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CP JESUS "SUSING" PINEDA
Chairman, Rotary Education Assistance Program (REAP)



RTN. ROMY NONES
PP RC Panday Pira
Co-Chair, Rotary Education Assistance Program (REAP)

Kabalita

The Rotary International's website gives us an important but sad set of statistics -- "more than 775 million over the age of 15 are illiterate. That's 17 percent of the world's adult population." Through RCM's Rotary Education Assistance Program or REAP, the Club is able to do its share in addressing this global problem. According to the English dictionary, "reap" means to earn, realize, garner, and win. This laudable program indeed enables poor but deserving college students to earn a degree, realize their dreams, and win for themselves a better future.

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RCM'S 26TH WEEKLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Rotary Year 2022-2023

DATE: February 2, 2023, Thursday
TIME: 11:30 AM
VENUE: FORBES ROOM, CONRAD MANILA

MODERATOR: PAST DIRECTOR ISSAM ELDEBS

Program Timetable

Part I

11:30 AM	Registration	
12:15 PM	Throwback Memories of RCM Members	
12:30 PM	Call to Order	**PRES. HERMINIO S. ESGUERRA**
	Invocation and Special Prayers	**STAR RTN. EDGARD "Ed" CABANGON**
	Philippine National Anthem	AVP of RCM Music Chorale
	The Four (4) Way Test	**STAR RTN AVELINO "Billy" ANDAL**
	Philippine Rotary Hymn	AVP of RCM Music Chorale
	Acknowledgment of Guests	
	Welcome Song	Live RCM Music Chorale

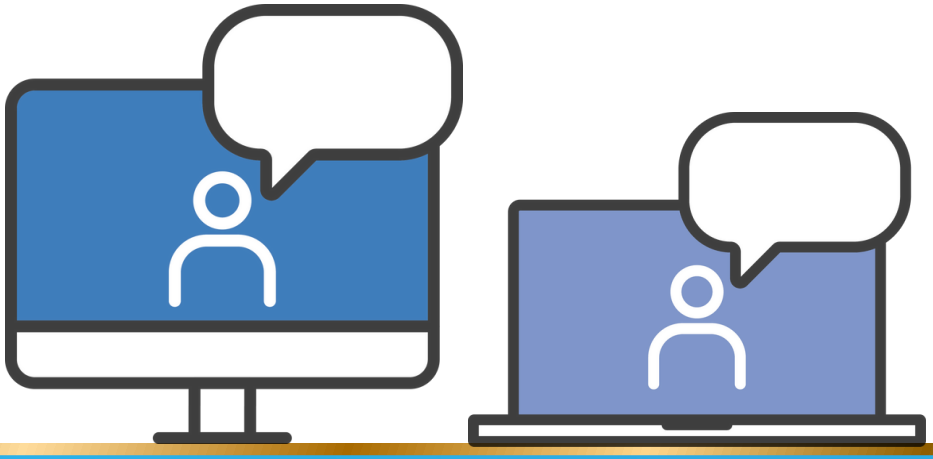
<u>RC Manila Birthday Celebrants for the week</u>

January 27	RTN. DANNY GO
January 27	PP BABES REYES
January 29	RTN. COLIN PATTERSON
January 30	RTN. SHA TAMANO
January 30	RTN. JET LEDDA
January 31	PD OSCAR DEL ROSARIO SR.

Maligayang Bati/Happy Birthday Song — Live RCM Music Chorale

RCM'S 25TH ZOOM WEEKLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING

	Presentation of the Mid-Year Report of Club's Achievements at Bangkok, Thailand	**DIR. ALBERT ALDAY** Senior Deputy Governor of RI District 3810
	PRESIDENT'S TIME	**PRES. HERMINIO S. ESGUERRA**
Part II	**REAP Project Executive Summary** **Project Name:** **REAP Study Now Pay Later**	**CP JESUS "Susing" PINEDA** Chairman, REAP **RTN. ROMY NONES** PP RC Panday Pira Co-Chair, REAP **MS. CARMINA BAYOMBONG** CEO and Founder of InvestEd
	OPEN FORUM	
	Rotary Club of Manila Hymn	Live RCM Music Chorale
2:00 PM	**Closing Remarks and Meeting Adjournment**	**PRES. HERMINIO S. ESGUERRA**



REAP PROJECT EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Project Name: REAP Study Now Pay Later Program

Project Description: The project aims to assist poor but deserving students to complete their courses and graduate from college by providing them loans to finance their educational needs. The loan will be repaid by the beneficiaries on a monthly basis stretched over 1 to 2 years at minimal interest. Loan repayment starts 3 months after the beneficiary lands a job

The project is cost-free and risk-free to the Rotary Club of Manila and its members. All costs and risks are being assumed by Dana Asia Foundation though Grameen Pilipinas Microfinance.

Funder: Dana Asia Foundation Inc. They have committed USD 10 million to fund this project. An initial amount of USD 25,000 has already been remitted and is ready to be disbursed.

Fund Manager: Grameen Pilipinas Microfinance Inc. They will receive and manage the funds from Dana Asia Foundation Inc. They will also release the funds to the beneficiaries and receive the loan repayments.

Project Administrator: The REAP committee of the Rotary Club of Manila. They will coordinate the whole program and assure that there is adherence to the spirit of the project among the partners. The committee will assist in the interviews and approve the beneficiaries.

Project Operation: The committee is partnering with a professional entity to undertake the processing, selection, and collection efforts of the project. Related costs is for the account of the funder.

Beneficiaries: Graduating students from public and private schools. Criteria to be decided by the committee. Selection through personal interviews and credit assessment.

Number of Beneficiaries: 15 to 20 for the first year. With yearly increases, up to around 50 at any one time. Potentially, 50 each succeeding year after the first loans are fully paid. It is envisioned that a total of 5,000 beneficiaries will be helped by the project.

Project Duration: The project will be continuous. Loans to further beneficiaries will be funded from proceeds of loan repayments.

Project Timetable: The application process is ongoing. Target schedule for awarding to beneficiaries will be at the start of the second semester of school year 2022-2023 in February, 2023.

RESOURCE SPEAKER'S PROFILE



MS. Carmina Bayombong
CEO and Founder of InvestEd

Carmina Bayombong is the CEO and Founder of InvestEd, a student financing platform for unbanked youth. A multi-awarded entrepreneur, Carmina is a Forbes 30 Under 30 Honoree, a Tatler Generation T Honoree, an Obama Asia Pacific Leader, and a Two-Time Female CEO Awardee of Cartier Women's Initiative. She was also awarded by the Philippine Government as an Outstanding Woman in the Nation's Service. As a development finance and youth empowerment professional, Carmina has raised over 400 million pesos in her career for advocacies in developing countries and has trained 10,000+ youth in the region. Under her leadership, InvestEd has provided 100 million pesos of education loans to thousands of youth across 500+ schools, helping increase their income by 2.3x.

Carmina has a degree in Industrial Engineering from the University of the Philippines; three certificates from the Asian Institute of Management on Entrepreneurship, Startup Management and Data Strategy and a Social Entrepreneurship Certificate from INSEAD.

PRESIDENT'S DIARY



Dear Fellow Manila Rotarians,

It was an honor for me to join the Rotary International District 3810 Mid-Year Review 2023 which was held in Bangkok, Thailand from January 27 to 29, 2023.

I was proud to report the accomplishments of the Rotary Club of Manila from July 2022 until January 2023. The activity was also an amazing opportunity to mingle and network with fellow Rotarians from District 3810.

Here's a glimpse of the activities and events that happened in Bangkok.

Fellowship at Chao Phraya Princess River Cruise

Friday, 27 January 2023, 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

The Rotary fellowship at the Chao Phraya Princess River Cruise was one of the highlights of the Mid-Year Review program. This activity gave us an unforgettable experience of the city's iconic view while enjoying a wonderful buffet dinner. We had a chance to mingle with our fellow Rotarians while cruising along the Chao Phraya River.









PRESIDENT'S DIARY





Fellowship at Chao Phraya Princess River Cruise

Rotary District 3810 Mid-Year Review

Saturday, 28 January 2023, 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Last Saturday morning, I proudly presented our Club's accomplishments at the Rotary District 3810 Mid-Year Review held at Amari Watergate Hotel in Bangkok, Thailand.

I also responded to questions raised by attending fellow presidents and Rotarians.





PRESIDENT'S DIARY

Fellowship Night at Amari Watergate Hotel

Saturday, 28 January 2023, 7:00 p.m.

On the second day, we gathered at the open garden on the 8th floor of Amari Watergate Hotel for a special Rotary Fellowship. It was another chance to share ideas and experiences with our fellow Rotarians from across the district, as well as learn about each other's Rotary projects and endeavors.





PRESIDENT'S DIARY

Rotary District 3810 Mid-Year Review

Sunday, 29 January 2023, 7:00 a.m.

I am proud to announce that I was awarded a Certificate of Completion with flying colors by Rotary District 3810 officials for my comprehensive six-month report during the Rotary District 3810 Mid-Year Review last Sunday morning, January 29, at the Grand Ballroom of the Amari Watergate Hotel.





I also happily received the People's Choice Award after I was chosen by my peers, the Phenomenal Leader Presidents of Rotary District 3810.





PRESIDENT'S DIARY

Dinner with Members of the Rotary Club of Bangkok

Sunday, 29 January 2023

Last Sunday, we had the pleasure of having dinner with members of our sister club, the Rotary Club of Bangkok, led by President Nicolas Reschke, at Baan Thai Restaurant in Bangkok, Thailand.

