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**The New  
District 3800 Governor  
Rafael M. Garcia III and Family**



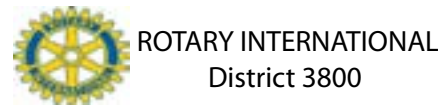
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## EDITOR'S NOTE

The Governor's Monthly Letter have seen many changes and improvements in the last few years and Rotarians in District 3800 would want to see more. With this in mind, and with the approval of Majestic Governor Raffy Garcia and his Majestic Team, I would like to announce that we are coming out with a new format and a more technical approach this year. Starting with the July issue we will come out with a Quarterly Magazine that will feature the activities of the Majestic Governor and the Rotary Clubs followed by a Governors Monthly Letter in August and September. Three succeeding Quarterly Magazines will be published in October, January and April. with two Governor's Monthly Letters in between. The rationale being, that we will be able accomodate and highlight more club activities, projects and fellowships with this format. Another innovation is to go paper less and have this posted instead in the Internet so we can share this to a larger number of Rotarians not only in District 3800, the Philippines but worldwide. Other advantages are: it is cost effective, readily accessible, easy to reproduce since the clubs can just download the articles of their choice and have it reprinted in their respective Club Bulletins. Besides, with Mr. Computer as our District Governor it is only proper that we honor him by going cyber. Time to move on, Ready to Serve!

**PP Jun Abellar**



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## **The Governor's Inaugural Speech** (District Handover Ceremonies)

*Majestic Governor Rafael M. "Raffy" Garcia III*

Immediate Past District Governor Jun Farcon and his God's Gift, Lady Zeny, Immediate Past PCRG Chair, Incoming Philippine Rotary Magazine Foundation Chair, my Leading Governor and Trainor James Dee and his

Valentine Elena, Past District Governors and their lovely spouses, My beautiful and ever loving wife Minda, and my family. Global Presidents and District Officers, Majestic Presidents, District Officers, Rotarians from the irreverent, independent republic of the Rotary Club of Pasig, Fellow Rotarians, Distinguished Guests, Ladies and Gentlemen:

Good Evening:

I am truly honored to stand here before you ready to serve as Governor for District 3800 for the Rotary Year 2011-2012. We have set very high goals for our journey this year. But these are goals that we can derive supreme satisfaction from at the end of the journey. We are not daunted by the tasks ahead of us. Instead we are confident that we have the ability to carry our district forward.

I started this journey forty years ago when I joined the Rotary Club of Pasig in 1971 as one of its first non-charter members. I used to ask myself then what I was doing with a bunch of old foggies, since I was just in my twenties at that time. But now that I am an old foggy myself, I appreciate and realize the value of being with older and wiser people with their vast experience and knowledge.

I only became a real Rotarian when I became president of my club in 2006-2007, 35 years after I had joined the irreverent independent republic of the Rotary Club of Pasig. Rotary was just fellowship to me. I wasn't looking for networking. I was just happy to be with such an illustrious bunch of people.

Can you imagine? Our members included Teddy Yabut, one of the best PR practitioners at the time, who was also a part-time amateur arsonist playing games with the Light-a-Fire crowd against the Marcos government! And what a singer he was! He made all the Frank Sinatra sing-a-likes sound sick! May he rest in peace!

We had Bobbit Sanchez, Mabini firebrand lawyer and later Secretary of Labor and Employment. Rod Reyes, Editor-in-Chief of the Manila Chronicle and later Press Secretary. Julito Francia, Commissioner of the Professional Regulation Commission. Peping Mabanta, head of MWSS and USEC of Public Works and Highways. And we had then Ninoy brother-in-law and now PNoy uncle-in-law Esto Lichauco.

And my sponsor to RC Pasig was the then rising super star of the Lopez management firmament and later of the Ayala Group, Management guru Filemon Berba Jr.!

But even now, Pasig is still star studded with people like Congressman Roman Romulo, DOH Secretary Ike Ona, former Press Secretary and Malaya Columnist Ducky Paredes, former United Laboratories President Delfin "Sonny" Samson, Rhett Ermita, Chairman of Asahi Glass. We also have DND Usec Nesty Carolina and many more.

Our member, Alex Lacson ran for Senator, though he lost. But he generated such enthusiasm for his book "Twelve Little Things You Can Do to Be a Good Filipino". Our very own Jun Yasay, Kapitan Kidlat himself, ran for Vice President and lost. And another member, Chony Gimenez, owns "Buy and Sell" and the huge Sogo hotel complex.

It has truly been a joy and an honor for a simple computer technical man like me to be a member of the illustrious Rotary Club of Pasig for the last forty years!

I have many people to thank for the position I am now about to assume. Of course, the first thank you goes to Jun Berba for introducing me to Rotary forty years ago.

Thank you to my fellow Pasig Rotarian Dr. Delfin "Sonny" Samson, who was my Vice President when I was President of Pasig in 2006-2007. He kept the club together during my frequent absences from the club during my term as club president. Because of his stellar efforts, I was adjudged the Most Outstanding President for RY 2006-2007. Half of that award belongs to PP Sonny.

Thank you too to Benny de Guzman for goading and coaxing me to stay as a Rotarian, especially when I was starting to have my doubts.

And thank you to Conrad Cuesta for railroading me as President in 2005 when it was he who had been elected president for 2006-2007.

And to Luz Cotoco for guiding me along as I learned the ropes of what it was to be a Rotary President and then a district officer.

And to Rhett Ermita for conspiring with the rest of the senior members of our club in ensuring that I would run and win as district governor.

Thank you to the past and future district governors of District 3800, who have taken me to their hearts and have guided me through the past few years as I tried to learn what Rotary and being a district governor is all about.

Let me make special mention of Edi Chua Co Kiong who introduced me to PRIP Dong Kurn Lee and who has been my mentor on what to do and what not to do in Rotary.

