

WEST SIDE STORY

Rotary Club of Makati West



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April 29, 2021

11th Batch of Cataract Surgery RY 2020-2021



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MONTHLY ACTIVITIES

JOINT LUNCH MEETING WITH RC CEBU

Date: May 6, 2021/ Thursday
Venue: Zoom Conference
Time: 12nn-2pm

FIRESIDE CHAT

Date: May 8, 2021/ Saturday
Venue: Zoom Conference
Time: 5:00pm
GS: Rtn. Lars Wittig
Title: "Never Waste a Good Crisis!"

CLUB ASSEMBLY

Date: May 12, 2021/ Wednesday
Venue: Zoom Conference
Time: 12nn-2pm

FIRESIDE CHAT

Date: May 18, 2021/ Tuesday
Venue: Zoom Conference
Time: 5:30pm
GS: Rtn. Tonito Payumo &
Rtn. Derrick Santos
Title: "What to expect: PGA, US Open,
The (British) Open, Tokyo
Olympics"

TODAY'S PROGRAM

12:15 PM Call to Order
PRESIDENT ALASDAIR J.W THOMSON

Invocation
RTN. JON ROCHA

Philippine National Anthem (Video))

12:20 PM RC Makati West Hymn
PP ED BALOIS

Introduction of Visiting Rotarians and
Guest

Introduction of Distinguished
Personalities at the e-presidential table

Committee Announcements

12:30 PM President's Time
PRESIDENT ALASDAIR J.W THOMSON

12:40 PM Introduction of the Guest Speaker
PP FERN PENA

Speech
PRID GUILLER TUMANGAN
Director, RY 2014-2016, Rotary International,
District Governor, RY 1999-2000

Member: Rotary Club of Makati West,
District 3830, President, RY 1993-1994

Moderator
PP PHILLIP HAGEDORN

BIRTHDAY CELEBRANTS

Rtn. Adrian Ocampo	Apr 30
Rtn. Derrick Santos	Apr 30
Sps. Elinor Del Rosario	May 2
Rtn. Venu Kotamraju	May 3



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



ALASDAIR J.W THOMSON
President, RY 2020 - 2021

Men of Action!,

Last week was a tough one in the Thomson home as we had to have our golden retriever put to sleep. Boris was just 9 years old, but his hips were worse than Shakira's will be when she is 90. The sadness of losing a part of one's family is always cutting and saying goodbye to a faithful companion is one of the most difficult things to do in life.

It seems trite to mention a dog in the circumstances where many people are losing those closest to them. This week our club has again lost loyal and long-standing supporters in PDG Lito Colona and Sps Cons Guerrero. But love is love in whatever form it manifests in your life, and grief exists for those we lose regardless of whether they have four legs or two.

I've found that such few days of misery only exist because of all the many, many days of joy and happiness that preceded them, and I take great comfort in the memories and the love that remain forever. I know many of you this year have suffered losses of family, friends and pets and I hope you are able to find that same solace to balance your pain.

On a positive note, we started the process this week of registering our family and friends for the Moderna vaccine when it arrives later in the year. I sincerely hope this will lead to us having fewer funerals to attend and more fellowships.

We again witnessed this week the immediate generosity of our members contributing to a worthy cause, with more than 30 of you signing up in just a few hours to support our Cool Summer project donating free ice cream to our medical frontline partners. Good on you guys - it warms my soul just as I hope it will cool their brows over the coming weeks. Of course, we now look to the rest of our members to join us in this great initiative!! We are over 100 strong in our club, and any amount donated will quench a parched throat of a doctor or nurse or hospital porter or technician. There is no room for short arms and deep pockets in Makati West!

Talking of generosity and of walking the talk, my thanks go to PP TG and to Rtn Chris Moriarty for stepping up to the plate last week and donating a "commission" to the Club for the benefit they gained from our network. I would love to see more of this (both the benefiting and the donating!) over the final months of my term and into Franco. Business is at the heart of Rotary and we should never be ashamed of that. On that front, look out for an initiative from our Business Interchange team in arranging a "Reciprocity Ring". I know that may sound like the sort of toy you would take on honeymoon, but it is actually better than that - it is an exciting event designed to answer all your problems! What more do you need?

