

DIGITALIZATION OF RCM LIBRARY PROJECT



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The on-going digitalization program is surely a step towards the right direction. As a more than a century old Rotary Club, RCM has, over its historic years of service and leadership, accumulated important, priceless and historic documents that indelibly form part of and collectively essay its journey as Asia's mother club. It is thus imperative that these documents be securely scanned, captured, catalogued and archived.



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RCM's 32nd Weekly Membership Meeting

Rotary Year 2022-2023

DATE: March 23, 2023, Thursday

TIME: 12:30 PM

VENUE: Taft Ballroom, Conrad Manila

MODERATOR: PD JOHN CENICA

Program Timetable

Part I

12:15 PM Registration

12:30 PM Call to Order

Invocation and Special Prayers

Philippine National Anthem

The Rotarian Pledge

The Four (4) Way Test

Philippine Rotary Hymn

Rotary Club of Manila Hymn

Acknowledgment of Guests

Welcome Song

RC Manila Birthday Celebrants for the week

March 17 RTN. HANSEL TILLMANN

March 19 PD ISSAM ELDEBS

March 20 RTN. REY VEA

March 20 RTN. JOEL TALAMPAS

Maligayang Bati/Happy Birthday Song

RCMANILA FOUNDATION, INC.

PRESIDENT'S TIME

PRESIDENT HERMINIO S. ESGUERRA

RTN. CARLOS BUENDIA

AVP of RCM Music Chorale

RTN. MARIUS ANGARA

Video Presentation

RCM WF Music Chorale

RCM WF Music Chorale

RCM WF Music Chorale

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PD JOSE A. NUÑEZ

Chairman, RCManila Foundation, Inc.

PRESIDENT HERMINIO S. ESGUERRA



RCM's 32nd Weekly Membership Meeting

Part II PHENOMENAL ROTARACT CLUB REPORTS

Rotaract Club of Manila

Arvin Christopher Reyes, President

Rotaract Club of De La Salle University - Manila

Chloe Say, President

Part III INTRODUCTION OF DIGITALIZATION OF RCM LIBRARY PROJECT

PRESENTATION OF THE RCM DIGITAL LIBRARY

SECRETARY EDWIN HERNANDEZ

RTN. FERDINAND TALUSAN

Committee Chairman, RCM Digitalization

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Co-Chairman, RCM Digitalization

OPEN FORUM

2:00 PM Closing Remarks and Meeting Adjournment

PRESIDENT HERMINIO S. ESGUERRA



SPEAKER'S PROFILE

FERDINAND E. TALUSAN

Innovative and Strategic Management Executive
Infrastructure & Information System/Solutions Architect
Dasmarinas City Cavite, Philippines

A. PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

Life isn't about just professions; Life is about learning and doing the right thing base on God's will.

B. AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

B.1 Information Technology and Information Systems

1. System Architecture
2. Penetration Testing
3. Change Management and ITIL Best Practice
4. High Availability (HA) / Private Cloud Technology
5. IT Operation Management
6. Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP)
7. ICT Network Infrastructure Conceptualization, Design and Implementation
8. ICT Network Security Threats and Protection
9. Information Systems Design, Integration and Implementation
10. Voice Over Internet Protocol Engineering
11. System Administration and Database Management
12. Unified Communications (UC) System
13. Disaster Recovery and Contingency Planning
14. Database Management and Application Security
15. Cisco Network setup, configuration, and commissioning
16. Unified Threat Management System, Conceptualization, Network Setup, Configuration, Design & Implementation.

B.2 Business and Entrepreneurship's (both street smart and book smart)

1. Retail Store Operation
2. Business and Operation Development
3. Contingency Planning
4. Business Strategies and Planning
5. Risk Management
6. Product Development and Innovations
7. Acquired knowledge and experience from actual MBA practices from veterans
8. Guerilla and Grass root Marketing and Market penetration strategy

C. WORK EXPERIENCE



www.mamacloudtech.com

FOUNDER & CEO

Jan 2018 - Present

MamaCloud is an International Service Provider for IT Network & Systems Development with effective implementations of Information Technology-based tools. With comprehensive exposure on international IT Audit, System Development and Business Process Consultancy – MamaCloud understands technology, having lived and breathed the industry.

Having extensive experience in both local and offshore projects, MamaCloud rich heritage on industry best practice is all incorporated in our service engagements. Its global projects in Asia Pacific is a testament of its depth in the profession of IT and systems consultancy.

The company, by far, is one of the most successful Cloud Consultancy Company in the Philippines making headways on bringing Cloud to the market and making it happen. The company takes pride as a first mover and is ready to take on more of the Cloud phenomena.

SPEAKER'S PROFILE

Pragmaticplay – Country Manager - Philippines

Jan 2018 – April 2019

Managing all operations within the country with proven product and strong IT and Development team support remotely. My main responsibility is to grow our current revenue on the offline business in the Philippines, prepare market penetration strategy, and relationship management with local partners.

New Oriental Club88 – Project Manager for Special Project

July 2017-March 2018

Managing team of Network & Security, Desktop Support, Systems Engineer/DevOps, Infrastructure. Collaborate and work with the Innovation Team on the Systems, development requirement and Implementation. Overseas project life cycles to ensure the SDLC/AGILE/KANBAN and Implementation processes are followed, and a hands-on Technical Engineer. Build teams and conduct performance evaluation, career development.

Notable Projects: Development and Implementation of HTML5 Video Streaming Server version 2.0

Soffec Digital - Head of IT Operations

March 2016-May 25, 2017

Managing team of Network & Security, Desktop Support, Systems Engineer/DevOps, Infrastructure and Production Support. Collaborate and work with the CTO on the System Architecture and Implementation. Overseas project life cycles to ensure the SDLC/AGILE/KANBAN and Implementation processes are followed. Coordinates with business partners, regulators, integrators & merchants. Build teams and conduct performance evaluation, career development. Build & create IT Policies and Procedures.

Notable Projects: Roll-out of the solairebookie.com, solaireportsbook.com version 2.0

Soffec Digital - Infrastructure Manager

November 2014-March 2016

Accomplish financial objectives by forecasting requirements, preparing an annual budget, scheduling expenditures, analyzing variances, initiating corrective actions. Hands-on project management, Systems analysis Design and infrastructure implementation.

Notable Projects: Implementation of domain controller, inventory management, firewall, switching & routing, source version control, email blast, private virtual environment, OpenERP and many more.

