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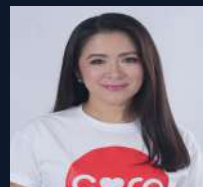
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MONTHLY ACTIVITIES



LUNCH MEETING

Ms. Antoinette Taus
Founder, CORA
Communities Organized for
Resource Allocation

Date: February 27, 2025/ Thursday
Venue: Dusit Thani Hotel
Time: 12nn-2pm



LUNCH MEETING

Mr. Samuel Ramos-Jones
Director
Philippine Strategic Associates (PSA)

Date: March 6, 2025/ Thursday
Venue: Dusit Thani Hotel
Time: 12nn-2pm



LUNCH MEETING

Dr. Jose Nicolas M. Cruz
Interventional Cardiologist
St. Luke's Medical Center

Date: March 13, 2025/ Thursday
Venue: Dusit Thani Hotel
Time: 12nn-2pm



LUNCH MEETING

GUEST SPEAKER
To be announced

Date: March 20, 2025/ Thursday
Venue: Dusit Thani Hotel
Time: 12nn-2pm



LUNCH MEETING

GUEST SPEAKER
To be announced

Date: March 27, 2025/ Thursday
Venue: Dusit Thani Hotel
Time: 12nn-2pm



TODAY'S PROGRAM

12:15 PM Call to Order
PRES. GERRY LAPERAL

Invocation
RTN. PAOLO PINEDA

Philippine National Anthem (video)

12:30 PM RC Makati West Hymn

Introduction of Visiting Rotarians & Guest:

Introduction of Personalities at the
Presidential Table;

Committee announcement

12:45 PM President's Time
PRES. GERRY LAPERAL

Introduction of Guest Speaker
TREAS. JUDD BALAYAN

1:00 PM Speech
ANTOINETTE TAUS
Founder, CORA
Communities Organized for
Resource Allocation

Token of Appreciation

Moderator
RTN. PAUL DAZA

THIS WEEK'S CELEBRANTS



February 24
SPS. YOKO ISAJI
Birthday



February 27
IPDG JAY TAMBUNTING
Birthday



February 27
SPS. CHARI CABRAL
Birthday



February 28
RTN. ELMER FRANCISCO & SPS. MICHELLE
Wedding Anniversary



GUEST SPEAKER ANTOINETTE TAUS

FOUNDER, CORA (COMMUNITIES ORGANIZED FOR RESOURCE ALLOCATION)

Antoinette Taus is a Filipino-American award-winning actor, singer, host, and Goodwill Ambassador for the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP).

Combining her renown with her longstanding dedication to people and the planet, Antoinette founded CORA (Communities Organized for Resource Allocation), a nonprofit organization dedicated to creating sustainable programs that empower volunteers, women and the youth, in contributing to the solutions to the world's most pressing social and environmental issues.

She is also the founder of The Sustainable Planet, a purpose-driven business centered on improving the lives of indigenous peoples and vulnerable communities in the Philippines through various livelihood programs and biodiversity friendly enterprises.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Almost there

Dear Zesters,

It has been a while since we've had a regular weekly meeting. Two weeks ago, we had our cadre visit by Dr. Edwin Gonzaga to give us suggestions on how we can better run our Gift of Life program. When I spoke with Dr. Edwin, he stressed that as much as it is an audit to make sure funds were disbursed properly, it is also an opportunity to showcase our program and be humble enough to realize that we can learn something from Rotary International if we listen. I early await the results of Dr. Edwin's visit.

Last week, we had our Valentine's Day party organized by PP Junvee and the social committee. If I dare guess, I would have to say with almost near certainty that PP Eric Tensuan and Dir. Wilson Goh had the best times at the Valentine's Day party. As PP Bro says, Goh lang!



I would like to remind everyone who is willing and able to sign up for the foreign sister club visits.

- April 24-28, 2025: RC Petaling Jaya's Golden Child Program
- July 2-5, 2025: RC Singapore's 65th anniversary
- Oct 15-19, 2025: RC Honolulu West's 75th anniversary

There are 124 days left in this Rotary year—about 66% completed with this Rotary year. There have been some highs, and higher highs, and the occasional lows thus far, but I'm trying to think what needs to be done before June 30, 2025?

- DSWD accreditation (we're roughly 70% the way there)
- New cataract global grant
- New Gift of Life global grant (with the generously donated funds of PP Gil)
- Thank you, party, for the lovely ladies who without their help, the 55th/20th wouldn't have happened
- Any interesting speakers for our meetings would be much obliged.

In the spirit of brevity, peace.

Gerardo Oliverio "Gerry" V. Laperal
President, RY 2024-2025
Rotary Club of Makati West



A Joint Collaboration project with
RC Makati West & RC Paranaque East
SALUD CATANDUNGAN: 2025 Healthcare Mission
Libreng Konsulta Para Sa Lahat
at Virac, Catanduanes on February 23, 2025

**SALUD CATANDUNGAN:
2025 HEALTHCARE MISSION**
LIBRENG KONSULTA PARA SA LAHAT
Free Services Offered

- Medical Services
- Dental Services
- Surgical Services
- Mass Blood Donation Drive
- Free medicine (Until supplies last)
- Feeding Program

February 23, 2025 | 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM | Plaza Rizal, Virac
First Come, First Serve Basis

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Special thanks to Rtn./ DOTr Secretary Jimmy Bautista and his transportation management & staff for the generous donation to this special collaboration









