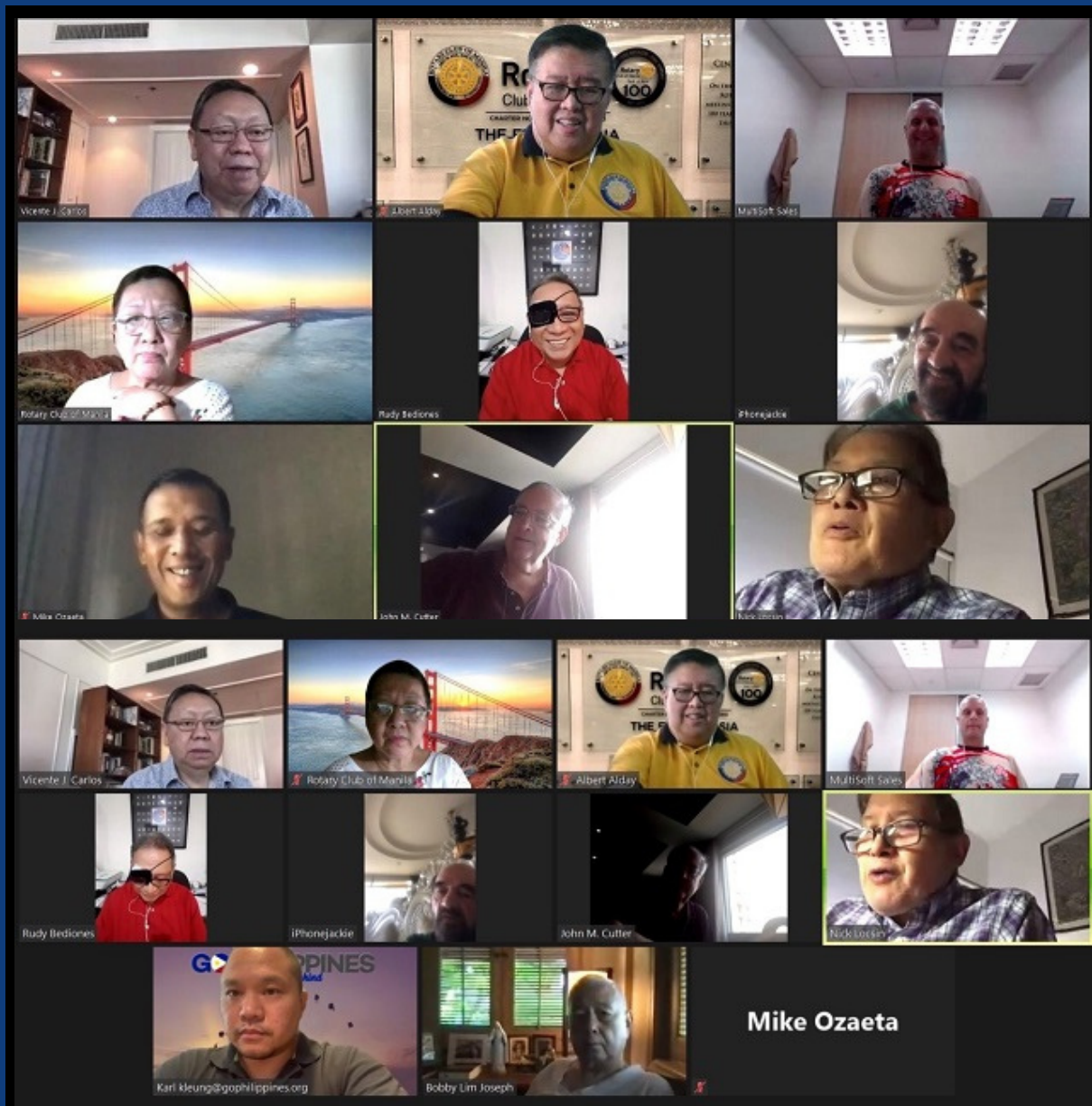


The Rotary Club of Manila Jorge B. Vargas Athlete of the Year Award was originally conceived in RY 2019-2020 as the Rotary Club of Manila Most Outstanding Award. Being a new awards giving body, brainstorming was commonplace and the name evolved to the Rotary Club of Manila Sports Prodigy Award. The objectives of the award are to promote and improve the country's levels of athletic performance locally and internationally and to set the example to our youth that they may follow and emulate and give glory to our country. In RY 2020-2021, the award was renamed in honor of Jorge B. Vargas, a member of the Rotary Club of Manila during his lifetime, who was a founding member of the Philippine Amateur Athletic Federation (now the Philippine Olympic Committee) in 1911 and served in its Executive Committee in 1918. He served as its second Chairman from 1935 to 1955. He was also the first Filipino member of the International Olympic Committee.

