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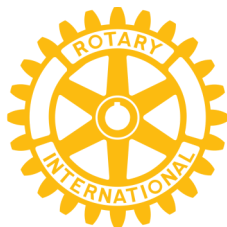
In volunteer organizations such as Rotary where members selflessly give and serve without reward, a simple recognition and spontaneous gratitude definitely have a powerful effect and boosts morale. Acknowledging those who go the extra mile recharges their spirit of volunteerism, motivates them to take on bigger roles and tasks, promotes membership retention, and builds stronger bonds. Rotary's endearing culture of recognition and gratefulness is definitely worth pursuing, preserving, and promoting.



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The 4Way Test

of the things we think, say or do

I. Is it the TRUTH?

II. Is it FAIR to all
concerned?

III. Will it build GOODWILL
and BETTER
FRIENDSHIPS?

IV. Will it be BENEFICIAL to
all concerned?

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RCM'S 44TH WEEKLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING

DATE: June 22, 2023, Thursday

TIME: 12:30 PM

VENUE: FAIRMONT HOTEL MAKATI

MODERATOR: VICE PRESIDENT REGINALD "Reggie" T. YU

PROGRAM TIMETABLE

12:00 PM Registration

12:30 PM Call to Order
PRES. HERMINIO S. ESGUERRA

PART I

Invocation and Special Prayers
DIR. ALBERT S. ALDAY

Philippine National Anthem
AVP OF RCM WF Music Chorale

The Rotarian Pledge & Four-Way Test
STAR RTN. ARIES BALANAY

Philippine Rotary Hymn
AVP

Rotary Club of Manila Hymn
RCM WF Music Chorale

Acknowledgment of Guests
PD AMADO "Amading" D. VALDEZ
(Program Chairman)

Welcome Song
RCM WF Music Chorale

RCMANILA BIRTHDAY CELEBRANTS OF THE WEEK

JUNE 11 RTN. CITOS MANALAYSAY

JUNE 12 RTN. RAF DIONISIO

JUNE 17 PD RAOUL VILLEGAS

June 20 AT PJ GARCIA, RTN. HIROYUKI OKAJIMA

June 22 PT CHITO TAGAYSAY

MALIGAYANG BATI / HAPPY BIRTHDAY SONG
RCM WF CHORALE

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE
PRES. HERMINIO S. ESGUERRA

PART II

THE CLUB YEAR END AWARDS
AS MICHAEL JAEY C. ALBAÑA

1:10 PM PRESENTATION OF YEAR END AWARDS
Pres. HERMINIO E. ESGUERRA
ASST. SEC. MICHAEL JAEY C. ALBAÑA

ROTARY CLUB OF MANILA SECRETARIAT
PRESIDENTIAL AWARD
BEST ATTENDANCE AWARD
LOYALTY AWARD
CLUB AND SERVICE AWARD
STAR ROTARIAN OF THE YEAR
ROTARIAN OF THE YEAR

1:50 PM RCMANILA FOUNDATION –
RCM GOLF CUP
AVP

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

PRESIDENT'S DIARY

Herminio S. Esguerra
RY 2022-2023



My dear fellow Manila Rotarians,

It is with great pleasure and a sense of accomplishment that I present to you this week's President's Diary.

2023 PRO PATRIA JOURNALISM AWARDS **THURSDAY, 15 JUNE 2023**

Last Thursday, during our 43rd Weekly Membership Meeting, we proudly hosted the 2023 Pro Patria Journalism Awards, one of RC Manila's institutional projects. This event served as a testament to the unwavering dedication of our club in recognizing outstanding journalists who share our commitment to truth, fairness, and the well-being of our society.

We were all proud to honor those who have demonstrated a relentless pursuit of excellence in their craft. These journalists have exemplified the highest standards of integrity, fearlessness, and responsibility in their work. Their stories have shed light on critical issues, inspired change, and united communities. We applaud their unwavering commitment to the truth and their profound impact on society.





Photos courtesy of Daily Tribune



RCM GOLF CUP 2023

MONDAY, 19 JUNE 2023

The RCM Golf Cup 2023 at Sta. Elena Golf Club organized by RCManila Foundation, Inc. (RCMFI) has been a successful fundraising event. I congratulate the collective efforts of RCMFI Chairman Jose A. Nuñez Jr., RCMFI President Joselito Sibayan, RCMFI Asst. Secretary and Golf Tournament Director Wilfredo Peliño, and the esteemed members of the RCMFI Board. The event not only fostered camaraderie and friendly competition among Rotarians, partners, and sponsors but also supported a meaningful cause.

Ceremonial Tee Off:



Yours truly



RCManila Foundation, Inc. Chair Jose "Pepo" Nuñez Jr.



RI DISTRICT 3810 AWARDS & RECOGNITION 2023 SATURDAY, 17 JUNE 2023

It was one phenomenal year for the Rotary Club of Manila as our club received over 50 prestigious awards during the District Awards ceremony held on June 17 at Conrad Manila.

With this exceptional recognition, we continue to set an inspiring example and empower positive change within our community and beyond.