TechNet Asia – IT Project Manager

February 2012-November 2014

Recommends & Implement IT strategies, policies and procedures. Hands-on designing, configuration of network & security architecture. Budget, risk & transition analysis and management. Business Development and administration. Oversees IT daily operations. IT/IS project assessments and management. Participates and collaborates in building and ensuring quality services and products.

Notable Projects: Implementation of Casino Management systems in Bally's, MGM, Bellagio in Colombo Sri Lanka, Club99 in Dannang Vietnam, Club Monte Carlo in Bokeo Laos.

Bodog – Technical Specialist

November 2010-January 2012

Member of the Technical Specialist for Asia Operation. Annual budgeting of the technical requirements of infrastructure. Maintain & updates, major operating & network systems. Protect company information assets in accordance with established information security policy. Secures IS/IT Operations. Participate in creating technical/non-technical procedures, rules and policies. Provide systems/technical documentation and correspondence.

Notable Projects: Passed the proposed security policies changes scrutinized by ISO security, Microsoft and Cisco Certified Professionals, and was implemented in all 12 global offices.

SPEAKER'S PROFILE

Wellton Interactive - Senior Systems Administrator

April 2009-November 2010

Administration of the company's technical operations particular in network, systems, desktop, productions/application servers (Web, Database, DNS, Firewall/Security, FTP, Internet router/gateway, Mail, Proxy, Server Monitoring tools, NTP, backup & recovery). Research & development of new technologies (open-source in nature) primarily for technical operations and production enhancements. Develops systems scripts for server automation processes, transactions and reports. Server hardware installation, configuration and maintenance. Provide technical assistance, solutions and recommendations to company business partners and clients (Troubleshooting, support & crisis management).

Mansion88 – MIS Officer

January 2007-March 2009

Systems and Network maintenance, monitoring and troubleshooting, support more-than 500 trading employees. Provides systems/technical documentation and correspondence. Desktop, laptop & peripherals setup maintenance & troubleshooting. Manage IT/IS equipment inventory. Provide onsite & off-site technical support. Application system maintenance and troubleshooting.

Notable Projects: Development and Implementation of VoIP Communication platform and its security.

TeleVAS – VoIP Operation Manager

August 2004-December 2006

Conceptualized and implement a unified communication platform. Development of the VoIP systems using open-source asterisk. Implementation of VoIP gateway (MERA and VoiceMaster). Management of VoIP technical operators. Programmer of SMS loading system. VoIP call record reporting and management. Design and Implement a Unified Communication System and VoIP Network for both domestic and international communication applications, involving:

- a. Service agreements and domestic and foreign service providers
- b. Pricing and packaging of IP based services
- c. Data analysis and management

Notable Projects: Implementation of my own developed program used for loading a sim card.

EDB Mngmt and Financial Consultancy – Programmer

January 2002-March 2004

Accounting system programmer (front-end, back-office, back-end, server side and reporting). Desktop troubleshooting and support to all employees. Programming Language: VB6, MS-SQL, Data Reports

Notable Projects: Implementation of my own developed program used for company operations.

D. EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT

AMA Computer Learning Center
Computer Systems Design & Programming

(1st course Graduate year 2002)

AMA Computer College
Bachelor of Science in Computer Science

(2nd course Graduate year 2004)

TUP Manila
Electronic Communication Engineering Technology

(3rd course Under-graduate 2005)

SPEAKER'S PROFILE

E. TRAINING & SEMINARS ATTENDED

- Red Hat Asean, Cloud computing
Shangri-La Hotel
January 2013
- CAREER Workshop
Employment Resource Services
September 2004
- Programming
AMA CLC
300 hrs. ON-THE-JOB-TRAINING
- Driving Education Course
MDC Driving School
July 2007
- Office I.T. Training
DTI-Bureau of Product Standards
300 hrs. ON-THE-JOB-TRAINING
- Planar Technical Training
MEDIA CONVERGENCE INC.
September 2016
- PC Hardware Assembly / Disassembly
HERTZ Electronic Skills Training Center

F. PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS

Company: New Oriental Club88 (2017-2018)

Project Name: HTML5 Video Streaming Server version 2.0 (pwqr820.com)

Project Description/Scope: Company has a requirement to have quality audio and video presentation for mobile live dealer streaming product. The said service consists of major components such as jsmpeg, nodejs technology.

Role/Position title: Project Manager/Software Architect/Penetration tester/Security Architect

Team Size: 2 SE (including myself) and 1 Developer

Technology used: HTML5/NodeJS, Nginx, HA Proxy, Proxmox VE-Virtualization

Achievements/Accomplishments: This software is intended to bring the company a new product that support HTML5 Mobile technology and will be added to company's proprietary software come Jan 2018.

Company: Softec Digital Solutions Inc. (2016-2017)

Project Name: Solaire Sportsbook Live v2.0 (solairebookie.com & betmika.com)

Project Description/Scope: Solaire Sportsbook live is a SaaS (Software as a Service) platform wherein in the software caters pre-game and live game sports betting to solaire casino players. The said service consists of major components such as backend, frontend and the pregame and live games feed engine which connects to a 3rd party data feed provider to ensure the integrity of the pre game and live game sports offering. The said software is also integrated to a 3rd party payment provider (PAGO & DevCode) as necessary and required by the operator.

Role/Position title: Project Manager/ Business Analyst/ Software Architect/Penetration tester/Security Architect

Team Size: 15 Developers. 2 BA, 2 QA, 3 SE

Technology used: HTML5/Bootstrap, Codeigniter/PHP5, NodeJS, AngularJS, MYSQL with replication, apache, HA Proxy, Proxmox VE-Virtualization

Achievements/Accomplishments: This software is intended to bring the company into the next level of sports betting and will be added to company's proprietary software come May 2017

Company: Softec Digital Solutions Inc (2017)

Project Name: Ladder Game – Jailbreak v1.0

Project Description/Scope: Jailbreak is a Korean centric online casino game which was created primarily to be implemented on Solaire Casino and other Casino's around the world. The said software is also integrated to 3rd party payment providers (PAGO & DevCode) as necessary and required by the operator.

Role/Position title: Project Manager/Business Analyst/ Software Architect/Penetration tester/Security Architect

Team Size: 8 Developers, 2 BA, 1 QA, 2 SE

Technology used: HTML5/Bootstrap/Canvas, Laravel/PHP7, NodeJS, AngularJS, Phaser IO, MySQL with replication, apache, HA Proxy, Proxmox VE – Virtualizations.

Achievements/Accomplishments: This software is intended to bring new sales into the company and will be added to company's proprietary software come May 2017.