Manila Rotarians with me were DE/Dir. Albert Alday, Rtn. Momo Mommaerts and STAR Rtn. Aries Balanay.

The said dinner resulted in a mutual cooperation between our clubs as I invited them to have a virtual joint membership meeting while we were likewise able to secure their willingness to donate to our forthcoming global grant project on the cleft palate mission.





Overall, the Mid-Year Review was an inspiring and motivating experience. It gave us the opportunity to share our experiences with fellow Rotarians, network with them, and learn from each other's experiences.

I am happy to be back and join you today for our regular Weekly Membership Meeting.

Yours in Rotary Service,

Pres. Hermie Esguerra

EDITOR'S NOTE

Raoul C. Creencia
Editor-in-Chief, balita



Adopt a School Program. One way for the private sector and civic organizations like the Rotary Club of Manila to help improve the amenities and uplift the status of public schools in the country is by adopting a school. Through an adopt-a-school program, a Rotary Club is able to, among others, add useful facilities like toilets, beautify the school premises, build classrooms, upgrade its sports facilities, or donate additional laboratory equipment. Notably, the National Government itself recognizes the importance of encouraging "private companies and enterprises to help in the upgrading and modernization of public schools in the country, especially those in the poverty-stricken provinces." Because of this, the Philippine Congress enacted Republic Act (R.A.) 8525 in February 1998, which declared "the policy of the State to provide quality and relevant education to the Filipino youth and to encourage private initiative to support public education."

R.A. 8525 formally established the "Adopt-a-School Program" which encourages the private sector, especially business entities, "to assist a public school, whether elementary, secondary, or tertiary, preferably located in any of the twenty (20) poorest provinces identified by the Presidential Council for Countryside Development or any other government agency tasked with identifying the poorest provinces in, but not limited to, the following areas: staff and faculty development for training and further education; construction of facilities; upgrading of existing facilities, provision of books, publications and other instructional materials; and modernization of instructional technologies." The enclosure to the Department of Education's Order 24, series of 2016, relevantly gives the following definitions in relation to R.A. 8525:

a. "Private Sector partner" shall refer to an individual engaged in trade or business or in the practice of his/her profession or to business organizations, like corporations, partnerships or cooperatives who/which partners with the DepEd towards providing much needed assistance and services to all public schools.

b. "Assistance" shall refer to the aid/help/contribution/donation provided by a Private Sector partner to public schools implementing the K to 12 Program . Assistance may be in the form of, but not limited to, infrastructure, real estate property, use of facilities, training and skills development support, funding, consultancy, logistics, technology support, and equipment.

EDITOR'S NOTE

Raoul C. Creencia
Editor-in-Chief, balita

To incentivize private entities to meaningfully participate in this noble partnership arrangement, the law expressly grants an adopting entity for the “Adopt-A-School Program” the right, for taxation purposes, to make an allowable deduction equivalent to 50% of the expenses incurred (for the program) from its gross income. For the private partners to fully and immediately benefit from this incentive, the Department of Education, in its Department Order 24, series of 2016, specifically instructed that “all applications for the availment of tax incentives shall be processed expeditiously and efficiently, and shall be given priority attention. All private sector partners planning to avail of tax incentives should be advised to immediately complete all documentation requirements for submission to the Bureau of Internal Revenue.”

Moreover, the law also entitles the adopting company or enterprise, in addition to the incentive, to have its name emblazoned beneath the name of the school after words indicating that the school is under the "Adopt-a-School Program."

As we can see, the law and the guidelines issued by both the Department of Education and the Bureau of Internal Revenue (cf., Revenue Regulations 10-2003) clearly express the intent to truly give the private partner the incentives and recognition that they deserve whenever they join hands with the Government in improving the state of our public schools and our educational system as a whole.



25TH REGULAR MEETING: A RECAP



PD John Michael Cutter ably served as Program Moderator/Facilitator of the Club's 25th Regular Meeting.



Sounding the bell, **VP Reggie Yu** called the meeting to order.



Humbly calling upon our loving Father God, **STAR Rtn. Emman Dela Cruz** led the Invocation and Special Prayer.



The singing of the **Philippine National Anthem** was made more meaningful and alive by the **Rotary Club of Manila Audiovisual Presentation**, which featured captivating images of Manila Rotarians.



PD John Cenica led the recitation of the Four (4) Way Test.

25TH REGULAR MEETING: A RECAP



The singing of the **Philippine Rotary Hymn** again electrified everybody's Rotarian spirit.



The Moderator acknowledged and introduced the Visiting Guests and Rotarians.



The **World Famous Chorale** sang RCM's signature Welcome Song to the delight of the guests and visitors.



The week's birthday celebrants were duly acknowledged and warmly greeted, namely **Rtn. Butch Tamayo**, **Rtn. Rocco Sarmiento**, **Rtn. Butch Alcantara**, **Rtn. Jop Esquivias**, **Rtn. Butch Campos**, **PD Abe Pascual** and **Rtn. Paolo Magpale**. This was capped by the World Famous Music Chorale singing the RCM's trademark and jolly birthday song.

25TH REGULAR MEETING: A RECAP



VP Reggie Yu delivered his vice president's time.



PD Issam Eldebs introduced **Guest Speaker Dr. Catherine Teh**, President, ASEAN Lap HPB Alliance President, Telemedicine Network of the Philippines (TNP).

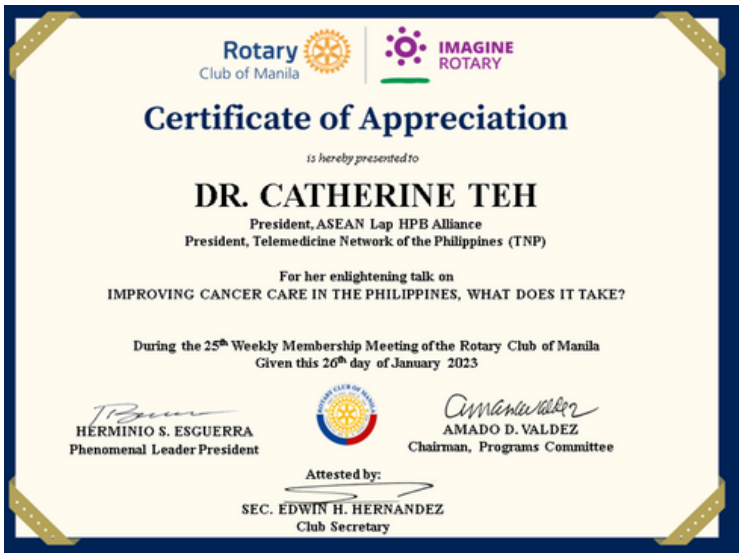


Dr. Catherine Teh gave an interesting and informative presentation.



The insightful matters presented by the Guest Speaker were further amplified during the open forum participated by **PE/Dir. Raffy Alunan**, **Rtn. Inggy Bertelsen**, **PD Amading Valdez** and **PD Issam Eldebs**.

25TH REGULAR MEETING: A RECAP



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Certificate of Appreciation

is hereby presented to

DR. CATHERINE TEH

President, ASEAN Lap HPB Alliance
President, Telemedicine Network of the Philippines (TNP)

For her enlightening talk on
IMPROVING CANCER CARE IN THE PHILIPPINES, WHAT DOES IT TAKE?

During the 25th Weekly Membership Meeting of the Rotary Club of Manila
Given this 26th day of January 2023

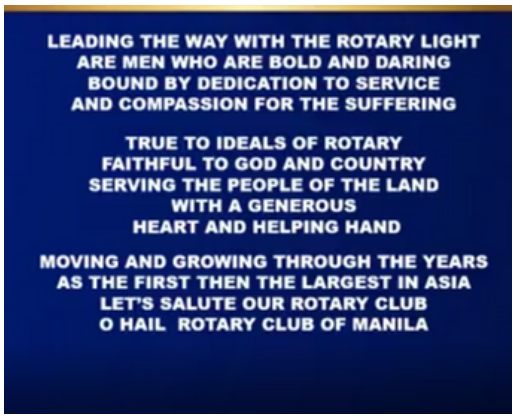
HERMINIO S. ESGUERRA
Phenomenal Leader President

AMADO D. VALDEZ
Chairman, Programs Committee

Attested by:

SEC. EDWIN H. HERNANDEZ
Club Secretary

A Certificate of Appreciation signed by **President Hermie Esguerra** and **Programs Committee Chairman IPD Amading Valdez**, attested by **Club Secretary Edwin Hernandez**, was presented to **Guest Speaker Dr. Catherine Teh**.



The meeting will not be complete without the singing of the RC Manila Hymn, which was aided by an audio visual presentation of the **World Famous Music Chorale**.



VP Reggie Yu delivered his closing remarks and adjourned the meeting.

