

GUEST OF HONOR AND SPEAKER



HONORABLE ALEXANDER G. GESMUNDO

Chief Justice of the Supreme Court
of the Philippines

Kabalita

An impartial, credible, and responsive judicial system is a major imperative in a democratic society such as ours. Although our fundamental law enshrines our rights as citizens, all these civil rights are, to borrow the words of Andrew Jackson, “worth nothing, and a mere bubble, except guaranteed xxx by an independent and virtuous Judiciary.” There would surely be a perversion in the functioning of the State without an impartial judiciary. An independent judiciary led by the Supreme Court is thus essential to uphold the rule of law and ensure an effective and accountable political structure.

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RCM's 35th Weekly Membership Meeting

Rotary Year 2022-2023

DATE: April 20, 2023, Thursday

TIME: 12:00 PM

VENUE: Taft Ballroom, Conrad Manila

MODERATOR: BLA RAOUL CREENCIA

Program Timetable

Part I

12:00 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

April 15	RTN. JOSHUA ARAGON
April 17	STAR RTN. MICHAEL ROXAS
April 18	RTN. CALOY BUENDIA
April 18	STAR RTN. TEDDY GARCIA
April 19	PD PEPO NUÑEZ
April 19	RTN. BRIX PUJALTE
April 19	STAR RTN. DANIEL OBRADO
April 20	PD RICO DOMINGO

Maligayang Bati/Happy Birthday Song

PRES. HERMINIO S. ESGUERRA

RTN. CARLOS G. SERAPIO

AVP of RCM Music Chorale

RTN. JORDAN M. PIZARRAS

RTN. TEODORO Y. ALEJANDRO KALAW IV

RCM WF Music Chorale

RCM WF Music Chorale

RTN CESAR P. MANALAYSAY

RCM WF Music Chorale

RCM WF Music Chorale

PRESIDENT'S TIME

PRES. HERMINIO S. ESGUERRA



RCM's 35th Weekly Membership Meeting

**Part II INTRODUCTION OF GUEST OF HONOR PD/PS RICO V. DOMINGO
AND SPEAKER**

**ADDRESS
HONORABLE ALEXANDER G. GESMUNDO
Chief Justice of the Supreme Court**

OPEN FORUM

**PRESENTATION OF THE PLAQUE OF
RECOGNITION** **PRES. HERMINIO S. ESGUERRA
PD DEAN AMADO D. VALDEZ
Chairman, Programs Committee**

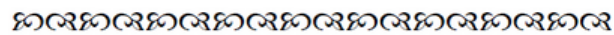
2:00 PM Closing Remarks and Meeting Adjournment PRES. HERMINIO S. ESGUERRA



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ALEXANDER G. GESMUNDO

Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the Philippines



Chief Justice Alexander G. Gesmundo is the 27th Chief Justice of the Supreme Court. He obtained his law degree from the Ateneo de Manila University in 1984. After passing the bar the following year, he joined the Office of the Solicitor General where he was awarded Most Outstanding Solicitor in 1998. He was on Seconded Appointment as Commissioner of the Presidential Commission on Good Government from July 17, 1998 to February 15, 2001. In August 2002, he was promoted to Assistant Solicitor General, and on October 15, 2005, appointed as Associate Justice of the Sandiganbayan, later becoming Chairperson of its 7th Division. He was appointed to the Supreme Court as Associate Justice on August 14, 2017 and as Chief Justice on April 5, 2021.

Chief Justice Gesmundo is the Chairperson of the Committee on Ethics and Ethical Standards, Committee on the Revision of the Rules of Court, Committee on Computerization and Library, and Sub-Committee for the Revision of the Rules of Civil Procedure. Until recently, he was the Chairperson of the Oversight Committee for the Implementation of Rule 138-A or the Revised Student Practice Rule.

During his tenure, Chief Justice Gesmundo intends to focus on two things: case decongestion and a technology-driven Judiciary. Recently, the Court *en Banc* approved the Strategic Plan for Judicial Innovations 2022-2027 or SPJI, the institutional blueprint for judicial reforms containing the ideas, aspirations, plans and proposals of the present Court for the pursuit of one overarching goal: the delivery of responsive and real-time justice.

