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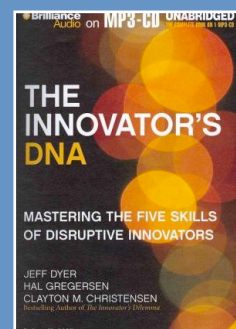
## QUOTE FOR THE WEEK

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“...What motivates innovators, we discovered two common themes. First, they actively desire to change the status quo. Second, they regularly take smart risks to make that change happens...”

- Dyer, Gregersen, Christensen, “The Innovator’s DNA”



### Next Week's Guest Speaker:

Catch Atty. Michael Aguinaldo, Chairperson of Commission on Audit  
 Invite your family and friends. Don't miss it!





# MONTHLY ACTIVITIES



## Joint Lunch Meeting

Featuring  
Atty. Michael Aguinaldo  
Chairperson, Commission on Audit

Date: Nov. 4, 2021/ Thursday  
Venue: Zoom Conference  
Time: 12nn to 2pm



## Lunch Meeting

Featuring  
Mr. Scott D. Anthony  
Managing Director, Innosight  
Consulting Asia Pacific

Date: Nov. 11, 2021/ Thursday  
Venue: Zoom Conference  
Time: 12nn to 2pm



## Fellowship Meeting

Featuring  
Mr. Paul Marney  
Leader  
Bleu Rascals

Date: Nov 18, 2021/ Thursday  
Venue: Zoom Conference  
Time: 6pm to 7:30pm



## Lunch Meeting

Featuring  
Mr. Federico R. Lopez  
Chairman & CEO  
First Philippines Holdings

Date: Nov. 25, 2021/ Thursday  
Venue: Zoom Conference  
Time: 12nn to 2pm



## Lunch Meeting

Featuring  
Mr. Jaime Flor Cruz  
Former Bureau Chief  
CNN Beijing

Date: Dec 2, 2021/ Thursday  
Venue: Zoom Conference  
Time: 12nn to 2pm

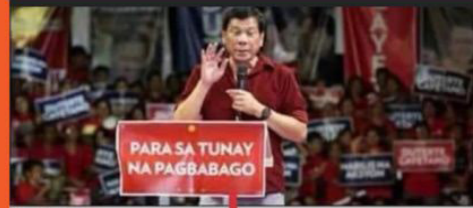


**Rotary**   
Club of Makati West



**MICHAEL G. AGUINALDO**  
*Chairperson*

**JOINT MEETING CLUBS**  
**RC MAKATI AYALA TRIANGLE**  
**RC MAKATI BUSINESS DISTRICT**  
**RC MAKATI EDSA**  
**RC MAKATI UPTOWN**



POLITIKO

### **COA : PHP565 billion gone in corruption**

Kudos to the Commission on Audit (COA) for uncovering and penalizing nearly half a trillion pesos in state corruption and incompetence. Sen. Panfilo Lacson said this on Sunday even as he expressed disgust over the extent of corruption, which he said is "no small change."

"Thank you and congratulations to COA for diligently performing your mandate. It is disgusting that so much of the State fund is wasted on corruption and incompetence. PHP565.76B in Disallowances, Suspensions and Charges is by no means, small change," he said in a tweet.



COA  
Commission on  
Audit



## **"The Constitutional Mandate of the Commission on Audit"**

**VIA ZOOM**  
**12NN - 2:00PM**

**NOV. 4. 2021**  
**THURSDAY**

**MEETING ID:**  
**879 3715 8132**  
**PASSWORD:**  
**RCMW**





Rtn. Nono Ibazeta



Rtn. Robin Garcia

## The Rumble Begins

Please attend our Fireside Chat on Nov 5<sup>th</sup> Friday at 5:30 pm as Nono dissects the field of the 2022 Presidential candidates and Robin gives us a primer on political surveys and interpretation.



**Fireside Chat Topic: The Rumble Begins**

**Our Speaker: Rtn. Nono Ibazeta & Rtn. Robin Garcia**

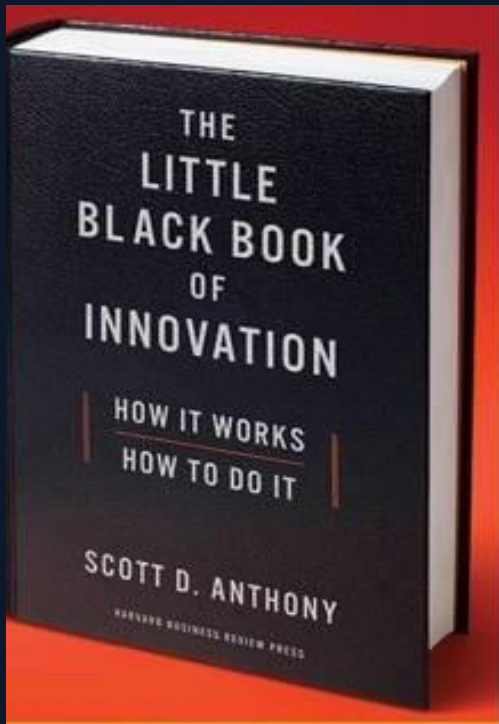
**Date & Time: November 5, 2021 5:30pm**