CLUB ADMINISTRATION

RCM Members' Attendance Report
RY 2022-2023

JANUARY 2023	12 January 2023 BSP Gov. Felipe Medalla	19 January 2023 CLUB MIDYEAR REPORT	26 January 2023 Dr. Catherine Teh, President, ASEAN Lap HPB Alliance; Telemedicine Network of the Philippines
All Members Present	74	57	55
All Members in virtual FB	0	0	0
Make Up	3	8	1
Less: Exempt from Attendance		4	5
On Leave	0	0	0
Total Active Members	77	61	51
Total # of Members	**240**	239	239
TOTAL ATTENDANCE %:	32%	26%	21%
ROTARACTORS	0	0	0
MEDIA	0	0	0
EMBASSIES / DIPLOMATIC CORPS	0	1	0
DG, DGE, DGN, PDG/DGE	1	0	0
GOHS / GS	1	0	1
Visiting Rotarians	43	0	0
Guests of RCM MEMBERS	0	0	2
Others	0	0	0
Total attendees	119	58	58

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List of Members Who Have Paid Their Annual Dues for RY 2022-2023

(As of January 31, 2023, 10:00 AM)

FULLY PAID

1	Aboy, Valentino "Val" G.
2	Abriam, Ariel
3	Acosta, Crispiniano "Cris" G.
4	Agnes, Jerry A.
5	Albaña, Michael Jaey "Mike"
6	Alberto, Raymund Arnold S.
7	Alcantara, Isidro "Butch"
8	Alday, Albert S.
9	Alingog, Aldous "Rex" A.
10	Alunan, Rafael "Raffy" M.
11	Alvarez, Servando, Jr.
12	Ampil, Alvin
13	Ang, Richard T.
14	Aragon, Joshua
15	Arguelles, Pablo
16	Aventura, Avenilo, Jr. "Jun" L.
17	Balanay, Aries
18	Bartolome, Arsenio III "Archit" M.
19	Batur, Sinan
20	Bediones, Rodolfo "Rudy" P.
21	Bella, Geronimo, Jr. "Jun" Dela Paz
22	Benedicto, Sixto "Noy" T.
23	Bertelsen, Bertel Ingmar
24	Bhalla, Pardeep "Bobby"
25	Blanco, Manuel "Manny" M.
26	Biltz, Oliver
27	Bogovich, Jason M.
28	Branellec, Jacques "Jack"
29	Buendia, Carlos "Caloy" C.
30	Caasi, Urbano, Jr. "Banit" S.
31	Cabangon, Edgard
32	Cabuñag, Rogelio "Roger" R.
33	Canon, Raul
34	Campos, Joselito, Jr. "Butch" D.
35	Camus, Fernando "Nando"
36	Carlos, Vicente "Vince" J.
37	Carranceja, Arvin Arik
38	Castro, Karlo Eugene Josef "Karlo"
39	Catalan, Rodillo "Teng"
40	Cenica, John T.
41	Chahwan, Rami
42	Chotrani, Johnny N.
43	Co, Ferdinand "Ferdie" C.
44	Coyiuto, Robert, Jr. "Jun" G.
45	Creencia, Raoul
46	Cruz, Avelino "Ave" V.
47	Cureg, Alexander "Alex" P.
48	Cutter, John Michael "Michael"
49	David, Virgilio "Vee"
50	Davis, Raymond "Rey" N.
51	Dayang, Juan, Jr. "Jed" E.
52	De Venecia, Jose "Joe" C.
53	Dee, Marcus L.
54	Del Rosario, Oscar
55	Del Valle, Randolph "Randy"
56	Dela Cruz, Artemio "Art"
57	Dela Cruz, Emmanuel
58	Diokno, Benjamin "Ben" E.
59	Dionisio, Rafael Ignacio "Raf"
60	Domingo, Rico V.
61	Dominguez, III, Carlos "Sonny" G.
62	Dy, Manuel "Manny" C.
63	Echavez, Antonio
64	Egan, Brendan "Bren" W.L.
65	Eldebs, Issam "Sam"
66	Engelbrecht, Francois
67	Enriquez, Eduardo III "Jujut" V.
68	Esguerra, Herminio "Hermie" S.
69	Esquivias, Joaquin Pablo "Jop" A.
70	Eugenio, John Emyl "Emyl" G.
71	Evaristo, Frank A.
72	Everingham, Richard Jack
73	Fajardo, Beda G.
74	Fernandez, Antonio Jaime Jose V. "JJ"
75	Follosco, Ceferino, Jr. "Jun" G.
76	Garcia, Herbert Joey "Joey" D.
77	Garcia, Paul Joseph "PJ"
78	Garcia, Theodore
79	Garcia, Victor
80	Gaspar, Fernandeo "Nando" L.
81	Gierran, Dante "Dan"
82	Go, Daniel "Danny" C.
83	Go, Henry Sy
84	Go, Michael
85	Gonzales, Michael Raymond
86	Guarin, Michael Arcatomy "Mike" H.
87	Guevara, Domingo, Jr. "Boy" S.
88	Guevara, Ricardo "Ricky" S.
89	Hallare, Delfin, Jr. "Jun" T.
90	Hallare, Nicolo "Nic"S.

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91	Hallerbach, Mathias
92	Harle, Wolfgang Kurt
93	Hernandez, Edwin
94	Hesse, Uwe
95	Hortaleza, Rolando
96	Ibuyan, Benedict Julius "Ben"
97	Jang, Jae "Jay-Jay" J.
98	Joseph, Ralph L.
99	Joseph, Robert Ian "Robi" M.
100	Jucaban, Jeric J.
101	Juico, Francis E.
102	Kalaw,Teodoro Alejandro IV "Teddy" A. Y.
103	Koh, Paul Anthony
104	Lacambacal, Alvin D.
105	Lacson, Sebastian "Basty"
106	La'o, Emilio Gonzalez
107	Laya, Jaime "Jimmy" C.
108	Lazaro, Juan Miguel "Miguel"
109	Ledda, Jaime Victor "Jet" B.
110	Lee, Richard "Dick" L.
111	Li, Richard Joseph Chang
112	Liamzon, Romeo Thaddeus "Thad" R.
113	Lim, David Eduardo Ty
114	Lim, Richard
115	Locsin, Arsenio "Nick" Z.
116	Locsin, Roberto R.
117	Lonzaga, Reinerio "Ner" C.
118	Lopa, Antonio "Tony" A.
119	Lopez, Antonio "Tony"
120	Lopez, Arthur "Art" M.
121	Macapagal, Michael "Mac"
122	Macatoman, Abdulgani "Gani"
123	Magbanua, Gerry
124	Magpale, Jose Paolo
125	Magsaysay, Francisco "Paco" D.
126	Manalaysay, Cesar P "Citos"
127	Mangalile, Senen
128	Martinez, Ronald
129	Masters, Lance A.
130	Matschuck, Guenter "Gunter" G.
131	Mauricio, Antonilo "Anton"
132	Mendoza, Estelito "Titong" P.
133	Mendoza, Raymund Joseph Ian "Raji" O.
134	Mommaerts, Steve "Momo"
135	Montel, Juan Manuel C.
136	Montinola, Antonio "Tony" J.
137	Mueller, Klaus
138	Narayanamoorthy, Nantha K.
139	Nolido, Ramon Alberto "Ramby" B.
140	Nones, Romeo "Romy" C.

141	Nunez, Jose, Jr. "Pepo" A.
142	Ocampo, Teodoro "Teddy" J.
143	Okajima, Hiroyuki
144	Ong, Jovee K.
145	Ong, Phillip "Phil" L.
146	Ozaeta, Miguel Antonio L. "Mike"
147	Pagdanganan, Roberto "Obet" M.
148	Palacios, Albert "Hans"C.
149	Pallasigue, John Brian "JB"
150	Pascual, Abraham "Abe" F.
151	Pascual, Jose Augusto "Jappy"
152	Patterson, Colin David
153	Payumo, Felicito "Tong" C.
154	Peliño, Wilfredo "Willie" M.
155	Pineda, Jr., Jesus "Susing" M.
156	Pineda, Jr., Patricio "Bebot" F.
157	Pizarras, Jordan M.
158	Preysler, Fausto, Jr. R.
159	Pujalte, Jose, Jr. "Brix" S.
160	Quisumbing, Ramon "Mon" J.
161	Ramos, Claver P.
162	Rast, Tobias "Tobi"
163	Recto, Philip H.
164	Reyes, Crispino "Babes" P.
165	Reyes, Edgardo "Ed" P.
166	Reynolds, David John "Dave"
167	Rodriguez, Gerard Sean "Sean" H.
168	Rodriguez, Joaquin "Jack" H.
169	Rodriguez, Joaquin "Jackie" C.
170	Romualdez, Jose Manuel "Babe" G.
171	Rono, Marlon
172	Roxas, Michael
173	Sarmiento, Ricardo Manuel "Rocco" M.
174	Sarasola, II, Jose Ma. "Joey" I.
175	Schmitz, Steffan
176	Schneider, Bernd
177	Schoucair, Farid Alain
178	Serapio, Carlos G. “Caloy”
179	Sevilla, Luis Angelo "L.A." L.
180	Shigei, Kentaro
181	Shimoda,Shigeru
182	Sibayan, Joselito "Lito" H.
183	Sicat, Michael Allan E. "Mike"
184	So, Warren
185	Sobrepeña, Robert John "Bob" L.
186	Soler, Jose Antonio Andaya
187	Souvlakis, Nicolas
188	Stranathan, Ike
189	Syjuco, Jose, Jr. "Joey" A.
190	Tagaysay, Hector "Chito"

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191	Talampas, Jose Angel "Joel"
192	Talusan, Ferdinand "Inov"
193	Tamano, Shalimar "Shah" H.
194	Tamayo, Victor "Butch" L.
195	Tan, Eusebio "Ebot" V.
196	Tan, John
197	Tan, Lawrence "Lance" L.
198	Tang, Jimmy T.
199	Tanglao, Noel V.
200	Taylor-Dormond , Marvin
201	Tee, Jr., Teddy B.
202	Tejumal, Michael "Mike"
203	Tillmann, Hansel Joseph Michael "Hansel"
204	Uy, Ivan John Enrile "Ivan"
205	Valdes, Joel C.
206	Valdez, Amado "Amading" D.
207	Valdez, Jason
208	Valencia, John Nico "Nico" P.
209	Valencia, Rodolfo "Rod" G.
210	Vasquez, Evaristo "Junjie"
211	Vea, Reynaldo "Rey" B.
212	Villarica, Henry R.
213	Villegas, Raoul A.
214	Wombwell, Philip Brian
215	Yap, Enrique, Jr. "Rickie" Y.
216	Yu, Geoffrey "Geof" C.
217	Yu, Reginald "Reggie" T.
218	Zalamea, Enrique, Jr. "Rick" M.
219	Zaldarriaga, Felix Francisco "Chito" S.
220	Zeitouni, Nagi
221	Zialcita, Xavier "Xavy" Y.
222	Zimmer, Christopher
223	Zosa, Rolando "Roy" M.