And thank you too to Ruf Luna who introduced me to RI President Kalyan Banerjee, and took me in as a close associate who would be invited to his exclusive Lumpia parties so that I could become familiar with those who reside in Rotary's upper firmament.

To Tony Puyat, Tony Co, Efren de Guzman, Edison Ang, Lirio Sandoval, Louie Ticman, Benny Ricafort, Fabi Enriquez, Pepe Peralta, Teddy Zamora, Santy Chua, Ting Tanco, Mickey Ortigas, Mac Hermoso, Rudy San Felipe, Ferdi Fuentes and to the late Paul Honorio, who was a good friend and confidant when he was still with us. Thank you for wholeheartedly offering your help and support during my term. Maraming maraming salamat po!

To your lovely spouses, who are my special favorites. Maraming maraming salamat po! Hindi ko po kayo ipapahiya.

And of course, to my governor and trainor, Immediate Past Chair of the Philippine College of Rotary Governors and now Chair of the Philippine Rotary Magazine Foundation, James Dee and his valentine and advisor

of the Spouses Executive Committee, Lady Elena Dee. Maraming maraming salamat po! I am proud to be your first governor. I promise to make you even prouder with our achievements this year.

To my family, especially my sister Anne Marie and my brother-in-law Erik Scherning, who flew all the way from New York to be with us tonight! Likewise to my daughter Minnie and my son-in-law Paul Narth, who are here with their miracle baby Kieron, all the way from Menlo Park in California. To you and the rest of my family, thank you for inspiring me to keep pushing forward and upward, ever mindful that I have a name to live up to and protect. Thank you for accepting the mantle of responsibility in running our businesses while I attend to my Rotary responsibilities this year. Bahala na muna kayo.

To my Mom and my Dad, wherever you might be. This is all for you. I only wish you were here physically because I know how proud you both would have been, especially Dad who was a pioneer member of the Rotary Club of Cebu.

But still, I know you are here in spirit. Guide me as I try to make a difference to the lives of the lesser people in District 3800. I don't seek honor or fame. I just want to serve and make a difference.

You taught me to be "The best of whatever I am!" So far, I have been the best of whatever I have wanted to be. Help me become the best district governor I can be for the many people that need my help in our district.

You know, I really wanted to be a doctor when I was younger. But my father, who was a tiso, told me I would be better off being an engineer because I was too dark to be a doctor. Wala daw pupuntang pasyente sa akin kasi masyado akong maitim! He said "Try being an engineer first. If you're not successful as an engineer, I will support you for the rest of your life. But if you are successful as an engineer and still want to be a doctor, you can take it up as a hobby later."

Fortunately, I was successful as an engineer—businessman. But instead of taking up being a doctor as a hobby, I instead became a Rotary District Governor! That's now my hobby!

And so, ladies and gentlemen, Fellow Rotarians. I hereby accept the mantle of leadership of this district for Rotary Year 2011-2012. But don't worry. I am not taking myself very seriously as I go about my responsibilities in our district this year. After all, remember, this is just a hobby for me!

President Kalyan Banerjee exalted us to Reach Within to Embrace Humanity. To be the change we wish to see in the world. Let us continue doing the things we do best like our water and sanitation projects, our medical and dental missions, our scholarship programs, and our feeding and nutrition programs. Projects that strengthen families, enhance communities, and build a better world.

Come, join me and our Majestic team in this journey of adventure. Nothing will keep us from our destiny. Together, we will make Rotary History!

Mabuhay ang Majestic team!  
Mabuhay ang District 3800!  
Mabuhay tayong lahat!  
Maraming salamat po!

Ang Inyong Abang Lingkod

**DG Rafael "Raffy" Garcia III**

## LET ME TELL YOU WHO I AM

(Personal Information of DG Raffy Garcia III)



### 1. WHAT IS YOUR NAME?

RAFAEL MENDOZA GARCIA III NICKNAMED RAFFY OR BOGIE (BY MY FAMILY, ATENEO CLASSMATES AND OLD FRIENDS)

### 2. WHO WAS YOUR FATHER?

DR. RAFAEL ARANETA GARCIA JR. NICKNAMED RAFAELITO OR ALSO RAFFY

### WHERE DID HE GO TO SCHOOL?

ATENEO DE MANILA - GS/HS, UNIVERSITY OF STO TOMAS - MEDICINE

### WHAT DID HE DO FOR A LIVING?

HE WAS A THORACIC SURGEON WHO SPECIALIZED IN TUBERCULOSIS.

### 3. WHO WAS YOUR MOTHER?

DRA. FRANCISCA MENDOZA GARCIA NICKNAMED PAQUITA AND PAKING

### WHERE DID SHE GO TO SCHOOL?

COLLEGE OF HOLY GHOST GS/HS, UNIVERSITY OF SANTO TOMAS - MEDICINE

### WHAT DID SHE DO FOR A LIVING?

SHE WAS CLINICAL PATHOLOGIST WHO THEN SHIFTED TO BECOME A CEREBRAL PALSY SPECIALIST.

### 4. WHEN WERE YOU BORN? APRIL 22, 1944

### WHERE WERE YOU BORN?

I WAS BORN IN MANILA AT THE PHILIPPINE GENERAL HOSPITAL

### WHERE DID YOU GROW UP?

I AM BASICALLY MANILA-BRED. MY SIBLINGS ALL GREW UP IN CEBU AFTER OUR PARENTS MOVED THERE IN 1961. HOWEVER, I STAYED IN MANILA TO FINISH MY HIGH SCHOOL AT THE ATENEO AND THEN WENT TO THE UNITED STATES FOR MY COLLEGE STUDIES.

