



ROTARY CLUB OF MANILA AND RCMANILA FOUNDATION, INC. CONDUCT SUCCESSFUL FLOOD VICTIMS RELIEF OPERATIONS



CLASSIFICATION TALKS



Rtn. FELICITO "TONG" C. PAYUMO

Chairman, University of Nueva Caceres-Bataan
Former Representative, First District, Bataan
Former Chairman and Administrator, Subic Bay Metropolitan Authority
Former Chairman, Bases Conversion Development Authority
Republic of the Philippines



STAR Rtn. RALPH L. JOSEPH

Founder and President
Philippine Wine Merchants Food and Beverage, Inc.
Ralph's Liquor Store, Inc.
Food & Beverage Clark, Inc.
Food & Beverage Subic, Inc.
R Joseph Holdings, Inc.
Spanish Gate Restaurant
RJ Farms

KABALITA

No flood can dampen the resolve of Manila Rotarians as the joint forces of the Rotary Club of Manila and the RCManila Foundation, Inc. have brought sunshine to the lives of the flood victims of Cavite. In the light of this success, and with all bases loaded, it's time Asia's First Rotary Club celebrates its gains with overflowing wine that gets better with age.



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Zoom Weekly Membership Meeting
Rotary Year 2021-2022
 Thursday, July 29, 2021, 12:30 PM

PROGRAM TIMETABLE

11:00 AM Registration and Zoom In
 Program Moderator/Facilitator/ChikaTalk **STAR Rtn. Mike Albaña**

12:25 PM Presentation of Meeting Protocol/Zoom Meeting House Rules

Part I

12:30 PM Call to Order **Pres. Chito Zaldarriaga**
 Invocation and Special Prayers
 for the healing and speedy recovery of **PP Cesar Ubaldo,**
PVP Lance Masters and **Rtn. Butch Tamayo** **Rtn. Vic Garcia**
 Philippine National Anthem **AVP**
 RCM Hymn **AVP of RCM WF Music Chorale**
 Philippine Rotary Hymn **AVP**
 The Rotarian Pledge **Rtn. Nico Valencia**
 The Four (4) Way Test **PDSAA Ferdie Co**
 Acknowledgment of Visiting Rotarians and Guests **STAR Rtn. Mike Albaña**
 RC Manila Birthday Celebrants for the week
 July 24 **Rtn. Philip Recto** July 28 **STAR Rtn. Stefan Schmitz**
 July 26 **PS Ivan Uy** July 29 **Rtn. Nando Camus**
 Maligayang Bati **AVP of RCM WF Music Chorale**
 Happy Birthday Song **AVP of Birthday Celebrants**

Part II

12:50 PM Relief Operations for Flood Victims in Cavite
 Joint Community Service Project of the Rotary
 Club of Manila, RCM Manila Foundation, Inc. and
 the Cavite Area Rotarians **PVP Hermie Esguerra**
 Chairman, RCM Manila Foundation, Inc.
 RY 2020-2021, RY 2021-2022
 President's Time **Pres. Chito Zaldarriaga**



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Part III

1:20 PM Induction of New Members

Introduction of New Members by Proposer

STAR Rtn. Anton Mauricio

ANTONIO JAIME JOSE V. FERNANDEZ (Filipino)

Management Consultant/Chief Operating Officer
Menarco Development Corporation

Vice President, Head of Commercial Business Unit
& Head of Strategy and Risk, Aboitizland, Inc.

Classification: Real Estate Developing
– High Rise Buildings

Proposer: STAR Rtn. Anton Mauricio

Co-Proposer: IPP Bobby Joseph

CARLOS G. SERAPIO (Filipino)

Lawyer/Political Consultant

Serapio De Castro Law

Classification: Law Practice – Litigation

Proposer: STAR Rtn. Anton Mauricio

Co-Proposer: IPP Bobby Joseph

Charging of New Members

PDG Alex Cureg

Oath of Membership

Pres. Chito Zaldarriaga

Part IV

1:40 PM Classification Talks

STAR Rtn. RALPH L. JOSEPH

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Food & Beverage Subic, Inc.

R Joseph Holdings, Inc.

Spanish Gate Restaurant

RJ Farms

Classification: Liquor, Wine & Beverages

– Liquor & Wine Trading (Additional)

Open Forum

Presentation of Certificate of Appreciation

Rtn. FELICITO "TONG" C. PAYUMO

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Subic Bay Metropolitan Authority

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Development Authority

Republic of the Philippines

Classification: Government

– Economic Zone Development

Pres. Chito Zaldarriaga

PVP Hermie Esguerra

Programs Committee Chairman

Attested by:

Sec. Reggie Yu

2:30 PM Meeting Adjournment

Pres. Chito Zaldarriaga

PROFILE OF CLASSIFICATION SPEAKER: RTN. TONG PAYUMO



A product of the Public School System, FCPayumo finished his Elementary grades from the Dinalupihan, Bataan Elementary School. A “promdi,” he enrolled in High School in the same town. He was elected President of the Student Council and graduated Valedictorian from the Northern Bataan Institute, a parochial High School.

He applied for admission into the Ateneo de Manila, then still a College. He was also elected President of the Student Council and graduated Bachelor of Science (Economics), Cum Laude.

Immediately after his graduation, he worked for Procter & Gamble PMC before joining Engineering Equipment, Inc. His work experience and education had served to get him admitted to the MBA Program of the Harvard Business School with a Scholarship from S. C. Johnson, Inc.

After his graduation from the Harvard Business School, he rejoined Engineering Equipment, Inc. where he served as President.

He was active in the EDSA revolution which had installed Cory Aquino as President. Without previous political experience, he ran for Congressman for the 1st District of Bataan which he served for 3 consecutive terms or a total of 11 & one half years!

Among the Laws that he had passed were R.A. 7227 or the Act Accelerating the Conversion of Military Reservations into other productive uses, creating the Bases Conversion Development Authority (BCDA).

He was appointed by President Joseph Ejercito Estrada as Chairman and Administrator of the Subic Bay Military Authority (SBMA). Together with BCDA and Clark Development Authorities, the Subic-Clark -Tarlac Expressway (SCTEx) was constructed connecting the Subic seaport to Clark airport, bypassing the round about Gapan-San Fernando-Olongapo Rd.

The Subic-Morong Road was constructed for a direct link between SBMA and the town of Morong and easy access to the resort facilities of the Anvaya Golf Course that has given employment to the people of Morong.

Providing direct connection between two distant points had been shown to be beneficial to the linked communities.

Mr. Payumo still is pushing for another connection: the Cavite-Bataan bridge (or tunnel- bridge).

PROFILE OF CLASSIFICATION SPEAKER: STAR RTN. RALPH JOSEPH



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Married to: Maria Lourdes Muñoz
Children: Rafael, Ramon,
Rex Antonio, Maria Rosanna
Father: Robert Joseph Sr. (deceased)
Mother: Florecita Lim Joseph (deceased)
Brothers: Robert, Ronald, Raymond

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

Graduated (1975) Adamson University - Bachelor of Science in Commerce Major in Management
Letran College/ Adamson University - High School
Letran College - Elementary

PRESENT BUSINESS INVOLVEMENT

Founder & President	Philippine Wine Merchants Food & Beverage Inc. Ralph's Liquor Store, Inc. Food & Beverage Clark, Inc. Food & Beverage Subic, Inc. R Joseph Holdings, Inc. Spanish Gate Restaurant RJ Farms
Director	Columbia Transport, Inc (Coltrans Cargo) Bestworld Beverage Brands, Inc.

INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION

Chairman	Philippines - South Africa Business Council
Founder & Former President	International Wines & Spirits Association Wines & Spirits Retail Association
Former Member	Philippine Retailer's Association Philippine Chamber of Commerce American Chamber of Commerce European Chamber of Commerce

PROFILE OF CLASSIFICATION SPEAKER: STAR RTN. RALPH JOSEPH



INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION

Member	Rotary Club of Manila (Star Rotarian) Philippine-Italian Association Filipino-Lebanese Friendship Association
Former Adviser	AIESEC, Miriam College

SOCIAL CONCERNS

- Founded the RIGHT FOUNDATION – a non-profit, non-stock, non-governmental organization aiming to stop dynamite and cyanide finishing in the Philippines
- Sent 4 brand new 10-wheeler trucks, free of charge, including drivers to Olongapo for three (3) years to assist in cleaning the debris and garbage during the turnover of American base to the Philippine Government
- Currently supporting the Andrew Ministries for the education of street children
- Facilitated the acquisition of water pipes from Malacañang, which were utilized for the various water supply projects in different barrios in Anilao, Batangas
- Supported and participated in the seeding of sea clams in Cavite. Assisted in the dissemination of information on the hazards and ill effects of dynamite, cyanide and spear fishing
- Supported the planting of Narra, Mango and Coconut trees in 35 hectares of land located in Pililla, Rizal in 1976
- Strongly supporting the advocacy to save and restore Manila Bay headed by Commodore Robert “Bobby” Joseph Jr. together with DENR and Rotary Club of Manila. The launching of Save Manila Bay endeavor led to the installation of the 500,000-liters capacity solar-powered sewage treatment plant.

