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Rotary Year 2023-2024

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The Official Newsletter of the Rotary Club of Pasig

RC Pasig Christmas Party



PASKO

NG PAG-ASA

FRIDAY

8

DECEMBER

5:00 PM

Valle Verde 1, Clubhouse

Today's Programme

**Valle Verde 1 Clubhouse
December 8, 2023, 4:30PM
PASKO NG PAG-ASA
RC Pasig Christmas Party**

Thanksgiving Mass	Fr. John Buban
Call to Order	Pres. Adolf Aran
Invocation	Rtn. Mike Dolar
National Anthem	Rtn. Alex Lacson
Introduction of Visiting Rotarians & Guests	Rtn Dir. Anson Tan
President's Time	Pres. Adolf Aran
Christmas Songs Rotaract Club	Pamantasan ng Lunsod ng Pasig
DINNER	

CHRISTMAS MESSAGES:

Game Masters	Rtn. Dante Lardizabal Rtn Richie Defensor
White Elephant Exchange Gift	
Raffle	
Adjournment	Pres. Adolf Aran
Entertainment / Fellowship	

**HOF/PP Jess Acantilado & Rtn. Ato Basco
Emcee**

*** DECEMBER IS FAMILY MONTH ***



Invocation



All powerful God, we give glory and honor to you mighty name. We are grateful to you for all the wonderful things and blessings you bestow upon our families. As we gather in fellowship today, we ask you to be with us through you Holy Spirit. May we grow in love and respect for each other as we work together for the common good according to you holy will. We ask you all these through Christ our Lord. – **.Amen.**

From: Rtn. Fr. Jojo Opinio

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 PAKIKIPAG-KAIBIGAN**?
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



ANG PASKO AY SUMAPIT

Ang Pasko ay sumapit
Tayo ay mangagsi-awit
Ng magagandang himig
Dahil sa Diyos ay siyang pag-ibig.

Nang si Kristo'y isilang
May tatlong haring nagsidalaw
At ang bawa't isa ay nagsipaghandog
Ng tanging alay.

Bagong Taon ay magbagong-buhay
Nang lumigaya ang ating bayan
Tayo'y magsikap upang makamtan
Natin ang kasaganahan.

Tayo'y mangagsi-awit
Habang ang mundo'y tahimik
Ang araw ay sumapit
Ng sanggol na dulot ng langit

Tayo ay magmahalan
Ating sundin ang gintong aral
At magbuhat ngayon
Kahit hindi Pasko ay magbigayan!

Song of the Day



FELIZ NAVIDAD

Feliz Navidad
Feliz Navidad
Feliz Navidad
Prospero año y Felicidad.

Feliz Navidad
Feliz Navidad
Feliz Navidad
Prospero año y Felicidad.

I wanna wish you a Merry Christmas
I wanna wish you a Merry Christmas
I wanna wish you a Merry Christmas
From the bottom of my heart.

[Repeat]

Song of the Day



SANTA CLAUS IS COMING TO TOWN

You better watch out
You better not cry
Better not pout
I'm telling you why
Santa Claus is coming to town

He's making a list
And checking it twice
Gonna find out Who's naughty and nice
Santa Claus is coming to town

Repeat

He sees you when you're sleeping
He knows when you're awake
He knows if you've been bad or good
So be good for goodness sake!

O! You better watch out!
You better not cry
Better not pout
I'm telling you why
Santa Claus is coming to town
Santa Claus is coming to town

Song of the Day



JINGLE BELLS

Dashing through the snow
In a one-horse open sleigh
O'er the fields we go
Laughing all the way
Bells on bobtail ring'
Making spirits bright
What fun it is to ride and sing
A sleighing song tonight!

Jingle bells, jingle bells,
Jingle all the way.
Oh! what fun it is to ride
In a one-horse open sleigh.
Jingle bells, jingle bells,
Jingle all the way;
Oh! what fun it is to ride
In a one-horse open sleigh.

A day or two ago
I thought I'd take a ride
And soon, Miss Fanny Bright
Was seated by my side,
The horse was lean and lank
Misfortune seemed his lot
He got into a drifted bank
And then we got upset.

Now the ground is white
Go it while you're young,
Take the girls tonight
and sing this sleighing song;
Just get a bobtailed bay
Two forty as his speed
Hitch him to an open sleigh
And crack! Yo



Song of the Day



SILVER BELLS

City sidewalks, busy sidewalks.
Dressed in holiday style
In the air
There's a feeling
of Christmas
Children laughing
People passing
Meeting smile after smile
and on every street corner you'll hear

Silver bells, silver bells
It's Christmas time in the city
Ring-a-ling, hear them sing
Soon it will be Christmas day

Strings of street lights
Even stop lights
Blink a bright red and green
As the shoppers rush
home with their treasures

Hear the snow crunch
See the kids bunch
This is Santa's big scene
And above all this bustle
You'll hear

Silver bells, silver bells
It's Christmas time in the city
Ring-a-ling, hear them sing
Soon it will be Christmas day

From the President

Pres. Adolf Aran



For the first Sunday of Advent, Pope Francis focuses on the theme of VIGILANCE. As the Sunday Gospel suggests “Keep watch.”

