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#### **MONTHLY ACTIVITIES**

**FIRESIDE CHAT** 

May 18, 2021/ Tuesday Date: Venue: Zoom Conference

5:30pm Time:

Rtn. Tonito Payumo & Rtn. Derrick Santos GS:

"What to expect: PGA, US Title:

Open, The (British) Open,

Tokyo Olympics"

**LUNCH MEETING** 

**Date:** May 20, 2021/ Thursday **Venue:** Zoom Conference

Time: 12nn-2pm GS: Mr. Matt Lowe

Dolphin Trainer & Dog Whisperer

LUNCH MEETING

May 27, 2021/ Thursday Date: Venue: Zoom Conference

12nn-2pm Time:

Mr. Arjun Thapan / Ms. Mai Flor GS:

Chairman, Waterlinks / Executive

Director, CEO at Waterlinks

The Philippines' Water Scenario: Title:

Issues and Options

LUNCH MEETING

June 3, 2021/ Thursday Date: Venue: Zoom Conference

Time: 12nn-2pm

Atty. Robby Consunji GS:

President, Land Rover Club of the

Philippines

#### TODAY'S PROGRAM

12:15 PM Call to Order

#### PRESIDENT ALASDAIR J.W THOMSON

Invocation

RTN. ELMER FRANCISCO

Philippine National Anthem (Video)

12:20 PM RC Makati West Hymn

#### PP ROQUE TORDÉSILLAS

Introduction of Distinguished Personalities at the e-presidential table

Committee Announcements

#### **BIRTHDAY CELEBRANTS**

Pres. Al Thomson	May 12
Sps. Chary Mercado	May 13
Sps. Teresa Rufino	May 13
PE Franco Del Rosario	May 16
Sps. Lala Lejeune	May 17
PP Dave Caldwell	May 19

#### WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Rtn. Chito Santiago

Sps. Winnie May 15

Moderator

RTN. JUN CUARESMA

#### **CLUB ASSEMBLY AGENDA**

- 1. Overview of Year To Date in Statistics
- 2. Service Projects Year to Date in Statistics
- 3. Member Financial Contributions So Far This Year
- 4. Year To Date Financials TREAS. TRISTAN CHOA
- 5. Year To Date Attendance Levels by Member
- 6. Member Numbers & Recruitment
- 7. Budget for 2021-22 and Implications **PE FRANCO DEL ROSARIO**
- 8. Member Expansion Survey Feedback
- 9. Back Office Situation
- 10 Program to End of Year & Start of PE Franco's Term

#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



ALASDAIR J.W THOMSON President, RY 2020 - 2021

Men of Action!,

This week we hold our second Club Assembly of the year, and in preparing the materials for this I am both quietly satisfied with the amount that we have been able to achieve so far in this rather odd year, and painfully dissatisfied that we have not been able to engage more of you in the activities and life of our Club.

I'm truly grateful to those of you who put in so much time and energy, and I hope you feel proud of the impact that you have in our community. Yet it seems to me that our club runs on the efforts of the few and not the many. I know this is common in most organisations, a sort of Pareto effect I suppose, but I really find it odd in a Club that is voluntary and neither easy to join nor cheap to be a part of.

Obviously I am not the first President of RCMW to have these thoughts or experience, but I hope that we can use the rest of my term to figure out what is keeping the 50% of you who attend fewer than one in five of our meetings from grasping more of the opportunities that sit within the Club. Why is it that only around 25% of our members are actively involved in our Service Project committees or the operational aspects of our Club or within the District? Why is it that when we ask for volunteers to help with the smallest of tasks (things that may take no more than a few days or hours to complete) that so few forward to take the lead.

Hopefully you find our meetings to be sociable and informative, but for sure there are other forums where you can socialise or learn without paying for the pleasure. So, my question to you, as it was during my Induction, is, "Why did you join RCMW in the first place?". At some point in the past you made a decision to join this Rotary Club (and in fact each and every year you make the same one when you remain). What was it that caused you to sign up? What were you looking for? What did you hope to achieve? And especially, what is it that changed (in you or in what you found in the Club), that has caused that enthusiasm to dwindle?

I think there is no more important matter than this that faces us. Because if we can't understand why so many of you are in large part disengaged, then how on earth can we shape our activities in a way that encourages you to step up? And if we can't do that, then how do we expect to attract new members over time?

I've said it before on many occasions: there is a wealth of talent, energy and connectivity within this Club that it is a tragedy to leave un-tapped. Seldom has our Country and our Community needed us more. The Charging that each of us heard upon joining Makati West is crystal clear: ours is a Club that expects more from each of us than others.

