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**A Triumph of the
Filipino Worker:
The 31st TOWER
Awards and the
123rd Labor Day
Celebration**

**Club Awards
Committee
Meeting**

**RCMers Attend
First Friday Mass**

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PROGRAM

31st Weekly Membership Meeting
Rotary Year 2024-2025
Thursday, 8 May 2025, 12:00 PM
Manila Polo Club

Moderator: **DIS ANTONILO “Anton” D.C. MAURICIO**

PART I

11:30 AM Registration

12:00 PM Lunch

12:30 PM Call to Order | **ACTING PRESIDING OFFICER**
Invocation | **STAR RTN. FRANCISCO ROBERTO**
“Coco” D.C. MAURICIO / AVP

The Challenge and Call to Action of our National
Anthem | **AVP**

Manila Rotary Hymn | **RCM WF Music Chorale**

The Four (4) Way Test | **STAR RTN. DEAN Y. CID**

Acknowledgment of Guests
DIS ANTONILO “Anton” D.C. MAURICIO

Welcome Song | **RCM WF MUSIC CHORALE**

Birthday Celebrants

Apr. 27 (DG)/PP Jackie Rodriguez

May 5 PD Amading Valdez

May 6 Rtn. Jerry Agnes

May 8 Rtn. Jun Coyuito

Rtn. Mac Macapagal

Maligayang Bati / Happy Birthday Song

RCM WF Music Chorale

PART II

1:00 PM Classification Talk

STAR RTN. DEAN Y. CID

Chief Operating Officer, Phinma Hospitality, Inc.

STAR RTN. FRANCISCO ROBERTO “Coco”
D.C. MAURICIO

President and CEO, Lightning Finance Company
(Finvolution Philippines)

1:30 PM Open Forum / Q.A.

1:50 PM Presentation of Certificate of Appreciation
ACTING PRESIDING OFFICER

2:00 PM Adjournment | **ACTING PRESIDING OFFICER**

EDITORIAL

Reginald T. Yu
Editor-in-Chief



ON May 12, the Filipino people will once again exercise one of the most consequential powers vested in a democracy: the right to vote. As we approach the 2025 national mid-term elections, voters will decide who among the 66 COMELEC-certified candidates vying for 12 seats in the Philippine Senate are worthy of their trust — entrusting them not only with legislative authority, but with shaping the soul and direction of our nation.

At the Rotary Club of Manila, we believe in service above self, guided by the principles of truth, fairness, goodwill, and benefit to all concerned. These same principles should guide us, and the electorate at large, as we consider our choices in the coming elections.

This week, we are honored to welcome several senatorial candidates to our Weekly Membership Meeting — men

and women who have accepted our invitation to share their platforms and vision with us. Most of those who have confirmed their attendance are relatively unknown nationally. They come not with fanfare, but with the courage to present themselves for public scrutiny, knowing that they are measured not by popularity but by purpose.

In contrast, those who enjoy national prominence have, by and large, declined our invitation. Whether by scheduling conflicts or political calculation, their absence speaks volumes — not only about their priorities, but about the widening chasm between the electorate and those who seek to lead them.

This disparity compels us to reflect more deeply. Fame, after all, is not synonymous with fitness to govern. Name recall is not a substitute for character, competence, or commitment to public service. We must ask ourselves: do we vote for those who are most visible, or those who are most prepared? Do we entrust our democracy to the well-known, or to the well-intentioned?

Let us not be lulled by catchy campaign jingles, ostentatious sorties, rehearsed debates, sizable monies used for vote-buying or partisan loyalties. Let us demand substance over spectacle. Let us reward courage — the courage to engage, to explain, to be held accountable. And let us, as Rotarians, model informed and principled judgment, as we have always aspired to do.

May this week's dialogue with the candidates serve not just as a Rotary program, but as a reminder: our choices this May 12 will echo far beyond the ballot box. They will define the kind of governance we expect — and the kind of nation we seek to become.

Let us choose wisely. Let us choose well.