Today, March 25, 2021, establishes a milestone in the history of the club as it bestows the very first Rotary Club of Manila Jorge B. Vargas Athlete of the Year Award to gymnast par excellence Carlos Edriel Yulo.

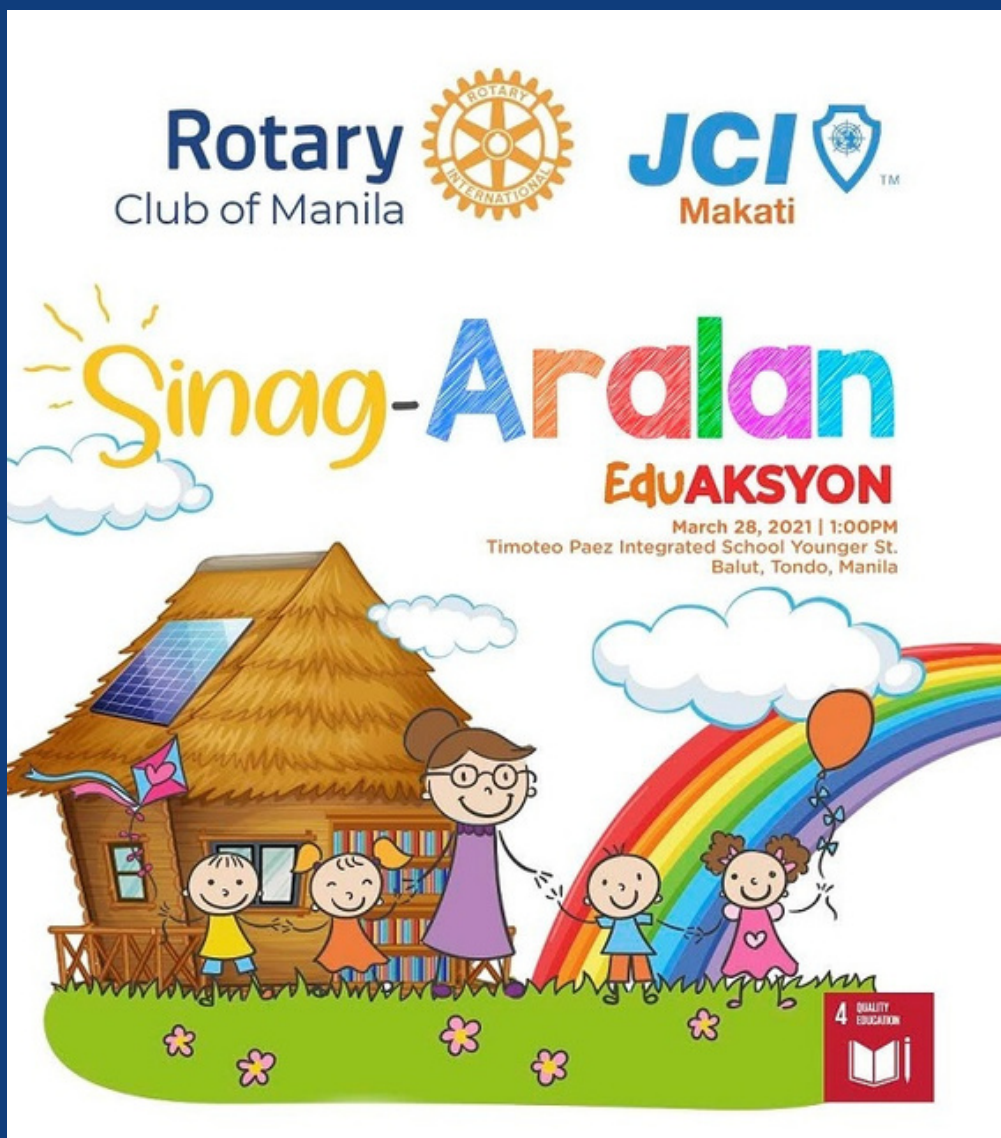
INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

Ambassador of Goodwill Committee Holds Meeting



The Ambassador of Goodwill Committee of the Rotary Club of Manila held a meeting last March 24, 2021 via Zoom virtual platform. Present were Chairman PDG Vince Carlos, Co-Chairman PD Nick Locsin, PDG Rudy Bediones, President Bobby Joseph, IPP Jackie Rodriguez, DE John Michael Cutter, ASAG/DE/Dir. Albert Alday, Rtn. Momo Mommaerts, Rtn. Mike Ozaeta, Rtn. Karl Leung and ES Anna Kun Toledo.

