

Club conducts Career Guidance Seminar for Graduating Class of Adopted School

Six months before the end of the school year, the seniors of the Gen. Pio del Pilar National High School, the club's adopted school in Poblacion, Makati, gathered at the school's gymnasium for an exercise designed to help them make an informed decision



Dir. Eddie Galvez



Treas. Dayal Nandwani

on what path to take after graduation and guide them on their choice of a job, career or vocation.

The 750-strong graduating class spent the entire morning of 22nd October 2009 listening to resource speakers invited by Service to Youth **Dir. Eddie Galvez** under whose directorate the Career Guidance Committee falls. It was also Dir. Eddie

who delivered the welcome remarks.

Treas. Dayal started his talk with a game—he asked the students to match given names/faces with the business/company a particular businessman is associated with—**Robert Kuan, Hanky Lee, Vince Padilla, Howard Schultz, Tony Tan**. One student won a cash prize of P500 by correctly connecting Tony Tan with Jollibee. Treas. Dayal

then went on to name the requisite qualities and skills of an entrepreneur and the “right reasons” to be one. For his part, **Mr. Francis Lacson**, director of Human Resources of The Peninsula Manila, opened the students' minds to the prospect of “building a career in the hospitality industry.” He first introduced them to The Peninsula Hotels, with emphasis on The Peninsula Manila, before proceeding to speak on the hotel's key values and guiding principles, ending with a picture of what it is like to work at the Pen. **Mr. Rico Baluyot**, senior manager at KPMG Manabat, San Agustin & Co., laid out the opportunities in accounting and auditing, while **Ms. Ma. Tonyrose Mactal** and **Ms. Fatima de los Reyes**, guidance counselor and clinical instructor, respectively, of the College of Nursing of Arellano University, gave the students a lowdown on the possibilities in a nursing career.

Dir. Eddie treated the speakers and teachers to snacks of hamburgers.



Dir. Eddie Galvez (3rd from left), Treas. Dayal Nandwani (2nd from right) with resource speakers

RECAP: CLUB ASSEMBLY & ROTARY ANNS' DAY • Tuesday, 27 October, 2009



MS. TERESITA ANG SEE
Guest Speaker



JEAN CHAVEZ
Invocator



PP ROBERT KUAN
Charger



MIMI VALERIO
Introducer



ANGELA QUILA
Moderator



FELIX AMPARO
Club President

The meeting had a dual billing—Club Assembly and Rotary Anns' Day, the latter signifying that the Anns were participating in the program—**Angela Quila** as moderator, **Jean Chavez** as invocator and **Mimi Valerio** introducer.

Ann Jean asked God to let His grace “enkindle in all men a love” for those “whom poverty and misery reduce to a condition unworthy of humans;” to “heal the inner recesses of our beings to make us whole, meaningful and functional;” and “arouse in the hearts of men a hunger and thirst for social justice and fraternal love.” She went on: “Lead us to give back to You our humble selves, our time, talents, skills and resources” and “grant us Your wisdom and guidance. . .”

Announcements. **PP Freddie Borromeo** reported that his committee had distributed 200 relief bags to typhoon victims in Antipolo and Tanay and that he has received requests for medicine, blankets and toilet bowls, items which would be made available as soon as there is a resolution by the MRCFI

Board of Trustees, led by **Pres. Jonny Carlos** and Trustee **Chito Cantada**. He also announced the groundbreaking rite on 31st October 2009 for a school in Tondo to be put up jointly by the club, RC Makati Metro, the Tondo Parish Council and the Canossian Fathers. The school is patterned after Balay Pag-asa, a school run by La Salle-Dasmarinas for children at risk. . . **PP Robert Kuan** made one last call for joiners to the trip of Taiwan, 5-7 November, for the charter anniversary on the 6th of RC Taoyuan. . . **Chito Cantada** reported that at the 3rd leg of the Governor's Cup at Southwoods Golf in Sta. Rosa, Laguna, **Bryan Cockrell** was champion in Class A while **PP Pepito Bengzon** was overall net champion; and informed that the club will be hosting the 4th leg on the 18th of November at the same venue. He also told the Arceemak shooters that the District Shootfest will push through on 30-31 October at the Villamor shooting range . . . Still on the 4th leg of the Governor's Cup, **VP Francis Macatulad** solicited help in the form of sponsorships for the event.

