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GILISM FOR THE WEEK

#GILISM

Praying is better than lucky charms.



Rotary Club of Makati West



MONTHLY ACTIVITIES



Lunch Meeting

PP Jose Teodoro K. Limcaoco
President
Bank of the Philippine Islands

Date: January 19, 2023/ Thursday
Venue: Dusit & Zoom Conference
Time: 12nn to 2pm



SAVE THE DATE

**Rotary Club of Makati West
3rd Board of Directors Meeting
January 19, 2023/ Thursday**

Dusit Thani Hotel
2:00pm to 4:00pm



Lunch Meeting - Ladies day

Dr. Abi Tud
Orthopaedic Oncologist
Philippine Orthopaedic Center

Date: January 26, 2023/ Thursday
Venue: Dusit & Zoom Conference
Time: 12nn to 2pm



Lunch Meeting

Atty. Agnes Devanadera
President & CEO
Clark Development Corporation

Date: February 23, 2023/ Thursday
Venue: Dusit & Zoom Conference
Time: 12nn to 2pm



Lunch Meeting

Prof. Benjamin Sandoval
Professor
UP Virata School of Business

Date: March 2, 2023/ Thursday
Venue: Dusit & Zoom Conference
Time: 12nn to 2pm



TODAY'S PROGRAM

12:15 PM Call to Order
PRESIDENT GIL G. CHUA

Invocation
RTN. GERRY LIMCAOCO

Philippine National Anthem (video)

RC Makati West Hymn

Introduction of Visiting Rotarians and Guest;

Introduction of Personalities at the Presidential table;

Committee announcements

12:30 PM Induction of new members
MR. WILSON GOH
Business Owner/Founder
C3 Interactive Group

MR. FLORIAN GOTTEIN
Executive Director
European Chamber of Commerce of the Philippines (ECCP)

12:45 PM Introduction of new members
PRESIDENT GIL CHUA &
RTN. LARS WITTIG

Charging of new member
IPP FRANCO DEL ROSARIO

Inducting Officer of new member
PRESIDENT GIL CHUA

President's Time
PRESIDENT GIL G. CHUA

Introduction of Guest Speaker
PP JUNVEE VITAL

1:00 PM Speech
PP JOSE TEODORO "TG" LIMCAOCO
President & CEO
Bank of the Philippines Islands

Moderator
RTN. TIMMY CHUIDIAN

THIS WEEK'S CELEBRANTS



January 16
SPS. ANA FLORCRUZ
Birthday



January 17
SPS. PAZ BALAYAN
Birthday



January 17
RTN. JAN ANTONIO CAMPOS
Birthday



January 21
SPS. NINING FAJARDO
Birthday

GUEST SPEAKER

PP JOSE TEODORO K. LIMCAOCO

PRESIDENT & CEO, BANK OF THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS

TG Limcaoco was appointed President and CEO of Bank of the Philippine Islands on April 22, 2021. He has served as Director and a Member of the Executive Committee since February 2019.

He is Chairman of BPI Asset Management and Trust Corporation, Bank of the Philippine Islands (Europe) Plc., BPI Capital Corporation, BPI/MS Insurance Corporation, and BPI AIA Life Assurance Corporation.

He is Vice Chairman of BPI Century Tokyo Lease & Finance Corporation and BPI Century Tokyo Rental Corporation. He is President and Vice Chairman of The Bank of the Philippine Islands Foundation, Inc.

Before coming to BPI, he was the Chief Finance Officer, Chief Risk Officer, and Chief Sustainability Officer of Ayala Corporation, a PSE-listed company. He was also the Chairman of AC Energy International, Inc. (formerly Presage Corporation) and the President and CEO of AC Ventures Holding Corp. He was also a Director of several Ayala companies, including publicly listed Globe Telecom and Integrated Micro-electronics Inc, and the energy, infrastructure, industrials and healthcare companies of Ayala. He was also a director of the companies that operated G-Cash and Zalora Philippines.





PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Lunar New Year

This year has just started and yet a lot happened already.

My eldest brother, Manoy Ben, passed away last January 11th. He would have turned 82 in March.

I am two decades younger than him. Being the kuya, Manoy Ben loved giving me advice if not a scolding whenever he thought I needed it. He was my mentor.

I'm just grateful that I got the chance to talk to him, tell him I love him, and hug him tight hours before he died.