So please do let your voice be heard this week, and please be honest and forthright with your opinions in the Membership Survey that we will run between now and the end of the month.

Wishing you a great week ahead,

Yours in Zest, Alasdair Thomson



#### **SCOTCH CORNER**

The word for this week is:

The Kilt

BRAW, Bra', Braa, Bragh, adj. and adv. Cf. also Brave. [bra: + a: I.Sc., n.Sc.; br: em.Sc., wm.Sc.; brv: sm.Sc., s.Sc.]

This generally is used to describe something as "fine" or "good" or worthy of note. For people it could refer to their character or to their handsome looks.

Made famous in the exaggeratedly Scottish phrase: "it's a braw bricht moonlicht nicht the nicht", which every visitor should be able to say and should find the opportunity to say at least once during a visit, if only to cheer up the locals (we often need cheering up as it rains a lot...)

If you want to make instant friends, when a waiter asks how your meal was, just answer "Braw. Totally Braw"

## Scottish Heritage

The history of the kilt stretches back to at least the end of the 16th century where it first appeared in the Highlands as the belted plaid or great kilt (feileadh mòr), a full-length garment whose upper half could be worn as a cloak draped over the shoulder, or brought up over the head as a hood. The small kilt or walking kilt (similar to the 'modern' kilt) did not develop until the late 17th or early 18th century.

Following the Jacobite Rebellion in 1745, the government of King George II outlawed all items of Highland dress including kilts (although an exception was made for the Highland Regiments) with the intent of suppressing highland culture. The penalties were severe; six months' imprisonment for the first offense and seven years' transportation for the second. The ban remained in effect for 35 years.

By the late 19th century, the Romantic movement and the influence of Queen Victoria's embrace of all things Scottish led to the kilt becoming more widespread in use outside the Highlands, and eventually to becoming part of Scottish national identity.

It is always fun to wear a kilt, and almost always guarantees a lift if you are hitch-hiking. It is quite hot to wear in the Philippines to be honest, but the ladies seem to like it, so we make the effort to please!



#### **MODESTY ASIDE**



Full name: Patrick-James H. Dionisio

We call you as: Patrick

Relationship and family: Wife: Chesca Carpo.

Kids: Diego, Marco, and Paolo.

**Education and Training:** Computer Engineering from Santa Clara University.

Day job: Arms Dealer and Black Hat Hacker

**Work Fufilment:** Going to full-auto at the P.B Dionisio Firing Range.







**Rotary achievements:** Making my fellow Rotarians smile with my Zoom backgrounds.

**Special talents/ interesting facts:** I sideline as a Dance Instructor

**Poison/ Drink of Choice:** Single -malt whiskey. Neat.

Weekend activities: Playing basketball with the boys.

**Post-covid get-away plans:** Go snowboarding. Can't wait to carve up the slopes!







#### **MEETING REVIEW - MAY 6, 2021**



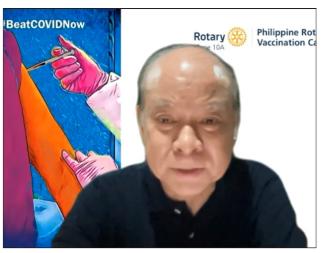
PP Jay Tambunting acts as Moderator



PP Joe Soberano acts as Invocator



RCMW President Al Thomson calls the meeting to order



PRID Guiller Tumangan reading the Brother Club Agreement

RCC President Edward Gaisano calls the meeting to order



RCMW President Alasdair Thomson & RCC President Edward Gaisano signing the Brother Club Agreement

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

## BOD INDUCTION

July 1, 2021

THEME:

Family: Giving Our LOVE to SERVE

Rotarian's Grandkids & Kids Ages 3-17

#### Join the dance videos for the BOD Induction!

- •Practice and record the dances safely at home
- •Free participant's kit:
- •a simple "set" made of large paper with themed decorations
- ·a free shirt to use for the video

#### **Emailed information:**

- · All dance video tutorials
- Instructions on how to record and upload video

Sign Up by Feb. 25th!