These are the awards we received:

- Over-all Most Outstanding Rotary Club
- Over-all Most Outstanding Phenomenal President
Herminio S. Esguerra
- Phenomenal Longest Membership in Rotary
International District 3810
PD Estelito Mendoza
54 years in Rotary Service
- Leadership Award
PLP Herminio s. Esguerra
Phenomenal Leader President
- Phenomenal in Midyear Oral Report Over-all
Herminio S. Esguerra
Phenomenal Leader President
- Phenomenal Governor's Distinguished Award
HALL OF FAME
- Most Outstanding Rotary Club – Platinum
- Most Outstanding Phenomenal Leader President –
Herminio S. Esguerra
- Top 15 Phenomenal Rotary Club
- Top 6 Phenomenal Rotary Club
- Most Outstanding District Executive Committee -
PLP Herminio S. Esguerra
- Most Outstanding District Executive Committee -
SDG Albert S. Alday
- Most Outstanding District Executive Committee -
SDG Aries Balanay

- Phenomenal Governor's Distinguished Award in TRF PolioPlus Giving - Top 1 with \$27,158.23 contribution
- Phenomenal Governor's Distinguished Award in TRF Contribution Per Capita - Top 10 with per capita of \$346.43
- Phenomenal Governor's Distinguished Award in TRF Giving Average - Top 5 with \$872.54
- Phenomenal Governor's Distinguished Award in TRF Contribution Absolute - Top 1 with a total giving of \$392,831.13
- Phenomenal Governor's Distinguished Award in 16-Point of Governor's Challenge
- Phenomenal Club in Supporting Environment (Pasig River Rehabilitation)
- Phenomenal Club in Club Administration
- Phenomenal Club in Public Image
- Phenomenal Club in Club Bulletin
- Phenomenal Club in Rotary Mural
- Phenomenal Club in Vocational Service
- Phenomenal Club in International Service
- Phenomenal Governor's Distinguished Award for International Entourage - PLP Herminio S. Esguerra
- Phenomenal Governor's Distinguished Award for International Entourage - SDG Albert S. Alday
- Phenomenal Governor's Distinguished Award for International Entourage - SDG Aries Balanay
- Phenomenal Governor's Distinguished Award for Mindoro Governor's Visit Entourage - PLP Herminio S. Esguerra
- Phenomenal Governor's Distinguished Award for District Executive Committee PLP Herminio S. Esguerra as Senior Deputy Governor for Fundraising
- Phenomenal Governor's Distinguished Award for District Executive Committee Albert S. Alday as Senior Deputy Governor DG PRM Representative / Special Assistant to DG
- Phenomenal Governor's Distinguished Award for District Executive Committee Aries Balanay as Senior Deputy Governor for Digital & Social Media

Platforms

- Phenomenal Governor's Distinguished Award for District Officer - VP Reginald Yu, Chairman, District Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) Chair
- Phenomenal Governor's Distinguished Award for District Officer - Rtn. Rami Chahwan, District Publication Finance Manager & Team Leader
- Phenomenal Governor's Distinguished Award for Chartering New Club for RY 2022-2023 for sponsoring RC Abra de Ilog Central
- Phenomenal Governor's Distinguished Award for Chartering New Club for RY 2022-2023 for sponsoring RC Manila Phenomenal Dentists
- Phenomenal Global Grant Approved - GG2344386 Rotary Vision Care
- Phenomenal Global Grant Approved - GG2348049 Manila Cleft Surgery Mission 2023

CLUB AWARDS

CLUB ADMINISTRATION

- Achieved Governor's Challenge Plus
- Achieved Rotary Citation Plus
- District Event Hosting
- Effective Club Communication: Print and Non-Print
- Attended The Midyear Review

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE ACTIVITIES AND SUPPORT

- Established Local and International Sisterhood Agreements
- Partners In Service Agreements
- New Generation Conference
- Sponsored Eight RYLA Participants

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

- Absolute Giving of \$392,831.13
- Achieved \$100 Per Capita
- New Paul Harris Fellows
- New Polio Plus Society Members
- EREY Club
- New Global Grant
- District Grant

AREAS OF FOCUS PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES

- Peace And Conflict Resolution and Prevention
- Nominated For Peace and Conflict Award
- Disease Prevention and Resolution
- Water Sanitation and Hygiene
- Maternal and Child Health
- Basic Education and Literacy
- Economic And Community Development
- Supporting The Environment
- Nominated For Supporting the Environment Award

VOCATIONAL SERVICE ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMS

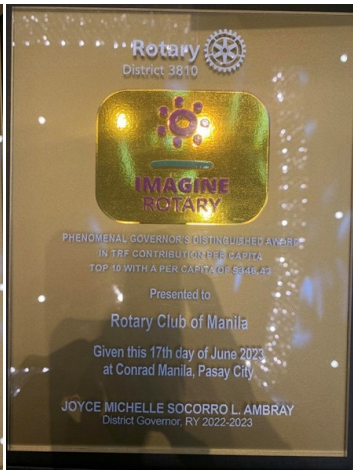
- 4 Way Test Marker Installation
- Nominated For 4 Way Test Marker Award
- Vocational Service Training/Project
- Promotion Of High Ethical Standards Project And Activity

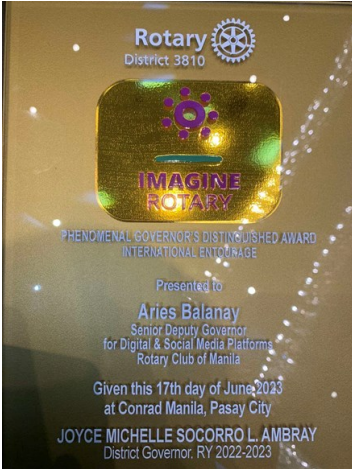
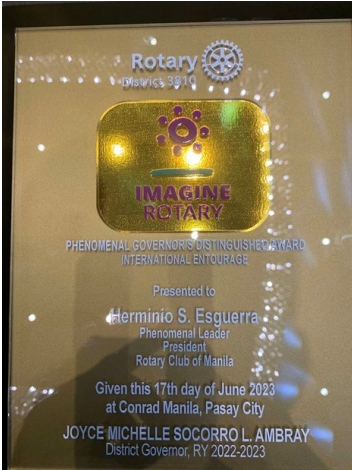
- **PUBLIC IMAGE PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES**

- Implemented An Image Enhancement Program
- Utilized Social Media Engagement
- Contributed Articles to The Governor's Digest and/or PRM











On this momentous occasion, I would like to extend my deepest gratitude to each one of you for your steadfast support, dedication, time, and resources during this remarkable Rotary year.