. . **Dir. Frank Chavez** thanked everyone who came and contributed to the “smashing success” of the launch of his book the night before at the Filipinas Heritage Library. Proceeds from book sales (P850 for hardbound, P550 for soft) will go to UP-PGH and to our club's Bantay Bata and Gawad Kalinga projects.

First Ann **Tessie Amparo** reminded everyone of the Christmas Bazaar last Sunday at the Renaissance Hotel, 9AM to 6PM, and advised the Anns to wear their blue vest over a white top and requested them to please be at their stations by 8:30AM. She appealed to the Rotarians for their generous support and informed the Mama Mia cast that the occasion for the repeat of their much-applauded show had been upgraded, from the District Christmas Party



SEC. GANI FERRER
Club Assembly

to the Governor's Ball at the Discon in March. For her part Ann Angela called on Rotarians and Anns to give generously to the Last Angel project, adding that this year, instead of jut the gift, they intend to give the children canned goods and rice as



Pres. Felix (right) swears in Shane Townsend as proposer PP Robert Kuan and Ann Abby look on



The Rotary Anns

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KATRINA LEGARDA

Personal Data

- Born 10 September 1954 in Sampaloc, Manila
- Three children: Jose Primo; Rafael Ramon; Maria Elena Beatriz

Academic Background

- High School: Notre Dame Convent, Oxford , England
- College: History (B.A. Honors), University of Bristol, England, 1975
- Post-Graduate: Bachelor of Laws, University of the Philippines-Diliman (graduated 5th), 1980
- Admitted to the Philippine Bar in 1981 with a general average of 84.4%

Work Experience

Present

- Professor, College of Law, Lyceum of the Philippines University, since 2008
- Professor, College of Law, Pamantasan ng Lungsod ng Maynila, since 2007
- Professor, College of Medicine, University of the Philippines, since 2005
- Consultant to the Board & Faculty Member, Child Protection Unit, Manila, since 2001
- Professorial Lecturer, Philippine Judicial Academy, Supreme Court, Manila
- Asian Regional Coordinator, International Society for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect, since 2007
- MCLE Lecturer, Institute of Judicial Administration, U.P.; Legal Advantage, and Integrated Bar of the Philippines

Past

- Professor - College of Law, University of the Philippines (2003-2005, 2009)
- Professor - College of Law and Business Administration, De La Salle-Far Eastern University J.D. Program (2005-2008)
- MCLE Lecturer - Litigation and ADR Dispute Resolution seminars; Aegis Executive Center
- Trainer - UNICEF: Investigators' Training in Juvenile Justice in Lao PDR (2002-2004)
- Angara Abello Concepcion Regala & Cruz Law Office: Partner, 1989-1992; Senior Associate, 1985-1989; Associate, 1981-1985

Organizations

- President -Women Lawyer's Circle (WILOCI), 2008-2010
- Convenor - Bantay Korte Suprema, 2008 - to date
- Founding member/Chairperson - Child Justice League, an NGO that prosecutes child sexual offenders and assists children in conflict with the law

PROGRAM

Tuesday, 10 November 2009
The Conservatory, The Peninsula Manila

Starts at 12:00 Noon

Adjourns at 2:00 PM

- Call to Order..... **Pres. Felix Amparo**
- Invocation **Mau Blardony**
- Philippine National Anthem
- RC Makati Hymn
- Introduction of Visiting Rotarians and Guests ... **Enzo Lee**
- Greetings to Birthday and Wedding Anniversary Celebrators
- Awarding of Cash Reward to Honest Policeman **PO1 Jimmy Reginaldo** of the Paranaque Police Dept.
- Club Functions & Committee Announcements
- President's Time **Felix Amparo**
- Introduction of the Guest Speaker **Johnny Rocha**
- Speech:

ATTY. KATRINA LEGARDA
Professor, College of Law
Lyceum of the Philippines

- Q & A
- Response **Pres. Felix Amparo**
- Adjournment

Enzo Lee
Moderator

- Founding Member, Women in Law; Nursing Mothers Association of the Philippines
- Founding Member/President - Abanse! Pinay, a political party representing women (which won a seat in Congress in May 1998)
- Former Trustee/Member - Ballet Philippines Foundation
- Member, Integrated Bar of the Philippines; Rotary Club of Makati Paseo de Roxas; Order of the Purple Feather-UP Honors Society; Portia Sorority; IOTA Tau Tau International Legal Society
- Member, Board of Trustees - Museo Pambata , 2002-2005

Awards

- Awardee, Parangal Ng Bayan 1999
- Leader of the Millennium, Philippine Year Book 2000
- Golden Dove Award 2001 for Best Talk Show for "Off the Record," an ABS-CBN Channel 2 program co-hosted by Atty. Legarda (2001-2002)
- Soroptimist International
 - Women Helping Women
 - Women Advancing the Status of Women



NOVEMBER: Rotary Foundation Month

Today: 10 November (Tuesday)

Guest Speaker:

Atty. Katrina Legarda

17 November (Tuesday)

Guest Speaker:

Mr. Benjamin Pedley

18 November

4th Leg Governor's Cup

Southwoods Golf & Country Club

Hosted by: RC Makati

22-26 November

Asia Pacific Regional

Rotaract Conference (APRRC)

Singapore

24 November (Tuesday)

Guest Speaker:

Ms. Jane Walker

Chief Executive Officer

Philippine Christian Foundation

29 November (Sunday)

48th Anniversary of RC Itako-Japan

Two options:

One: Short trip—28-30 Nov

Two: Expanded trip—24-30 Nov

Package price for 7D6N: \$1,247

In charge: Dir. Toffy Concepcion

11 December (Friday)

Christmas Party

Manila Polo Club

In charge:

First Ann Tessie Amparo

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well.

We gained another new member last week—**Shane Townsend**, asst. regional director and country manager of US Wheat Associates. Proposed, introduced and charged by PP Robert Kuan, Shane is tasked to promote the use of US wheat in the manufacture of such products as bread, noodles, siopao buns and siomai wrappers. PP Robert informed that Shane's **Ann Abby** is a popular musical artist who not only sings but also plays the piano, guitar,



BIRTHDAYS

ROTARIANS

Jogy Mantaring, 10 Nov.

Ting Antonio, 11 Nov.

Jojo Binay, 11 Nov.

ROTARY ANNS

Jusy Lim, 12 Nov.

Mariza del Rosario, 14 Nov.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Reuben & Mimi Valerio, 12 Nov.

PP Freddie & Jojo Borromeo, 13 Nov.

PRAYERS requested for:

PRID PAING HECHANOVA
who is scheduled to undergo
an operation in the USA today

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Deputy Representative of UNICEF Philippines; **Aivan Leo Amit**, Deputy Education Specialist, USAID; and **PDG Jimmy Cura** of District 3830. Gov. Sid wrapped up the program with closing remarks.

In his speech, Mr. Amit made special mention of and gave recognition to Jay Savage and RC Makati's BATS for the club's three-year partnership with USAID that ran from 2005 to 2008, under which we distributed some 1.8 million books to schools in the Autonomous Region of Muslim Mindanao (ARMM).

To raise wider awareness of BATS, the BATS committee set up a booth that displayed samples of the books available for distribution. The books are sourced from Brother's Brother Foundation in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, USA, which is headed by its president **Luke Hingson**.

cello and violin—a bundle of talent that is sure to enrich our talent pool!

As billed, there was a Club Assembly, called and presided over by **Sec. Gani Ferrer** for the purpose of nominating a club member to the District Nominating Committee (DNC) for 2010-2011, whose job is to select the Dist. Governor-Nominee for 2012-2013.