Sinag-Aralan EduAKSYON



JCI Makati and the Rotary Club of Manila will undertake a joint project, entitled, Sinag-Aralan EduAksyon. It aims to produce bamboo libraries powered by solar panels for readers of the chosen communities. The books that these libraries will house are from different genres. These will be available for reading in order to cater to the needs of the community and to widen one's perspective. This project likewise aims to promote healthy reading and research through books as these are already declining in patronage nowadays due to the availability of internet. The first chosen area for Sinag-Aralan is the Timoteo Paez Integrated School in Tondo, Manila. This very first Sinag-Aralan will be turned over complete with ventilated and plant-adorned bamboo library this March 28, 2021.

Not So Hidden Agenda

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NOT SO HIDDEN AGENDA



The Rotary Club of Manila, in collaboration with Medical Plus, donated P16.6 million worth of COVID-19 test kits to the cities of Parañaque, Taytay, Pasay, and to the province of Batangas recently. Shown in photo is Parañaque City Mayor Edwin Olivarez (third from right) receiving P4 million worth of test kits from RCM immediate past president Jackie Rodriguez. Also present are Ospital ng Parañaque director Dr. Jefferson Pagsisihan (right) and Rotarian Juan Montel who secured the donation from Medical Plus.

Rotary's Filipinos Got Talent



Rotary's Filipinos got talent



Dean Amado D. Valdez (The Philippine Star) - March 23, 2021 - 12:00am

As it is my addiction every Monday morning to read the column of my favorite National Artist for Literature, F. Sionil Jose, my sight caught the front page with what is seemingly a cartoon from komiks, my favorite reading fare in my pre-adolescent years.

There is a special reason in looking forward to Manong Frankie's Monday column. He analyzes why we fail as a nation yet he beautifully narrates historical accounts of the Philippines. He eloquently describes Quiapo and the Port Area, the places where I worked odd jobs as a working student when I arrived in Manila at the age of 16.

F. Sionil Jose's love of country and his roots is manifest by writing about his hometown in Rosales, Pangasinan which is as rustic as my own San Manuel, known as little Bataan in the wake of the retreating Japanese forces in World War II. Now, my town hosts the San Roque dam that contributes electric power to the national grid, delivers water to farms and rice fields, as its own sons deliver inspiration, ideas and leadership to this country.

That piece of creativity in this newspaper invests us hope as if tomorrow, our people will wake up from nightmare and claim their greatness. In one fell swoop, the photo muted the political noise and false news, the premature sense of expectation from new political coalitions and the distressing ennui from self-pity as other countries pursue acts of survival in this era of pandemic.

So, the photo depicting diners as if they are also in a comic strip bolsters a silver lining. Just putting that photo on the front page shows a keen eye for beauty, creativity, innovation which is innate to the Filipino spirit. It is pure genius and must be celebrated as a remarkable achievement in promoting hope.

It capped my days of intoxication watching America's Got Talent as it showcases, which is at times a misnomer, talents of Filipino descent surprise the world with their artistry and exceptional abilities. These talents, sons and daughters of the Filipino hoi polloi, elicit spontaneous paeon "Where is the Philippines," in effect putting our country in the international consciousness and worldwide admiration.

Why not a search for Filipino excellence in the workplace as exemplified by the STAR's front page? Surely, giving recognition will uplift the Filipino workers' morale. It will give social status to the dignity of labor and, on a macro-level, will solve the problem why there are rich people and poor people.

The Rotary Club of Manila has its own version of America's Got Talent – the search for The Outstanding Workers of the Republic, or the TOWER AWARD. The Peoples Management Association of the Philippines and the Department of Labor have lent their prestige, expertise and power to ferret out from the haystack of "blue collar" workers around the country for their excellence in creation, innovation, technological breakthroughs with economic impact in the workplace.

An understanding of the spirit of this award is expressed in one of the sessions preparing for this award: Susing Pineda, the chairman of Rotary's TOWER AWARD committee, said that this year's awardees must be bold, willing to go against the grain of the ordinary way of doing things. Bobby Joseph, Rotary Club of Manila president, added that an awardee must be an "unreasonable man." Hermie Esguerra, the co-chairman of the committee and chairman of the Rotary Club of Manila Foundation, explained what Bobby meant by quoting George Bernard Shaw: "The reasonable man adapts himself to the world; the unreasonable one persists in trying to adapt the world to himself. Therefore, all progress depends on the unreasonable man."