Receiving over 50 prestigious awards, including the esteemed title of "Most Outstanding Club - Overall" is a testament to the collective efforts and commitment of our exceptional members. Your tireless service and unwavering passion have elevated the Rotary Club of Manila to unprecedented heights. Together, we have exemplified the true spirit of Rotary, embodying the values of service, integrity, and fellowship.

Let us continue to inspire and transform lives, bring hope, joy, and positive change to those in need.

Yours in Rotary service,
Pres. Hermie Esguerra

EDITOR'S NOTE

*Raoul C. Creencia
Editor-in-Chief, balita*



FINIS CORONAT OPUS. The end crowns the work; the goal gives value to the labor that produced it. With collective and indefatigable hearts as volunteers, Manila Rotarians led by President Hermie Esguerra have certainly done well in this eventful Imagine Rotary year.

Asia's first Rotary Club has truly outdone itself. With its sterling and awe-inspiring performance, and with its various successfully completed and impactful projects, the Rotary Club of Manila earned the gratefulness and recognition of the District and of Rotary International. In a bold fashion, our beloved Club deservedly took home almost all the major awards that District 3810 handed out during the momentous June 17 year-end gathering at Conrad Hotel.

Cementing its premiere position not just in the District but in the Philippines, the Rotary Club of Manila hauled more than 20 awards, among them the Most Outstanding Phenomenal Rotary Club and the Over All Most Outstanding President. Other notable awards and recognitions garnered by the Club are: Rotary International Award – Avenues of Service; Top 15 Phenomenal Club and President; Governors Honor Roll Platinum; Phenomenal Governors Distinguished Award – Hall of Fame; Phenomenal Governors Distinguished Award – Top 1 in TRF Contribution; Phenomenal Governors Distinguished Award – Top 1 in TRF Polio Giving Plus; Phenomenal Governors Distinguished Award – Top 5 in TRF Giving Average; Phenomenal Governors Distinguished Award – Top 10 in TRF Contributions Per Capita; Phenomenal Governors Distinguished Award – Global Grant Approved; Phenomenal Governors Distinguished Award in 16 Points Governor's Challenge; Phenomenal Governors Distinguished Award International Entourage; Phenomenal Governors Distinguished

Award – District Executive Committee;
Phenomenal Club in International Service; and
Phenomenal Club in Supporting Environment.

These awards certainly and fittingly cap a year of dedicated and no-let-up efforts to successfully mount and complete one project after another. In an unrelenting mode and with their unique spirit of service, Manila Rotarians under Pres. Hermie have once again shown that through well-thought, properly planned, and meaningful projects, the object of Rotary – giving service to the community – can be delivered in an outstanding manner.

For these achievements, the Club leadership deserves to be applauded and commended. This exceptional feat must inspire everyone to maintain, if not surpass, this level of admirable achievement in the coming years. And as all human endeavors are products of cooperative efforts, congratulations also go to all Manila Rotarians who have selflessly contributed to make this Imagine Rotary year a truly successful one.

43RD WEEKLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING: A RECAP

PRE-MEETING FELLOWSHIP



Pres. Hermie Esguerra with his guests from RID 7570 USA. From L to R: **PDG Bill Biddle**, **PP Joanne Biddle**, **PP Sandie Jones**, and **PDG Ken Shull**.



Visiting Rotarians from R.I. District 7570 USA came to visit RI District 3810 to continue the Joint Mobility Project between the two districts. The wheelchairs benefited the Cavite and Mindoro areas of RID 3810. The delegation of RI District 75770 attended the Journalism Awards ceremony held last June 15, 2023 at the New World Makati Hotel. (From L to R: **IPP Chito Zaldariaga**, **PD Alvin Lacambacal**, **PP Sandie Jones**, **PP Joanne Biddle**, **PDG Ken Shull**, **Rtn. Romy Nones**, **PDG Bill Biddle**, **RID District Executive Sec. Mark Tan**, and **Past Asst. Sec. Henry Go**).



THE PROGRAM STARTED AT AROUND 12:15PM.



Board Legal Adviser Raoul Creencia Invited the members and guests to be seated and invited **Pres. Hermie Esguerra** to the podium to call the meeting to order.



Pres. Hermie Esguerra called the weekly membership meeting to order.



PD Abe Pascual led the invocation.





BLA Raoul Creencia invited the members to take a position of respect in preparation for the community singing of the Philippine National Anthem.



RCM World-Famous Chorale led the membership and guests in the signing of the Philippine National Anthem, Lupang Hinirang.



Rtn. CALOY SERAPIO exhorted the membership and visiting Rotarians to recommit themselves to Rotary's way by reciting the Rotary Pledge and the 4-Way Test.



IPP Chito Zaldarriaga introduced the guests and visiting Rotarians.



