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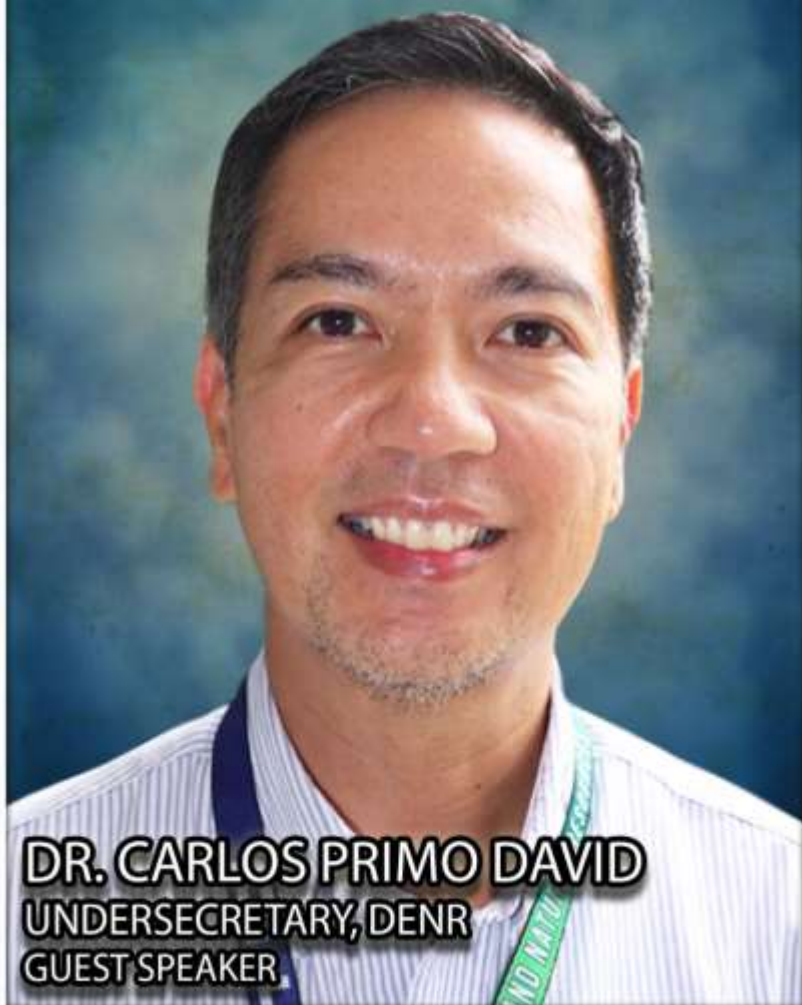


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25 JANUARY 2024  
Rotary Year 2023-2024

# TINIG

The Official Newsletter of the Rotary Club of Pasig



**DR. CARLOS PRIMO DAVID**  
UNDERSECRETARY, DENR  
GUEST SPEAKER

## **Today's Programme**

**Valle Verde Country Club**  
**January 25, 2024 12:00Noon**  
**Pangkat 1 Leader: IPP Bong Paloma**

<b>Call to Order</b>	<b>Pres. Adolf Aran</b>
<b>Invocation</b>	<b>Rtn Richie Pua</b>
<b>National Anthem</b>	<b>Rtn Richie Pua</b>
<b>FOUR-WAY TEST</b>	<b>Rtn Richie Defensor</b>
<b>Introduction of Visiting Rotarians &amp; Guests</b>	<b>Rtn Roehl Fontanilla</b>
<b>Community Singing</b>	<b>Pangkat 1</b>
<b>Wise or Otherwise</b>	
<b>Fining Moments</b>	<b>PP Conrad Cuesta</b>
<b>President's Time</b>	<b>Pres. Adolf Aran</b>
<b>Introduction of Guest Speaker</b>	<b>Pres. Adolf Aran</b>

***DR. CARLOS PRIMO DAVID***

***Undersecretary, DENR***

***Topic: Future Proofing the Philippine  
Water Situation***

***GUEST SPEAKER***

<b>Open Forum</b>	
<b>Adjournment</b>	<b>Pres. Adolf Aran</b>

**IPP Bong Paloma**

**Emcee**

**\* JANUARY AWARENESS MONTH \***



# Invocation



We come to you O Loving Father recognizing with humility our shortcomings & sinfulness. Send forth you Spirit to bless us and our families. May everything we do and discuss today find favor with you for the greater glory of your name through Jesus Christ our savior. Amen

*From: Rtn. Fr. Jojo Opinio*

# THE FOUR-WAY TEST

**of the things we think, say or do:**

4. 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?