Chief Justice Gesmundo was conferred the degree of Doctor of Laws, *Honoris Causa*, by the Philippine Christian University on August 31, 2022, Manuel L. Quezon University on March 26, 2022, and Centro Escolar University School of Law and Jurisprudence on July 8, 2021. On December 1, 2021, he was conferred the honorary rank of Knight Grand Cross of Rizal.

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As an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, Chief Justice Gesmundo was designated as Chairperson of the Technical Working Group for the Revision of the Law Student Practice Rule (Rule 138-A) (later converted to the Oversight Committee for the Implementation of the Revised Student Practice Rule), Committee and Technical Working Group for the 2019 Legal Education Summit, Sub-Committee on Libraries and Research, and Halls of Justice Coordinating Committee for the Cities of Manila and San Pablo, Laguna. He also served as Working Chairperson of the Technical Working Group on the Proposed Guidelines for Republic Act No. 11362 (*Community Service Act*).

He was also Vice-Chairperson of the *Ad Hoc* Committee to update and enhance the Supreme Court's Case Selection and Docket Management System, *Ad Hoc* Committee for the Review of the Manual on Caseflow Management for Judges, Committee in the Implementation of the Judicial Integrity Board, Committee on Computerization and Library, Special Committee for the Rules on Procedure for Admiralty Cases, Special Committee for the Rules on Inspection (under the Philippine Competition Act), Sub-Committee for the Revision of the 1997 Rules on Civil Procedure, Sub-Committee for the Integrated Bar of the Philippines (IBP) Oversight, Special Committee on the Rules of Procedure in Election Contests before the First Level Courts, Sub-Committee on the Revision of the Rules on Criminal Procedure, Sub-Committee for the Revision of the Rules of Procedure for Intellectual Property Rights Cases, Special Committee on Virtual Hearings and Electronic Testimony, Subcommittee on Computerization and Technology, Committee on the Revision of the Revised Rule on Summary Procedure, Special Committee on Facilitated Naturalization for Refugees and Stateless Individuals, Special Committee on the Proposed Rule on Criminal Confiscation and Forfeiture, and Special Committee on the Proposed Court of Appeals Rule of Procedure Relating to An Unlawful Activity or a Money Laundering Offense Under Republic Act No. (RA) 9160, as amended.

He was also designated as Member of the Committee on the Revision of the Rules of Court, Committee on Continuing Legal Education and Bar Matters, Special Committee on Speedy Trial, Subcommittee on the Admission to the Bar, Committee on Internal Rules of the Supreme Court, Committee on Ethics and Ethical Standards, and Technical Working Group of the Committee on the New Supreme Court Complex.

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Chief Justice Gesmundo was a former Vice-Chairperson of the Department of Remedial Law of the Philippine Judicial Academy (PHILJA) and a member of its Corps of Professors as a Professorial Lecturer in Remedial Law. He was the Examiner in Remedial Law in the 2009 and 2015 Bar examinations. He taught various remedial law subjects at the Ateneo de Manila University, Centro Escolar University School of Law and Jurisprudence, Lyceum of the Philippines, University of Perpetual Help System Dalta in Las Piñas City, University of Sto. Tomas Faculty of Civil Law, and Pamantasan ng Lungsod ng Pasay.

He was a member of the core committee of the National Conference for the Revision of the Rules of Civil Procedure, a joint project of the Supreme Court, UP Law Center, PHILJA, and Integrated Bar of the Philippines (IBP). He is a member of the Committee on the *Updating of the Benchbook for Philippine Trial Courts (Revised and Expanded)* and of the Court of Tax Appeals 2004 Committee on Revision of the Rules of the Court of Tax Appeals.