During his President's Time, **Pres. Hermie Esguerra** delivered his welcome message.

Journalism Awards 2023
Chairman **PD Amading Valdez** explained the inspiration and raison d'être for the giving out of the awards to the carefully chosen recipients.



THE 2023 PRO PATRIA JOURNALISM AWARDS



Pres. Hermie Esguerra, Journalism Awards 2023 Chairman Amading Valdez, together with Ms Julie Yap-Daza, presented to Mr. Deo Macalma the Journalism Awards 2023 Trophy and a citation for EXECUTIVE SESSION as the 2023 RCM Pro Patria Journalism Talk Show of the Year. Representing Mr. Jun Nicdao, Chairman / President, Manila Broadcasting Corporation Mr Macalma delivered a brief message



Pres. Hermie Esguerra, Journalism Awards 2023 Chairman Amading Valdez, together with Ms Julie Yap-Daza, presented to the Panelist of Executive Session, Mr. Jonathan dela Cruz, the Journalism Awards Trophy and Citation, which was followed by the latter delivering a brief message.



Pres. Hermie Esguerra, Journalism Awards 2023 Chairman Amading Valdez, together with Ms Julie Yap-Daza, presented to the Panelist of Executive Session, Mr. Paulo Capino the Journalism Awards Trophy and Citation, which was followed by the delivery of a brief message.



Pres. Hermie Esguerra, Journalism Awards 2023 Chairman Amading Valdez, together with Ms Julie Yap-Daza, presented to the Panelist of Executive Session, Mr. Ed Javier the Journalism Awards Trophy and Citation. The latter thereafter delivered his message of gratitude.



Pres. Hermie Esguerra, Journalism Awards 2023 Chairman Amading Valdez, together with Ms Julie Yap-Daza, presented to the Panelist of the Executive Session, Department of Justice (DOJ) Usec. Brigido Dulay the Journalism Awards Trophy and Citation for himself and for DOJ Secretary Crispin Remulla, which was followed by the delivery of a brief message .



Pres. Hermie Esguerra, Journalism Awards 2023 Chairman Amading Valdez, together with Ms Julie Yap-Daza, presented to the Panelist of the Executive Session, Hon. Senator JV Ejercito, the Journalism Awards Trophy and Citation. The good Senator thereafter delivered an animated message of gratitude to the Rotary Club of Manila.



Pres. Hermie Esguerra and Journalism Awards 2023 **Chairman Amading Valdez** presented the Journalism Awards Trophy and citation to **Mr. Oliver Victor B. Amoroso**, Senior Vice President and Head, GMA Integrated News the Journalism Awards Trophy and citation, as The 2023 RCM Pro Patria Journalism Awards of the Year for TV NEWS REPORTING. After receiving the award, Mr. Amoroso delivered a brief message.



Pres. Hermie Esguerra and Journalism Awards 2023 **Chairman Amading Valdez** presented the 2023 RCM Pro Patria Journalism Awards for NEWSPAPER OF THE YEAR to Daily Tribune, represented by its President, Mr. Willie Fernandez. The latter's message was personal and heartfelt, as he also summarized the expression of gratitude from all the awardees.



Closing remarks and adjournment by Pres. Hermie Esguerra.



The **JOURNALISM AWARDS 2023** recipients with Pres. Hermie Esguerra and Program Committee / Journalism Awards **Chairman Amading Valdez**.



After the awarding ceremony, **Rtn. Emman dela Cruz**, **Rtn. Rami Chahwan**, **PD Oscar del Rosario**, **DGN Jackie Rodriguez**, and **BLA Raoul Creencia** with awardee -- **Mr. Jonathan dela Cruz**, Father of Rtn. Emman dela Cruz.





JAYCEES in fellowship with awardee, Senator JV Ejercito



Pres. Hermie Esguerra with the Daily Tribune delegation headed by its President Willie Fernandez.

CLUB ADMINISTRATION

ATTENDANCE SUMMARY RCM MEMBERS' ATTENDANCE REPORT RY 2022-2023

JUNE 2023	JUNE 1, 2023 CLASSIFICATION TALK BY STAR RTNS OLIVIER BILTZ; DANIEL OBRADO RCMANILA Foundation Update	JUNE 8, 2023 Mr. RICHARD J. GORDON Chairman Philippine Red Cross	JUNE 15, 2023 JOURNALISM AWARDS 2023
All Members	54	33	38
All Members in	0	0	0
Make Up	7	7	33
Less: Exempt	7	1	3
On Leave	0	0	0
	247	247	247
TOTAL	22.31%	16.12%	28%
ROTARACTORS	0	5	0
MEDIA	0	0	18
EMBASSIES / DIPLOMATIC CORPS	0	0	0
DG, DGE, DGN,	0	0	0
GOHS / GS	0	1	0
Visiting Rotarians	0	0	8
Guests of RCM MEMBERS	0	0	11
Others	2	7	0
TOTAL ATTENDEES	54	46	75