PARTIALLY PAID

1	Andal, Avelino "Billy"
2	Angara, Marius
3	Bolton, Wilhelm "Bollie"
4	Yujuico, Brendon

DECEASED

1	Abastillas, Celso E.



CLUB ADMINISTRATION

Coordination Meeting of the Community Service Group of PE/Dir. Raffy Alunan



A coordination meeting of the Community Service Group of PE/Dir. Raffy Alunan was held last Thursday, January 26, 2023 at 2:15 p.m. via Zoom to discuss the status of the projects.

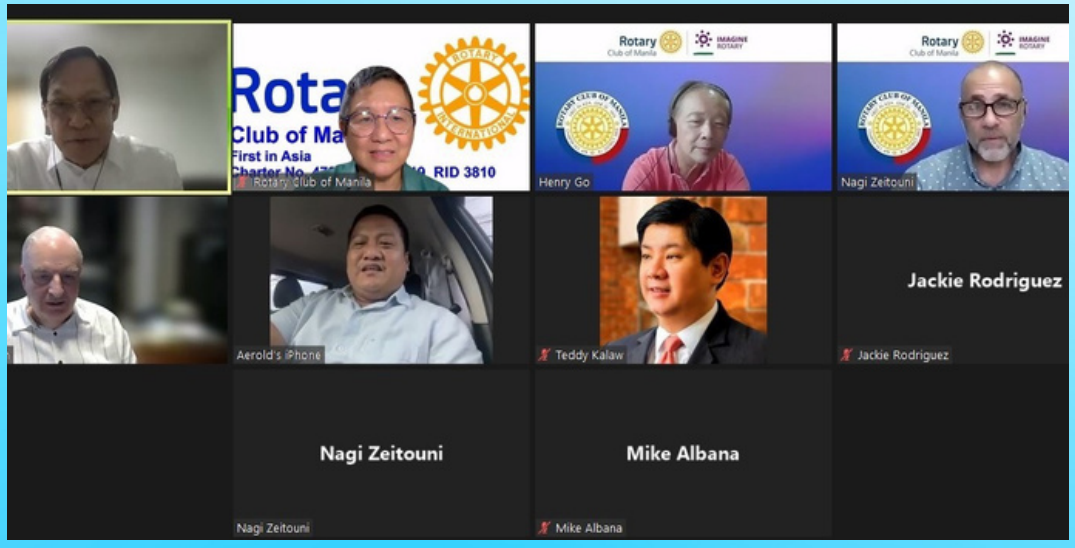
Present at the meeting were Pres. Hermie Esguerra, PE/Dir. Raffy Alunan, VP Reggie Yu, Disease Prevention and Treatment Chairman/PD John Cutter and Co-Chair/SAA Jason Bogovich, Maternal and Child Care Committee Chair/PD John Cenica. Peace and Conflict Resolution Chairman PD Issam Eldebs and Co-Chair SAA Nagi Zeitouni, Economic and Community Development Chair PDG Rudy Bediones, and PD Oscar del Rosario Sr. Also present was Sec. Edwin Hernandez.

CLUB ADMINISTRATION

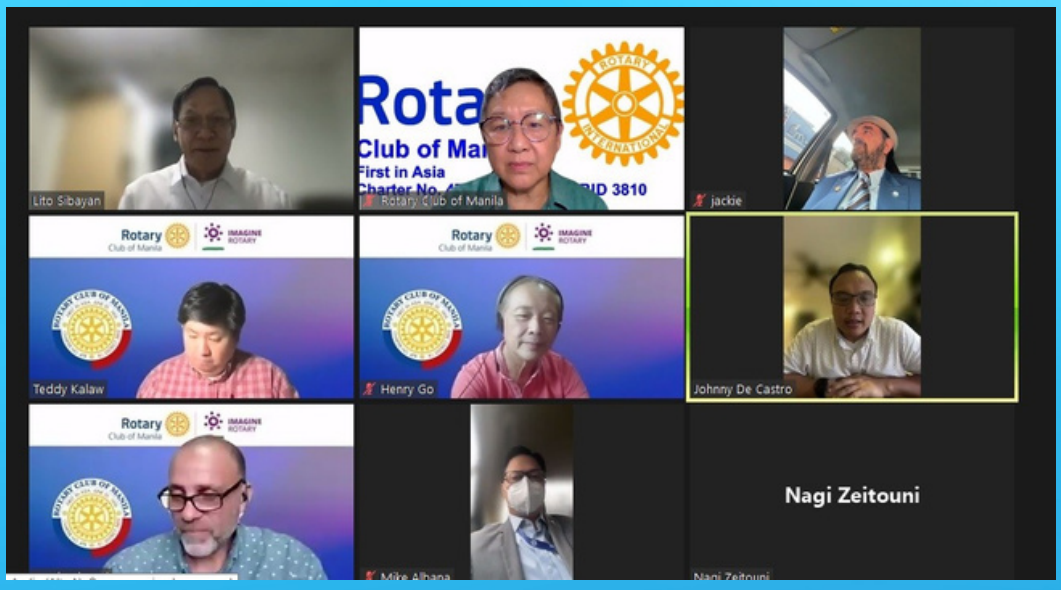
Membership Committee Holds Meeting with Proposed New Members

The Membership Committee met last Thursday, January 26, 2023 from 5:00 p.m. to 6:20 p.m. via Zoom to meet with proposed new members.

Present at the meeting were Co-Chairman/PT Lito Sibayan, DGN Jackie Rodriguez, AS Mike Albaña, SAA Nagi Zeitouni, PAS Henry Go, and Rtn Teddy Kalaw. Also present was Pres. Hermie Esguerra.



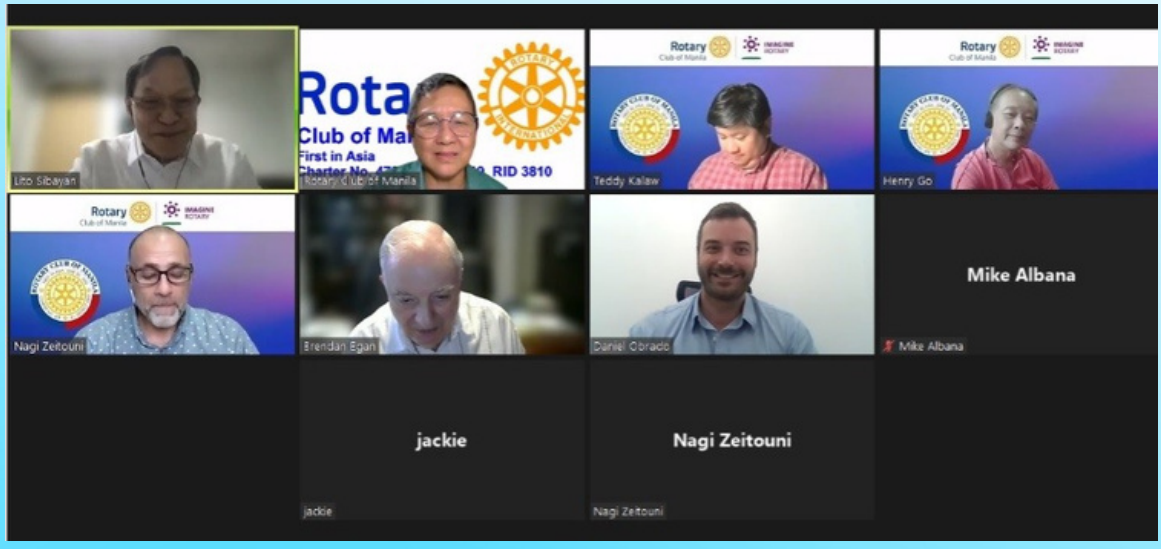
With proposed new member, Mr. Aerold Andres