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**Philippine
Airlines**

The Heart of the Filipino

cover story

A Triumph of the Filipino Worker: The 31st TOWER Awards and the 123rd Labor Day Celebration

by PVP Reginald T. Yu



THE TOWER 2025 Awardees

AMID the golden sunlight of a summer noontide, the grand halls of the SMX Convention Center in Pasay City thrummed with purpose, pride, and celebration. On this hallowed occasion — Labor Day, a day consecrated to the dignity of toil and the triumph of the Filipino worker — around a thousand government officials, business leaders, labor advocates, and civic stalwarts

gathered for the 123rd Labor Day Celebration. But at the heart of the celebration was a ceremony steeped in meaning and magnanimity: the **31st TOWER Awards**, a tradition proudly upheld by the **Rotary Club of Manila (RCM)** in partnership with the **Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE)** and the **People Management Association of the Philippines (PMAP)**.



Beneath the towering lights of SMX Meeting Room 1, banners read “**The Outstanding Workers of the Republic,**” and a quiet reverence settled upon the attendees as screens played visuals recounting the remarkable journey of the awards program. Over three decades strong, the TOWER Awards have distinguished themselves by recognizing the exceptional among the often unsung — non-supervisory blue-collar and white-collar employees whose innovations, resourcefulness, and unwavering commitment to excellence have lifted not only their respective companies but the spirit of an entire nation.

The event was hosted by two spirited figures — **Ms. Jemai Duque**, President of FDG Innovations, and Rotarian **Reggie Yu**, Chairman of the RCManila Foundation. Their warm banter and thoughtful commentary added both poise and joy to the celebration, guiding the audience through a program both ceremonious and heartening.



RCManila Foundation Chairman Reggie Yu and FDG Innovations President Jemai Duque hosted the event.

“Happy Labor Day to everyone!” Jemai greeted with infectious energy. “Let’s celebrate the people who make things work, build things up, and quietly lead by example.”

“We are all winners here,” Reggie chimed in, “because just by being here and witnessing these stories of grit and greatness, we are reminded of what is truly possible.”



Despite the limited seating within the venue, the Rotary Club of Manila was able to secure 30 coveted slots for its members — underscoring the high demand and symbolic value placed on being part of this prestigious occasion.



Present at the event were Pres. Jujut and Lia Enriquez, Dir. Mike Albaña, Dir. Henry Go, Dir. Albert Alday, Dir. Nagi Zeitouni, Asst. Treas. Joshua Aragon, DIS Anton Mauricio (RCMFI Trustee), PE Raoul and Mylene Creencia, RCMFI Chairman-elect/PDG Alex and Anna Cureg, PDG Rudy Bediones, RCMFI Chairman Reggie Yu, TOWER Awards Vice Chairman PD Amading Valdez, TOWER Awards Board of Judges Rtn. Romy and Emmie Nones, PP Archib Bartolome, PD Ner Lonzaga, Program Chairman Carloy Serapio, PT Lito Sibayan, Rtn. Al & Mary Ann Katigbak, Rtn. Gani Macatoman, Rtn. Dan Obrado, STAR Rtn. Jun Jun Chan, Rotaract Club of Manila Pres. Summer Bonifacio and Mr. Villamor Mostrales (Executive Vice President of Legal Advocates for Workers' Interest – LAWN), and media representatives of Rtn. Edgard Cabangon.

Honoring Excellence: The Stories Behind the Glory

The program began with recognition not of the awardees just yet — but of those behind the scenes: the assessors and judges whose meticulous and impartial evaluation ensured that only the most deserving emerged. Tokens of appreciation were presented by DOLE Secretary **Bienvenido E. Laguesma**, RCM President **Eduardo V. Enriquez III**, PMAP President **Lydia Lily G. Quintans**, and in lieu of TOWER Awards Chairman **Jesus “Susing” Pineda Jr.**, who was unavailable that day, Dean **Amado “Amading” Valdez**, the respected Vice-Chair of the TOWER Awards, who graciously stepped in on his behalf.

With heartfelt gratitude, the organizers saluted **Efren Alberto Jr.**, **Wilfredo Estoque**, **Julie M. Miteria**, **Edgardo Soriano**, and Executive Director **Rene M. Gener** — all seasoned HR professionals who painstakingly conducted screenings, validations, and interviews. The equally esteemed judges — Executive Director **Maria Criselda Sy**, Ms. **Ellen Fullido**, and Rotarian **Romeo Nones** — were also feted for their integrity and insights.