### 5. WHAT LANGUAGES/DIALECTS DO YOU SPEAK?

FLUENT ENGLISH AND TAGALOG. SOME SPANISH. AND I ALSO SPEAK CEBUANO LIKE A CHINESE SPEAKING TAGALOG. ILOCANO? I TRIED BUT NEVER MIND.

### 6. HOW MANY BROTHERS AND SISTERS DO YOU HAVE? WE WERE EIGHT, FIVE BOYS AND THREE GIRLS

### WHAT WERE THEIR NAMES AND WHEN WERE THEY BORN? DECEASED - (+)

SUSANNA 1945, GERALDO(+) 1947, NANETTE 1946, GREGORY(+) 1951, FRANCISCO 1956, MIGUEL(+) 1958, EMILY 1961

### 7. WHERE DID YOU GO TO SCHOOL?

ATENEO DE MANILA FOR GRADE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL  
WASHINGTON STATE U – ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING, ECONOMICS, MATHEMATICS, COMPUTER SCIENCE  
ASIAN INSTITUTE OF MANAGEMENT – MANAGEMENT DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM  
UNIVERSITY OF ASIA & THE PACIFIC – STRATEGIC BUSINESS ECONOMIC PROGRAM  
NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY – KELLOGG SCHOOL OF BUSINESS – WPO PROGRAM

### HOW DID YOU DO IN SCHOOL?

I GRADUATED HIGH SCHOOL WITH DISTINCTION

### WERE YOU A SCHOLAR OR DID YOU JUST GET BY?

I WAS A FULL TUITION SCHOLAR THROUGHOUT MY COLLEGE LIFE.

### WHAT SUBJECTS WERE YOU GOOD AT?

I ALWAYS DID WELL IN MATH AND SCIENCE.

### DID YOU HAVE A FAVORITE TEACHER?

IN HIGH SCHOOL IT WAS ONOFRE PAGSANGHAN. IN COLLEGE IT WAS ROLANDO TINIO AND BIEN LUMBERA. ALL OF THEM ARE NATIONAL ARTISTS AND ACCLAIMED EDUCATORS.

### WERE YOU AN ATHLETE?

I WAS CAPTAIN OF THE FOOTBALL TEAM IN HIGH SCHOOL AND CO-CAPTAIN OF THE TRACK AND FIELD TEAM. I WAS ALSO A CLASS A GOLFER.

### IF YES, WHAT DID YOU EXCEL IN?

I RECEIVED EIGHT NCAA GOLD MEDALS AND FOUR SILVER MEDALS FOR THE 100 AND 200 METER SPRINTS AND RELAYS AS WELL AS TWO BRONZE MEDALS IN THE LONG JUMP. I WAS A MEMBER OF THE PHILIPPINE JUNIOR CUP FOOTBALL TEAM THAT PLAYED IN THE 1960 MERDEKA SERIES IN KUALA LUMPUR. I WAS ALSO A CONSISTENT MEDALIST IN THE ANNUAL MOLAVE JUNIOR GOLF TOURNAMENTS HELD AT WACKWACK, CEBU COUNTRY CLUB, AND CLUB FILIPINO FROM 1958-62. AT WASHINGTON STATE, I WON A BIG SIX (IT WAS NOT YET THE PAC 10 THEN) IN OLYMPIC WRESTLING. I WAS ALSO CAPTAIN OF THE UNDEFEATED WSU SOCCER TEAM FOR FOUR YEARS!

### WHEN DID YOU GRADUATE?

GRADE SCHOOL 1957, HIGH SCHOOL 1961 COLLEGE 1965, 68, 69.

### DID YOU GRADUATE WITH HONORS? YES!

### 8. TELL ME WHEN AND WHERE YOU WORKED SINCE YOUR FIRST JOB AND WHAT YOU DID AT EACH COMPANY.

WHILE I WAS A STUDENT AT WSU, I WORKED ONE SUMMER AS A STUDENT JANITOR. IT TAUGHT ME HUMILITY AND I LEARNED THAT WHEN I USED THE URINAL, I MUST AIM WELL BECAUSE SOMEBODY ELSE WOULD HAVE TO CLEAN-UP AFTER ME. AFTER COLLEGE, I STARTED AS AN IBM COMPUTER ENGINEER. WHEN I DECIDED THAT WORKING WITH MACHINES WAS NOT WHAT I WANTED TO DO ALL MY LIFE, I WENT BACK TO SCHOOL AND ENDED UP WORKING ON THE SOFTWARE SIDE OF COMPUTERS, WORKING FOR IBM. I'VE ALSO WORKED FOR BOEING AS WELL AS WEYERHAUSER. AND IN THE PHILIPPINES, I'VE WORKED FOR SGV, MERALCO, GENBANK AND HERDIS GROUP.

### 9. ARE YOU A BUSINESSMAN, OR A PROFESSIONAL? I CONSIDER MYSELF BOTH.

### 10. HOW DO YOU MAKE A LIVING?

I EARN MY BREAD AND BUTTER FROM I.T. MY COMPA-

NIES HAVE BEEN DOING THE NBI CLEARANCE SYSTEM SINCE 1977 AND THE LTO DRIVER LICENSE SINCE 1983. BUT I MAKE MY REAL MONEY FROM GAMING AND REAL ESTATE. I RUN LOTTERIES IN SEVERAL COUNTRIES AND I INVEST ALL MY MONEY IN REAL ESTATE.