With proposed new member, Atty. Juan Arturo Iluminado de Castro

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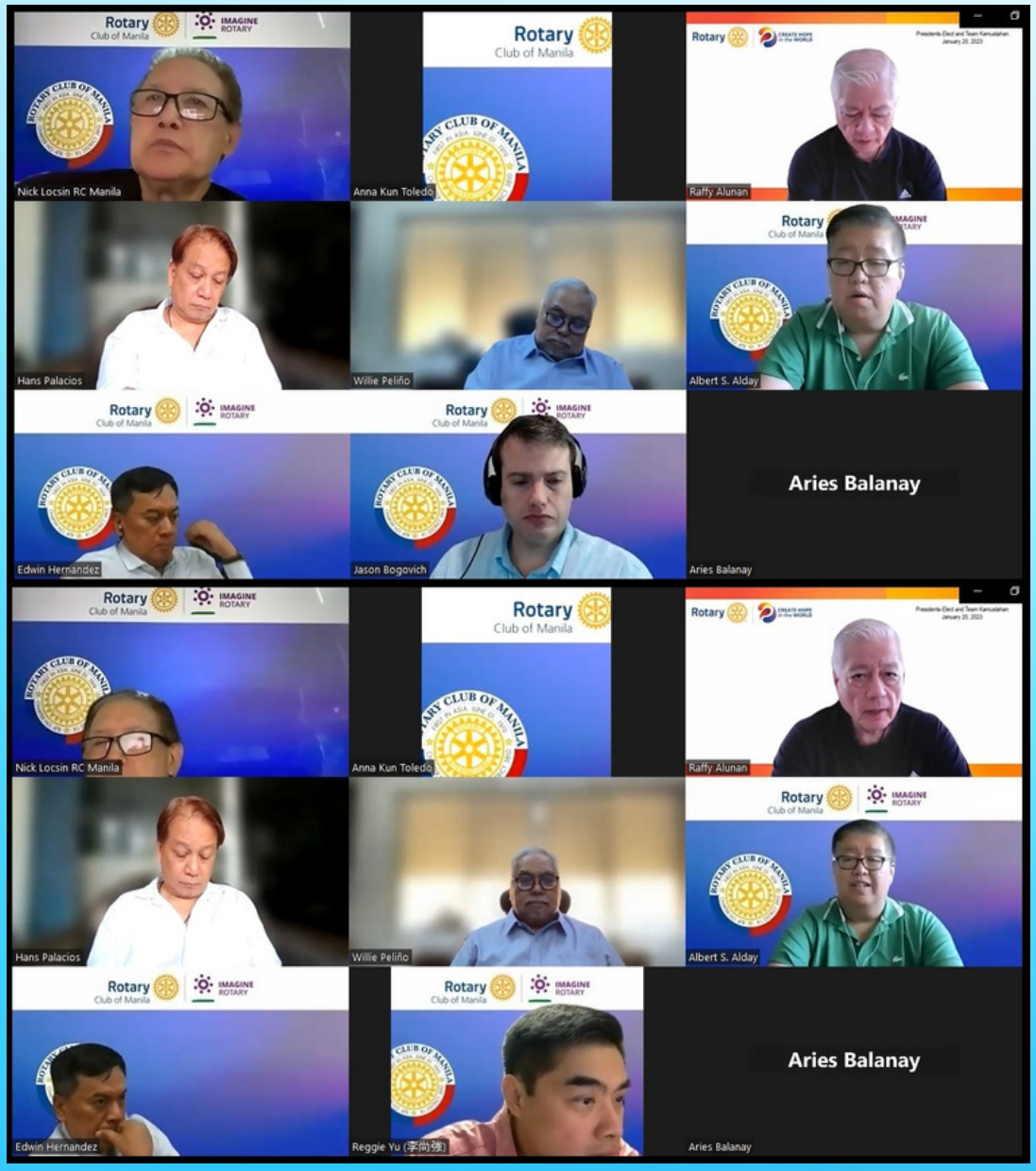
With proposed new member, Mr. Daniel Obrado Calzado



With former member, Mr. Gerino "Rino" Tolentino

CLUB ADMINISTRATION

Incoming Board Holds Planning Meeting



The Incoming Board held a planning meeting last Thursday, January 26, 2023 via zoom at 9:00 a.m. Present during the meeting were PE/Dir. Raffy Alunan, VPE/VP Reggie Yu, DE/Dir. Hans Palacios, DE/Dir. Albert Alday, Sec. Edwin Hernandez, IAS Willie Pelino, SAA Jason Bogovich, Incoming Asst. Auditor PD Nick Locsin, and Grant Chairman STAR Rtn. Aries Balanay.

MID-YEAR REVIEW: RID 3810



STAR Rtn. Aries Balanay, in his role as a member of the panel as Senior Deputy Governor for Social Media and Digital Platforms, propelling a question on a Club President presenter on January 28, 2023, during the Rotary District 3810 Mid-Year Review at Amari Watergate Hotel in Bangkok, Thailand.



DE/Director Albert Alday, in his capacity as Senior Deputy Governor (District Governor's Representative to the Philippine Rotary Magazine)/Special Assistant to the District Governor, propounds a question to a Club President presenter last January 28, 2023, during the Rotary District 3810 Mid-Year Review at Amari Watergate Hotel in Bangkok, Thailand.

BASIC EDUCATION AND LITERACY

Children of General Nakar in Quezon Province Receives Raincoats from the Rotary Club of Manila



The children of General Nakar in Quezon Province wearing raincoats donated by the Rotary Club of Manila.

This was part of the Rtn. Rami Chahwan's trip to Pangotloan Elementary School to provide basic needs for more than 110 school children, from the generous donation of Rotary Club of Manila members

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Jose Abad Santos High School Extends Appreciation to Rotary Club of Manila and Physicians for Peace Philippines

Jose Abad Santos High School
January 27 at 5:47 PM ·

Abadians, we see clearly!

Jose Abad Santos High School extends its sincere gratitude to the Rotary Club of Manila and Physicians for Peace Philippines for providing eye screenings and eyeglasses during the successful implementation of the Rotary Vision Care Project on Friday, January 27, 2023.

The project, funded by Global Grant #2344386, aims to provide students, parents, and teachers in Jose Abad Santos High School and other schools in Manila with complementary eye testing and eyeglasses.

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Rtn. Richard Everingham and Grant Chair STAR Rtn. Aries Balanay in Jose Abad Santos High School with School Principal Elena Reyes and her team.

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Four-Way Test Markers and Rotary Vision Care Markers

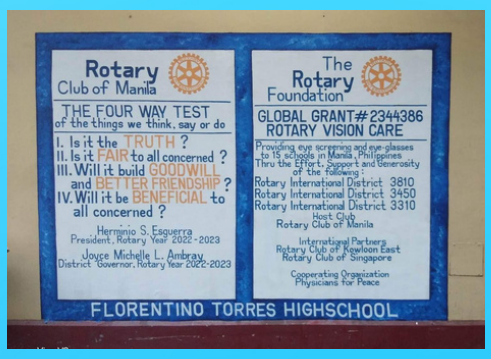
To date, we have installed Four-Way Test markers and Rotary Vision Care markers in 15 schools in the City of Manila.



