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The Philippines' Transparency
Initiative in the West Philippine Sea

COMMODORE JAY TRISTAN TARRIELA
GUEST SPEAKER



LUXID ROTARY

Microfinance & Credit Cooperative

ABOUT US

The Luxid Foundation is an organization of members from the different batches of the Ateneo De Manila University, 1959, 1963, and 1967, united to help alleviate poverty among underprivileged people.

The Rotary Club of Pasig is one of the biggest clubs in the country, and is respected and consistent in its service to the Pasig community and to the country in general.

The Luxid Foundation and the Rotary Club of Pasig formed an alliance in 2017 to create the LUXID ROTARY Microfinance & Credit Cooperative.



FRANCISCO "TOPAX" COLAYCO is the Chairman of the Board of LUXID Rotary Microfinance and Credit Cooperative, holds a Masters degree in Business Management (MBM) from the Ateneo de Manila University. He also holds a Ph.D. (Honoris Causa) in Humanities awarded by the National University of the Philippines.

FJC is an entrepreneur, a venture developer and the pioneer in promoting personal finance in the Philippines. He is the author of the "Wealth Within Your Reach" series, the award winning and biggest Filipino best sellers on personal finance and the leading advocate of the personal financial literacy movement in the Philippines.

FJC has over 50 years' experience as a consultant, a professional manager and business owner in the fields of Manufacturing and Marketing, Shipbuilding, Specialty and Pressure Vessel Fabrications, Banking, Financial Services & Real Estate Development. He is the Chairman and Founder of the Colayco Foundation for Education, Inc. (CFE).

FJC is currently the Chairman & CEO of AulumDev Ventures Corporation (AulumDev), and up to March of 2023 was Chairman of One Wealthy Nation Bank (OWN Bank), formerly, the Rural Bank of Cavite City.

Today, FJC is an active ventures advisor and investor in health services. He is engaged in joint venture consulting and specialty trading such as diesel and medical supplies. He is Chairman of The Health Network (THN), an out patient facility with diagnostics, pharmacy and doctors' offices based in Marilao and Guiguinto, Bulacan.

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Today's Programme

**Valle Verde Country Club
September 25, 2025 12:00 Noon
Pangkat 1 Pres. Roy Quejada**

Call to Order	Pres. Roy Quejada
Invocation	PP Adolf Aran
National Anthem	Rtn Noel Go
FOUR-WAY TEST	Dir Mads Bengua
Introduction of Visiting Rotarians & Guests	PP Vic Aquino
Community Singing	Pangkat 1
Wise or Otherwise	
Fining Moments	HOF/PP Conrad Cuesta
President's Time	Pres. Roy Quejada
Introduction of Guest Speaker	Dir. Mads Bengua

COMMODORE JAY TRISTAN TARRIELA
Topic: The Philippines' Transparency Initiative
In the West Philippine Sea
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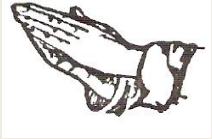
Open Forum	
Adjournment	Pres. Roy Quejada

PP Adolf Aran
Emcee

**** Basic Education and Literacy Month****



Invocation



Heavenly Father, we bless and praise Your Most Blessed Name we humbly pray that You continue to bless us and our loved ones with your bountiful grace as we pray for ourselves. Teach us to be humble, help us help our brethren in need, and transform us into men and women of integrity. This we ask through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

From: Rtn. Fr. Kell Ortega



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?

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



AKO AY PILIPINO

Ako ay Pilipino
Ang dugo'y maharlika
Likas sa aking puso
Adhikaing kay ganda

Sa Pilipinas na aking bayan
Lantay na Perlas ng Silanganan
Wari'y natipon ang kayamanan ng Maykapal

Bigay sa 'king talino
Sa mabuti lang laan
Sa aki'y katutubo
Ang maging mapagmahal

Ako ay Pilipino
Ako ay Pilipino
Isang bansa, isang diwa
Ang minimithi ko

Sa bayan ko't bandila
Laan buhay ko't diwa
Ako ay Pilipino
Pilipinong totoo

Ako ay Pilipino
Ako ay Pilipino
Taas noo kahit kanino
Ang Pilipino ay ako



From the President

Pres. Roy Quejada



One Engaging Lecture

Last September 21, 2025, the Rotary Club of Pasig held a special health awareness program for the residents of GK Village at Pinagbuhatan Elementary School. The highlight of the event was one engaging lecture delivered by our very own Rotarian doctors, Dr. Jess Acantilado and Dr. Marthony “Ato” Basco.

