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GUEST SPEAKER



PDG SAMUEL D. PAGDILAO JR.

Rotary Club of New Manila East RI District 3780

CLASSIFICATION TALK



RTN. SEBASTIAN ARSENIO R. LACSON

CEO, Prime Metro BMD Corporation

Kabalita

We all know that at the heart of Rotary is the development of acquaintance and friendship through fellowship and service. This is derived from the core principle upon which Rotary was founded: to bring together like-minded professionals and business individuals with different backgrounds and skills as a way to exchange ideas and form meaningful relationships; and to collectively make a difference in the community. A Rotary Club's strength is anchored on the strong relationships among its members – Rotarians who share a common aspiration and who all have the heart for leadership and service.

WHAT'S INSIDE A MANILA ROTARIAN'S HEART?



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ROTARY**

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Maligayang Bati/Happy Birthday Song **AVP of RCM WF Music Chorale**



28TH ZOOM WEEKLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Part II CLASSIFICATION TALK

RTN. SEBASTIAN ARSENIO R. "Basti" LACSON

CEO, Prime Metro BMD Corporation

Topic: Infra for a Better Tomorrow

Part III INTRODUCTION OF GUEST SPEAKER

PDG RODOLFO "Rudy" BEDIONES

Address

PDG SAMUEL "Sammy" D. PAGDILAO JR.

Rotary Club of New Manila East RI District 3780

Topic: Manila Rotary International Convention 2028

OPEN FORUM

PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATE
OF APPRECIATION

PRES. HERMINIO S. ESGUERRA
IPD AMADO D. VALDEZ
Programs Committee Chairman

Manila Rotary Hymn

AVP of RCM WF Music Chorale

2:00 PM **Closing Remarks and
Meeting Adjournment**

VICE PRESIDENT REGINALD YU

GUEST SPEAKER'S PROFILE



PDG SAMUEL "SAMMY" D. PAGDILAO JR.

Joined the Rotary Club of New Manila East RI D3780 in 1996

ROTARY POSITIONS

1. Club President in RY 1999-2000. Awarded Most Outstanding President in D3780
2. AGR, AG, District Anti-Disaster Committee Chair, and in other various District positions such as DISCON Chairman in 2000
3. GOVERNOR, D3780 in RY 2014-2015
4. CHAIRMAN, D3780 Council Of Governors (COG) in RY 2015 -2016
5. CHAIRMAN, Philippine College of Rotary Governors, (PCRG) RY 2018-2019
6. CHAIRMAN, Philippine Rotary Magazine Foundation Inc, (PRMFI) RY 2019 - 2020
7. CHAIRMAN/President, D3780 Rotary Center Foundation Inc, 2018 to Present
8. CHAIRMAN, D3780 Rotary Center Foundation, Academic Board, D3780 Center For Leadership
9. CHAIRMAN, Bid Committee, Manila Rotary International Convention 2028
10. Committee Chairman, House of Friendship, Manila Zone Inst 2019
11. Presenter Breakout Session - A Model Procedure in Conflict Resolution in ROTARY Manila Zone institute in 2015 and 2019
11. D3780 VICE GOVERNOR in 2019 - 2020
12. Chairman, RECEPTION Committee for Rotary LEADERS/VIPs in the RPC21, Manila
13. DISTRICT TRAINER 2022-2023

WORK EXPERIENCE

- a. 2nd Lieutenant to Major, ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES
- b. Police Major to Major General, PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE
- c. Legislator/Congressman, 16th Philippine Congress representing ACTCIS Partylist

GUEST SPEAKER'S PROFILE



PDG SAMUEL "SAMMY" D. PAGDILAO JR.

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CIVIC WORK

Founder and Chairman Emeritus of Community Investigative Support (CIS), a nationwide organization of community volunteers doing community/humanitarian work with chapters in four countries.