APPRECIATION AND RECOGNITION

American Chamber of Commerce	SKAL Club of Makati
Canadian Chamber of Commerce	Letran College
European Chamber of Commerce	St. Paul’s College
Rotary Club of Manila	University of the Philippines
Network of Independent Travel Agencies	Ayala Center, Makati
US Embassy	Coastguard Auxiliary
Embassy of Argentina	The Knights of Letran Award – Outstanding Professional in Entrepreneurship

PROFILE OF CLASSIFICATION SPEAKER: STAR RTN. RALPH JOSEPH



CONFERENCES, EXHIBITIONS & TRADE SHOWS REPRESENTING THE PHILIPPINES

Adheson Convention – France
Cannes Duty Free Exhibition – France
Bordeaux Vin Expo – France
Hongkong Vin Expo – Hongkong
Tokyo Vin Expo – Japan
SIAL – France
Hotel & Restaurant Expo – Singapore
Asia Food Expo – Philippines
International Food & Beverage Expo – Philippines
Sports and Leisure Show – Philippines

CLUB MEMBERSHIP

Alabang Country Club
Manila Yacht Club
Subic Bay Yacht Club
Calatagan Golf & Country Club
Club Filipino
Makati Sports Club
Capitol Golf & Country Club
Baguio Country Club
Metropolitan Club
Coast Guard Auxiliary – with the Rank of Commodore

SPORTS & INTERESTS

Swimming, Karate, SCUBA Diving, Yachting, Tennis, Football, Basketball, Squash, Pelota

PROFILE OF CLASSIFICATION SPEAKER: STAR RTN. RALPH JOSEPH

COMPANY BRIEF

In 1975, right after college, I formed a corporation with my brothers called R.J. Impex Trading and set up our first wine shop operating under the name, Philippine Wine Merchants (PWM). Quality wines and liquors were sold on a wholesale and retail basis.

During that time, it was very difficult to import. Only those who were close to the Marcos Administration were given allocation to import. This made us very resourceful in looking for suppliers (Because of the shortage of supply, fake goods sold in the market at very low prices were very rampant.) We were distributing to all the hotels, restaurants and supermarkets; we exposed the entire fake suppliers and campaigned against them. With this, the people in the trade trusted our company (genuine products only).

By the year 1982, R.J. Impex gave way for the establishment of Food & Beverage, Inc., which sounded better and more appropriate for the business we are into. Food & Beverage, Inc (F&B, Inc.) was registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission and Philippine Wine Merchants, the firm and style by which F&B, Inc. operates, was maintained and serves as the wholesaler. In 1988 the government allowed the importation of goods without quota. It was then that we started our global search and importation of wines & spirits of the finest quality. Since then, there was no turning back.

The year 1995 saw the emergence of Ralph's Wines & Spirits and became the retail arm of F&B, Inc./PWM. To date, Food & Beverage, Inc., Philippine Wine Merchants and Ralph's Wines & Spirits are the names to reckon with in the industry when it comes to the best quality wines & spirits.

Today, Ralph's Wines & Spirits has expanded into 19 branches, slowly putting into reality our vision to become the largest chain of wines & spirits shop in the country. While Philippine Wine Merchants continues to broaden its line, representing and distributing a wide selection of top quality, known brands in the market.

During Perestroika, we exported 300 containers of local spirits to Russia when the U.S.S.R. was divided and Russia emerged. When the U.S. Bases in Clark and Subic were made into Free Trade Zones, duty free outlets were put up respectively as locators aimed to service and supply other duty free shops operating inside the two Free Trade Zones.

For almost thirty two years now, our being honest, sincere and customer oriented coupled with prompt service made our company what it is today.

Our vision is to come up with "*sariling atin*" products. Our next project is to do local bottling and come up with Filipino products at par with the world's best and supply the rest of the globe.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER



Great Day Dear RCM Brothers!

Following that wet and shaky weekend, we are all still on tenterhooks with this tight watch on the threat of exponentially growing Delta Variant in our country ... one is tempted to preface it with dingbats (&%\$@) as an adjective precedent to this new menace, but this is a decent narrative and it will remain so.

I was awed by the rapid action taken by our PP Jackie Rodriguez's call to fire up the club to mobilizing a team that would help the flood victims from the call of three clubs in Cavite. Almost simultaneously, the RCManila Foundation, Inc. Chairman Herminio "Hermie" Esguerra (Clark Kent) chimed in and put in a hefty amount from the foundation funds as this started the deluge of participation among a lot of our members. The logistics prepared by Chairman Hermie was phenomenal and the operations were carried out very efficiently. I enjoyed the narrative of PP Jackie while acknowledging the members' participation "... and the poor pig who sacrificed his life for our eating enjoyment."

Because of the new restrictive policies included in the new IATF protocols, we decided to postpone the July 29, 2021 fellowship affair organized by our Ambassador of Goodwill group. Hopefully, this heightened GQC will not last too long so we can get around to re-scheduling it soon.

I was able to virtually spend a Zoom evening with the Rotary International President and other Rotary Clubs from across the globe last July 24, 2021, 8:00 pm (Manila time). When Rotarians of other countries get together in an event such as this, it is mind boggling and makes one's hair stand no end.

The potential that this international group has to actually Change Lives through service is both an uplifting and humbling experience.

As such, I am reminded to remind one and all:

1. Everyone, Bring One - If you are reading this, please commit at least 10 minutes of your time to draw up a short list of your own personal contacts and relatives who will be a good quality addition to our ranks. I am thanking you in advance for your effort to do this.

2. Every RCM member, a Paul Harris Fellow - Contribute your \$1,000.00 to the TRF! While the exchange rate still stands at P49.00 : \$1.00. Let us take advantage of this please - if not, be a sustaining member by starting with a \$100.00 a month "tingi" for the next 10 months.

Again, I am pre-emptively thanking all who will be making this goal a reality during this RY 2021-2022.

Stay safe everyone. Let us draw our ultimate protection from our dear Almighty Creator as we give Him back all the glory!

Salamat po!

Humbly yours in Rotary,

FSZ

Felix Francisco S. Zaldarriaga
President
RY 2021-2022

THE WEEK THAT WAS



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



**RCManila Foundation, Inc. and Programs Committee
Chairman PVP Hermie Esguerra** calls the meeting to
order on behalf of President Chito Zaldarriaga.



Rtn. Roy Zosa delivers an
Invocation and Special Prayer.

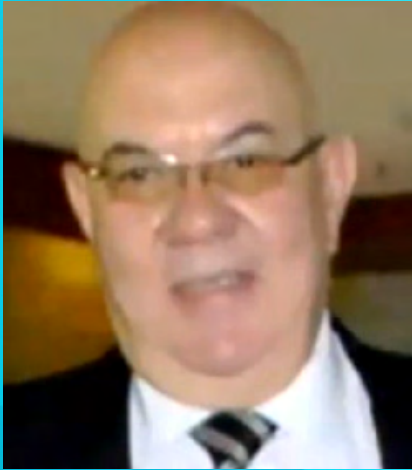


The **Rotary Club of Manila Audiovisual
Presentation** of the **Philippine National Anthem**



The **World Famous Music Choral Audiovisual Presentation** of the **RCM
Hymn** and the singing of the **Philippine Rotary Hymn**

THE WEEK THAT WAS



Rtn. Bollie Bolton 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.



Rtn. Art dela Cruz leads the recitation of the Four (4) Way Test for Manila Rotarians to renew their commitment to the Rotary movement.



Rtn. Hansel Tillmann acknowledges Visiting Rotarians and guests.



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



Rtn. Hansel Tillmann, Program Moderator, acknowledges the week's birthday celebrants, namely, **Rtn. Jacques Branellec**, **PDG Obet Pagdanganan**, **PVP Lance Masters** and **Rtn. Cons Robertz**, which was followed by an audiovisual presentation of the World Famous Music Chorale singing the happy birthday song.

THE WEEK THAT WAS



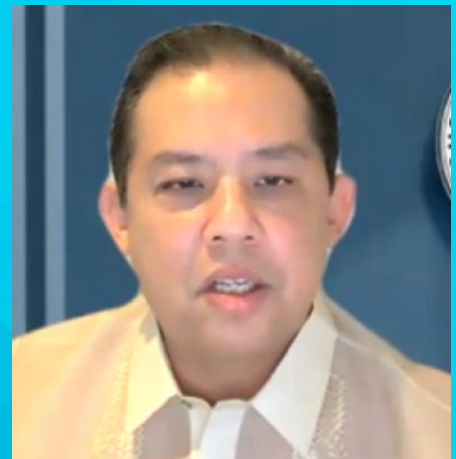
The **World Famous Music Chorale** singing the happy birthday song



The audiovisual presentation of **Timeless RCM Moments** on **The Family Tree of Philippine Rotary Districts**.



President Chito Zaldarriaga delivers his message during his President's Time.



PP Ebot Tan, STAR Rtn. Jet Ledda and **STAR Rtn. Martin Romualdez** deliver their respective Classification Talks.

THE WEEK THAT WAS



An open forum immediately followed right after the Classification Talks of **PP Ebot Tan**, **STAR Rtn. Jet Ledda** and **STAR Rtn. Martin Romualdez**. Among those who participated in the open forum were **Rtn. Tony Lopez**, **PD Amading Valdez**, **PP Frank Evaristo**, **RCManila Foundation, Inc. Chairman and Programs Committee Chairman PVP Hermie Esguerra**, **VP Henning Karcher**, **IPD Hans Palacios**, **PD Beda Fajardo**, **Rtn. Hansel Tillmann**, **Sec. Reggie Yu** and **PD Oscar del Rosario**.



President Chito Zaldarriaga and **Programs Committee Chairman PVP Hermie Esguerra** present the Certificate of Appreciation, attested by **Secretary Reggie Yu**, to **PP Ebot Tan**, **STAR Rtn. Jet Ledda** and **STAR Rtn. Martin Romualdez**.



President Chito Zaldarriaga delivers his closing remarks and thereafter, adjourns the meeting.

CLUB ADMINISTRATION

From the Programs Committee



Dear Fellow Manila Rotarians,

In the face of adversity brought about by the wrath of Mother Nature, the RCManila Foundation, Inc. has risen to the occasion with the great impact it has made in immediately responding to the call of service and bringing a ray of sunshine to the faces of the people of Cavite in the midst of the tragedy of the floods brought about by the onslaught of the Southwest Monsoon as it updates us with the Flood Victims Relief Operations which is set to bring the club in high spirits.

Likewise, with all bases covered, it's time we enjoy our homerun with wine in style as Vocational Service finds its peak in Classification Talks set to excite your interest. Let Asia's First Rotary Club witness how STAR Rtn. Ralph Joseph and Rtn. Tong Payumo make wine and government service a perfect match as we celebrate Service Above Self in action.