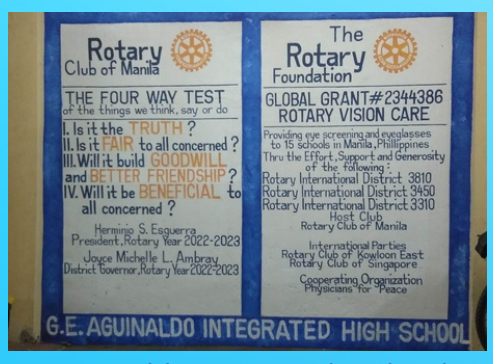
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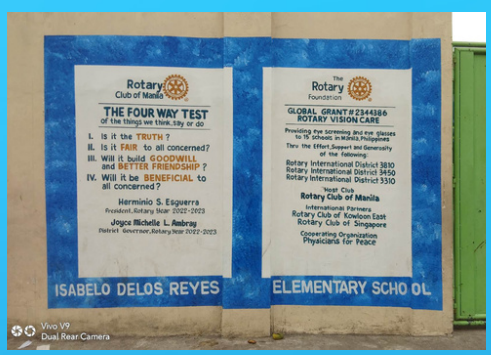
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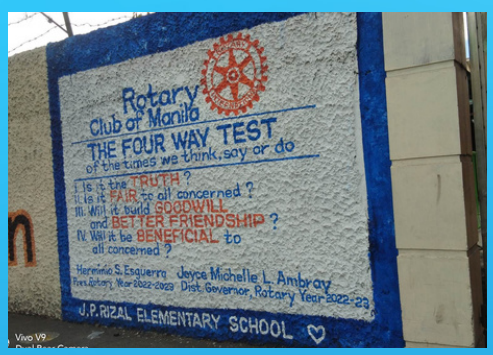
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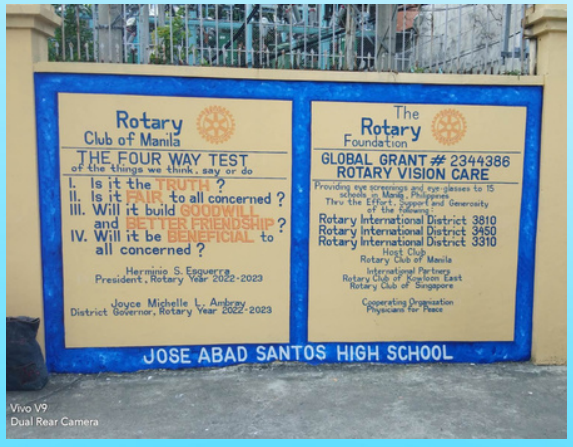
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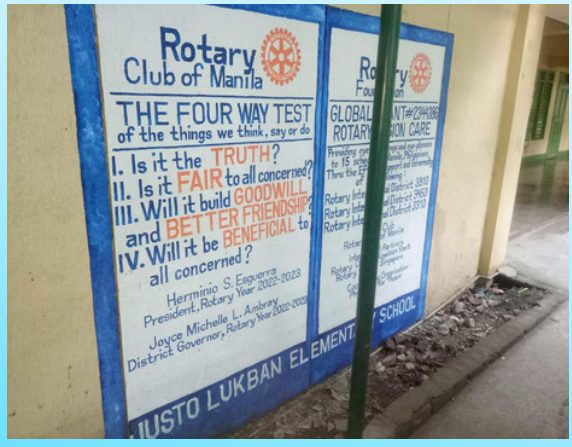
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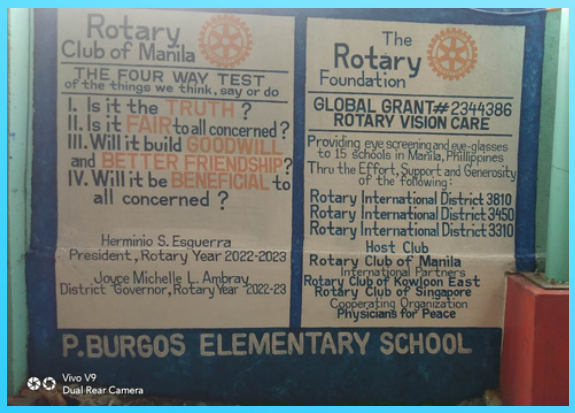
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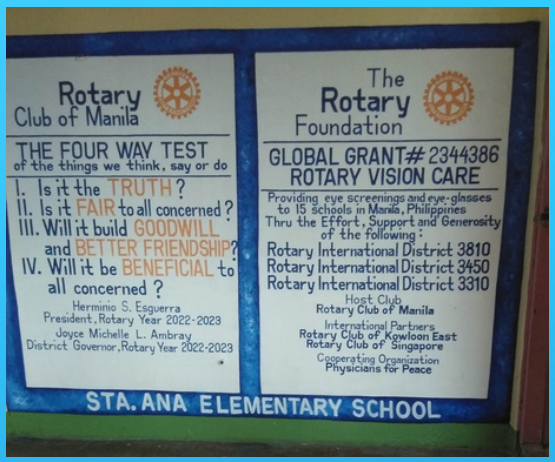
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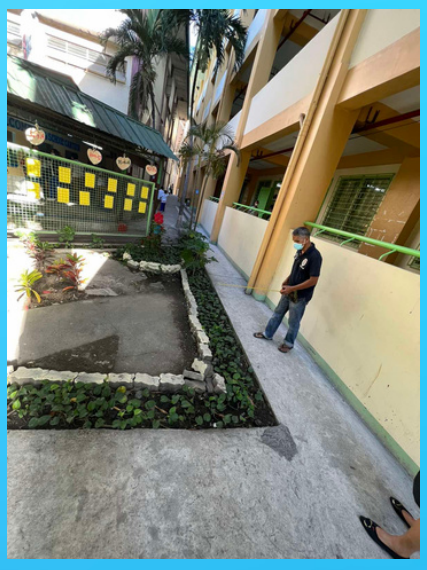
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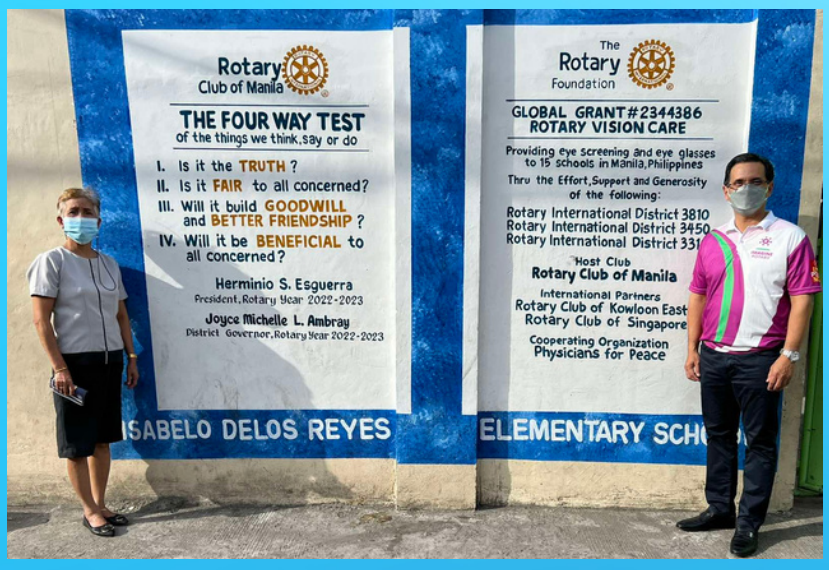
WATER, SANITATION & HYGIENE

BLA Raoul Creencia, WASH Committee Chair, Meets with Isabelo De los Reyes School Principal to Discuss the WASH Project









BLA Raoul Creencia, WASH Committee Chair, met with Isabelo De los Reyes School Principal Eliodora Vergara to discuss the washing station for elementary students that will be sponsored by Rotary Club of Manila. During the ocular inspection, an appropriate spot was identified to put up the washing station.

YOUTH SERVICE

TO: Rotary Club of Manila

THRU: PLP Herminio Esguerra
President, Rotary Club of Manila

VP Reginald Yu
Vice President, Rotary Club of Manila



We hope this email finds you well.

With the goal of RAC DLSU to foster a more cooperative and inclusive working environment, the organization will be conducting its Retrouvaille: 24th Induction and 23rd Handover Ceremony, from 6:00 PM to 10:00 PM, on February 19, 2023 (Sunday), at Lights of Love Events Place (1163 Santol St., Sampaloc, Quezon City).

We would like to hold a special Induction and Handover Ceremony that celebrates both the accomplishments of the year before and of the year to come. Our organization believes that conducting a spectacular ceremony, allows Rotaract DLSU to further place ourselves in the eyeline of clubs from all over; further amplifying our goals and visions, and spreading the prestige that comes with being in the Rotaract DLSU and being sponsored by the premier and first ever Rotary Club in Asia, the Rotary Club of Manila.

With this, we would like to kindly request for financial support for our upcoming 24th Induction and 23rd Handover Ceremony, Retrouvaille. We are kindly knocking on your club's generous heart to consider offering financial assistance of Php 40,000 to cover some expenses of our event, and in return, we would like to invite 1 table (8 guest Rotarians) to join us at this momentous event. Should there be any income from the event, proceeds will be donated to our future community development initiatives. Additionally, our club would be more than happy to provide a breakdown of our expenses, upon request. Any additional amount that your club can provide will be deeply appreciated.

Your support to our club would further elevate our club standing as well as project offerings for the years to come. For any concerns prior to confirming, you may contact Chloe Say, Phenomenal Leader President of RAC DLSU at chloe_say@dlsu.edu.ph or thru SMS at 09186968455.

Thank you and we are earnestly hoping for your positive response!

Service Above Self,

Lene Desiree C. Wong
Executive Vice President for Externals
Rotaract Club of De La Salle University - Manila

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Rotaract
Club of De La Salle University

January 25, 2023

TO: Rotary Club of Manila

THRU: PLP Herminio Esguerra
President, Rotary Club of Manila

VP Reginald Yu
Vice President, Rotary Club of Manila

FROM: Chloe Louise C. Say
Phenomenal Leader President, Rotaract Club of De La Salle University

Re: Request for Sponsorship for RAC DLSU's Retrouvaille: 24th Induction and 23rd Handover Ceremony

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Greetings in St. La Salle!

The Rotaract Club of De La Salle University (RAC DLSU) is a Manila University-Based Club sponsored by the Rotary Club of Manila. As an organization, we aim to constantly uphold the values and virtues of our university and pursue initiatives founded on Rotary's Seven (7) Areas of Focus to be catalysts of change, in the field of servant-leadership, through fellowship and collective actions, in pursuit of peace and international understanding in society. The club has been a **consistent awardee of various reputable recognitions** from both **District 3810** and **DLSU Council of Student Organizations**. Just last Life-Changing year, the organization has been **awarded all the highest distinction awards: Most Outstanding University-Based Rotaract Club** and **President, Platinum Distinction in all Avenues of Service,** and the **Gold Award for the Rotary Foundation Contribution**

As such, Rotaract DLSU has continued to be a **standard of excellence** in all our endeavors; showing to the district and to our partners, that our organization prides itself in practicing **continuous growth and betterment**, for both ourselves and our communities. With this, we would like to hold a **special Induction and Handover Ceremony** that celebrates both the accomplishments of the year before and of the year to come. *Our organization believes that conducting a spectacular ceremony, allows Rotaract DLSU to further place ourselves in the eyeline of clubs from all over; further amplifying our goals and visions, and spreading the prestige that comes with being in the Rotaract DLSU and being sponsored by the premier and first ever Rotary Club in Asia, the Rotary Club of Manila.*