Wishing you a great week ahead,

Yours in Zest,
Alasdair Thomson



The word for this week is:

GILLIE, n.1, v. Also ghillie, †gilly, †gilli, †gaelly.[ˈgɪle]

More traditionally, this was the term for a male servant, typically of a landed person or Highland Chief. It usually refers to a relatively young man, but these days is most often used to refer to someone who is there to help you at a fishing or shooting estate. They'll help you choose the right fly for your rod and point where to cast, or they'll help you stalk that stag you are hoping to kill. Every ghillie I've ever met seems to be both cheerful and curmudgeonly at the same time. Pleased to see you (because it means he gets paid) but a bit annoyed that you have broken the peace and tranquility of his own little bit of paradise.

Sometimes you'll hear someone refer to their laced shoe or brogues as a "ghillie". I can only assume that is because those guys helping you find your way around that posh Highland estate would almost certainly have been wearing something like that.



Scottish Heritage

Grayfriar's Bobby

Greyfriars Bobby (4 May 1855 – 14 January 1872) was a Skye Terrier that belonged to John Gray, who worked for the Edinburgh City Police as a night-watchman. When John Gray died he was buried in Greyfriars Kirkyard, in the Old Town of Edinburgh. Bobby then became known locally, spending the last 14 years of his life sitting on his master's grave.

In 1867 the Lord Provost of Edinburgh, Sir William Chambers, who was also a director of the Scottish Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, paid for Bobby's licence and gave the dog a collar, now in the Museum of Edinburgh.

He was buried just inside the gate of Greyfriars Kirkyard, not far from John Gray's grave.

Several books and films have since been based on Bobby's life, portraying the themes of hope and loyalty,



MODESTY ASIDE

Full name: Tristan Ronald Bermudez Choa

We call you as: Tristan

Relationship and family: Married to Sobee Dueñas, no kids, 4 brothers; I am the youngest

Education and Training:

MBA, Columbia Business School (2001)

BS Industrial & Management Engineering, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (1993)

Xavier School (kinder till high school)

Day job: Entrepreneur with focus on tech platforms (health tech, fin tech, digital marketing / branding, e-commerce fulfillment)

Rotary achievements: Treasurer, RY 2021 - 2022, Treasurer, RY 2020 - 2021

Special talents / interesting facts:

Cooked for King Juan Carlos of Spain

Taught yoga to both Vicky Belo and Hayden at the height of the video scandal

Met Imelda Marcos when she had night cream on her face



Hang-out place (during the pandemic): Matuod, Batangas, Baguio

Poison/ Drink of choice:

Poison: shot of Patron XO Café w/ 2 drops of Tabasco

Drink of choice: Hayman Old Tom gin on the rocks

Weekend activities: Kayak, scuba, biking, running

G.O.A.T: Skydiving (Clark), Bunjee jumping (Bali)

Unforgettable moment (same as GOAT)

Favorite movie: Chariots of Fire, The Thomas Crown Affair



MEETING REVIEW - APRIL 22, 2021



Sps. Maritoni Tordesillas acts as Moderator



Sps. Nikki Jimenez acts as Invocator



President Al Thomson during his president's time



Sps. Bambee Tambunting introduces the guest speaker



Ms. Clair Conception-Barberis giving his talk



Ms. Clair Conception-Barberis receives Gift of Life certificate from the club



ABOUT THE GUEST SPEAKER



PRID GUILLER E. TUMANGAN

Director, RY 2014-2016, Rotary International,
District Governor, RY 1999-2000

PRID Guiller is Executive Vice-President of Solid Mills, Inc. He is a Chartered Accountant. He has been Director of the Textile Millers Association of the Philippines and served as Executive Vice-President of the Philippine Institute of Certified Public Accountant. He also has been treasurer/trustee of the Philippine Special Olympics Foundation, Inc. He likewise served as Treasurer and Director of the Philippine Chamber of Commerce and Industry.