**Sign-up now**

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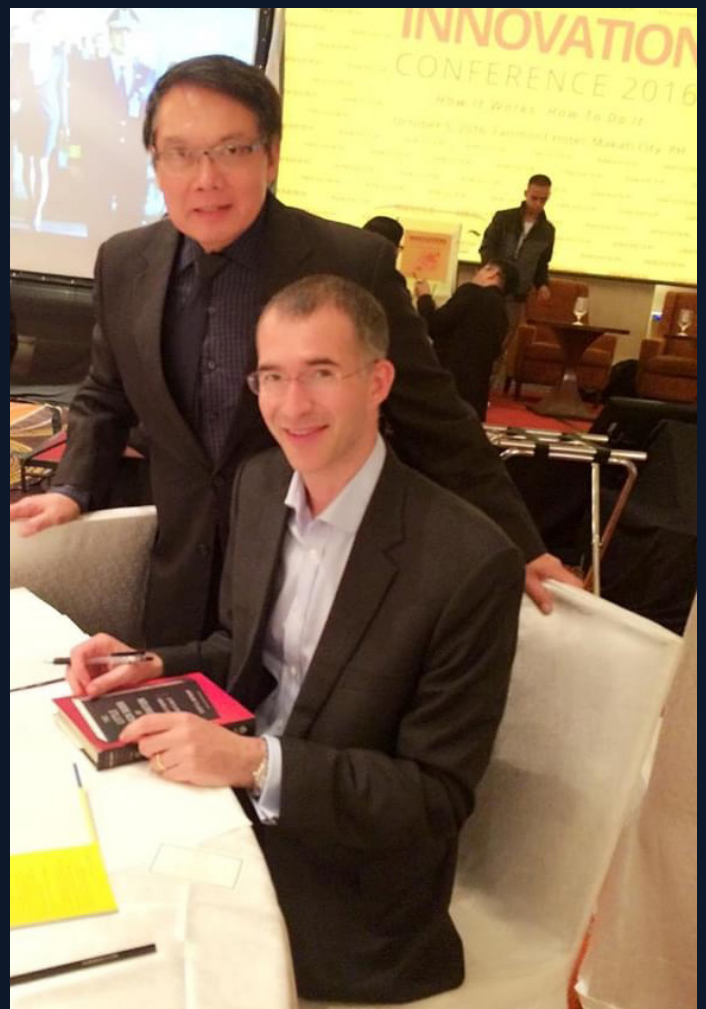
**Save The Date!  
Our Guest Speaker on  
November 11th 2021  
Thursday Lunch Meeting**

**MR. SCOTT ANTHONY**

**“Invite your  
Clients &  
Company Officers!”**

**Sign-up now**

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# Feel The Beat



NOVEMBER  
22,  
2021

A FUNDRASIER SHOWCASE FOR THE GIFT OF LIFE PROGRAM

## WATCH OUT FOR...

ANNICA BARTOLOME, TESSA TORDSILLAS, FRANCO REYES, ALBA BERENGER-TESTA, ROB RAYLMAN, THE GIFT OF LIFE CHILDREN, DUKE UNIVERSITY MEDICAL TEAM, PRESIDENT FRANCO DEL ROSARIO, AND PP LUIS DEL ROSARIO, JR.

Rotary  
Club of Makati West





# TODAY'S PROGRAM

**12:15 PM** Call to Order  
PRESIDENT FRANCO DEL ROSARIO

Invocation  
RTN. COCOY TACANDONG

Philippine National Anthem (video)

**12:20 PM** RC Makati West Hymn  
PP ED BALOIS

Introduction of Visiting Rotarians  
and Guest;

Introduction of Personalities at the  
Presidential table;

Committee Announcements

**12:45PM** Finning Session  
SAA/YOUTH DAX CARLOS

President's Time  
PRESIDENT FRANCO DEL ROSARIO

Introduction of Guest Speaker  
PP AP BARTOLOME

**1:00PM** Speech  
DR. GAP LEGASPI  
Director  
Philippine General Hospital (PGH)

Moderator  
RTN. ALEX FLORO

## THIS WEEK'S CELEBRANTS



October 28  
RTN. CHRIS MORIARTY  
Birthday



October 29  
RTN. TONITO PAYUMO  
Birthday



October 31  
SPS. MATET ELIZAGA  
Birthday



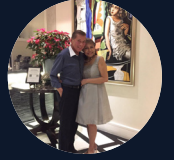
October 31  
SPS. GUIA TAN  
Birthday



November 1  
RTN. COCOY TACANDONG  
Birthday



November 2  
RTN. ANDY AGUILA  
Birthday



November 3  
RTN. JUNI & SPS. MALU DEL  
ROSARIO  
Wedding Anniversary



## GUEST SPEAKER

# GAP LEGASPI

DIRECTOR, PHILIPPINE GENERAL HOSPITAL

DIRECTOR University of the Philippines-Philippine General Hospital  
CHIEF Division of Neurosurgery, Department of Neurosciences UPPGH  
UP MANILA PROFESSORIAL CHAIR LECTURER