But these men realized that words are mere lip service. It was agreed that the Rotary Club of Manila, in addition to the plaques of recognition, will give a bounty of P75,000 for each of the ten outstanding awardees who will be selected by a select panel of judges.

Touché.

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Amado Valdez was the former chairman of the Social Security Commission that approved the monthly increase of P2,000 for SSS retirees.

RCM Donation

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RCM DONATION. Rotary Club of Manila (RCM), the first in Asia, in collaboration with Medical Plus and Technology, has donated P16.6 million worth of COVID-19 test kits to the cities of Paranaque, Taytay, Pasay, and the province of Batangas. Pictured is Batangas Governor Dodo Mandanas (center) receiving P4 million worth of test kits from RCM President Robert Lim Joseph (2nd from right) and Rotarians (from left) Juan Montel, who secured the donation from Medical Plus, Immediate Past President Jackie Rodriguez, and Chair Hermie Esquerra.

STAR Rtn. Lance Tan in Manila Times Article, 'Museum Prince' Elected 2021 JCI Makati President



'Museum Prince' elected 2021 JCI Makati president



By THE MANILA TIMES
March 22, 2021

AN award winning young chief executive officer, known as the "Museum Prince" for his philanthropic projects in previous years, Lawrence "Lance" Li Tan was voted the 2021 Local Organization Chapter president of JCI Makati. He has been with the organization for three years and has done several sustainable projects for JCI Makati.

He was inducted last Feb. 6, 2021. Lawrence Tan and his board of directors took their oath with JCI Philippines' inducting officer, Area Vice President Gino Jaralve, that took place in Liwasang Bonifacio in Manila while the charging was done by JCI Regional Vice President Karen Romarate via recorded video.

The local organization diverted the event fund to do projects that would benefit more Filipino people.

Tan's biggest projects such as Positive Impact on Nation's Change (PINC) week last November 2019 was composed of 19 projects that were done in a span of one week. The same culminated with a PINC congress, which was attended by more than 5,000 youth from different colleges and universities in Metro Manila and has become an annual major event of JCI Makati to reach more youth and address their immediate issues in society. At the height of the pandemic last year, Tan chaired the JC Ideas, where established businessmen and personalities were invited as speakers to encourage Filipino entrepreneurs and workers to pivot in the new normal brought about by the pandemic.

STAR Rtn. Joey Garcia: A Disruptive Innovation Entrepreneur

by Rhea Vitto Tabora

During these challenging times and in today's unstable business environment, flexibility and creativity are more crucial than ever for businesses to survive. The issue on every entrepreneur's mind is how to get the business through the current crisis.

There's no stopping a determined entrepreneur like STAR Rtn. Joey Garcia who turned the pandemic into an opportunity to grow his businesses and keep his creative juices flow. As the Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of Rai Rai Ken Group, STAR Rtn. Joey creates and implements business strategies, as well as develop products and brands.

What's amazing is that he works not only for his business to succeed during this pandemic. Instead of fighting off tooth and nail with other restaurateurs, he collaborates with them, turning competition into "coopetition" for the industry to survive.

More than that, he also shares his knowledge and expertise with MSMEs, believing that soon, there will be more entrepreneurs to provide employment in our country.

Find out in this interview how STAR Rtn. Joey has successfully expanded their family business, how they stay competitive during this time, and how he is making a difference in the industry. He also shares his thoughts on how the restaurant business can bounce back from this pandemic.

Rhea Vitto Tabora (RVT): When you were younger, what did you want to be?

Herbert Joey D. Garcia (JDG): When I was young, I wanted to be an architect or an artist because I was deeply in love with drawing and was very much interested in the arts and designs. Perhaps, this is why growing up and going to college, I fell in love with Marketing.



RVT: Have you landed your dream job/business or has your interest changed when you got older?

JDG: Yes, I think I have landed in my dream job/business since I already considered my career as my passion rather than of a job per se which gives you salary. I am fortunate to be working in our family business with my father as the patriarch.

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Instead of competing with an external competitor, I developed several other brands to disrupt my brand so I can keep up with the pressure until all brands complement each other.

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A good backtrack story about him is when he started as a dishwasher in a small Japanese restaurant in Manila in 1977, where he worked for 20 years. He then decided to put up Rairaiken when he resigned in 1992.

In 2000, I joined the company as the Marketing Supervisor and introduced some marketing strategies to help my father in our ailing business since the Asian financial crisis hit us. Back then, 90% of our customers were Japanese nationals. We were struggling with how to keep our business afloat. Filipino market back then was not used to Japanese food, and we needed a strategy to introduce to Filipino customers what Japanese food is.

