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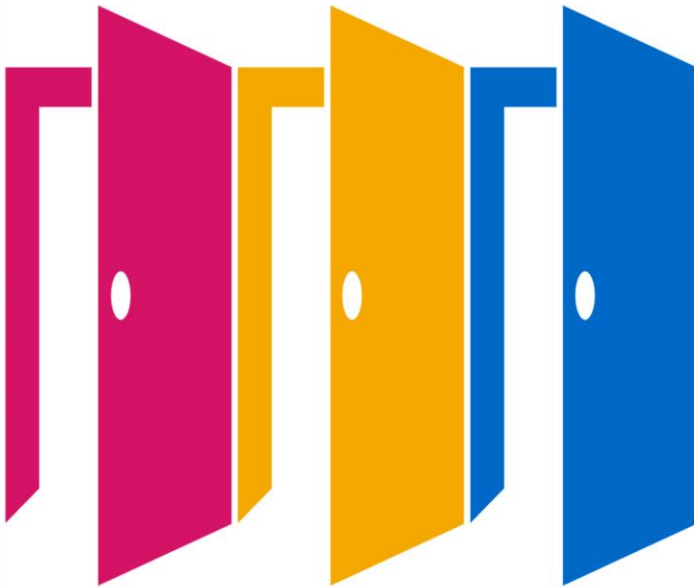


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Opportunities

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The Official Newsletter of the Rotary Club of Pasig



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Today's Programme

**Virtual Meeting via Zoom
February 11, 2021, 12:00 Noon
Pangkat No. 2 Leader PP John Javier**

Call to Order	Pres. RJ Ermita
Invocation	Rtn. Dickson Berberabe
National Anthem	Video Record
FOUR-WAY TEST	Rtn. Tet Mallare
Introduction of Visiting Rotarians & Guests	Rtn. Roy Quejada
Community Singing	Rtn. Roland Vasquez
Wise or Otherwise	
Fining Moments	PP Ferd Rivera
President's Time	Pres. RJ Ermita
Introduction of Guest Speaker	Rtn. Sonny Rivera

MR. RICARDO "Ric" REYES
Head, Urban Poor Dept. of Pasig City
GUEST SPEAKER

Open Forum	
Adjournment	Pres. RJ Ermita

PE Garrick Ang
Emcee

*** FEBRUARY IS WORLD UNDERSTANDING MONTH ***

Invocation



Heavenly Father, as we bless and praise you for this beautiful day, so now may You Bless us too. Bless our families, bless our friends and bless our Club that we may always strong and united as one. This we ask through Christ our Lord.

Amen

THE FOUR-WAY TEST

of the things we think, say or do:

1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

Object of Rotary

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

- First** : The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for Service;
- Second** : High Ethical standards in business and professions; the Recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;
- Third** : The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business and community life;
- Fourth** : The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

Song of the Day



MY ROTARY DAY

(Adapted from "Beautiful Sunday")

Thursday morning, I'm up and about
I think I'll take a walk in the park
Hey, hey, hey, it's a wonderful day

I've got someone waiting for me
When I see him I know that he'll say
Hey, hey, hey, it's our Rotary day

Hi, hi, hi, wonderful Thursday
This is my, my, my, Rotary day
When you say, say, say, say that you'll meet me
Oh, hey, hey, hey it's our Rotary day

Birds are singing, you by my side
Let's take a car and go for a ride
Hey, hey, hey, it's our Rotary day
We'll drive on and follow the sun
Makin' Thursday go on and on
Hey, hey, hey, it's our Rotary day

Hi, hi, hi, wonderful Thursday
This is my, my, my, Rotary day
When you say, say, say, say that you'll meet me
Oh, hey, hey, hey it's our Rotary day

Hi, hi, hi, wonderful Thursday
This is my, my, my, Rotary day
When you say, say, say, say that you'll meet me
Oh, hey, hey, hey it's our Rotary day

(Lyric adaptation by PP Peter Javier)

From the President

Pres. RJ Ermita



Good Afternoon Fellow Pasig Rotarians and Happy Lunar New Year to everyone!