### EDUCATION AND TRAINING

High School La Salle Greenhills 1979  
Pre Med University of the Philippines Diliman BS Biology (cum laude) 1983  
Medical Education University of the Philippines  
College of Medicine Outstanding Graduate in Clinical Clerkship 1987  
Neurosurgical Training Section of Neurosurgery Philippine General Hospital 1993  
International Masters Degree Neurovascular Diseases Paris SUD - Mahidol University

### COVID RELATED LECTURES

SPEAKER, Rotary Club Manila Monthly Webinar, July 16, 2020, "People Giving Hope: The PGH Covid Story"  
SPEAKER, Pershaban Regional Sharing on Covid 19 Pandemic Experience Webinar, Pershaban General Hospital, Indonesia, August, 1 2020, "The PGH Covid Operations"  
SPEAKER, 43RD Anniversary of the Philippine Institute for Developmental Studies, September 28, 2020, "The PGH Covid Experience: People Giving Hope"  
SPEAKER, Neurosurgery in the Pandemic International Webinar, Mission Brain Foundation (San Francisco, USA), October 24, 2020, "PGH Neurosurgical Service and Training During the Pandemic"  
SPEAKER, Philippine Hospital Association of the Philippines Webinar, November 26, 2020, "The PGH Experience: The Twin Challenge of Managing Covid 19 and other Diseases"  
SPEAKER, Armed Forces of the Philippines Office of Strategic Studies and States of Management, Tejeros Hall, Camp Aguinaldo, Nov 26, 2020, "Harnessing the Internal and External Community During the Covid 19 Pandemic"  
SPEAKER, HOHS in the Pandemic: Resiliency in the Center of Crisis Webinar Perpetual Help Medical Center-Binan, November 27, 2020, "PGH: Center of Care for Covid in the Country"  
SPEAKER, Weathering the Covid 19 Pandemic Webinar, De La Salle Medical and Health Sciences: College of Medicine, December 4, 2020, "Perspectives in Organizational Resilience"  
SPEAKER, Rotary Club International Webinar, April 11, 2021 "Health Care Workers and Vaccine Awareness"





## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

### “The Single Most Important Skill In Leadership is Influence” – Tony Robbins

[Click Here To View a 2-minute video of Tony Robbins](#)

**W**orking in IBM in the U.S., we were invariably in several cross-functional teams. I seldom saw groupthink as IBMers are generally driven people. I witnessed different types of behavior of team members to accomplish their objectives.

There were manipulators with very little regard for people's feelings, pushing them to do things people didn't want to do. Some got away with being manipulative but it does not generally work for IBMers.

Some of my colleagues were persuasive and would initially try to induce others to do something through argument or motivation. If that did not work, they would resort to negotiation.

I was impressed with those with a higher-level skill than persuasion and negotiation. In cross function teams, these members with no direct authority were able to affect another without directly forcing it to happen.

The coolest thing is there was no apparent effort that got others to volunteer for assignments. They somehow made their desired action the other person's idea. This to me is influence.

In persuasion or negotiation, we could later on change our mind. But when we're influenced, there is less chance we would change our mind because we've made the choice of the path we took.



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I was awed by the influential IBMers’ ability to read people, tune into their feelings, act by knowing in real-time what, when, how to say it and build bonds with others.

When I have been in a similar situation with someone, I find being empathetic towards others helps create a positive connection. My kids always tell me get in touch with people’s feelings by paying attention to body language and facial expressions.

When I lived in New York, I had occasions to meet several times with Dr. Frank Ashby, author of the bestseller book “Embracing Excellence” during the time he invited me to be in the advisory board of his company, Leadership Capital Group LLC.

I asked Dr. Ashby to share with me how he has been able to continue for decades, his consulting practice with Fortune 500 companies.

His answer was surprisingly simple. He said he was always working on building trust with his clients by staying humble. He told me that the best thing I could have was to show an attitude that I have no special importance that makes me better than others.

Dr. Ashby’s advice to me was I should always recognize my flaws so I would never stop trying to improve myself. He said it is easy to become arrogant by looking at myself as higher and better than others.

He said humble people always “let the other person save face” by doing or saying things (or not saying things) in order to avoid or lessen them being embarrassed or to make one’s self look better.

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I can relate to Dr. Ashby when I do a job performance appraisal. The mood is more amiable when I start an appraisal with honest appreciation: stating the good points of the person. When I draw attention to areas we are in agreement, it encourages the person to take criticism in a more constructive way than they would otherwise.

Being warm, friendly, showing empathy, humble, letting the other person save face are examples of influence practices. Influence is critical to both our professional and personal lives. For parents, influence skills help us claim authority over our children without losing their friendship.

There is one caveat though. Consistent insincere application of influence practices to accomplish an agenda or just to get something from someone will likely boomerang and ruin one’s credibility.

