

Rotary
Club of Pasig



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TINIG

The Official Newsletter of the Rotary Club of Pasig



SEN. RISA HONTIVEROS
Guest Speaker



Today's Programme

**Valle Verde Country Club
February 16, 2023, 6:00 P.M
Zone 6 Club Intercity Meeting**

Call to Order	Zone 6 Club Presidents
Invocation	Pres. Fr. Rodel Enriquez RC Pasig South
National Anthem	AG Jenny Ortega RC Pasig Premier
FOUR-WAY TEST	Pres. Jed Peralta RC Metro Pasig
Introduction of Visiting Rotarians & Guests	PP John Javier RC Pasig
Community Singing	AG Jenny Ortega and Zone 6 Club Presidents
Welcome Remarks	Pres. Bong Paloma RC Pasig
Introduction of Guest Speaker	PE Adolf Aran RC Pasig

HON. SENATOR RISA HONTIVEROS

Topic" Divorce Bill 101

GUEST SPEAKER

Open Forum	
Adjournment	Zone 6 Club Presidents

**PP Topax Colayco
RC Pasig
Emcee**

- FEBRUARY IS WORLD UNDERSTANDING MONTH -

Invocation



Lord, true light and source of all light, listen to our prayer. Turn our thoughts to what is holy and may we ever live in the light of your love.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

– **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 kina-uukulan?
3. Iyon ba ay lilikha ng **MABUTING KALOOBAN at LALONG MATAPAT NA PAKIKIPAG-KAIBIGAN**?
4. Iyon ba ay magiging **KAPAKI-PAKINABANG** para sa lahat ng kina-uukulan?

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 kapaki-pakinabang 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 pagkaka-unawaan, 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



NOW WE'RE TOGETHER

(Melody: Getting To Know You from King and I)

Now we're together

Happy to know we're Rotarians

Getting together

Getting to Light Up Rotary

Happy to know **that**

Doing it **our** way but nicely

Service Above Self's our cup of tea

Now we're together

Happy we're all Rotarians

When we're together

We get to **share** how we'll serve

Haven't you noticed

We all feel good and cheery

Because of all the **wonderful** and **good**

Things we'll keep on doing

Day by day

(Lyrics adaptation by PP Peter)

From the President

Pres. Bong Paloma



Good afternoon RCP!

We welcome our new members, Bien and Ritchie, to the club. Both gentlemen gave an inspiring classification talk last week.

Bien started his business with a Php 20,000 capital and 15 years later, thru hard work and perseverance, has grown it to a multi-million company and growing. Ritchie, on the other hand, started as a banker and later decided to pursue his passion in sports and is now coaching young and aspiring basketball players and teaching them what is not being taught in school today, which is Good Manners and Right Conduct (GMRC) and instilling discipline to his players. Both men are young and under 50, which brings the club's median age to a lower number.

We still need three more members to bring us back to a century club. Let us extend the invitation to our peers and colleagues. Our district goal is to be at 110 by the end of June. 13 more members sound like a tall order, but with 97 strong RCP members, I do not doubt we can achieve such a number before my term ends.

I would also like to report to the club that we have finished work (paint job, installation of dividers, pantry, and ceiling fans) at our Ilugin Community Clinic. We also delivered a slightly used hospital bed, and next week we will also provide two units of Philips Air UV Disinfectant. The Transformation of Ilugin Clinic is fantastic. It is now very conducive to working and carrying out consultations and training. It now has broadband Internet, a wireless printer, UV Air disinfectants, Window type AC, ceiling fans, and a decent reclining hospital bed. Please take time to visit

From the President

Pres. Bong Paloma

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the clinic and see for yourself its transformation. Kudos to our service director Tet Mallare for putting up all the work.

We will also start work on constructing and installing a wash basin and clean drinking water station at the Ilugin Elementary School and the Rizal High School. This project brings us to a total of 3 Elementary Schools where we have installed a wash basin and drinking water station as part of our district grant. In addition, we plan to install the same setup in two other elementary Schools in Pasig next month. Lastly, we will expand the reading comprehension program to different elementary schools after a successful program execution in partnership with Alpabasa at Sto Nino Elementary School. Ilugin Elementary would be the next school, most likely.

Today's club meeting is a joint club meeting of all clubs under Zone 6 of District 3800. We are fortunate to have Senator Risa Hontiveros, a health and women's rights advocate, a proud activist, and a champion of the basic sectors. She will take us through the Divorce Bill, which she described as a "historic fight to free Filipinos from abusive, loveless and unhappy marriages.". Today, we will have a lively and open discussion on what's in it and whether it will protect the welfare of the family when marital differences between husband and wife become irreconcilable. Seat back, keep an open mind, and let us ask the hard questions after her talk.

I want to thank all my classmates for supporting this seminar, and we wish Sen. Risa success in pushing her legislative agenda in the Senate.

