

TB Eradication program launched in Quezon City

Some ninety-five (95) children in Brgy. San Antonio, Quezon City will be receiving medication for primary complex for 6 months under the Club's TB Eradication Program. The children have been enrolled in an anti-TB module launched last 15th January at the Sinag-Tala Elementary School.



Angela Quila



PP Jonny Carlos

This anti-TB program is being implemented in cooperation with the Rotary Club of San Francisco del Monte, District 3780, in partnership with Kabisig ng Kalahi, represented by **Angela Quila**. Representing the Club was **PP Jonny Carlos**, who started the anti-TB initiative during his term in RY 2001-2002, while RC San Francisco del Monte was represented by **Pres. Pastor Reyes Jr.** Both PP Jonny and Ann Angela, as well as **Dr. Manuel Po** of the Center for TB in Children-Philippines, delivered brief messages.

The launch program included the signing of a memorandum of agreement among the cooperating parties—RC Makati, RC San Francisco del Monte, Kabisig and the Sinag-Tala Elem. School. Under the agreement, RC Makati will provide the



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PROGRAM ADVISORY

NEXT WEEK

Tuesday, 2 February

Guest Speaker:

DR. BERNARDO VILLEGAS

Professor

University of Asia & the Pacific

medicines, while Kabisig ng Kalahi will supply the milk.

The program also included the turnover of medicines for the entire course to Kabisig and the Sinag-Tala Elementary School, and the pledge by the parents to see that their children dutifully and religiously take the prescribed

medicines every day without fail to ensure their healing and make the program a success.

A lay forum on tuberculosis followed, with an overview of and orientation on the disease. **Dr. Teresita Dumpit**, Sinag-Tala principal, gave the closing remarks.



Mau Blardony recited a poem by Helen Steiner Rice that one would do well to start the day with: *DBless me, Heavenly Father, forgive my erring ways; grant me strength to serve Thee, put purpose in my days. Give me understanding, enough to make me kind, so I may judge all people, with heart and not with mind. Teach me to be patient in everything I do, content to trust Your wisdom and to follow after You. Help me when I falter, hear me when I pray, and receive me in Your kingdom, to dwell with Thee someday.*Ñ

Announcements. **PDG Tony Quila** announced that RI President-Elect **Ray Klinginsmith** has announced the RI theme for RY 2010-2011: *Building Communities, Bridging Continents.* .

. **PP Freddie Borromeo** invited all to join him last Saturday, 23 January, for the launch of a supplemental feeding module in Bay, Laguna under the Family Health & Nutrition Committee which he chairs. The module brings into the fold of the projectÑ 60 malnourished children and their mothers, who will undergo training in the preparation of nutritious but low-cost meals based on a menu prepared by the Dept. of Social Welfare & Development (DSWD), Kabisig ng Kalahi and Mead Johnson. The activity, **PP Freddie** emphasized, isn't just an opportunity for fellowship among Rotarians but a determined way to save

children from malnutrition and its possible consequent ills, poverty and ignorance. . . **Dir. Ferdie Ordoveza** pointed out that the meeting place for those joining the Bay, Laguna project launch was SLEX Starbucks Petron, not NLEX, and requested all Baby Rotarians to stay after adjournment for a brief meeting regarding the Valentine's party that they are to host.

PP Freddie presided

over the ceremonial turnover of a powdered milk donation to the Rotary Club of Makati Metro, represented by **Pres. Albert Guevarra**, and thanked moderator **Tommy de Leon** and **PP Jonny Carlos** for making the donation possible. The milk is good for 90 kids. For his part , **Pres. Albert** thanked **Pres. Felix Amparo**, his classmate, for the opportunity to receive the milk on behalf of their adopted community in Tondo and **PP Freddie** for his undying determination to assist this community,Ñ and acknowledged **PP Jonny** for facilitating the donation through the Makati Rotary Club Foundation (MRCFI). **Pres. Albert** then gave a brief background on the RCM Metro project and recounted

how they raised funds to build a school composed of 2 container vans on a 650-sqm donated property, and how they conduct daily feeding for students of the school. He also informed that the club is now focusing its efforts on raising funds for the construction of a new school on another property, also in Tondo. **Pres. Albert** was also given time to show an audiovisual presentation



Turnover of milk donation to RC Makati Metro

on the project.

