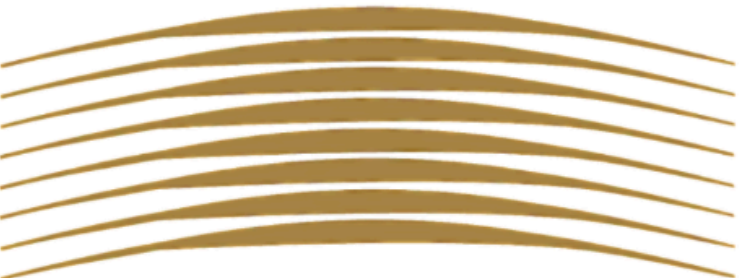


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PROGRAM

28th Weekly Membership Meeting
Rotary Year 2024-2025
Thursday, 3 April 2025, 12:30 PM
Manila Polo Club

Moderator: **PAT KARLO EUGENE JOSEF "Karlo" M. CASTRO**

PART I

12:00 PM Registration
12:30 PM Call to Order | **PRES. JUJUT ENRIQUEZ**
Invocation | **PD John Cenica**
Philippine National Anthem | **AVP of RCM Members**
Manila Rotary Hymn | **RCM WF Music Chorale**
The Four (4) Way Test | **STAR RTN. INGILL RA**
Acknowledgment of Guests
PAT KARLO EUGENE JOSEF "Karlo" M. CASTRO
Welcome Song | **RCM WF MUSIC CHORALE**

Birthday Celebrants

Mar. 28 Rtn. Wolfgang Harle
Rtn. Marlon Roño
Rtn. Yasushi Iwata
Mar. 29 DE Hans Palacios
Rtn. Vee David
Mar. 31 Rtn. Ramby Nolido
Apr. 1 Rtn. Dick Lee

Maligayang Bati / Happy Birthday Song | **RCM WF Chorale**

PART II

12:50 PM President's Time | **PRES. JUJUT ENRIQUEZ**
Induction of a new member
Introduction of a new member | **PVP REGINALD "Reggie" T. YU**
Robert S. Chan, Jr.
Chief Information Officer / Chief Finance Officer
Atlanta Industries Inc. / Atlanta Land Corp.
Classification: Banking – Real Estate Developing – Residential Subd.
Proposer: PVP Reginald "Reggie" T. Yu

PART III

12:55 PM Introduction of the Guest of Honor and Speaker
DE WARREN S. SO

Guest of Honor and Speaker

CAPT. STANLEY KUA NG
President and COO, Philippine Airlines

Address:

"Innovation in Aviation: Navigating the Future of Air Travel"

1:30 PM Open Forum / Q.A.
1:50 PM Presentation of Certificate of Appreciation | **PRES. JUJUT ENRIQUEZ**
2:00 PM Adjournment | **PRES. JUJUT ENRIQUEZ**

EDITORIAL

Reginald T. Yu
Editor-in-Chief



IN an era defined by rapid technological advancement and shifting global realities, the aviation industry stands at a pivotal crossroads. With the rise of sustainable technologies, digital transformation, and evolving passenger demands, the future of air travel is being reshaped at an unprecedented pace. For the Philippines, a nation deeply reliant on aviation for tourism, trade, and connectivity, embracing innovation is not merely an option—it is an imperative.

The aviation industry has always been a symbol of human ingenuity, bridging distances and cultures with remarkable efficiency. However, the challenges it faces today are unlike any in its history. From the lingering aftereffects of the pandemic to mounting environmental pressures, the call for bold and transformative solutions has never been louder.

At the forefront of this evolution is **sustainable aviation**. The global industry is shifting toward greener skies, with airlines investing heavily in **sustainable aviation fuel (SAF)**, fuel-efficient aircraft, and carbon offset programs. In the Philippines, where aviation accounts for a significant portion of tourism-generated revenue, the push for eco-conscious practices must accelerate. The integration of **new-generation, fuel-efficient fleets** is a step in the right direction, but the industry must go further. Developing infrastructure for SAF production, collaborating with global sustainability initiatives, and modernizing airports to reduce emissions are essential to meeting the growing demands for eco-friendly travel.

Another game-changer is **digital innovation**. As airlines worldwide embrace artificial intelligence, biometrics, and contactless technology, passenger experiences are being redefined. Seamless check-ins, AI-powered customer service, and data-driven operational efficiency are no longer futuristic concepts—they are today's realities. For the Philippines, upgrading airport systems and integrating smarter, more automated

solutions will not only enhance convenience but also strengthen the country's position as a regional aviation hub.

The future of Philippine aviation also hinges on **infrastructure modernization**. The long-standing congestion at Ninoy Aquino International Airport (NAIA) has been a chronic bottleneck. The long-awaited development of **New Manila International Airport (NMIA)** in Bulacan and the expansion of Clark International Airport offer glimmers of hope. However, infrastructure development must go beyond capacity expansion—it requires **smarter air traffic management systems**, enhanced interconnectivity between regional airports, and investments in logistics technology to boost cargo efficiency.