Chief Justice Gesmundo has participated in various international events and study visits abroad. On December 4 to 10, 2019, he attended the 2019 Global Alliance for Justice Education (GAJE) in Bandung, Indonesia under the behest of The Asia Foundation (TAF). On October 29 to November 2, 2019, he participated in the 101st International Refugee Law Course held in Sanremo, Italy under the invitation of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) Representation in the Philippines. On September 15 to 26, 2019, he joined the Justice Sector Coordinating Council's (JSSC) Study Tour of the Philippine Delegation to Europe, particularly Spain and France, organized by the European Union-Governance in Justice (GOJUST) Programme. On August 15 to 25, 2019, he took part in a learning visit to Canberra, Sydney, and Melbourne, Australia, under the Public Accountability through Court Transformation Project funded by the Australian Government, with the goal to strengthen the anti-corruption expertise of the Supreme Court and the Sandiganbayan through international bench marking. The trip was sponsored by the TAF under its Philippines-Australia Information Exchange program. He also attended the 2019 American Association of Law Schools (AALS) Conference on Clinical Education held on May 4-7, 2019, in San Francisco, California, U.S.A., also sponsored by the TAF.

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On October 1-11, 2018, he went on a learning visit to observe the Legal Aid Services of Harvard Law School, Georgetown University Law Center, and Suffolk University School of Law in the U.S.A., sponsored by the Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs (INL), under the U.S. Department of State. The previous year or on May 6-11, 2017, he attended a study tour on speedy disposition of cases, likewise organized by the INL, at the U.S. State Department in Washington, D.C. and in Virginia, U.S.A.

He also participated in a study visit on Competition Law and Economics held in London, United Kingdom, on February 14-16, 2018. He attended the Regional Colloquium on the Enforcement of Intellectual Property for Judges in Higher Courts on October 17-18, 2017, held in Tokyo, Japan, organized by the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), in cooperation with the Japan Patent Office (JPO). He participated in the ASEAN-USPTO Colloquium for the Judiciary on Management of Civil and Criminal IP Appellate Cases, held on September 20-22, 2017, in Bangkok, Thailand, organized by the ASEAN/United States Patent and Trademark Office.

On November 15-16, 2016, he participated in the Regional Preparatory Meeting for the Launch of a Global Judicial Integrity Network in Bangkok, Thailand, conducted by the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC). On November 24-28, 2014, he attended the program "Corruption: Detection, Prevention and Suppression" held by the *Ecole Nationale De La Magistrature* (French National School for the Judiciary) in Paris, France. He also joined the Competition Workshop for Judges, held on October 22-24, 2013, at Gyeongju, Korea, organized by the OECD/Korea Policy Centre. He also completed a summer course on European Criminal Justice at the Academy of European Law (ERA) at Trier, Germany, held on June 27-July 1, 2011.

On April 16-20, 2012, he attended the 17th Executive Course on National Security held at the National Defense College of the Philippines. Under the sponsorship of the PHILJA, he participated in the Partnership Forum on Transnational Organized Crime conducted by the UNODC on January 27-29, 2010, in Bangkok, Thailand. Also under PHILJA's sponsorship, he joined the seminar on Improvement of Judicial Fairness and Efficient Judicial Administration organized by the Supreme Court of Korea and the Korea International Cooperation Agency (KOICA), held on April 14-30, 2008, in Seoul, Korea.

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Prior to joining government, Chief Justice Gesmundo worked as Research Analyst from 1977 to 1979 with Business Day Corporation, publisher of the business newspaper *Business Day* and *Top 1000 Corporations of the Philippines* wherein a few of his articles were published. In 1979-1980, he worked as Market Research Officer at the Office of the Australian Trade Commissioner, Australian Embassy, Manila, and continued as its Marketing Officer from 1980 to 1985.

Chief Justice Gesmundo is the son of Juan A. Gesmundo, a farmer, and Zenaida B. Gahon, a public school teacher. He is married to Lynn Magpantay-Gesmundo, with whom he has a son, Alastair, and twin daughters, Ashley Nicole and Allison Arden.



MESSAGE FROM PRES. HERMINIO S. ESGUERRA

Honorable Alexander G. Gesmundo, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the Philippines

Distinguished legal luminaries

My dear fellow Manila Rotarians,



It is my pleasure to welcome you all to our 35th Weekly Membership Meeting, which promises to be a truly special occasion. We are honored to have with us today a distinguished guest of honor and speaker, the Honorable Alexander G. Gesmundo, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the Philippines. We are also pleased to welcome many legal luminaries in attendance.