EDUCATION

- a. BS PMA from the Philippine Military Academy in 1979 and received the AFP Chief of Staff Saber for Leadership and for graduating as Regimental Commander (Baron) of the Corps of Cadets
- b. Bachelor of Laws from the University of Santo Tomas graduating Cum Laude
- c. MASTERS in Public Administration MLQU Graduating with honors

AWARDS

- a. 120 military and police merit medals
- b. The Ten Outstanding Policemen of the Philippines (TOPP) in 1989
- c. The Outstanding Filipino (TOFIL) in 2012
- d. ULIRAN Ama Award in 2012
- e. Numerous Presidential Citations as well as awards and decorations from private, national, and local government Institutions

Happily married to Past President Maria Rosella "CHAY" Pagdilao of RC San Juan Del Monte D3800 and blessed with five children, Petros Paulo, Samuelito, Francesca, Aaron, and Benjamin. He is a continuing Paul Harris major donor (level 2) and a member of the Paul Harris Society.

CLASSIFICATION TALK

SPEAKER'S PROFILE

Sebastian Arsenio R. Lacson

Senior executive, leadership enthusiast, and organizational health practitioner.

Confidently uses leadership and engagement principles to infuse execution excellence into companies in varied industries with the hope of making work meaningful, enjoyable, and fruitful.



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WORK EXPERIENCE

CEO

Prime Metro BMD Corp.

09/2021 - Present

Manila, Philippines

Accomplishments:

- Renewed sense of purpose in company and executive enthusiasm, which had flagged.
- Established new business line to provide recurrent income stream.
- Focused strategy on two lines of business where company competitiveness is greater.
- Implemented execution framework around goals and performance management.

Senior Project Director

Prime Metroline Infrastructure Holdings Corp.

09/2021 - Present

Manila, Philippines

Accomplishments:

- Spearheaded systematic effort in search for properties to use as sanitary landfill.
- Opened discussions with potential partners in waste management business.

President

South Luzon Thermal Energy Corp.

11/2019 - 03/2021

Calaca, Philippines

Accomplishments:

- Implemented execution framework around goals and performance management.
- Significant cost reductions implemented in many areas but most especially around coal unloading and marine services.
- Annual availability, heretofore sub-60%, improved to 89% in first year of management (Year 2020).
- Increase in team member morale and pride in being part of SLTEC.

Chairman of the Board

AC Energy oil-fired business units (3 entities)

10/2020 - 03/2021

Makati, Philippines

Accomplishments:

- Implemented optimization in maintenance system, resulting in much shorter downtime for power plants.
- Implemented execution framework around goals and performance management.
- Concurrent head of AC Energy Health & Safety, where a concerted Crisis Management Playbook was formulated and adopted, and Health & Safety Boot Camps conducted to change H&S mentality.
- Concurrent head of AC Energy Leadership Development where a framework for implementation was formulated.

President & COO

AboitizPower Coal Business Unit

01/2016 - 05/2018

Tagig, Philippines

Accomplishments:

- Implemented execution framework around goals and performance management.
- Revamp of corporate and power plant executive teams.
- Improved relationships with vital stakeholders.
- Improvement of plant processes and procedures.

COO

Visayan Electric Co.

09/2011 - 07/2015

Cebu, Philippines

Accomplishments:

- Implemented execution framework around goals and performance management.
- Improved all metrics relating to energy losses, customer service, and profitability.
- All internal processes enhanced in creative and meaningful ways.

Other experiences:

Chief Reputation Officer

Aboitiz Equity Ventures

09/2011 - 10/2011

Cebu, Philippines

VP Customer Services and Admin.

Visayan Electric Co.

06/2008 - 09/2011

Cebu, Philippines

Corporate Director & Tech. Asst. to Chairman

Union Fenosa Panama

2006 - 05/2008

Panama City, Panama

VP Customer Services and Admin.

Union Fenosa Internacional

2001-2006

1999-2001

Madrid, Spain

Manila, Philippines

EDUCATION

MBA from IESE (Barcelona, Spain), 1996

Liberal Arts degree from Ateneo de Manila University, 1992

OTHER MATTERS OF INTEREST

Completed various marathons worldwide. Avid athlete to this day.