Moreover, **regional connectivity** is a vital frontier. While major airports receive the bulk of attention, secondary and tertiary airports remain underutilized. Investing in the development and modernization of these smaller hubs can unlock new economic opportunities, particularly in tourism-dependent regions.

Expanding domestic routes and enhancing inter-island connectivity will be essential in driving inclusive economic growth.

Finally, the rise of **aviation resilience and safety innovations** in the face of climate change and geopolitical uncertainties is paramount. From advanced weather prediction technologies to strengthened cybersecurity measures, ensuring passenger safety amid evolving risks is a non-negotiable priority.

As **Captain Stanley Ng, President of Philippine Airlines**, addresses the Rotary Club of Manila at its **28th Weekly Membership Meeting**, the dialogue will undoubtedly highlight the pressing need for the Philippine aviation sector to remain competitive, sustainable, and resilient. Yet, beyond the strategies and industry insights, the message is clear: the future of Philippine aviation lies in its willingness to innovate.

The skies ahead are boundless, but only those prepared to embrace transformation will soar.

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THE FOUR-WAY 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
& BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- IV. to all concerned?

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Philippine Airlines

The Heart of the Filipino

Guest of Honor and Speaker

Capt. Stanley Kua Ng

**President and COO
Philippine Airlines**



CAPT. Stanley Kua Ng is the President and Chief Operating Officer at Philippine Airlines (PAL). As President and COO since January 2022, Capt. Ng is leading the Philippine flag carrier's ongoing transformation journey towards a thriving future as a dynamic competitor in international aviation.

Amid major transition challenges impacting the aviation industry in 2022 and 2023, PAL has progressively rebuilt its global and domestic network, introduced

product and service enhancements, and strengthened teams and digital platforms to elevate the customer experience. During his tenure, the airline was recognized as one of the Philippines' Best Customer Service Brands for 2023 (Inquirer/Statista customer survey); placed 4th among Asia-Pacific airlines in the Cirium On Time Performance Awards for 2022; won the Manila Times Global Excellence Award for 2023; and garnered the Singapore Changi Airport Resilience Award in 2022.

Guest of Honor and Speaker

Captain Ng previously served as PAL's Senior Vice President for Operations from 2019 to early 2022, where he took charge of overseeing the airline's overall operations, including its technical training, engineering and airport teams as well as PAL's internationally-respected pilots and cabin crew. A dynamic and performance-driven executive, he led the implementation of transformation initiatives that successfully improved PAL's on-time performance (OTP) and reliability.

Captain Ng has over 15 years of comprehensive expert knowledge and involvement in the aviation industry. He has held the positions of PAL Chief Pilot for Airbus narrowbody aircraft (A320/A321) from June 2018 to January 2019; and Deputy Chief Pilot for Airbus A320/A321 from April 2018 to May 2018. He served as Chief Instructor Pilot for Airbus A320/A321 from February 2017 to March 2018 as well as Instructor Pilot and Designated Check Airman from April 2016 to January 2017. He performed his duties as Captain for Airbus A320/A321 aircraft from August 2015 to March 2016 and First Officer for Airbus widebody (A330/A340) aircraft from December 2009 to July 2015. He had likewise served as A320 First Officer from January 2008 to November 2009 and as Second Officer for Boeing Division from October 2006 to September 2008. He has been with PAL since 2003, starting his career as airport

ground staff, before formally entering the PAL Aviation School.

Captain Ng completed the Advance Management Program at Harvard Business School. He finished his Type Rating Instructor Course and Airbus Pilot Instructor Course at the Airbus Training Center. He also completed his Ab-Initio Cadet Pilot Training Program at PAL Aviation School. He graduated with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration, Major in Computer Applications at De La Salle-College of Saint Benilde.

Captain Ng was recognized as one of People Asia's Men Who Matter in 2022; a Rising Tigers Man of the Year in 2022; and a Rotary Club Aseana Manila Person of the Year for 2022. He has been a member of the Makati Business Club since 2021 and a SKAL Board Director since April 2023 and was inducted as SKAL President in February 2024. He is presently the co-vice chairman of the infrastructure committee of the Management Association of the Philippines; a member of the boards of Philippine Airlines Inc. and PAL Holdings Inc, MacroAsia Airport Services Corporation, Sabre Philippines and the Philippines-Korea Economic Council (PhilKorEC); and a trustee of the Philippine Eagle Foundation and Tourism Congress of the Philippines.

cover story

BEHIND THE BADGE General Torre's Untold Story of the Duterte Arrest

by PVP Reginald T. Yu



ON Thursday, March 27, 2025, the Rotary Club of Manila (RCM) convened its 27th Weekly Membership Meeting at the prestigious Manila Polo Club, an event that stood as a powerful testament to the club's unwavering commitment to fostering fellowship, honoring service, and delving into pertinent issues shaping the nation. The afternoon was marked by a dynamic

exchange of ideas, highlighted by an extraordinary address from Police Major General Nicolas D. Torre III, Director of the Philippine National Police – Criminal Investigation and Detection Group (PNP-CIDG), whose candid and riveting account of the high-profile arrest of former President Rodrigo Duterte held the audience spellbound.