Corporate social responsibility was not forgotten. The **Philippine Amusement and Gaming Corporation**, **Jollibee Foods Corporation**, and **Philippine Airlines** were honored for their enduring sponsorships — underscoring that uplifting labor begins with partnerships rooted in empathy.

Echoes of Leadership: Presidential Tribute and Messages from Dignitaries

As the formal program unfolded, the national anthem echoed across the hall, followed by an invocation that anchored the moment in gratitude and solemnity. DOLE Secretary **Bienvenido E. Laguesma**, in his opening remarks, paid tribute to the working class — the nation’s “indispensable force of progress.”



Honorable Bienvenido E. Laguesma, the Secretary of the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE), delivered his opening remarks and addressed the awardees and organizers.

While the keynote address by President **Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr.** was delivered during the main Labor Day celebration in Meeting Room 5, his remarks reverberated powerfully across all commemorations that day, especially among those gathered for the TOWER Awards. In a speech that emphasized pride in Filipino labor excellence both at home and abroad, the

President singled out the TOWER Awardees with these stirring words:

“So, just as we recognize our nation’s pride beyond our shores, we also commend The Outstanding Workers of the Republic for 2025 here at home. They have shown excellence and dedication in their respective fields. Congratulations.”

“Marami ring salamat sa Rotary Club of Manila at ang People Management Association of the Philippines sa pagbibigay ng parangal na ito. Nawa’y maging inspirasyon ng bawat manggagawa ang galing at pagsisikap ng ating pinarangalan.”

“Pinapatunayan nila na nasa kamay natin ang pag-asa para sa isang Bagong Pilipinas. Sila ay mga Bagong Pilipino na nagpakita ng disiplina, ng husay, at pagmamahal sa inang bayan.”

“Maraming, maraming salamat po. Mabuhay ang manggagawang Pilipino! Mabuhay ang Bagong Pilipinas! Magandang umaga po sa inyong lahat.”

These words echoed with pride and urgency — a national leader affirming the pivotal role of model workers in shaping a renewed Filipino identity.

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So, just as we recognize our nation’s pride beyond our shores, we also commend The Outstanding Workers of the Republic for 2025 here at home. They have shown excellence and dedication in their respective fields.

- President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr.

The Crown Jewels: Presenting the 2025 TOWER Awardees

Then came the moment everyone had been waiting for — the formal presentation of the 2025 TOWER Awardees, a cohort of individuals and teams whose ingenuity transformed workspaces into places of progress.



From left: TOWER Awards Vice-Chair Dean Amado “Amading” Valdez, Pres. Eduardo “Jujut” Enriquez III, DOLE Secretary Bienvenido E. Laguesma, and PMAP President Lydia Lily G. Quintans

Mr. Eddie A. Alagaban of Energy Development Corporation received honors for his project Modification of Risers 1 and 2 in Palayan Power Plant, a masterstroke in engineering efficiency and operational reliability.



Mr. Eddie A. Alagaban of the Energy Development Corporation received the TOWER trophy along with a cash prize.

Ms. Shirley S. Gonzales of Yazaki-Torres Manufacturing Inc. stood proud for her innovative Provision of a Holder for Fuse Guide, improving function area safety and assembly-line productivity.



Ms. Shirley S. Gonzales of Yazaki-Torres Manufacturing Inc. received the TOWER trophy along with a cash prize.

In the Team Category, two formidable groups from Franklin Baker, Inc. emerged as paragons of collaboration:

- Mr. Elsworth M. Gempesaw and Mr. Krish Syrus C. Micabalo led the initiative titled “*Muling Ibalik ang Dapat Ibalik*”, which reengineered production processes by restoring and repurposing legacy systems, ensuring both efficiency and sustainability.



- Mr. Michael C. Dasalla, Mr. Mark Felnor T. Butaya, and Mr. Ronald B. Quiñones advanced a compelling philosophy through their project “Waste Isn’t Waste Until We Waste It,” a campaign-turned-process that transformed discarded resources into renewed opportunity.



Mr. Michael C. Dasalla, Mr. Mark Felnor T. Butaya, and Mr. Ronald B. Quiñones of Franklin Baker Incorporated received the TOWER trophy along with a cash prize.