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## 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



### **I'd Like to Teach the World to Sing**

I'd like to build the world a home  
And furnish it with love  
Grow apple trees and honey bees  
And snow white turtle doves

I'd like to teach the world to sing  
In perfect harmony  
I'd like to hold it in my arms  
And keep it company

I'd like to see the world for once  
All standing hand in hand  
And hear them echo through the hills  
For peace through out the land  
(That's the song I hear)

I'd like to teach the world to sing  
In perfect harmony

I'd like to teach the world to sing  
In perfect harmony

I'd like to build the world a home  
And furnish it with love  
Grow apple trees and honey bees  
And snow white turtle doves

# Song of the Day

Continuation 1.



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I'd like to hold it in my arms  
And keep it company

I'd like to see the world for once  
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And hear them echo through the hills  
For peace through out the land  
(That's the song I hear)

I'd like to teach the world to sing  
In perfect harmony

I'd like to teach the world to sing  
In perfect harmony

I'd like to teach the world to sing  
In perfect harmony, that's the song I hear

## From the President

**Pres. Adolf Aran**



Attitude of gratitude! Thank you for all those who celebrated our 53rd founding anniversary last week. It was a memorable day, especially when we honored our Charter members and Past Presidents Peping Mabanta, Arjan Ramnani and the late Esto Lichauco. It was also the perfect opportunity to update our membership and our district about the service projects of our club. The support that our club enjoys from District Governor Pope Solis and his team is quite overwhelming.

The members who had intentions of attending but had medical reasons that prevented them from doing so, we wish you well and pray for your speedy recovery. Some celebrated their birthdays or the birthdays of their loved ones on the same day.

Let's enjoy and savor the rest of our Rotary year by creating hope in the world through our service projects. For our new members, especially newly inducted member Paolo Diaz, please join our club committees so you can find meaning in service and in fellowship with other Rotarians.

**Mabuhay ang Rotary Club of Pasig!**

## Rotary Notes

**PP Benny P. De Guzman**



Our anniversary issue must have used a different font size as my column had an extra one fourth page. I have been used to my usual two pages. This is quite rush as my Tinig bossman, PP Peter did not respond to my urgent request for one issue without my Rotary Notes as my wife Pura has been in intensive care for 6 days now at MedCity. She had heart and kidney failure. Her kidney function was down to 13% when she was brought to the ER. Why am I telling this? To remind others the need for constant lab tests or doctor's visits Her potassium and creatinine rose high that dialysis was needed but her valves were tight too. She is back to normal after 6 days.

Also at our anniversary, I begged off from the introduction of guests and visiting dignitaries especially from the world of Rotary. We had our present governor and his lady, 9 PDGs, five with their ladies and the incoming governor.

Kudos to our members, PPs who brought their spouses, Peping, Topax, Tito, Vic, Bong, Ramy, Rel and one else I forgot. Baby Rtn Richie brought his spouse. Our Edgar did not list any other Rotarian with spouse. I am sure one baby Rotarian brought also his. PP Hermie has been out of our meetings and even more so noticeable was during our anniversary celebration. PP Ner, the Pasig Rotarian who has been present in our meeting every other Thursday was also absent. But that was predictable as it was his off Thursday. Being Batangas base now, attending was a tough one especially for an evening meeting. PP Totoy begged off also an hour before the meeting proper. But PP Totoy is turning 98



## **Rotary Notes**

**PP Benny P. De Guzman**

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later this year.