Captain of university basketball team (Ateneo de Manila).

Swam across Strait of Gibraltar in 1996.

Fluent in English, Spanish, Filipino, and two Philippine dialects (Cebuano and Ilonggo).

Current and past directorships at large corporate foundation, various energy companies, an insurance brokerage, and a mutual fund.

Avid traveler, reader, fitness fanatic, and sustainability advocate.

SKILLS & COMPETENCIES

Leadership

Problem-solving

Execution

Goal-focus

Team-building

Networking

High-level planning

Creative-thinking

PRESIDENT'S DIARY

Dear fellow Manila Rotarians,

It is my pleasure to welcome you to this week's President's Diary and share the activities and meetings that took place over the past few days.

Many of our members have worked hard this week with enthusiasm and dedication, giving back to our community through *Service Above Self*. I am proud of all the efforts made by those who attended the RCM events throughout the week.



Vocational Training Team (VTT) Dental Hygienist Training on Preventing and Treating Oral Disease

Friday, 10 February 2023, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

The Rotary fellowship at the Chao Phraya Princess River Cruise was one of the highlights of In celebration of National Dental Health Month and National Toothbrushing Day (February 3), RI District 3810 organized a dental mission in Barangay 649, Baseco, Port Area, Manila. This is a District Global Grant Partnership with RI District 2820 of Ibaraki Japan.

The Vocational Training Team (VTT) from RID 2820 is composed of one Rotarian team leader, Phenomenal Leader Lady President Natsue Miyata, and 8 non-Rotarian members who are all dental hygienists. The VTT shared their knowledge on dental hygiene with our local dental hygienists. This project is in cooperation with the Philippine Dental Hygienists Association and with the help of Rotarian Dr. Yoya Tarriela.

This Dental Health Awareness | Disease Prevention and Treatment Program was also made possible in cooperation with the office of PP Mon Yupangco.

Our Phenomenal Dentist Rotarians headed by CP Dra. Lally Ortega of our Chartered Club, the RC Manila Phenomenal Dentists, also assisted in the dental mission.



With RC Manila Phenomenal Dentists and Japanese dentists/oral hygienists



With Japanese dentists and oral hygienists

PRESIDENT'S DIARY



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Dental Mission with Mithing Pangarap Educational Foundation at Smokey Mountain Elementary School in Tondo, Manila

Friday, 10 February 2023, 12:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

I joined the dental mission at Smokey Mountain Elementary School in Tondo, Manila which was organized by the Medical and Disease Prevention Committee headed by Chairman John Cutter and Co-Chair SAA Jason Bogovich. Also in attendance were Laura Bogovich, STAR Rtn. Aris Balanay and Rtn. Arik Carranceja who donated food packs and milk. Some volunteer dentist graduates of the National University were also present to assist.

The dental mission was a success, with children being provided with basic dental care and treatment, as well as developing databases for children for dental care. Furthermore, the children were taught about the importance of proper oral hygiene and disease prevention. It was a heartwarming experience to witness the children receiving the care and treatment they needed.



PRESIDENT'S DIARY

District 3810 Valentine's Party

Friday, 10 February 2023, 6:30 p.m.

I attended the District Valentine's Party at Le Pavillon which was attended by more than 650 Rotarians from the District. The event also served as a send-off fellowship for the Japanese Vocational Training Team of District 2820.



With the 9 Japanese VTT dental hygienists and dentists, District 3810 Gov. Joyce Ambray, District ES Mark Eugene Tan and District VTT Chairman Jardine Bautista



PRESIDENT'S DIARY

Rotary Club of Lucena's 73rd Founding Anniversary

Saturday, 11 February 2023

Last Saturday, February 11 marked the 73rd Founding Anniversary of our daughter Rotary club, the Rotary Club of Lucena. Sadly, due to my prior engagement in our District Valentine's Party on Friday night, I was not able to attend their celebration in person. However, it did not stop me from sending them well wishes and congratulations through a recorded video message.