In a world full of violence, aggression and uncertainty, we as Rotarians are reminded on the first Sunday of Advent that there’s hope. The next 3 Sundays of Advent will focus on Love, Joy and Peace.

This is what Rotary Club stands for, service above self, amid the Advent season and beyond. As we celebrate today in fellowship with one another, let’s all be reminded that December is also a season of sharing, with the community that we serve. Please check out our calendar for our outreach projects for GK, Luxid Rotary Microfinance and Credit Cooperative, Rizal High School, Pamantasan ng Lungsod ng Pasig, Ilugin Community Center and Rizal Medical Center.

May we all have a hope-filled Christmas and a hopeful 2024 ahead of us!

Maligayang Pasko!

Rotary Notes

PP Benny P. De Guzman



This is truly a festive day as this is a holiday in Pasig being its town fiesta and now, it is also a national holiday. For the history minded, 62 years ago but 7th December in the USA, Japan had a sneak attack and bombed Pearl Harbor to officially start World War II. 30 minutes after Voice of America announced the sad news, the British mestiza wife of the governor of Negros Oriental delivered a bouncy girl. How much more can you introduce your Rotary spouse like my Pura who the club is also honoring without announcements and billings to me her 82nd birthday. Historical. I also chait our alumni group of my Unilab division and like our club, we had a mass earlier.

For spiritually minded though, December is more for PP Esto whose birthday is Christmas day itself and to make the spiritually matching story, the birthday of Esto's wife, Maur is 8th September, the birthday of Mama Mary.

December is more for them. But in the spirit of the vaunted Rotary Club of Pasig's fellowship, to the few still covered with interest in the club's fellowship, this is igniting once again our cherished fellowship. You deny the fellowship to others by not showing up in any function. We were lucky that seldom seen Rtn Nesty dropped by for meetings again. We have not been as lucky with super Rotarian Chony. PRID Raffy before leaving for a Rotary Institute in Taiwan reminded us to get the others attending. I committed to get 97 years old PP Totoy and spouse Fe. I pray that the others I have not seen in meetings for the year may just pop up and make our affair truly a Christmas affair.

Rotary Notes

PP Benny P. De Guzman

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PP Ner cannot attend any night functions due his age. But he is 10 years younger then PP Totoy.

Two days ago, ARAP, the association of our spouses met for their Christmas lunch. It was a timely announcement I made to them that the day before, their charter president Sally Atienza-Hernando died.

She was the widow of charter member and former VP Benny also known as the Charger. Macho talaga siya. Sa kamachohan, hindi nagka-anak.

Ann Gigi Carlos was so touched with what Sally did during the first years of ARAP. Incidentally, Sally was the first RSA. RSA stands for the billionaire president of SMC. RSA was fir Rosalinda Suarez Atienza. She graduated summa cum laude from UP and was the lone summa for 1958.

PP Garrick is not just the top honcho of his Camera Club. He is also the choice model in his trips. Giniginaw ako sa dami ng snowy pictures niya. Lucky is the spouse gets an exposure.

Vico got the Covid. Sana he is up by next week in preparation for Christmas. So we are 100 now? Do we get to see even 50 in our meetins and even 60 in today's grand event?

Walking the Avenues

PP Jun C. Zafrá



PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE



R. Gordon R. McNally
President 2023-24

December 2023

In December, I will attend the United Nations COP28 climate change summit in Dubai, United Arab Emirates. There, I will speak about the convergence of two global crises: climate and mental health. As the World Health Organization has noted, climate change worsens risk factors — such as disruptions to homes and livelihoods — for mental health problems. The emotional distress of a disaster also makes it difficult for people to recover and rebuild.

Rotary partner ShelterBox is an international disaster relief charity that has helped more than 2.5 million displaced people in approximately 100 countries with emergency shelter, essential household items, and technical support. I wish to share this month's column with their CEO, Sanj Srikanthan, who explains that the words we choose to describe disasters matter.

— Gordon McNally

The term “natural” disaster has long been used to describe tropical storms, floods, earthquakes, and volcanic eruptions, but there needs to be an urgent shift in the language we use. While the term may seem harmless, and we've not always gotten it right, we've learned through our work with disaster-affected

Walking the Avenues

PP Jun C. Zafra

Continuation 1.

communities how it perpetuates a dangerous myth that nothing could have been done to prevent people being so badly affected. This misleading and harmful narrative can lead to a lack of action to help people who need it.

