

WEST SIDE STORY

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Thursday Lunch Meeting with Guest Speaker DR. GUIDO DAVID September 15, 2022





Today's Guest Speaker:

RID JESSIE HARMAN DIRECTOR R.Y. 2021-2023 ROTARY INTERNATIONAL New RCMW website 🔿 WWW.rcmakatiwest.ph

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Joint Lunch Meeting with Rotary Club of Makati Ayala Amity Rotary Club of Makati Ayala Triangle Rotary Club of Muntinlupa Business District Rotary Club of Makati Paseo de Roxas Rotary Club of Makati San Lorenzo Rotary Club of Makati Uptown

RID Jessie Harman Rotary International Director 2021-23 Rotary Club of Wendouree Breakfast Victoria, Australia Date: September 22, 2022/ Thursday Venue: Dusit & Zoom Conference Time: 12:00nn to 2:00pm





Lunch Meeting

Mr. Ricky Isla Chief Executive Officer AirAsia Philippines Date: September 29, 2022/ Thursday Venue: Dusit & Zoom Conference Time: 12nn to 2pm



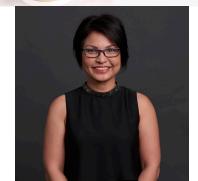
Lunch Meeting

Mr. Liam Capati Head of Media Market Agency Groups Southeast Asia Date: October 6, 2022/ Thursday Venue: Dusit & Zoom Conference Time: 12nn to 2pm





Dr. Beverly Lorraine C. Ho OIC-Undersecretary Public Health Services Team Department of Health Date: October 13, 2022/ Thursday Venue: Dusit & Zoom Conference Time: 12nn to 2pm



Lunch Meeting

Dr. Fiona Sandoval Licensed Psychologist Date: October 20, 2022/ Thursday Venue: Dusit & Zoom Conference Time: 12nn to 2pm



TODAY'S PROGRAM

12:15 PM Call to Order

MIP GIL CHUA (RC Makati West) MIP MHEL PECHERA (RC Makati Ayala Amity) MIP MARILYN DE MESA (RC Makati Ayala Triangle) MIP CATHY PIMENTEL (RC Makati Paseo de Roxas) MIP NIKKI GILLADOGA (RC Makati San Lorenzo) MIP MARYLOU JAVELLANA (RC Makati Uptown) MIP JANA BENJAMIN (RC Muntinlupa Business District)

Invocation PE Cecille Asprec (RC Makati Ayala Triangle)

Philippine National Anthem (video)

12:30PM Club Hymns

RC Makati West RC Makati Ayala Amity RC Makati Ayala Triangle RC Makati Paseo de Roxas RC Makati San Lorenzo RC Makati Uptown

4-way test CP Elvie Sanchez- Quiazon (RC Muntinlupa Business District)

Introduction of Visiting Rotarians and Guest; MIP Nikki Gilladoga (RC Makati San Lorenzo)

Introduction of Personalities at the Presidential table;

12:45 PM Committee announcements

Induction of New Members Inducting Officer: RID Jessie Harman

President's Time MIP GIL CHUA (RC Makati West) MIP MHEL PECHERA (RC Makati Ayala Amity) MIP MARILYN DE MESA (RC Makati Ayala Triangle) MIP CATHY PIMENTEL (RC Makati Paseo de Roxas) MIP NIKKI GILLADOGA (RC Makati San Lorenzo) MIP MARYLOU JAVELLANA (RC Makati Uptown) MIP JANA BENJAMIN (RC Muntinlupa Business District)

Introduction of Guest Speaker DGE JAY TAMBUNTING III

1:00 PM Speech RID JESSIE HARMAN Director R.Y. 2021-2023 Rotary International

Open Forum

Token of Appreciation

Moderator PP LITO JIMENEZ

THIS WEEK'S CELEBRANTS





GUEST SPEAKER RID JESSIE HARMAN DIRECTOR, ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

Jessie Harman is a Director on the Board of Rotary International. She is a member of the Rotary Club of Wendouree Breakfast in Ballarat, Australia and a past Governor of District 9780.