Fortunately, in 2003, my father finally gave me the opportunity and chance to implement some business strategies that gave birth to the expansion of our business into a nationwide brand through franchising. We grew from four (4) stores to 25 branches all over the Philippines, and with that accomplishment, I earned the trust of my father and the rest of our company. At that time, I realized my career and interest in marketing and business had finally paid off.



Mr. Benjamin Garcia, the patriarch and founder of Rairaiken Restaurant Group, taken when he was in his 20s as a beginner cook in a Japanese restaurant.



The first management team of Rairaiken, consisting mostly of the patriarch's siblings, alongside STAR Rtn. Joey and his sister.

RVT: What is your favorite thing about your career?

JDG: My business career is very diverse and what I love most is business development—when we face the challenge of launching a new product and brand, and we have to dig deeper into the psyche of the customers, not just simply diving into their needs and wants but understanding them on a behavioral level.

Also, when our customers give us high approval rating and when they keep coming back, that kind of accomplishment fuels us to continue with our craft.

I also get to travel to many places where our branches are located, and each of these destinations contributes to our understanding of our customers deeply.

The food industry is highly competitive, and because of the pandemic, we, restaurateurs, became solid and collaborative work is now highly practiced. Competition became “coopetition”, and we come to share best practices and strategies for our industry to survive.

Even before the pandemic, I usually mentor on the side, helping MSMEs—especially those into the food industry—believing in this advocacy that soon enough, there will be more entrepreneurs who will give more employment in our country.

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RVT: What is Rai Rai Ken's unique selling point?

JDG: Aside from being one of the pioneer brands of a Japanese restaurant in the Philippines, and aside from our high-quality products and authenticity, we pride ourselves on innovation and adoption to the taste palate of the Filipino customers. Even the Japanese nationals fall in love with Rairai Ken's original ramen such as Seafoods HotPot Ramen, Batchoy Ramen, and Garlic Chili Ramen.

If you are used to Japanese food, there are standards, or the so-called Japan's original. But Rairai Ken Founder, my dad Benjamin Garcia—whose experience in Japanese cuisine dates back to the 70s—was able to make some twist and innovation to make our sauces, mixes and processes proprietary. Even up to this day, my father still supervises the production of our trade secrets in our commissary.

Our products are affordably priced, somewhere in the middle of fine dining and fast food, we are in the fast-casual category. Even the design and feel of our restaurant are not intimidating, and you will come to enjoy both traditional and modern Japan at the same time.

RVT: What is your menu's star attraction? What makes it special?

JDG: Ramen – Seafoods Hot Pot Ramen, Batchoy Ramen, Garlic Chili Ramen, Rairai Ken's Original, Rairai Ken Bento and other Bento/ Teishoku, Chahan, Gyoza (original recipe), Gyudon and Donburi and Ippin Ryori.

As mentioned, all our recipes are authentic but adjusted to the Filipino palate. One good example is our gyoza (potstickers) and best enjoyed with ramen dishes. Our gyoza is still prepared handmade, and the recipe goes back to the 70s. Up to this day, our gyoza is our best seller, alongside our Ramen.

RVT: What was the most innovative thing you have implemented in your business?

JDG: Aside from product development, I am also into brand development of Oishi Batchoi, Ramen Metro, Tokyo Joe, and Takara Place (Hotel and Events Venue).

I call it disruptive innovation—instead of competing with an external competitor, I developed several other brands to disrupt my brand so I can keep up with the pressure until all brands complement each other.

Business is not a continuous upslope trend, and sooner or later, it will reach the plateau or decline. But before it happens, we were able to make our brand relevant by developing sub-brands that will complement our business model.

For example, in one location or mall, instead of having only one brand (Rairai Ken), we added Oishi Batchoi and Tokyo Joe that serve other market segments. Also, in San Pedro Laguna, where we have our Japanese-themed hotel (Takara Place Hotel and Events Venue), Rairai Ken is our main brand and caterer at the same time.

We successfully transformed our brand from a restaurant to a full-line hospitality player. And soon, we can replicate this model to other locations all over the Philippines.



Left: During the opening of Rairai Ken branch in SM Fairview, Quezon City in 2011; Right: Taken in 2012 when they opened their Tokyo Joe branch in Robinsons Iloilo

STAR Rtn. Joey Garcia: A Disruptive Innovation Entrepreneur

RVT: How do you stay competitive during these challenging times?

JDG: Make yourself obsolete. I realized many things about this pandemic and myself. Competition is tough but you should always think there will be better and brighter people compared to you. With this kind of mindset, you will strive to be better.