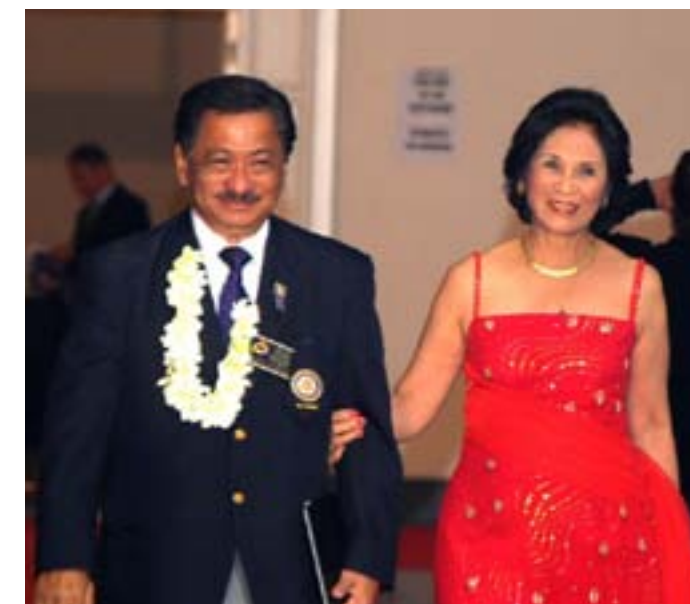
### 11. ARE YOU MARRIED? YES!

### WHEN DID YOU GET MARRIED?

SEPTEMBER 2, 1964

### WHO DID YOU GET MARRIED TO?

MINDA ACACIO, FROM DINGRAS, ILOCOS NORTE



### WHERE DID YOU MEET HIM/HER?

I MET HER IN SAN FRANCISCO WHEN SHE WAS DOING HER MBA AT UNIVERSITY OF SAN FRANCISCO AND I WAS WORKING FOR IBM.

### WHERE DID HE/SHE GO TO SCHOOL?

SHE'S A PRODUCT OF THE ILOCOS PUBLIC SCHOOL PROGRAM FOR GRADE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL. FOR COLLEGE SHE DID HER COMMERCE DEGREE AT FEU. THEN HER MBA AT USF.

### IS YOUR SPOUSE ACTIVE IN SUPPORTING YOUR CLUB'S PROJECTS?

MINDA IS VERY ACTIVE IN OUR CLUB'S PROJECTS AS WELL AS HER OWN, BEING THE PHILIPPINE REGIONAL GOVERNOR ELECT FOR 2010-2012 OF THE SOROPTIMISTS INTERNATIONAL. SHE WILL BE GOVERNOR FOR THE ENTIRE PHILIPPINES IN 2012-2014! SOROPTIMISTS INTERNATIONAL IS AN INTERNATIONAL CIVIC ORGANIZATION LIKE ROTARY EXCEPT THAT IT IS ALL WOMEN, AND IT FOCUSES ITS WORK ON THE UPLIFTMENT OF WOMEN AND OTHER WOMEN ISSUES.

**12.DO YOU HAVE ANY CHILDREN? YES.**

**HOW MANY? FOUR**

**WHAT ARE THEIR NAMES AND HOW OLD ARE THEY?**

SUSANNA "NANA" GARCIA-GUZMAN - 41  
MA. ANTONIA ROMINA "MINNIE" GARCIA-NARTH - 36  
RAFAEL "RAMY" GARCIA IV - 34  
ANA MARIA KATRINA GARCIA-DIAZ - 32

**WHERE DO/DID THEY GO TO SCHOOL?**

SUSANNA "NANA" GARCIA-GUZMAN  
ST PAUL PASIG GS/HS  
ST MARY'S COLLEGE (MORAGA, CA) BS BUSINESS  
ARTHUR D LITTLE INSTITUTE OF BUSINESS (CAM BRIDGE, MA) MBA

MA. ANTONIA ROMINA "MINNIE" GARCIA-NARTH  
ST PAUL PASIG GS  
IGNACIO VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL, CONCORD CA  
UC DAVIS BS BIOLOGICAL SCIENCE  
DLSU ST. BENILDE BS AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS

RAFAEL "RAMY" GARCIA IV  
LA SALLE - GREENHILLS GS/HS  
IGNACIO VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL  
MENLO COLLEGE (ATHERTON, CA) BS MANAGEMENT

ANA MARIA KATRINA GARCIA-DIAZ  
ST PAUL PASIG GS  
CARONDELET HIGH SCHOOL, CONCORD, CA  
SCHILLER UNIVERSITY  
ENGELBURG, SWITZERLAND-DIPLOMA/SWISS HOTEL  
WATERLOO, ENGLAND - BS HOTEL MANAGEMENT  
TAMPA, FLORIDA - BS INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS  
ECOLE SUPERIOR COMMERCIAL DE PARIS - MBA

**13.DO YOU DRINK ALCOHOLIC DRINKS? SOCIALLY, AND USUALLY WHEN I'M SINGING.**

**14.DO YOU SMOKE CIGARETTES? HOW MUCH?**  
I USED TO SMOKE 4 PACKS A DAY. I QUIT WHEN I WAS 27 YEARS OLD, ALMOST 40 YEARS AGO. NOW I'M ALLERGIC TO SMOKE.

**15.WHAT ROTARY CLUB DO YOU BELONG TO?**  
I BELONG TO THE INDEPENDENT REPUBLIC OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF PASIG, THE MOST RUGGEDLY INDIVIDUALISTIC CLUB IN D3800!

**16.WHEN DID YOU JOIN THIS ROTARY CLUB?**  
I WAS THE FIRST NON-CHARTER MEMBER IN 1971.

**17.HAVE YOU EVER BEEN A MEMBER OF ANY OTHER ROTARY CLUB? NO.**

**18.WHAT POSITIONS HAVE YOU HAD AS A ROTARIAN?**  
I WAS PRESIDENT FROM 2006-2007. I NEVER HAD ANY OTHER POSITION BEFORE THAT BECAUSE I WOULD PAY BY GIVING MONEY FOR MORE SCHOLARSHIPS, OR WHATEVER DONATION WAS NECESSARY TO AVOID GETTING APPOINTED TO ANY POSITION WITH MY CLUB. I WAS ALSO ABSENT VERY OFTEN.