PRID Guiller was appointed by then Philippine President Corazon C. Aquino as Vice-Chairman of the Board of Accountancy that oversees the conduct of licensure examinations for certified public accountants. He was also appointed Commissioner in the Tripartite Voluntary Arbitration Council by President Corazon C. Aquino and reappointed by then Philippine President Fidel V. Ramos.

PRID Guiller has been a Rotarian since September 29, 1988 and has served RI as RI President's Representative in ten District Conferences, International Assembly Training Leader, Representative to the Council on Legislation, RI Committee Member, RI Training Leader, Zone Coordinator, GSE Team Leader, and District Governor. He is a Major Donor 3rd Level, Benefactor, and member of the Paul Harris Society of The Rotary Foundation.

He is a recipient of RI's Service Above Self Award. He is also a recipient of The Rotary Foundation's Citation for Meritorious Service and its Distinguished Service Award, as well as RI's Presidential Citation.

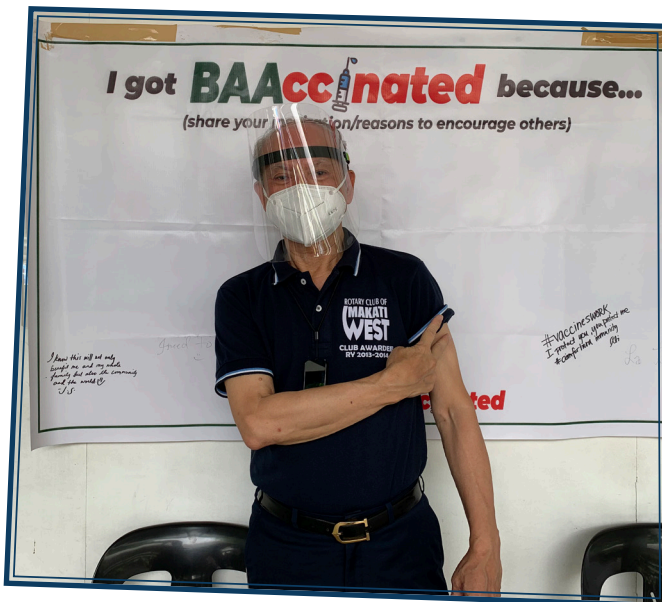
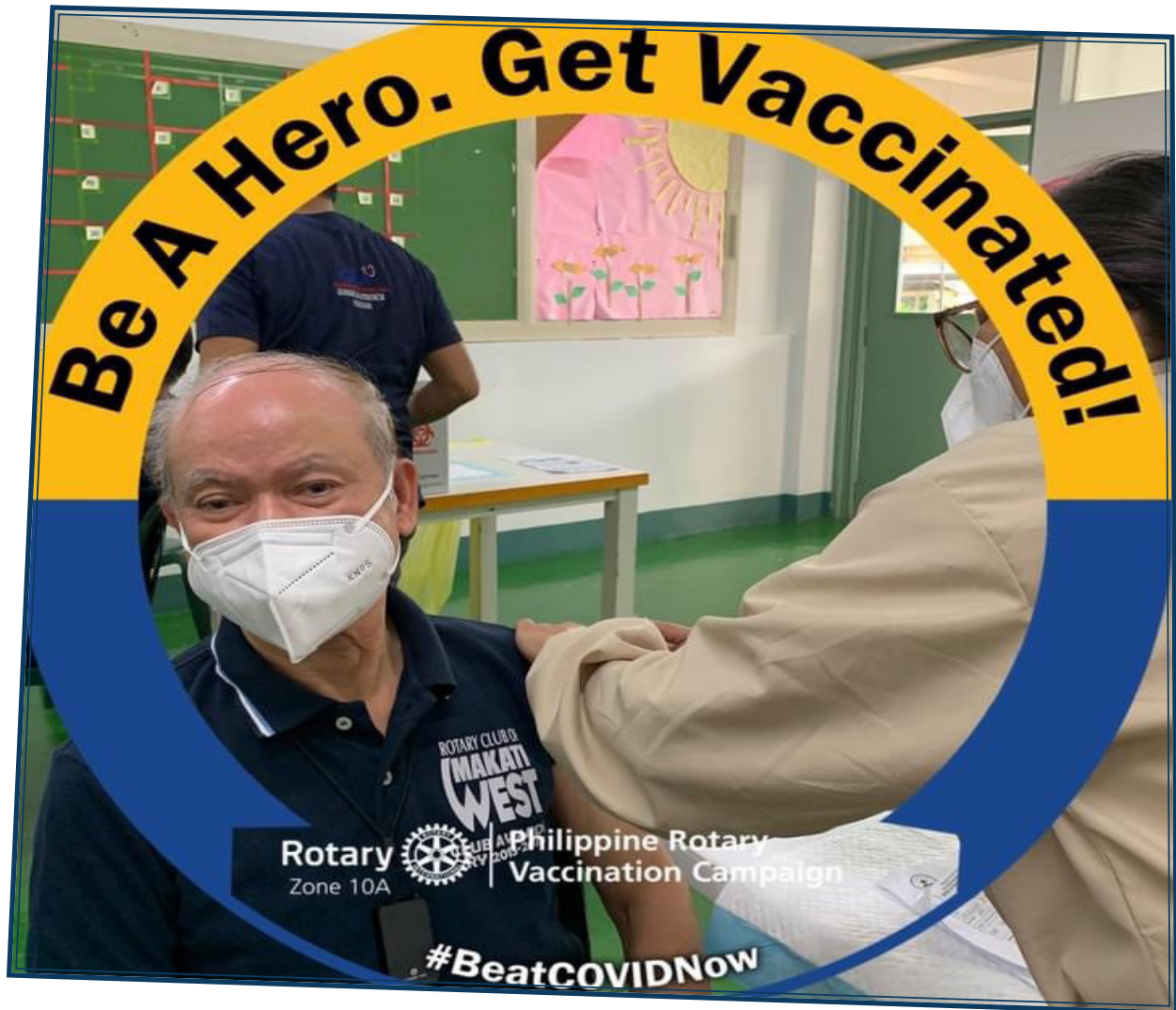
For Rotary year 2019-2023, Guiller is a Member of the Programs Committee of The Rotary Foundation; Also, 2021, Member of Promotion Team for Taipei Convention; 2016-17, Member of the RI Zone Review Committee; 2015-16 Member of TRF/RI Joint Committee on Partnerships; 2014-2015 Member of RI Finance Committee and Member of the Joint Allocations Review Committee, 2014-2015 Member, Inspection Committee – Site for RI Conventions 2019, 2021 and 2022; Chair of the RI Board Administration Committee; Liaison Director to TRF Trustees; Convener, 2016 RI Presidential Conference WASH in Schools, Pasay City, Philippines; Convener, 2014 for Kota Kinabalu, Malaysia Rotary Institute; Convener, 2015 Manila Rotary Institute; and Co-Convener, 2015 Rotary Institute in Zone 8, Melbourne, Australia.