With the weather turning from fair to fine, it's a date, 12:30 PM, July 29!

Very truly yours,

PVP HERMINIO "HERMIE" S. ESGUERRA
Programs Committee Chairman
RY 2021-2022

CLUB ADMINISTRATION

RCM Members' Attendance Report RY 2021-2022

JULY 2021	July 1, 2021 Induction & Handover Ceremonies with DG Robert Koa & Keynote Speaker Former Defense Secretary Atty. Gilberto Eduardo "Gibo" C. Teodoro Jr.	July 8, 2021 The Foundation of the Rotary Club of Manila's Dreams Primer on "A Foundation for Our Rotary Club: The Governance Perspective" by STAR Rtn. Teddy Kalaw IV	July 15, 2021 Usec. Renato Solidum Jr., Undersecretary, DOST, OIC, Philvolcs	July 22, 2021 Classification Talks PP Ebot Tan, STAR Rtn. Jet Ledda and STAR Rtn. Martin Romualdez
All Members Present	90	74	83	81
Make Up	4	0	0	0
Less: Exempt from Attendance	7	9	5	4
On Leave	0	0	0	0
Total Active Members	87	65	78	77
Total # of Members	224	220	220	220
TOTAL ATTENDANCE %:	39%	30%	35%	35%
Visiting Rotarians	120	1	122	1
Rotaract Club of Manila/Rotaract Club of DLSU-Manila	1	0	0	0
Media	0	0	0	0
Guests/Guests of RCM Members	2	0	1	0
Other Guests	5	0	3	5
Total Attendees	218	75	209	87

CLUB ADMINISTRATION

List of Members Who Have Paid Their Annual Dues for RY 2021-2022

(As of July 28, 2021, 11:00 AM)

	ANNUAL DUES 19-20
65	FULLY PAID
154	UNPAID
1	PARTIALLY PAID
220	TOTAL NUMBER OF MEMBERS

NO.	NAME	OR NUMBER	ANNUAL DUES 20-21	REMARKS
1	Abastillas, Celso E.	50579	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
2	Alday, Albert S.	50518	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
3	Alingog, Aldous "Rex" A.	50568	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
4	Ampil, Alvin	50557	12,800.00	FULLY PAID
5	Bartolome, III, Arsenio "Archit" M.	50535	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
6	Bediones, Rodolfo "Rudy" P.	50569	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
7	Benedicto, Sixto "Noy" T.	50570	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
8	Blanco, Manuel "Manny" M.	44405	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
9	Bogovich, Jason M.	50583	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
10	Branellec, Jacques "Jack"	50577	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
11	Camus, Fernando	50552	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
12	Castro, Karlo Eugene Josef "Karlo"	50526	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
13	Chahwan, Rami	50539	12,800.00	FULLY PAID
14	Chien Liang-Ta, Steve	50531	37,318.00	FULLY PAID
15	Cruz, Avelino "Ave" V.	50542	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
16	Cureg, Alexander "Alex" P.	50527	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
17	Cutter, John Michael "Michael"	50538	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
18	Davis, Raymond "Rey" N.	50533	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
19	Dayang, Jr., Juan "Jed" E.	50523	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
20	De Venecia, Jose "Joe" C.	50555	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
21	Diokno, Benjamin "Ben" E.	50540	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
22	Dy, Manuel "Manny" C.	50520	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
23	Eldebs, Issam "Sam"	50439	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
24	Enriquez, III, Eduardo "Jujut" V.	50519	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
25	Esguerra, Herminio "Hermie" S.	50547	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
26	Evaristo, Frank A.	50534	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
27	Fajardo, Beda G.	50546	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
28	Garcia, Paul Joseph "PJ"	50509	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
29	Garcia, Victor	50525	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
30	Gierran, Dante "Dan"	50521	25,000.00	FULLY PAID

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(As of July 28, 2021, 11:00 AM)

31	Guevara, Jr., Domingo "Boy" S.	50572	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
32	Guevara, Ricardo "Ricky" S.	50573	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
33	Harle, Wolfgang Kurt	50563	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
34	Hernandez, Edwin	50551	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
35	Hesse, Uwe	50581	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
36	Joseph, Ralph L.	50514	12,800.00	FULLY PAID
37	Joseph, Jr., Robert Lim "Bobby"	50512	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
38	Joseph, Robert Ian "Robi"	50510	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
39	Karcher, Henning	50558	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
40	Lee, Richard "Dick" L.	50554	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
41	Liamzon, Romeo Thaddeus "Thad" R.	50515	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
42	Lim, David Eduardo Ty	50567	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
43	Lonzaga, Reinerio "Ner" C.	50524	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
44	Lopez, Arthur "Art" M.	50548	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
45	Macapagal, Michael	50541	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
46	Magbanua, Gerry	50562	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
47	Masters, Lance A.	50530	12,500.00	PARTIALLY PAID
48	Meloto, Antonio	50511	15,800.00	FULLY PAID
49	Mendoza, Estelito "Titong" P.	50543	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
50	Ong, Phillip "Phil" L.	50550	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
51	Pallasigue, John Brian "JB"	50580	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
52	Patterson, Colin David	50536	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
53	Pineda, Jr., Jesus "Susing" M.	50545	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
54	Pineda, Jr., Patricio "Bebot" F.	50537	26,200.00	FULLY PAID
55	Pizaras, Jordan M.	50585	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
56	Preysler, Jr., Fausto R.	50556	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
57	Reyes, Edgardo "Ed" P.	50561	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
58	Reynolds, David John "Dave"	50565	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
59	Romualdez, Jose Manuel "Babe" G.	50574	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
60	Sibayan, Joselito "Lito" H.	50564	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
61	Stranathan, Ike	50566	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
62	Syjuco, Jr., Jose "Joey" A.	50544	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
63	Taylor-Dormond, Marvin	50549	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
64	Tejuma, Michael "Mike"	50532/5058	37,138.00	FULLY PAID
65	Yujuico, Brendon	50571	25,000.00	FULLY PAID
66	Zalzarriaga, Felix Francisco "Chito" S.	50528	25,000.00	FULLY PAID

TOTAL **1,617,356.00**

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CLUB ADMINISTRATION

The Board of Directors of the Rotary Club of Manila for RY 2021-2022 Holds Special Meeting



The Board of Directors of the Rotary Club of Manila for RY 2021-2022 held a Special Meeting last July 23, 2021 via Zoom virtual platform. Present were President Chito Zaldarriaga, IPP Bobby Joseph, Dir. Albert Alday, Dir. John Michael Cutter, Dir. Thad Liamzon, RCManila Foundation, Inc. President PP Susing Pineda, PP Teddy Ocampo, IPBLA/PD Amading Valdez, AS Henry Go and ES Anna Kun Toledo.

CLUB ADMINISTRATION

PDG Romy M. Del Rosario Rotary Information Committee Conducts Briefing



The PDG Romy M. del Rosario Rotary Information Committee conducted a briefing on prospective active and honorary members, Mr. Francisco “Paco” Magsaysay, President of Carmen’s Best, and His Excellency Bjorn Jahnsen, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Norway to the Republic of the Philippines last July 28, 2021 via Zoom virtual platform. Present were Chairman PDG Alex Cureg, Dir. Albert Alday (Member), PD Alvin Lacambacal (Member), Rtn. Manny Blanco (Member), PP Jackie Rodriguez (Sponsor), Club Secretary Reggie Yu, AS Henry Go and ES Anna Kun Toledo.

CLUB ADMINISTRATION

Directors of the Rotary Club of Manila for RY 2021-2022 Interview Applicants for Executive Assistant



Directors of the Rotary Club of Manila for RY 2021-2022 interviewed those in the shortlist of applicants for Executive Assistant last July 27, 2021 via Zoom virtual platform. The shortlist included Ms. Marie Genelli Nuñez, Ms. Roand Macaspac and Mr. Joselito Lord. Present to interview them were President Chito Zaldarriaga, Dir. Albert Alday, Dir. Noy Benedicto and Dir. Johnny Chotrani. Also present was ES Anna Kun Toledo.

RCManila Foundation, Inc. Board of Trustees Holds Special Meeting



The Board of Trustees of the RCManila Foundation, Inc. held a Special Meeting last July 22, 2021 via Zoom virtual platform. Present were RCManila Foundation, Inc. Chairman and Programs Committee Chairman PVP Hermie Esguerra, RCManila Foundation, Inc. President PP Susing Pineda, RCManila Foundation, Inc. Secretary/Trustee Dir. Albert Alday, RCManila Foundation, Inc. Trustee Dir. Farid Schoucair, RCManila Foundation, Inc. Trustee PD Beda Fajardo, RCManila Foundation, Inc. Trustee IPBLA/PD Amading Valdez, RCManila Foundation, Inc. Trustee PT Lito Sibayan, RCManila Foundation, Inc. Trustee Dir. Thad Liamzon, RCManila Foundation, Inc. Trustee PP Jackie Rodriguez, RCManila Foundation, Inc. Trustee IPD Celso Abastillas, RCManila Foundation, Inc. Trustee President Chito Zalazarriaga, RCManila Foundation, Inc. Assistant Treasurer Club Secretary Reggie, Rotary Club of Manila ES Anna Kun Toledo and RCManila Foundation, Inc. EA Sol Troniado-Encarnacion.

Rotary Club of Manila and RCManila Foundation, Inc. Conduct Flood Victims Relief Operations



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**RC MANILA
FOUNDATION, INC.**



PP Jackie Rodriguez with other Rotarians from District 3810 distributed the relief goods last July 26, 2021 in Cavite.