**19.HAVE YOU EVER RECEIVED ANY AWARDS FOR YOUR WORK AS A ROTARIAN?**  
THROUGHOUT THE YEARS, I HAVE RECEIVED NUMEROUS AWARDS AS A ROTARIAN INCLUDING AROUND 20 CLUB AWARDS. DURING MY TERM AS PRESIDENT, I WAS ADJUDGED THE MOST OUTSTANDING PRESIDENT OF D3800 WITH 37 AWARDS, INCLUDING AN RI CITATION. RC PASIG WAS ALSO FOUND TO BE THE MOST OUTSTANDING ROTARY CLUB OF D3800 THAT YEAR. I ALSO OWN NUMEROUS ROTARY GOLF TROPHIES WHEN I DOMINATED MOST ROTARY GOLF TOURNAMENTS IN THE 70'S AND 80'S. NOW I RARELY PLAY ANYMORE.

**20.HAVE YOU EVER SERVED IN ANY DISTRICT POSITIONS? WHEN AND AS WHAT? LIST ALL**  
AFTER MY TERM AS PRESIDENT, I SERVED AS CHAIR FOR THE TRF BANQUET (2007-2008). THEN I WAS A DEPUTY DISTRICT GOVERNOR (2008-2009). AND THEN DGN (2009-2010) AND DGE (2010-2011). IMMEDIATELY AFTER MY TERM AS PRESIDENT, I WAS NOMINATED BY MY CLUB TO RUN AS DISTRICT GOVERNOR. I RAN AGAINST PP ROBERT LOPEZ, NOW DGN LIRIO SANDOVAL AND NOW DG JUN FARCON. I LOST TO DG JUN FARCON



BY JUST ONE VOTE. THE FOLLOWING YEAR, I RAN UNOPPOSED.

**21.ARE YOU A PAUL HARRIS FELLOW OR MAYBE EVEN A MAJOR DONOR?**  
I AM A MAJOR DONOR LEVEL 4.

**22.HOW MUCH HAVE YOU GIVEN TO THE ROTARY FOUNDATION SINCE YOU JOINED ROTARY?.**  
TO DATE I HAVE GIVEN \$111,000.00. I INTEND TO GIVE THE BALANCE NEEDED FOR ME TO QUALIFY FOR THE ACHE KLUMPF SOCIETY ON JULY 1, 2011. I WILL BE THE FIRST MEMBER OF THE ARCHE KLUMPF SOCIETY FROM D3800 (UNLESS SOMEBODY GIVES \$250,000.00 BEFORE JULY 1, 2011). I AM ALSO A MEMBER OF THE PAUL HARRIS SOCIETY AND HAVE PLEDGED TO GIVE AT LEAST \$1,000 EVERY YEAR FOR AS LONG AS I AM A ROTARIAN.

**23.HOW MANY MEMBERS DO YOU HAVE IN YOUR CLUB?**  
OFFICIALLY, WE HAVE 75 MEMBERS. IN ACTUALITY, WE HAVE 85. THE GOAL IS TO REACH 170 BY DECEMBER 2011.

**24.WHEN DO YOU MEET? BREAKFAST? LUNCH? DINNER?**  
THURSDAY LUNCH AT VALLE VERDE COUNTRY CLUB

**25.ARE YOUR MEETINGS EDUCATIONAL OR PRINCIPALLY FOR FELLOWSHIP?**  
I SUPPOSE IT'S MORE EDUCATIONAL SINCE WE HAVE A GUEST SPEAKER AT EVERY MEETING ATTENDED BY AT LEAST 60 ROTARIANS AND GUESTS

**26.DO YOU ALLOW ALCOHOLIC DRINKS BEFORE, DURING OR AFTER YOUR MEETINGS?**  
ONLY ON SPECIAL OCCASSIONS., SUCH AS BIRTHDAYS,

**27.WHAT ARE THE STRENGTHS OF YOUR CLUB?**  
WE ARE A VERY CLOSE-KNIT CLUB, WHERE THE CAMARADERIE IS STRONG, AND THE FELLOWSHIP IS SOLID.

**28.WHAT ARE ITS WEAKNESSES?**  
SOMETIMES, WE HAVE A TENDENCY TO BE PAROCHIAL, DESPITE OUR HAVING PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE CABINET SECRETARIES, CONGRESSMEN AND HIGH CALIBER BUSINESSMEN IN OUR MEMBERSHIP.

**29.WHAT WOULD YOU DO TO MAKE YOUR CLUB THE MOST OUTSTANDING ROTARY CLUB FOR RY 2011-2012?**  
WE BELIEVE IT IS THE MOST OUTSTANDING CLUB IN THE DISTRICT, AT LEAST IN OUR OWN EYES.

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## The District Handover and Induction Ceremonies World Trade Center - July 02, 2011



DG Raffy Garcia with DGL Minda the Garcia children and grandchildren and other family members take his oath of office before Past PCRG Chair and PDG James Dee at the Handover and Induction Ceremonies held at the World Trade Center Tent in Metro Manila.

The leadership of RI District 3800 was passed on from Global Governor Virgilio "Jun" G. Farcon, Jr to Majestic Governor Rafael "Raffy" M. Garcia III last July 2, 2011 in a very festive and memorable celebration at the World Trade Center Tent, Metro Manila.

The registration of participants commenced at 4:00 PM followed by a sumptuous dinner at 6:00 PM. The program proper got under way promptly at 7:00 PM with PP Topax Colayco and PP Peter Javier both from the host club RC Pasig acting as Master of Ceremonies.