Presentation of Signed Memorandum of Agreement with Onstrike Library Solutions Corporation

Monday, 13 February 2023

We had a presentation of the signed Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the Rotary Club of Manila, represented by yours truly, and Onstrike Library Solutions Corporation, represented by Mr. Jerwyn Fernandez (President).

Witnessing the presentation of MOA were Grant Chairman STAR Rtn. Aries Balanay, Rtn. Inov Talusan (Chairman, RCM Digitalization Committee), ES Anna Kun Toledo, EA Amy Ponsaran Babiano, and Onstrike team – Ms. Jessa Pascual, Ms. Grace Medina and Mr. Ram Migriño.



PRESIDENT'S DIARY

RCM Infomercial Project: the Rotary Four-Way Test

I am happy to share the “behind the scenes” photos of our infomercial project on the Rotary Four-Way Test which we were working on during the past weeks.

This project will be launched on February 23, 2023, which is declared "National Rotary Day".

The House of Representatives has officially recognized February 23rd as a special working holiday, known as "National Rotary Day", with Bills 2127, 2532, 3745, 4612 and 5009. Sponsoring HB 2127, Rep. Mark Go (Lone District, Baguio City) explained that this date coincides with the anniversary celebration of the Rotary Club of the Philippines. He said the measure recognizes the organization's involvement in various socio-civic causes that contribute to nation-building.



PRESIDENT'S DIARY



The Rotary Club of Manila has been actively involved in a variety of projects and activities that are making an impact in the community. This week's activities are just some of the ways we can show how much dedication RCM puts into making sure its members make a difference in our society.

Thank you for your continued support and together, let us make an even bigger impact to uplift the lives of our fellowmen.

Let us continue to strive for excellence in achieving our mission of "Service Above Self".

Yours in Rotary Service,

Pres. Hermie Esguerra

EDITOR'S NOTE

Raoul C. Creencia
Editor-in-Chief, balita

Interesting Facts About Rotary. Many Rotarians, especially the Star Manila Rotarians, are surely interested to know more about this phenomenal 1.4 million global network of like-minded businessmen and professionals. Numerous interesting facts can be shared about Rotary. As known to all, Rotary was founded in 1905 by a lawyer, Paul Harris. Here are a few interesting facts about Rotary:



- During the 1920s and 1930s, Paul Harris traveled extensively, ceremoniously planting trees to symbolize goodwill and friendship.
- It was in January of 1911 when the first issue of *The National Rotarian* was released. The name was changed to *The Rotarian* in 1912, when Clubs were organized in Canada.
- The first service project of the first Rotary Club was a WASH project, that is, the installation of public toilets in Chicago in 1917. This project made Rotary the World's First Service Club.
- In 1929, The Rotary Foundation made its first gift, \$500, to the International Society for Crippled Children.
- As known to many, Rotary's primary motto is "Service Above Self." But there is a secondary motto, which is -- "One profits most who serves best."
- Rotarians in the United States make up about 28 percent of all Rotarians worldwide.
- The Rotary emblem was printed on a commemorative stamp for the first time in 1931, at the time of the Vienna Convention.
- Rotary became bilingual in 1916, when it organized a non-English-speaking Club in Cuba.
- Rotary's fiscal year began the day after its conventions until 1913. Starting in 1913, it begins on July 1st.
- Arch Klumph established the "Rotary Endowment Fund" in 1917, when the Kansas City, MO Club donated \$26.50. In 1928, it became The Rotary Foundation.
- Rotary first adopted the name "Rotary International" in 1922, when the name was changed from the International Association of Rotary Clubs.
- In 1968, the first Rotary Club banner to orbit the moon was carried by astronaut Frank Borman, a member of the Houston Space Center Rotary Club.



**SERVICE
ABOVE SELF**

EDITOR'S NOTE

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Editor-in-Chief, balita

- The first Rotary convention was in Chicago in 1910. There were 16 Rotary Clubs.
- The first head of state to address a Rotary convention was President Warren G. Harding in 1923, in St. Louis.
- Rotary first established Paul Harris Fellowships in 1957, for contributors of \$1,000 to The Rotary Foundation.