SPEAKER'S PROFILE

Company: Softec Digital Solutions Inc (2017)

Project Name: Pinoybet – Quick Keno v1.0 (23play & Pinoybet.com)

Project Description/Scope: Quick keno v1.0 is a SaaS (Software as a Service) Platform wherein the software caters 3 different variations of keno games onto any online casino operators – players. The said software is also integrated to 3rd party payment providers (PAGO & DevCode) as necessary and required by the operator.

Role/Position title: Project Manager/Business Analyst/ Software Architect/Penetration tester/Security Architect

Team Size: 10 Developers, 2 BA, 1 QA, 2 SE

Technology used: HTML5/Bootstrap, Codeigniter/PHP5, NodeJS, AngularJS, MYSQL with replication, apache, HA Proxy, Proxmox VE-Virtualization

Achievements/Accomplishments: This was implemented in Pinoybet.com in Europe and was added to company proprietary software.

Company: TechNet Asia Inc

Project Name: Casino Enterprises Management System setup and implementation

Project Description/Scope: Installation and configuration of Casino Management Systems for the newly built/existing casino's to use Reward system, Cash Less and TITO (Ticket-in Ticket-out) for more than 800 casino slots machines in total and more-than 100 table games in total.

Role/Position title: Project Manager/Assistant BA/Technical Lead/Network & Solution Architect

Team Size: 2 BA, 1 QA, 2 SE

Technology used: SAS, Netgear, Cisco switches and routers, MAC OSX Servers, Proxmox VE-Virtualization, pfSense, MS-SQL, VB6, Visual C++, Raspberry-pi, Linux servers.

Achievements/Accomplishments: This was implemented in Club Monte Carlo Casino in Bokeo Province Laos, Club99 Dannang Vietnam, Bally's, Bellagio and MGM in Sri Lanka, and was added to company client portfolio.

G. TECHNOLOGY SKILLS & TOOLS EXPERIENCE

System Software Development - Open-source (Bash, LAMP)

Programming Language – Python, PHP, Java

Mobile Development – Android Studio

Server Software - Window Server's- Active Directory, DHCP, DNSLinux – Suse, Ubuntu, CentOS,-

LDAP, BIND, Squid Proxy

Applications - Talisma (Moxie) CRM, Alfresco, VPI Interactive, Splunk

Web Server – Apache2, IIS, NGINX

Web Load Balancer – HA Proxy, NGINX

Desktop Clients - Window's OS, Linux, MAC OSX

Hardwares - Apple XSan, Dell, Lenovo, HP

Switches/Router - Cisco, Linksys, Juniper Switch and Service Gateway

VoIP & Telephony - Asterisk, VPS, Mera, Voice Master, Cisco Call Manager

Backup System - Acronis, Veritas

Load Balancer - F5, Ascent link, QnO, Linksys, Cyberoam

Firewall & Security - Juniper, Kerio, IPTables, UFW, pfSense

Unified Threat Management System - Cyber roam, Untangle

Monitoring Tools - Orion, PRTG, Nagios, OpenNMS, Cacti

Databases - MS SQL, MYSQL, MS Access, MongoDB, PostgreSQL

Web Design Tools - Dreamweaver, Flash, Adobe

IP TeleVision - U-media Server, Red-5

Project Management - JIRA Confluence, Redmine, Remedy

Ticketing - Request Tracker (RT), Bugnet

Virtualizations - Citrix, VMWare, OSE Virtualbox

Accounting Systems - MYOB, Peachtree, Quickbooks

Enterprise Resource Planning - SAP, Odoo

Storage - NAS, NetApp, XSAN

PRESIDENT'S DIARY

My dear fellow Manila Rotarians,

As President of the Rotary Club of Manila, it has been an incredible privilege to witness and be a part of all the amazing work that we have achieved this past week. From reviewing the successful hosting of RYLA 2023 to discussing our various projects with the respective Committees, I could not be more proud and inspired by what we have accomplished together.



Our relentless dedication to our mission is evident in the Accomplishment Report covering July 2022 to March 2023, which was reviewed by me alongside our Board and Committee Chairmen last Tuesday. We are presenting the report today during the District Team Visit.

Here's an overview of the meetings and events I attended this week.

RYLA 2023 Review

Thursday, 16 March 2023, 4:00 p.m.

After our successful hosting of RYLA 2023 on March 11 and 12, we had a meeting last Thursday to discuss the RYLA financial report. The meeting was attended by RYLA 2023 Chairman VP Reggie Yu, Grant Chair STAR Rtn. Aries Balanay and the RCM Secretariat.



PRESIDENT'S DIARY

9th Monthly District Meeting and Fellowship Summer Outing

Sunday, 19 March 2023, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 midnight

I joined the 9th Monthly District Meeting and Fellowship Summer Outing held in Lemerish Beachotel in Lemery, Batangas.



PRESIDENT'S DIARY

11th Charter Anniversary and 12th Handover & Induction Ceremonies of the Rotary Club of Manila Quiapo Central

Monday, 20 March 2023, 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

I attended the 11th Charter Anniversary and 12th Handover & Induction Ceremonies of the Rotary Club of Manila Quiapo Central last Monday at Great Eastern Hotel in Quezon City.