Outgoing District Governor Jun Farcon called the proceeding to order and in his Valedictory Address, reported the gains and outstanding achievements he and his Global Team attained during the year which includes an increase of 248 members or a 12 percent net growth in membership plus the chartering of 4 New Rotary Clubs namely RC Greater Mandaluyong, Rotary Eclub of San Juan (the first e club in the Philippines), RC Rodriguez and RC San Mateo Highlands. On TRF contributions, he reported that the district maintained its number one position on per capita contribution with

an average contribution of \$146 per member based on a record breaking \$ 354,000 gross TRF Contribution as of June 30, 2011, a first in the history of the district. This is on top of the district obtaining the biggest number of EREY clubs this year. As to the service projects accomplished during the year, he announced that 90 percent of the Rotary clubs (76 clubs) received the RI Presidential Citation Award with 53 clubs achieving the Presidential Citation with distinction award. He went on to express his gratitude to DGL Zeny Farcon and the Global Spouses, the Council of Governors, Global Officers, and the Global Presidents for a great and fantastic year and ended by saying, "Yes ,it can be done with God's grace and the overwhelming support of the team members." He then asked everyone to support the Majestic Team of DG Raffy Garcia and DGL Minda.

A high tech 3D audio-video presentation highlighted the entrance of Majestic Governor Raffy Garcia and DGL Minda and his family. They were ushered into the hall by members of his home club RC Pasig. DG Raffy was then inducted into office by PCRG Chair and Leading Governor Jaime "James" O. Dee, DG Raffy's District



DG Raffy Garcia receiving the District Bell and Gavel the symbol of leadership from DG Jun Farcon witnessed by DS Tom Rocamora and DS Jun Zafra. DG Raffy in turn honors DG Jun with an Orlina Glass Sculpture an award unique to RC Pasig for his outstanding achievements.

Governor when he was President of RC Pasig in RY 2006 -2007. His oath-taking was witnessed by DGL Minda, his children, grandchildren and his sister and brother in law who came all the way from the United States to attend this special occasion.

IPDG Jun Farcon thereafter handed over the District Bell and Gavel, the District Banner, the District Records of Accomplishment and a copy of the Global Assistant Governors Memo of Club Visits, thus completing the turn-over of the helm of leadership to DG Raffy.

Majestic Governor Raffy Garcia then honored Global Governor Jun Farcon with an Orlina Glass Sculpture to recognize his achievements for the Rotary Year.

In his Inaugural Address, DG Raffy expressed how truly honored he was to serve as Governor for District 3800 for the Rotary Year 2011-2012. He went on to challenge, the Majestic Team and the Rotarians in the district not to be daunted by the very high goals he has set for this year, and asked them instead to be confident that the we have the ability to carry District 3800 forward, and that these are goals that we can derive supreme satisfaction from at the end of the journey.

He related how he started this journey forty years ago when he joined the Rotary Club of Pasig in 1971 as one of its first non-charter members and intimated that he only became a real Rotarian when he became president of his club in 2006-2007, 35 years after he joined the Rotary Club of Pasig. He then expressed his gratitude to his friends, club members, the PDG's and other Rotarians who have helped him learn the



DG Raffy Garcia administering the oath of office to the Majestic District Officers, Chair persons and Presidents witnessed by the Past District Governors at the Handover ceremonies.

ropes to become a true Rotarian and eventually the District 3800 Governor.

Both the District Governors were introduced by their respective District Secretaries. DS Tom Rocamora for DG Jun Farcon and DS Jun Zafra for DG Raffy Garcia.

The Majestic District Officers, Committee Chairpersons and Presidents were sworn into office by Majestic Governor Raffy witnessed by all the Past District Governors while DGL Minda led the induction of the Majestic Spouse Executive Committee and the Spouses of the District Officers and Presidents.

The highlight of the evening was DG Raffy's grandchildren singing to him one of his favorite songs "What a Wonderful World" to the delight of the crowd.

A lot dancing and merry making followed. A chance to once again renew old acquaintances and meet new friends. As we look forward to another year of service.



## The Activities of the District Governor

Pre- Rotary Year 2011-2012

### GETS (Governor's Elect Training Seminar)



The Governor's Elect Training Seminar for RI Zone 7A was held in Bangkok, Thailand last November 19 - 21, 2011 and it was held in conjunction with the 2010 Bangkok Rotary Institute. This is the first of a sequence of training events to prepare the District Governor and other incoming Rotary leaders for their responsibilities.. Topics addressed in this two-day training program are : Roles and Responsibilities, District Organizational Structure, Membership Development, Developing Effective Leaders, The Rotary Foundation, Administration Requirements of RI and a Preview of the International Assembly. Most of the District 3800 Past District Governors and other District Officers attended the Rotary Institute.



DG Raffy and DGL Minda with RI President Kalyan Banerjee and Lady Binota during his visit to the Philippines and the Governor met with the First and only Filipino Past RI President MAT Caparas at the International Assembly..

## ROTARY INTERNATIONAL ASSEMBLY

The International Assembly, the mandatory six-day training meeting for 530 Governors - elect all over the world was held last January 19-24, 2011 in San Diego, California. During the assembly RI President Kalyan Banerjee inspired the participants to Reach within to Embrace Humanity and announced plans for the 2011-12 Changemaker Awards, which will honor clubs that make outstanding work in the Avenues of Service during the year. The Following email message which DG Raffy Garcia sent to the Grupo Onse Dose Group best describe what transpired during the Assembly. Editor



Fellow Rotarians and Your Majesties:

I have completed the requirements of the International Assembly. Now the hard work begins.

I thank everyone for your patience with my ignorance. After going through this whole week, I realized how little I knew about what it took to be a Rotarian, and worse, what was needed for me to become a Governor. Now, despite my feeling better equipped, I realize more how much I need all of you to help in making sure that we will have a successful Rotary year ahead.