Text: Royce 0917-543-1704 Email: oycewrcmw@gmail.com



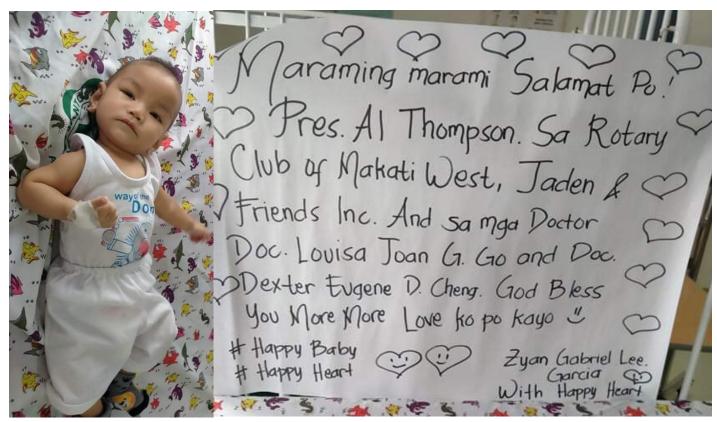


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De Los Santos Medical Center

April 14, 2021



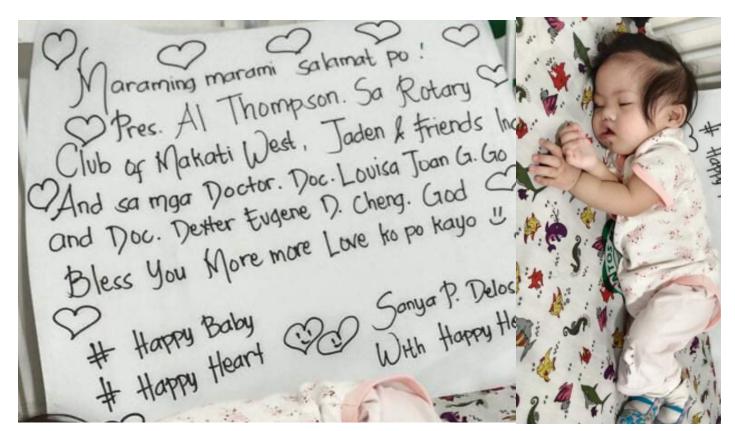


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#### GIFE OF LIFE PROGRAM 94TH TO 108TH BENEFICIARIES OF PRES. AL THOMSON



**Gabriel Manahan** 1 year 6 mos, DLSMC 10-Dec-2020 PDA Device Closure



Zayne Justin Librando
1 yr & 3 mos. old, NCH
10-Dec-2020
Open Heart Surgery



**Zian Elrich Familara** 5 mos old, DLSMC 10-Dec-2020 PDA Device Closure



Alexie Perater
6 mos old, NCH
14-Dec-2020
PDA Ligation Procedure



Janna Shantel Ledesma 1 year 2 months, NCH 14-Dec-2020 Open Heart Surgery



Zarniah Castro
2 years old, DLSMC
16-Dec-2020
PDA Device Closure



Jeminaira Sambo
1 year 3 mos., NCH
21-Dec-2020
PDA Ligation Procedure



Joredine Bigwil
1 year 7 mos., DLSMC
21-Dec-2020
PDA Device Closure



Sarah Camilo
1 year 6 mos., DLSMC
21-Dec-2020
PDA Device Closure



**Sofia Jane Salamanca** 7 years old, DLSMC 21-Dec-2020 PDA Device Closure



**Zyre Tultog** 9 years old, DLSMC 21-Dec-2020 VSD Device Closure



Alexis Panganiban
1 year 11 mos, DLSMC
28-Dec-2020
PDA Device Closure



Elyonna Tadios 8 months old, DLSMC 28-Dec-2020 PDA Device Closure



5 years old, DLSMC 28-Dec-2020 PDA Device Closure



Jaziel Jane Pasanting 8 years old, DLSMC 6-Jan-2021 PDA Device Closure-

#### **RCMW COOL SUMMER PROJECT**

De La Salle University Medical Center, Dasmarinas Cavite

May 7, 2021













Happy front liners beating the heat with selecta ice cream from RCMW and Selecta!