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CLUB ADMINISTRATION

LIST OF MEMBERS WHO HAVE PAID THEIR ANNUAL DUES FOR RY 2022-2023

As of June 21, 2023, 10:00 AM

NO.	MEMBER	NO.	MEMBER
1	Aboy, Valentino "Val" G.	51	Co, Ferdinand "Ferdie" C.
2	Abriam, Ariel	52	Coyiuto, Robert, Jr. "Jun" G.
3	Acosta, Crispiniano "Cris" G.	53	Creencia, Raoul
4	Agnes, Jerry A.	54	Cruz, Avelino "Ave" V.
5	Albaña, Michael Jaey "Mike"	55	Cureg, Alexander "Alex" P.
6	Alberto, Raymund Arnold S.	56	Cutter, John Michael "Michael"
7	Alcantara, Isidro "Butch"	57	David, Virgilio "Vee"
8	Alday, Albert S.	58	Davis, Raymond "Rey" N.
9	Alingog, Aldous "Rex" A.	59	Dayang, Juan, Jr. "Jed" E.
10	Alunan, Rafael "Raffy" M.	60	De Castro, Johnny
11	Alvarez, Servando, Jr.	61	De Venecia, Jose "Joe" C.
12	Ampil, Alvin	62	Dee, Marcus L.
13	Andal, Avelino "Billy"	63	Del Rosario, Oscar
14	Ang, Richard T.	64	Del Valle, Randolph "Randy"
15	Angara, Marius	65	Dela Cruz, Artemio "Art"
16	Andres, Aerold L.	66	Dela Cruz, Emmanuel
17	Aragon, Joshua	67	Diokno, Benjamin "Ben" E.
18	Arguelles, Pablo	68	Dionisio, Rafael Ignacio "Raf"
19	Aventura, Avenilo "Nilo" P.	69	Domingo, Rico V.
20	Aventura, Avenilo, Jr. "Jun" L.	70	Dominguez, Ill, Carlos "Sonny" G.
21	Balanay, Aries	71	Dy, Manuel "Manny" C.
22	Bartolome, Arsenio III "Archit" M.	72	Echavez, Antonio
23	Batur, Sinan	73	Egan, Brendan "Bren" W.L.
24	Bediones, Rodolfo "Rudy" P.	74	Eldebs, Issam "Sam"
25	Bella, Geronimo, Jr. "Jun" Dela Paz	75	Engelbrecht, Francois
26	Benedicto, Bernardo, III "Dong-Dong" T.	76	Enriquez, Eduardo III "Jujut" V.
27	Benedicto, Sixto "Noy" T.	77	Esguerra, Herminio "Hermie" S.
28	Bertelsen, Bertel Ingmar	78	Esquivias, Joaquin Pablo "Jop" A.
29	Bhalla, Pardeep "Bobby"	79	Eugenio, John Emyl "Emyl" G.
30	Blanco, Manuel "Manny" M.	80	Evaristo, Frank A.
31	Biltz, Oliver	81	Everingham, Richard Jack
32	Bogovich, Jason M.	82	Fajardo, Beda G.
33	Bolton, Wilhelm "Bollie"	83	Fernandez, Antonio Jaime Jose V. "JJ"
34	Branellec, Jacques "Jack"	84	Follosco, Ceferino, Jr. "Jun" G.
35	Buendia, Carlos "Caloy" C.	85	Garcia, Herbert Joey "Joey" D.
36	Caasi, Urbano, Jr. "Banit" S.	86	Garcia, Paul Joseph "PJ"
37	Cabangon, Edgard	87	Garcia, Theodore
38	Cabuñag, Rogelio "Roger" R.	88	Garcia, Victor
39	Canon, Raul	89	Gaspar, Fernando "Nando" L.
40	Camat, Nathaniel	90	Gierran, Dante "Dan"
41	Campos, Joselito, Jr. "Butch" D.	91	Go, Daniel "Danny" C.
42	Camus, Fernando "Nando"	92	Go, Henry Sy
43	Carlos, Vicente "Vince" J.	93	Go, Michael
44	Carranceja, Arvin Arik	94	Gonzales, Michael Raymond
45	Castro, Karlo Eugene Josef "Karlo"	95	Guarin, Michael Arcatomy "Mike" H.
46	Catalan, Rodillo "Teng"	96	Guevara, Domingo, Jr. "Boy" S.
47	Cenica, John T.	97	Guevara, Ricardo "Ricky" S.
48	Chahwan, Rami	98	Hallare, Delfin, Jr. "Jun" T.
49	Chien, Liang-Ta "Steve"	99	Hallare, Nicolo "Nic" S.
50	Chotrani, Johnny N.	100	Hallerbach, Mathias