This pandemic made me realize things I've learned and experienced in the past may not be relevant. Even before pandemic, I advocate this ideology of disruptive innovation through collaboration of knowledge and skills. This is the same ideology and strategy I used during these challenging times, when I was able to put up several companies and businesses even at the toughest time of the century. From an e-commerce business, web-based school, a webinar studio, a consultancy company, another franchising food business, and even expanding our core business of restaurant into another format that delivers multi-cuisine products.

I must say this pandemic made me a better entrepreneur than before—an entrepreneur trying to create solutions not only for myself but for my people and ultimately for the customers. We want to make their life a little bit better, especially during this time of pandemic.

RVT: To what do you attribute your success?

JDG: There are many definitions of success, but for me, it's success when your passion and giftedness align, and you can do what you love (passion) with people you love.

I am fortunate I have a boss/mentor who guided me on my entrepreneurial journey. As he would always tell me—character is very vital to your success; you can start your career at the bottom, but you will certainly succeed and be on top if you have the right character. Having respect, integrity, ability to communicate, coordinate and cooperate, and striving for excellence—a lot can be discussed about character and attitude, but one thing I remember most is the “word of honor” which my father emphasized to me—this, I never take for granted. When you promise something, always put your best to make it happen.



"Behind every successful man is a compelling, strong, and inspiring woman."

In photo: STAR Rtn. Joey Garcia and his wife

RVT: How do you think will the restaurant business bounce back from this pandemic?

JDG: Through brand relationship and relevance during the time of the pandemic.

Restaurant business is one of the industries heavily affected by this pandemic—restrictions on dining capacity and stringent protocols should be followed, leading to more expenses in running the business. Plus, the fact that customers' confidence in eating out declines substantially.

The restaurant is all about the experience that you envelop around the food, and over time, you develop that relationship with your customers. Given the scenario now that you cannot do what you have been doing in the past, you have to be creative enough to extend the “experiential” moment to your customers even at the comfort of their houses.

The fact that we, as social beings, long for social gatherings and events, restaurants will never be obsolete; but rather, it will just evolve. When this pandemic is over and vaccines are available, people will again gather in restaurants. As business players, we should offer something which will ensure their safety, and ultimately, serve their gastronomical cravings.

STAR Rtn. Joey Garcia: A Disruptive Innovation Entrepreneur

RVT: How do you keep the creative juices flowing?

JDG: I make it a point to actively participate and I am always on the look for new craze in the market, involving myself in the process, keenly observing the MADs (missing, annoying, disappointing) experiences around me where I can develop a solution.

As for the restaurant business and other businesses that I have, I regularly try out other products and services, trying to decipher or meticulously break down the processes, quality, executions and marketing around it, to understand how to do it better or differently.

I also love welcoming suggestions from friends and competition, even trying to talk to customers on point on how else we can improve or offer them a better product or services.

Another way for me to keep up with creative juices is utilizing mentoring and teaching. I believe if you teach and mentor, you are learning things twice, and learning never stops because you can also learn from others' experiences, struggles and success.



During one of his talks in Eagle Broadcasting Corporation where he spoke to business aspirants about the importance and power of collaboration in the industry, and uplifting each other up.

RVT: What inspired you to join the Rotary Club of Manila? How did the experience change your outlook in life?

JDG: My Dad is a Rotarian and joined in 2014. I've seen him enjoying his new advocacy. I wanted to join, but it is in San Pedro Laguna and my residence is in Makati.

I am in constant search of an organization to join until I found JCI MAKATI. But I joined when I was already 37 years old, and fortunately became the president in the year 2020, during the pandemic. I thought my term would be the toughest — juggling between managing issues with life, business and organization is one heck of a job, but I was able to make it through.

I am about to graduate from JCI since this organization allows a member until the age of 40. But in recent months, we are already in partnership with RCM for several projects, and I was dreaming of becoming a member of this prestigious organization, seeing it firsthand from my father and some of my friends in the industry whom I look up to —the likes of President Bobby Joseph and IPP Jackie Rodriguez. These are the few good men amongst the many members of Rotary whom I aspire to become someday. They are successful in their respective careers, family, and community. Selfless as they call them, inspirational and motivational despite all the struggles and setbacks that they have experienced in many years of their life.



"My induction as a full-fledged Rotarian in the Rotary Club of Manila. I was welcomed with a warm heart by the RCM family, especially by President Bobby Joseph."