He is the Incorporator and Chairman of Help & Assistance for Rotary Philippine Districts, Inc. (HARPDI), a foundation involved in the rehabilitation of school buildings damaged by typhoon Haiyan. HARPDI was able to rehabilitate 142 classrooms in 15 schools.

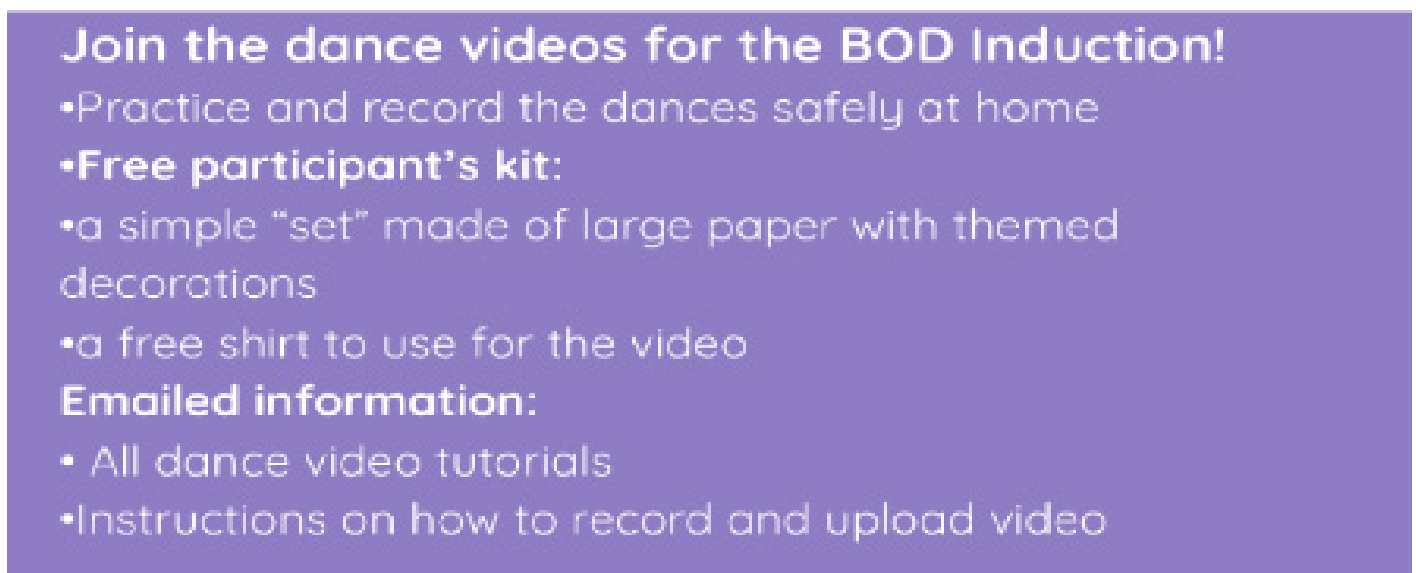
He is the Chairman of Shelterbox Operations Philippines, Inc., which he helped incorporate in 2017, the purpose of which is to provide humanitarian relief during disasters.

From 2013 up to present, he is the Chairman of the RVC Foundation, Inc.

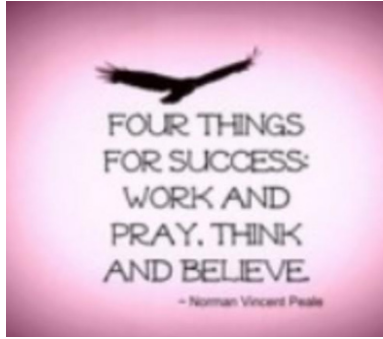
PRID GUILLER TUMANGAN, NATIONAL CHAIRMAN OF THE PHILIPPINE ROTARY VACCINATION CAMPAIGN



WHAT: RY 21-22 BOD INDUCTION
WHEN: THURSDAY, JULY 1ST 2021



EULOGY BY PRID GUILLER E. TUMANGAN



ANGELITO "Lito" E. COLONA
September 20, 1952 - April 24, 2021

**Honorary Member,
Rotary Club Makati West
Past President,
Rotary Club Makati Legazpi
District 3830 Governor,
RY 2014-2015**

A purple poster with a bright light in the middle and an eagle flying on the upper left, caught my attention. because the quote from Norman Vincent Peale describes Lito: Four things for success: Work and pray, think and believe.

The eagle is a symbol of inspiration and that is Lito – inspired and inspiring. He is a great source of positive energy. As a leader, he believed that we were all gifted with the ability to soar against life's circumstances and achieve the seemingly impossible.

Prayer is the best armor. I think he supported a congregation of nuns to make sure that there will be someone praying for him and his family and his employees. Kidding aside, he believed that the nuns' prayers can help put the good out in the world. I think his best presidents saw and felt how he lived up to his belief that "doing good in the world as a Rotarian is the mark of your own blessedness." Lito made a difference in the civic and professional organizations that he led.

Laughter is the best medicine. When we were young, we would meet in SGV annual reunions. We were not among the refined gentlemen. We were loud especially when having fun. He was the king of the 12th floor and I was the king of the 8th floor. We were acquaintances who got along very well even it was just during corporate reunions. That's how gregarious he was even if he was my junior.

