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A portrait of Usec. Ernesto G. Carolina, a middle-aged man with dark hair, smiling. He is wearing a white collared shirt with a small circular emblem on the left side of the collar. The background is a dark blue, textured pattern.

Usec. Ernesto G. Carolina
Philippine Veterans Affairs Office

Today's Programme

**4th Virtual Meeting via Zoom
July 23, 2020 1:00 – 2:00 PM
Pangkat No. 1**

Call to Order	Pres. RJ Ermita
Invocation	PP Celso Ylagan
National Anthem	Video Recording
FOUR-WAY TEST	Rtn. Tony Diaz
Introduction of Visiting Rotarians & Guests	Rtn. Marlo Guillano
Community Singing	PP Arjan Ramnani
Fining Moments	PP Rene Bocaya
President's Time	Pres. RJ Ermita
Induction of New Member	
Introduction of Guest Speaker	PP Jun Zafra

LT GENERAL ERNESTO GONZALO CAROLINA AFP (RET)
Administrator, Philippine Veterans Affairs Office

GUEST SPEAKER

Open Forum	
Adjournment	Pres. RJ Ermita

**PP Ogie Lim
Emcee**

Invocation



Heavenly Father, we praise and glorify your mighty name. We ask you that you guide us in today's gathering so that all that we do and say may be according to your will. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

APAT NA URIAN NG ROTARYO

ng mga bagay na ating iniisip, sinasabi o ginagawa:

1. Iyon ba ang **KATOTOHANAN**?
2. Iyon ba ay **MAKATARUNGAN** para sa lahat ng kinauukulan?
3. Iyon ba ay lilikha ng **MABUTING KALOOBAN at LALONG MATAPAT NA PAKIKI-PAGKAIBIGAN**?
4. Iyon ba ay magiging **KAPAKI-PAKINABANG** para sa lahat ng kinauukulan?

Ang Layunin ng Rotaryo

Ang layunin ng Rotaryo ay **“PASIGLAHIN AT IPUNLA ANG SIMULAIN NG PAGLILINGKOD BILANG BATAYAN NG ISANG GAWAIN KARAPAT-DAPAT** at lalo’t higit pasiglahin at ipunla:

1. Ang pagpapaunlad ng pagsasama bilang pagkakataon sa paglilingkod.
2. Ang mataas na uri ng tuntunin sa pangangalakal at sa hanapbuhay, ang pagkilala sa kahalagahan ng gawain kapakipakinabang at ang pagbibigay dangal ng bawa’t Rotaryo sa kanyang hanapbuhay bilang pagkakataon upang makapaglingkod sa lipunan.
3. Ang pagsasakatuparan sa simulain ng paglilingkod sa bawa’t Rotaryo sa kanyang pansarili, pangkabuhayan at panglipunang pamumuhay.
4. Ang pag-unlad ng pagkakaunawaan, mabubuting kalooban at kapayapaan ng mga bansa sa pamamagitan ng isang pang-daigdig na kapatiran ng mga propesyonal na nabubuklod sa simulain ng paglilingkod.

Song of the Day



NEVER ON MY ROTARY DAY

Oh you can meet me on a Monday,
A Monday, a Monday is very very good.
Oh, you can meet me on a Tuesday,
A Tuesday, a Tuesday in fact I wish you would.
Or you can meet me on a Wednesday, a Friday,
A Saturday and Sunday is the best
But never, never on a Thursday, a Thursday
A Thursday 'cause that's my Rotary day

Refrain:

Most any day, you can be my guest,
Any day you say but my Rotary day.
Just name the day that you like the best,
Only stay away on my Rotary day.

Oh you can meet me on a cool day,
A hot day, a wet day, whichever one you choose
Or try to meet me on a gray day,
A May day, a pay day, and see if I'll refuse.
And if you make it on a bleak day,
A freak day, a week day, then you can be my guest.
But never on a Thursday, a Thursday,
A Thursday 'cause that's my Rotary day.

(Repeat Refrain)

From the President

Pres. RJ Ermita



A Golden afternoon to Pasig Rotarians!

Today is the 4th meeting of the new Rotary year. We have as our guest speaker a most distinguished Pasig Rotarian General Nesty Carolina who will be sharing his work with our military veterans.