A Symphony of Tradition and Camaraderie

As the clock struck 12:30 PM, **Vice-President Joel C. Valdes** called the meeting to order, stepping in for RCM President Eduardo "Jujut" Enriquez III, who was still in Miyazaki, Japan. The air was charged with a palpable sense of anticipation, as the gathering of Rotarians—seasoned leaders, esteemed dignitaries, and distinguished guests—came together for an afternoon of reflection, celebration, and discourse.

The proceedings began with an invocation led by **Rotarian Dr. Paul Anthony T. “Paul” Koh**, who offered a prayer for wisdom, strength, and unity—a reminder of the guiding principles that define Rotary service.



Vice-President Joel C. Valdes called the meeting to order, stepping in for President Eduardo "Jujut" Enriquez III, who was still in Miyazaki, Japan.



President-elect Raoul C. Creencia led the invocation.

The Philippine National Anthem followed, presented through a stirring audio-visual presentation, filling the hall with patriotic fervor. The **RCM World Famous Music Chorale**, ever the embodiment of musical excellence, then graced the gathering with the Manila Rotary Hymn, their harmonious voices reverberating through the Manila Polo Club, unifying the room with a shared sense of purpose.

President-elect Raoul C. Creencia moderated the meeting.



To reinforce the club's guiding values, **Rotarian Delfin N. “Del” Lorenzana** led the solemn recitation of The Four-Way Test, reminding all present of the timeless Rotary principles of truth, fairness, goodwill, and mutual benefit.



Rotarian Delfin N. “Del” Lorenzana led the recitation of The Four-Way Test

A Warm Welcome and Celebrations

In a gracious display of fellowship, **President-Elect Raoul C. Creencia** took to the podium to acknowledge the esteemed guests in attendance, welcoming them with characteristic warmth and camaraderie.

The **RCM World Famous Music Chorale** once again took center stage, rendering a heartwarming rendition of the Welcome Song—a melodic embrace extended to guests and fellow Rotarians alike.

In a joyful interlude, the club honored its birthday celebrant, **Rtn. Ramby Nolido**, who was serenaded with a spirited performance of “Maligayang Bati” and “Happy Birthday” by the Chorale, infusing the room with a festive spirit.

President’s Time: Insights and Reflections

During President’s Time, **Vice-President Joel C. Valdes** took the stage, offering updates on the club’s initiatives and sharing key developments in RCM’s ongoing projects. His remarks reflected the club’s steadfast dedication to its philanthropic endeavors and its continuous efforts to drive positive impact in the community.



Vice-President Joel C. Valdes addressed the gathering during the “President’s Time.”

A Riveting Keynote: The Inside Story of a Historic Arrest

The highlight of the afternoon was the guest of honor and speaker, Police Major General Nicolas D. Torre III, Director of the Philippine National Police – Criminal Investigation and Detection Group (PNP-CIDG). He was introduced by none other than District 3810 Governor Joaquin C. “Jackie” Rodriguez, Sr., who gave a glowing preamble, emphasizing General Torre’s exemplary service, integrity, and unwavering dedication to the rule of law.



District Governor Joaquin C. "Jackie" Rodriguez, Sr. introduced the guest of honor and speaker.

With a commanding presence and an air of candor, General Torre immediately captured the room's attention with his opening remarks. With a glint of humor, he gave the audience a playful choice—whether they preferred the “official version” or the “marites version” of the controversial arrest of former President Rodrigo Duterte. Though lighthearted, this jest set the tone for a riveting and unfiltered narrative that followed, offering the Rotarians a rare behind-the-scenes glimpse into one of the most sensational law enforcement operations in recent Philippine history.

General Torre began by outlining the gravity of the situation his team faced. He emphasized that the CIDG was tasked not merely with executing an arrest warrant but with carrying out an unprecedented and politically charged mission that would require flawless coordination, strategic foresight, and unyielding resolve. With disarming frankness, he described the intense pressure and scrutiny his team was

under—from both local and international authorities—as they prepared for what would become a globally watched operation.

He then launched into the astonishing details of the Duterte arrest and extradition, offering a gripping, step-by-step account of the meticulous planning and daring execution behind the operation. Central to his narrative were what he described as the "4Ps of Planning": Prediction, Prevention, Preparation, and Performance. He explained that his team left no detail to chance. Their operational plan was exhaustive—nearly as thick as a ream of bond paper—detailing every address, contingency, and logistical nuance. This level of precision, he emphasized, was critical in ensuring the mission's success without collateral damage or unnecessary confrontation.