Lito is a big picture thinker just like an eagle in flight. Like the eagle is the herald of new beginnings, Lito, when given the opportunity to start something new, do something differently, or create something better for others, he will definitely not be afraid and just pour his courage and strength, be driven by his vision. "Three heads are better than one" is what call our friendship – composed of Jun Perez, Lito Colona and me. Jun and I would listen to and process Lito's ideas. He was like our youngest brother who we would rein in sometimes kasi mapusok, a risk taker, a trail blazer.

He gave his best to the Rotary Tuloy Streetchildren Program from its inception. To him this is the best of the best things in his lifetime. He believed that the life of prayer that Fr. Rocky instills will enable the kids to break away from their bondage. In their newfound freedom, he wanted them to see a Rotarian who believes in them.

To Best Presidents, turn your weeping to dancing, like what you did when he was governor. Watch him dance with gusto in your videos and you know your friendship and love gave him the inspiration to be the Best Governor.

Sobrang lakas ng loob. He was always aiming for the hole in one. He believed that the best can be achieved with Oneness. One Global Filipino. One Rotary Pilipinas. One ASEAN Logistics. His dream of One Family of Rotarians worldwide was fulfilled in part when he was assigned as RI Presidents Representative to Australia, He was so elated. He also received zone and regional assignments and served as Group Study Exchange Team Leader.

So when Lito visits you in your dream, you know that he wants you to think about golden opportunities and positive changes only.

To Ayet, feeling talaga ni Lito naka-jackpot siya sa iyo --and family, nothing we can say will soothe the pain. But we will continued to pray to the Father to please watch over all of you, keep you safe, comfort you during this hard time, and envelope you with His eternal love and give you contentment that Lito is in the company of his friends and family in heaven living in bliss.

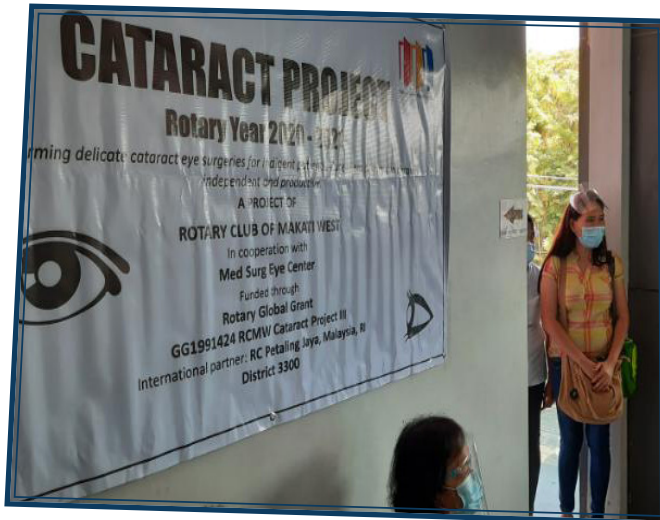
We thank you, Lord, for giving us Lito as a best friend, and now he is with the best of the best friends -- Jesus Christ.

Isaiah 40:31: But those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.