Jessie's special interest in Rotary is membership development. She is a past Chair of the Rotary International Membership Committee and was previously a Rotary Co-ordinator for Australia, New Zealand and the Pacific Islands. Jessie was also a Training Leader and Seminar Trainer at Rotary's International Assembly in San Diego. She and her husband Andrew (also a Rotarian) are keen supporters of the Rotary Foundation as major donors and bequest society members.

Jessie's first experience of Rotary was as a participant of RYLA in 1988, sponsored by the Rotary Club of Kings Meadows in Tasmania.

Jessie holds three earned degrees, including a Masters' Degree in Business Administration and a Doctorate in Social Entrepreneurship. In her professional life, she spent two decades in senior management roles in Higher Education, finishing as Pro Vice-Chancellor (International and Partnerships). She now works as a consultant and non-executive director on a number of boards in the education and community sectors in Australia.

Outside Rotary and work, Jessie is a keen long distance walker. She has completed numerous hikes, including the 800 kilometre Camino de Santiago in 2018.

At home, Jessie is mum to three adult children, Claire, Georgia and James.





PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Lolo mode

Most of you will find it relatable when I say that *apos* (grandkids) give us *lolos* (granddads) so much joy.

With my children all grown up, I can no longer dote on them as much as when they were kids. Instead, I turn to my apos to give a lot of my love and attention to, while adoring their unli dose of cuteness, what with their giggles being simply the best music for my soul. They can never have enough of their Yowyow, and I can never have enough of them. I'm lucky to have seven apos and maybe even more in the future.

Outside my blood relations, at DDB, the average age of employees is 23 years old and being surrounded by youthful people revitalizes and makes me feel young as well. They're the ones who arranged for an outreach activity with school kids on my birth month of September.

I especially remember my 60th birthday celebration five years ago, when I spent a half day with students from Sentro Kalinga - Upper Bicutan Special Education (SPED) Center, Bagumbayan Elementary SPED, and two nearby daycare centers. We organized a Jollibee kiddie party for 300





Me and my seven apos.

students where they enjoyed their favorite meals, as well as brought home story books and other goodies.

Five years hence, as part of my yearly 65th birthday celebration, DDB Cares was able to organize another special birthday school visit this time with the Rotary Club of Makati West.

We made a visit to one of the schools in RCMW's Rotary Community Corps in Barangay Pio del Pilar in Makati City - the Makati Special Education (SPED) Center.

It is our first time at the Makati SPED Center, as we usually do our outreach activity in Taguig City where the DDB office is located.

We brought children's books and held a storytelling session with the kids as part of the school's "Brigada Pagbasa" project. We also put up mini-food carts so everyone can enjoy snacks of hotdogs, popcorn, and ice cream. After the program, we handed the kids their favorite Jollibee meals and goodies. But the best part of the visit was that we were regaled by song and dance performances from the students. One kid even serenaded us with a song that really melted our hearts. They are so cute and talented.

I was really very happy seeing all the kids in their special numbers and while enjoying the storytelling session. Their smiles are priceless. I'm really thankful for this opportunity to celebrate my birthday week with them. And I mean what I said in my speech that's it's one of my best birthday celebrations ever.

The Makati SPED Center is not a regular school, but as Principal Welbert Borlado said in his speech during the program, the local government created the center to provide inclusive education for all, including those with special needs. I have only admiration for the SPED teachers and staff for their dedication to be with these kids who require special attention. Kudos and may God bless you all!

Because the visit was so much fun for everyone, I promised to come back to the school in December this time to hold a Christmas party with the kids. Hope you can join us, mga kuyas and fellow Rotarians.



Storytelling session with the kids at the Makati SPED Center.





The students regaled us with song and dance numbers.

RCMW Courtesy visit

Come to think of it, our flagship program Gift of Life also has children as beneficiaries, which makes the program truly special.

And speaking of Gift of Life, last Thursday, we made a courtesy visit to First Lady Liza Marcos to personally hand to her the Gift of Life certificates for her and President Bongbong Marcos's donations to the program for the PDA Device Closure procedures on four GOL beneficiaries.

Our heartfelt thanks to President Marcos and the First Lady.

And since I started this article on Lolo mode, let me also tell you that one of the speakers lined up next month, Fiona Sandoval, a



We handed GOL certificates to First Lady Liza Marcos for their sponsorship of GOL beneficiaries.

licensed psychologist, who is also a former DDB employee, will talk to us about what we as grandfathers can do for our grandkids to ensure their mental wellness. After all, even kids suffer from anxiety and depression. It's one talk to look forward to.