Guest of honor and speaker Police Major General Nicolas D. Torre III, Director of the Philippine National Police – Criminal Investigation and Detection Group (PNP-CIDG)

General Torre revealed how the CIDG's initial breakthrough came during the surveillance and eventual raid on Pastor Apollo Quiboloy's compound. While unrelated on the surface, this operation provided a unique opening for the CIDG, as it inadvertently disrupted logistical networks and travel routes that Duterte's team might have used. He described how the providential timing of the Quiboloy raid was instrumental, giving his team a tactical advantage. He even recounted how the rain in Davao—which had been forecasted—held off during the critical window of the operation, an event he described as a moment of divine intervention.



With remarkable detail, he painted a picture of sleepless nights and tireless coordination, sharing how his team anticipated every possible move from Duterte's security entourage. The CIDG meticulously monitored Duterte's inner circle, tracking movements, communications, and even assessing body language to detect potential changes in the former president's travel plans.

One of the most striking moments of his speech came when he revealed how his team ensured that Duterte would land in Manila rather than Davao, where he would have had stronger logistical support and local protection. General Torre explained how they employed psychological tactics and strategic deception, deploying a visible but misleading show of force at Davao Airport. The presence of officers at Davao created the illusion of a full-scale operation, prompting Duterte's security team to divert their flight to Manila—a move the CIDG had anticipated and prepared for.

Once in Manila, the tactical brilliance continued. General Torre vividly described how they orchestrated the arrest at Terminal 2's Bay 116—a location strategically chosen for its proximity to the service buses, ensuring swift and discreet extraction. The general recounted the tense standoff as his team carefully approached Duterte's entourage, using precise coordination to prevent the situation from escalating into violence.

With a seasoned law enforcement officer's wisdom, General Torre highlighted the delicate balance of force and diplomacy. He revealed that the CIDG deliberately placed female officers at the forefront of the arrest team, a strategic decision meant to project calm and reduce the likelihood of aggressive confrontation. This subtle yet effective tactic, he explained, disarmed tension and ensured a more peaceful compliance from Duterte's group.

Throughout his narrative, General Torre conveyed the weight of responsibility his team carried. He spoke of the careful

negotiations that unfolded during the operation, including the CIDG's efforts to accommodate Duterte's requests for medical assistance. He shared how his team arranged for doctors, provided oxygen, and even allowed extra time for Duterte's legal team to confer with him—extending every courtesy while adhering strictly to the rule of law.

As he described the final moments before Duterte's extradition, the room was silent with anticipation. General Torre recounted the final coordination with the Hague-bound flight crew, the logistical precision in managing the transfer, and the meticulous documentation required for the handover to the International Criminal Court. With a blend of pride and solemnity, he expressed how the CIDG's successful execution of the operation demonstrated not only their tactical capabilities but also their commitment to justice, no matter how powerful the individual involved.



To conclude his address, General Torre offered a sobering reflection on the future of law enforcement in the country. He emphasized the need for continued vigilance against corruption, the importance of institutional integrity, and the enduring commitment to protecting the rule of law, regardless of political affiliations or influence.

As he stepped away from the podium, the room erupted in applause. The Rotarians were clearly captivated—not only by the sensational details of the operation but also by the discipline, strategy, and integrity that General Torre and his team displayed. His presentation offered a rare and unvarnished glimpse into the challenges of enforcing justice at the highest levels of power—a powerful reminder that in the pursuit of justice, no one is above the law.

Engaging the Audience: A Lively Open Forum

Following the keynote, the floor was opened for questions. The open forum saw RCM members engaging General Torre with thought-provoking inquiries on the broader implications of the arrest, the role of law enforcement in preserving democratic principles, and the potential repercussions on the nation's political landscape.

General Torre, unflinching in his responses, provided candid insights into the legal, operational, and diplomatic dimensions of the high-profile case. His willingness to field even the most challenging questions underscored his transparency and commitment to the rule of law.



PMGen. Nicolas D. Torre engaged in an interactive conversation with PDG Alex Cureg, PDG Rudy Bediones, Rtn. Mike Ozaeta, PD Amading Valdez, DE Edwin Hernandez, PP Archit Bartolome, Rtr. Grant Seth Hereda (Rotaract Club of Philippine Christian University), PD Tony Lopez, Rtn. Del Lorenzana, and DG Jackie Rodriguez.



A Token of Appreciation

In recognition of his enlightening and fearless presentation, Vice-President Joel C. Valdes presented General Torre with a Certificate of Appreciation, honoring his service, dedication, and invaluable contributions to the nation.



PMGen. Nicolas D. Torre received RCM's Plaque of Appreciation from VP Joel C. Valdes

Closing and Adjournment

As the meeting drew to a close, Vice-President Joel C. Valdes offered his closing remarks, expressing gratitude to General Torre, District Governor Jackie Rodriguez, and all in attendance. He commended the club's unwavering spirit of fellowship and its dedication to promoting meaningful dialogue and action.

With a final flourish, Vice-President Valdes formally adjourned the meeting, marking the end of an extraordinary afternoon—one defined by compelling revelations, insightful exchanges, and the enduring bonds of Rotary camaraderie.