Each awardee received a **TOWER trophy** and a **₱100,000 prize**, presented by a distinguished assembly of government and private sector leaders. The hall resounded with applause as their families, company officers, and peers joined them on stage for photos that captured more than triumph — they captured legacy.

Mr. Elsworth M. Gempesaw and Mr. Krish Syrus C. Micabalo of Franklin Baker received the TOWER trophy along with a cash prize.



The Assessors for the nominations received include Renner M. Gener, DPM (PMAP Executive Director), Edgardo Soriano DPM (PMAP Past President, incumbent President of the PMAP Society of Fellows, and Treasurer of PMAP Foundation), Julie M. Miteria FPM (with 40 years of HR practice at SM Supermalls and a member of the PMAP National Boards and Awards Committee), Efren Alberto, Jr. DPM (accredited by the Society of Fellows in People Management as a Diplomat in People Management – DPM), and Edgardo Estoque, BSME (Executive Director of the Aerospace Industry Association of the Philippines). Each assessor received a TOWER Awards Token of Appreciation presented by President Jujut Enriquez and TOWER Awards Vice Chair/PD Amading Valdez, in the presence of DOLE Secretary Benny Laguesma and PMAP President Lydia Quintans.



TOWER Awards 2025 Vice Chairman/PD Amading Valdez and President Jujut Enriquez, along with DOLE Secretary Benny Laguesma and PMAP President Lydia Quintans, presented to the members of the Board of Judges: Rtn. Romy Nones, a member of the Rotary Club of Manila who previously served as Vice President of the UP Alumni Association and Chairman of the Tau Alpha Foundation, Inc.; Ms. Maria Criselda Sy, Executive Director of the National Wages and Productivity Commission; and Ellen C. Fulido, FPM, Vice President for Human Resources and Administrative Services of the FJ Elizalde Group of Companies (not in photo).



The organizing team of the TOWER Awards 2025—comprising the Rotary Club of Manila, DOLE, and PMAP—proudly recognized its major sponsors, Philippine Amusement and Gaming Corporation, Philippine Airlines, and Jollibee Foods Corporation, for their valuable contributions to the success of the event. Both sponsors were presented with the prestigious TOWER Awards trophy as a token of gratitude for their unwavering support.



Mr. Eddie A. Alagaban of Energy Development Corporation delivered a message on behalf of the TOWER awardees.

A Grateful Nation, A Renewed Commitment

The afternoon culminated with a moving speech from **Mr. Eddie Alagaban**, who spoke on behalf of the awardees, thanking their mentors, families, and co-workers, and dedicating the recognition to “the silent workers behind every success story.”

Finally, Dean **Amado Valdez**, Vice-Chair of the TOWER Awards, delivered the closing remarks in the stead of PP/Chairman **Susing Pineda**, articulating with both gravitas and grace the deeper meaning behind the ceremony. “*The TOWER Awards*,” he said, “*are not merely honors bestowed — they are promises fulfilled. They are society’s way of saying: we see you, we thank you, and we will always remember what you have done for our shared future.*”



Dean Amado Valdez, Vice-Chair of the TOWER Awards, delivered the closing remarks.



TOWER Awards 2025 Vice Chairman/PD Amading Valdez received the TOWER Awards Trophy on behalf of Chairman/Centennial President Susing Pineda from President Jujut Enriquez, DOLE Secretary Benny Laguesma, and PMAP President Lydia Quintans.



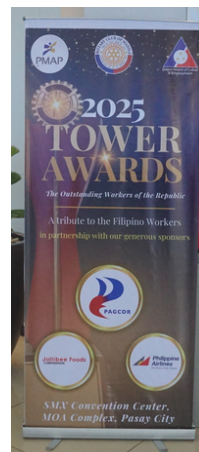
The TOWER Awards trophy was presented to Rotary Club of Manila President Jujut Enriquez, PMAP President Lydia Lily Quintans, and DOLE Secretary Benny Laguesma, as a token of appreciation.

As the ceremony drew to a close, Ms. **Jemai Duque** and Rotarian **Reggie Yu** bid the audience farewell with these words: *“See you next year for the 32nd TOWER Awards — where excellence once again takes center stage!”*

And with that, the curtains fell — not on an event, but on a chapter in a larger national story — one that continues to be written every day by the hands of the Filipino worker.