Of course, especially interesting for Rotary in the Philippines is the fact that it was in Manila where the first Rotary Club in Asia was established, which is no other than our Club -- the Rotary Club of Manila.

Also, in 1979, Rotary began a project to immunize six million children against polio in the Philippines. This led to Rotary making polio eradication its top priority. In 1988, Rotary began the PolioPlus campaign with an initial fundraising pledge of \$120 million. In relation to this, providing vitamin A supplements during polio immunization has averted an estimated 1.5 million childhood deaths since 1998 – the "plus" in PolioPlus.

Finally, as regards the 4-Way test, there is, according to some, a fifth Rotary Test: *Is It Fun?* Hopefully, these fun and interesting facts about Rotary will make us even more admire and commit ourselves to this amazing organization.

Rotary **THE FOUR-WAY TEST** *Of the things we think, say or do:*

first

Is it the **TRUTH**?

second

Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?

third

Will it build **GOODWILL** and
BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?

fourth

Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to
all concerned?

27TH REGULAR MEETING: A RECAP



The 27th Regular Meeting, which Manila Rotarians were able to join virtually, had **Rtn. Rami Chahwan**, as Program Moderator/Facilitator.



Sounding the bell, **Pres. Hermie Esguerra** called the meeting to order.



Humbly calling upon our loving Father God, **PAS Henry Go** led the Invocation and Special Prayer.



The singing of the **Philippine National Anthem** was made more meaningful and alive with the audio visual presentation featuring captivating images of Manila Rotarians.



Rtn. Xavier Zialcita led the recitation of the Four (4) Way Test.

27TH REGULAR MEETING: A RECAP



Singing the **Philippine Rotary Hymn** together, everybody's Rotarian spirit was again electrified.



The week's birthday celebrants were duly acknowledged, namely **PVP Thad Liamzon**, **Rtn. Teddy Tee Jr.**, **PP Ebot Tan**, **Rtn. Paco Magsaysay**, **Rtn. Cris Acosta** and **Rtn. Dong Benedicto**. This was followed by the **World Famous Music Chorale** singing the Club's unique and jolly birthday song.

27TH REGULAR MEETING: A RECAP



Pres. Hermie Esguerra delivered his president's time.



PD Art Lopez, Chairman, House Committee/ Chairman, 19th Tourism Awards for the presentation of the Tourism Awards and the Poll result for the top choices of the membership meeting venue.



Rtn. Jop Esquivias introduced **STAR Rtn. Emman Dela Cruz**, Managing Partner, Sinag Consultancy Group, Inc.

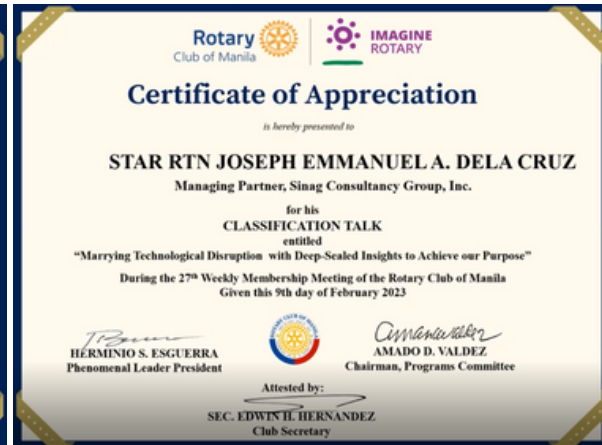


Star Rtn. Emman Dela Cruz delivered his classification talk.