11TH BATCH OF CATARACT SURGERY RY 2020-2021

Med Surg Eye Center, BF Homes Paranaque City

April 24, 2021



**PRE-OPERATION CATARACT
RY 20-21**



**POST-OPERATION CATARACT
RY 20-21**



Agregado Erlinda, 73yrs old, Paranaque City



Agregado Wilfredo, 83yrs old, Taguig City



Anastacio Francisca, 70yrs old, Las Pinas

**PRE-OPERATION CATARACT
RY 20-21**

**POST-OPERATION CATARACT
RY 20-21**



Asidao Ernesto, 74yrs old, Bulacan



Basco, Joseph, 48yrs old, Valenzuela City



Clores Dominador, 66yrs old, Taguig City

**PRE-OPERATION CATARACT
RY 20-21**



**POST-OPERATION CATARACT
RY 20-21**



Falco Godofredo, 67yrs old, Taguig City



Frias Selvestra, 71yrs old, Paranaque City



Lagarto Flora, 68yrs old, Paranaque City

**PRE-OPERATION CATARACT
RY 20-21**



**POST-OPERATION CATARACT
RY 20-21**



Macabenta Nenita, 65yrs old, Paranaque City



Montalbo_Luis, 75yrs. old, Pasay City



Pagarigan Edwin, 65yrs old, Quezon City

**PRE-OPERATION CATARACT
RY 20-21**



**POST-OPERATION CATARACT
RY 20-21**

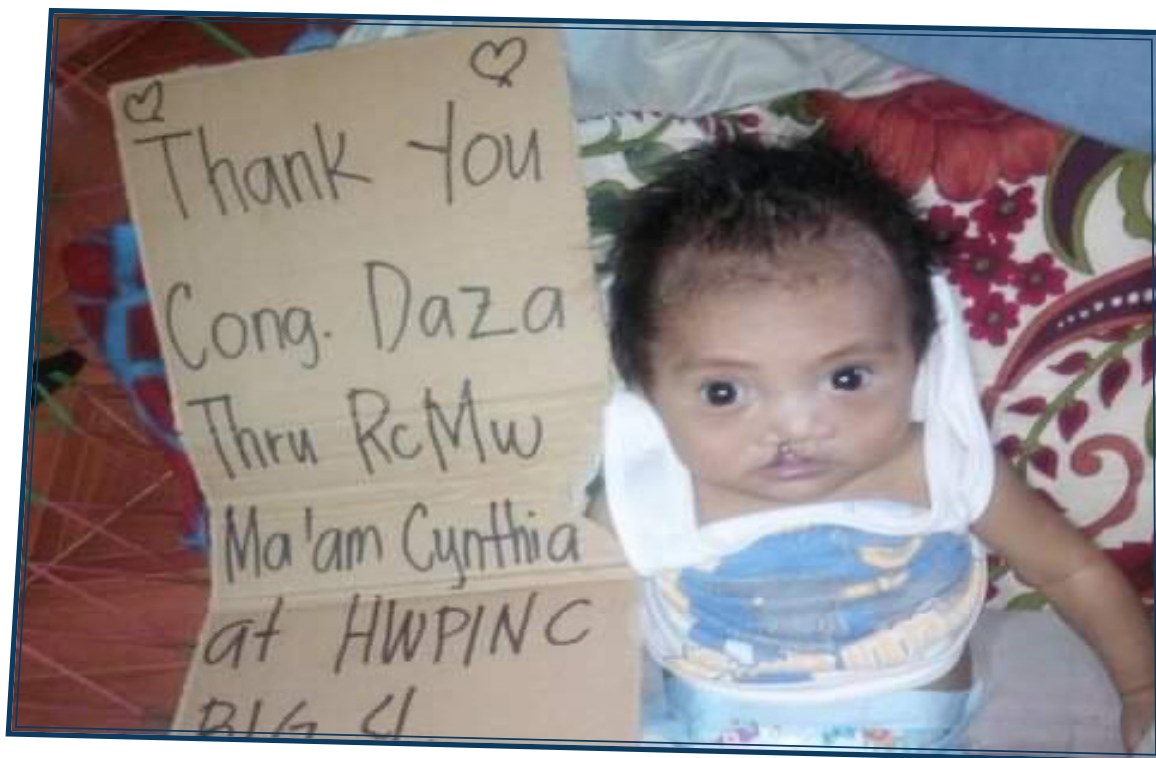
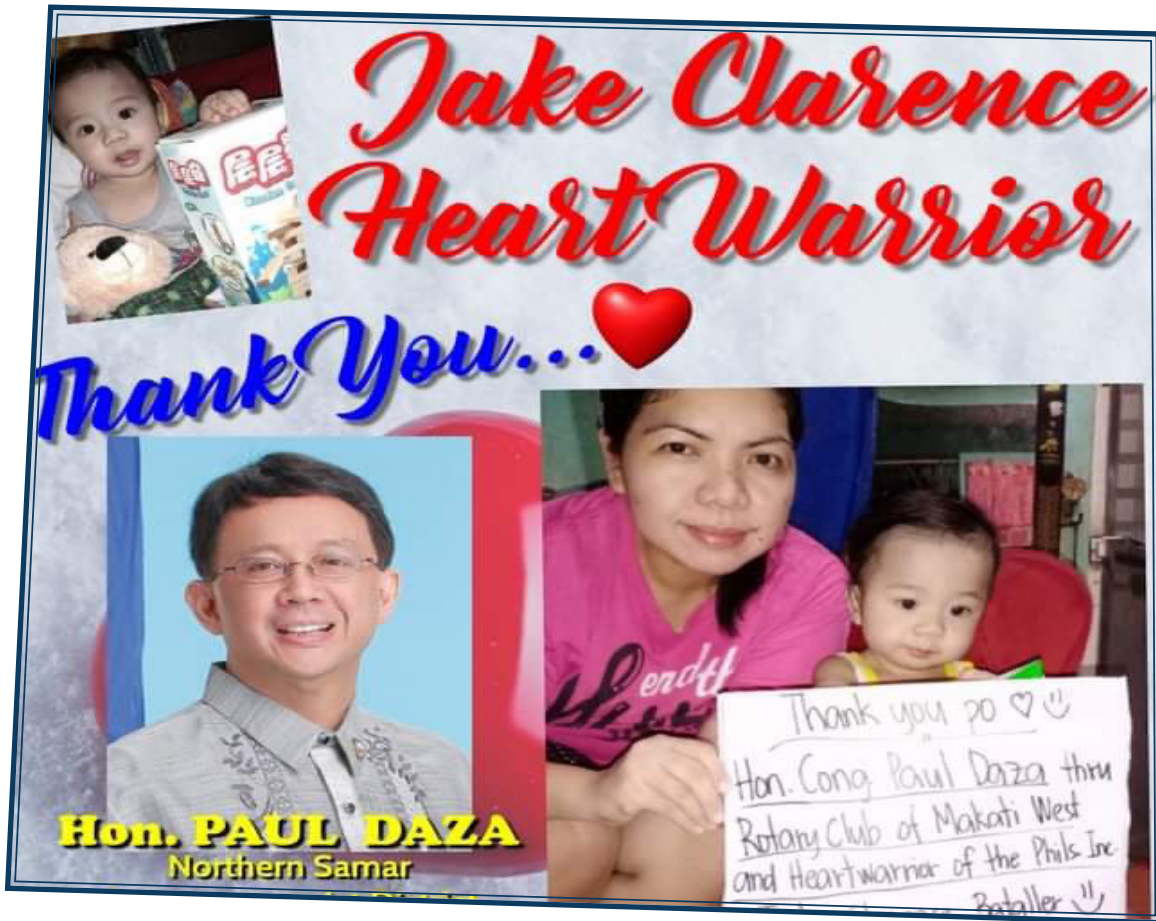