This month is Peace and Conflict prevention month of this Rotary year. As part of this month's observance, our great Rotary Club will be hosting an anti-human trafficking webinar entitled: Combating Online Sex Exploitation of Children (OSEC) on February 16, 2021 at 5:30pm. The enhanced exposure to the internet of our children especially in this time of online education due to the pandemic, has increased their risk of exploitation by online predators. Let us be informed and help prevent this crime by attending this webinar. Our esteemed guest speaker is the Honorable Emmeline Aglipay- Villar, Undersecretary for Legal Services & Liaison Officer of the Department of Justice. I encourage you and your loved ones to attend this webinar.

Beginning in the year 2020, a new area of focus was introduced by Rotary International which focuses on "Supporting the Environment." This major district activity hosted by the Rotary Club of Marikina South is the "Balikatan para sa Bakawan" project in Calatagan, Batangas. It aims to plant and rejuvenate the mangrove forest in the area by contributing 1,500 per tree to be nurtured. This project not only benefits the forest but serves as the habitat of various animal and fish species. I have seen this area before during my regular mountain bike rides years ago when I was based in Balayan. A virtual activity will be held on February 23, 2021 and I hope that we can all attend. Should members of the club be interested in visiting the area, I can arrange this through TP Rey Dato-on of RCMS. I would like to thank the initial club

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donors for the 5 trees committed. Those interested may still do so through the viber announcement we will set.

Lastly, as part of the journey in Rotary, may I encourage our new members to register and gain access to Rotary International website. You will find very interesting information about our club, the district, and Rotary international's advocacies which will help each of you in your Rotary journey. It is also an opportunity to touch base with the worldwide membership of the Rotary organization. In my last check, only 47% of our members access the website. Go to my.rotary.org and register (on the upper right corner). You may contact me or other members of the board for assistance.

Thank you. On the 50th year of the TRANSFORMING Rotary Club of Pasig, we remain...

Yours in Rotary,

TP RJ Ermita

Rotary Notes

PP Benny P. De Guzman



Two weeks after our grand celebration of our 50th Chartering, we show our strength as a great club with our very strong **Pangkat** System, The balancing of the members suddenly showed our last **Pangkat** with the best, blend. We were blessed to have as our head the to be Incoming President and be part of the second half of our Anniversary celebration, BUT he begged off, at least more than half of the Rotary Year yet when he announced his decision.

Our **Pangkat** had a decision to have their weekly zoom meeting to hear a member, Rtn Chony, who has been in the club for decades and yet is not known personally to more than half of the general membership and to about 30% of the **Pangkat** members. What was agreed was to have at least 10 members attending but turned to 8 only but very meaningful that meeting, thanks to IP Garrick, as he was able to let them extend more than two hours. Chony was at his best giving worthwhile good pointers in business with his track records of enviable achievements in all aspects that he went into. Despite the many exposures of our PH Bart, he picked up many good pointers. Chony at 245 pounds is surprisingly at the pink of health with BP, at least per his claim of 120/80 at age of a little over 80.

So at least fellow members, if you have not felt yet the generosity of Chony, if you missed his hosted Christmas Party in his place **at Dampa**, you may get the comforts of Sogo, So Good to relax? Where he's got more than 500 around the country. He stopped the successful Buy and Sell magazine giving free ads when sales were going down but still earning then. It did not fit the style of his other concern contributing healthier returns. Oyie after his degree from A.I.M. even was interviewed by Chony for a job he did not

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get, and Ferdie narrated his many medical involvements. Cong. Roman had very healthy participation to the delight of the entire group. Many missed out and Chony promised he will be active at least in our **Pangkat**.

Last week, only Rtn Nico went to defend his classification. Baby Rotarian Jake did not participate. Oh my, what happened Jake Oh? A good project to undertake that Cong Roman said he will study to present to the club. Outstanding Policeman or Policemen on the lowest level that we will provide study bicycles. It is not unique that it was a Jaycee.

Senators project before. But we used to honor Outstanding Public Officials from Pasig from all levels. The lowest costing Swab Test in by NKTi of our very own Ike Ona. Perhaps a Pasig wide swab testing we can provide as a club using facilities of our HOF/PP Jess, and the Rizal-Medical Center. Even the Director of the City Hospital of Pasig, a past president of a daughter club, Doc Sonny, who we can also tap.