The relevance of this meeting for Manila Rotarians is clear: as members of a service organization dedicated to making a positive impact in our communities, we have a responsibility to stay informed about the issues that affect our country. The legal system plays a critical role in shaping our society and upholding our fundamental rights and freedoms, and as such, it is essential that we engage with it thoughtfully and constructively.

Today's speaker is uniquely qualified to shed light on the workings of the Philippine justice system and the challenges that it faces. Chief Justice Gesmundo has dedicated his career to upholding the rule of law and ensuring access to justice for all Filipinos. His insights will be invaluable as we seek to better understand the legal landscape and identify ways in which we can contribute to the well-being of our communities.

I encourage all of you to participate actively in today's meeting, to ask thoughtful questions, and to engage in constructive dialogue. Let us use this opportunity to deepen our understanding of the legal system, and to explore ways in which we can work together to make a positive impact in our community and our country.

To my fellow Manila Rotarians, as we gather today for our Weekly Membership Meeting, I want to remind everyone that there are only 2.5 months left in Rotary Year 2022-2023 under my leadership. Let's make the most out of it by continuing to live up to our Rotary values and actively engaging in our community projects.

I am pleased to announce that our **Digitalization of RCM Library Project** is well underway. This initiative aims to securely archive all the historic documents, records and library materials of the 104-year-old Rotary Club of Manila, the first Rotary Club in Asia.

Another important project that we are currently working on is the **Pasig River Clean-up and Rehabilitation Project**, which is our flagship project. After successfully installing floating trash barriers in November 2022, our next step is to secure a Global Grant Project to purchase an aquatic trash skimmer vessel. This will enable to collect the trapped floating trash and contribute to the restoration of the Pasig River ecosystem.

MESSAGE FROM PRES. HERMINIO S. ESGUERRA

Among the many projects that our Club has implemented, I am proud to report that our **Global Grant Rotary Vision Care** project is almost complete. The project has successfully provided eyeglasses to a vast majority of the intended beneficiaries—students, teachers and non-teaching personnel of 15 public schools in Manila. The club's dedicated team has persevered in achieving its goal of improving the quality of life of these individuals through better vision. We remain committed to fulfilling our mission of providing accessible and essential healthcare services to underserved communities.

In addition, we are excited to share that we will be playing our **Four-Way Test infomercial/advocacy campaign** in major cinemas and on social media. This will help us to promote our Rotary values and encourage ethical decision-making in our community.

Our upcoming **Cleft Lip/Palate Medical Mission** at the Sta. Ana Hospital, in partnership with Operation Smile Philippines, the Manila City Government and other foreign Rotary Clubs, will benefit about 60 indigent children. We are honored to be a part of this life-changing project.

We have other exciting projects in the pipeline, including **The Outstanding Workers of the Republic (TOWER) Awards** on May 25 and **Journalism Awards** on June 15. These initiatives will help us recognize and celebrate excellence in various fields and promote positive change in our community and our country.

Lastly, I would like to remind everyone about the **RID 3810 District Convention (DISCON)** which will be held on April 22-23, 2023. The DISCON is the last major event of the district for this Rotary Year where Rotarians from all the four areas are expected to gather in the spirit of fellowship, learning and fun.

Thank you once again for your ongoing support and dedication to the Rotary Club of Manila.

Meanwhile, I look forward to a productive and meaningful 35th Weekly Membership Meeting.

Yours in Rotary Service,

Herminio S. Esguerra
President, Rotary Club of Manila

EDITOR'S NOTE

Raoul C. Creencia
Editor-in-Chief, balita

The Judiciary. The Philippine Constitution has wisely vested judicial power in one Supreme Court, as well as in such lower courts as may be established by law. The judiciary – the third and co-equal branch of government -- plays a fundamental role in upholding the social order and establishing a peaceful equilibrium in the whole of society. Its primary function is to resolve conflicts through the application of pre-existing rules, norms or (in some cases) precedents, which the Supreme Court itself had earlier established through its decisions, which are recognized as part of the law of the land.