A Meeting to Remember

The 27th Weekly Membership Meeting of the Rotary Club of Manila was more than just a routine gathering—it was a convergence of civic engagement, shared purpose, and profound insight. As the Rotarians departed the Manila Polo Club that afternoon, they carried with them not only the memories of a remarkable keynote but also a renewed sense of commitment to service, truth, and justice—the very values that define the Rotary spirit.



by PBLA Raoul Creencia



UNITE FOR GOOD: The Power of Collective Action

DURING the Rotary International assembly in Orlando (Florida) in February 2025, RI President-Elect (RIPE) Mario Cesar Martins de Camargo announced the theme for Rotary year 2025-2026. Unite For Good, he said, will be Rotary's battlecry, as he outlined a plan to expand "the best-qualified team of volunteers on the planet." RIPE de Camargo underscored that "Rotary's greatest asset is not our history, our projects, or even our unmatched global reach. It is our members."

The clarion call for 2025-2026 has since been warmly welcomed and embraced by Rotarians around the world. This theme — unite for good — is so apt and timely for the world we live in today, which is marked by division, conflict, and inequality. Indeed, the need to *unite for good* has never been more urgent. Across history, humanity has witnessed the transformative power of collective action. When people come together with a shared purpose, they can drive positive change, overcome obstacles, and build a better future for all. Whether addressing social justice, community development projects, environmental sustainability, or pursuing

humanitarian causes, unity amplifies efforts and ensures that progress is inclusive and enduring.

The phrase "unite for good" underscores the idea that collective action is more powerful than individual efforts alone. When people unite, they pool their resources, skills, and ideas to tackle complex challenges. But we all know that in every organization or community, one of the greatest challenges in uniting for good is overcoming differences. It is often the case that members of a community, or of a Rotary Club for that matter, come from diverse backgrounds, hold varying beliefs, and may even disagree on solutions to pressing issues. It is well to remember, in this regard, that unity does not require uniformity. Rather, it calls for mutual respect, open dialogue, and a shared commitment to a greater good. Successful initiatives have always had a common ingredient, that is, the unified and unrelenting effort of the people behind it. In a volunteer organization such as the Rotary Club, it is thus imperative for each member to set aside a strict and myopic adherence to only one way (the proverbial "my way or the highway" attitude), and embrace the ideas and proposals of the other members. There must be a constant acceptance and recognition of the obvious reality, that most human endeavors are products of cooperative efforts.

At the heart of unity lies compassion and empathy. When people recognize the struggles of others and feel a sense of shared humanity, they are more likely to collaborate in meaningful ways. Our Rotary Club's efforts must invariably rely on this principle. Acts of kindness, advocating for marginalized communities, and simply offering our heartfelt service above self — are all expressions of unity for good.

RIPE de Camargo's call to "unite for good" is a powerful reminder that change is possible when people work together with shared values and a common purpose. While differences may exist, they should not hinder the pursuit of the Rotary ideals of service and true fellowship. Whether through small acts of kindness or high-impact projects, every effort to unite for good indubitably contributes to a better world around us.

*...change is possible
when people work
together with shared
values and a common
purpose.*

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CLUB ADMINISTRATION

RCM Members' Attendance Report
RY 2024-2025

March 2025

	March 06, 2025	March 13, 2025	March 20, 2025	March 27, 2025
MARCH 2025	GIS PRESIDENT AND GEN. MANAGER JOSE ANRULLO VELOSO	MR. AJIT SHARMA	PNP CHIEF PGEN. ROMMEL FRANCISCO D. MARIL	PMGEN. NICOLAS DELOSO TORRE II
MEMBERS PRESENT	46	43	48	44
MEMBERS PRESENT %	20%	18%	21%	19%
MAKE UP ATTENDEES	14	9	5	16
EXEMPTED	6	4	6	5
ONLEAVE	0	0	0	0
Total Active Members	54	46	47	55
Total # of Members	226	226	228	227
TOTAL %:	24%	20%	21%	24%
ROTARYACTORS	19	8	9	19
MEIM	2	0	3	3
EMBASSIES / DIPLOMATIC CORPS	0	0	0	0
DG, DGE, DOK, PDG	0	0	0	0
GOHS / GS	6	1	10	4
VISITING ROTARIAN	1	1	3	13
Guests of RCM MEMBERS	13	5	1	4
TOTAL ATTENDEES	76	56	71	76