At the time of his death, I was already bound for Kuala Lumpur, where I, together with other Makati West Rotarians and our Rotary Anns, were on official visit to attend the 62nd anniversary of our sister club, RC Petaling Jaya. Although in mourning, I managed to enjoy our trip, and so did the rest of us. Thanks



With my eldest brother and mentor, Manoy Ben.

to Petaling Jaya President Nicholas Chan and his amazing directors and members for their warm welcome and for showing us around. And thanks to PE Dax Carlos for leading the preparations for this.

Lunar New Year

My Chinese lineage dictates that I yearly celebrate the Lunar New Year, which this year falls on the 22nd, this Saturday. At the office, we celebrate it with pancit and tikoy. It's also been our tradition to give our clients and other partners tikoy to wish them a bountiful new year.

Although it does not hurt to believe in lucky charms, Feng Shui, or what the Horoscope says, prayers and hard work are still the sure ways to bring

luck to our business and personal lives. So, let's always pray and work hard to succeed in whatever we do.

I wish everyone a Happy and Prosperous Lunar New Year!

Club Updates

Last January 10, I attended the Turnover and Ribbon-cutting Ceremonies for our club's completed Handwashing Stations at Pio del Pilar Elementary School 1 and Makati Special Education Center. Loved seeing the kids learn the importance of proper hand hygiene as this will keep them away from disease-causing bacteria and viruses like the infamous COVID-19.



At our sister club Petaling Jaya's 62nd Anniversary Dinner.



At the turnover ceremony for the handwashing stations our club built for Pio del Pilar Elementary School 1 and Makati Special Education Center.

In today's weekly lunch meeting, we are very fortunate to have our very own past president Jose Teodoro "TG" Limcaoco as our guest speaker. A seasoned banker, he is BPI's president and CEO. Thank you TG for agreeing to give a talk on what we can look forward to in 2023, especially in the banking industry.

Meanwhile, we need 24 members to attend the District Conference this March 23, 24 & 25 at the Philippine International Convention Center (PICC) in Pasay City. Please let our secretariat know if you are interested. We already reserved tables for this.

We are also being invited to the 55th Anniversary of our Sister Club

RC Saeseoul, Korea on March 28-29, 2023. Please also let us know if you are interested.

We are also starting to interview couples for our annual Mass Wedding project this year at Paco Church, Manila. We will announce the date for this so you can participate as wedding sponsors for the indigent couples, whom we are blessing with the sacrament of marriage.

So I hope you get to join one or two, if not all of these activities.

Maraming salamat po!

Gil G. Chua
President, RY 2022-2023
Rotary Club of Makati West



FORETHOUGHT

by: Craig Lonnee

POLYMATH

Early October each year is what I call the Nobel week. That is, over a week, the Nobel Prizes in Physics, Chemistry, Physiology or Medicine, Literature, Peace and Economic Sciences are awarded.

This piece caught my eye, which celebrates creativity – Study: Nobel Prize often goes to creative thinkers, not specialists. <https://learningenglish.voanews.com/a/study-nobel-prize-often-goes-to-creative-thinkers-not-specialists/6779339.html>

I was especially taken by the commentary, “Polymaths are people who have many different interests in both their work and personal lives. Sometimes they are called ‘Renaissance’ men or women. That is another way of describing a person who knows a lot about many different fields”.

“Nobel winners are nine times more likely to have experience in working with wood, metal or in the arts than most scientists. The writers also found that even those who win in a field like economics have experience in other areas. Some of the economics winners studied math, physics and astronomy before doing their economics research”.

I noted, within the research paper cited –“Having many interests, permits scientists to look for creative ways to solve problems. In fact, one important part of science is not discovering answers, but recognizing problems that need to be solved.

The abstract of the research, on which the article is based said, “Nobel laureates often describe their polymathy as conscious choice to optimize creative potential. That so many Nobel laureates should develop diverse interests and harness them to creative ends is, probably, the result of a confluence of factors”.



“Laureates experience, on average, enhanced access to education; they train differently and more broadly than their peers; they retrain and extend themselves as serious amateurs; and they meld vocational and avocational sets of skills and knowledge into integrated networks of transdisciplinary enterprise. In effect, this combinatorial approach to learning and doing enables them to perceive unusual problems at the intersections of disciplines, to transfer ideas and techniques from one field to another, and/or to synthesize knowledge across domains”.