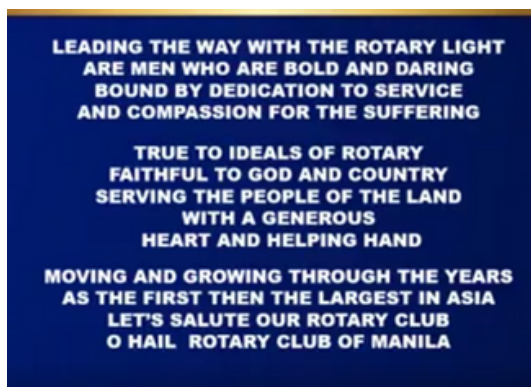


Important matters were further discussed and clarified during the open forum participated by **Rtn. Joel Valdes**, **PD Amading Valdez**, **PD Art Lopez**, and **Pres. Hermie Esguerra**.

27TH REGULAR MEETING: A RECAP



President Hermie Esguerra and Programs Committee Chairman IPD Amading Valdez presented the Certificate of Appreciation, attested by Club Secretary Edwin Hernandez, to PD Arthur Lopez, Chairman House Committee/ Chairman, 19th Tourism Awards and to STAR Rtn. Joseph Emmanuel A. Dela Cruz, Managing Partner, Sinag Consultancy Group, Inc.



The World Famous Music Choral led the members in singing the RC Manila Hymn.

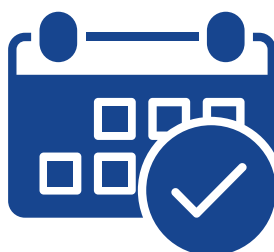


Pres. Hermie Esguerra delivered his closing remarks and adjourned the meeting.

CLUB ADMINISTRATION

RCM Members' Attendance Report RY 2022-2023

FEBRUARY 2023	02 February 2023	09 February 2023
	PROJECT REPORT - REAP by Centennial Pres. Susing Pineda and Co-Chairman Rtn. Romy Nones	House Committee Report and Classification Talk by Rtn. Emman dela Cruz
All Members Present	40	56
All Members in virtual FB	24	0
Make Up	6	6
Less: Exempt from Attendance	4	6
On Leave	0	0
Total Active Members	66	56
Total # of Members	239	239
TOTAL ATTENDANCE %:	28%	23%
ROTARACTORS	0	0
MEDIA	0	0
EMBASSIES / DIPLOMATIC CORPS	0	1
DG, DGE, DGN, PDG/DGE	0	0
GOHS / GS	0	0
Visiting Rotarians	5	0
Guests of RCM MEMBERS	12	0
Others	0	0
Total attendees	81	57



CLUB ADMINISTRATION

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

(As of February 15, 2023, 11:00 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, Fernando "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	Pizaras, 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"
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Rotary International Board of Directors Select Manila as Host City for 2028 Rotary International Convention



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PDG Samuel D. Pagdilao Jr.,
Chairman, HOC

Dear PDG Sam,

On 14 January, the RI Board of Directors selected Manila as the host city for the 2028 Rotary International Convention.

The text of the decision is as follows: "...selects Manila, Philippines to host the 2028 Rotary Convention on 3-7 June, using Mall of Asia Arena, SMX Convention Center, Philippines International Convention Center, and World Trade Center Metro Manila as the primary venues, subject to the general secretary's successful negotiation of an appropriate block of hotel rooms, adequate space in which to hold all convention activities, a transportation agreement, thorough review of related tax implications, and any other agreements necessary to memorialize the proposal from the host area, and requests the general secretary to provide a status report at the October 2024 Board meeting."

Congratulations on this momentous achievement. Thank you for the flexibility and dedication you have already shown in creating and presenting your bid, and for your generous hospitality to the Rotary International site inspection team during their visit.

We look forward to cultivating this relationship and bringing the Rotary world to the Philippines!

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Jennifer Jones".

Jennifer Jones
President, Rotary International 2022-23

cc: Rafael Garcia III, Past Rotary International Director

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Community Oral Health Initiative in Tondo, Manila



Rafael Alunan III

February 10 at 7:13 PM · 🌐

Another feather in the cap of the Rotary Club of Manila's Medical Treatment and Disease Prevention Committee of John Cutter and Jason Bogovich.

Repeat performance at the Mithing Pangarap Foundation at Smokey Mountain Elementary School in Tondo, Manila.