LIST OF ATTENDEES
March 27, 2025

1	Angara, Marius	23	Montel, Juan Manuel C.
2	Bartolome III, Arsenio M.	24	Nolido, Ramon Alberto B.
3	Bediones, Rodolfo P.	25	Nones, Romeo C.
4	Carlos, Vicente J.	26	Obrado, Daniel Calzado
5	Castro, Karlo Eugene Josef M.	27	Ong, Phillip L.
6	Cenica, John T.	28	Ozaeta, Miguel Antonio L.
7	Chien, Liang-Tah Steve	29	Pascual, Abraham F.
8	Co, Val Constantine L.	30	Payumo, Felicitio C.
9	Creencia, Raoul C.	31	Pineda, Jr, Patricio F.
10	Cureg, Alexander P.	32	Preysler, Jr., Fausto R.
11	Davis, Raymond N.	33	Rodriguez Sr., Joaquin C.
12	Egan, Brendan W.L.	34	Rodriguez, Joaquin Anthony H.
13	Garcia, Paul Joseph M.	35	Serapio, Carlos G.
14	Garcia,III Victor G.	36	Sibayan, Joseito H.
15	Hernandez, Edwin H.	37	Simon, Juanito A.
16	Koh, Paul Anthony T	38	Valdes, Joel C.
17	Locsin, Arsenio Z.	39	Valdez, Amado D.
18	Lopez, Antonio S.	40	Valencia, John Nico P.
19	Lorenzana, Delfin	41	Yu, Reginald Tieng
20	Matschuck, Guenter Gerhard G.	42	Ra, Ingill
21	Mauricio, Antonillo DC	43	Mauricio, Francisco Robert DC.
22	Mommaerts, Steve	44	Ong, Rowel Janson S.

List of Members Who Have Paid
Their Annual Dues for RY 2024-2025

As of April 2, 2025

1	ABOY, VALENTINO G	97	EL RICHARD JOSEPH CHAN
2	ABRIAM, ARIEL	98	LIAMZON, ROMEO THADDEUS
3	ACOSTA, CRISPINIANO G.	99	LIM, DAVID EDUARDO T
4	ALBANA, MICHAEL JAEY C	100	LIM, RICHARD
5	ALBERTO, RAYMUNDO ARNOLD S	101	LOCEN, ARSENIO Z
6	ALCANTARA, SUDRO C	102	LONGZA, BENJERIO
7	ALDAY, ALBERT	103	LOPEZ, ANTONIO
8	ALINGOG, ALDOUS A	104	LOPEZ, ARTHUR M
9	ANDAL, AVELINO L	105	LORENZANA, DELFIN
10	ARAGON, JOSEUA REUBEN G	106	MACAPAGAL, MICHAEL T
11	ARAMBULO, JOAQUIN	107	MACATOMAN, ABDOUGANI
12	ARGUELLES, PABLO C	108	MAGRATSAI, GERRY P
13	ASVENTURA, AVELNO JR L	109	MAGRATSAI, FRANCISCO D
14	BAGATTSING, VALENTINO S	110	MAGRATSAI, JESUS VICENTE E
15	BALANAY, ARIES B	111	MANALAYSAY, CESAR P
16	BARTOLOME, ARSENIO III M	112	MANALLEE, KENNY T
17	BEDIONES, RODOLFO P.	113	MARTINEZ, RONALDI
18	BELLA, GERONIMO JR. D	114	MATSCHUCK, GUENTER GERHARD G
19	BELLO, CHRISTIAN CESAR	115	MAURICIO, ANTONILLO DC
20	BENEDICTO, SIXTO T	116	MENDOZA, ESTILITO P
21	BERTELSEN, BERTEL I	117	MENDOZA, MIGUEL
22	BLANCO, MANUEL M	118	MENDOZA, RAYMUNDO JOSEPH LAM G
23	BOGOTCH, JASON M	119	MOMMAERTS, STEVE
24	BOTTON, WILHELM	120	MORTIL, JUAN MANUEL
25	BRANILLEC, JACQUES	121	NOLIDO, RAMON ALBERTO B
26	BUENDIA, CARLOS C	122	NOALTA, KAZUHIRO
27	CABANGON, EDUARDO A	123	NONES, ROMEO C
28	CABENAG, ROGELIO R	124	NUNEZ, JOSE A
29	CAMAT, NATHANIEL	125	OBRAIDO, DANIEL CALZADO
30	CAMPOS, JOSELITO JR	126	OCAMPO, THEODORE J
31	CANON, RAUL JR C	127	ONG, PHILLIP L
32	CARLOS, VICENTE J	128	OZAEITA, MIGUEL ANTONIO L
33	CARRANCEJA, ARVIN ARIK B	129	PADMANABAN, ROBERTO M
34	CASTRO, KARLO EUGENE JOSEF M	130	PALACIOS, ALBERT C
35	CATALAN, RODILLO R	131	PALLASQUE, JOHN BRIAN
36	CENICA, JOHN T	132	PANARES, BEN THOMAS P
37	CHAPMAN, RAMI	133	PASCUAL, ABRAHAM F
38	CHEN, LIANG TA	134	PATTERSON, COLIN DAVID
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Third Golf Committee Meeting



THE third Golf Committee meeting was held on March 27, 2025 at 4pm at the Raffles Board Room, Raffles Hotel, Makati City.