*“Being warm, friendly, showing empathy, humble, letting the other person save face are examples of influence practices”*

In conclusion, in the words of Dr. Ashby, “... treating others with respect and sensitivity can be a great motivational influence on their behavior and attitudes. It can also be a great confidence-building factor for ourselves, when we realize we are developing the ability to deal with others with mutually beneficial results...”

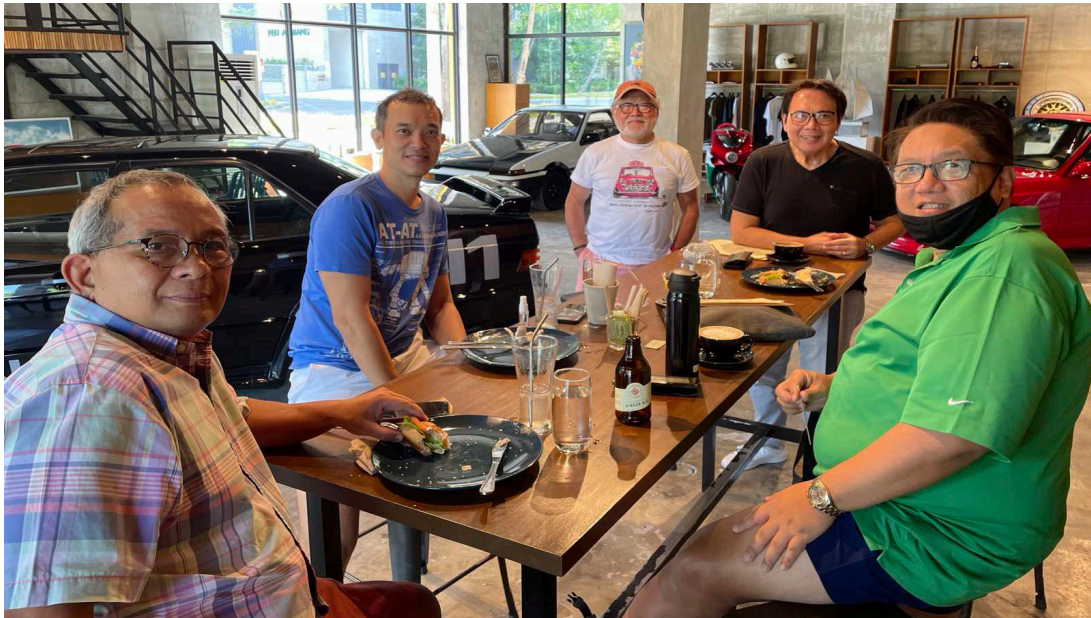
Join me in getting into conversation with our guest speaker next Thursday, COA Chair and learn more about Ping Lacson’s allegation of COA uncovering P565B gone in corruption. Men of Zest let’s execute on our theme, “Increase Our Capacity to Serve” and always remember our winning 3R’s: Recognize, Retain and Recruit.

FRANCO DEL ROSARIO  
President, RY 2021-2022  
Rotary Club of Makati West





Impromptu Lunch  
at Karrera, Block 10, Filinvest, Alabang  
Wednesday, October 27, 2021







**Full Name:** Gil Chua

**We call you as:** Gil

**Relationship & Family:** Married with 4 kids

**Education & Training:** BSC Economics and mostly in Media and Advertising

**Day Job:** Chairman DDB Group Philippines



**Work Fulfillment:** Providing More Job Opportunities

**Work Challenges:** Pandemic/Lockdown

**Rotary goals:** Fun Engagement of the members

**Rotary achievements:** More members and engagement

**Special talents/ interesting facts:** Love to eat



**Hang-out place:** House Pool Side due to lockdown

**Poison/ Drink of choice:** Single Malt and Coffee

**Weekend activities:** Bonding with my mga apo

**Post-covid get-away plans:** Travel. The Artic or Safari

**G.O.A.T:** Mama Pipay. My mother. Loving. Caring. Inspiring.

**Unforgettable moment:** My first child

**Dream car:** Hmm. No idea

**Favorite Movie:** James Bond







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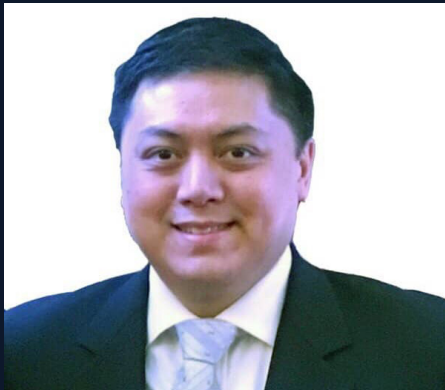
# Modesty Aside Hall of Fame RY 2020 - 2021