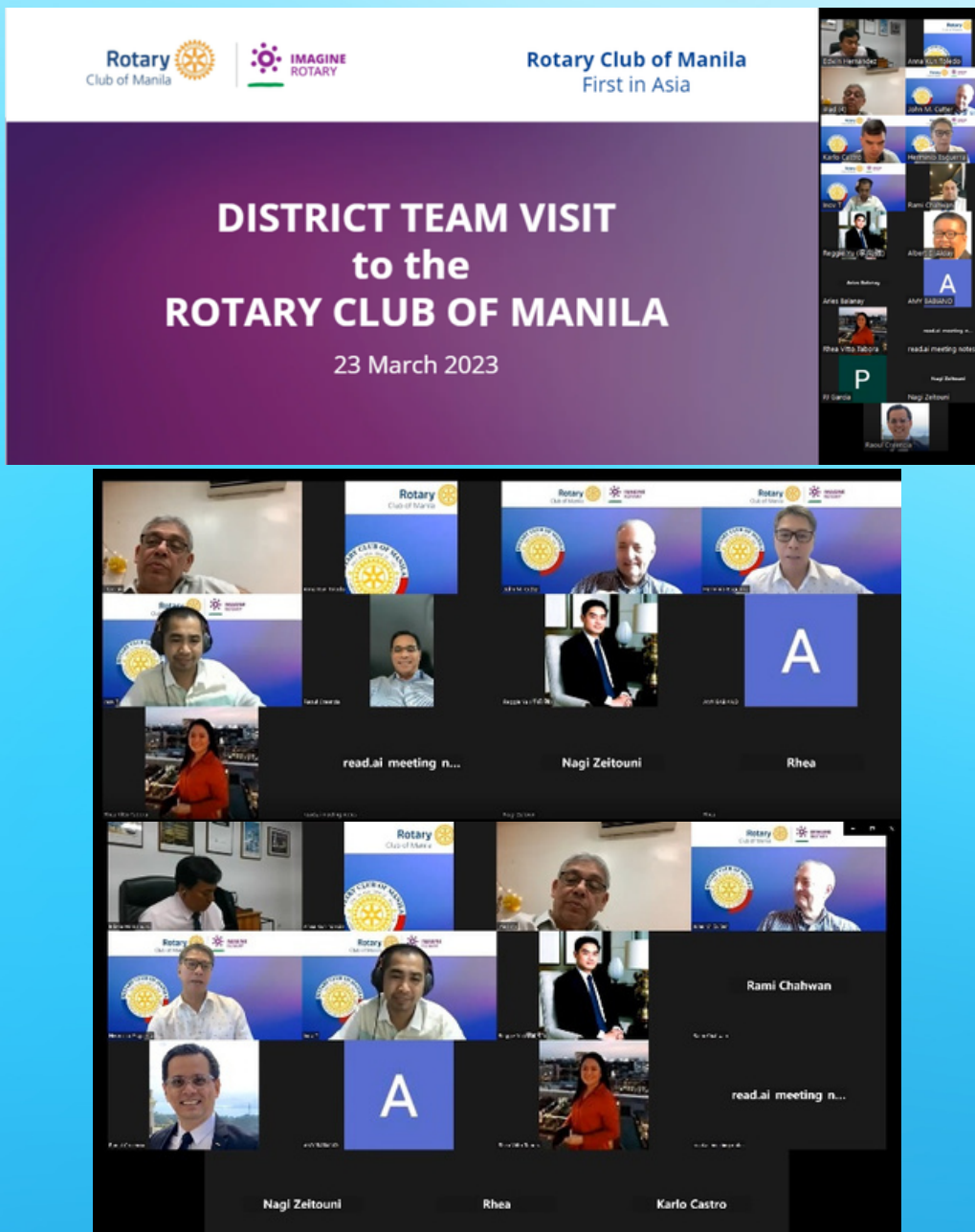


PRESIDENT'S DIARY

Review the Accomplishment Report Covering July 2022 to March 2023

Tuesday, 21 March 2023, 4:00 p.m.

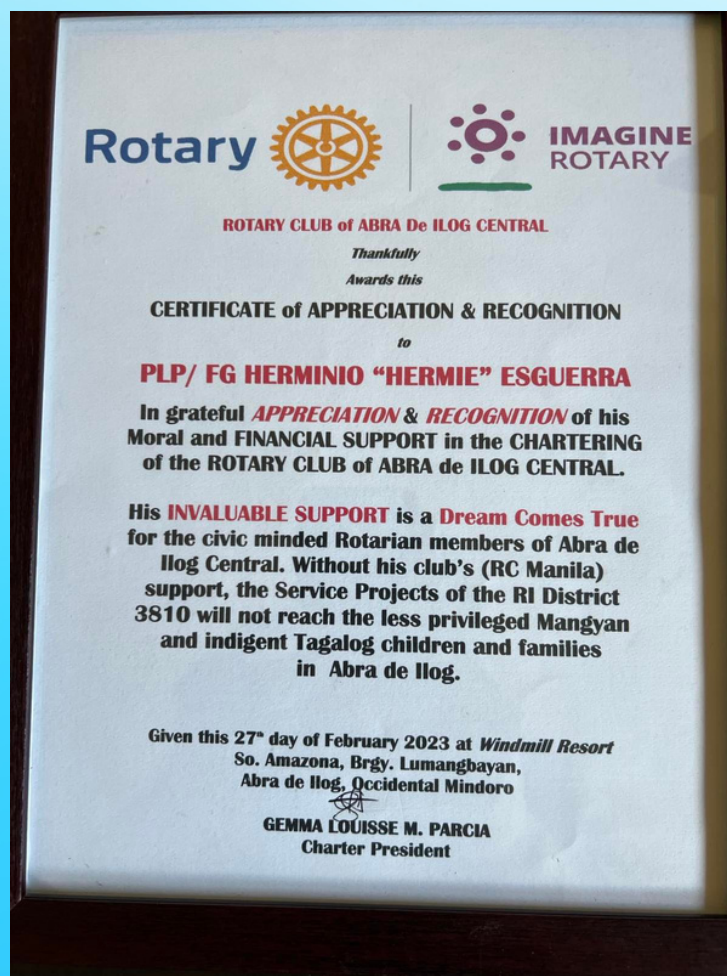
I invited the members of the Board and Committee Chairmen to a meeting via Zoom to review the accomplishment report covering July 2022 to March 2023. Vice President Reggie Yu, Dir. Johnny Chotrani, Dir. Albert Alday, Sec. Edwin Hernandez, Treas. Karlo Castro, Asst. Sec. Mike Albaña, Board Legal Adviser Raoul Creencia, Asst. Treasurer PJ Garcia, Sergeant-at-Arms Nagi Zeitouni (Chairman, Sports Committee), Rtn. Rami Chahwan (Co-Chairman, Sports Committee and RCM Archive & Library Digitalization Committee), PD John Cutter (Chairman, Disease Prevention and Treatment Committee), Rtn. Inov Talusan (Chairman, RCM Archive and Library Digitalization Committee), and STAR Rtn. Aries Balanay (Chairman, Grant Committee) attended the meeting.



PRESIDENT'S DIARY

I also joined meetings of various committees by phone, such as the RCM Archive and Library Digitalization Committee meeting for the ongoing digitalization of RCM records, as well as the meeting of the House Committee to discuss House concerns and complete the weekly meeting schedules covering the second half of March, April, May and June 2023.

I am also proud to share that our new daughter club, the Rotary Club of Abra de Ilog Central, presented us with a Certification of Appreciation and Recognition for our moral as well as financial support in the chartering of the Rotary Club of Abra de Ilog Central.



It's humbling to see how much progress we have made as a team, and I am confident that if we continue working together towards achieving our goals, there is no limit to what we can do!