This Sunday is Love Day, the first since the Pandemic. We can show our love for family thru our involvements in our Rotary Club's various projects.

We now have two Palomas in our club. Bong is a gem, and easily was able to mix with the other members. Dekdek is a raw gem worthy of being polished?

Walking the Avenues

PP Jun C. Zafra



KNOWLEDGE NETWORK: USING MEMBER EXPERTISE AND CONNECTIONS TO GROW

This club develops presentations on a particular subject - conflict, migration, and refugees - to help other clubs improve their projects

Quentin Wodon, an economist at the World Bank, joined Rotary to share his expertise, to network, and to help others. He has remained a member because he enjoys it. “I have been a Rotarian for 10 years,” says Wodon. “My father was a Rotarian, and I was a Rotaractor in Belgium. I also did Rotary Youth Exchange, so I’ve known Rotary for a long time.”

Wodon, who was a member of the Rotary Club of Capitol Hill (Washington, D.C.) and before that the Rotary Club of Washington, had been thinking about starting a club unlike any he had been a part of before. “I wanted to make it a knowledge club,” he explains. “In Rotary, we have a lot of goodwill. But, by nature, it’s extremely decentralized.” That decentralization, he says, makes it hard to share best practices and evaluate effectiveness. He thought that if a club could focus on collecting information and disseminating reports, it would not only help other clubs improve their projects, but also enhance Rotary’s authority among other international development organizations.

With this vision in mind, Wodon formed the Rotary Club of Washington Global a year ago with 38 members. “We accept both local members and members all over the world who join us online,” he says.

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The first meeting was held in person for members in the Washington area, with others joining via videoconference, but when the coronavirus pandemic prompted stay-at-home orders, the club switched to all-virtual meetings. That hasn't stopped its growth. "We're already at more than 50 members," says Manuela Mot, who serves as the club's membership chair and who, like a number of other members, works at the World Bank. "I think we actually got many members because of COVID-19. People want to feel that they belong somewhere right now."

The club recently hosted a series of events on conflict, migration, and refugees, highlighting the expertise and connections of its members, many of whom work in international development. Those connections paved the way for the club to co-host, with the Organization of American States (OAS), an online conference on migration and refugees in June 2020. "We are trying to bring together the strength of Rotary with the strength of the institutions that we work for," says member Lara Bersano, who works for the Trust for the Americas, which is affiliated with the OAS.

While most Rotary clubs bring in a diverse roster of speakers to their meetings, the Washington Global club spends months developing a series of presentations that delve into a particular subject. Members solicit expert speakers, host webinars, and then put together a detailed report on the topic. Their first report focused on migration and refugees; the second examined education. "We aim to serve as a knowledge club or small think tank for Rotarians," Wodon says.

This model has proved attractive to younger professionals. "Many of our charter members are people under 40," Mot notes, and many are Rotary alumni. Mot, who is originally from Romania, is

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a former Rotary Peace Fellow. Bersano grew up in Argentina, where she participated in Interact, Rotaract, RYLA, and Rotary. “Many of our members are people who have benefited from Rotary in the past,” Mot says. “They now want to give back to the community and help Rotary.”

Low dues and flexible attendance options have also helped bring in younger members. Dues are set at \$250 per year, with a \$50 discount for members under age 35. The current membership rolls include people based in countries including the United States, Canada, France, and Uganda who work at organizations that include the World Bank, the Inter-American Development Bank, OAS, and USAID.

The club sponsors a small community-based satellite club in Maryland where members can take part in local projects. Members are also working on the new Rotary Action Group for Refugees, Forced Displacement, and Migration – which was approved in November 2020 – and on a fellowship being formed for Rotary members interested in global development.

“Refugees are of interest to our members because they need support in every one of the seven areas of focus,” Wodon explains. “It’s also an issue that’s going to get worse and worse.”

Initial interest in the action group has been strong, and Wodon hopes the group will eventually serve as a kind of consultancy for clubs organizing projects that help refugees. “Knowledge is as important as funding,” he says. “That’s why the action groups are so important. They are Rotary’s way to provide expertise.” The new fellowship will provide a networking opportunity for



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members who work in global development, as well as a way to share information.