Mabuhay ang Rotary Club of Pasig!

Bong

Rotary Notes

PP Benny P. De Guzman



Tonight is a very special meeting of the Pasig Zone clubs because our guest of honor is not an ordinary senator of the land but Senator Risa Hontiveros. The Senator Hontiveros herself! Brains, Beauty and Bearings. Feisty and Fiery.

I invited DGNE Gina Sanchez to attend and she said she will be around but not because I invited her but because PP John did. Basta makarating ka mam, okay na.

We welcome our new baby Rotarians Bien and Richie who not only lowered our average age but in the process improved the looks around. Baby Rotarian Dante will comment did I not lower the average age too? Did I not improve the looks as well? Now that you mentioned it, yes but not as much as the two.

Bien's body is so husky and pang beach kaya pala marami siyang naka display pang Boracay. Richie on the other hand placed separated for his status. He did not realize that we have three priest members with two still very active. Is it because of his attachment to the game of basketball? Baka nadridrible lang ang iba?

Tomorrow at 10 am at the EDSA Shrine is the special mass on the 6th anniversary of the detention of another fiery senator, Lilia de Lima. This special mass to be led by running priest, Fr. Robert Reyes will surely see many of us expressing our support. As we pray for freedom for her we must also pray that a killer earthquake spare our country. Even with the help of the international community, the recovery of Turkey and Syria will take years.

Rotary Notes**PP Benny P. De Guzman***Continuation 1.*

PRID Raffy will not be around as he is in El Nido with PRIP John Germ as a special guest.

I will bet a couple of Pasig Rotarians will be zooming this noon while a few others will be laughing at themselves for being at the venue 6 hours earlier.

Many Rotarians are congratulating PRID Raffy for being the brains behind the holding of the Rotary International Convention in our country. Of the many Rotary districts in Metro Manila and Luzon, it was the Quezon City District for the venue. Sana we get good support from the Department of Tourism as this will be a major attraction for our country.

When Pres Bong requested us to sponsor new Rotarians to reach past the century mark, many were hesitant to ask past presidents to rejoin. Inasmuch as accepting females is a topic that cannot be discussed in our club, the past presidents can be nucleus. Then former active members who were assigned outside of Pasig but are back may be the next target.

Recent birthday boy PP Rene must be a Rotarian of action if he followed up the baby girl with the cleft palate he featured five weeks ago. This man of action will surely have his rewards. If not? In action becomes INACTION. Which one are you?

Walking the Avenues

PP Jun C. Zafra



ROTARY RESPONDS TO EARTHQUAKE THAT HAS DEVASTATED AREA OF TURKEY AND SYRIA

Turkey and Syria were struck by a devastating earthquake on 6 February that has killed tens of thousands of people, destroyed thousands of homes and other structures, and left people across the region without shelter in bitterly cold winter weather.

The Rotary world responded to this catastrophe immediately. RI President Jennifer Jones activated our disaster response efforts, communicated with the affected districts, and encouraged governors in those regions to apply for disaster response grants and share information about their relief efforts so that Rotary can amplify the calls for support.

Rotary's project partner ShelterBox has an emergency response team assessing the needs in the region and how it can respond. That team is communicating with Rotary district leaders. Our service partner Habitat for Humanity International is also working on its response. Many Rotary members are asking how they can help. Here's how to have the greatest impact:

1. Give to The Rotary Foundation's Disaster Response Fund. Donations help clubs and districts provide aid and support rebuilding efforts where the need is greatest. The funds

Walking the Avenues

PP Jun C. Zafra

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are distributed to affected communities through disaster response grants. The Disaster Response Fund can accept cash contributions and District Designated Funds (DDF). Donations to the Disaster Response Fund are combined and cannot be designated for a specific disaster.

2. Support local initiatives. As we learn about local response efforts that are being led by clubs and districts, Rotary raises awareness about how to support them. People can then support these projects by working directly with Rotary members in the region. If you want us to publicize information about local response efforts, write to relief@rotary.org.

Our Guest Speaker



SENATOR RISA HONTIVEROS

Chairperson, Senate Committee on Women, Children, Family Relations and Gender Equality

Senator RisaHontiveros is known for her tireless work in promoting publichealth, women's rights, and the welfare of the Filipino family. She is a multi-awarded public servant, community organizer, and journalist elected to the Senate in 2016.

In her first term, she successfully championed landmark laws, including the historic Expanded Maternity Leave Law that gives working moms105 days of paid maternity leave, and the Philippine Mental Health Law, the country's first ever national policy to care for Filipinos' mental health.

As along time health advocate, she pushed for the passage of the Universal Healthcare Law and the Expanded Anti-hospital Deposit Law to ensure the Filipino family's well-being before profit, and to make health more accessible to all.