Yours in Rotary Service,

Pres. Hermie Esguerra

EDITOR'S NOTE

Raoul C. Creencia
Editor-in-Chief, balita

The July 21, 2023 issue of Balita gleefully expressed the Editorial Board's delight and excitement when President Hermie Esguerra made the announcement about a project to digitally archive our records, documents, and library materials. This project has since been patiently pursued, and in this week's regular Club meeting, the Chair and Co-Chair will update the Manila Rotarians of the status of the on-going digitalization of the documents.



The Rotary Club of Manila, the first in Asia, is more than a century old. It is impressive that, throughout the more than 100 years of its existence, our Rotary Club has been able to preserve the actual hard copies of important documents and records. To reiterate what was said in July 2022, the documents that are dedicatedly stored in our office in Ermita serve as repositories of the RCM's heritage and rich history.

More specifically, among the records tacked in our library is the complete set of Balita, which has assiduously reported and chronicled our Rotary Club activities since 1920 when the first fortnightly issue was published. Our office library showcases the vintage editions of Balita, starting with the 1948 series. They are all hardbound and lovingly tacked in glass-covered shelves in our Ermita office.

If one would take a look at these old editions of our Balita, immediately noticeable is that the pages of the newsletter reflect the monumental and unparalleled journey of our Rotary Club -- the meetings, programs, projects and fellowship activities. The articles and photos also share the thoughts and mindset of the Club leaders at the time, the mood of the era, as well as the challenges faced and actions taken to overcome them. What is more, an assortment of stories about historical pivots and turns are also featured. All these Balita issues over the past century form part and parcel of our Rotary's Club's evolving story. All these are integral to our Rotary Club's great legacy.

Although Balita started coming out with a digital format in 2020, all past publications were issued solely in hard copies. Therefore, preserving and storing copies of our newsletter and important Club documents in digital form, and ensuring their easy access by the current and future Manila Rotarians, is a truly fitting way to pay homage and tribute to our Rotary Club's colorful, radiant and deep history.

In fine, the digitalization program is one that merits the support of everyone.

FROM DISTANT SHORES

Rtn. Senen T. Mangalile
Managing Editor, balita



Education and Visibility

Remarks delivered by Consul General Senen T. Mangalile at the Membership Meeting of the Queensborough West Rotary Club on 19 March 2023

Ms. Stella Piscano, Queensborough Rotary Club President; President-Elect Mario Dalman; fellow Rotarians; dear guests and friends of Rotary: good morning.

Thank you for inviting me to your meeting today. It is one of Rotary's pleasures to visit other Clubs, and I am doubly delighted that today I am able not only to visit but also to address you. You are the first Rotary Club in the United States that I have visited, and I hope this visit will not be the last.



Rtn. Senen Mangalile addresses the members of Queensborough West Rotary Club, a predominantly Filipino-American Club in Queens, New York City.

I have been a member of the Rotary Club of Manila since 2021, the same year I became a Paul Harris Fellow. The Rotary Club of Manila or RCM as we fondly refer to it, is the first Rotary Club in Asia, having received its Charter, Charter No. 478, on June 1st, 1919, a mere 14 years since Rotary was founded, and seven years since Rotary had gone international. The club would be the only one in the country for more than 12 years. Eventually, RCM organized Rotary clubs in the Philippine cities of Cebu (1932) and Iloilo (1933). In 1939, the Rotary Club of Guam, was organized as RCM's first overseas daughter club. From all the RCM daughter clubs came all the other Rotary clubs in the Philippines to date.

Throughout its 103-year history, RCM has pioneered various projects covering the whole spectrum of the five avenues of Rotary service. Among the organizations established by the Club are the Boy Scouts of the Philippines, Community Chest Foundation, Philippine Band of Mercy, Philippine Cancer Society, Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, Philippine Tourism Association, Philippine Rotary Pacemaker Bank Foundation, Sagip-Kabataan (Save the Children) Foundation, RCM Eyebank Foundation, several school and community-based Rotaract and Interact youth clubs, and many others. In 1979, Rotary International began its historic fight to end polio with its first polio immunization project in Makati, a city outside of Manila.

FROM DISTANT SHORES

Right now, RCM and other Rotary Clubs in the Philippines have commenced preparations for a massive event, the Rotary International Convention in 2028. Yes, it will be held in the Philippines, most likely at the SM Mall of Asia Arena and SMX Convention Center. It would be the great pleasure of Filipino Rotarians to welcome Filipino-American Rotarians to the 2028 RI Convention, and so I hope to see you all there.

My Rotary classification is Government – Consular Service. And that is exactly what has brought me to New York City. Last January 6th, I assumed my duties as Consul General of the Philippines in New York, with responsibility for nine other states, from Maine in the north to Delaware in the south and Pennsylvania to the west.

In case you are wondering what a Consul or Consul General does, our mission includes protecting our country's interests in these parts of the United States; enhancing commercial, economic, cultural and scientific relations between the Philippines and the US Northeast; helping and assisting Filipino nationals in cases of difficulty; issuing passports and travel documents to our nationals, visas or appropriate documents to persons wishing to travel to the Philippines; and acting as notary and civil registrar and in capacities of a similar kind.

In the past few years, especially those affected by the COVID-19 pandemic, the demands for our consular services could not have been greater. One of the not-so-nice things that keep us busy in these recent times was the more pronounced rise in cases of anti-Asian hate. And much like all hate crimes and prejudices,

these are borne out of ignorance. This darkness of Asian Hate is best counteracted with education and visibility. Through your actions, we must inform the rest of the people in our communities about the positive contributions of Filipino-Americans to the economy and to the fabric of American society itself. And we must shine a stronger light on the outstanding achievements of Filipino-Americans in various fields, ranging from sports to e-finance, civil engineering to health care, military service to religious chaplaincy, and so on.



PDG Anthony Civitano, who was instrumental in establishing the Club, presented Rtn. Senen with a pennant of his own club, Flushing Rotary NY U.S.A. (5054).

FROM DISTANT SHORES

The major agenda item of your meeting today – the Club’s involvement in the “Rotary Day of Service”, which is scheduled in May, is one such activity that could enhance the visibility of Filipino-Americans. In the true spirit of Rotary which is Service Above Self, and of the Philippine spirit of *bayanihan*, we serve not only our own members but the entire community as well. Through this project, I hope the community here in Woodside will see that the Rotarians in their midst will do anything to keep the community clean, safe and welcoming to everyone. We at the Consulate General wish you well in this endeavor, and may this project become an opportunity for service and for fostering unity among all Filipino-Americans in this part of New York.

My warmest wishes and best regards to the officers and members of Queensborough West Rotary Club. Consider us at the Consulate General as your partners and allies in making this world a safer, more inclusive, and more tolerant place.

Maraming salamat po at mabuhay tayong lahat!