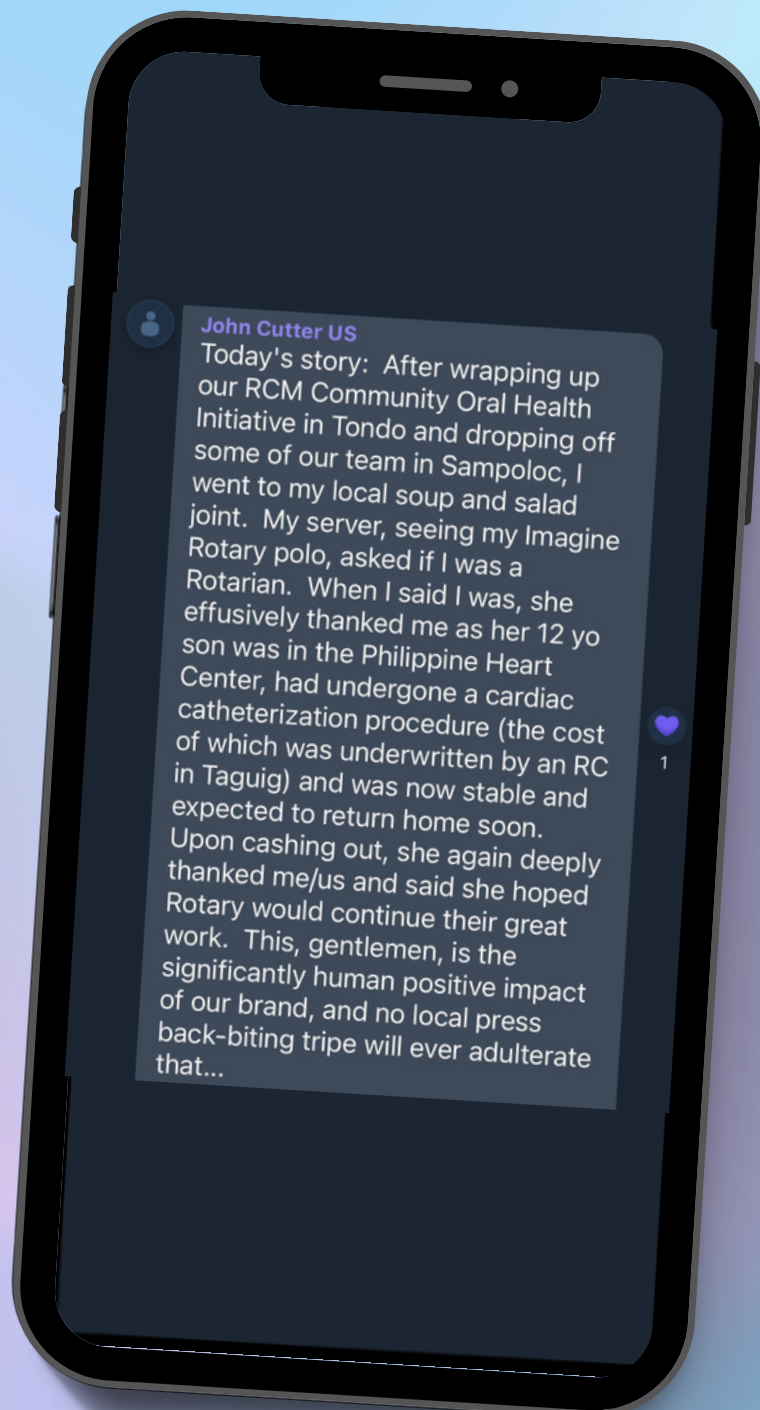
Aided by volunteer dentist grads of NU, this is the second time that they make the rounds collecting base data of the schoolchildren before they undergo dental treatment and care at a later date this year.

Developing data bases for children mitigate, if not eliminate, guesswork and tragic mistakes in dental treatment.