Since its creation on 11 June 1901 with the passage by the Second Philippine Commission of Act 136, the Supreme Court of the Philippines has played a pivotal key in our country's history, and have deeply impacted our society's way of life. Aside from its power of judicial review, the Highest Court also has the exclusive power to promulgate rules concerning the protection and enforcement of constitutional rights, pleading, practice and procedure in all courts, the admission to the practice of law, the integrated bar, and legal assistance to the underprivileged. It enjoys fiscal autonomy and exercises administrative supervision over the lower courts and its personnel. To ensure its independence, our Constitution has proscribed Congress from passing any law reorganizing the Judiciary when it undermines the security of tenure of its members.

Surely, an impartial judiciary, unrestrained or unchained by any form of interference or pressure, is a must in attaining a society of law and not of men, and in achieving the often elusive "rule of law" environment. While there is no internationally accepted definition of the rule of law, its key elements always include an independent judiciary and separation of powers. Of course, not to be forgotten are the elements of non-discrimination and equality before the law, respect for human rights, the hierarchy of norms, and the substantive coherence of the legal framework.

Until today, the judiciary still struggles with the issues of accessibility and speedy disposition of cases. Thankfully, reforms are being pursued to address these; for indeed, the ability to readily seek redress for grievance within a reasonable period, and every citizen's strengthened access to the judicial system are ideals that must be unrelentingly pursued. In fine, well-functioning legal institutions must be organized, strengthened, and sustained, as these are critical for closing the gap between law on paper and justice in practice. The least and last in our society must know and actually experience that they, too, can seek judicial succor; and that the wheels of justice do not grind painstakingly slow, but turns proactively fast for all.

34th REGULAR MEETING: A RECAP



The 34th Regular Meeting, which Manila Rotarians were able to join virtually through online platform, had **Rtn. Joel Valdes** as Program Moderator/Facilitator.



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



Humbly calling upon our loving Father God, **Rtn. Bon Li** led the Invocation and Special Prayer.

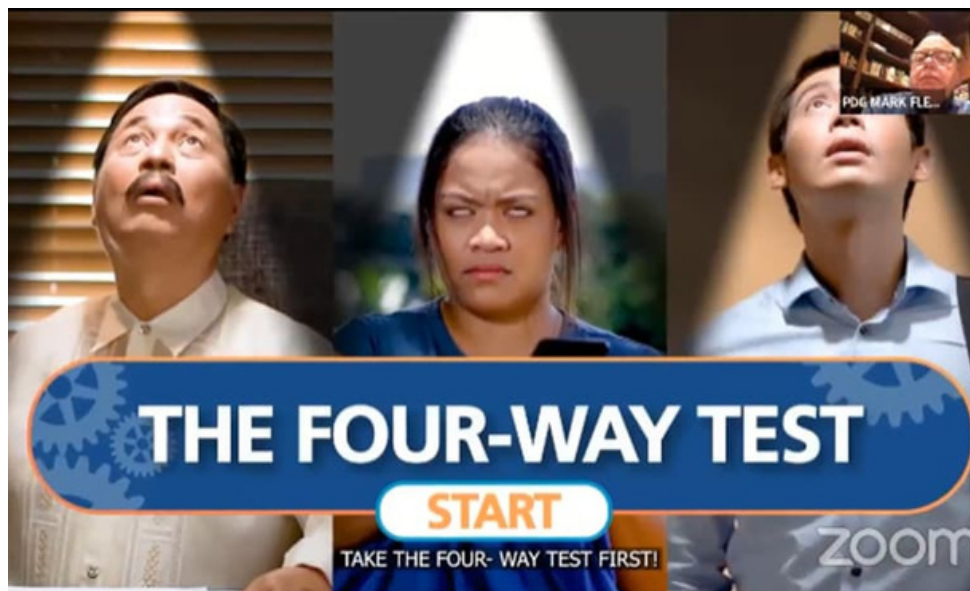


The singing of the **Philippine National Anthem** was made more meaningful and alive by the **Rotary Club of Manila Audiovisual Presentation**, featuring captivating images of Manila Rotarians.



Rtn. Jed Dayang led the recitation of the Rotarian Pledge.