**Rotary Club of Manila
and RCManila Foundation, Inc.
Conduct Flood Victims Relief Operations**

COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT: DISASTER RESPONSE FOR FLOOD VICTIMS OF CAVITE

July 25-26, 2021

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

First of all, we wish to thank you all for quickly responding to the urgent call of our fellow Rotarians from Cavite Area to PP Jackie Rodriguez and I to come to the aid of our distressed Caviteños affected by the flood caused by the Southwest Monsoon rains brought about by Typhoon Fabian.

This is a joint undertaking between the Rotary Club of Manila and RCManila Foundation, Inc.

The packing activity was done at my farm, Esguerra Farms, in Lipa City with PP Jackie Rodriguez, STAR Rtn. Mike Albaña, STAR Rtn. Teddy Tee Jr. and STAR Rtn. Anton Mauricio. Present likewise were DGE Joyce Michelle Socorro Ambray, DGN Lai de la Cruz as well as other Rotarians and Rotaractors from the Cavite Area.

We spent Php 178,343.25 worth of relief packages for 350 families. Each pack was composed of a pail that contained a loaf of bread, corned beef, soy sauce, noodles, sugar, coffee, cake sandwiches and sanitation packages of alcohol, laundry soap, bath soap, toothbrush and toothpaste.

These packages were distributed last July 26, 2021.

Because of the exigency of the situation, I volunteered to advance the payment of expenses. Below is the financial report. The excess amount from the donations will be placed in a restricted account for future disaster relief undertakings.

Very truly yours,

HERMINIO "HERMIE" S. ESGUERRA
Chairman, RCManila Foundation, Inc.
RY 2020-2021, RY 2021-2022

Rotary Club of Manila and RCManila Foundation, Inc. Conduct Flood Victims Relief Operations

RCMANILA FOUNDATION INC

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR FLOOD VICTIMS RELIEF OPERATIONS July 25, 2021

REVENUES

23 Paid pledges	137,000.00
16 Collectible Pledges	111,000.00
	248,000.00

EXPENSES

July 24, 2021	Relief Goods Receipt # 0041243 (Puregold)	118,212.00
July 24, 2021	Receipt # 0600 171 pcs of plastic pails	12,825.00
July 24, 2021	Receipt # 27639 157 pcs of plastic pails	11,500.00
July 25, 2021	Relief Goods Receipt # 0041245 (Puregold)	25,958.25
July 25, 2021	Relief Goods Receipt # 0041246 (Puregold)	4,448.00
July 25, 2021	Tarpaulin	2,400.00
July 25, 2021	Tip to Truck Driver and Pahinantes	3,000.00
		178,343.25

TOTAL REVENUES	248,000.00
LESS: TOTAL EXPENSES	178,343.25
TOTAL EXCESS FUND	69,656.75

DONATION-IN-KIND

1. Antigen Testing for 30 person
sponsored by RCMFI Chairman, PVP Hermie Esguerra
2. Truck to transport relief goods from Batangas to Cavite
sponsored by Champion President Egay Viloria of
RC Cavite Metro

LIST OF PAID PLEDGES

1	Bediones, Rudy	5,000.00
2	Castro, Karlo	5,000.00
3	Catalan, Teng	5,000.00
4	Cenica, John	5,000.00
5	Chahwan, Rami	5,000.00
6	Del Rosario, Oscar	5,000.00
7	Dy, Manny	5,000.00
8	Esguerra, Hermie	10,000.00
9	Evaristo, Frank	5,000.00
10	Fajardo, Beda	10,000.00
11	Gierran, Dante	5,000.00
12	Go, Henry	5,000.00
13	Hallare, Jun	5,000.00
14	Jang, JJ	10,000.00
15	Lopez, Tony	7,000.00
16	Pallasigue, JB	5,000.00
17	Pineda, Bebot	5,000.00
18	Reynolds, Dave	5,000.00
19	Shimoda, Shigeru	5,000.00
20	Syjuco, Joey	10,000.00
21	Tee, Teddy	5,000.00
22	Zalcita, Xavy	5,000.00
23	Zalamea, Rick	5,000.00
		137,000.00

LIST OF COLLECTIBLE PLEDGES

1	Abastillas, Celso	10,000.00
2	Benedicto, Noy	5,000.00
3	Bolton, Bollie	5,000.00
4	Camus, Nando	5,000.00
5	Carlos, Vince	5,000.00
6	Chahwan, Rami	5,000.00
7	Chotrani, Johnny	6,000.00
8	Cutter, John	5,000.00
9	Joseph, Bobby	10,000.00
10	Lopez, Art	
11	Matschuck, Gunter	5,000.00
12	Pascual, Abe	5,000.00
13	Payumo, Tong	10,000.00
14	Pineda, Susing	10,000.00
15	Pizarra, Jordan	
16	Rodriguez, Jackie	10,000.00
17	Sibayan, Lito	5,000.00
18	Zaladriaga, Chito	10,000.00
		111,000.00

RCMANILA FOUNDATION, INC.

Rotary Club of Manila and RCManila Foundation, Inc. Conduct Flood Victims Relief Operations

RECEIPTS

MARIA REBECCA SABLE ENTERPRISES
Lipa City Public Market, Protection, Brgy. 3, Lipa City, Batangas
Maria Rebecca D. Sable - Prop.
NON VAT Reg. TIN 937-057-899-901

SALES INVOICE
No. **0600**
Date **07/24/21**
Sold to: **RC Manila Foundation Inc.**
TIN: **0000000000**
Address: **Lipa**
Business Style: **Wholesale**
Quantity: **171** Unit: **pc** ARTICLE: **pc Bagin** Unit Price: **75** Amount: **12,825**
TOTAL SALES: **12,825**
TOTAL AMOUNT DUE: **12,825**

Sia Chape
Signature

25 Bldg. 0502-0507-1024
Bat. Business & Non Vat Reg. TIN 937-057-899-901
Date received: 8/20/2021 10:00 AM 9:15-10:00
NON VAT REG. TIN 937-057-899-901
Quantity received: 171 pc Bagin
TOTAL AMOUNT DUE: 12,825

DIO'S Marketing
Lipa City, Batangas
Sales Invoice No. **27649**
Date **9/4/21**
Sold to: **RC Manila Foundation Inc.**
TIN: **0000000000**
Address: **Lipa**
Business Style: **Wholesale**
Quantity: **171** Unit: **pc** ARTICLE: **pc Bagin** Unit Price: **75** Amount: **12,825**
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PUREGOLD PRICE CLUB, INC.
San Jose City, Batangas
Sales Invoice No. **0041243**
Date **07/24/21**
Sold to: **RC Manila Foundation Inc.**
TIN: **0000000000**
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RCManila Foundation, Inc. Board of Trustees Meet with Superior Sister Marce, DC and Sister Teresita Abastillas, DC of the Hospicio de San Jose



The Board of Trustees of the RCManila Foundation, Inc. held a meeting with Hospicio de San Jose Superior Sister Marce, DC and Treasurer Sister Teresita Abastillas, DC last July 28, 2021 via Zoom virtual platform. Aside from them, present were RCManila Foundation, Inc. Chairman and Programs Committee Chairman PVP Hermie Esguerra, RCManila Foundation, Inc. President PP Susing Pineda, RCManila Foundation, Inc. Trustee President Chito Zaldarriaga, RCManila Foundation, Inc. Trustee IPP Bobby Joseph, RCManila Foundation, Inc. Trustee PP Jackie Rodriguez, RCManila Foundation, Inc. Secretary/Trustee Dir. Albert Alday, RCManila Foundation, Inc. Treasurer/Trustee PD Pepo Nuñez, RCManila Foundation, Inc. Trustee PD Beda Fajardo, RCManila Foundation, Inc. Trustee PT Lito Sibayan, RCManila Foundation, Inc. Trustee IPBLA/PD Amading Valdez, RCManila Foundation, Inc. Assistant Treasurer Club Secretary Reggie Yu, Rotary Club of Manila Special Children Committee Chairman Rtn. Ray Davis, RCManila Foundation, Inc. EA Sol Troniado-Encarnacion and Rotary Club of Manila ES Anna Kun Toledo.

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

Appeal for Paul Harris Fellows



July 1, 2021

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, PVP 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 Global Grants and District Grants. 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 R. LIAMZON
Chairman, The Rotary Foundation
Director
RY 2021-2022

Noted by:

FELIX FRANCISCO S. ZALDARRIAGA
President
RY 2021-2022

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

Calling for Proposals for Global Grants for RY 2021-2022



Dear Fellow Manila Rotarians,

This is to announce a call for Global Grant Proposals for Rotary Year 2021-2022. See the fruition of your donations to The Rotary Foundation as you witness sustainable service projects unfold that would define the existence of Asia's First Rotary Club.

For queries, please get in touch with the Secretariat and/or the undersigned.

Yours in Rotary service,

ROMEO THADDEUS "THAD" R. LIAMZON
Chairman, The Rotary Foundation Committee
Director
RY 2021-2022

COGS IN THE WHEEL

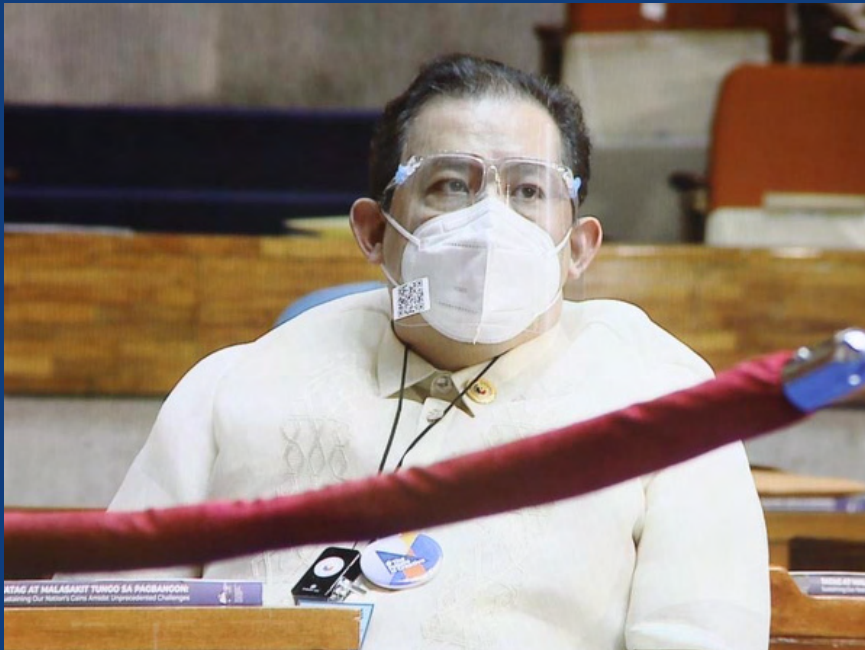
Dir. Albert Alday Becomes First Manila Rotarian Member of the Rotary Leadership Institute



Dir. Albert Alday became the first Manila Rotarian to be named as a member of the Rotary Leadership Institute Faculty Philippines after he completed the Train the Trainers Program of the said institute which included Districts 3810, 3850 and 3870 last July 24, 2021 via Zoom virtual platform.