Their session, entitled “Kumusta na ang iyong kalusugan?” (How is your health?), focused on common illnesses during the rainy season such as flu, dengue, diarrhea, and respiratory infections. But more than the valuable health tips they shared, what truly stood out was the spark in the way they delivered their talk. With humor (including playful jokes), personal stories, and genuine concern, they captured the audience’s attention and made the discussion highly interactive from children to the elderly, everyone was involved. They also emphasized reminders that are often forgotten when illness strikes the most basic of which is to consult a doctor.

This spark is also a reminder for us as Rotarians. Just as the lecture was engaging for the community, we too must put a spark into our club meetings and activities. Engagement can be externally driven through interesting programs and inspiring speakers and internally driven through our passion, preparation, and commitment.

From the President

Pres. Roy Quejada

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Above all, let us never forget the true reason we are in Rotary: to serve, to connect, and to make a difference. When this purpose is alive, the spark will always be there.

Roy E. Quejada

Respect. Support. Serve

Rotary Notes

PP Benny P. De Guzman



The massive typhoons brought tremendous rainfall at that the country more than needed brought forth a new scandal in government, the flood control scandal that is flooding the news. What was the Korean Aid Loan Program that was withdrawn because of the various waste of public funded projects? Our very own Mayor Vico gave the major leads to the now squirming billionaire couple, the Discayas. Discaya is the limit daw as lagay. Kilala naman ang Pasig. Dati dahil Kay Vico, now, dahil kay Discaya.

PRID Raffy on a short talk prior to start of our Thursday noon meeting to me to invite PP Totoy on Totoy's 99th birthday last Saturday. In a text blast, he invited Rotarians and spouses for dinner last Saturday at a 5 -star hotel in Ocean Park near Okada Hotel. Due to short notice, only a handful brought their spouses namely, PPs Bert, Tito, Nick, FfNoel and of course Raffy. Since I had to pass for PP Totoy and spouse Fe, I could not bring my Pura for our SUV can carry only Totoy's caregivers and his wheelchair. The dinner was very sumptuous plus the choice of high end red wine that Raffy ordered. Had Pres Roy and his Board accepted my suggestion of a luncheon called Totoy Bartolome's Day, eve and with a speaker, the Thursday noon would have gathered more than double attendance and just as good wine not as good food but with lechon na. Last Thursday showed the great and well balanced training of second term of Konsi Simon Tantoco.

If not for coordinating with DDS/HOF/PP John about the dinner



Rotary Notes

PP Benny P. De Guzman

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of PRID Raffy, I would not have known that a former member's spouse was having her wake in Pasig.

Former Rotarian Jun Gonzales spouse, Rosie, was the older sister of PPA Celia Javier. In the same room where Laching Raymundo was for her wake, Rosie laid. All masses were in Filipino. No time to call others and Jun was in a wheelchair that night.

PP Celso had a nice fining last week. He fined those who attended the sports fellowship of Director Roland. Double whammy as those who attended had to pay 1.2 K billed us to enjoy.

For a while I thought PP Hermie Orbe was a RINO already for the many times he was a no show in our meetings. But last dinner for Totoy, he was there. Raffy billed it the 100th birthday of Totoy. It was his 99th but in the Chinese way, 100 na siya. Except for weak legs, Totoy is very alert. Former Rotarian Jun Gonzales '

It may be proper to remind the Board and Pres Roy that we are going to have a Memorial Day lunch on our last Thursday lunch meeting in October. Traditionally, PP Bert gives the lechon as it is after his birthday. Again, our 55th Charter Anniversary this January. Buti na ang handa!



Walking the Avenues

PP Jun C. Zafra



Larry Lunsford Named President-Nominee for 2027-2028

EVANSTON, Ill., USA (Sept. 15, 2025) — Larry A. Lunsford, member of the Rotary Club of Kansas City-Plaza, Mo., was today confirmed as president-nominee of Rotary International – the association of the membership service organization’s 45,000 clubs worldwide – and will begin his one-year term on July 1, 2027.

Lunsford, a member of Rotary since 1991, is committed to inspiring Rotary’s 1.2 million members across continents and cultures to deliver real, long-term solutions to the world’s most persistent issues, while building professional and leadership skills through meaningful connections.