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Fund-raising Meeting for Hospicio de San Jose



Fund-raising meeting for Hospicio de San Jose, led by Philip Ong and Ray Davis. Mike Albaña and I attended. A building for children with special needs is being built. PHP 2.4 million (without air conditioning) needed to complete the project; PHP 3.7 million with aircon.

Art exhibits are being planned for September. Famed painters will be invited to partner with talented Hospicio wards to paint and sell their artwork.

This is an exciting feel good project worth completing!

- PE/Dir. Raffy Alunan



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Manila set to host largest multi-cultural Rotary International convention in 2028

Rotary International (RI) announced Manila, Philippines as the winner of the provisional bid to hold its annual international convention set on June 3-8, 2028, which is set to be the largest and most multi-cultural gathering ever hosted in the country.

More than 25,000 Rotary members and participants from around the world are expected to gather in Manila to connect, learn from each

other and various experts, and share ideas for bringing positive, lasting change to communities around the world. The annual Rotary convention is held in different cities around the world, and Rotary's 119th convention is the first to be held in Manila.

"Manila's diverse and lively culture reflects the global mosaic of our organization, making it the ideal city for our members and participants to connect ►6

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and celebrate our friendships, cultures and the kaleidoscope of experience we bring to improving lives and strengthening communities around the world," said Rotary International President Jennifer Jones.

"We are delighted and honored to receive the Rotary International's vote of confidence to host its 119th convention, and we share with the Tourism Promotions Board the excitement of welcoming Rotary's roster of distinguished members from around the world," said Tourism Secretary Christina Garcia Frasco.

"It gives us much pleasure and honor to receive Rotary International's vote of confidence. We are known for our legendary hospitality and take pride in the Filipino brand of service. Our expertise in the field, our facilities, complemented by our natural wonders, rich culture, and heritage, makes the Philippines a fitting destination for this event. Rest assured of the Philippine government's commitment to delivering a most pleasant RI Convention experience in 2028,"

she added.

Frasco assured that "guests will be welcomed with the legendary Filipino hospitality, treated with service excellence, and delighted by our award-winning beach, nature and heritage destinations, making for a memorable immersive experience rich in the diversity of Filipino culture."

She said the Philippines prides itself in being Asia's pioneer in hosting large-scale meetings and conventions.

"Under the Marcos administration, we are setting our sights on reclaiming our primary position as one of Asia's most preferred destinations for international meetings, incentives, conferences and exhibitions (MICE)," Frasco said.

The winning bid was led by Rotary regional leader, Past District Governor Samuel D. Pagdilao, Jr. and supported by Rotary clubs in the Philippines. Various public agencies including the Department of Tourism, the Tourism Promotions Board Philippines, and

other MICE industry stakeholders also contributed to the successful bid.

"I commend the team led by Past Governor Pagdilao for meticulously putting up a bid, showing our readiness and fitness to host an RI Convention thus secure the win. I thank the Rotary International for its decision which recognizes Manila's distinct place in Rotary history being the gateway of Rotary into Asia with its first club chartered here 119 years ago. We will endeavor to make the RI convention in 2028 a memorable and meaningful experience to all attending Rotary delegates and guests," said Rafael M. Garcia III, former RI Director.

Rotary members throughout the world develop and implement sustainable, community-driven projects that fight disease, promote peace, provide clean water, support education, save mothers and children, grow local economies and protect the environment. Over \$5.5 billion has been awarded through The Rotary Foundation to support these programs worldwide.

INTERCLUB RELATIONS

ROTACON 2023 in Davao



DG Gina Sy of D3820 with Past District Governors Vince Carlos and Ernest Choa (Rotary Club of Bagumbayan) and District Governor Nominee Jackie Rodriguez at Rotary Concerns Forum (ROTACON) 2023 held on February 11, 2023 in Davao City.



INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Grant Chairman Aries Balanay Meets with the Rotary Club of Shanghai



Grant Chairman Aries Balanay met with the Rotary Club of Shanghai last Monday, February 13, 2023. RC Shanghai committed to donate USD 20,000 for Rotary Club of Manila's Pasig River Global Grant Project.

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