Even amidst the pandemic, Senator Risa pushed for freedialysis for senior citizens and for the timely release of

Our Guest Speaker

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benefits and salaries for health workers.

As Chairperson of the Senate Committee on Women, Senator Hontiveros also authored the Safe Streets and Public Spaces Law or the Bawal Bastos Law that protects all Filipinos, particularly women, from gender-based harassment in the streets, public transportation, schools, and the workplace. During the biggest public health crisis of our time, she also pushed for the Maternity Benefit for Women in the Informal Economy Act, to help ease the multiple burdens of women exacerbated by the pandemic.

Senator Hontiveros worked on expanding the Solo Parents' Act to further helps in glemoms and dads in providing for their families. The Senator is also pushing for an increase on the monthly pension of senior citizens through the Lingap Para Kayo Lolo at Lola Bill.

Even before becoming a legislator, in 2005, she was one of 27 Filipinas who earned a nomination to the prestigious Nobel Peace Prize for her work in the peace movement.

Senator Hontiveros is a loving and hands-on solo mother to 4 children-Kiko, Issa ,Helena and Sinta.

Tinig Tidbits

By: PP Peter M. Javier



SMART SYNONYMS FOR 16 WORDS

Adding new and interesting words to your personal vocabulary is always a good idea, as the richness of your lexicon is a reflection of your intelligence, at least that's what most people believe

1. **Billingsgate** instead of **bad language**.
2. **Perfunctory** instead of **lazy**.
3. **Daedal** instead of **skillful**.
4. **Astute** instead of **smart**.
5. **Livid** instead of **angry**.
6. **Predicament** instead of **problem**.
7. **Mephitic** instead of **smelly**.
8. **Frugal** instead of **thrifty**
9. **Riant** instead of **cheerful**.
10. **Frigid** instead of **cold**.
11. **Solipsistic** instead of **self-absorbed**.
12. **Ennui** instead of **boredom**.
13. **Profligate** instead of **extravagant**.
14. **Embrangle** instead of **confuse**.
15. **Ascertain** instead of **figure out**.
16. **Adore** instead of **love**.

(from BabaMail)

Wheat not Weeds

By: Rtn. Fr. Kell Ortega



Freedom from What?

In a few days we are about to commemorate the 37th EDSA People Power Revolution Anniversary. 37 years ago, we finally breathed a fresh air of freedom after being held by the iron grip of dictatorship for more than 20 years. But is freedom only mean politically, meaning being free to do what we like to do or say without having our necks chained?

Yes, we all deserve FREEDOM. Free to express what we want to say and do for as long as we can be responsible. But freedom does not only mean freedom from political tyranny or despotism that limits or restricts our basic human rights. Freedom means also being free from any sin that enslaves us to being true human beings. According to St. Paul, in his letter to the Galatians: “For you were called to freedom, brothers. Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another (Galatians 5:13).” Here, St. Paul cautions us not to use our freedom as an opportunity of the flesh. If properly understood in its context, he meant that we should not use our freedom to commit sins that satisfy our selfish pride like lying, stealing, and oppression of the poor. He also taught that freedom means proactively serving others. In other words, freedom for St. Paul being free to serve or reach out to others and less of self.

May this gift of freedom we have be used in our service to others above ourselves.

- Rtn. Fr. Kell T. Ortega

Glimpses of Our Last Meeting



IATP Bong calls his 31st meeting to order with Rtn Rod as emcee. Rtn Fr Kell leads invocation.



Dir Dodie leads singing of Pambansang Awit & recitation of Apat Na Urian Ng Rotaryo. PE Adolf introduces guests.



PP Benny & Dir Dodie with baby Rtns Bien & Archie leads community singing.

Glimpses of Our Last Meeting



PP John on PLP scholarship & Ilugin Community Center. PP Benny does again the fining.



It's President's Time. Classification talks by baby Rtns Bien Sibug and Archie Defensor.



Questions by HOF/PP Conrad & PP Henry on basketball coaching for Rtn Archie &

Glimpses of Our Last Meeting



manufacturing of household cleaning chemicals & cosmetic products for Rtn Bien.



IATP Bong hands club's tokens to club's 96th & 97th member.



A photo with Archie & Bien before adjourning meeting.