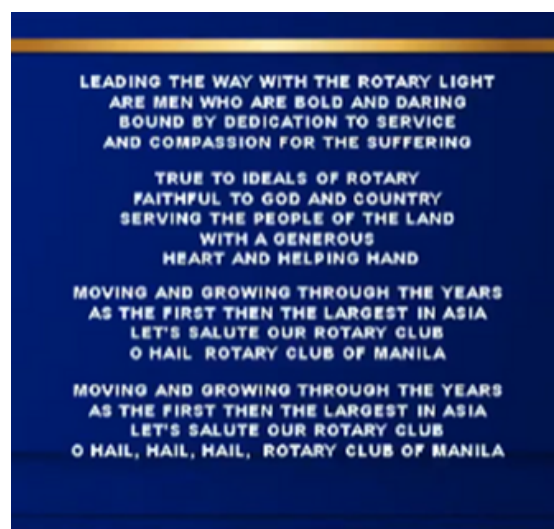
34th REGULAR MEETING: A RECAP



A video presentation of the Four-Way Test further buttressed the principle and philosophy behind this moral yardstick.



The joint singing of the **Philippine Rotary Hymn** had everybody's Rotarian spirit positively steered anew.



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

34th REGULAR MEETING: A RECAP



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.

34th REGULAR MEETING: A RECAP



The week's birthday celebrants were duly acknowledged, namely **ASE Willie Pelino**, **STAR Rtn. Edgard Cabangon**, **Rtn. Mike Ozaeta**, **Rtn. Caloy Serapio** and **Rtn. Vic Garcia**. This was followed by the singing of the Club's unique and jolly birthday song, led by the **World Famous Music Chorale**.



Pres. Hermie Esguerra once again gave an animating report during the President's time

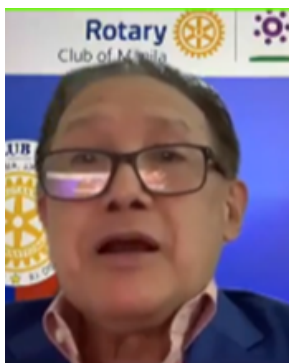


Rtn. Joel Valdes introduced the **Guest Speaker PDG Mark Flegel**, **Rotary International District 5150 (2006-2007)**, **San Francisco, California, U.S.A.**

34th REGULAR MEETING: A RECAP



Guest Speaker PDG Mark Flegel gave a most inspiring talk about the man with a mission: RI founder Paul Harris.



Important and interesting matters were further discussed and clarified during the open forum participated by **Pres. Hermie Esguerra, PD Nick Locsin, PD Amading Valdez, PDG Jimmy Cura** (District 3830) and **Dir. Hans Palacios**.

34th REGULAR MEETING: A RECAP



Pres. Hermie Esguerra and **Programs Committee Chairman PD Amading Valdez** presented the Certificate of Appreciation, attested by **Club Secretary Edwin Hernandez**, to **Guest Speaker PDG Mark Flegel**, Rotary International District 5150 (2006-2007) San Francisco, California, U.S.A.



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

CLUB ADMINISTRATION

RCM Members' Attendance Report RY 2022-2023

APRIL 2023	<u>April 13, 2023</u> PDG Mark Flegel Zoom
All Members Present	43
All Members in virtual FB	0
Make Up	6
Less: Exempt from Attendance	3
On Leave	0
Total Active Members	46
Total # of Members	242
TOTAL ATTENDANCE %:	19.01%
ROTARACTORS	1
MEDIA	0
EMBASSIES / DIPLOMATIC CORPS	0
DG, DGE, DGN, PDG/DGE	5
GOHS / GS	1
Visiting Rotarians	23
Guests of RCM MEMBERS	1
Others	0
Total attendees	74