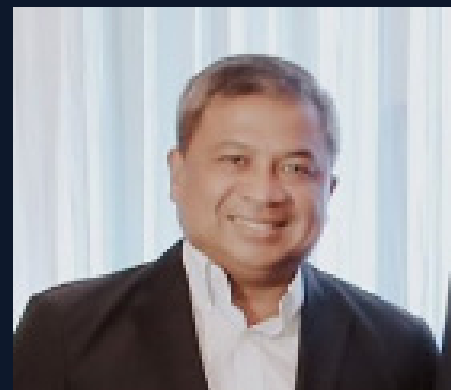
Rtn. Dino Dumatol  
Vol. 31 February 24, 2021



Rtn. Luis Elizaga  
Vol. 33 March 11, 2021



SAA Dax Carlos  
Vol. 34 March 18, 2021



Rtn. RJ Tabuena  
Vol. 35 March 25, 2021



Rtn. Luis Paolo Pineda  
Vol. 37 April 8, 2021



Rtn. JP Delgado  
Vol. 38 April 15, 2021



# THE WEEK IN REVIEW

## OCTOBER 21, 2021



Rtn. Paul Daza acts as Moderator



Rtn. Matthieu Benedicto acts as Invocator



President Franco del Rosario during his President's Time



Dir. Elmer Francisco the Guest Speaker



Hon. Senator Cynthia Villar giving her talk



Hon. Senator Cynthia receives a Gift of Life certificate from the club





PDG Oskie's wake on October 23, 2021 at San Antonio Capillas







## Mass for PDG Oskie de Venecia October 23, 2021




**NOVENA PRAYER for Oscar C. de Venecia**

Loving and Merciful God,

We entrust OSCAR to your mercy, You loved him greatly this life and now that he is freed from all its cares, give him happiness, and peace forever.

Welcome him now in Paradise where there will be no more sorrow, no more weeping or pain, but only peace and joy with Jesus, your Son and the Holy Spirit.

Merciful God, hear our prayers for our dearly beloved OSCAR who is now in your bosom. Grant him the promise of your salvation and may he reach the true home prepared for those faithful to you. Amen.






October 25, 2021

Rotary Club of Makati West  
President Franco Del Rosario,

The news of our dearest friend in RC of Makati West, Oscar De Venecia made us deepest sadness. He has been so generous to our club for long time of our friendship and there are countless memories of joyful and warmest events like this.



With RC Sapporo West member, Ms. Maehara & Ms. Takahashi

We will miss him so much.

Please convey our deepest condolence to his family and your club members for the loss of your club's most important and valuable member.

Sincerely yours,

*Takuya Shimomura.*

Rotary Club of Sapporo West.

Takuya Shimomura, President





IPP AL Thomson



GOL Chair Gerry Limcaoco



Rtn. Ian Ocampo



Rtn. Lito Mercado



PP TG Limcaoco



Rtn. Andy Aguila

**“Brothers, it is with great pride that I announce that home cluster 4 has stepped up to the plate with regard to to my plea for each home cluster to sponsor the cost of one child’s heart surgery under the GOL.**

**Home cluster 4 has raised P55k only 2 days after home cluster 4 leader IPP Al’s challenge to the cluster to raise the funds! Calling on the other home clusters to also support our clubs Gift of Life program.” - GOL Chair Gerry Limcaoco**





Rtn. Toshi Ishikawa



Rtn. Ryan Kern



Rtn. Paolo Pineda



Rtn. Ramon Arnaiz



Rtn. Butch Hidalgo



Rtn. Minuro Isaji



Rtn. Mike Bailon



Dear Brothers,

Last week I made a plea for all members of our club to support the GoL by way of each of the 8 home clusters funding the heart surgery of one child costing P55,000.

I was heartened when that same day Rtn. Richard Bates offered to fund on his own, the full cost of one child's heart surgery.

Richard told me that he and his wife, instead of buying Christmas presents for their family scattered all over the world, they would instead donate this money toward saving the life of one child. I think Richard shows us all what Christmas is truly about.

The past year and a half has been difficult for all of us, but we are luckier than millions of our fellow Filipinos in that when we need medical treatment or hospitalization, we have the resources to pay for the treatment we need.