We will also be witnessing the induction of several new and returning Rotarians. Join me in welcoming returning Pasig Rotarian Vince Ermita as well as our new Rotarians Carlo Antonio Doce, Johann De Guzman and Gerard Estrada, sponsored by Dir. Garrick Ang. These fine gentlemen are very welcome additions to our club. Not just because they will bring down our average age but more so because they will bring in diverse experiences and talents which are valuable to the club. We are looking forward to their involvement especially in our service flagship programs.

The coming month of August is membership month. May I request everyone to invite like-minded and vibrant gentlemen prospects to attend our succeeding meetings. Keep them coming and we are sure we will meet our membership objectives.

Next week we will have our Club Assembly and virtual fellowship. We will be discussing our flagship projects so that all members are updated and of course...fellowship. BYOB (bring your own bottle) affair first until we figure out our logistics. Looking forward to a few drinks with you. Cheers!

Meet Our Guest Speaker



LT GENERAL ERNESTO GONZALO CAROLINA AFP (RET)
Administrator, Philippine Veterans Affairs Office

UNDERSECRETARY CAROLINA is presently the Administrator of the Philippine Veterans Affairs Office (PVAO). Prior to his current position, he was appointed Undersecretary for Civil, Veterans and Reserve Affairs, Presidential Assistant and designated Chairman of the Joint Defense Assessment Planning and Implementation Group (JDA-PAIG) and subsequently as Undersecretary for Philippine Defense Reform (PDR).

In 2003, **UNDERSECRETARY CAROLINA** retired with the rank of Lieutenant General in the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP) after 37 years of military service. Among the many important posts he held are the following: Commander, 78th Infantry Battalion, Philippine Army (PA); Chief, AFP Liaison Office for Legislative Affairs and AFP Spokesman in concurrent capacity; Chief of Staff, 4th Infantry Division, PA; Assistant Chief of Staff for Personnel, G1, and Assistant Chief of Staff for Comptrollership, G6, PA; Commander of the 401st Infantry Brigade, PA; Deputy Chief of Staff for Civil Military Operations, J7, AFP; Commanding General of the 7th Infantry Division, PA; Commander, Southern Luzon Command (SOLCOM), AFP;

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Commander, Southern Command (SOUTHCOM), AFP in Mindanao; and The Deputy Chief of Staff, AFP.

A graduate of the Philippine Military Academy Class 1970, **UNDERSECRETARY CAROLINA** obtained a Masters Degree in Business Economics at the University of Asia & the Pacific and completed the academic requirements for Masters of Science in Mathematics at the University of the Philippines as a National Science Development Board (NSDB) scholar. He took up Planning, Programming & Budgeting Systems (PPBS) Course and the Military Comptrollership Course at the US Army School for Administration in Indiana, USA. In 1989, he was awarded the Certificate of Academic Excellence by the AFP Command and General Staff College (AFPCGSC) when he finished at the top of his class as an Outstanding Honor Graduate.

UNDERSECRETARY CAROLINA is a fellow at the John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University in Cambridge, Massachusetts where he attended the Senior Executives Program in National and International Security (NIS). He also completed the Senior Executive Course at the Asia Pacific Center for Security Studies in Hawaii, USA. He has also attended various special courses and seminars on Business and Management such as the International Banking Seminar at the Bank of Boston in Massachusetts, USA; Sales & Marketing Course by the Business Consultants International, USA; Comprehensive Banking Seminar by the Sycip Gorres & Velayo Company; Seminars on Portfolio Management and Agri-business by the Financial Executives, Inc; Investment Seminar and Trade-Finance Seminar by the Asian Institute of Banking; and the Seminar on Marketing & Finance by the Executive Development Academy. He also completed the Seminar on Legislative Structure

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and Procedures and the Policy Makers Workshop/Seminar conducted by the Presidential Management Staff, Office of the President.

In a distinguished military career spanning 37 years, UNDERSECRETARY CAROLINA received several awards which include the Philippine Legion of Honor, 9 Distinguished Service Star Medals, an Outstanding Achievement Medal, 4 Gawad sa Kaunlaran Medals, 4 Bronze Cross Medals, 11 Military Merit Medals, a Wounded Personnel Medal, 9 Military Commendation Medals, a Silver Wing Medal, 9 campaign medals and ribbons, 10 military badges, several Letters of Commendations and Command Plaques.