Highly commendable is PP Peping who with spouse Bella both came in wheelchairs. The club honored Peping and PP Arjan as the remaining charter members. But a grateful club also gave due recognition to another charter member, PP Esto, our 5<sup>th</sup> president, who gave in a week before his 95<sup>th</sup> birthday. A week before Christmas as Esto is a Christmas baby.

This morning, I went to my lab test as this must be done by any septuagenarian. More so for me, an octogenarian. All the body aches and pains seem to be knocking. I used to brag my I.Q. is way higher than my B.P. Now they seem to be targetting to tie. Yung ayaw mong tumaas, tumataas and yung ayaw mong bumaba, bumababa. The is the beauty of old age! Don't laugh now. Remember, tatanda din kayo.

Cong Roman and Mayor Vico both attended for a while our anniversary celebration. I invited PPA and I think current ARAP prexy, Susan Grau and for her to invite ARAP members to our anniversary celebration. It seems the closeness of our club to ARAP over the years has gone down. It is not for ARAP to adjust to us. They are part of us so we must figure out on how to get them in our programs. Last first week of December, the charter president of ARAP, Sally Hernando and widow of the late Benny Hernando passed away. It was not a club's seeming concern. I paid my respects though. We were college batchmates. The year we graduated, she was the only summa cum laude of UP. Anyway, at the necrological serves for PP Esto, only 11 Rotarians came. 11 is still over 10% of our membership.

## **Walking the Avenues**

**PP Jun C. Zafra**



### **ROTARY AND UNEP UNITE TO SAFEGUARD GLOBAL FRESHWATER ECOSYSTEMS**

**'Community Action for Fresh Water' Initiative Aims to Enhance Global Freshwater Through Community-Led Projects**

EVANSTON, Ill., USA (11 Jan. 2024) — Under a new strategic partnership, Rotary and the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) are launching the 'Community Action for Fresh Water' initiative, focusing on the protection of freshwater ecosystems. In response to escalating challenges like pollution, climate change, and habitat degradation, this initiative is set to enhance both the conservation and monitoring of freshwater ecosystems globally.

“Partnering with UNEP empowers Rotary members to significantly contribute to freshwater conservation efforts, beginning with the waterways in their own communities,” said Rotary International President Gordon McInally. “Through this collaboration, our members will bring local solutions to global challenges, directly impacting the health and sustainability of their communities.”

Through this initiative, Rotary will leverage its global network to initiate community-based solutions that directly influence freshwater ecosystems and can be carried out at the watershed level. Members will engage in identifying and protecting important local bodies of water, collaborating closely with local stakeholders. Their activities will encompass organizing

## **Walking the Avenues**

**PP Jun C. Zafra**

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cleanup and conservation campaigns, conducting educational initiatives on water conservation, participating in habitat restoration, and monitoring water quality.

“Freshwater ecosystems are essential for the well-being of our planet, providing crucial services from biodiversity stability to water supply for communities,” said Leticia Carvalho, Head of UNEP's Marine and Freshwater Branch. “This collaboration amplifies our efforts at the grassroots level, combining Rotary’s community presence with our expertise to make a meaningful impact, and fostering respect for these vital resources.”

Building on the success of the 'Adopt a River for Sustainable Development' pilot program with Rotary District 9212 in Eritrea, Ethiopia, Kenya, and South Sudan, this strategic partnership showcases the potential of linking together community-based environmental efforts. Rotary’s initial 3-year financial commitment to the partnership will fund a range of activities, emphasizing direct action and community involvement.

About Rotary: Rotary brings together a global network of volunteer leaders dedicated to tackling the world’s most pressing humanitarian challenges. Rotary connects 1.4 million members of more than 46,000 Rotary clubs in almost every country in the world. Their work improves lives at both the local and international levels, from helping families in need in their own communities to working toward a polio-free world. Rotary clubs are also undertaking impactful environmental

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PP Jun C. Zafra

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projects worldwide, with over US\$23.7 million invested by The Rotary Foundation to this end.