Pagarigan Edwin, 65yrs old, Quezon City



Sablayan Zenaida, 78yrs old, Taguig City

GIFT OF LIFE (GOL) BENEFICIARIES RY 20-21
***PRE & POST OPERATION FUNDED BY CONG/RTN. PAUL DAZA**
***SURGERY FUNDED BY ROTARY CLUB OF MAKATI WEST (RCMW)**



FAVORITE QUOTES AND WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT THAT HAVE HELPED MAKATI WEST ROTARIANS DURING THIS PANDEMIC

INSPIRATIONAL QUOTES

“Never waste a good crisis” - Lars Wittig



YOUR CLUB IN THE CLOUD

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Weekly Meeting Videos

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Induction & Handover

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Fireside Chat Archive

West Side Story

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your dues!!!**

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“Calling on the 12 members with annual dues that remain unpaid. Please contact Kai at ((0917) 543-1709 if you would like your payment picked up.”

Please be informed that checks must be payable to:

ROTARY FOUNDATION OF MAKATI WEST, INC.

Bank Details:

ACCOUNT NO: 001680053572
BRANCH: PHILAM TOWER VALERO
BANK NAME: BANCO DE ORO

Please send deposit slip to the Secretariat

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If you are unavailable to send your deposit slip, your payment will remain outstanding in our records.

“We have unidentified deposits in our account, if you have already paid it is important for us to receive your deposit slip so we can account. Thank you”