In 1999, he was nominated for the Presidential Lingkod Bayan Award for outstanding public service. He was conferred the Outstanding Pasigueño Award in 2002, the Outstanding Alumnus Award from the Philippine Military Academy in 2003 and the Cavalier Award for Public Administration from the Philippine Military Academy Alumni Association, Inc. (PMAAAI) during the 2010 Philippine Military Academy Alumni Homecoming. On the 75th Anniversary of the Department of National Defense in November 14, 2014, he was awarded the Philippine Legion of Honor in the Degree of Legionnaire by the President of the Philippines.

Walking the Avenues

PP Jun C. Zafra



PHILIPPINE CLUB MOBILIZES TRANSPORTATION FOR FRONTLINE CORONAVIRUS HEALTH WORKERS

COVID-19 forces lockdown on public transportation in Manila. Members bring vans, accommodations for hospital and lab workers.

It didn't take long for members of the Rotary Club of Makati West to take action once the deadly coronavirus entered the country. Shortly after the local government announced the first case of COVID-19 in January, the club in Makati City, Philippines, called a series of emergency meetings to quickly assemble resources and direct aid.

"The pandemic was a battle cry for our club," says club president Enrico Tensuan. "We are Rotary, and with that comes problem-solving. We focused our efforts on how to bring immediate assistance to frontline health workers." A surge in cases of COVID-19, the disease caused by the coronavirus, led to a government-mandated lockdown starting 15 March. On the island of Luzon, home to half of the Philippines' population, the new rules closed most businesses and shut down public transit.

As a result, many health workers and other essential employees faced daunting commutes to their jobs — up to two hours each way on foot, Tensuan says.

In response to the need for safe transportation, club member Elmer Francisco — chief executive and chair of Francisco Motor Corp. and 1111 Empire Inc., which manufactures jeeps and other vehicles — donated 10 vans to transport frontline health workers

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to hospitals in and around Makati and the capital city, Manila. Francisco coordinated with officials at the Department of Transportation to obtain permits to operate the fleet and plan the most convenient routes for riders.

Since March, the vans, which carry up to 30 passengers each, have operated 24 hours each day from four designated pickup spots and local hospitals, including the Philippine General Hospital, one of the country's biggest health care facilities.

The club paid for the fuel, and members handed out snacks to exhausted passengers. In addition, the initiative paid the salaries of 17 drivers, all of whom had temporarily lost their public utility jobs because of the transit shutdown. The club expects the project to operate at least until the end of May.

“The dedication of these frontline workers and our drivers is awe-inspiring,” Francisco says. “Walking two hours each way is simply unforgiving. They are already risking their lives fighting COVID-19. This was necessary to keeping them safe.”

Helping lab employees shelter near work Members of the Makati West club also worked to provide lodging for medical professionals. They helped secure 30 days of accommodations at area motels for nearly 50 lab technicians and workers at the Research Institute for Tropical Medicine, which conducts COVID-19 tests. The employees work long hours and the nearby facilities provide much-needed relief, Tensuan says.

The club planned to pay for the rooms, but local officials, inspired by the club's actions, funded the workers' monthlong stay. Members prepared bags of toiletries and snacks for institute

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workers and motel employees. “They were small bags with just a few things, but they brought big smiles. At times like this, even the smallest of gestures can make a big difference,” Tensuan says.

The club also raised funds for Fashion for Frontliners, an effort by a group of fashion designers in the Philippines who have produced thousands of items of much-needed personal protection equipment (PPE) for hospital workers. And club members have donated thousands of dollars’ worth of PPE, including masks, gloves, and gowns, using Francisco’s fleet of vehicles to deliver the equipment to hospitals. Tensuan, who leases properties, personally donated three laundry machines to the Philippine General Hospital so that workers can wash their clothes and PPE.

“I’m proud of how our club responded so far,” Tensuan says. “But we have a long way to go. We will use our club’s resources for as long as the virus is a threat.”

Tinig Tidbits

By: PP Peter M. Javier



VAGARIES OF THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE

1. Wonder why the word Funeral starts with Fun?
2. Why isn't a Fireman called a Water-man?
3. How come Lipstick doesn't do what it says?
4. If money doesn't grow on trees, how come Banks have Branches?
5. If a Vegetarian eats vegetables, what does a Humanitarian eat?
6. How do you get off a non-stop Flight?
7. Why are goods sent by ship called Cargo and those sent by truck Shipment?
8. Why do we put cups in the Dishwasher and the dishes in the Cupboard?
9. Why do doctors 'practice' medicine? Are they having practice at the cost of the patients?
10. Why is it called "Rush Hour" when traffic moves at its slowest then?
11. How come Noses run and Feet smell?
12. Why do they call it a TV 'set' when there is only one?
13. What are you vacating when you go on a vacation?