So far, it has been a September to remember for me. But there's one more week left to this month, so I look forward to more meaningful activities for us.

That's it for me. Keep safe!

Maraming salamat po.

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





FORETHOUGHT by: Craig Lonnee

CLEAR THINKING

On my morning walk earlier in the week, I was listening to a podcast between retired US and Australian military leaders – Jim and Angus – it raised the issue of clear thinking or critical thinking, as its now called. In parallel, the topic came up in a feed, asking the question why clear thinking is not taught in schools anymore.

I do think in this short-term world, leaders (me included) have misplaced the ability to reason through confronting business issues, taking time to evaluate a topic from all sides.

We all tend to jump to the first or easiest conclusion, whatever the evidence. Worse - I've certainly been guilty of this over the years - leaders have been known to selectively choose the evidence that supports a long-held belief.

Over past weeks, I've had cause to reflect on various challenges facing our businesses. Always learning, I've experienced what researchers term a lack of metacognition – or thinking about thinking – being a major contributor to mistakes or oversights, making one overconfident.

Thankfully, critical thinking is a learned skill.



I was reading a piece on this topic. It states three simple ideas (not four this week) to improve your critical thinking skills.

- 1. Question assumptions.
- 2. Reason through logic.
- 3. Diversify thought.

Of course, we could all argue we already do all these things. I'm suggesting consider being more deliberate and dare I say, thinking, in your approach.

On assumptions. Ask yourself when to ask probing questions, when to question long held assumptions, particularly when stakes are high or when emotions are running at elevated levels. My encouragement, go back to basics, perpetually question embedded beliefs. The aim is to get a different perspective.

Beware of over-generalization, making sweeping statements, with insufficient evidence. Which gets us to logic, a practice pioneered by Aristotle over 2,000 years ago. A right brain company, which many are, often do not make the time to get the facts.

A question for us all – is your argument supported by evidence? Does an accumulation of facts help you produce a reasoned conclusion? We all, from time to time, deploy post-hoc thinking – a Latin phrase meaning after this or after the event.

Diversity of thought. Did I mention GroupThink? None of us are immune. Remember, algorithms perpetuate GroupThink, serving up news and information that suits your beliefs, making you more rigid. Research indicates, the more we listen to our digitally enabled social networks, the more polarizing or hardened our views become.

I encourage you seek out one or two contrarians when discussing strategy. Reasoned thinking is always better.

In group strategy sessions, if you are more accustomed to talking, than listening, purposely hold yourself back, wait patiently to hear an opposing view.

ABOUT CRAIG LONNEE

Lonnee is the Chief Development Officer at DDB Group Philippines, where he provides strategic and operational counsel to clients and DDB's senior leadership. He also leads The Bernbach School, DDB Group Philippines' exclusive learning hub.

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 September 15, 2022



SAA Javi Berenguer-Testa as Moderator



Dir. Scott Moore as Invocator



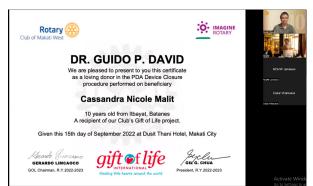
President Gil G. Chua during his President's Time



Rtn. Roman Azanza Introduces the Guest Speaker



Dr. Guido David during his talk via zoom



Dr. Guido David receives a Gift of Life certificate from the club

































Induction of new member Rtn. Dodie Poblete by Pres. Gil Chua. Sps. Mara joins them.



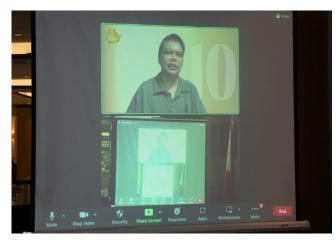








PP Dennis Decena hands over to Pres. Gil his check donation for RCMW's scholarship program







In partnership with DDB Cares, RCMW held a Rotary Community Corps "Brigada Pagbasa" activity and Pres. Gil Chua's special birthday visit at the Makati Special Education (SPED) Center in Brgy. Pio del Pilar, Makati City.





