Present at the meeting were Chair Reggie Yu, Golf Chair Nico Valencia, Past Chair Pepo Nuñez, Immediate Past Chair Lito Sibayan, Trustee/PE Raoul Creencia, Trustee Anton Mauricio, Trustee Micray Gonzalez, Trustee/DE Rami Chahwan, RCM IT PJ Garcia, and Exec. Dir. Amy Babiano.



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A Journey of Nature and Soul-Cleansing:

The Rotary Club of Manila Discovers Kadogawa, Miyazaki

By Rotarian novelist Vee David

**March 23, 2025:
Arrival and Unexpected Clash
of Worlds**

The Rotary Club of Manila's departure from their urban stronghold marked the beginning of an odyssey to the tranquil realms of Kadogawa. The group consisted of: RCM President Jujut Enriquez and wife Lia, PD Ner Lonzaga, wife Femy and daughter Diana, PDSAA Uwe Hesse and wife Carol, PSAA Gunter Matschuck and wife Joanne, and Rotarian novelist Vee David.



As their shuttle plane descended into Miyazaki, the stark contrast between their familiar concrete jungle and the lush, verdant vistas below stirred a sense of excitement unfelt. The vibrant, chaotic energy of Manila's skyscrapers felt worlds away from the soothing whispers of the Miyazaki coast, which greeted them with its fresh, oceanic breath. Their first night at Kokoro no Mori Onsen was a battle between the comfort of modern luxury and the raw, unpolished embrace of nature, as the soothing waters attempted to cleanse the city's residue from their spirits.



Enjoying Japanese udon for dinner upon arrival

March 24th: Cultural Confrontation and Awakening

The morning brought with it a courtesy visit to the City Mayor of Kadogawa, where formal smiles and warm handshakes masked an underlying struggle to connect across cultural chasms, across oceans, across divides. The visit to a seafoods processing centre later that morning became a pivotal moment. Here, the Rotarians faced the tangible reality of rural sustenance versus urban consumption. The authenticity of rural life, with its deep, symbiotic relationship with nature, challenged their metropolitan biases. Lunch was a feast of local flavors that teased their palates, unfamiliar and intriguing, setting the stage for the afternoon's spiritual encounters at Kadogawa Shrine and Shorenji Temple. These sacred sites, steeped in tranquility, forced them to confront their own lost connections with spirituality amidst urban distractions.



Courtesy visit to the City Mayor of Kadogawa

March 25th: Embracing Nature's Raw Beauty

A day at Iorigawa Fishing Port and Otojima Island provided a stark juxtaposition to their routine lives. The vitality of the local economy, visible in the bustling auction at dawn, showcased a community thriving on nature's bounty. The ferry ride to Otojima Island was a journey from the familiar into the mystical. Surrounded by untouched natural beauty, they engaged in fishing, hiking, and a seaside BBQ, which offered not just nourishment from freshly caught seafood but also a feast for the weary soul. The island's serene environment, far removed from the cacophony of urban life, sparked a transformative appreciation for nature's simplicity and hidden abundance.



Otojima island hopping



At Iorigawa Fishing Port



Seaside BBQ at Otojima Island





March 26th: Reflective Retreat and Reluctant Return

The final day in Kadogawa saw the Rotarians in a reflective state, packing not just their belongings but also a myriad of emotions and revelations. The bus ride to Miyazaki Airport was quieter than their arrival, each member introspective, pondering the profound impact of their experiences. The tranquility of Kadogawa's landscapes had seeped into their hearts, prompting a silent vow to return.