About the UN Environment Programme (UNEP): UNEP is the leading global voice on the environment. It provides leadership and encourages partnership in caring for the environment by inspiring, informing and enabling nations and peoples to improve their quality of life without compromising that of future generations.

## **Our Guest Speaker**



**DR. CARLOS PRIMO DAVID**  
**Undersecretary, DENR**

Dr CP David is the DENR Undersecretary in charge of the Water Resources Management Office. He is a licensed geologist by profession and a regular faculty of UP Diliman. He attended UP for his bachelor's and masteral degrees in Geology and Stanford University for his PhD in environmental science and geology.

# Tinig Tidbits

Contributed By: PP Celso Ylagan



## **An annual Pun Competition was held by the New York Times.**

Here are some submissions:

1. I changed my iPod's name to Titanic. It's syncing now.
2. England has no kidney bank, but it does have a Liverpool.
3. A dentist and a manicurist married. They fought tooth and nail.
4. With her marriage, she got a new name and a dress.
5. Did you hear about the fellow whose entire left side was cut off? He's all right now.
6. A bicycle can't stand alone; it's just two tired.
7. When she saw her first strands of grey hair she thought she'd dye.
8. I didn't like my beard at first. Then it grew on me.
9. Did you hear about the cross-eyed teacher who lost her job because she couldn't control her pupils
10. Dad, are we pyromaniacs? Yes, we arson.
11. Why is 'dark' spelt with a k and not c? Because you can't 'c' in the dark.

# **Tinig Tidbits**

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12. Why is it unwise to share your secrets with a clock? Well, because time will tell.
13. Prison is just one word to you, but for some people, it's a whole sentence.
14. I'm trying to organize a hide-n-seek tournament, but good players are really hard to find.
15. I've started telling everyone about the benefits of eating dried grapes. It's all about raisin awareness!!!

## 53rd Charter Anniversary Celebration



Celebration at Valle Verde 6 Clubhouse. 53rd Charter Anniversary cake.



HCP Adolf starts meeting cum celebration with PP John & IPP Bong as emcees.



PE Dodie leads the invocation & singing of Pambansang Awit with PP John & IPP Bong.



## 53rd Charter Anniversary Celebration



Newest member, Rtn Joseph recites the Four-Way Test. PP Jun introduces visiting Rtns & guests.



A toast led by & welcome remarks by HCP Adolf.



Awards for remaining charter members PPs Arjan & Peping.

## 53rd Charter Anniversary Celebration



Rtn Doc Ato naming birthday celebrants for candle blowing...PPs Toti, Jun, Ramy & FP Noel.



The Noble Men of RC Pasig.



With the spouses led by spouse Alu.

## 53rd Charter Anniversary Celebration



And with DG Pope Solis & PDGs.



The past presidents with HCP Adolf, PE Dodie, PN Roy & PND Tet.



Inspirational message by PRID Raffy. PP John on video presentations of flagship projects.





## 53rd Charter Anniversary Celebration



PE Dodie on PNP Awards. PND Tet on hand washing & drinking station.



HOF/PP Jess on Ilugin Community Center. PN Roy on RHS & PLP scholarships. PP RJ on club's partners in service.



Inspirational message by DG Pope Solis. HCP Adolf adjourns for fellowship time.

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## The 97th member of Rtn. Paolo Diaz



DG Pope Solis administers oath of membership.



Sponsor PP Ramy pins Rotary pin. DG Pope pins D3800 pin.



A welcome handshake & photo with Lady Vicky & spouse Katrina.