Pangkat Members RY 2022 - 2023

PANGKAT NO. 1

1. Pres Bong Paloma - Leader

2. PP Jun Zafra - Co-L
3. Rtn Jay Bautista
4. Rtn Nesty Carolina
5. PP Conrad Cuesta
6. Rtn Nico David
7. Rtn Roehl Fontanilla
8. Rtn. Noel Go
9. Rtn Sammy Lazo
10. PP Esto Lichauco
11. Rtn Demy Magpantay
12. Rtn Gene Menor
13. PP Hermie Orbe
14. Rtn Bart Ronquillo
15. Rtn Vico Sotto
16. Rtn. Richie Defensor

PANGKAT NO. 2

1. Dir. Bernard Dy - Leader

2. Dir. Tet Mallare- Co-L
3. Rtn Henry Claravall
4. PP Topax Colayco
5. PP Benny de Guzman
6. Rtn Flor de Pano
7. Rtn Gerard Estrada
8. Rtn Vince Ermita
9. PRID Raffy Garcia III
10. Rtn. Chony Gimenez
11. Rtn Edison Go
12. PP Ner Laino
13. Rtn. Rod Moreno
14. Rtn Fr. Kell Ortega
15. Rtn Roman Romulo
16. Rtn Nicky Ty

PANGKAT NO. 3

1. Dir. Jake Oh – Leader

2. IPP Garrick Ang – Co-L
3. Rtn Mads Bengua
4. Rtn Dickson Berberabe
5. Rtn Benard Bobadilla
6. PP Rene Bocaya
7. Rtn Carlo Doce
8. Rtn Phillip Go
9. Rtn Manfred Guangko
10. Rtn Marlo Guillano
11. PP Peter Javier

12. Rtn. Dante Lardizabal

13. Rtn Nilo Ocampo
14. PP Arjan Ramnani
15. Rtn. Jeffrey Sonora
16. Rtn. Philip Yoon

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PANGKAT NO. 4

- 1. Dir. Ato Basco – Leader**
2. Dir. Dekdek Paloma-Co L
3. PP Bert Albano
4. Rtn Fr. Vincent Amores
5. Rtn Richard Berganos
6. Rtn Pal Bolivar
7. PP Toti Buhain
8. PP RJ Ermita
9. PP Ramy Garcia IV
10. Rtn Cesar Lacuna
11. PP Ogie Lim
12. PP Peping Mabanta
13. Rtn Albert Mendiola
14. Rtn Gary Ona
15. Rtn Ping Tan
16. Rtn Roland Vasquez

PANGKAT NO. 5

- 1. Dir. Roy Quejada -Leader**
2. PP John Javier – Co-L
3. Rtn Dennis Albano
4. PP Jess Acantilado
5. PP Vic Aquino
6. PP Totoy Bartolome
7. Rtn Raj Cordova
8. Rtn Arnel Estaniel
9. PP Rel Gomez
10. PP Tito Henson
11. Rtn Dodot Jaworski
12. Rtn Bebert Lacuna
13. Rtn Fr. Jojo Opinio
14. Rtn James Porter
15. Rtn Sonny Rivera
16. Rtn Jecko Santos

PANGKAT NO. 6

- 1. PE Adolf Aran – Leader**
2. Rtn Anson Tan - Co-L
3. Rtn Roman Arugay
4. Rtn Oyie Averilla
5. Rtn Ben Baniel
6. Rtn Chito Bernardo
7. PP Nick Guzman
8. Rtn Alex Lacson
9. PP Vic Lim
10. Rtn. Ike Ona

11. Rtn. Peter Pancho
12. PP Ferd Rivera
13. PP Henry Uy
14. PP Celso Ylagan
15. Rtn. Bien Sibug

Rotarian's Scholarship Pledges RY 2022-2023

As of February 16, 2022

1. Anonymous	50k Pd
2. Anonymous	50k Pd
3. PP Ner Laino	25k Pd
4. PP Conrad Cuesta	25k Pd
5. Rtn Manfred Guangko	25k Pd
6. PP Ogie Lim	25k Pd
7. PP Jun Zafra	12k Pd
8. PP Peter Javier	12k Pd
9. Rtn Dennis Albano	12k Pd Bal. 6k
10. Rtn Henry Claravall	6k Pd
11. Rtn Mads Bengua	6k Pd
12. Rtn Ato Basco	6k Pd
13. Rtn Richard Berganos	6k Pd
14. Rtn Gary Ona	5k Pd
15. PP Celso Ylagan	6k Pd
16. Rtn Nicky Ty	6k
17. Rtn Sammy Lazo	6k Pd
18. PP Vic Lim	6k Pd
19. Rtn Noel Go	6k Pd
20. PP Ferd Rivera	6k Pd
21. Rtn Philip Yoon	6k Pd
22. PP Hermie Orbe	6k
23. PP Tito Henson	6k
24. Rtn Flor de Pano	6k Pd
25. PP Topax Colayco	6k Pd

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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

From the Secretary's Desk

Sec. PP John Javier



Attendance

Members Present36

% of Attendance (02/09/23).....37.8%

Birthday Celebrants for the Month of February 2023

Wedding Anniversaries for the Month of February 2023

Guest and Visiting Rotarians

1. Marvin Fausto, Host: PE Adolf Aran

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MAKE-UP SLIP

This serves as proof of your attendance

Name of Visiting Rotarian

Name of Rotary Club

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