NO.	MEMBER	NO.	MEMBER
101	Harle, Wolfgang Kurt	156	Obrado, Daniel C.
102	Hernandez, Edwin	157	Ocampo, Teodoro "Teddy" J.
103	Hesse, Uwe	158	Okajima, Hiroyuki
104	Hortaleza, Rolando	159	Ong, Jovee K.
105	Ibuyan, Benedict Julius "Ben"	160	Ong, Phillip "Phil" L.
106	Jang, Jae "Jay-Jay" J.	161	Ozaeta, Miguel Antonio L. "Mike"
107	Joseph, Ralph L.	162	Pagdanganan, Roberto "Obet" M.
108	Joseph, Robert Ian "Robi" M.	163	Palacios, Albert "Hans" C.
109	Jucaban, Jeric J.	164	Pallasigue, John Brian "JB"
110	Juico, Francis E.	165	Pañares, Ben Thomas "Toby" P.
111	Kalaw, Teodoro Alejandro IV "Teddy" A. Y.	166	Pascual, Abraham "Abe" F.
112	Klebs, David	167	Pascual, Jose Augusto "Jappy"
113	Koh, Paul Anthony	168	Patterson, Colin David
114	Kunack, Lutz	169	Payumo, Felicito "Tong" C.
115	Lacambacal, Alvin D.	170	Peliño, Wilfredo "Willie" M.
116	Lacson, Sebastian "Basty"	171	Pineda, Jr., Jesus "Susing" M.
117	La'o, Emilio Gonzalez	172	Pineda, Jr., Patricio "Bebot" F.
118	Laurel, Ricardo "Ricky" P.	173	Pizarras, Jordan M.
119	Laya, Jaime "Jimmy" C.	174	Preysler, Fausto, Jr. R.
120	Lazaro, Juan Miguel "Miguel"	175	Pujalte, Jose, Jr. "Brix" S.
121	Ledda, Jaime Victor "Jet" B.	176	Quisumbing, Ramon "Mon" J.
122	Lee, Richard "Dick" L.	177	Ramos, Claver P.
123	Li, Richard Joseph Chang	178	Rast, Tobias "Tobi"
124	Liamzon, Romeo Thaddeus "Thad" R.	179	Recto, Philip H.
125	Lim, David Eduardo Ty	180	Reyes, Crispino "Babes" P.
126	Lim, Richard	181	Reyes, Edgardo "Ed" P.
127	Locsin, Arsenio "Nick" Z.	182	Reynolds, David John "Dave"
128	Locsin, Roberto R.	183	Rodriguez, Gerard Sean "Sean" H.
129	Lonzaga, Reinerio "Ner" C.	184	Rodriguez, Joaquin "Jack" H.
130	Lopa, Antonio "Tony" A.	185	Rodriguez, Joaquin "Jackie" C.
131	Lopez, Antonio "Tony"	186	Romualdez, Ferdinand Martin "Martin" G.
132	Lopez, Arthur "Art" M.	187	Romualdez, Jose Manuel "Babe" G.
133	Macapagal, Michael "Mac"	188	Rono, Marlon
134	Macatoman, Abdulgani "Gani"	189	Roxas, Michael
135	Magbanua, Gerry	190	Sarmiento, Ricardo Manuel "Rocco" M.
136	Magpale, Jose Paolo	191	Sarasola, II, Jose Ma. "Joey" I.
137	Magsaysay, Francisco "Paco" D.	192	Schmitz, Steffan
138	Magsaysay, Jesus Vicente E.	193	Schneider, Bernd
139	Manalaysay, Cesar P "Citos"	194	Schoucair, Farid Alain
140	Mangalile, Senen	195	Serapio, Carlos G. "Caloy"
141	Martinez, Ronald	196	Sevilla, Luis Angelo "L.A." L.
142	Masters, Lance A.	197	Shigei, Kentaro
143	Matschuck, Guenter "Gunter" G.	198	Shimoda, Shigeru
144	Mauricio, Antonilo "Anton"	199	Sibayan, Joselito "Lito" H.
145	Meloto, Antonio "Tony"	200	Sicat, Michael Allan E. "Mike"
146	Mendoza, Estelito "Titong" P.	201	So, Warren
147	Mendoza, Raymund Joseph Ian "Raji" O.	202	Sobrepeña, Robert John "Bob" L.
148	Mommaerts, Steve "Momo"	203	Soler, Jose Antonio Andaya
149	Montel, Juan Manuel C.	204	Souvlakis, Nicolas
150	Montinola, Antonio "Tony" J.	205	Stranathan, Ike
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RCM GOLF CUP 2023

RCM GOLF CUP MONDAY JUNE 19, 2023 AT
THE STA. ELENA GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB



The organizing team of the highly successful RCM GOLF CUP in a souvenir shot. From L to R: **Rtn. Noel Tanglao**, **Rtn. Micray Gonzalez**, **RCM Golf Cup Chair / Asst. Treas. Willie Peliño**, **Ms. Ting Yupangco** (event organizer), **RCMFI Pres. and Chairman of Ways & Means Committee, PT Lito Sibayan**, and **Asst. Secretary Anton Mauricio**.





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, light breakfast, lunch & raffle

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Invocation was led by
Past Pres. Boy Guevara.

CEREMONIAL TEE-OFF



Rotary Club of Manila Pres. Hermie Esguerra



RCManila Foundation, Inc. Chairman / PD Pepo Nuñez



RCManila Foundation, Inc. President and Chairman of Ways & Means Committee, PT Lito Sibayan.



RCM GOLF CUP Chairman / Asst. Treas. Willie Peliño.



141 players competed in the event, including 35 Manila Rotarians.

THE AWARDING PROGRAM

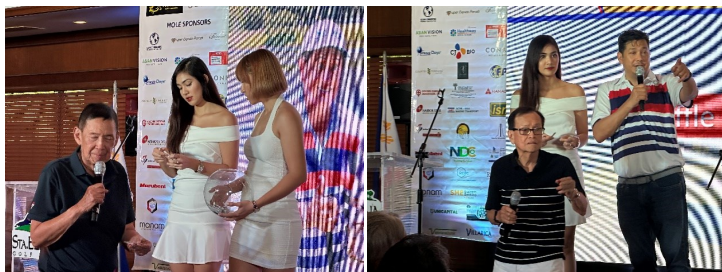


Awarding Program Moderator RCMFI Asst. Sec. Anton Mauricio invited Board Legal Adviser Raoul Creencia to lead the members and guests in prayer.



During the awarding ceremonies, RCMFI Asst. Sec. Anton Mauricio and Trustee Jujut Enriquez acted as co-emcees.

RAFFLE WINNERS were drawn by: PP Boy Guevara, Centennial Pres. Susing Pineda, PDG Alex Cureg, Rtn. Rami Chahwan, and Rtn Nico Valencia.