During president's time, **Pres. Felix Amparo** reminded the members of the board about their meeting the following day, the 20th, at noon at the RCM clubhouse. He then thanked **Dick Funk** for the career guidance seminar he organized at the Teodoro Santos Institute in Malabacat, Pampanga, the second for the year, and **Drex Laggui**, **Dir. Toffy Concepcion**, **Gary Quemado** and **Mundy Gonzalez** for taking time to help inform the students of the options open to them after high school. He also reported on the turnover of a check representing part of the matching grant for the scholarship of 8 students of the Philippine Institute for the Deaf. The check was received by PID teachers and the student beneficiaries of the grant, which was provided by our sister club, the Rotary Club of Taoyuan. Happily, **RC Taoyuan Pres. Steve & Ann**, together with representatives from another sister club, **RC Kuala Lumpur Diraja**, were on hand to witness the turnover at the RCM office.

It was billed as *DCoffee 101Ñ* and a 101 course on coffee it was, indeed. We refer to the talk by **Leo de Leon**, president of Allegro Beverage Corp. and Allegro Italian Caffe, Inc., companies



The espresso machine

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Tuesday, 26 January 2010
 The Conservatory, The Peninsula Manila

Danilo 'Danny' Abinoja



ADMIRAL DANILO ARELLANO ABINOJA, PCG, graduated from the Ramon Magsaysay (Cubao) High School (RMCHS). He went to the University of the Philippines for a year before transferring to Baguio where he graduated from the Philippine Military Academy.

He is a distinguished student and educator. As a student, he attended 22 Courses where he graduated number 1, number 2 or at the top ten. As an educator, he taught Management and Strategy in five (5) educational and training institutions. He also became the Commandant of the Philippine Coast Guard Education and Training Command, forerunner of the Coast Guard Academy.

He is a manager, having managed the resources of small as well as big and major organizations. He has tucked in two (2) masters degrees, has completed seven (7) management courses and two courses in the United States and Australia. He worked as an Assistant Vice-President (AVP) for Treasury and later as Vice-President (VP) for Finance at Mutual Benefit Assurance Inc.

He is a seafarer or a mariner having been at sea for more than eight years. He has served five vessels in his junior billet assignments and as a Captain, he has skippered three vessels.

He is also a diplomat, having served as junior attaché at the Philippine Embassy in London and at the Philippine Embassy in Washington, DC. He was also a member of the Philippine delegation to international conferences and was a participant to the forging of bilateral relations with Thailand, Indonesia, China and Vietnam.

His outstanding service was recognized with seventy nine (79) medals, ribbons, commendations and special awards, foremost of which were four (4) Philippine Legion of Honor awards (Degree of Datu and Degree of Maginoo).

He reached the summit of his career when he was appointed Commandant of the Philippine Coast Guard. He is presently the Chairman of the PCG Savings and Loans Association and Charter Master of 'La Guardia Lodge' of the Philippine Masons. A Rotarian, he is the Charter President of the Rotary Club of Alabang-Lampara, District 3830.

He is happily married to the former Emily Navarro; they are blessed with five children: Mira Blanca, Florice Gaylee, Don Danilo, Iana Carissa and Daniel Dominic.

- Call to Order..... Pres. Felix Amparo
- Invocation Rodrigo Segura
- Philippine National Anthem
- RC Makati Hymn
- Introduction of Visiting Rotarians and Guests ... Bubi Krohn
- Greetings to Birthday and Wedding Anniversary Celebrators
- Club Functions & Committee Announcements
- Signing of MOA with HMR Phils., Inc. and Launch of Computers Across the Seas project
- President's Time Felix Amparo
- Introduction of the Guest Speakers Henry Aquende
- Speech:

ADM. DANNY ABINOJA (ret.)
 Former Commandant
 Philippine Coast Guard

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

Bubi Krohn
 Moderator

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that deal with the much-loved brew. The talk, which could have passed for a coffee appreciation class, began with the information that the coffee tree thrives only in countries along the equator, it taking not so kindly to extreme cold in other climes. Other details: a tree yields only 1 kilo of beans per year; the No. 1 coffee producer in the world is Brazil, followed by Vietnam, which has zoomed to No. 2 from its previous position as No. 5; the Arabica variety is grown on lands with an elevation of 1,500 to 2,000 meters above sea level, while Robusta is grown in the valleys. After explaining the nuances of coffee vs. espresso, he spoke on the health benefits of coffee; it has antioxidants against colon cancer, reduces risks of Alzheimer's and Parkinson's disease, cirrhosis of the liver and diabetes, and is, as well we know, a proven stimulant. And of course he got everyone's ears with his talk on the coffee business and the extraordinarily handsome returns on an investment that does not burn a big hole in the pocket.

Everyone enjoyed the complimentary coffee—espresso, cappuccino, caffè latte and mocha—concrete evidence all, of the coffee excellence Leo had spoken about and the attraction of the coffee business .



TODAY:

Tuesday, 26 January
Mr. Danny Abinoja
 Chairman of the Board
 PCG Savings & Loan Association

2 February (Tuesday)
 Guest Speaker:
Bernardo Villegas, Ph.D.
 Professor
 University of Asia & the Pacific

6 February (Saturday)
Waku Waku Magic Fukuoka
 (A special Magic Show from Japan)
 MRFCI Building Driveway
 4:00 O'clock PM
 Audience:
 70 children from Camia St.
 Brgy. Guadalupe, Makati
 In charge: **Hiro Oba & PP Freddie Borromeo**

Thursday, 11 February
Valentine's Party
 Hosts: **Baby Rotarians**
 Venue to be announced
 6:00 PM

Tuesday, 16 February
Hon. Grace M. Padaca
 Governor
 Province of Isabela

Tuesday, 23 February
Off-Site Meeting at & Tour of
St. Luke's Medical Center-Global City, Fort Bonifacio
 In charge: **PP Robert Kuan**

Tuesday, 2 March
Club Assembly

Tuesday, 9 March
44th Charter Anniversary
 12 Noon
 Conservatory, The Peninsula Manila

Tuesday, 16 March
No Meeting
 Note: In lieu of the meeting, you are encouraged to attend the DisCon on the 19th & 20th at Sofitel

19-20 March
D-3830 District Conference
 Sofitel Philippine Plaza
 In charge: **PP Freddie Borromeo**

BIRTHDAYS

ROTARIANS
 Carding de Leon, 27 Jan.
 Peter Manzano, 28 Jan.
 Leo de Leon, 1 Feb.
 Wilson Lim, 1 Feb.

ROTARY ANNS
 Brin Pantilio, 26 Jan.
 Bina Nandwani, 26 Jan.
 Milen Aragon, 28 Jan.
 Myrna Adriano, 31 Jan.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES
 Ferdie & Menchit Ordoveza, 28 Jan.
 Peter & Pam Manzano, 28 Jan.
 Ting & Gemma Antonio, 30 Jan.
 PP Jun & Marlo Braun, 30 Jan.

12 January 2010

RC Makati Rotarians	56
Honorary and Exempt Members / Visiting Rotarians and Guests	11
Total Attendance	67
Make-Ups	10
Total Attendance Credit	66
Total Attendance Base	141
Exempted Members	41
Total Membership to date	182
Attendance Percentage	46.81%

- Make Ups:**
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| 1. Felix Ang | 9. Johnny Rocha |
| 2. Boy Arteche | 10. Casey Young |
| 3. PP Pepito Bengzon | |
| 4. Chito Cantada | |
| 5. PP Jonny Carlos | |
| 6. Mon Diokno | |
| 7. PP Conrad Marty | |
| 8. Reggie Nolido | |

BATS distributes some 2,350 books to 24 schools in Pangasinan

Twenty-four (24) public elementary schools in Lingayen, Pangasinan towns were the beneficiaries this month of book donations from our Books Across the Seas (BATS) Project. The books were distributed by PP Pepito Bengzon on three separate dates--the 8th, 11th and 15th. This is in addition to the 5 schools that were given books last Dec 11.