Delegates of Rotaract Club Makati West and Satellite Club Makati West Zest attended the 13th Pilipinas Rotaract Convention (PROCON sa MANILA) at Manila Prince Hotel on February 21-23, 2025







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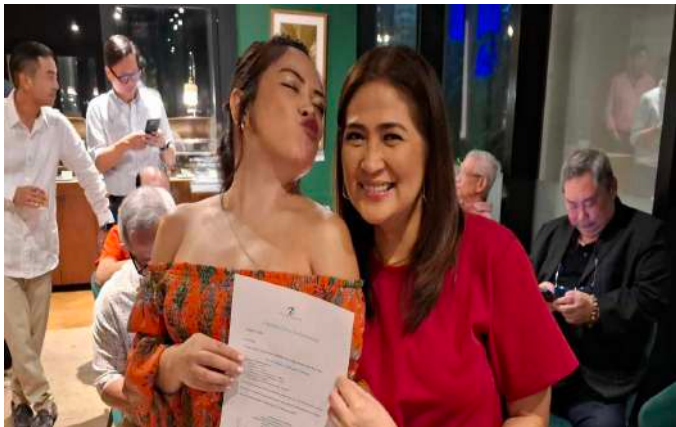


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**Free Clinical Breast and Cervical Cancer Screening
for women at risk at Hallow Ridge Filipinas Golf
on February 17, 2025**







Delegates from Rotaract Club of Makati West and Interact Club of Makati West Pitogo High School participated in the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) at Tanay Bakasyunan on February 15-16, 2025





Rtn. Kai Yarra & Rac Rica Mae Omlang participated in the activity of RAC Manila entitled Kickstart: Mastering in a High Inflation Economy at Yuchengco Museum on February 15, 2025







Pre-operation



Post-operation

Maraiah Clariz Dylan L. Alberto
3 years old, female
Bannawag Sur, Diffun, Quirino

PDA Device Closure
De Los Santos Medical Center
February 19, 2025



PROJECT UPDATES

GIFT OF LIFE

GOL RY 2024-2025

Marc Jevrielle N. Duran
12 years old, male
302 Blue Building, Bliss Himlayan Road, Pasong
Tamo, Quezon City

VSD Device Closure
De Los Santos Medical Center
February 19, 2025



Pre-operation



Post-operation



Pre-operation



Post-operation

Ezabella Blaire M. Pedernal
1 year & 5 mos. female
Sitio Ubay 1, Brgy. Labo, Sta.Cruz, Marinduque

PDA Device Closure
De Los Santos Medical Center
February 19, 2025



PROJECT UPDATES

GIFT OF LIFE

GOL RY 2024-2025

Zack Leon L. Gomez
10 mos. old, male
21 Sitio Jasmin, Niugan, Malabon City

VSD Device Closure
De Los Santos Medical Center
February 21, 2025



Pre-operation



Post-operation



Pre-operation



Post-operation

John Christopher Sabuero
11 years old, male
46 Sampaguita A St., Sun Valley, Pasay City

VSD Device Closure
De Los Santos Medical Center
February 21, 2025



PROJECT UPDATES

GIFT OF LIFE

GOL RY 2024-2025







January 21, 2025

Dear President Gerry Laperal and the Rotary Club of Makati West,

On behalf of our President Elect Cleigh Pang and 75th Anniversary Celebration Chair Derek Tenn, ALOHA from Hawaii!

We are currently planning to celebrate our Club's 75th Anniversary and are considering different venues to hold our events. It will be of much help with our planning if you can provide a rough estimate of how many people plan on attending our 75th Anniversary Celebration from your club. At this time, we are only asking for an estimated head count.

An Official Invitation and Sign-Up sheet will be sent to your club in the next few months.

Here are the dates of our 75th Anniversary. We will greatly appreciate it if you can provide us with your estimate by February 12, 2025.

75th Anniversary Celebration: October 16, 17, 18, 2025

October 16, 2025: Golf at Kaneohe Klipper Golf Course. Optional day for those wanting to play golf. Limited to 30 spots.

October 17, 2025: Welcome Reception Dinner at Honolulu Elks Lodge 616

October 18, 2025: 75th Anniversary Banquet Dinner at Prince Waikiki

Sincerely,
Cleight Pang, President Elect 2025-26
Derek Tenn, Past President and 75th Anniversary Chair



Dear President Gerry Laperal
Rotary Club of Makati West

We are excited to announce that the Rotary Club of Singapore West (RCSW) will be celebrating a major milestone - our 65th Anniversary - in 2025!

This momentous occasion will be celebrated with the Installation of our 67th President.

Save the date: Thursday, 3rd July 2025!

We want to give you a heads up, so you can keep this date in mind when planning your own Club activities.

A formal invitation with more details will follow in due time.

We look forward to sharing this special occasion with you in Singapore.

Best regards,

Dr Libin Ma
President, RY 2024-2025

Kong Chee Hoh
President Elect, RY 2024-2025
President, RY 2025-2026

Rotary Club of Singapore West

FEBRUARY IS



PEACE AND CONFLICT PREVENTION/ RESOLUTION MONTH

"Peace is not the absence of conflict but the presence of creative alternatives for responding to conflict -- alternatives to passive or aggressive responses, alternatives to violence." Dorothy Thompson



TAKE ACTION: Engage Rotary, Change Lives



Missed out on past events?

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



55th Induction & Handover Ceremony

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