COGS IN THE WHEEL

STAR Rtn. Martin Romualdez, as House Majority Floor Leader, Attends the Last SONA of President Rodrigo R. Duterte



STAR Rtn. Martin Romualdez, as Majority Floor Leader of the House of Representatives, attended the last State of the Nation Address (SONA) of President Rodrigo R. Duterte last July 26, 2021 at the Batasang Pambansa in Quezon City.

INTERCLUB RELATIONS

Dir. Albert Alday Attends and Graduates from the Train the Trainers Program of the Rotary Leadership Institute



Dir. Albert Alday attended and completed the Train the Trainers Program of the Rotary Leadership Institute, the last step in the Rotary Leadership Institute series before one can become a faculty of the institute, last July 24, 2022 via Zoom virtual platform.

INTERCLUB RELATIONS

Dir. Albert Alday Attends and Graduates from the Train the Trainers Program of the Rotary Leadership Institute



The breakout group for the return demo on “Engaging Members” as an evaluation before graduation. Group preceptor was PDG Oyan Villanueva and group members were DGE Kano Ng of District 3850, PP Jennifer Moreno of the Rotary Club of Hiyas ng Maynila (District 3810) and Dir. Albert Alday of the Rotary Club of Manila (District 3810).



Dir. Albert Alday delivers his response on behalf of Rotary District 3810 participants after the graduation.

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

President Chito Zaldarriaga Attends Rotary Friends in Kindness Global Felicitation of Rotary International President



ROTARY FRIENDS IN KINDNESS

invite Rotarians, Rotaracts & Interacts to



Host Clubs & Presidents

Rotary Club Chicago (07:00 AM)
Rtn. Margarita Hewko

Rotary Club Winnipeg (07:00 AM)
Rtn. Nancy Cosway

Rotary Club London (01:00 PM)
Rtn. David Johnson

Rotary Club Montevideo (09:00 AM)
Rtn. Santiago Conde

Rotary Club Manila (08:00 PM)
Rtn. Felix Zaldarriaga

Rotary Club Shanghai (08:00 PM)
Rtn. Rita Malvone

Rotary Club Calcutta (05:30 PM)
Rtn. Sujata Pyne

Rotary Club Tokyo (09:00 PM)
Rtn. Yoichiro Kojima

Rotary Club Melbourne (10:00 PM)
Rtn. Reg N Smith

Rotary Club Johannesburg (02:00 PM)
Rtn. Angela Largo

Rotary Club Madrid (02:00 PM)
Rtn. Jorge C. Garcia

Rotary Club Rio De Janerio (09:00 AM)
Rtn. Jose Carlos Gouvea

GLOBAL FELICITATION OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT




RI PRESIDENT SHEKHAR MEHTA
Chief Guest

RIPE JENNIFER JONES
Guest of Honour

CONVENER
PP KISHAN GOENKA



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JULY 24
2021
5:30PM
(GMT+5:30)

Hosted Jointly by
Centurion Clubs from Six Continents

Please Join 15
Minutes before time

Rotary 

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GLOBAL FELICITATION OF

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SHEKHAR MEHTA

JOINTLY HOSTED BY CENTURIAN CLUBS FROM SIX CONTINENTS

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SAVE THE DATE

JULY 24, 2021

08:00 PM (GMT +8)

VIRTUALLY ON ZOOM

ROTARY CLUB CHICAGO, USA

ROTARY CLUB WINNIPEG, CANADA

ROTARY CLUB LONDON, UK

ROTARY CLUB MONTEVIDEO, URUGUAY

ROTARY CLUB OF MANILA, PHILIPINES

ROTARY CLUB SHANGHAI, CHINA

ROTARY CLUB CALCUTTA, INDIA

ROTARY CLUB TOKYO, JAPAN

ROTARY CLUB MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA

ROTARY CLUB JOHANNESBURG, S. AFRICA

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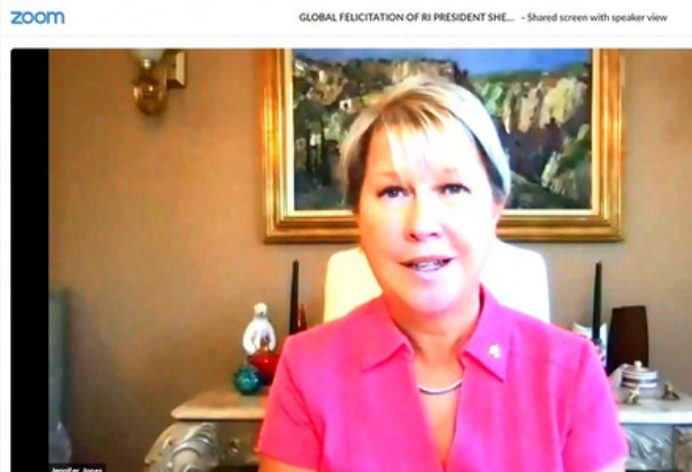
PRESIDENT DR. ANGELA LONG

PRESIDENT JORGE C. GARCIA

PRESIDENT JOSE CARLOS GOUVEA



President Chito Zaldarriaga Attends Rotary Friends in Kindness Global Felicitation of Rotary International President



President Chito Zaldarriaga attended the Rotary Friends in Kindness Global Felicitation of Rotary International President Shekhar Mehta last July 24, 2021 via Zoom virtual platform. This was an event organized by Rotary Club of Gurgaon Passion, Rotary International District 3011 India President Kishan Goenka who invited 12 centenary clubs, namely, the Rotary Club of Chicago 1, the Rotary Club of London, the Rotary Club of Johannesburg, South Africa, the Rotary Club of Winnipeg, Canada, the Rotary Club of Manila, Philippines, the Rotary Club of Shanghai, China, the Rotary Club of Kolkata, India, the Rotary Club of Tokyo, Japan, the Rotary Club of Melbourne, Australia, the Rotary Club of Montevideo, Uruguay, the Rotary Club of Madrid, Spain and the Rotary Club of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. The Chief Guest was Rotary International President Shekhar Mehta and the Guest of Honor was Rotary International President-Elect Jennifer Jones.

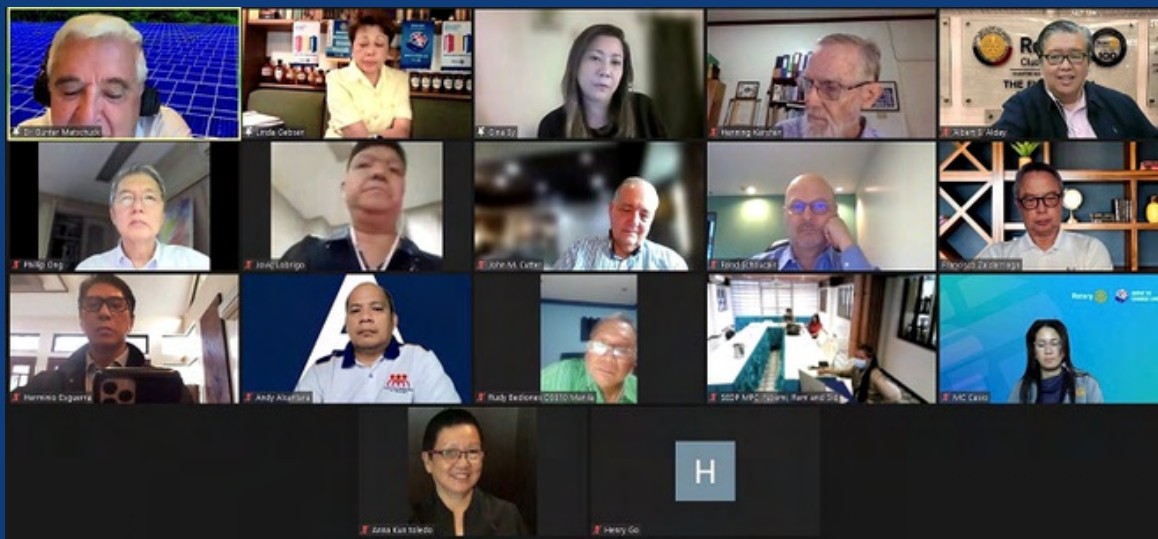
Circle of Centennial Rotary Clubs (CCRC) Holds Meeting



The Circle of Centennial Rotary Clubs (CCRC) held a meeting last July 28, 2021 via Zoom virtual platform hosted by PD Nick Locsin. Present were Chairman PD Nick Locsin, PP Jackie Rodriguez, Rotary Club of Calcutta Centenary President Purnendu Roychowdhury, Rotary Club of Calcutta Past President Saumen Ray, Rotary Club of Shanghai Centennial President Terri Lau and PAG Andrew Hill, Rotary Club of Seattle 4 DG Cathy Gibson, Rtn. Kim Moore, Rotary Club of Minneapolis President Melissa Musliner, Rotary Club of Madrid President Pedro Soto and Rotary Club of Manila ES Anna Kun Toledo.