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13 October 2009

RC Makati Rotarians	59
Honorary and Exempt Members /	
Visiting Rotarians and Guests	8
Total Attendance	67
Make-Ups	14
Total Attendance Credit	73
Total Attendance Base	141
Exempted Members	41
Total Membership to date	182
Attendance Percentage	51.77%

Make Ups:

1. George Barcelon
2. PP Pepito Bengzon
3. IPP Larry Boyer
4. Gani Buenaflor
5. PP Jonny Carlos
6. Toffy Concepcion
7. Javier Fernandez de Castro
8. Bubi Krohn
9. PP Ric Librea
10. Francis Macatulad
11. Peter Manzano
12. Reggie Nolido
13. Fred Pascual
14. Johnny Rocha

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however, the volunteers were "paid" with food under RC Dagupan's unique "food for work" program. To facilitate things, the Rotarians also helped with the repacking work.

Seeing how badly in need of basic goods the affected families were, they decided to use the entire P50K RCM contribution to buy 40 sacks of rice. Their selected beneficiary: Barangay Lasip Chico, a low-lying community that was the first to get flooded and the last to get dry.

On 25th October, the Dagupan Rotarians, together with the members of the barangay council, gathered at the Juan Siapno Elementary School in Brgy. Lasip Chico for the actual relief operations. Some 1,250 families each received a bag containing 2 kilos of rice, 4 tins of sardines, 4 packs of noodles, a bar of soap and used clothes.

RC Dagupan thanks RC Makati for its generous assistance, which enabled the club to better respond to the needs of their *kababayans* in time of their direst need.

RC Dagupan conducts relief operations for 1,250 families displaced by Typhoon Pepeng

The memories stand vividly still—first there was Typhoon Ondoy, which battered Metro Manila and surrounding provinces, some parts more badly than others. A week later came Pepeng, which mercifully skirted Manila, cut through Northern Luzon and exited through Ilocos Norte, only to turn back a couple of days later (sucked in by a third “force,” Typhoon Ramil) to wreak havoc on Northern Luzon, Pangasinan among them



RC Dagupan Rotarians with the 40 sacks of rice bought with RC Makati donation of 50K



Dagupan Rotarians help repack rice



Relief operations at Brgy Lasip Chico



When Ondoy struck and the club board, led by **Pres. Felix Amparo**, decided to lend a hand to the massive relief effort, RC Dagupan, on their own and without any call for help from us, sent us P20,000 as their contribution to our Typhoon Ondoy relief fund.

When Pepeng whipped Dagupan City a week later, the RCM Board returned the favor by sending P50,000

to RC Dagupan.

It took a while before the floodwaters in Dagupan, neck-deep in some places, started to recede; it took even longer before the streets were dry again. To make matters worse, the city was plunged in darkness as electric power was cut off. Throughout that time the Dagupan Rotarians, led

by **Pres. Albert Manuyag**, **PP Edwin Aguirre** and **PP Alvin Fernandez**, braved the flood to orchestrate and supervise the solicitation, gathering, sorting and packing of goods. The Club invited volunteers among the flood victims to handle the repacking of goods; instead of being paid in cash, To page 4

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After reading out the qualifications of a nominee, Sec. Gani informed that at their last meeting, the Board had decided to endorse to the Club **PP Sonny Tambunting**. As it would turn out, **PP Tito Panlilo** and his nomination was subsequently carried, unanimously of course, by the body.

Pres. Felix Amparo began his “time” by welcoming back **IPP Larry Boyer** and thanking those who attended the fund-raising concert at the Polo Club on 20th October, a very successful affair that must have made **Gov. Sid Garcia** very happy. He then went on to thank Service to Youth **Dir. Eddie Galvez** and **Treas. Dayal Nandwani**

for the career guidance seminar on 22nd October for 750 seniors at the Pio del Pilar High School and reported that he had received on behalf of the club a plaque of appreciation from the City Government of Makati for our efforts for the welfare and development of the child through the Bantay Bata project, which has been espoused since its inception by its brains, **Dir. Frank Chavez**, and in his absence, **IPP Larry**.