The customary photo taking ensued after the meeting was adjourned.



The citation of appreciation marks the Consul General's visit to the Club.

31st REGULAR MEETING: A RECAP



The 31st Regular Meeting had **AT PJ Garcia** as Program Moderator/Facilitator.



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



Humbly calling upon our loving Father God, **STAR Rtn. Billy Andal** led the Invocation and Special Prayer.

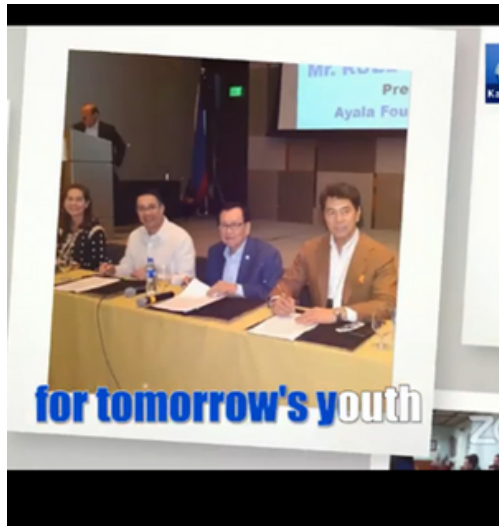


The live singing of the **Philippine National Anthem** was made more meaningful and alive by the **Rotary Club of Manila Audiovisual Presentation**, featuring captivating images of Manila Rotarians.

Rtn. Ronald Martinez led the recitation of the Four (4) Way Test.



31st REGULAR MEETING: A RECAP



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



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



The Moderator acknowledged and introduced the Visiting Guests and Rotarians.



This was followed by the **World Famous Chorale's** singing of RCM's signature Welcome Song to the delight of the guests and visitors.

31st REGULAR MEETING: A RECAP



The week's birthday celebrants were duly acknowledged, namely **Rtn. JB Pallasigue** and **STAR Rtn. Benedict Ibuyan**. This was followed by the singing of the Club's unique and jolly birthday song, led by the **World Famous Music Choral**.

New Members were presented by their respective Sponsors, namely:



AEROLD L. ANDRES

Vice President for Business Development Wharfslube Corporation
Classification: Petroleum Products-Lubricating Oil Distributing

Proposer: **PD John Cenica**

31st REGULAR MEETING: A RECAP



JESUS VICENTE E. MAGSAYSAY

Chairman, Woodrich AGRI Technology (WATCO) Corporation

Classification: Logging and Wood Products – Lumber and Wood Products Exporting

Proposer: **DGN Joaquin “Jackie” Rodriguez Sr.**



DANIEL C. OBRADO

Chief Executive Officer, KERALTY PHILIPPINES

Classification: Health Service – Health Maintenance Organization

Proposer: **DGN Joaquin “Jackie” Rodriguez Sr.**

31st REGULAR MEETING: A RECAP



DGN Jackie Rodriguez led the charging of new members.



Pres. Hermie Esguerra officiated the Induction of the new members.

31st REGULAR MEETING: A RECAP



RCMFI Asst. Treas. Willie Peliño, Chairman RCM Golf Cup, gave a status report about the upcoming golf tournament dubbed as the RCM Cup, to be held at Sta. Elena Golf Club.



Pres. Hermie Esguerra gave his weekly update to the Manila Rotarians during the President's time.



PD Rod Valencia introduced the **Guest of Honor and Speaker Mr. Margarito "Gary" V. Teves**, Former Secretary of the Department of Finance and Former Member of the House of Representatives.



Guest of Honor Speaker Mr. Margarito "Gary" V. Teves delivered his interesting and thought-provoking speech.

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A Special Token of Appreciation was given by **Pres. Hermie Esguerra** to the **Guest Speaker**.



A Special Token of Appreciation was also given by the **Program Chairman Amading Valdez**.



Important and interesting matters were further discussed and elucidated during the open forum participated by **Dir. Tony Lopez, PP Archib Bartolome** and **AT PJ Garcia**.



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

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RCM Members' Attendance Report RY 2022-2023

MARCH 2023	<u>March 2, 2023</u>	<u>March 9, 2023</u>	<u>March 16, 2023</u>
	PDG Roberto M. Pagdanganan	The Outstanding Ambassador Award for Hon. Enrique Manalo Secretary, Department of Foreign Affairs	Mr. Margarito Teves Former Secretary, Department of Finance and President, Land Bank of the Philippines
All Members Present	43	45	44
All Members in virtual FB	0	0	0
Make Up	18	2	8
Less: Exempt from Attendance	4	2	3
On Leave	0	0	0
Total Active Members	57	45	49
Total # of Members	239	239	242
TOTAL ATTENDANCE %:	23.85%	18.83%	20.25%
ROTARACTORS	0	0	0
MEDIA	0	2	0
EMBASSIES / DIPLOMATIC CORPS	9	4	0
DG, DGE, DGN, PDG/DGE	9	0	0
GOHS / GS	9	1	2
Visiting Rotarians	9	2	3
Guests of RCM MEMBERS	9	9	4
Others	9	4	0
Total attendees	43	67	53

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

(As of March 22, 2023, 11:00 AM)

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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	Andal, Avelino "Billy"
14	Ang, Richard T.
15	Angara, Marius
16	Aragon, Joshua
17	Arguelles, Pablo
18	Aventura, Avenilo, Jr. "Jun" L.
19	Balanay, Aries
20	Bartolome, Arsenio III "Archit" M.
21	Batur, Sinan
22	Bediones, Rodolfo "Rudy" P.
23	Bella, Geronimo, Jr. "Jun" Dela Paz
24	Benedicto, Sixto "Noy" T.
25	Bertelsen, Bertel Ingmar
26	Bhalla, Pardeep "Bobby"
27	Blanco, Manuel "Manny" M.
28	Biltz, Oliver
29	Bogovich, Jason M.
30	Bolton, Wilhelm "Bollie"
31	Branellec, Jacques "Jack"
32	Buendia, Carlos "Caloy" C.
33	Caasi, Urbano, Jr. "Banit" S.
34	Cabangon, Edgard
35	Cabuñag, Rogelio "Roger" R.
36	Canon, Raul
37	Campos, Joselito, Jr. "Butch" D.
38	Camus, Fernando "Nando"
39	Carlos, Vicente "Vince" J.
40	Carranceja, Arvin Arik
41	Castro, Karlo Eugene Josef "Karlo"
42	Catalan, Rodillo "Teng"
43	Cenica, John T.
44	Chahwan, Rami
45	Chien, Liang-Ta "Steve"