“Specializing in breadth can be a path to innovation comparable to, and (at least in terms of Nobel Prizes) arguably better than, specialization alone”.

Many of you are parents and grandparents. At some point, you’ll have the conversation about which line of study the young people around you could consider.

In further support for this Forethought’s premise, can I recommend a book I read with great interest - In defence of a liberal education by Fareed Zakaria. A review of the book says it all.

“A liberal education provides the foundation for finding your voice, writing, speaking your mind, and ultimately, learning - all immensely valuable skills no matter your profession. Technology and globalization are making these skills even more valuable and necessary as routine mechanical and even computing tasks can be done by machines. More than just a path to a career, Zakaria argues that a liberal education is an exercise in freedom and above all, it feeds the most basic urge of the human spirit - to know”.

ABOUT CRAIG LONNIE

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He had worked for worldwide marketing communications network DDB for over two decades, gaining vast and varied experience across Asia and the Pacific. Over this time, he held local, regional, and global responsibilities, including co-chief operating officer of regional operations of DDB Asia and chief development officer across 23 offices in 14 countries.



THE WEEK IN REVIEW

January 5, 2022 - Weekly Meeting



PP Eric Angeles as Moderator



PP Jun Alvendia as Invocator



President Gil G. Chua during his President's Time



PP Lou del Rosario Introduces the Guest Speaker



Dr. Karl Reyes during his talk



Dr. Karl Reyes receives a Gift of Life certificate from the club



Post meeting group photo with guest speaker Dr. Karl Reyes.





Franco Miguel Reyes receives his Service Excellence Award



PP Roque receives certificate on behalf of Natalia Tordesillas.



PP Eric Angeles receives certificate on behalf of Alba Berenguer-Testa.





RCMW delegation's arrival at Kuala Lumpur to attend Sister Club RC Petaling Jaya's 62nd Anniversary



Renewal of Sisterhood Agreement with Rotary Club of Petaling Jaya

























RC Makati West co-hosted District 3830's Mega Job Fair 2023 at Ayala Malls South Park in Muntinlupa on January 13, 2023. FOSA and Caishen, companies under Rtn. Jeff Dytuco, participated in the expo.





Turnover of Handwashing Stations on January 10, 2023 at Hen. Pio Elementary School 1 RCC OF RC Makati West & Makati Special Education Center in partnership with RC Makati Northwest (Funder) Global Grant # 1746494









Gabbi Lauren Dioso Ocampo
4 years old, female
Sta. Rosa, Laguna



Mark Angelo Gerela Orgaya
3 years old, male
Antipolo City



PROJECT UPDATES

GIFT OF LIFE

GOL RY 2022-2023

De Los Santos Medical Center
(3) PDA Device Closure
January 10, 2023

De Los Santos Medical Center
(1) PPBV
January 10, 2023



Elijah Jhane Cartujano
6 years old, female
Mariveles, Bataan



Yassy Jade Tula Yabba
1 mos old, female
Sampaloc, Manila

JANUARY IS



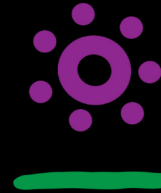
VOCATIONAL SERVICE MONTH

"Vocational service gives Rotarians the opportunity to help others escape poverty and gain a measure of self-respect. As business and professional leaders, we have a duty to lead and encourage good ethics through vocation."
Carlos Frum, PDG D6440



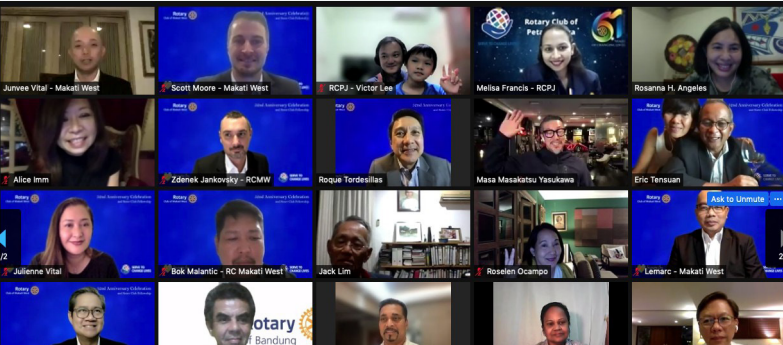
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ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

- 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**?





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