The language we use matters. When we frame disasters as natural, we fail to acknowledge the complex interplay between nature and the role of human actions and how they impact communities around the world.

Earthquakes, tsunamis, volcanic eruptions, and extreme storms, drought, and flooding occur because of natural processes on Earth. But it is how these events affect people or the environment that has the potential to make them a disaster — outcomes influenced by human factors like where people live, what types of homes they have, political instability, and the lack of proactive measures to protect vulnerable communities. A disaster is the result of systemic inequalities in access to resources and power. Where we live and how much money we have often determines our ability to recover. The people worst affected are those living in poverty, with the least means to protect themselves and few resources to withstand the next event.

By framing these events as natural, we undermine the need for proactive measures to protect vulnerable communities, masking the underlying social, economic, and political instability that makes marginalized and disadvantaged communities disproportionately affected. Our teams see firsthand how issues

Walking the Avenues

PP Jun C. Zafra

Continuation 1.

like inequality, poverty, urbanization, deforestation, and the climate crisis can make communities more vulnerable.

At ShelterBox, we simply say “disaster” or are more specific, describing the extreme weather, earthquake, tsunami, or volcanic eruption. I urge everyone to help us in breaking this cycle by committing to language that accurately reflects why people are affected so badly.

Only then does it pave the way to address the underlying causes of vulnerability and work toward a more just and equitable future for all, with the necessary investment, resources, and proactive measures to help protect affected communities.

Disasters are not natural. Let’s stop saying they are.

Tinig Tidbits

By: PP Peter M. Javier



THE TWELVE DAYS OF CHRISTMAS

From 1558 until 1829, Roman Catholics in England were not permitted to practice their faith openly. Someone during that era wrote the carol. **Twelve Days of Christmas** as a catechism song for young Catholics. It has two levels of meaning: The surface meaning plus a hidden meaning known only to members of their church. Each element in the carol has a code word for a religious reality which the children could remember.

- The **partridge in a pear tree** was Jesus Christ.
- Two turtle doves** were the Old and New Testaments.
- Three French hens** stood for faith, hope and love.
- The **four calling birds** were the four gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke & John.
- The **five golden rings** recalled the Torah or Law, the first five books of the Old Testament.
- The **six geese a-laying** stood for the six days of creation.
- Sevens swans a-swimming** represented the sevenfold gifts of the Holy Spirit – Prophecy, Serving, Teaching, Exhortation, Contribution, Leadership, and Mercy.
- The **eight maids a-milking** were the eight beatitudes.

Glimpses of Our Last Meeting



Meeting is called to order by HCP Adolf; with PP John as emcee. IPP Bong leads invocation.



Rtn Dennis leads singing of Pambansang Awit, Rtn Karl recites 4-Way Test & PP John introduces guests.



Remarks from newly inducted Rtn Jimmy & his sponsor Rtn Aris.

Glimpses of Our Last Meeting



With help, Pangkat 5 trio singing Beatles' With A Little Help From My Friends.



PP John on Dec. 24 gift giving at RMC sponsored by Rtn Flor. A joke from Rtn Rod. Fining by PP Vic.



It's HCP Adolf's time. Classification talk by Rtn Michael "Mike" Dolar.

Tinig Tidbits

By: PP Peter M. Javier

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-**Nine ladies dancing** were the nine fruits of the Holy Spirit – Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness, Gentleness and Self Control.

- The **ten lords a-leaping** were the ten commandments.

- The **eleven pipers piping** stood for the eleven faithful disciples.

- The **twelve drummers drumming** symbolized the twelve points of belief in the Apostles' Creed.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO EVERYONE! .

List of Candidates for Board of Directors RY 2024-2025



Rtn. Noel Go



PP John Javier



Rtn. Tet Mallare



Rtn. Gary Ona



IPP Bong Paloma



Rtn. Anson Tan



Rtn. Roland Vasquez



PP Jun Zafra



PN – Roy Quejada

Glimpses of Our Last Meeting



Clarification on classification by HOF/PP Peter & compliments from HOF/PP Conrad is acknowledged.



Queries on cases handled by PP Bert & seminary life by PP Vic are answered.

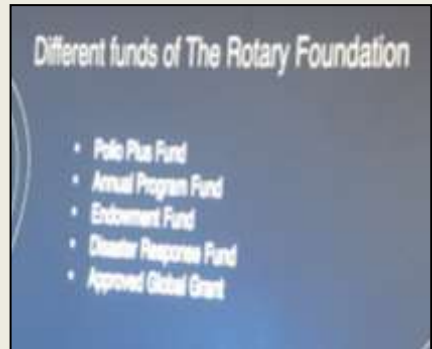
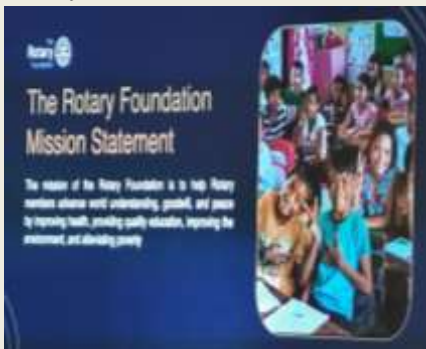


IPP Bong's commending his serving the poor & comments on remaining single are explained.