Thank you for your donations! - Rtn. Charles Rufino



#### **RCMW COOL SUMMER PROJECT**

#### Philippine Genaral Hospital, Manila

May 7, 2021























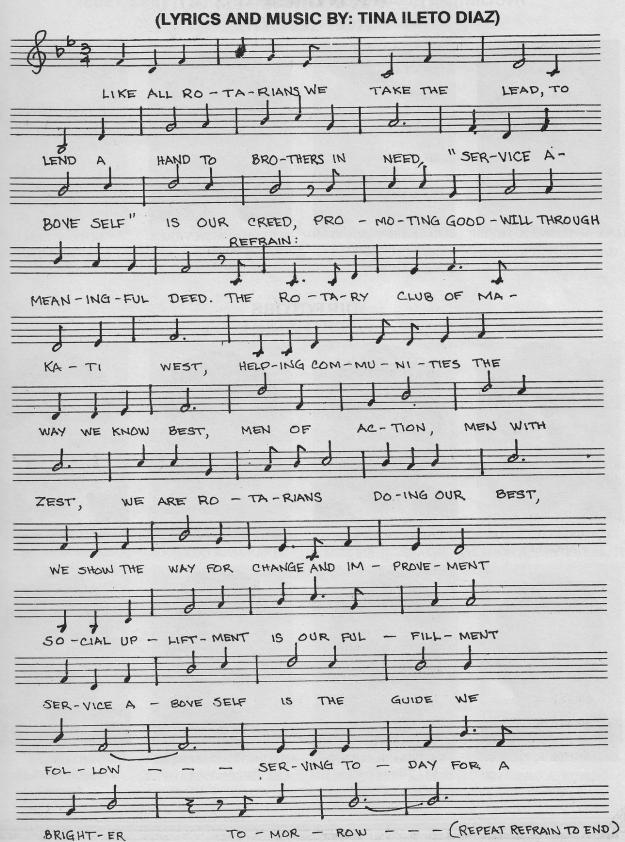




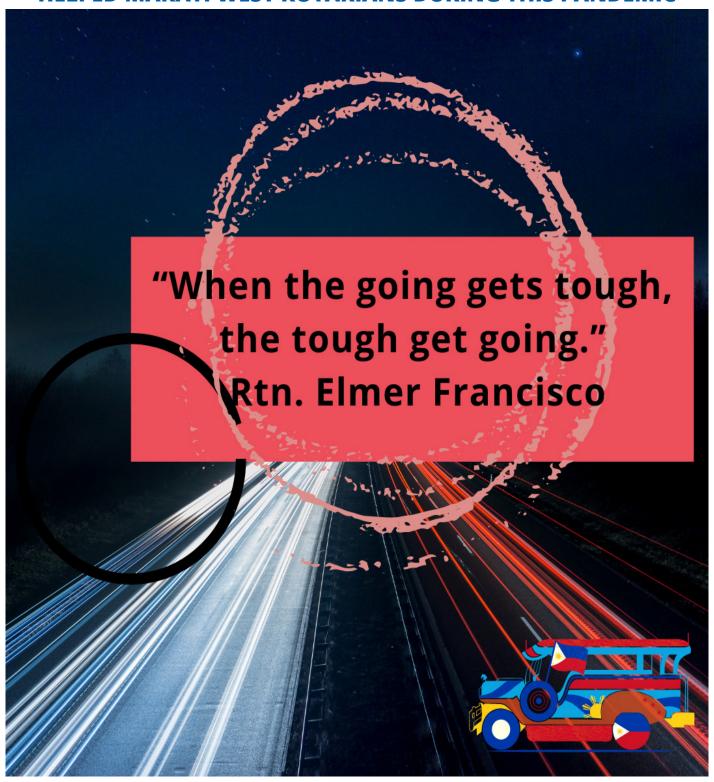




#### ROTARY CLUB of MAKATI WEST HYMN



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



















#### YOUR CLUB IN THE CLOUD



### RY 2020-2021 Officers Directors & Club Advisers

President Alasdair Thomson

VP / Pres. Elect Franco Del Rosario

Secretary Javier Berenguer-Testa

Treasurer Tristan Chos

Treasurer Tristan Choa
Director Gil G. Chua

Director Epifanio Delos Santos

Director Christopher Dino Dumatol
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Club Adviser PDG Oscar De Venecia
Club Adviser PP Carmelino P. Alvendia, Jr.
Club Adviser PP Roque Tordesillas
Club Adviser PP Antonio Tambunting III
Club Adviser PP Phillip Hagedorn

Club Adviser PP Fern Peña
Club Adviser PP Eric Angeles
Club Adviser PP Ramon Guerrero

Club Adviser PP Aurelio Paulo R. Bartolome

Club Adviser PP Victor L. Vital

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Royce Ann Ladan

# We kindly ask that the following Rotarians settle their membership account with the Club

Alvarez, Sol Cristobal, Paolo De Ocampo, Jay Jay Hodgens, Sedrick Recto, Alex Samson, Emmanuel

"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"

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 roycercmw@gmail.com kai.rcmw2@gmail.com

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