COGS IN THE WHEEL

STAR Rtn. Lance Tan is Speaker on the Topic, "Shut Up & Listen Business Ingenuity"



The graphic features a man in a suit, Lawrence Li Tan, leaning forward. The background is blue with white geometric lines. Logos for dti PHILIPPINES, otop.ph HUB, JCI Makati, and JCI UPLIFT are in the top left. The main title 'OTOP NEXT GEN: UPLIFT' is in large white letters. Below it is a 'LIVE via ZOOM' button. The speaker's name and topic are listed: 'SPEAKER: SHUT UP & LISTEN BUSINESS INGENUITY Lawrence Li Tan, CEO, The Millennial Mind Laboratory Inc.'. The date and time are 'Tuesday, Mar 23, 2021' and '9:00 AM - 11:00 AM'. A 'REGISTER NOW' button with a mouse cursor is at the bottom right.

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CEO, The Millennial Mind Laboratory Inc.

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STAR Rtn. Lance Tan was the Speaker in the Otop Next Gen: Uplift Series on the topic, "Shut Up & Listen Business Ingenuity" last March 23, 2021 via Zoom virtual platform.

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**STAR Rtn. Joey Garcia is Speaker on the Topic,
"Developing Growth & Grit"**

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CEO & President,
8-Ate Food Group

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STAR Rtn. Joey Garcia was the Speaker in the OTOP NEXT GEN: UPLIFT Series on the topic, "Developing Growth & Grit" last March 24, 2021 via Zoom virtual platform.

AS Henry Go Serves as Lay Minister in 500 Years of Christianity Mass



AS Henry Go was privileged to have served as Lay Minister during the Eucharistic Celebration officiated by Most Reverend Broderick Pabillo, Apostolic Administrator of Manila as part of the celebration of the 500 years of Christianity in the Philippines which was televised live via TV Maria last March 21, 2021 at the Binondo Chinese Parish of Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary in Binondo, Manila.

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:

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THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

The Rotary Foundation (TRF) A Year of Transformation



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IPP Jackie Rodriguez is Part of the First Ever Batch of Presidents and District Team in District 3810 to Set Up Endowment Fund in the Rotary Foundation

The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International

District 3810
Endowed Gift Agreement

I. Establishment

The Rotary Foundation (the "Foundation") is pleased to accept a gift of \$25,000 from District 3810 to establish The D-3810 Champion Presidents and Team RY 2019-20 Endowment Fund (the "Fund").

II. Purpose

The spendable earnings from the Fund shall flow through the SHARE system. The appropriate split will be made between funds sent to the World Fund and funds directed as District Designated Funds (DDF) to Rotary District 3810, or its successor district, as determined by the Foundation.

District 3810 acknowledges that donors will make contributions to this fund in reliance on this purpose, and consequently agree that the purpose of the fund may not be modified in the future, except as provided below.

If in the future District 3810 is merged, eliminated or modified in any way or if there are any changes to the Endowment Fund - SHARE program, the Trustees of the Foundation have sole discretion to modify the Fund so it is used per current Foundation guidelines.

III. Investment

The Fund shall be held by the Foundation in an endowment fund, the principal of which shall be invested and reinvested in accordance with the Endowment Fund investment policy, now in effect or as it may be amended from time to time by the Foundation Trustees. The principal of the Fund may be pooled with other funds of the Foundation for investment purposes, provided that a separate accounting of principal and income is maintained.

IV. Administration

All decisions regarding expenditures from the Fund shall be made in accordance with the Foundation's policies and procedures, including the Endowment Fund spending policy and the terms and conditions for Foundation grants, now in effect or as they may be amended from time to time by the Foundation Trustees. The Foundation may impose its program terms, conditions and restrictions upon any expenditure of funds from the Fund, and may assess reasonable administrative fees for maintaining and administering the Fund. This agreement is executed in and shall be governed by the laws of the State of Illinois.

V. Amendment

If future circumstances change so that the Foundation Trustees determine the purpose for which the Fund is established has become illegal, impractical, impossible, or inconsistent with the current programs of the Foundation, they may designate an alternative use for all or part of the Fund. Under such circumstances, the Foundation Trustees shall make a reasonable attempt to utilize the Fund for a purpose consistent with the Foundation's program that is similar to the donor's original purpose as described above.

Donor: Liza Y. Elorde **Accepted for the Foundation:** Eric Schmelling
Liza Elorde **Date:** March 2, 2021 **Date:** 16 March 2021
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THE D-3810 CHAMPION PRESIDENTS & TEAM RY 2019-2020 ENDOWMENT FUND

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IPP Jackie Rodriguez was part of the first ever batch of Presidents and District Team in Rotary International District 3810 to set up an endowment fund in The Rotary Foundation. Because of this, Rotary Club of Manila was again part of another milestone in the district.