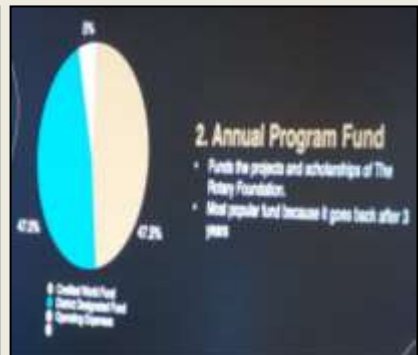
Glimpses of Our Last Meeting



Rtn Mike receiving club's token from HCP Adolf. PP John on The Rotary Foundation.



The TRF zone coordinator talks on TRF's mission statement, why we support



and how we support TRF and the 5 different funds - Polio Plus Fund,

Glimpses of Our Last Meeting



Annual Program Fund, Endowment Fund and Disaster Response Fund.



PP John on Global Grant. HCP adjourns meeting.



An after meeting meeting with prospective members.

Rotarian Lovebirds - Everywhere



HOF/PP Jess & Loly in Baguio in front & inside Baguio Cathedral.



HOF/PP Conrad & Leni in Turkey at Pamukkale calcium carbonate pool and in Istanbul.



PP Ogie & Celine in Munich, Germany and Lucerne, Switzerland.

Rotarian Lovebirds - Everywhere



Rtn Dennis & Spouse Mercy in Notre Dame Cathedral, Paris, France and Basilica Maria Degli Angeli, Assisi, Italy.



PP Nick & Nana in London.



PP Garrick & Cathy on a plane en route to Geneva and on a husky ride in Tromso, Norway.

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. PP Esto Lichauco
12. Rtn. Gene Menor
13. Rtn Albert Mendiola
14. Rtn. Richie Pua
15. Rtn. Bien Sibug
16. Rtn. Aris Marfil
17. 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 Gerard Estrada
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
17. Rtn. Jimmy Gualberto

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 Zafrá – 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. Rtn Jeffrey Sonora

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 Dickson Berberabe
7. Rtn. Chito Bernardo
8. PP Nick Guzman
9. Rtn. Alex Lacson
10. PP Vic Lim
11. Rtn. Ike Ona
12. PP Ferd Rivera

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

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

From the Secretary's Desk

Sec. PP John Javier



Attendance

Members Present30
 % of Attendance (11/30/23).....31.5%

Birthday Celebrants for the Month of December 2023

1. PP Hermie Orbe	01
2. PP Conrad Cuesta	03
3. Rtn. Gene Menor	05
4. Rtn. Richard Berganos	08
5. Sp. Pura de Guzman	08
6. PP Vic Aquino	14
7. PP Henry Uy	17
8. PP Arjan Ramnani	21
9. Sp. Marissa Ermita	24
10. PP Esto Lichuaco	25
11. Rtn. Rod Moreno	28
12. Rtn. Manfred Guangko	30
13. Sp. Pia Lacson	31

Wedding Anniversaries for the Month of December 2023

1. Rtn. Alex & Pia Lacson	02
2. IPP.. Garrick & Cathy Ang	02
3. PP Ferd & Linda Rivera	12
4. PP Rel & Jeng Gomez	17
5. Rtn. Richard & Edith Berganos	18
6. Rtn. Rene & Jackie Saguisag	22
7. Rtn. Tet & Ayee Mallare	27
8. Rtn. Flor & Baby de Pano	28

Guest & Visiting Rotarians

1. Joseph Gualberto, Host: Rtn. Jimmy Gualberto
2. David LK, Host: Rtn. Aris Marfil

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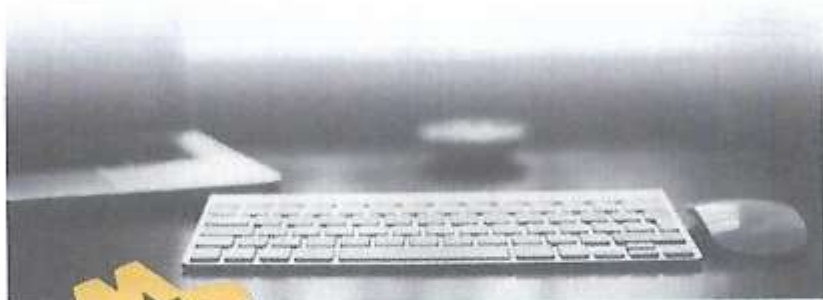
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Name of Rotary Club

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