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE/ COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Project P.I.L.I. (People-Centered Innovation for Livelihood Integration), A Livelihood Project with the Rotary Inter-Country Committee (ICC) Germany-Philippines



The Inter-Country Committee (ICC) Germany-Philippines together with the Board of Directors of the Rotary Club of Manila for RY 2021-2022 held a meeting last July 28, 2021 via Zoom virtual platform. Present were ICC Philippines-Germany Chairman PSAA Gunter Matschuck, ICC Germany-Philippines Vice Chairperson Linda Gebser, DGE Gina Sy of District 3820, VP Henning Karcher, Dir. Albert Alday, PD Phillip Ong, Rotary Club of Legaspi West Member Rev. Fr. Jovic Lobrigo, Dir. John Michael Cutter, Dir. Farid Schoucair, President Chito Zaldarriaga, RCManila Foundation, Inc. Chairman and Programs Committee Chairman PVP Hermie Esguerra, Rotary Club of Manila Metro Life Changing President Andy Alcantara, Acting National Coordinator PDG Rudy Bediones, SDG MC Casio, AS Henry Go and ES Anna Kun Toledo. The agenda focused on the proposed Global Grant project, Project P.I.L.I. (People-Centered Innovation for Livelihood Integration), which delves on pili nut regeneration as a livelihood project.

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE/ COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

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The PILI Project:
A Pathway Towards Recovery

EDITED AFTER 24 MAY 2021 PRESENTATION



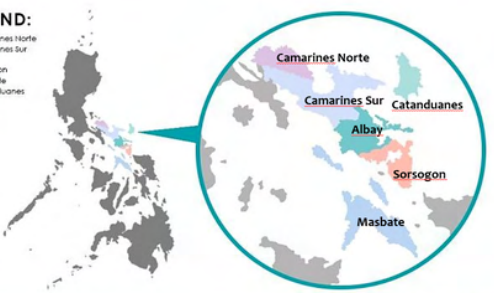
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Where We Are

LEGEND:

- Camarines Norte
- Camarines Sur
- Albay
- Sorsogon
- Masbate
- Catanduanes



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OUR CONTEXT

- 6.1 million population with 20% living below the poverty line
- Predominantly agricultural with 72% of population residing in rural areas
- Averages 20 typhoons a year



SEDP – SIMBAG SA PAG-ASENSO, INC.

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WHO WE ARE






SEDP – SIMBAG SA PAG-ASENSO, INC.

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Project: P.I.L.I.
(People-centered Innovation for Livelihood Integration)

Our Focus: PILINUTS



SEDP – SIMBAG SA PAG-ASENSO, INC.

Why Pili

- 85% of Phil annual yield is from Bicol (6.18 thousand Tons)
- Pili is Bicolanos' Tree of Hope
- Pili is typhoon resistant
- The nut is rich in protein, magnesium, phosphates and potassium.
- Zero waste for pili – with the edible pulp extracted for oil and the shell with multiple uses
- Currently, demand for pili pulp oil for one Boston buyer alone is 5,000 per year



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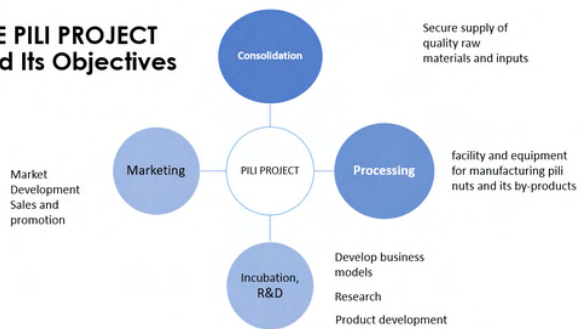
The PILI Project

RE-START



INTERNATIONAL SERVICE/ COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

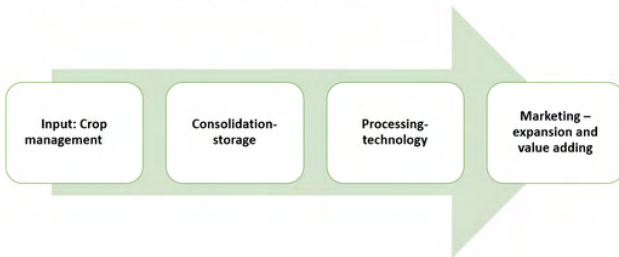
THE PILI PROJECT and Its Objectives



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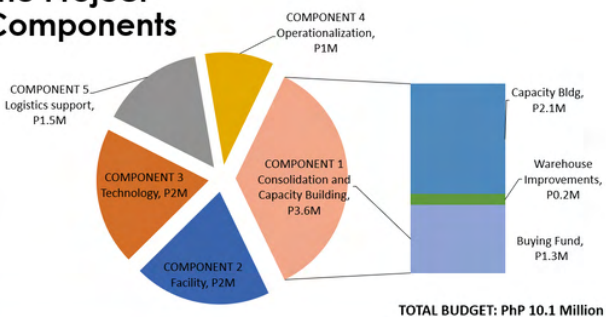
The Pili Project aims to address Pili Nut Value Chain bottlenecks



The Project Components and Budget

COMPONENT	Budget Line	Amount	Source
1 Consolidation and Capacity Building	Capacity building	1,500,000.00	Rotary
	Technical Assistance	600,000.00	SEARCA
	Improvements in existing warehouses	200,000.00	SEDP
	Buying Fund	1,300,000.00	SEDP
2 Shared Service Facility for Pili	Construction of building, necessary permits	2,000,000.00	SANIEH
3 Technology Upgrading	Equipment	2,000,000.00	Rotary
4 Operationalization of Facility	Working capital	1,000,000.00	SEDP
5 Logistics and Support	Vehicle	1,500,000.00	Rotary
TOTAL		10,100,000.00	

The Project Components



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COMPONENT 1: Capacitating the Pili Farmers and Processors

- Module 1: Concept building and role identification (5 hours)
- Module 2: Micro-enterprise planning and assessment (5 hours)
- Module 3: Micro-enterprise management (5 hours)
- Module 4: Pili nut production (3 hours)
- Module 5: Food Safety and Good Manufacturing Practices (5 hours)
- Module 6: Equipment operation, Troubleshooting and Maintenance (3 hours)



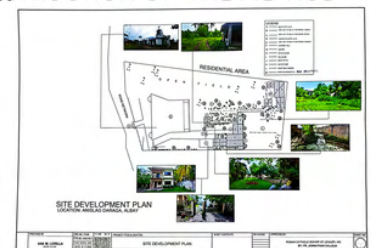
COMPONENT 1: Capacitating the Pili Farmers and Processors

	Unit cost	Number of Participants	Total
Meals	100.00	1,800	180,000.00
IEC			
Materials/supplies	30.00	1,800	54,000.00
Total per Module	130.00	1,800	234,000.00
x 6 Modules			1,404,000.00
Transportation, Monitoring and follow-through visits/sessions	8,000	12 months	96,000.00
ROTARY BUDGET			1,500,000.00
SEARCA BUDGET			
Technical Assistance/module	100,000.00	6	600,000.00
TOTAL BUDGET, Component1			2,100,000.00

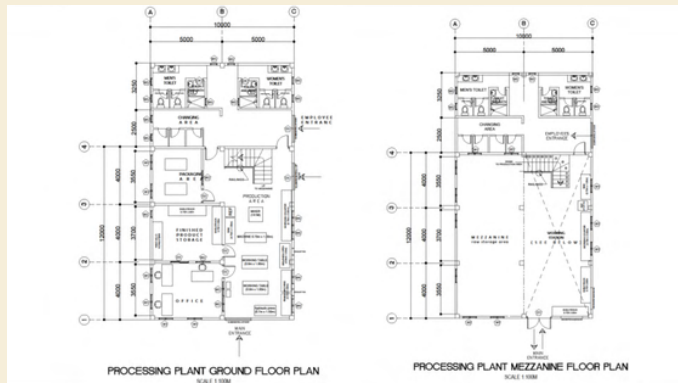


COMPONENT 2: CONSTRUCTION OF THE PILI HUB

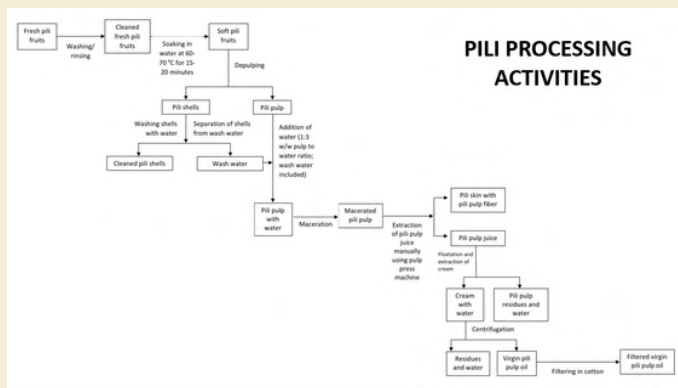
- Current updates
 - lot for the processing facility identified
 - site development plan completed
 - Floor plan being drafted
 - Ground breaking of the building in June 2021



INTERNATIONAL SERVICE/ COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



COMPONENT 3: TECHNOLOGY UPGRADING

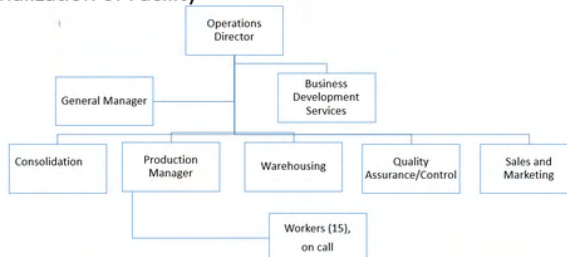


COMPONENT 3 Detailed budget per equipment

No	Machines	unit	Price	unit price
1	Vibrio-separator	2	P45,000.00	P90,000.00
2	Blanching Vat	1	P85,000.00	P85,000.00
3	Depulper Machine	1	P100,000.00	P85,000.00
4	Dehydrator	2	P180,000.00	P360,000.00
5	Oil Extractor / Expeller	1	P250,000.00	P250,000.00
6	Oil filtration Machine	1	P100,000.00	P100,000.00
7	manual filling	1	P50,000.00	P50,000.00
8	Coding machine	1	P15,000.00	P15,000.00
9	Hot Air Blower	2	P3,000.00	P6,000.00
10	Thermometer	2	P3,500.00	P7,000.00