A posterity photo of the project organizers, Rotary Club of Manila, Department of Labor and Employment, and People Management Association of the Philippines



Jollibee Foods
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TOWER AWARDS 2025

Message from PP Alberto "Bert" Romulo

*President
Rotary Club of Manila
RY 1978-1979*



HIS Excellency President Ferdinand Bongbong Marcos, our special guests, fellow Rotarians and friends, the Rotary Club of Manila, as we all know, is the first Rotary Club in the Philippines as well as in Asia.

In the Rotary Club of Manila's first 60 years, top officials of the government were among the Club's Past Presidents.

Senate President Gil Puyat was RCM's President in 1940 and 1945.

Foreign Affairs Secretary Carlos P. Romulo was RCM President in 1935.

Finance Secretary Eduardo Romualdez was RCM President in 1953.

And Executive Secretary Emilio Abello was RCM President in 1961.

During my Presidency in 1978, all these Past Presidents were still active in Rotary.

Indeed, in 1978, during our Diamond Anniversary, I initiated and launched with RCM's past presidents the TOWER Awards to honor and recognize the outstanding workers of our country.

During the TOWER Awards ceremony in 1978, RCM's special guest of honor was the then First Lady Mrs. Imelda Marcos, our President's beloved mother.

In her remarks, Mrs. Marcos thanked and praised RCM for honoring and recognizing the country's TOWER Awardees.

Today, our nation again honors and recognizes the 2025 Outstanding Workers of the Republic - the TOWER Awardees.

And during the yearlong celebration of Rotary's diamond anniversary in 1978, the highlight was the presence of then-President Ferdinand Marcos, as the RCM Guest of Honor and Speaker.

Fellow Rotarians, we and the nation will always cherish and remember RCM's memorable 1978 Diamond Anniversary.

First, the launching of the RCM's TOWER Awards in 1978 with the First Lady Mrs. Imelda Marcos as the RCM Guest of Honor and Speaker.

Second, the RCM yearlong diamond anniversary celebration in 1978 with the President of the Philippines, President Ferdinand Marcos as the RCM diamond anniversary guest of honor.

Today, May 01, 2025, TOWER Awards Guest Honor and Speaker is President Ferdinand Bongbong Marcos.

Congratulations, TOWER Awardees of 2025.

Alberto G. Romulo
ALBERTO G. ROMULO
1978 RCM PRESIDENT

by PE Raoul Creencia



UNITED CHOSEN PRESIDENTS

IN less than two months, a new Rotary Year will unfold, paving the way for RI President-Elect (RIPE) Mario Cesar Martins de Camargo to take the reins of the 120-year-old global organization that is Rotary International. With about 1.4 million active members around the world, Rotary has had a significant and far-reaching impact across the globe since its founding in 1905. With RIPE de Camargo's 2025-2026 theme "Unite for Good", DGE Mary Mei V. Rodrigo in turn named the incoming Club Presidents in the District "United Chosen Presidents" or UCP.

United and Chosen. These two words carry a lot of emotional and symbolic weight and will deeply resonate with everyone, especially during these challenging times. In a world increasingly defined by division, and in organizations polarized by politics and policy discord, the concept of, and the call for unity becomes more compelling than ever. Indeed, achieving perfect unity remains a powerful, if elusive, ideal. It must be noted, however, that when we talk about unity, we do not refer to the absence of difference but the presence of

connection, understanding, and shared purpose despite those differences. Seen this way, it is something that suddenly becomes more achievable, more attainable. The first step towards achieving unity in an organization involves, in my mind, eschewing egos, exhibiting kindness, and focusing on common goals and targets. It is truly about maintaining respect for each other despite difference of opinion.

Being chosen, on the other hand, speaks to a sense of identity, purpose, and often, responsibility. When viewed together, unity and being chosen form a dynamic relationship: to be chosen is to stand apart in some way, and yet, that very distinction can become a bridge to draw others together. In this way, being chosen becomes less about status and more about stewardship. The weight of being chosen is balanced by the responsibility to foster unity—not division.