From fighting disease to supporting education – Rotary members work toward building the optimal conditions for more peaceful and resilient societies. “Our greatest strength lies in our ability to unite people of all cultures and generations through a shared commitment to doing good,” said Lunsford. “We exist without borders and boundaries, and we see each other as part of our collective Rotary family. I am inspired by our members’ relentless belief that peace is possible and will encourage them to continue to be the torchbearers of hope. Our world needs this today, more than ever.”

Rotary members throughout the world develop and implement sustainable, community-driven projects that fight disease, promote peace, provide clean water, support education,

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save mothers and children, grow local economies and protect the environment. More than US\$5.5 billion has been awarded through The Rotary Foundation – Rotary’s charitable arm that helps clubs work together to perform meaningful, impactful service – to support these initiatives over the last 100 years.

Lunsford will also oversee Rotary’s top goal of ending polio. Alongside its Global Polio Eradication Initiative partners, Rotary has achieved a 99.9 percent reduction in polio cases, and contributed more than US\$2.9 billion and countless volunteer hours to protect more than 3 billion children from this paralyzing disease.

About Larry Lunsford:

A certified public accountant, Lunsford spent seven years working for Ernst & Young before joining a family-owned business, Bernstein-Rein Advertising, in 1990. He is currently executive vice president and chief financial officer for the Bernstein group of companies.

Lunsford is currently on the boards of Global Ties KC and the Church of the Resurrection Foundation. Previously, he has held positions on the boards of the Kansas City Spirit Festival and the Variety Club as well as serving as director of a local bank and treasurer of the Epilepsy Foundation for the Heart of America. He has also served on Truman State University’s alumni and foundation boards and received the university’s Distinguished Service Award.

Born and raised in Macon, Mo., Lunsford attended Truman State University in Kirksville, Mo., on an academic scholarship,

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earning bachelor's and master's degrees in accounting. He first encountered Rotary when he received a Rotary Foundation Ambassadorial Scholarship to spend the 1981-82 academic year at the University of Newcastle in Australia.

About Rotary: Rotary brings together a global network of volunteer leaders dedicated to tackling the world's most pressing humanitarian challenges and creating lasting change. Rotary connects 1.2 million people of action from more than 45,000 Rotary clubs in almost every country in the world. Their service improves lives both locally and internationally, from helping those in need in their own communities to working toward a polio-free world. For more information, visit rotary.org.



Our Guest Speaker



COMMODORE JAY TRISTAN TARRIELA

It is my honor to introduce to you Coast Guard Commodore Jay Tristan Tarriela, a remarkable officer and a true embodiment of excellence in the uniformed service. Commodore Tarriela holds the distinction of being the youngest ever to be promoted to a flag or star rank in the Philippines, and to this day, he remains the youngest general in the entire uniformed service.

Currently serving as the PCG Spokesperson on the West Philippine Sea, and the Commander of the PCG West Philippine Sea Transparency Group, he has become the face of the Philippines' transparency strategy in countering China's aggressive actions, provocative behavior, and bullying tactics in the region. Through his efforts, more Filipinos have gained awareness of the real story and the crucial stakes involved in our fight for sovereignty. Furthermore, his dedication to transparency has garnered international support, with the global community standing alongside the Philippines in condemning China's blatant violation of international law and its disregard for the rules-based order.

Commodore Tarriela's extensive education has played a pivotal role in shaping his expertise. He completed his Ph.D. at the National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies (GRIPS) in Tokyo as a Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)

Our Guest Speaker

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ASEAN Public Policy Leadership scholar. He has also undergone rigorous military and coast guard training, both locally and abroad. Additionally, he holds a Master of Policy Studies from GRIPS and the Japan Coast Guard Academy, where he was among the first batch of the Maritime Safety and Security Program launched jointly by both institutions in 2016.

For being acknowledged for his scholarly engagement right after his doctoral degree, Commodore Tarriela was chosen as an inaugural cohort of the 2021 Pacific Forum USPhilippines' Next Generation Leaders' Initiative. He has also been selected as a fellow of the 2021 East-West Center US-Philippines Alliance Fellowship in Washington, DC, USA.

In recognition of his remarkable contributions to the PCG's efforts in the West Philippine Sea, Commodore Jay Tristan Tarriela was honored with the prestigious Coast Guard Distinguished Service Medal by President Ferdinand Marcos, Jr. in 2023. This award acknowledges Commodore Tarriela's invaluable contributions to transparency initiatives in the region. Additionally, he was bestowed with the Konrad Adenauer Stiftung for Security and Innovation award last year, which recognized his tireless efforts in raising awareness among Filipinos about China's aggression in the West Philippine Sea and igniting a renewed sense of patriotism.