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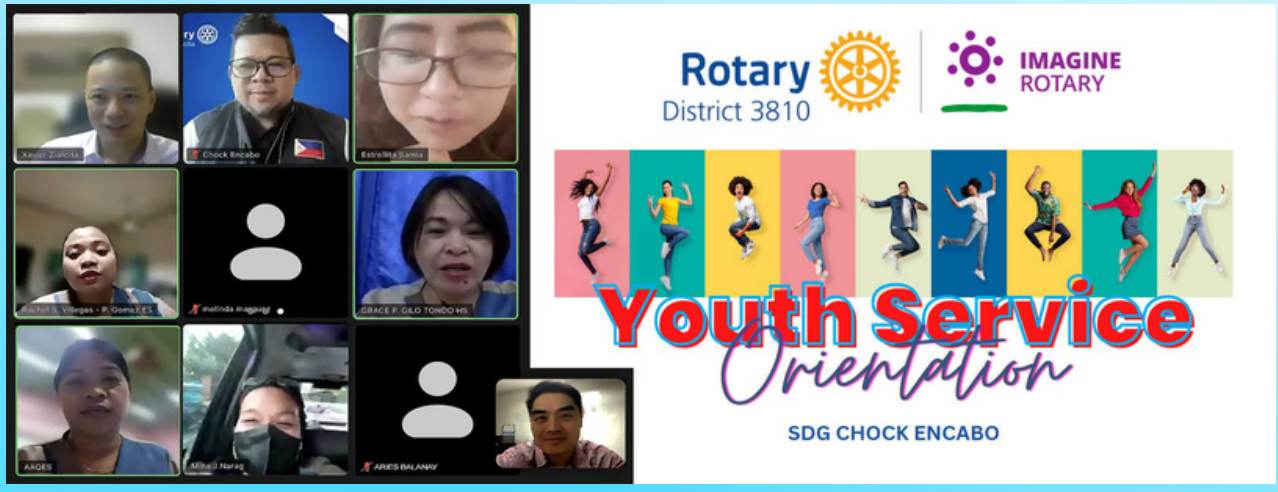
ROTARACT DLSU Community Development Initiatives
February-June 2023

DATE	ACTIVITY	BENEFICIARY	PROJECT BRIEF
March 2023	**AgRACulture:** Turning Green into Gold	My Superhero Friends Foundation, Inc.	**TARGET DONATION: 10,000** AgRACulture is a webinar to raise awareness on the state of Philippine agriculture and to showcase local MSME agri-businesses to help revitalize the agricultural sector. The donation will be used for the environmental and entrepreneurial initiatives of My Superhero Friends Foundation, Inc such as tree-planting activities and vocational seminars and workshops.
March 2023	**Tree Tuesdays**	*Tentative	**TARGET DONATION: 12,000** Tree Tuesdays is a part online publicity campaign awareness , posted every Tuesday, and part funraiser event. The publicity campaign is a series providing information about Forestation to raise awareness on it situation from the effects of urban development and illegal practices. The aim of the event would be the propagation of basic awareness about the many difficulties that plague the environmental aspects of our communities. Donations garnered will be donated to a partner organization that focuses on preserving the forestation in the country
April 2023	**Every Little Bottom**	Grace to Be Born Organization	**TARGET DONATION: PHP 14,000** Every Little Bottom is a two-week long initiative catered to address the shortage of diaper supplies in the nursery of Grace to Be Born, which currently shelters thirty (30) babies. This initiative includes an advocacy campaign aimed at informing the public about the negative and long-term effects of a child's physical and mental health caused by a lack of access to clean diapers. The fundraising event will be a raffle with the following items (Airpods and E-Vouchers) as prizes.
June 2023	**Scribble:** An Art for a Cause	CereCare Philippines Foundation	**TARGET DONATION: 15,000** In celebration of the World Autism Awareness Day, the publicity committee will spearhead an onsite art workshop for children and teenagers with ASD aged 16 below who want to develop their creative ideas and art skills. With the consent of the participants, their creative output will then be made into products such as lanyards, sticker packs and decorative wall postcard/sheets sets. These products will then be sold to Non-DLSU and DLSU students. The revenue will be used to buy and distribute art supplies to students enrolled in the special education program of CereCare Philippines Foundation.

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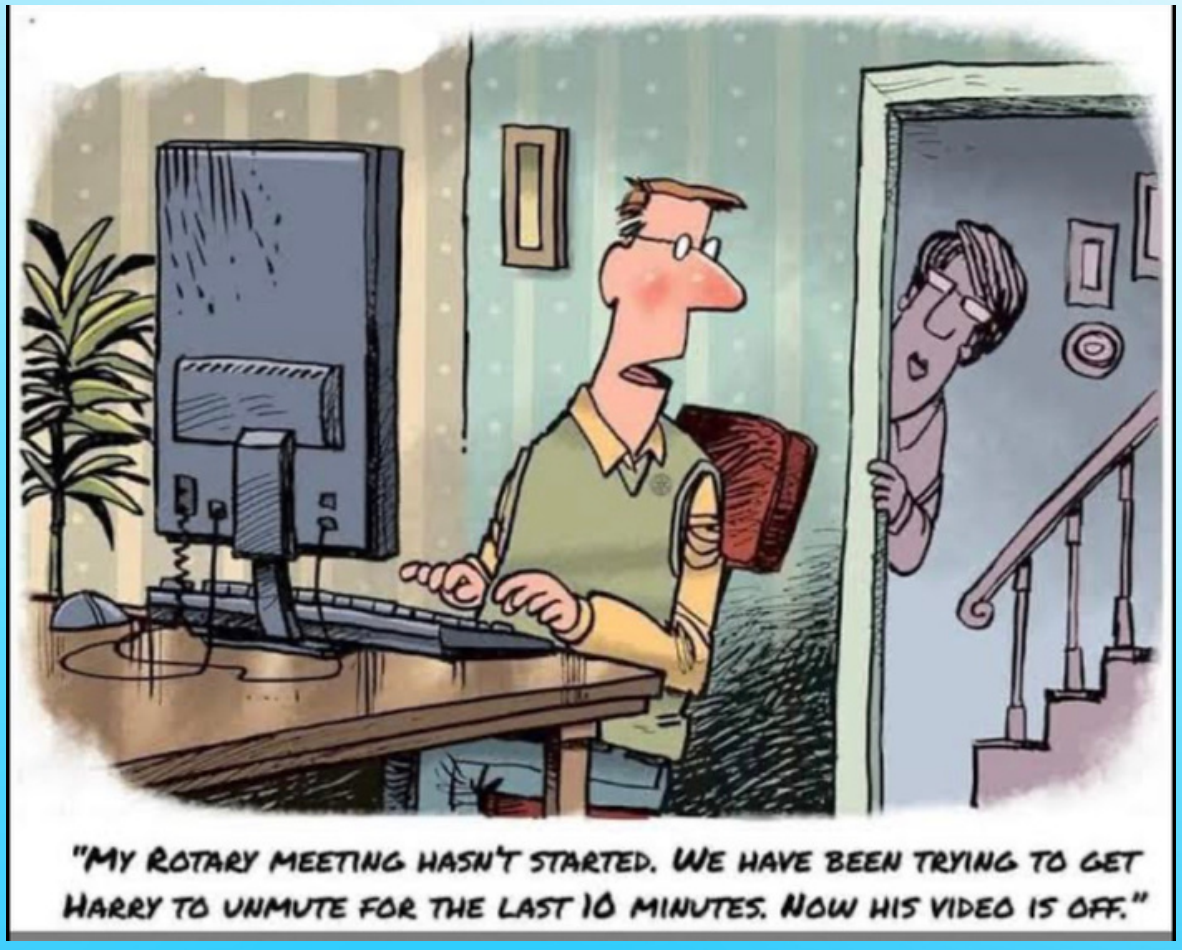
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Youth Service Orientation



Youth Service Orientation hosted by EarlyAct Committee Chairman Xavy Zialcita by District 3810 SDG Chock Encabo via Zoom on January 31, 2023 to public school teachers representing eight Elementary Schools in the City of Manila intending to set up EarlyAct Rotary Clubs for elementary students. This is our club's initiative to extend, for the first time, EarlyAct clubs under the name of the Rotary Club of Manila.

COMIC RELIEF



Source: Rotary Club of Boronia (Melbourne)

COGS IN THE WHEEL

Rtn. Ricky Guevara Attends Regular Club Meeting of Rotary Club of Bagumbayan



Rtn. Ricky Guevara attended the regular club meeting of the Rotary Club of Bagumbayan (daughter club of Rotary Club of Manila) last January 26, 2023 held at Midas Hotel.

Rtn. Ricky Guevara spoke for the Automobile Association of the Philippines and Manila Sports Car Club.

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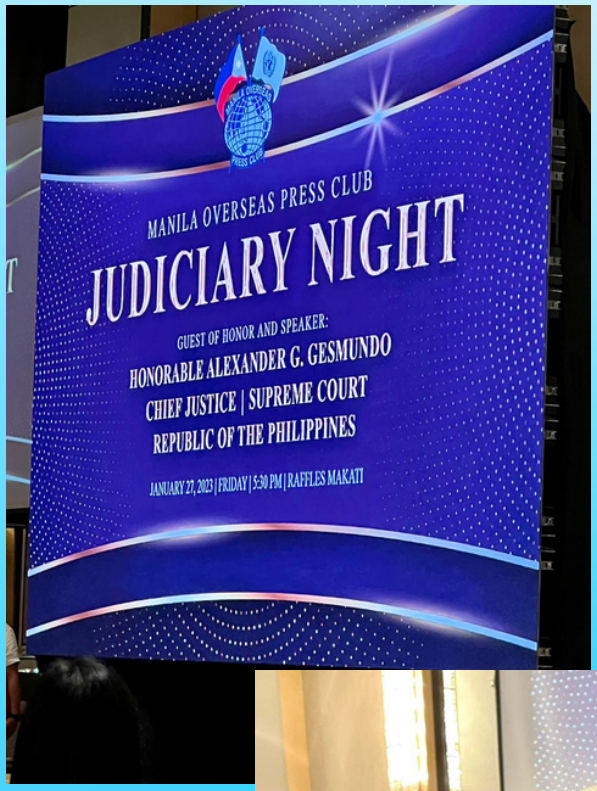
Rtn. Mike Ozaeta Attends Rotary Club of Tokyo Meeting



Rtn. Mike Ozaeta at the Rotary Club of Tokyo meeting on February 1, 2023 with President Kuroda (holding the Rotary Club of Manila centennial book) and Director Arthur Mitchell.