When I first heard about the term United Chosen Presidents, I must confess that I felt some misgivings as the word "chosen" could be misinterpreted to mean that the PEs are being held to be an exclusive group above the rest. To say that we are the chosen ones seems to alienate, rather than unite. Indeed, the idea of being chosen can

be dangerous if misunderstood. When seen as a mark of superiority rather than a call to service, it can create exclusion and arrogance. Unity suffers when being chosen is used as a tool for separation rather than connection. But when embraced with humility and purpose, being chosen becomes a sacred opportunity to unify—to draw others in rather than push them away.

In the end, unity and being chosen are not contradictory. One honors the collective; the other recognizes the individual. But together, they can forge a world where people are both unique and united, called and connected. We are at our best when we understand that being chosen is not about being better, but about being called to love, to lead, and to build bridges that bring us all closer together.



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CLUB ADMINISTRATION

RCM Members' Attendance Report
RY 2024-2025

ATTENDANCE REPORT
April 2025

APRIL 2025	April 03, 2025 CAPT. STANLEY KUA NG	April 10, 2025 OSP EXEC. DIR. EMILIANO ROMANO	April 17, 2025 HOLIDAY	April 24, 2025 MR. DEVIN FIDLER
MEMBERS PRESENT	44	29	0	35
MEMBERS PRESENT %	19%	13%	0%	15%
MAKE UP ATTENDEES	8	9	0	22
EXEMPTED	3	3	0	5
ON LEAVE	0	0	0	0
Total Active Members	49	35	0	52
Total # of Members	228	228	228	228
TOTAL %:	21%	15%	0%	23%
ROTARACTORS	9	10	0	10
MEDIA	0	0	0	2
EMBASSIES / DIPLOMATIC CORPS	0	0	0	0
DG, DGE, DGN, PDG	0	0	0	0
GOHS / GS	3	8	0	1
VISITING ROTARIAN	0	20	0	0
Guests of RCM MEMBERS	4	22	0	4
TOTAL ATTENDEES	60	89	0	50



LIST OF ATTENDEES
April 24, 2025

1	Acosta, Crispiniano G.
2	Bartolome III, Arsenio M.
3	Benedicto, Sixto T.
4	Carlos, Vicente J.
5	Co, Val Constantine L.
6	Creencia, Raoul C.
7	Cureg, Alexander P.
8	Cutter, John Michael
9	Davis, Raymond N.
10	Del Rosario Sr., Oscar A.
11	Egan, Brendan W.L.
12	Fajardo, Beda G.
13	Guevara, Jr., Domingo S.
14	Koh, Paul Anthony T
15	Locsin, Arsenio Z.
16	Macatoman, Abdulgani M.
17	Obrado, Daniel Calzado
18	Pascual, Abraham F.
19	Reynolds, David J.
20	Schneider, Bernd
21	Serapio, Carlos G.
22	Sibayan, Joselito H.
23	Simon, Juanito A.
24	So, Warren S.
25	Tagaysay, Hector O.
26	Valdes, Joel C.
27	Valdez, Amado D.
28	Valencia, John Nico P.
29	Yu, Geoffrey C.
30	Yu, Reginald Tieng
31	Zaldarriaga, Felix Francisco
32	Zeitouni, Nagi
33	Rankl, Peter
34	Yordanov, Stefan
35	Chan, Robert Sy Jr.