46	Chotrani, Johnny N.
47	Co, Ferdinand "Ferdie" C.
48	Coyiuto, Robert, Jr. "Jun" G.
49	Creencia, Raoul
50	Cruz, Avelino "Ave" V.
51	Cureg, Alexander "Alex" P.
52	Cutter, John Michael "Michael"
53	David, Virgilio "Vee"
54	Davis, Raymond "Rey" N.
55	Dayang, Juan, Jr. "Jed" E.
56	De Venecia, Jose "Joe" C.
57	Dee, Marcus L.
58	Del Rosario, Oscar
59	Del Valle, Randolph "Randy"
60	Dela Cruz, Artemio "Art"
61	Dela Cruz, Emmanuel
62	Diokno, Benjamin "Ben" E.
63	Dionisio, Rafael Ignacio "Raf"
64	Domingo, Rico V.
65	Dominguez, III, Carlos "Sonny" G.
66	Dy, Manuel "Manny" C.
67	Echavez, Antonio
68	Egan, Brendan "Bren" W.L.
69	Eldebs, Issam "Sam"
70	Engelbrecht, Francois
71	Enriquez, Eduardo III "Jujut" V.
72	Esguerra, Herminio "Hermie" S.
73	Esquivias, Joaquin Pablo "Jop" A.
74	Eugenio, John Emyl "Emyl" G.
75	Evaristo, Frank A.
76	Everingham, Richard Jack
77	Fajardo, Beda G.
78	Fernandez, Antonio Jaime Jose V. "JJ"
79	Follosco, Ceferino, Jr. "Jun" G.
80	Garcia, Herbert Joey "Joey" D.
81	Garcia, Paul Joseph "PJ"
82	Garcia, Theodore
83	Garcia, Victor
84	Gaspar, Fernando "Nando" L.
85	Gierran, Dante "Dan"
86	Go, Daniel "Danny" C.
87	Go, Henry Sy
88	Go, Michael
89	Gonzales, Michael Raymond
90	Guarin, Michael Arcatomy "Mike" H.

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91	Guevara, Domingo, Jr. "Boy" S.
92	Guevara, Ricardo "Ricky" S.
93	Hallare, Delfin, Jr. "Jun" T.
94	Hallare, Nicolo "Nic" S.
95	Hallerbach, Mathias
96	Harle, Wolfgang Kurt
97	Hernandez, Edwin
98	Hesse, Uwe
99	Hortaleza, Rolando
100	Ibuyan, Benedict Julius "Ben"
101	Jang, Jae "Jay-Jay" J.
102	Joseph, Ralph L.
103	Joseph, Robert Ian "Robi" M.
104	Jucaban, Jeric J.
105	Juico, Francis E.
106	Kalaw, Teodoro Alejandro IV "Teddy" A. Y.
107	Koh, Paul Anthony
108	Lacambacal, Alvin D.
109	Lacson, Sebastian "Basty"
110	La'o, Emilio Gonzalez
111	Laya, Jaime "Jimmy" C.
112	Lazaro, Juan Miguel "Miguel"
113	Ledda, Jaime Victor "Jet" B.
114	Lee, Richard "Dick" L.
115	Li, Richard Joseph Chang
116	Liamzon, Romeo Thaddeus "Thad" R.
117	Lim, David Eduardo Ty
118	Lim, Richard
119	Locsin, Arsenio "Nick" Z.
120	Locsin, Roberto R.
121	Lonzaga, Reinerio "Ner" C.
122	Lopa, Antonio "Tony" A.
123	Lopez, Antonio "Tony"
124	Lopez, Arthur "Art" M.
125	Macapagal, Michael "Mac"
126	Macatoman, Abdulgani "Gani"
127	Magbanua, Gerry
128	Magpale, Jose Paolo
129	Magsaysay, Francisco "Paco" D.
130	Manalaysay, Cesar P "Citos"
131	Mangalile, Senen
132	Martinez, Ronald
133	Masters, Lance A.
134	Matschuck, Guenter "Gunter" G.
135	Mauricio, Antonilo "Anton"
136	Mendoza, Estelito "Titong" P.
137	Mendoza, Raymund Joseph Ian "Raji" O.
138	Mommaerts, Steve "Momo"
139	Montel, Juan Manuel C.
140	Montinola, Antonio "Tony" J.

141	Mueller, Klaus
142	Narayanamoorthy, Nanthan K.
143	Nolido, Ramon Alberto "Ramby" B.
144	Nones, Romeo "Romy" C.
145	Nunez, Jose, Jr. "Pepo" A.
146	Obrado, Daniel C.
147	Ocampo, Teodoro "Teddy" J.
148	Okajima, Hiroyuki
149	Ong, Jovee K.
150	Ong, Phillip "Phil" L.
151	Ozaeta, Miguel Antonio L. "Mike"
152	Pagdanganan, Roberto "Obet" M.
153	Palacios, Albert "Hans" C.
154	Pallasigue, John Brian "JB"
155	Pascual, Abraham "Abe" F.
156	Pascual, Jose Augusto "Jappy"
157	Patterson, Colin David
158	Payumo, Felicito "Tong" C.
159	Peliño, Wilfredo "Willie" M.
160	Pineda, Jr., Jesus "Susing" M.
161	Pineda, Jr., Patricio "Bebot" F.
162	Pizarra, Jordan M.
163	Preysler, Fausto, Jr. R.
164	Pujalte, Jose, Jr. "Brix" S.
165	Quisumbing, Ramon "Mon" J.
166	Ramos, Claver P.
167	Rast, Tobias "Tobi"
168	Recto, Philip H.
169	Reyes, Crispino "Babes" P.
170	Reyes, Edgardo "Ed" P.
171	Reynolds, David John "Dave"
172	Rodriguez, Gerard Sean "Sean" H.
173	Rodriguez, Joaquin "Jack" H.
174	Rodriguez, Joaquin "Jackie" C.
175	Romualdez, Jose Manuel "Babe" G.
176	Rono, Marlon
177	Roxas, Michael
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180	Schmitz, Steffan
181	Schneider, Bernd
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184	Sevilla, Luis Angelo "L.A." L.
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189	So, Warren
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192	Souvlakis, Nicolas
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194	Syjuco, Jose, Jr. "Joey" A.
195	Tagaysay, Hector "Chito"
196	Talampas, Jose Angel "Joel"
197	Talusan, Ferdinand "Inov"
198	Tamano, Shalimar "Shah" H.
199	Tamayo, Victor "Butch" L.
200	Tan, Eusebio "Ebot" V.
201	Tan, John
202	Tan, Lawrence "Lance" L.
203	Tang, Jimmy T.
204	Tanglao, Noel V.
205	Taylor-Dormond, Marvin
206	Tee, Jr., Teddy B.
207	Tejuma, Michael "Mike"
208	Tillmann, Hansel Joseph Michael "Hansel"
209	Uy, Ivan John Enrile "Ivan"
210	Valdes, Joel C.
211	Valdez, Amado "Amading" D.
212	Valdez, Jason
213	Valencia, John Nico "Nico" P.