LUNCH FELLOWSHIP



A POSE WITH THE LUCKY WINNERS



LADIES' DIVISION WINNERS



MEN'S DIVISION WINNERS

MAJOR PRIZE WINNERS



Grand prize winner of Php 100,000 cash, Ms. Cheska Cruz, with Pres. Hermie Esguerra, RCMFI Asst. Sec. Anton Mauricio and RCMFI Trustee Jujut Enriquez. Also on stage were the lady guests who assisted in the raffle draw, courtesy of Rtn. Teddy Tee.

BusinessMirror

ROTARY CLUB OF MANILA'S CLEFT SURGERY MISSION 2023

BusinessMirror
June 20, 2023

Rotary International Global Grant (GG2348049) is providing 60 or more cleft lip/palate surgeries for children while working with the Sta. Ana Hospital and Operation Smile Philippines in Manila, Philippines.

Rotary Club of Manila's Cleft Surgery Mission 2023 aims to provide 60 or more cleft lip/palate surgeries for children.

Cleft lip and palate deformities are a common birth defect in the Philippines, with an estimated incidence of one in every 500 births. These conditions can affect the appearance, speech, hearing, and feeding ability of affected individuals, and can significantly impact their quality of life.

This project aims to provide life changing cleft lip/palate surgery in Manila for 60 young people.

Rotary Club of Manila, together with Operation Smile, an international medical organization that provides surgical interventions for children with cleft lip and palate deformities.

The organization partners with local hospitals and health-care professionals to provide comprehensive care, including pre and post operative evaluations, surgery, and follow-up care.

These projects not only address the physical and functional aspects of cleft lip and palate deformities, but also the social and emotional impacts of these conditions on affected individuals and their families. They also contribute to the overall improvement of maternal and child health in the Philippines by providing access to high-quality medical care and support services for affected individuals.

Leading the initiative are the Global Grant Team of the Rotary Club of Manila under President Herminio S. Esguerra; Global Grant Chairman Aries B. Balanay; and Project Chairman Joel Valdes. The cooperating entities are Operation Smile Philippines, Rotary International District 3810, Rotary International District 5150, Rotary Club of Manila, Rotary Club of San Bruno, Rotary Club of Sangju-Central, Huaqiao Foundation Limited, Rotary District 5150, Charitable Fund 504, and the Sta. Ana Hospital, the venue for the Cleft Mission Project of Rotary Club of Manila on Friday, June 23, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

<https://businessmirror.com.ph/2023/06/20/rotary-club-of-manilas-cleft-surgery-mission-2023/>

Daily Tribune

PHILIPPINE JOURNALISM'S RAISON' D'ETRE

By Pauline L. Songco
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PHOTOGRAPHS BY SONNY ESPIRITU FOR THE DAILY TRIBUNE RCM President Hermie Esquerro (left) told Daily Tribune president and publisher Willie Fernandez that recognition of Daily Tribune as Newspaper of the Year was because of its 'fearless exposure of anomalies and irregularities' without fear and without favor.



The Rotary Club's welcome song opened the program.

The Rotary Club of Manila's Journalism Awards has a long history, almost half of the 104 years of the organization's existence.

The project started in 1966 and later was adopted as RCM's approach to observing National Press Week. However, RCM stopped giving out the awards in 1972. It was relaunched in 1946.

Three years ago, under the late President Bobby Joseph with Dean Amado Valdez as committee chairman, the RCM Journalism Awards was renamed Pro Patria Journalism Awards, intended to be RCM's way of celebrating Philippine Independence Day.

"[RCJ Journalism Awards] was conceived when we realized that the club did not have an event to celebrate the country's Independence Day. The truth is that members of the club had been honoring or attending commemorations of other country's Independence Days like the 4th of July, Chinese Independence Day, Republic of Taiwan's Independence Day even Germany's Oktoberfest. But none was dedicated to the Philippine Independence Day," Valdez said.

Pro Patria was followed in 2022 under President Chito Zalzarriaga and this year under President Hermie Esguerra. Bobby Joseph passed in 2022 at the age of 79 after battling cancer and surviving Covid-19.

"This year's edition highlights journalism as a tool for development, one that emphasizes the positive aspect of national life so people will be proud of his/her country, a feeling that encourages them to contribute to their well-being, the sum of which energizes the country a millionfold. Constructive criticism is encouraged but must be based on the informed judgment that builds national self-esteem, trust in the system to expel or reject leaders in the public and public sector," Valdez told Daily Tribune.

Pro Patria Journalism Awards has recognized Daily Tribune as newspaper of the year with Manila Broadcasting Company's DZRH as Talk Show of the Year and GMA-7's Integrated News as the TV News Reporting Award. The ceremonies were held on 15 June at the New World Hotel.

"Each year's criteria capture the spirit of the time or the year, in particular, the zeitgeist that directs the nation's will and consciousness to progress and the will to be part of nation-building," he said.

Valdez considers this year's edition a success, not ostentatious yet with solemnity.



'Icons' in the same room. At the 2023 Pro Patria Journalism Awards by the Rotary Club of Manila, distinguished members of the 'first Rotary Club in Asia' (front row) immortalized the special day with the year's awardees from tri-media, standing on stage with RCM president Hermie Esguerra (second from left, back row) and Journalism Awards Committee Chairman Dean Amado Valdez (rightmost).

"It was hard to pick a winner because there are so many talented journalists. We tried to see who's relevant in journalism in the past year, the ones who created the most positive news reporting because we wanted people to look at the country's potential during our 125th celebration of Independence. It's not about the people but the philosophy of delivering the news," he said.