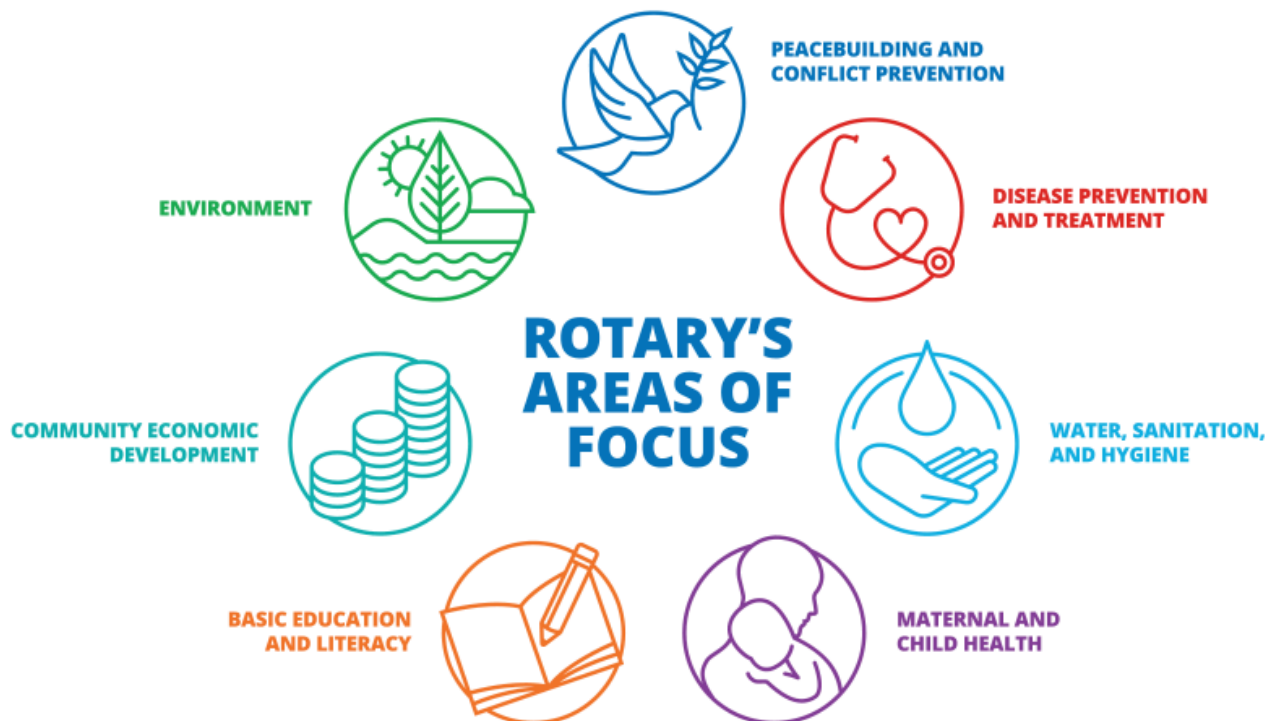


Narrative Conclusion: Transformation Through Nature

As they ascended back into the skies, the Rotary Club members carried with them more than just physical souvenirs; they brought back a renewed spirit, deeply influenced by the peaceful, nature-filled lifestyle of Kadogawa. Their initial resistance had morphed into an embracing of rural charms, highlighting a stark realization: true tranquility and well-being lie not in towering skyscrapers or bustling streets but in the quiet embrace of nature. Kadogawa was not merely a trip; it was a profound transformation, an unexpected journey back to nature's nurturing lap.



Japanese tea ceremony



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RCM Monthly Fellowship



RCM Monthly Fellowship at Raffles Long Bar, Makati City, hosted by Trustee-elect Bernd Schneider.



Present were Fellowship Chair Nico Valencia, Trustee-elect Bernd Schneider, DIS Anton Mauricio, DE Rami Chahwan, IPC Lito Sibayan, PDG Rudy Bediones, DE Edwin Hernandez, Trustee-elect/Program Chair Caloy Serapio, PP Boy Guevara, PE Raoul Creencia, Dir. Nagi Zeitouni, PD Amading Valdez, PD Nick Locsin, RCMFI Chair/PVP Reggie Yu, Rtn. Raoul Goco, Rtn. Mike Ozaeta, STAR Rtn. Roel Ong, PT PJ Garcia, Rtn. Juan Montel, Treas. Mike Roxas, Rtn. Nate Camat, Rtn. Micray Gonzalez, PD Pepo Nuñez, PSAA Gunter Matschuck, PDG Vince Carlos, PP Archit Bartolome, and the Rotaractors from RAC Manila headed by their Pres. Summer Bonifacio.

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With: Rev. Fr. LARRY TAN, SDB



Aleco Monday Breakfast Fellowship



On March 31, 2025, the Aleco Monday breakfast fellowship hosted by Rtn. Cris Acosta took place. Present were (from left): PP Ebot Tan, PD Pepo Nuñez, Gov. Jackie Rodriguez, former member Eric Severino, Rtn. Ferdie Co, PD Abe Pascual, DIS Anton Mauricio, Rtn. Cris Acosta, PP Archit Bartolome, PD Ner Lonzaga, and Rtn. Tong Payumo.

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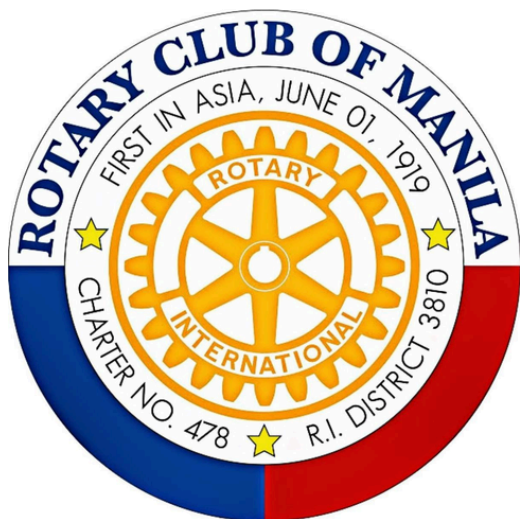


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First in Asia with Australia's First: Banner Exchange with the Rotary Club of Melbourne



On March 26, 2025, Director Teddy Kalaw participated in a banner exchange with the Rotary Club of Melbourne. The reciprocal visit was accomplished in three weeks. RC Melbourne was surprised by the “speed” of RCManila’s response - First in Asia with Australia’s First.





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