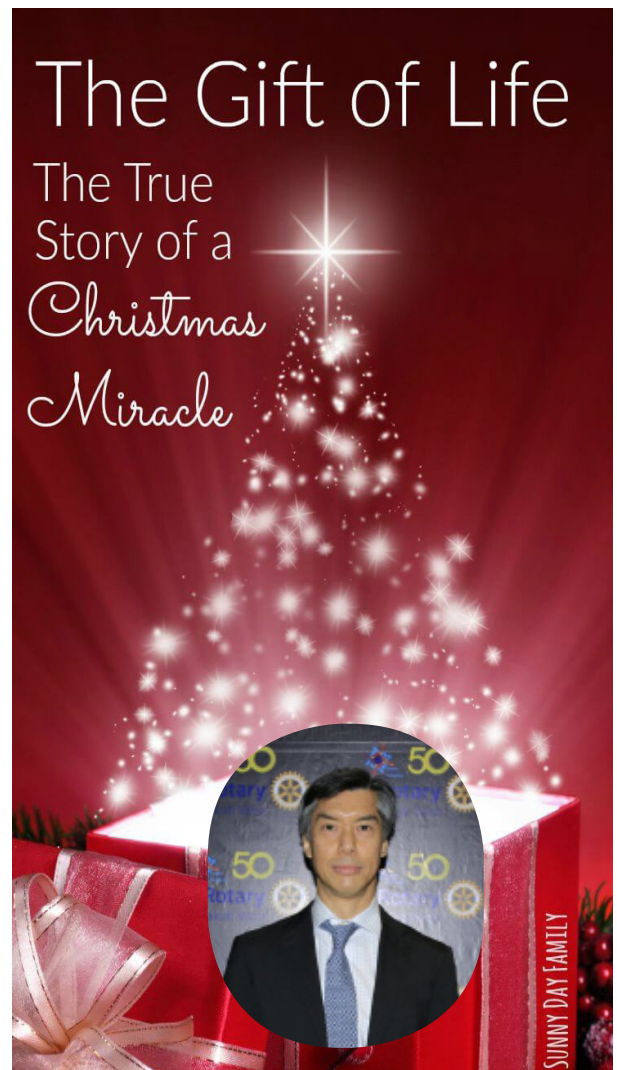
Even during covid, when the hospitals were full, our resources and connections would somehow enable us to manage to get a room when so many other desperate people could not.

For millions of Filipinos, there are no resources or connections to get even basic medical treatment. I've often wondered what happens to those who do not have the money to pay the cost of getting the lifesaving medical treatment they need. I think we all know the tragic answer to this.

We cannot save everyone but at least we can make a huge difference in the lives of the children and their parents who come to us for help through GoL.

For as little as P4,000 we can save the lives of 8 children and spare their parents the agony of losing a child. This coming Christmas, I cannot think of a better way to celebrate the coming of our Jesus Christ by giving a child the gift of life.

GOL Chair. Gerry Limcaoco





**\$1,500 Polio Club**

**Rotary Club of  
Makati West**



**\$1,000 Polio Donors**

**PP Eric Tensuan  
Rotary Club of Makati West**








# TUMANGAN, Daumonguiller E.

Past Rotary International Director  
Rotary Club of Makati West





De Venecia, Oscar (+)