No	Machines	unit	Price	unit price
11	Hygrometer with built in Room Thermometer	1	P3,500.00	P3,500.00
12	Scales or Balances (Top Load)	1	P15,000.00	P15,000.00
13	Digital weighing scales	1	P5,000.00	P5,000.00
14	Dehydration Trays	50	P2,000.00	P100,000.00
15	Plastic crates	50	P500.00	P25,000.00
16	Plastic storage boxes	10	P1,000.00	P10,000.00
17	Hand washing Sink	2	P5,000.00	P10,000.00
18	Utility Sinks	3	P15,000.00	P45,000.00
19	Exhaust Fans	10	P15,000.00	P150,000.00
20	Provision for packaging materials			P250,000.00
				P1,661,500.00
			shipping fee, other costs	P338,500.00
			COMPONENT 3 BUDGET, ROTARY	P2,000,000.00

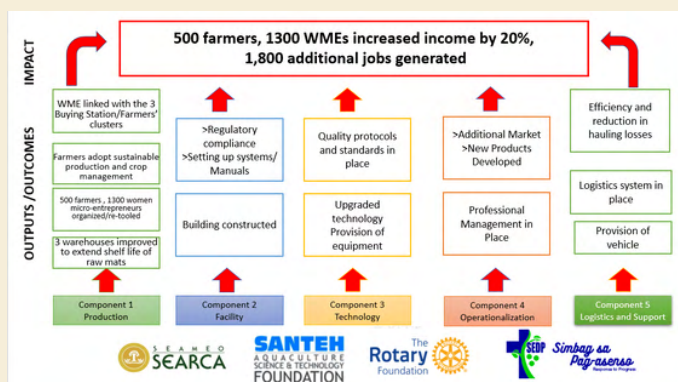
COMPONENT 4 Operationalization of Facility



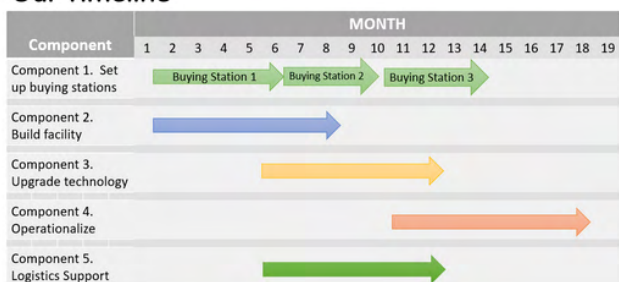
SEDP BUDGET: 1,000,000 for one year (salaries, utilities, etc.)

COMPONENT 5 Logistics and Support ROTARY

No	unit	Price	Total
1	Vehicle	1,500,000	1,500,000.00



Our Timeline



Rotary 2022 International Convention to be held in Houston

The event will bring more than 20,000 participants from around the world and deliver \$30 million in local economic impact

HOUSTON (July 22, 2021) – During a joint news conference held at George R. Brown Convention Center today, Rotary and Houston First Corporation representatives announced that more than 20,000 service-minded people from around the world will gather in Houston for Rotary's 113th annual international convention on June 4-8, 2022.

The coveted international event is returning to Houston for the third time, marking the 50th anniversary of the 1972 international convention. The Bayou City also hosted the 5th Rotary convention in 1914. The event is expected to deliver \$30 million in economic impact for the city's hotels, restaurants, retailers and attractions.

"As a global membership organization that brings people from all continents and cultures together to share, learn and take action to bring positive and lasting change to communities around the world, we are thrilled that our first in-person international convention since 2019 will take place in Houston," said Rotary's International President Shekhar Mehta. "And for the first time ever, our annual event will be open to members of the public who want to connect, learn and be a part of our work to grow and change lives."

Rotary's 2022 international convention will transform the George R. Brown Convention Center into an energized hub and cultural mosaic as the organization's global network of volunteers gather to share information about all the ways they are taking action to address issues in their communities, to learn from notable experts, gain inspiration from world-class speakers, and connect with lifelong friends shaped through service.

Previous convention speakers include philanthropist Bill Gates; actor and philanthropist Ashton Kutcher; Prime Minister Justin Trudeau; actor, producer, host, entrepreneur, WWE Superstar and Rotary polio ambassador, John Cena; renowned primatologist Jane Goodall; and former United States Ambassador to the United Nations, Andrew Young.

Source: www.rotary.org

ROTARY INFORMATION

Organized by Rotary International in conjunction with the [Houston Host Organization Committee](#) of local Rotary members, registrants of the convention will also experience Houston's hospitality with visits to local destinations like Space Center Houston, Kemah Boardwalk and one of Houston's premiere shopping destinations, The Galleria. [Click here](#) to register for Rotary's International Convention.

"Houston and Houston First Corporation are thrilled to host Rotary's International Convention next summer," said Jorge Franz, Senior Vice President Tourism and Industry Relations at Houston First Corporation & Greater Houston Convention & Visitors Bureau's president. "We look forward to welcoming the thousands of awesome Rotary members who through their volunteerism and commitment to problem-solving make our communities better from continent to continent. This global exposure to 1.2 million Rotarians worldwide will further elevate Houston as a travel destination, and the anticipated \$30 million economic impact from the convention will be a financial shot in the arm for Houston hotels, restaurants, retailers, attractions and many more."

Houston Host Organization Committee chair, Rhonda Kennedy, representing 62 Houston-area clubs and its 2,400 members, said, "as a proud member of the Rotary Club of Sweeny, I am excited not only to welcome our fellow members from around the world to our beloved city, but also to show how Houston-area clubs are taking action to make the world a better place at home and abroad."

With the safety and wellbeing of participants and the wider community a top priority, Rotary's previous two conventions were held virtually due to the global pandemic. Speaking during the press conference, John Smarge, chair of Rotary's International Convention Committee, said, "this convention will also have a virtual component to make the event accessible to all members. And as we continue our planning, we will work closely with global and national health authorities to ensure that our in-person event follows the most current health and safety guidelines."

About Rotary: [Rotary](#) brings together a global network of volunteer leaders dedicated to tackling the world's most pressing humanitarian challenges. Rotary connects 1.2 million members of more than 36,000 Rotary clubs in over 200 countries and geographical areas. Their work improves lives at both the local and international levels, from helping those in need in their own communities to working toward a polio-free world. For more information, visit [Rotary.org](#)

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Straight from the Horse's Mouth

by Club Secretary Reginald "Reggie" T. Yu
Managing Editor, BALITA, RY 2021-2022



MY FIRST ENCOUNTER WITH MADAM "LUGAW." She reached for a place in her people's hearts with an honesty and humility rarely seen in political circles. She was propelled to national prominence largely through the loss of her husband — who, during his lifetime, extolled the virtues of utmost integrity and good governance. She embarked upon a dazzling round of sorties in the remotest barrios using only a train, a public bus, and her slippers when she visits her constituents every week. She is known to account for every centavo of the people's money and publish where it was spent. She works without fanfare and pushed for bills that are seen to benefit the greater majority.

Through it all — and doing it with such detached self-possession and quiet authority that has marked her leadership persona as both refreshingly flexible and disconcertingly unpredictable — Vice-President MARIA LEONOR "LENI" GERONA ROBREDO, even then as House Representative in the 3rd Congressional District of Camarines Sur, she has begun to redefine the disheveled political landscape with her brand of empowering governance.

I was especially given a front row seat among a very select group of young businessmen and professionals, to get to know more about this attractive, enigmatic lady whom diehard Duterte



supporters have disparagingly called, "Leni Lugaw" — a moniker they used to put down Vice President — whose camp supposedly sold "lugaw" (rice porridge) to fund her candidacy five years ago. Apparently, the strategy to use "lugaw" must have been effective because Robredo defeated the billionaire Ferdinand "Bongbong" Marcos Jr. in that election.

"Allow me to tackle head-on what most people say about me," then Vice-Presidential aspirant Leni began with an air of discriminating toughness. "First, that I am a weak candidate. Second, that I have no business in politics based on the accomplishments of my husband." With a wry mixture of affection and realism, she justified her years of keeping a low profile during all her husband's 21 years as a public official, although she had been very supportive of his advocacies.

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"Many say to be an empowered woman of our society, you have to stand out and be heard; that all must listen to your voice at every opportunity," she ventured. "Many say gender equality is all about being as strong as a man, as important, and as celebrated. In my life at least, it meant knowing when to let go of the limelight and when to step up. It meant knowing when to keep quiet and when to speak. Being empowered meant understanding that not all kinds of strength are visible and auditory. When you know your true value as a woman — you can sit back with secure knowledge that the man of your dreams values your judgment because you value yours and that together, you are working on the same goals. You are not in a contest to be heard; you are working on the same team in this amazing game called life."

The only woman candidate in the 2016 national election year's field of predominantly male Vice-Presidential contenders, the soft-spoken erstwhile Congresswoman predicated her campaign platform on the strength of Naga City's current success story. "Because of my work in the grassroots, Jess and I had the idea to provide a mechanism so that everyone should have a seat at the table," she explained. "That was how the award-winning Naga City People's Council was born. The idea was to give everyone who could organize themselves into a People's Organization a chance to be part of

the People's Council and truly influence social and economic change in the city. It was not just a political platform. We have discovered the key to effective governance. The Mayor does not have the monopoly of brilliance; often, those we serve have the solutions we need. The problem was there was no opportunity for them to speak up. So, we gave them a platform to be heard."