Glimpse Our Last Meeting



GP Roy starts meeting with PP Ramy as emcee & Rtn Rudy leads invocation and...



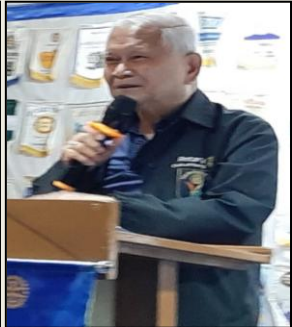
singing of Pambasang Awit while Dir Jake recites The Four-Way Test and PP introduces visiting Rotarian.



My Rotary Day is sung by reinforced Pangkat 6.



Glimpse Our Last Meeting



Dir Aris on Sunday's RCP's health awareness & LCSC orientation program; a joke from CM/PP Arjan and fining by PP Celso.



Message by GP Roy and a smiling Rtn Pasig Councilor Simon Tantoco awaits his turn as guest speaker.



Konsi Simon updates on city council's committee on education program he chairs with more focus on teachers such as wifi access, additional medical allowance and access to masteral programs via discounts & scholarship to CHED accredited schools.

Glimpse Our Last Meeting



Replying to PP Henry on laptops & Dir Jake on home education.



Answering queries from PP Garrick & Rtn Noel on ipads & cellphones.



Rtn Jon on technical training schools & PP Benny on collaborating with Cong Roman are replied to.

Glimpse Our Last Meeting



PP Vic & PRID Raffy offer to assist for tie up with Ateneo & UAP.



GP Roy presents club's token.



GP Roy adjourns his 11th meeting.

PP Totoy Bartolome 100th Birthday Celebration



100th birthday celebrant PP Achilles "Totoy" Bartolome, club's 19th president & Spouse Fe; birthday candle blowing.



Celebrant enjoying multi-course Chinese dinner hosted by PRID Raffy & Lady Minda at Golden Phoenix Hotel Manila.



Pasig Rotarians & spouses celebrating with Totoy.

Values Formation Program at GK Village Home Owners



HOF/PP Doc Jess & Rtn Doc Ato all set for their talks with GP Roy, PP Adolf & Dir Tet.



Rtn Doc Ato talks on health awareness.



HOF/ PP Doc Jess talks on common diseases for children like dengue.



Wheat not Weeds

By: Rtn. Fr. Kell Ortega



Have Your Heard the Stones Cry?

If you were startled by the title of this article, then you're reading it right. Though it may be a figure of speech, it is still biblical. In fact, Jesus said, "*if they keep quiet, the stones will cry out*" (Lk 19:40). If the stones refer to the poor people or the masses, then Jesus's saying is more appropriate especially the anti-corruption rally that took place last Sunday, Sept. 21, 2025.

Sept. 21, 2025 was indeed the anniversary of the Declaration of Martial Law. But it was also the day when people coming from different walks of life marched on the streets on different parts of our country to shout their anger, grievances, and dismay against corruption itself. "Enough is enough!" they shouted especially at the fact that all of the taxes that were exacted from their minimum wages were stolen by greedy politicians, government employees, and construction contractors while leaving behind projects made from substandard materials (if there were). Indeed, these people, i.e., stones that the greedy and corrupt rich and powerful have long ignored have really cried not just for justice but also for accountability and transparency.

Because of this rally, our government leaders really heard them. The Senate Blue Ribbon Committee continued its investigation on anomalous flood control projects and our President have formally declared the formation of the Independent Commission on Infrastructure to further investigate these acts of graft and corruption. We now pray that our government leaders will be serious in investigating them after hearing the people shouted their stance.

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- 1. Pres. Roy Quejada – Leader**
- 2. Dir. Mads Bengua – CL**
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9. Rtn. Noel Go
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11. Rtn. Richie Defensor
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14. PP Vic Lim

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10. Rtn. Nicky Ty
11. Rtn. Nilo Ocampo
12. PRID Raffy Garcia III
13. Rtn. Rod Moreno
14. PP Tito Henson
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5. PP Benny de Guzman
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7. PP Garrick Ang
8. Rtn. Jake Oh
9. Rtn. Karl Contreras
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11. PP Ner Laino
12. PP Nick Guzman
13. PP Ogie Lim
14. Rtn. Roman Romulo
15. PP Toti Buhain

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