Past District Governor  
Rotary Club of Makati West




# TAMBUNTING, Antonio C. III

District Governor-Nominee  
Rotary Club of Makati West

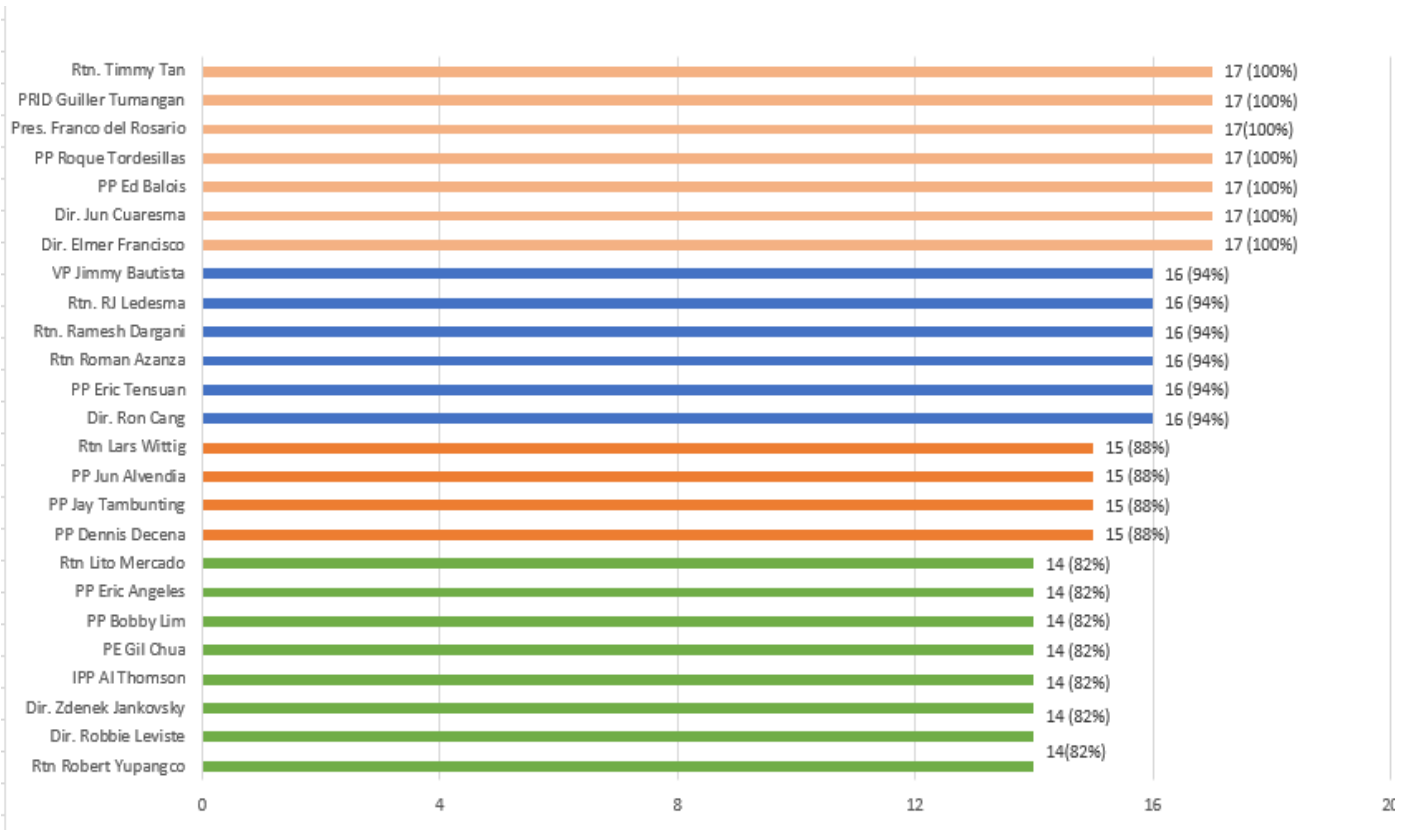
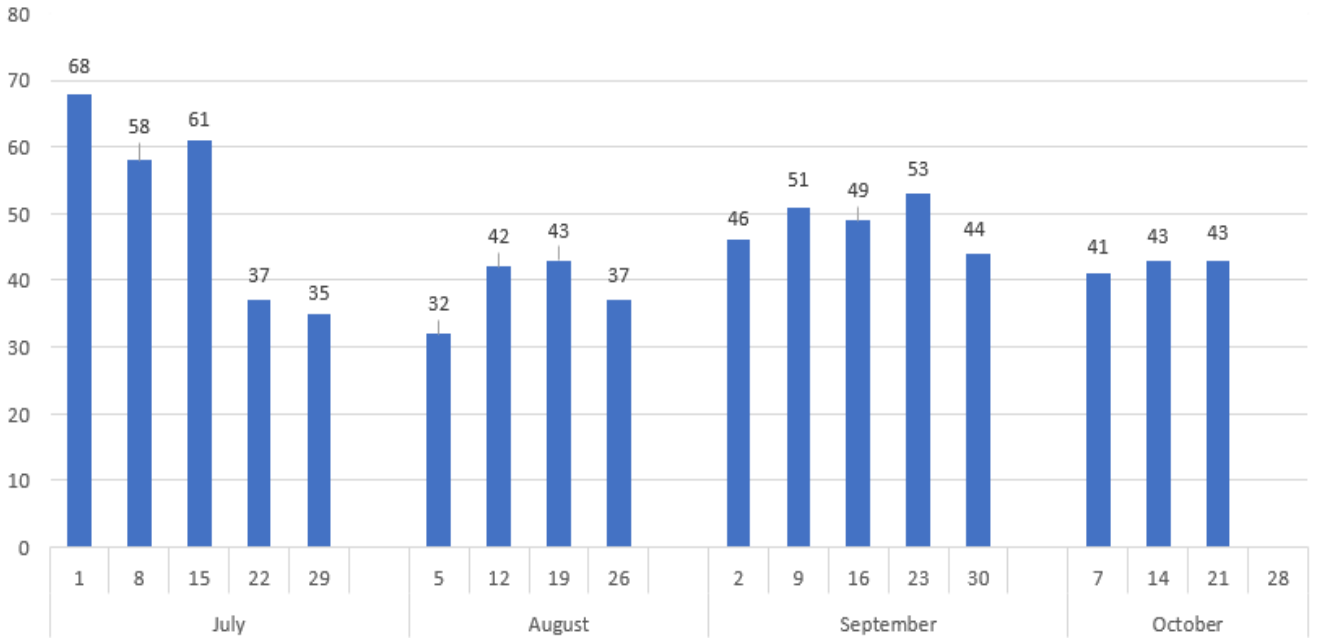