Rotary's Four Roles in Promoting Peace

Rotary's Four Roles in Promoting Peace

Rotary and its members are:

- **Practitioners:** Our work fighting disease, providing clean water and sanitation, improving the health of mothers and children, supporting education, and growing local economies directly builds the optimal conditions for peaceful societies.
- **Educators:** Our Rotary Peace Centers have trained over 1,300 peace fellows to become effective catalysts for peace through careers in government, education, and international organizations.
- **Mediators:** Our members have negotiated humanitarian ceasefires in areas of conflict to allow polio vaccinators to reach children who are at risk.
- **Advocates:** Our members have an integral role as respected, impartial participants during peace processes and in post-conflict reconstruction. We focus on creating communities and convening groups that are connected, inclusive, and resilient.

Source: www.rotary.org

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District 3810 Receives RY 2019-2020 District Citation



MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

To: 2019-2020 district governors
cc: RI directors and Rotary coordinators

Dear 2019-2020 governors,

As we reflect on an extraordinary year, I am so proud and inspired by how our clubs found innovative ways to connect with their members, their communities, and the world.

During 2019-2020, under your leadership, the clubs in your district worked to increase their membership, contribute to The Rotary Foundation, serve their communities, participate in Rotary programs, improve their public image, and so much more.

I am pleased to recognize this accomplishment by presenting you with the 2019-2020 District Citation digital certificate. Your district is one of 93 worldwide to receive this award, which honors Rotary districts in which at least half of the Rotary clubs earned the Rotary Citation.

You can find your certificate in this Dropbox [folder](#). They are organized by district number. I encourage you to tell your district leadership team about this recognition and motivate them to achieve this prestigious award again in 2020-2021. I congratulate you on your efforts to grow Rotary and for demonstrating how Rotary Connects the World!

Kindest regards,
Mark Daniel Maloney
President, Rotary International 2019-2020

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Rotary International District 3810, of which the Rotary Club of Manila is a part of, is one of only 93 districts among 530 districts all over the world that received the Rotary Citation for having at least half of the Rotary clubs in the district to have earned the Rotary Citation.

OTHER MATTERS



QUOTES ON LIFE

by PP Frank Evaristo

- 1.) "During Lent, let us find concrete ways to overcome our indifferences." – Pope Francis
- 2.) "We need to remind ourselves that the crisis is far from over. We need to continue practicing health protocols by wearing masks and face shields, maintaining social distancing because the worst thing that can happen is for the virus to mutate rapidly and render the vaccine we get, useless. This is why we need to work together and put politics aside for now." – His Excellency Jose Manuel "Babes" Romualdez, Ambassador of the Republic of the Philippines to the United States of America and Past Vice President of the Rotary Club of Manila
- 3.) "We see it in your eyes, on your faces, in your songs and in your prayers. I want to thank you for the joy you bring to the whole world and to our Christians communities, recognizing the witness of faith Filipinos offer through their 'discreet and hardworking presence'." – Pope Francis, 500 years Christianity in the Philippines
- 4.) "You should not be daunted by social norms or by cultural biases, most especially, your personal failures. We all face challenges in life and you just have to keep moving forward until you will win." – Vivian Yuchengco, PSE Director
- 5.) "We envision the country transitioning from a cash-heavy to cash-light and, eventually, to a coinless and cashless society." – Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas Governor Benjamin Diokno, Past Vice President of the Rotary Club of Manila
- 6.) "God has a purpose for your pain, a reason for your struggle and a reward for your faithfulness. Don't give up."
- 7.) "We should not live for ourselves alone, but for the joy in doing good for others."
– Arch Klumph, Founder of The Rotary Foundation
- 8.) "We don't need a title to lead. We just need to care. People would rather follow a leader with a heart than a leader with a title." – Craig Groeschel
- 9.) "The public wanted a fairy princess to come and touch them and everything would turn to gold. Little did they realize that the individual is crucifying herself inside because she didn't think she was good enough." – Princess Diana
- 10.) "The greatest glory in living lies not in never failing, but in rising every time we fall." – Nelson Mandela
- 11.) "To win big, you sometimes have to take big risks." – Bill Gates
- 12.) "If you judge people, you have no time to love them." – Mother Teresa
- 13.) "I believe whatever money I have belongs to society. I'm just a custodian for a short while. I didn't bring it with me, nor can I take it with me." – Ravishankar Dakoju, Past President of the Rotary Club of Bangalore Orchards, India
- 14.) "You learn nothing from life if you think you're right all the time."
- 15.) "Let us be true Rotarians and let's walk our Four-Way Test."



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