Rotary Anns' first face-to-face event – a pizza-making class at PP Eric Angeles's Residence on September 17, 2022, Saturday

























District 3830 Mass Induction, Recognition of TRF Donors & Club Achievements at The Theater, Solaire on September 18, 2022, Sunday









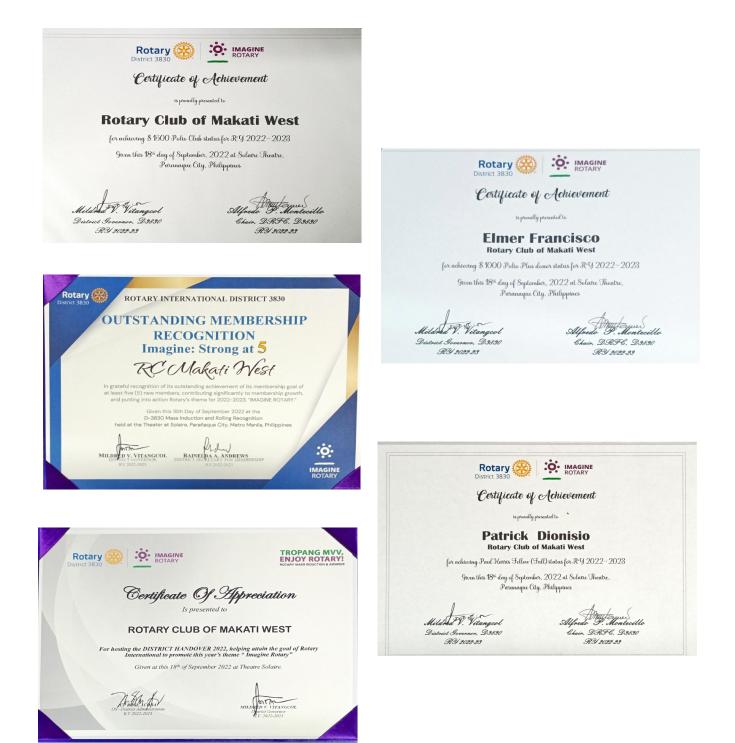














RCMW lobster lovers at Fresh Buffet, Solaire on September 20, 2022















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PRESIDENT GIL G. CHUA ROTARY CLUB OF MAKATI WEST Unit 1903 Cityland Herrera Tower, V.A. Rufino cor. Valero St., Salcedo Village, Makati City, 1227

Dear President Gil Chua,

INVITATION TO ROTARY CLUB OF PETALING JAYA'S 62ND ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION DINNER – 14TH JANUARY 2023

On behalf of the Board and Members of your sister club, the Rotary Club of Petaling Jaya, we are truly proud and honoured to invite the Board and Members of the Rotary Club of Makati West to our 62^{nd} Anniversary Celebration Dinner, which will be held on the 14^{th} of January 2023.

After 2 years of the Covid-19 pandemic and our various national lockdowns, we are truly happy to finally be able to welcome our sister clubs back to celebrate our 62nd Anniversary in style. We have indeed missed your presence and look forward to hosting all of you next year.

The tentative itinerary are as follows:

12th January 2023: Arrival in Kuala Lumpur & Transfer to Hotel Welcome Dinner by RCPJ

13th January 2023: Closed Golf Tournament between RCPJ & Sister Clubs *Concurrent:* Spouse Program, organized by First Lady, Sumana Lum Dinner Hosted by President Nicholas Chan

14th January 2023: RCPJ Project Visits (National Kidney Foundation, Supermum Project) Cultural Visit (Karyaneka) 62nd Anniversary Dinner

25th January 2023: Departure from Kuala Lumpur





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The Organizing Committee has humbly requested that during your arrangement for flights, please ensure that your party arrives together to ease our pickup and please channel all hotel arrangements through us.

If you have any enquiries, you may contact me personally on this matter and I will pass your details along to the Committee Chair, alternatively you can also contact our TRF/International Service Director, PP Rianne Chin.

We look forward to hearing from you very soon.