We can never find the answers, can we? So just enjoy the pun and fun of the English language.

PANGKAT MEMBERS FOR RY 2020 – 2021

PANGKAT NO. 1

- 1. Pres. RJ Ermita - Leader**
2. Tony Diaz – Co-Leader
3. Ner Laino
4. Jing Jose
5. Rene Bocaya
6. Celso Ylagan
7. Sonny Samson
8. Philip Yoon
9. Arjan Ramnani
10. Marlo Guillano
11. Manfred Guangko
12. Leo Barbo

PANGKAT NO. 2

- 1. John Javier - Leader**
2. Nicky Ty –Co-Leader
3. Peping Mabanta
4. Ogie Lim
5. Nick de Guzman
6. Vico Sotto
7. Sonny Rivera
8. Ben Baniel
9. Raffy Garcia III
10. Ramy Garcia IV
11. Garrick Ang
12. Ferd Rivera

PANGKAT NO. 3

- 1. Ed Lucero - Leader**
2. Bong Paloma – Co-Leader
3. Wowie Benitez
4. Noel Go
5. Conrad Cuesta
6. Louie Orosa
7. Nesty Carolina
8. Esto Lichauco
9. Rhett Ermita
10. Peter Javier
11. Sammy Lazo

PANGKAT NO. 4

- 1. Rel Gomez - Leader**
2. Ed Evangelista - Co-Leader
3. Toti Buhain
4. Bert Albano
5. Raj Cordova
6. Vic Aquino
7. James Porter
8. Chito Bernardo
9. Alex Lacson
10. Ping Tan
11. Pal Bolivar

PANGKAT NO. 5

- 1. Jun Zafra - Leader**
2. Jecko Santos – Co-Leader
3. Ray Armas
4. Bebert Lacuna
5. Dennis Albano
6. Totoy Bartolome
7. Arnel Estaniel
8. Hermie Orbe
9. Vic Lim
10. Nick Guzman
11. Tito Henson

PANGKAT NO. 6

- 1. Bart Ronquillo - Leader**
2. Adolf Aran – Co-Leader
3. Ike Ona
4. Kell Ortega
5. Benny de Guzman
6. Albert Mendiola
7. Edison Go
8. Flor de Pano
9. Topax Colayco
10. Roman Romulo
11. Chony Gimenez
12. Jess Acantilado

***DECLARATION OF ROTARIANS
IN
BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS***

As a Rotarian engaged in a business or profession, I am expected to:

1. Consider my vocation to be another opportunity to serve;
2. Be faithful to the letter and to the spirit of the ethical codes of my vocation, to the laws of my country, and to the moral standards of my community;
3. Do all in my power to dignify my vocation and to promote the highest ethical standards in my chosen vocation;
4. Be fair to my employer, employees, associates, competitors, customers, the public and all those with whom I have a business or professional relationship;
5. Recognize the honor and respect due to all occupations which are useful to society;
6. Offer my vocational talents: to provide opportunities for young people, to work for the relief of the special needs of others, and to improve the quality of life in my community;
7. Adhere to honesty in my advertising and in all representations to the public concerning my business or professions;
8. Neither seek from nor grant to a fellow Rotarian a privilege or advantage not normally accorded others in a business or professional relationship.

ROTARY CODE OF CONDUCT

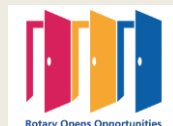
As a Rotarian, I will

1. Exemplify the core value of integrity in all behaviors and activities
2. Use my vocational experience and talents to serve in Rotary
3. Conduct all of my personal, business, and professional affairs ethically, encouraging and fostering high ethical standards as an example to others
4. Be fair in all dealings with others and treat them with the respect due to them as fellow human beings
5. Promote recognition and respect for all occupations which are useful to society
6. Offer my vocational talents: to provide opportunities for young people, to work for the relief of the special needs of others, and to improve the quality of life in my community
7. Honor the trust that Rotary and fellow Rotarians provide and not do anything that will bring dis-favor or reflect adversely on Rotary or fellow Rotarians
8. Not seek from a fellow Rotarian a privilege or advantage not normally accorded others in a business or professional relationship



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MAKE-UP SLIP

This serves as proof of your attendance

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