## Officers and Directors

### ROTARY CLUB OF PASIG (RY 2023-2024)

<b>President</b>	Adolfo “Adolf” D.J Aran, Jr.
<b>Vice President/PE</b>	Bernard “Bernard” C. Dy
<b>Club Secretary</b>	PP Peter John “John” U. Javier
<b>Treasurer</b>	Rtn. Damito “Demy” Magpantay
<b>Auditor</b>	Rtn. Joaquin “Jake” Oh
<b>Sgt-at-Arms</b>	Rtn. Peter Pancho

#### **DIRECTOR:**

<b>Club Administration</b>	Rtn. Anson Tan
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<b>Public Relations</b>	Rtn. Peter Pancho
<b>Service Community</b>	Rtn. Saturnino “Tet” G. Mallare III
<b>The Rotary Foundation</b>	PP Marcelo “Jun” C. Zafra, Jr.
<b>Youth Service</b>	Rtn. Roy Marvin Quejada
<b>Ex-Officio</b>	IPP Josefino “Bong” M. Paloma

## **Pangkat Members RY 2023 - 2024**

### ***PANGKAT NO. 1***

- 1. IPP Bong Paloma - Leader**
2. Dir. Demy Magpantay - Co-L
3. Rtn Jay Bautista
4. Rtn Nesty Carolina
5. PP Conrad Cuesta
6. Rtn Roehl Fontanilla
7. Rtn. Richie Defensor
8. Rtn Noel Go
9. PP Dodot Jaworski
10. Rtn Sammy Lazo
11. Rtn. Gene Menor
12. Rtn Albert Mendiola
13. Rtn. Richie Pua
14. Rtn. Bien Sibug
15. Rtn. Aris Marfil
16. Rtn Simon Tantoco

### ***PANGKAT NO. 2***

- 1. PE. Bernard Dy - Leader**
2. Dir. Peter Pancho- Co-L
3. Rtn Ato Basco
4. Rtn. Henry Claravall
5. PP Topax Colayco
6. PP Benny de Guzman
7. Rtn. Jimmy Gualberto
8. PRID Raffy Garcia III
9. Rtn. Chony Gimenez
10. Rtn. Edison Go
11. PP Ner Laino
12. Rtn. Rod Moreno
13. Rtn Fr. Kell Ortega
14. Rtn Roman Romulo
15. Rtn Nicky Ty
16. PP Henry Uy

### ***PANGKAT NO. 3***

- 1. Dir. Tet Mallare – Leader**
2. PP Garrick Ang – Co-L
3. Rtn. Jake Oh
4. Rtn Mads Bengua
5. Rtn Benard Bobadilla
6. PP Rene Bocaya
7. Rtn Flor de Pano
8. Rtn. Carlo Doce
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. Philip Yoon
16. Rtn. JS Zamora
17. Jojo Estolano

## **Pangkat Members RY 2022 - 2023**

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#### ***PANGKAT NO. 4***

**1. PP Jun Zafra – Leader**

2. Rtn. Gary Ona-Co L
3. PP Bert Albano
4. Rtn Richard Berganos
5. Rtn Pal Bolivar
6. PP Toti Buhain
7. Rtn. Karl Contreras
8. PP RJ Ermita
9. PP Ramy Garcia IV
10. Rtn Cesar Lacuna
11. PP Ogie Lim
12. PP Peping Mabanta
13. PP Hermie Orbe
14. Rtn Dekdek Paloma
15. Rtn Rudy Sanguyo
16. Joseph Gualberto

#### ***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 Bebert Lacuna
12. Rtn Fr. Jojo Opinio
13. Rtn Bart Ronquillo
14. Rtn Jecko Santos
15. Rtn Vico Sotto
16. Rtn. Roland Vasquez

#### ***PANGKAT NO. 6***

**1. Dir. Anson Tan – Leader**

2. Pres. Adolf Aran - 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. PP Ferd Rivera

12. Rtn. Ping Tan
13. Rtn. Stephen Valera
14. PP Celso Ylagan
15. Rtn Mike Dolar
16. Paolo Diaz

# From the Secretary's Desk

*Sec. PP John Javier*



## Attendance

Members Present .....60  
 % of Attendance (01/18/24).....61.8%

## Birthday Celebrants for the Month of January 2024

## Wedding Anniversaries for the Month of January 2024

## 53<sup>rd</sup> RCP Anniversary Attendees

RCP - 60	District Officers - 2
Spouse- 14	Visiting Rotarians - 10
PDG's - 17	Guest - 19
Spouse- 11	

## Editorial Staff

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Name of Visiting Rotarian

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Name of Rotary Club

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