Since her husband's unexpected passing, however, the Vice-President has systematically gone about stilling many of those doubts about her ability to govern. "I am not Jesse. I am my own person. I've made my own contributions to Naga's success when he was alive. As representative of the third district, I have gone to every remote town and barangay, walked where my people walked, rode the bancas they rode, and ate the food they ate. I even danced Pantomina from time to time," she disclosed. "You decide whether I am weak or whether I am tough and strong."

After her brief talk and a string of hard-nosed answers to a succession of questions, Vice-President Leni had largely impressed this "thinking" audience with her no-nonsense candor and driving sense of duty. Even skeptics who dropped by just to give her the benefit of the doubt now speak with the fervor of the converted.

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Some might say that Vice-President Leni Robredo had set herself an impossible task of leading a hopelessly fractured nation, to season force with humanity and realism with faith. Yet, if there is one thing that she has already committed to the safekeeping of posterity, it is her gift for stretching the limits of the possible. Eight years ago, the then-newly-widowed mom of three with the radiant smile managed to turn history into something of a fairy tale by successfully leading a fight against a well-entrenched political dynasty to become a Congresswoman.

"When I ran for Congress, people said I would lose," she recalled with a glint of wistfulness. "I didn't have the money, nor the machinery. I had to campaign on railroads and side streets. But I won by landslide vote of 80%. Never have I anticipated that one day, the torch my husband had been carrying will be passed on to me. And most of all, never have I thought that I would be running as your Vice-President."

If she can now bring something of the morality play as Vice-President even to a hardened political world, history itself, like most of the forces she has already met, may one day be quietly transformed.

From that day onward, she has transformed me.

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A Star is Born

by STAR Rtn. Anton Mauricio



Hello Stars! Just a quick summary of the Flood Relief Operations.

This past Saturday, July 24, 2021, when there was a gathering of the current presidents of 3810 (Life Changing Presidents or LCPs) at Subic, they were discussing the current stormy weather and the Cavite Rotarians mentioned how some of the towns in three (3) Rotary areas were seriously flooded and people were in evacuation areas.

PP Jackie Rodriguez, under an emergency system of RCM, called the Disaster Response Task Force (DRTF) and alerted RCM and partners, RCManila Foundation, Inc. Chairman and Programs Committee Chairman PVP Hermie Esguerra and DGE Joyce Ambray, decided that the help needed had to be done as soon as possible. The RCM Board and the RCManila Foundation, Inc. Board raised a call for donations and allocated funds for the impromptu project immediately.

Last Saturday night, DGE Joyce Ambray had to find an open store as most were closed due to rains and flooding together with some helpers and managed to get the bulk of the items, closing the store 9:00 pm. The morning after, Sunday, she still had to make two (2) trips for additional supplies (more rice, toiletries, plastic bags) to the same store (Puregold).

Still last Saturday, RCManila Foundation, Inc. and Programs Committee PVP Hermie Esguerra led the operations for the next day, having streamers made (one of the Rotary Club LCPs was able to rush it), preparing his farm (a bubble facility with 175 workers fulltime staying in-house, complete with an antigen testing laboratory at the gate area, with staff in full hazmat suits), and preparation of the main hall for the food packing.

The restaurant reception was also set up for breakfast (for the early comers, hot chocolat-eh tables with kakanin and brewed coffee), lunch, snacks, and even dinner. Coordination needed to be made with the pick-up, delivery, and receiving of the food packs.

In the meantime, PP Jackie Rodriguez coordinated approvals from the boards of RCM and the Foundation and arranged for the truck to pick up and deliver goods. Almost everything was set up except for the warm bodies, especially of RCM Members. He called for volunteers for the following day, Sunday, which I saw on my Viber.

For myself, I had no visibility on the whole activity, but I thought it unlikely that anyone could make it given the terrible weather, heightened GCO restrictions given the renewed CoVid-19 surge and worries about the Delta variant, not to mention the extremely short notice (Saturday afternoon post asking for volunteers early Sunday morning).

Precisely because I thought there would be no Rotarians there but Hermie and Jackie (I assumed (wrongly) that workers would be doing most of the packing), I decided to commit. I had to cancel my plans of the usual work catch-up, and errands. I also had medical tests planned because my right thumb was hurting and I was afraid (still am) that it could be a diabetic neuropathy affecting my nerves.

Until late Saturday night, I was still coordinating plans with whoever could go. I wasn't expecting STAR Rtn. Teddy Tee to make it since I knew he was in Balesin, but he arrived Saturday afternoon and committed to go. In the evening, STAR Rtn. Mike Albaña had canceled his own family time and circuit racing plans to join us.

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Early Sunday morning, July 25, 2021, I asked STAR Rtn. Teddy Tee to maybe offer to pick up PP Jackie Rodriguez because it didn't look like he was going with anyone. We ended up all riding STAR Rtn. Teddy Tee's spacious and flood-busting Toyota Land Cruiser to the Esguerra Farms with the radio tuned in to the Rodriguez History Channel (no commercial breaks).

Meanwhile, at Esguerra Farms, RCManila Foundation, Inc. Chairman and Programs Committee Chairman PVP Hermie Esguerra was alerted by the gate that two (2) brothers, two (2) named Mr. Rodriguez and two (2) more companions had arrived at 7:00 am. Thinking RCM members had arrived so early (he and partner, DGE Joyce Ambray had quite a late night), he rushed to get ready, only to find out it was the Cavite Rotaractors, Adrian and Aaron Rodriguez, with two (2) other girls.

Apart from the five (5) RCM members, four (4) Rotaractors, two (2) RCM staff members (Con Bigcas and Sol Encarnacion), there were twelve (12) other District 3810 Rotarians from Cavite and Manila led by DGE Joyce Ambray and included a couple of spouses. The supporting cast outside of the truck drivers and "pahinantes", were one photo/videographer, the helpers, the utility and kitchen staff of the Esguerra Farm.

We arrived and went through quarantine protocol and antigen saliva test (spit from the diaphragm, label your containers with your name) as well as the disinfection of our vehicle tires, and waited fifteen (15) minutes after which the staff in hazmat attire returned to announce the CoVid negative findings. We were escorted by a motorcycled uniformed escort to the main hall to see that the goods were stacked in the middle.

DGE Joyce Ambray was still out doing her Puregold run. Some of the sacks of rice were already being placed in one (1) kilo portions in plastic bags.

While waiting for the others to arrive and the streamers to be set up, RCManila Foundation, Inc. Chairman and Programs Committee Chairman PVP Hermie Esguerra took us on a brief tour of the facilities (there was no time though to go to the stables and the piggery).

When we got back, the other District 3810 Rotarians were already there and the work started in earnest and boy, it was real work and all hands were on the deck (Rotary Club Presidents, RCM and Rotaractors side by side). I injured my hurting thumb carrying the pails a couple of hours into the operation.

We started around 10:00 am and lunch was at 3:00 pm. Long as the hours were, we still made good time, considering the 350 packs, the correction for contents, counting, quality control, putting into small portions and plastic (rice, soap, toiletries), arranging, moving the pails constantly, and so on.

The Orocan pails contained 3 kilos of rice, 3 cans of viands (corned beef, meatloaf, wowulam), 2 sachets of Alaska milk, 1 pack of Great Taste coffee, 1 pack of sugar, 1 pack of vinegar, 1 pack of soy sauce, 3 beef noodle packs, 2 chicken noodle packs, 1 pack pastry, 1 loaf of bread, toothbrush, toothpaste, laundry soap, bath soap, alcohol and toiletries.

We laid out an assembly line, each station for separate items, then the "shoppers" filled in the pails with goods. Pails had to be arranged with

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the same height (different kinds of pails had an inch difference in height) and eventually the contents had to be arranged flat so that the cartons could be put on top and more pails put in, arranged in the truck. We had to do a fire line to put the pails in the truck which had to be backed into the hall area because it started to rain.

Tired and hungry, we were treated to a late lunch that was superb. We had Kurobota collagen bone broth, inihaw na baboy, korean pork ribs, rice, pasta carbonara, fish fillet, garden salad, almond lychee, kakanin paired with hot chocolate or brewed coffee for dessert.

Afterwards, Bignay and French wines were served with the farm's newest product, Kurobota chicharon, freshly fried.

This was the period when everyone introduced themselves because most of us were just Rotarians side by side not really knowing one another. I was surprised that most of them were Rotary Presidents of District 3810.

RCManila Foundation, Inc. Chairman and Programs Committee Chairman PVP Hermie Esguerra's introduction was, certainly, one of a kind and undoubtedly, worth mentioning:

"In a time of emergency, it is difficult to expect too much from fellow Rotarians, but, indeed, the RCM support for the lightning fast execution of the Flood Relief project came like a deluge of goodwill in the classic Rotarian way.

The RCM Board and the RCManila Foundation, Inc. acted with speed and decisiveness. Pledges and cash donations from members came in speedily. Most heartwarming, three (3) STAR

Rotarians drove in the stormy weather on a Sunday morning and spent the day, not like primadonna generals, but like humble soldiers, side by side with our District 3810 Presidents and Officers, physically packing the goods. Let us ask them to relate their experience to the body now, may I call on STAR Rotarians Anton Mauricio, Teddy Tee, and Mike Albaña."

RCManila Foundation, Inc. Chairman and Programs Committee Chairman PVP Hermie Esguerra and DGE Joyce Ambray, as the hosts, led the program, while PP Jackie Rodriguez updated them about how RCM donations were still coming in as we were posting the photos in the different viber groups.

All in all, my fellow STAR Rotarians (I only found out yesterday that only new RCM members are called STARS and not the new members of other Rotary clubs), it was a tiring day of sacrifice for all, but well worth the effort, not only in terms of the 350 families that we helped, but the spirit of camaraderie and bonding in my first Rotary Club of Manila experience of this kind.





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