Among the recipient schools were: Libsong Elem. School, Tonton Elem. School, Quibaol Elem. School, Balococ Elem. School, Matalava Elem. School, Naguelguel Elem. School, Namolan Elem. School, Sabangan Elem. School, Capandanan Elem. School, Balangobong Elem. School, Malimpuec Elem. School, Guesang Elem. School, Domalandan Center Elem. School, Domalandan East Elem. School, Estanza Elem. School, Baay Elem. School, Dulag Elem. School, Tumban Elem. School, Aliwekwek Elem. School, Basing Elem. School, Wawa Elem. School, Lasip Elem.

School, Rosario Elem. School, Malawa Elem. School.

Each school received 98 books, 14 books per grade level from Grade 1 to 6, including pre-school.





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Club turns over Matching Grant scholarship fund to Philippine Institute for the Deaf

On Friday, 15th January, Pres. Felix Amparo turned over to the Philippine Institute for the Deaf (PID) a check for \$ 6,250 (P300,000) representing half of matching



Turnover of check to PID



RC Makati Rotarians with guests from RC Taoyuan and RC Kuala Lumpur Diraja

grant (No. 71123) to which our Sister Club, the Rotary Club of Taoyuan, contributed US\$ 4,500. RC Taoyuan is as our international partner for the matching grant, which is for a scholarship fund for 8 PID students this school year. By a fortunate turn, RC Taoyuan Pres. Steve & Ann were in town to witness the turnover at the RC Makati office. Also present

were Dir. Toffy Concepcion, PP Robert Kuan, Treas. Dayal Nandwani, PE Jun Rojas, Dir. Francis Macatulad and Baby Rtn. Joseph Kuan.

Accepting the check were Ms. ___ and ____, PID teachers, and the 8 student beneficiaries of the donation. The annual tuition at PID is P75,000.

PID is the educational institution

that pioneered in teaching the hearing impaired how to communicate through speech, not through sign language. The Club has been supporting the school for over a decade through the Teaching the Deaf to Speak Committee chaired by PP Cesar Campos.

A Message from District Governor Sid Garcia

My Fellow Rotarians:

Apart from the usual excitement that the New Year brings, the onset of the year is doubly exciting for us, as it is likewise the midpoint of the Rotary year. It beckons us to look back at the first 6 months of our year of service and take an inventory of our successes and achievements and plan out our last 6 months to ensure that the goals we had set at the start of the Rotary year are achieved.

The year that was presented various difficulties and challenges, yet I am happy to note that Rotarians remained steadfast as always and showed a great spirit of volunteerism in being of service to others. Sustaining our various existing community programs and the immediate response and assistance to the victims of Typhoon Ondoy are just a few proofs of Rotary's commitment to and concern for our fellowmen. At times our service actions may seem trivial to us but its impact touches the lives of those who benefit from these actions. Bear this in mind so we can continually draw strength

and compassion from within us.

As we look forward to the second half of our year of service, let us emphasize Rotary's vocational service commitment by continuing to promote and practice:

- high ethical standards in our profession and actions; and,
- the core values of Rotary—service, fellowship, diversity, integrity, and leadership.

Let us be reminded as well that our District's membership target is a net gain of 10%. Rotary needs more committed hands!

For the second half of the year, please continue to support the Rotary Foundation with your participation in the "Every Rotarian, Every Year" program and by encouraging your fellow Rotarians to do so as well. Your support of the Foundation enables clubs to sustain and do more projects of service.

Let us stay close to our communities and organize more Rotary Community Corps geared toward exercising its

service potential for projects on Water & Sanitation, Health & Hunger, Literacy, and Service to the Youth.

There is yet much good work to be done, and I thank you all, especially the Smiling Visionary Presidents (SVPs), for your continuing passion to see all these achieved. I call on each SVP to ensure that your respective clubs qualify for the Presidential Citation by March 31. I am confident you can! Indeed we have come to the midpoint of the Rotary Year. All the way to 6 more months!

As this is also the Rotary Awareness month, I encourage all of you, my fellow Rotarians, to tell a friend or two about Rotary. Share your Rotary story with those in your circle of influence and make them aware of the good that Rotary brings and does. While Rotary is a ubiquitous organization, there are still many waiting to be inspired into a life of service.

Happy New Year to you and your family!

Gov. Sid