214	Valencia, Rodolfo "Rod" G.
215	Vasquez, Evaristo "Junjie"
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221	Yu, Geoffrey "Geof" C.
222	Yu, Reginald "Reggie" T.
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224	Zaldarriaga, Felix Francisco "Chito" S.
225	Zeitouni, Nagi
226	Zialcita, Xavier "Xavy" Y.
227	Zimmer, Christopher
228	Zosa, Rolando "Roy" M.

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1	Yujuico, Brendon
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DECEASED

1	Abastillas, Celso E.
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RCMANILA FOUNDATION, INC.

RCManila Foundation Ways and Means Committee Meeting



RCManila Foundation Ways and Means Committee met last Thursday, March 16, 2023, 4:00 p.m. at the Hexagon, RCBC Tower in Makati City.

Present during the meeting were RCMFI Pres. Lito Sibayan (Chairman, Ways and Means Committee), Rtn. Rocco Sarmiento, Rtn. Xavy Zialcita (host of the meeting), RCM Asst Treas. PJ Garcia, Rtn. Warren So, RCMFI Asst Treas. Willie Peliño (Chairman, RCM Golf Cup) and Rtn. Micray Gonzales.

WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE

*Water Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) Committee
under Chairman BLA Raoul Creencia
Completes a WASH Station
at Isabelo Delos Reyes Elementary School*



Water Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) Committee under Chairman BLA Raoul Creencia successfully completed a WASH station at Isabelo Delos Reyes Elementary School in Tondo, Manila.

COGS IN THE WHEEL

DE/Dir. Albert Alday Attends the Weekly Membership Meeting of the Rotary Club of Cebu, Daughter Club of the Rotary Club of Manila

DE/Dir. Albert Alday attended the Weekly Membership Meeting of the Rotary Club of Cebu, daughter club of the Rotary Club of Manila, on March 16, 2023 at the Waterfront Hotel and Casino, Lahug, Cebu City.



COGS IN THE WHEEL

DGN Jackie Rodriguez is Guest Speaker and Panelist at the Second Philippine Leadership Forum



District Governor Nominee Jackie Rodriguez was guest speaker and panelist at the second Philippine Leadership Forum on West Philippine Sea held on March 18, 2023 at the University of the Philippines.

RECOGNITION CORNER

*Rtn. Jed Dayang Conferred
the Honorary Membership by 2430 Rotary District/
Rotary Club of Ankara International*



HONORARY MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that

JUAN E. DAYANG, Jr.

is declared as an honorary member of

2430 Rotary District/Rotary Club of Ankara International and is
given all the rights and privileges of such membership.

March 21st, 2023.



President Mrs. Ayşegül Atak Yücel,

RECOGNITION CORNER

Philippine Orthopedic Center to Receive PRIME-HRM Bronze Aware through its Medical Center Chief II, Rtn. Brix Pujalte



Civil Service Commission National Capital Region

03 March 2023

DR. JOSE BRITTANIO S. PUJALTE, MHA, CESE
Medical Center Chief II
Philippine Orthopedic Center
Maria Clara St., Sta. Mesa Heights
Quezon City

Dear Dr. Pujalte:

Greetings from the Civil Service Commission National Capital Region (CSC NCR)!

It is our great pleasure to inform you that the PRIME-HRM Bronze Award is conferred to the **Philippine Orthopedic Center (POC)** for meeting the Maturity Level 2 Indicators in the four (4) core HRM systems.

In view of the foregoing, it is our honor to invite you and one (1) representative from your Office to the **2023 PRIME-HRM Awarding Ceremony** which will be held on **14 April 2023 (Friday), 1:00 p.m.** The venue will be communicated at a later time.

This event shall formally recognize nineteen (19) agencies in the National Capital Region which were conferred with the PRIME HRM Award in 2021, 2022 and 2023.

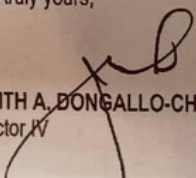
Relative to the conduct of said ceremony, may we also request your agency to provide a **three (3) minute video** in mp4 format which highlights: a) your agency's PRIME-HRM journey (from Self-Assessment to Assessment); b) struggles and triumphs during your quest for the Bronze Award; and c) short video message from you relative to the conferment of the PRIME-HRM Bronze Award to your agency. Kindly submit the above-mentioned video to the Policies and Systems Evaluation Division (PSED) at roncr.primehrm@gmail.com on or before **20 March 2023 (Monday)**.

Should you have any concerns, you may reach PSED, this Regional Office, at telephone number **8749-9026** or email at roncr.primehrm@gmail.com.

We look forward to your acceptance of this invitation.

Thank you for your continued support to the programs of the Civil Service Commission.

Very truly yours,


JUDITH A. DONGSALLO-CHICANO
Director IV

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Flag Exchange with the Rotary Club of San Jose USA



Flag exchange with the Rotary Club of San Jose (RCSJ) President Sal Pizarro. RCSJ has over 480 members and is a prime mover in the heart of Silicon Valley, the tech capital of the world.

- PDG Vince Carlos



Announcing again the award to Manila as the 2028 RI Convention venue while on the Bay Area roadshow

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Flag Exchange with the Rotary Club of San Francisco Chinatown USA



Flag and pin exchange with the Rotary Club of San Francisco Chinatown (RCSFC) President Rhonda Pierce before a sumptuous lauriat menu. SF's Chinatown has the longest history in the US. They look forward to know more about Manila as 2028 RI Conference host.

- PDG Vince Carlos

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

DGN Jackie Rodriguez Presents Token of Recognition to Rtn. Kenji Mori of RC Kazuha Osaka, Japan



DGN Jackie Rodriguez presented on March 29, 2023 to Rtn. Kenji Mori of the Rotary Club Kazuha Osaka, Japan the token of recognition received during the Valedictory Meeting of the late PP Bobby Joseph.

The award was given to Rtn. Kenji Mori for his many services and donations given to our country through the Rotary Club of Manila. Rtn. Mori bid farewell to Manila Rotarians after receiving the club's token of appreciation since he is ill.

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