First, more on the name game. This is starting to get funny. The suggestions given yesterday were: The Reaching Presidents, The Embracing Presidents, The Humanitarian Presidents, The Majestic Humanitarian Presidents. The Majestic Embracing Presidents. And of course, there's still the Majestic Team. The Embracing Presidents seem to be supported by the theme logo where the middle looks like a heart and the other parts look like colored arms that are "embracing".



DG Raffy Garcia with the RY 2011-2012 Philippine Governors srating with D3770 DG Corina Bautista, D3780 DG Jess Cifra, D3790 DG Digna Ragasa, D3810 DG Ernie Choa, D3820 DG Rey Castillo, D3830 Dg Billy Villareal, D3850 DG Mel dela Setrna, D3860 DG Nonohy Villa-Abrille and D3870 DG Sam Fontanilla at the Internatinal Assembly.

Even RIPE Kalyan has gotten into the fray by suggesting the use of the term "The Changemakers" following the US team which is calling themselves "The Transformers". Note that there is a Changemaker Award that has been defined by RI for the coming Rotary Year, so this could have a real meaning if, for example, all the Philippine districts strove to receive the Changemaker Award for 2011-2012.

Anyway, we'll leave things as they are for the meantime. Maybe we can get more suggestions from you. What is the most astounding and memorable in the International Assembly is the gamut of top Rotarians you will meet from all over the world. And when it starts to sink in that these are your classmates and that they are all as interested as you are in helping the needy, and providing service above self, then you don't feel so all alone.

And the speeches! My God! They are so inspiring! The theme speech of RIPE Kalyan Banerjee is something that all Rotarians must hear. I am bringing this home and I will make it available to all Rotary Clubs to play at your meetings so that all of you can experience the euphoria that everyone here felt when he delivered the speech to us.

And the speeches delivered by all the speakers were moving! PRIP Bichai Ratakul's speech was like a farewell valedictory considering that he is already 85. And equally earthshaking was the speech of PRIP Rajendra Saboo on Leadership, and his reminder to all of us that no matter our term is only one year. And after that year, we go back home, to our family!

I bought everything that the Rotary bookstore had for sale, especially the DVD's and the CD's. I will make these available for the clubs to borrow through Baby Alberto and/or Mags Basa in the District Office around a month from now since I am shipping all the things I bought "door to door".

I also have a ton of the theme pins which we will be giving to all Rotarians who bring in a new Rotary member, and to the new Rotarians, themselves. And to show you my confidence that we will be able to achieve the 100% growth that we have set as our goal, I bought 4,500 pins! All of you will get your theme pins! And they are beautiful!

Your Humble Servant-leader

DGE Raffy Garcia, D3800



RI President Kalyan Banerjee and Lady Binota during their visit to the Philippines with PRID Paing Hechanova and the Philippine District Governors during a dinner hosted by Majestic Governor Raffy Garcia and DGL Minda



## RI Mandated District Training & Seminar

Pre- Rotary Year 2011-2012

### DISTRICT STRATEGIC PLANNING

By: *DS Jun C. Zafra*

The District Strategic Planning (DSP) was held at Fairways Room of Wack Wack Golf and Country Club on March 2, 2011 at exactly 2 pm. DGE Raffy in the absence of DG Jun Farcon, who came later coming from another Rotary function called the meeting to order, followed by the invocation of ISDG Jun Angeles and the introduction of the participants by yours truly. Among the participants were current District Global officers, incoming Majestic team, DGN Lirio Sandoval and DGND Louie Ticman. PDG Jaime Dee in his welcome address stresses the importance of planning and continuity on different avenues of service in Rotary. The Global officers briefly presented the present status of the district on membership, TRF contribution and programs, different service projects, club administration including qualification to RI Presidential Citation. DGE Raffy on his message also touched on the importance of membership growth where he wanted our District to double its membership during his term. He also emphasizes valued support to the programs of The Rotary Foundation by way of our contribution and participation to its different programs. The Rotary's Public Image program was also highlighted in DGE Raffy's message. Our future District leaders, DGN Lirio and DGND Louie were likewise given time to discuss their future plans during the meeting. The formal meeting after its adjournment was quickly followed by fellowship with lots of food and drinks.



### DISTRICT TEAM TRAINING SEMINAR

By: *DS Jun C. Zafra*

Date	: Saturday, March 5, 2011
Place	: Makati Sports Club
Convenor	: DGE Rafael "Raffy" Garcia III
Program Chair	: PDG Jose "Pepe" F. Peralta

The training started at 8:30 am with DG Jun Farcon calling the meeting to order. It was followed by an Invocation led by PP Tet Requiso and the singing of the National Anthem by PP Vincent Santos. The ninety participants were introduced individually by yours truly. DG Jun Farcon on his inspirational message to the participants highlighted the importance of planning and training for the incoming leaders and officers of our district in order to have a successful year in Rotary service. After a brief turnover of seminar proceedings, DGE Raffy presented the new RI Theme and RI Goals. This was highlighted by an AVP of RIPE Kalyan Banerjee speech during the International Assembly at San Diego. The District Administration and Communication Structure were also discussed by yours truly



with emphasis that the District is there to support the clubs. At the close of the opening session, the participants were divided into two groups, one group represent the operations and directly working with the clubs while the other group represent the different District committees that will provide support to the different projects of the clubs. In the first session, the Roles and Responsibilities were discussed. The first group representing the operations side was ably handled by District Secretary Tom Rocamora while the support group was ably handled too by PP Jun Angeles. Sumptuous lunch was served during the lunch break. In session two, the working relationships with clubs were discussed with the two speakers DS Tom and PP Jun again handling their respective group. At

session three, where everybody returned to the plenary hall, PP Lito Bermundo discussed the Resources available to participants to help the clubs while during session four, DGE Raffy presented our District Goals for the Year and District Concerns. An open forum followed after and handled by ISDG Willie Caballa. At the closing plenary session, DGE Raffy thanks everybody for their time and commitment to be part of the Majestic team. Completed evaluation forms submitted by the participants were given by DGE Raffy to DGN Lirio Sandoval. As always, the day is not complete without fellowship of more food and usual drinks after a day of fruitful learning where most of the participants brought home some of the food prepared for them.