# ATTENDANCE AT THE WEEKLY REGULAR MEETINGS

Weekly Club Attendance



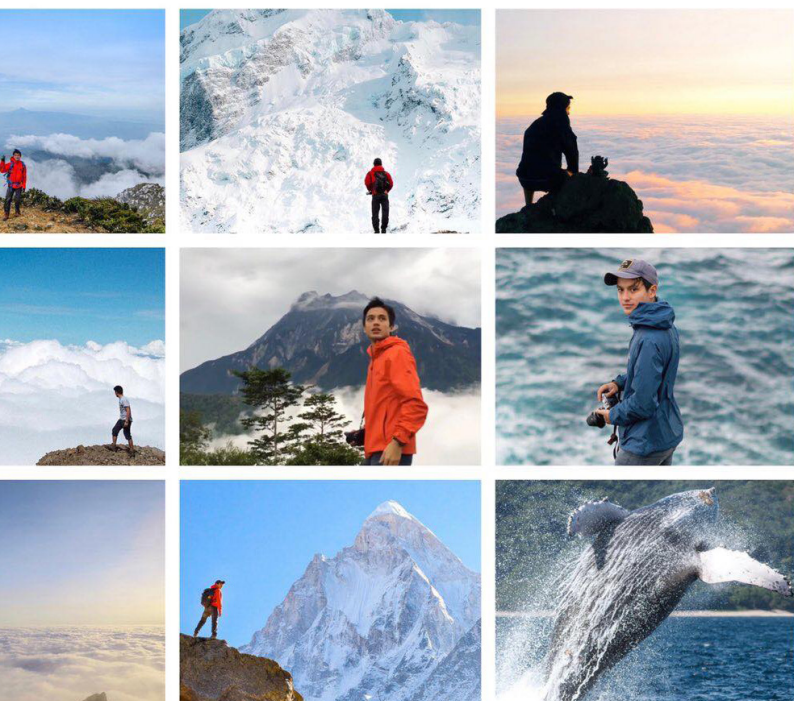


*"Please submit your article on what being a Makati West Rotarian mean for publication on our website and the West Side Story."*

SHARE YOUR THOUGHTS

"RCMW presents opportunities for me to exchange ideas/ information with respect to business, politics, and other evolving aspects of life with fellow rotarians. Some recent evolutions concern DIGITALIZATION trends, BLOCK CHAIN technology, BITCOIN creation and usage, etc."

-Rtn. Nory Reyes-Lao



Received an award?  
Reached a milestone?  
Newborn grandchild?

Share the news with the secretariat, or contribute an article to the West Side Story newsletter. Lift others up and spread good vibes through good news!

# Become a Paul Harris Fellow.

Receive the prestigious, Limited edition Non-Fungible Token that exist in the Ethereum Blockchain Network for every P50,000 donated to the Rotary Foundation



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**STEP 1:** Download Trust Wallet from Apple App Store for iOS or from Google Playstore for Android.

**STEP 2:** Create an Ethereum Wallet in-app and send your Ethereum Wallet address to Dir. Elmer Francisco.

**STEP 3:** View your collectibe tab after receiving your notification your RCMW NFT has been sent to you.

**STEP 4:** The secretariat will send you a digital copy of your certificate and the serial number of your RCMW NFT.

## Missed out on past events?

We've got them in archives you can access in just a few clicks.



PAST WEEKLY MEETINGS

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52<sup>ND</sup> INDUCTION & HANDOVER

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# WEST SIDE STORY

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## Fireside Chat & All-Cluster Meetings

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Special thanks to Rtn/Cong. Paul Daza for extending the amount of Php96,500 for his surgery & to Rtn. Jun Cuaresma for referring this child on our Gift of Life Project. He was Operated on October 22, 2021 at Philippine Heart Center.



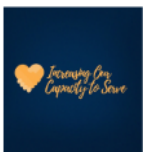
# THE FOUR WAY TEST OF THE THINGS WE THINK, SAY AND DO

## ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

- I. Is it the **Truth**?
- II. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
- III. Will it build **GOOD WILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
- IV. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

## ROTARY CLUB OF MAKATI WEST

- I. Is it **RECOGNITION**?
- II. Is it **RETENTION**?
- III. Is it **RECRUITMENT**?
- IV. Is it **FUN**?







Competitive  
Foreign  
Exchange Rate



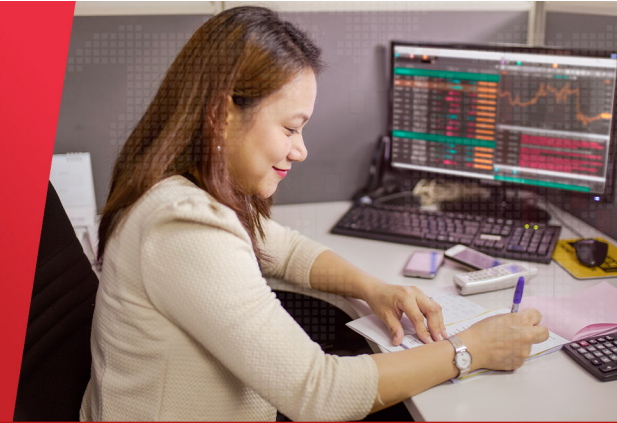
Multiple  
Settlement  
Banks



Global Reach  
to over 200  
countries



Dedicated Account  
Officers and Foreign  
Exchange Specialist



## RY 2021-2022

### Officers, Directors & Club Advisers

President	Franco Del Rosario
Vice President	Jaime Bautista
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Director	Elmer Francisco
Director	Zdenek Jankovsky
Director	Gerardo Laperal
Director	Lauro Leviste
Sgt.-At-Arms	Juan Antonio Carlos
Ex-Officio Dir.	Alasdair Thomson
Club Adviser	PRID Guiller Tumangan
Club Adviser	PDG Oscar De Venecia
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Club Adviser	PP Antonio Tambunting III
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Hon. Secretary Albert del Rosario,  
Mr. Rob Raylman and Dheeraj Wadhvani

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OF MAKATI WEST, INC.

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