COGS IN THE WHEEL

Dir. Antonio Lopez Successfully Hosts Manila Overseas Press Club's Judiciary Night Event

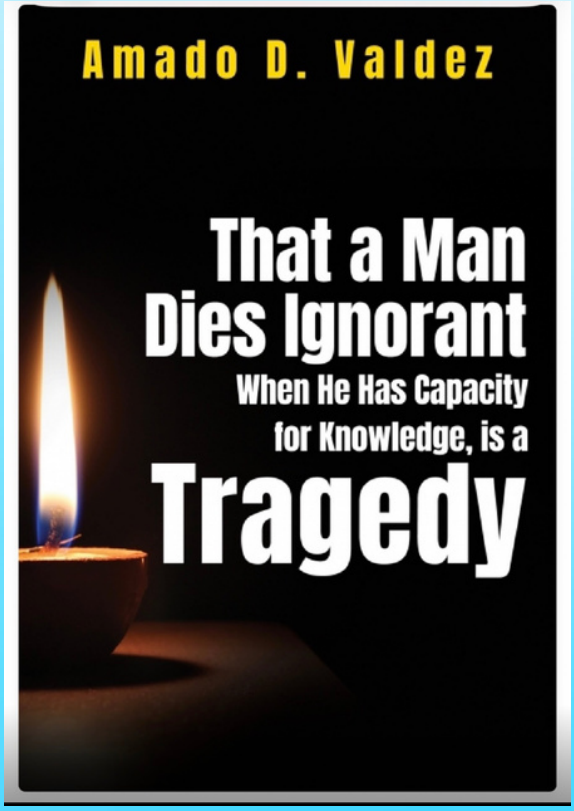


Dir. Antonio Lopez, Chairman of the Manila Overseas Press Club, successfully spearheaded the holding of the MOPC Judiciary Night at Fairmont Hotel. Chief Justice Alexander Gesmundo graced the event.

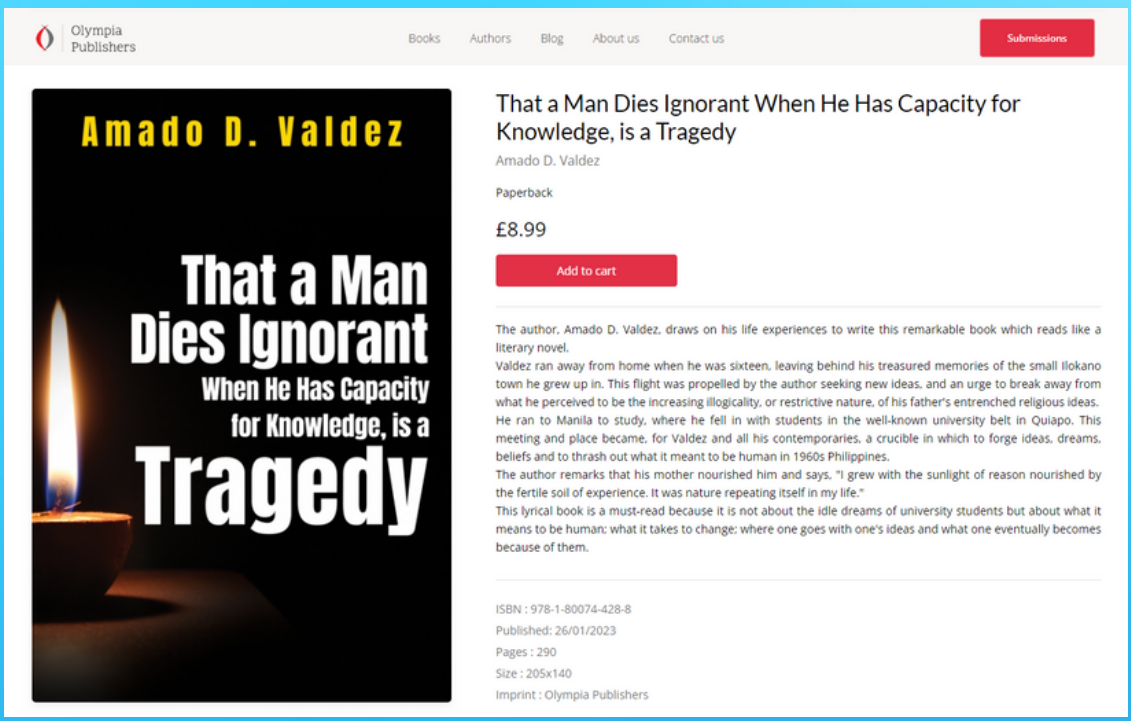


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PD Amading Valdez Launches His Book



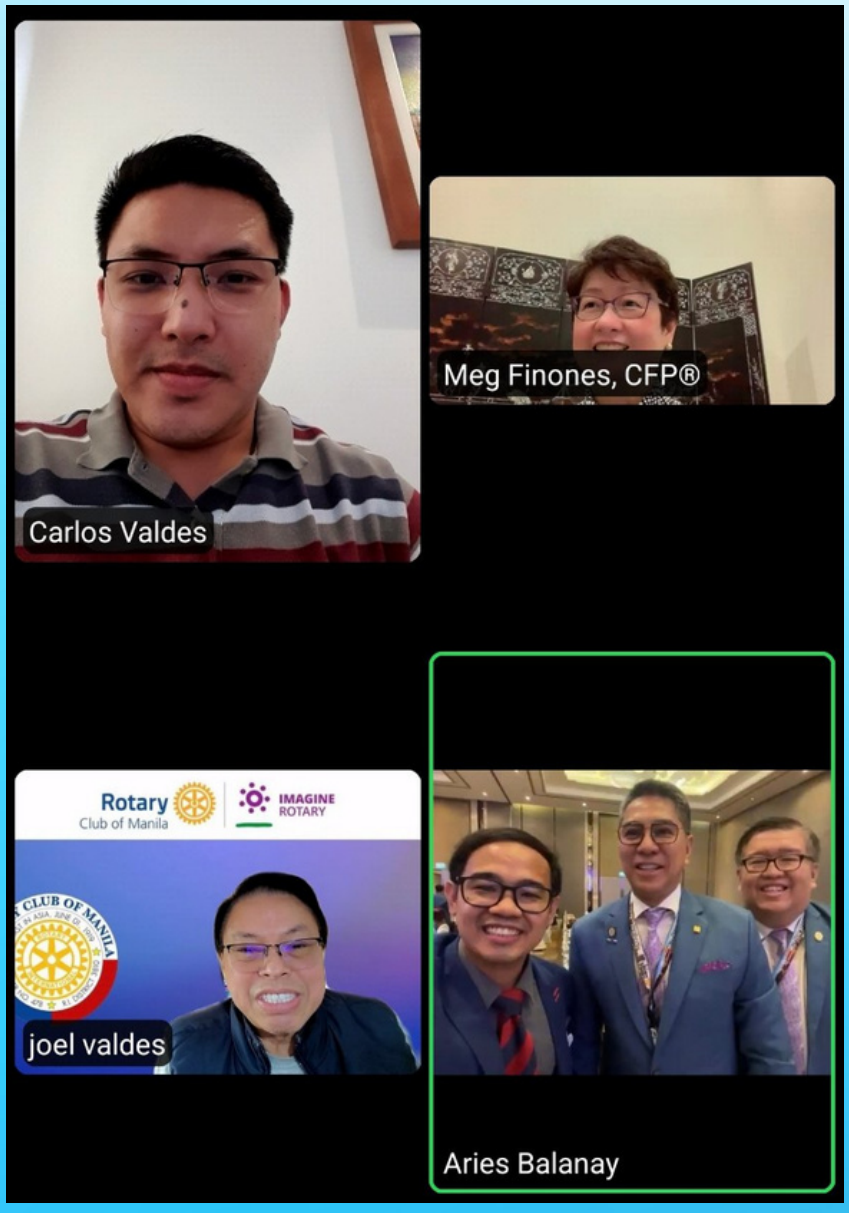
PD Amading Valdez launches his book entitled "That a Man Dies Ignorant When He Has Capacity for Knowledge, is a Tragedy".



The book is also available at Barnes and Nobles, Amazon and Kindle.

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Meeting with Rotary Club of San Bruno



Rotary Club of Manila, headed by Pres. Hermie Esguerra, Dir. Albert S. Alday, Rtn. Joel Valdes Grant Chair Aries Balanay, and prospective member Carlos Valdez, had a meeting with Rotary Club of San Bruno represented by Rtn. Meg Finones.

FIRST FRIDAY MASS

First Friday Mass
for the Month of February





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