CLUB ADMINISTRATION

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

As of May 7, 2025

1	ABOY, VALENTINO G
2	ABRIAM, ARIEL
3	ACOSTA, CRISPINIANO G.
4	AGNES, JERRY A
5	ALBAÑA, MICHAEL JAEY C
6	ALBERTO, RAYMUNDO ARNOLD S
7	ALCANTARA, ISIDRO C
8	ALDAY, ALBERT
9	ALINGOG, ALDOUS REX A
10	ANDAL, AVELINO L
11	ANG, RICHARD T
12	ARAGON, JOSHUA RUEBEN G
13	ARAMBULO, JOAQUIN JR
14	ARGUELLES, PABLO C
15	AVENTURA, AVENILO JR L
16	BAGATSING, VALENTINO S
17	BALANAY, ARIES B
18	BARTOLOME, ARSENIO III M.
19	BEDIONES, RODOLFO P.
20	BELLA, GERONIMO JR. D
21	BELLO, CHRISTIAN CESAR
22	BENEDICTO, SIXTO T
23	BERTESEN, BERTEL I
24	BLANCO, MANUEL M
25	BOGOVICH, JASON M
26	BOLTON, WILHELM
27	BRANELLEC, JACQUES
28	BUENDIA, CARLOS C
29	CABANGON, EDGARD A.
30	CABUNAG, ROGELIO R
31	CAMAT, NATHANIEL
32	CAMPOS, JOSELITO JR
33	CANON, RAUL JR C
34	CARLOS, VICENTE J.
35	CARRANCEJA, ARVIN ARIK B
36	CASTRO, KARLO EUGENE JOSEF M
37	CATALAN, RODILLO R
38	CENICA, JOHN T
39	CHAHWAN, RAMI
40	CHAN, ROBERT JR
41	CHIEN, LIANG-TA
42	CID, DEAN Y
43	CO, FERDINAND C.
44	CO, VAL CONSTANTINE L
45	CORTEZ, LORENZO R
46	COYUTO, ROBERT JR. G
47	CREENCIA, RAOUL C.
48	CUREG, ALEXANDER P
49	CUTTER, JOHN MICHAEL
50	DAVIS, RAYMOND N

51	DAYANG, JUAN E.
52	DE CASTRO, JUAN ARTURO ILUMINADO C
53	DEL ROSARIO, OSCAR SR.
54	DIONISIO, RAFAEL IGNACIO
55	DOMINGO, RICO V
56	DOMINGUEZ, CARLOS III G.
57	DY, MANUEL C.
58	EGAN, BRENDAN W.L.
59	ELDEBS, ISSAM
60	ENRIQUEZ, EDUARDO III V.
61	ESGUERRA, HERMINIO S.
62	ESQUIVIAS, JOAQUIN PABLO A
63	EUGENIO, JOHN EMYL G
64	FAJARDO, BEDA G
65	FERNANDEZ, ANTONIO JAIME JOSE V.
66	FOLLOSCO, CEFERINO JR G
67	GARCIA, PAUL JOSEPH M
68	GARCIA, THEODORE Q
69	GARCIA, VICTOR III G.
70	GASPAR, FERNANDO L
71	GIERRAN, DANTE A.
72	GO, DANIEL
73	GO, HENRY S
74	GONZALES, JONAS R
75	GONZALEZ LA'O, EMILIO P
76	GUARIN, MICHAEL ARCATOMY H.
77	GUEVARA, DOMINGO JR.
78	GUEVARA, RICARDO S.B.
79	HALLARE, DELFIN JR. T
80	HALLARE, NICOLÒ S
81	HALLERBACH, MATHIAS
82	HANADA, TAKAHIRO
83	HERNANDEZ, EDWIN H.
84	HESSE, UWE
85	HORTALEZA, ROLANDO B
86	IBUYAN, BENEDICT JULIUS F
87	IWATA, YASUSHI
88	JANG, JAE JUNG
89	JOSEPH, RALPH L
90	JUCABAN, JERIC J
91	KALAW, TEODORO ALEJANDRO IV Y.
92	KATIGBAK J ALFONSO L
93	KLEBS, DAVID
94	KOH, PAUL ANTHONY T
95	KUNACK, LUTZ H.
96	LACAMBACAL, ALVIN D.
97	LAUREL, RICARDO P.
98	LAYA, JAIME C
99	LAZARO, JUAN MIGUEL
100	LEDDEA, JAIME VICTOR B

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As of May 7, 2025

101	LEE, RICHARD L
102	LI, RICHARD JOSEPH CHANG
103	LIAMZON, ROMEO THADDEUS
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Club Awards Committee Meeting



The Club Awards Committee met on April 30, 2025 to review the year-end awards categories and nominations submitted.

Present at the meeting were Pres. Jujut Enriquez (who joined via Zoom), PP Archit Bartolome, and PP Chito Zaldarriaga.

Club Awards Chairman/Director Mike Albaña hosted the meeting at SMX Convention Center, MOA Complex, Pasay City.