Such characteristics he found in Daily Tribune and the other conferees.

"Daily Tribune has been consistent. There is the sense of collective effort on the part of the paper to report the news as they see it, emphasizing the positive side as well," he said.

This year's Pro Patria Journalism Awards, he adds, highlights integrated news reporting, where the idea of a newspaper is not beholden to vested interests, and therefore fearless and impartial — the *raison d'être* of Philippine journalism.

Valdez added that the recognition should serve merely as a tool for everyone to have "a clear vision of progress, peace, stability and economic comfort."



Tri-media winners, RCM's Esguerra and Valdez flank the year's Journalism awardees – (from left) Daily Tribune's Willie Fernandez, GMA Integrated News, Regional TV and Synergy head and GMA Network senior vice president Oliver Amoroso, and DZRH Station Manager Deo Macalima.



Goodwill and inspiring talk reigned at the awards event.

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Philippine Ambassador Jaime Victor B. Ledda and Mrs. Gina M. Ledda pose with **His Royal Highness Grand Duke Henri of Luxembourg** after Ambassador Ledda presented his Letters of Credential in a ceremony held at the Grand Ducal Palace of Luxembourg on 07 June 2023 (photo credit: ©2023 Maison du Grand-Duc. All rights reserved).

PH AMBASSADOR PRESENTS CREDENTIALS TO THE GRAND DUKE OF THE GRAND DUCHY OF LUXEMBOURG

LUXEMBOURG, 13 June 2023 - Non-resident Philippine Ambassador to the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg Jaime Victor B. Ledda presented his Letters of Credential to His Royal Highness Grand Duke Henri of Luxembourg in a ceremony held at the Grand Ducal Palace on 07 June 2023. Ambassador Ledda was accompanied by his spouse, Mrs. Gina M. Ledda, Minister and Consul Susana Maria L. Mendiola, First Secretary and Consul Charles Andrei P. Macaspac, and Third Secretary and Vice Consul Ma. Filonila T. Alcaraz-Arguelles.

During his audience with the Grand Duke, Ambassador Ledda thanked Luxembourg for being one of the first states to recognize the Philippines after

the country gained its independence in 1946, and that the Philippines looks forward to increased collaboration with the Grand Duchy in preparation for the 80th anniversary of diplomatic relations in 2026. Ambassador Ledda also thanked the Grand Duke for Luxembourg's recent support for Philippine candidatures to the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) Council for the term 2023-2026 and to the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf (CLCS) for the term 2023-2028.

The Grand Duke fondly recalled his visit to the Philippines in the 1990s for a princely economic mission as the Crown Prince then. The Grand Duke and Ambassador Ledda discussed political and economic developments in the Philippines and the region. The Grand Duke expressed interest in the resumption of CargoLux operations in the Philippines.

Ambassador Ledda took the opportunity to thank Luxembourg for hosting about 1,000 Filipinos, many of whom are professionals in the financial sector. The Grand Duke shared that Luxembourg appreciates the Filipinos' presence and assimilation to society.

Both Grand Duke Henri and Ambassador Ledda reaffirmed to continue working to maintain the strong bilateral relations between the two countries.

Source: <https://dfa.gov.ph/dfa-news/news-from-our-foreign-service-posts/update/32637-ph-ambassador-presents-credentials-to-the-grand-duke-of-the-grand-duchy-of-luxembourg>

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In celebration of JCI Philippines' 75th Anniversary, 75 JCI Philippine members, former and current, or the so called "Pillars of the National Organization" were conferred the prestigious Sanghiran Award.

The Gawad Sanghiran Awards is a legacy program in search of the 75 pillars of JCI Philippines who have

sustained the advancement of JCI core values, mission and vision through their outstanding accomplishments based on (1) positive impact and results, (2) innovation, (3) sustainability, (4) efficiency of program/service, and (5) nation-building.

The Gawad Sanghiran Awards were composed of three Categories: (1) Gawad Sandiwa, (2) Gawad Sanlahi, and (3) Gawad Sambayan.

The Awarding Ceremonies were held last June 3, 2023 at the Samsung Performing Arts Theatre in Makati City, Metro Manila, led by 2023 JCI Philippines National President Kerby Javier Salazar together with JCI Philippines 75th Anniversary National Organizing Chair Jude Avorque Acidre.

JCI Makati congratulates our awardees in the Gawad Sanghiran and Gawad Sambayan for their valuable contribution to the organization and to the business community.

JCI Sen. ALBERT S. ALDAY
Gawad SANGHIRAN Awardee

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- 2013 Director for Business
- JCI Makati
- 2020 Merit Awardee for Most Outstanding JCI Senator, Metro Area, Golden Titan Awards
- 2020 Most Outstanding JCI Senator, National Awards (Temiong Awards)
- 2019 Metro Manila Jaycee Senate President
- 2019 National Chairman, The JCI Senator Newsletter
- 2019 Most Outstanding JCI Senator in the field of Education, Golden Awards
- 2020 National Executive Director
- 2020 Outstanding JCI Senator Awardee in the field of Journalism, Golden Awards
- 2021 National Director
- 2021 Most Outstanding JCI Senator in the Philippines Awardee, Golden Awards
- 2022 National Secretary-General
- 2022 National Chairman, The JCI Senator Newsletter
- 2022 Most Outstanding JCI Senator in the Philippines Awardee in the field of Literature, Golden Awards
- 2023 National Secretary-General
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Gawad SAMBAAYAN Awardee

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