Yours in Service,

MicholasChan

Nicholas Chan Yee Soon President, Rotary Club of Petaling Jaya Rotary Year 2022/2023

Сс. Datin Sivaneswari Pillay, Honorary Secretary PP Rianne Chin, TRF/International Service Director





Jenelyn Joy Dela Cruz Arriza 15 years old, female Tondo, Manila City



Adeline Oblefias Acleta 4 year and 4 months, female Lucban, Quezon Province

PROJECT UPDATES

GIFT OF LIFE

GOL RY 2022-2023

De Los Santos Medical Center (1) Valve Surgery September 1, 2022 De Los Santos Medical Center (6) PDA Device Closure September 7, 2022



Hyro Inigo Tarroja Nasol 12 years old, male Antique Province

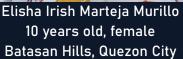


Harrie Guiang Tabilas 9 years old, male Cagayan Valley





Hailey Sophia Santillas Uy 7 months old, female Mapulang Lupa, Valenzuela City



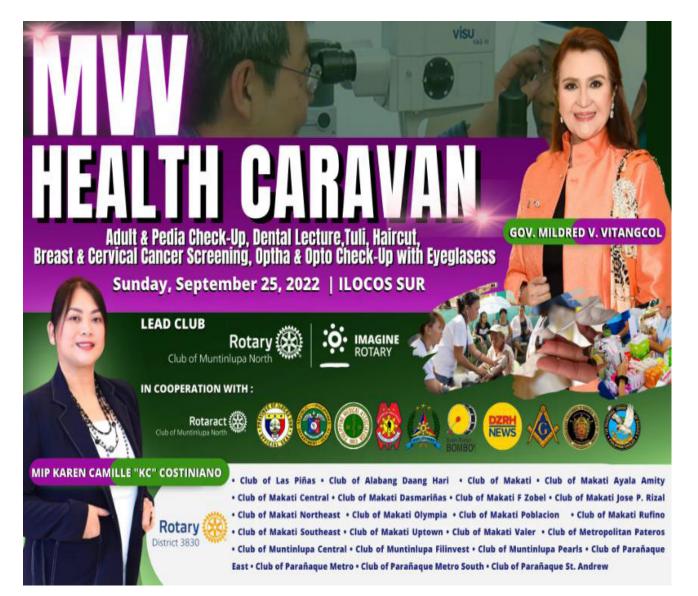


PROJECT UPDATES GIFT OF LIFE GOL RY 2022-2023



John Adam Martin Villeguez 8 month old, male Bacoor, Cavite





Rotary Club of Makati West through President Gil Chua Sponsored Php 20,000 to the MVV Health Caravan on September 25, 2022 at llocos Sur



September Shootfest September 28, 2022 at 7:00am Camp Bagong Diwa, Bicutan, Taguig City

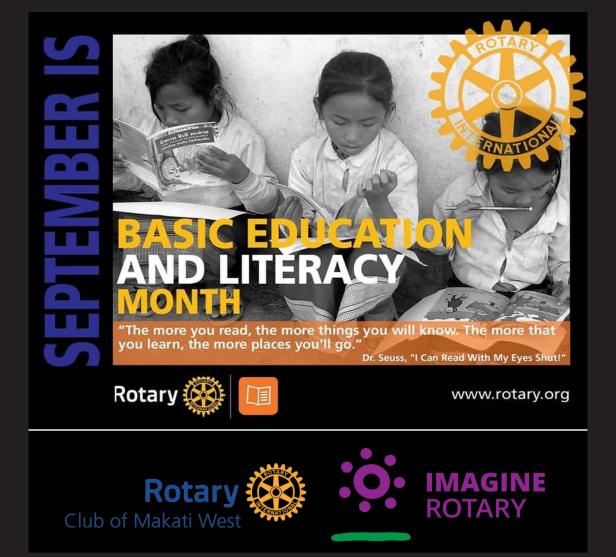
Contact Rtn. Patrick Dionisio to be part of the RCMW team!

Dear Rotary Club Members,

May we request your kind support to this event? Your participation will be deeply appreciated by District 3830. Thank you.



For inquiries: Please send a message to: TCP Medi Maeda 09175253288 or PP Patti King- DS Club Service



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

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

Is it the Truth?
Is it FAIR to all concerned?
Will it build GOOD WILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
Will it be BENEFICIAL to

all concerned?

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I. Is it RECOGNITION?

II. Is it RETENTION?

III. Is it RECRUITMENT?

IV. Is it FUN?









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