CLUB ADMINISTRATION

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

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

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

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

141	Mendoza, Raymund Joseph Ian "Raji" O.
142	Mommaerts, Steve "Momo"
143	Montel, Juan Manuel C.
144	Montinola, Antonio "Tony" J.
145	Mueller, Klaus
146	Narayanamoorthy, Nantha K.
147	Nolido, Ramon Alberto "Ramby" B.
148	Nones, Romeo "Romy" C.
149	Nunez, Jose, Jr. "Pepo" A.
150	Obrado, Daniel C.
151	Ocampo, Teodoro "Teddy" J.
152	Okajima, Hiroyuki
153	Ong, Jovee K.
154	Ong, Phillip "Phil" L.
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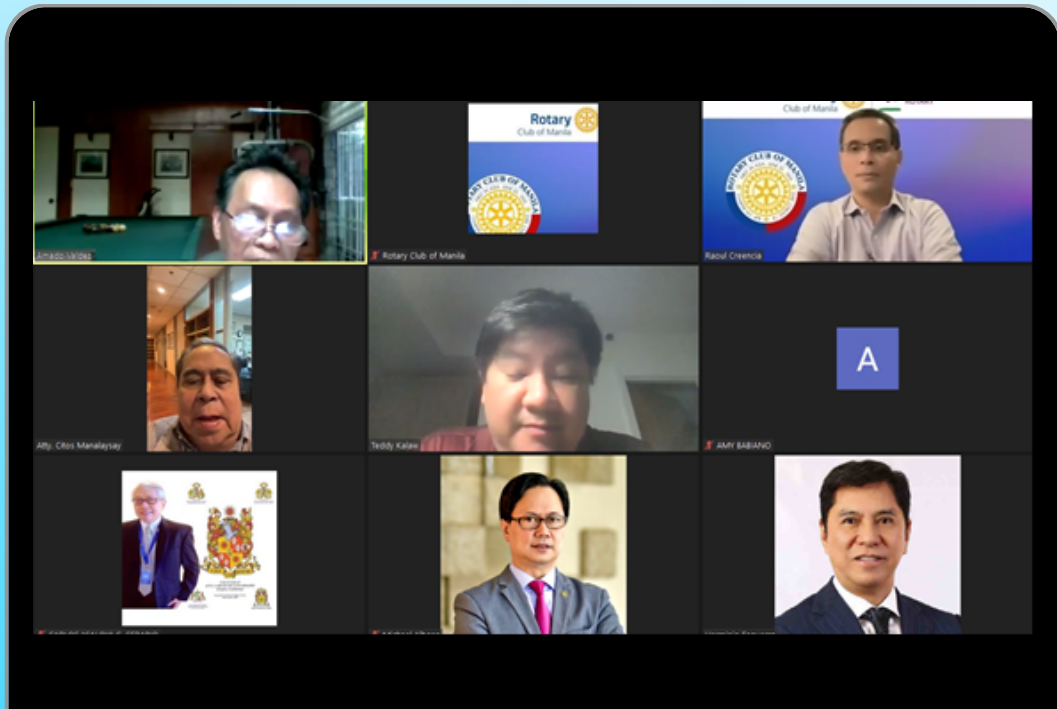
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CLUB ADMINISTRATION

Programs Committee Meeting



The Programs Committee held a meeting yesterday, April 19, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. via Zoom. It was attended by Pres. Hermie Esguerra, Board Legal Adviser Raoul Creencia, Program Committee Chairman, PD Amador Valdez, Co-Chairman AS Mike Albana, Rtn. Cito Manalaysay, Rtn. Teddy Kalaw and Rtn. Caloy Serapio.

RCMANILA FOUNDATION INC.

RCManila Foundation Ways and Means Committee Meeting



The RCManila Foundation Ways and Means Committee met last Thursday, April 13, 2023 at the Boardroom of RCMFI Chairman/PD Pepo Nuñez at Tranzen Group Inc. located in the Pacific Star Building in Makati City.

Present at the meeting were Chairman PD Pepo Nuñez, Pres. Lito Sibayan, Trustee Jujut Enriquez, Asst. Sec. Anton Mauricio, Rtn. Xavy Zialcita, Rtn. Rocco Sarmiento, RCM Asst. Treas. PJ Garcia and Rtn. Romy Nones. Also present were RCMFI Executive Dir. Carie Basila, Executive Asst. Amy Babiano and Rotary Club of Manila ES Anna Kun Toledo.

WATER, SANITATION & HYGIENE

RCM WASH Committee Chairman Raoul Creencia Addresses Sanitary Engineers, Clean Water and Environment Protection Advocates



RCM WASH Committee Chairman Raoul Creencia recently addressed a group of WASH Education fellows in a gathering at AIM Conference Centre. The audience consisted of sanitary engineers, clean water and environment protection advocates, as well as youth leaders.