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Aleco Monday Breakfast Fellowship



From left: DG Jackie Rodriguez, former member PP Francis Juico, PD Beda Fajardo, former member Eric Severino, DIS Anton Mauricio, PP Ebot Tan, PP Archit Bartolome, Rtn. Tong Payumo, former member PS Jorge Salazar, and RCMFI PP Willie Peliño

ON May 5, 2025, the Aleco Monday Breakfast Fellowship was held, hosted by Rtn. Ferdie Co (in absentia). We warmly welcome back RCMFI Past President Willie Peliño.

“We’re so glad to have you back after your six-month recovery. Your strength and resilience are truly inspiring—welcome back!”

Resolved: There is no better way to start a joyful and meaningful week than to rub elbows at Aleco. Cheers!!

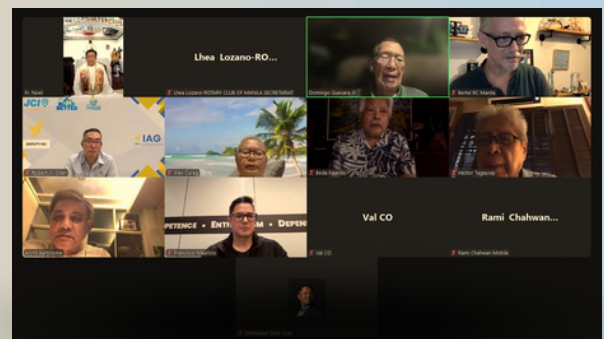
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First Friday Mass for the Month of May



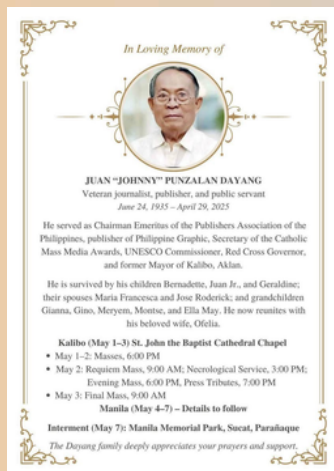
THE Rotary Club of Manila members celebrated the First Friday Virtual Mass on May 2, 2025. The presider for the mass was Father Noel Magtaas, OSJ.

Present were PP Boy Guevara (Commentator and Pre-Intercessory Prayer), Rtn. Inggy Bertelsen (First Reading and Responsorial Psalm), STAR Rtn. Coco Mauricio (Prayer of the Faithful and Novena Prayer to the Sacred Heart of Jesus), STAR Rtn. Junjun Chan, Jr. (Spiritual Communion Prayer), Rtn. Val Co (The Jubilee Prayer), STAR Rtn. Val Bagatsing, PDG Alex Cureg, PP Archib Bartolome, PD Beda Fajardo, Rtn. Paco Magsaysay, PT Chito Tagaysay, DE Rami Chahwan, and Rtn. Emman Dela Cruz.



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At the Wake of the Late Juan Dayang (Father of Rtn. Jed Dayang, Consul General of the Philippines in Türkiye)



Journalism Awards Chair/PD Amading Valdez with Department of Labor and Employment Secretary Benny Laguesma (above photo) and PDG Obet Pagdanganan (below photo)



President Jujut Enriquez, President-Elect Raoul Creencia, and RCMFI Treasurer Karlo Castro at the wake of the late Juan Dayang (father of Rtn. Jed Dayang, Consul General of the Philippines in Türkiye)



At the Wake of the Late Juan Dayang
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Rtn. Jed Dayang with RCMFI Trustee/
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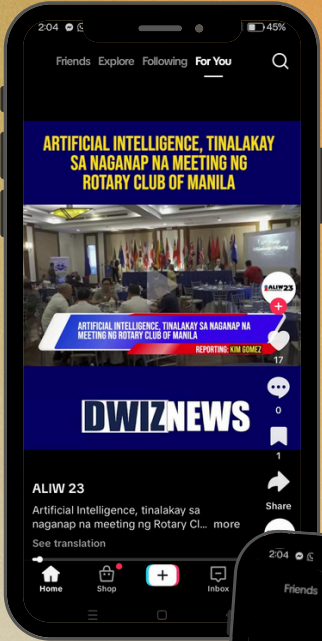
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