Ms Teresita Ang See, high-profile anti-crime advocate and activist, generously gave her audience tips on how to keep from becoming a victim of kidnap for ransom (KFR)—assign a “security person” in the family who should know the whereabouts of everyone, including the clothes they wear, car they drive, routes they take

and what time they are expected at a given place; discuss what to do or not do in case “it” happens; warn house and office staff never to volunteer or provide information on your schedules to strangers; break routine; follow your instincts; and avoid personal ads. The club heard chilling personal accounts of KFR cases from **William Ho**, chair of the Movement for the Restoration of Peace & Order (MRPO), whose wife was kidnapped in 2003, and **Architect Chua**, who himself was kidnapped last year. In both instances, ransom was paid, and the kidnapped was rescued by members of PACER (Police Anti Crime Emergency Response). The good news is that PACER has so far passed MRPO’s stringent tests of integrity with flying colors.

RC Makati spearheads concert to raise funds for DisCon, District 3830 projects

The main lounge of the Manila Polo Club was abuzz with excitement as Rotarians, Anns and guests began streaming in, in pairs and in groups, on the 20th of October for *An Enchanting Evening of Music*.

They came for two reasons—one, to demonstrate their support for Gov. Sid Garcia and the projects of District 3830; and two, to savor an hour or so of music, “a pleasure reserved for us humans, God’s favored creatures,” as Pres. Felix Amparo said in his message. Two seemingly unconnected, though equally lofty, purposes indeed, as PP Freddie Borromeo put it: “One of personal pleasure, the other of communal duty.” PP Freddie chairs the DisCon Committee, one of the projects for which the concert was held.

The concert was organized by Eddie Yap who has tucked in a solid track record on the cultural concert scene as producer of shows like *A Tribute to Puccini* and the Christmas concert, *Adeste Fideles*. Eddie, executive producer of the concert, is president of the Music Admiration Society.

The concert was preceded by fellowship cocktails at which Gov. Sid & Ann Tesha welcomed everyone and

thanked them for their support.

The stage was simple, only a basic set with a grand piano on stage left and a huge bouquet of red roses on the opposite side.

The performers: Sherwin Sozon and Lemuel de la Cruz, tenors, Joy Abalon Tamayo, soprano, and Christopher Yu; Merjohn Lagaya on the violin and Jude Areopagita on the piano. They performed a program of songs from operas, Broadway musicals, and movies, so arranged as to weave a story of “love and despair,” two passions around which revolve the greatest stories known to man—from the opening number, *Merry Widow Waltz* from *Merry Widow* by Lehar to *If I Loved You* from *Carousel*

by Rodgers & Hammerstein; *Stranger in Paradise* from *Kismet* to *Un di Felice* from Verdi’s *La Traviata*; the Filipino folk song *Sa Kabukiran* to *O Soave Fanciulla* from Puccini’s *La Boheme*, to the final number by the ensemble, a medley of familiar songs from Andrew Lloyd Webber’s beloved *Phantom of the Opera*.

Curtain call saw Gov. Sid & Ann Tesha, producer Eddie Yap and the artists acknowledging the audience’s applause.



Gov. Sid, Eddie Yap and the artists at curtain call

RC Makati joins District Literacy Summit

The Aerospace Museum in Villamor Airbase in Pasay City was the venue for the District 3830 Literacy Summit on 12th September 2009. The summit was held in pursuance of one of the thrusts of the district under Gov. Sid Garcia—literacy.

Representing the club at the gathering were Pres. Felix Amparo and Jay Savage, chairman of our Books Across the Seas Project (BATS) book distribution program that

has given away some 15 million books to 45,000 schools since its inception in 1988 during the term of PP Gigi Zulueta.

Three guest speakers shared their thoughts and insights on various aspects of education and literacy—Colin Davies,

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DG Sid Garcia at ribbon-cutting ceremony



Pres. Felix Amparo and Chairman Jay Savage