DISTRICT EVENT

District Assembly (DISTAS) 2023



The District Assembly (DISTAS) 2023 held last Saturday, April 15, 2013 at the Century Park Hotel Manila was attended by PE/Dir. Raffy Alunan, DE/Dir. Johnny Chotrani and SAA Nagi Zeitouni. Also in photo are Rotary District 3810 Governor Joyce Ambray and SDG Bernie Sagsagat.

DISTRICT EVENT

Preparing for DISCON 2023



RCM will be participating at the opening ceremonies of DISCON 2023 during the opening ceremonies with the singing of the Philippine National Anthem. Present during the rehearsal held yesterday, April 19, 2023 which started at 5:30 p.m. at the Press Room 6 of New World Makati Hotel were (from left) Mr. Domino Marcos (Musical conductor), BLA Raoul Creencia, PE/Dir. Raffy Alunan, PD John Cutter, SAA Nagi Zeitouni, DGN Jackie Rodriguez, Rtn. Rami Chahwan, Rtn. Jerry Agnes, VP Reggie Yu, Music Committee Chair PD Oscar del Rosario and PD Nick Locsin.



**A Fund Raising Golf Tournament for the Benefit of
Rotary Club of Manila Projects.**

Sta. Elena Golf Club

June 19, 2023 (Monday)

**Registration: 6:00AM
Shotgun Tee-off: 8:00AM**

**Tournament Fee: Php6,000.00
Inclusive of green fee, cart-sharing,
giveaways, lunch & raffle**

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COGS IN THE WHEEL

Manila Rotarians Support the Chinese Filipino Business Club with Honorable Benjamin E. Diokno as Guest Speaker



The Chinese Filipino Business Club, Inc. hosted Honorable Benjamin E. Diokno, Secretary of the Department of Finance, as their guest speaker yesterday, April 19, 2023, at the Century Park Hotel. Manila Rotarians provided their support for the event.

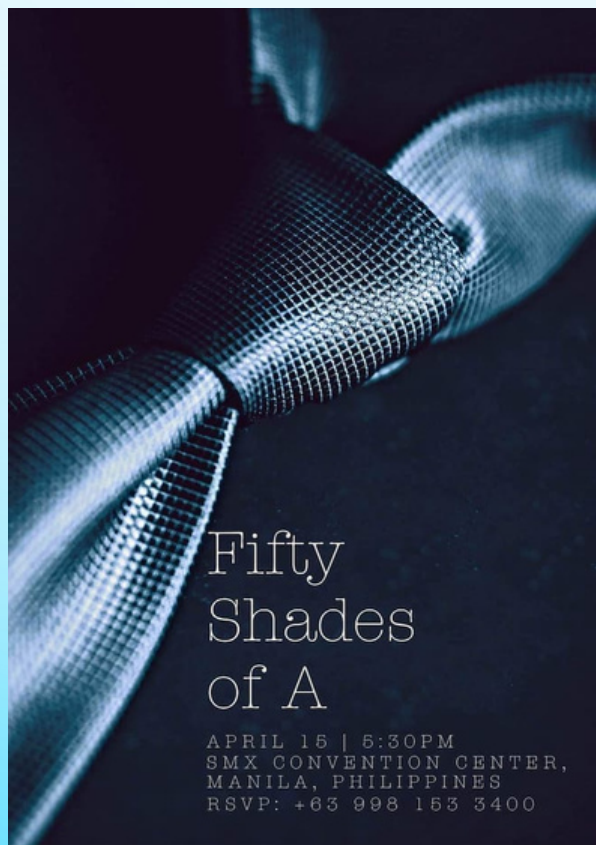
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Most Outstanding JCI Senator
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FELLOWSHIP

*Dir. Albert Alday
Celebrates His Golden
Year of Birth with Fellow
Manila Rotarians*



Dir. Albert Alday celebrated his golden year of birth last April 16, 2023 at the SMX Convention Center.



INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Banner Exchange with the Rotary Club of San Francisco Sunset



Banner exchange with Pres. Marilyn de Castro Becklehimer and PE John Ngau of the Rotary Club of San Francisco Sunset. It has a 90% Filipino-American membership who looks forward to the 2028 RI Convention in Manila.

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