The swift growth of the Washington Global club is a testament to the commitment of members like Rose Cardarelli, who is new to Rotary but has already recruited three other members. “I think we have a responsibility to reach out, because people are interested but don’t know how to approach the organization,” she says. Cardarelli, who runs a nonprofit that focuses on education, is also Rotary International’s new representative to UNICEF in New York City.

“Starting a new Rotary club is not like riding a bike. The people and the issues are different every time,” says Bersano, who has previously helped to charter a Rotaract and a Rotary club. “But what’s the same is the vision of Paul Harris. We are friends and help each other, and then we go out and help our community.”

Our Guest Speaker

MR. RICARDO “Ric” B. REYES

- Executive AssistantV, Office of the Pasig City Mayor
- Head, Task Force Pabahay – Pasig Urban Settlement Office
- Policy Advisory Group, Department of Agrarian Reform
- Under Secretary – Horacio Boy Morales
- NGO Sectoral Rep., National Anti Poverty Commission (NAPC)

Two deades of civil society engagements in land and housing problems:

- P50 billion Program for Informal Settlers in Danger Zones and Yolanda Housing
- Rehabilitation Program
- former National Chair of the Akbayan Partylist

Bachelor in Political Science and Masteral in history, UP Diliman

Tinig Tidbits

By: PP Peter M. Javier



10 New Words That Emerged During the COVID-19 Pandemic

New words help people cope with the changes that suddenly become part of our lives. We've seen this several times in history. For example, the term 'quarantine' was invented during the Black Death in Italy, and the phrase 'blown away' was created during the Vietnam War. The ongoing pandemic is no different, and people dozens if not hundreds of new words as a reaction to the Covid-19 crisis.

1. **Blursday** – An unspecified day because of lockdown's disorientating effect on time.
2. **Rona** – also 'Miss Rona' as a shortening of the full name of the corona virus.
3. **Quaranbaking** – the therapeutic act of baking during lockdown.
4. **Doom-scrolling** – constantly refreshing our newsfeeds for the latest news about the pandemic.
5. **Quarantini** – a cocktail people drink at home while in quarantine.
6. **Spendemic** – a tendency among people to overspend or retail therapy at a time of crisis.
7. **Dracula cough & sneeze** – imitate Dracula raising his cape to



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cover his face and sneeze in your elbow.

8. **Covidiot** – someone who disregards health & safety guidelines about the corona virus.
9. **Coronageddon** – the end of times condition created either by the actual corona virus or the massive devastation caused by it.
10. **Covexit** – relaxing the restrictions on the public imposed by government due to the corona virus crisis.

(from BabaMail)

***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

PANGKAT MEMBERS 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. Leo Barbo
8. Philip Yoon
9. Arjan Ramnani
10. Marlo Guillano
11. Manfred Guangko
12. Sonny Samson
13. Jay Bautista
14. Nilo Ocampo

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
13. Johan Ramos
14. Roland Vasquez
15. Rtn. Dickson Berberabe
16. Rtn. Tet Mallare

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
12. Gerard Estrada
13. Ato Basco
14. Jake Oh
15. Rtn. Bernard Bobadilla
16. Rtn. Gary Ona

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
12. Carlo Doce
13. Allan Almazar
14. Rtn. Arnel Condicion
15. Rtn. Dekdek Paloma

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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
12. Johansson de Guzman
13. Vince Ermita
14. Rtn. Cesar Lacuna
15. Rtn. Roy Quejada

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
13. Nico David
14. Oyie Averilla
15. Rtn. Ferdie Legaspi

From the Secretary's Desk

Sec. PP John Javier



Attendance

Members Present41
% of Attendance (02/04/21).....45%

Birthday Celebrants for the Month of February 2021

Wedding Anniversaries for the Month of February 2021

Guest and Visiting Rotarians

- 1. PP Jimmy Ortigas, RC San Juan**



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Rtn. Ike Ona



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Rotarians' Scholarship Pledges RY 2020 - 2021

High School Scholars

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College Scholars

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MAKE-UP SLIP

This serves as proof of your attendance

Name of Visiting Rotarian

Name of Rotary Club

RC – Pasig Club Secretary: _____ **Date:** _____