### PRE - PETS (Pre - President's Elect Training/Seminar)

By: MP RJ Tan - RC Cosmopolitan San Juan



Last December 11, 2010, District 3800 had its Pre-PETS, hosted by the Rotary Club of Cosmopolitan San Juan at the Kalayaan Hall of Club Filipino in Greenhills, San Juan City. The Pre-PETS is the first time that all the Majestic Presidents Elect got the opportunity to meet each other and bond in prep-

aration for their Majestic Year. Gov. Raffy started things off with a "Getting to Know You" activity where each Majestic President got up and introduced him / herself to everyone else. The guest speakers for the day were PDG Willie Segovia of D3830 who spoke about The Object of Rotary and PP Willie Caballa who talked about the Club President's Year in Office. After all the work, it was then time to have fun. Right after the Pre-PETS, the Majestic Team then had its very first Christmas Party, also prepared by RC Cosmopolitan San Juan. The theme was Children's Party. It was fun to see everyone in their costumes and participate in the games. For the entertainment, there was a magic act which wowed and amazed everyone present. All in all a very successful and fun way to get the Majestic President's excited about their year.



### PETS 2011 ( President's Elect Training Seminar 2011 )

By: MP Dolores Cheng - RC San Juan GEMS



Perhaps in a sense, to a certain extent, every Rotary President-Elect is a bit reluctant about assuming office. We look to July 1 with some trepidation and reservation and not without misgivings.

ever seen, in keeping with the standards that its illustrious audience deserved, and would expect from their District Governor-Elect who expect no less of them in the coming year.

The countdown to July began the moment the names were submitted during the District Assembly nearly a year before...but reality began to bite somewhere around December during the Pre-Pets in Club Filipino...and then it really hit home when the definitive Presidents-Elect Training Seminar or PETS for short, took place that fateful weekend in March in Clark.

Every detail was carefully planned and deliberately selected...and every procedure painstakingly rehearsed and practiced....

From the lamppost banners that lined the avenue leading to and the big bold signages at the venue announcing the event and the occasion...

My club RC San Juan Gems, under the leadership of CP Maricris Lim and GP Jane Caro was awarded the privilege of hosting the PETS for 2011. It was a huge honor...considering we are a newly chartered club...and a Herculean logistical challenge to gather 86 Club Presidents-Elect, an equal number of newly minted District Officers, and a lofty assemblage of past District Governors in one place, house them, entertain them, feed them, inspire them and stimulate them to take the cudgels for their clubs for a whole year, and live, breathe, talk, walk Rotary.

To the thunderous beat of the drums of the Ibon Tribal Dancers who welcomed each PE as he or she arrived to register with the contingent of GEMS clad in our trademark fuchsia blazers...

To the adrenalin pumping theme music Americano used to signal the start of proceedings and lead the delegates in to the plenary and breakout sessions...

To the orderly queueing of delegates and processional march into the hall accompanied by the dramatic music of Chariots of Fire...

It was an honor we didn't take lightly, and a logistical challenge we faced head on, sparing no effort and expense to make sure that the PETS 2011 would be an unforgettable experience for all concerned, one that would be the best the District has

To the landmark audio visual presentation that inspired the incoming leaders and moved a number of them to tears of pride and joy especially when they heard the heartfelt message of encouragement and unity from the District Governor-Elect...



To the punctual scheduling of modules and the invigorating lectures of the speakers, each of whom had been handpicked by the Faculty of the PETS to arm each incoming leader with a phalanx of information about the world of Rotary and the goals for the year that lay ahead...

To the unobtrusive yet effective sergeant-at-arms, GEMS again, who helped keep time and order...

To the festive fellowship that night marked by the retro music of the Bits and Pieces, and the phenomenally simple yet brilliant talent contest that cost no one any money, only guts and chutzpah...

To the dinner that dragged on for a while, until the GEMS took matters into their own hands and started serving the guests to help speed up the meal service the hotel apparently had some problems managing...

To the brilliant and invigorating team building session led by CP Maricris, herself a trainer of trainers... To the emotional and hair-raising closing that

left the assembly of incoming leaders proud and ready to serve, now willing to grab the mantle given them with both hands and whole hearts...

Not a moment was wasted, not a word misused, not a gesture lost, not a cue was missed as the GEMS, under the watchful eye of CP Maricris and GP Jane, hustled and herded the PE's through their mind boggling agenda that weekend.

Buoyed by the incredible moral support of a formidable contingent of PDG's and their equally resplendent spouses, each PE bravely and happily faced up to fact after fact, task after task, with grace and enthusiasm, even under pressure.

It was pretty much just a day and a half...but the information, wisdom, and strategies came at each PE at warp speed and in full force...

It was just a day and a half...but the organizers and the GEMS left no stone unturned to drumbeat the significance and importance of the occasion and



vocation, to enable each PE to step into the tableau of his or her mission, namely the leadership of a club of extraordinary men and women committed to serve, committed to truth, committed to fairness and friendship.

It was just a day and a half...but it left each participant with indelible memories of an unbelievably exciting and fruitful experience that would light the way to the journey that awaited them, and

prepared them for the unveiling of a presidency, while not necessarily of their own choosing, but now certainly of their own making.

After what has arguably been dubbed as the best PETS the district has ever had in recent history, now we do not merely look to July 1...we look FORWARD to it, we EMBRACE our destinies, to REACH the goal of the largest NGO in the whole world, SERVICE ABOVE SELF!



## DISTAS 2011 ( DISTRICT ASSEMBLY 2011 )

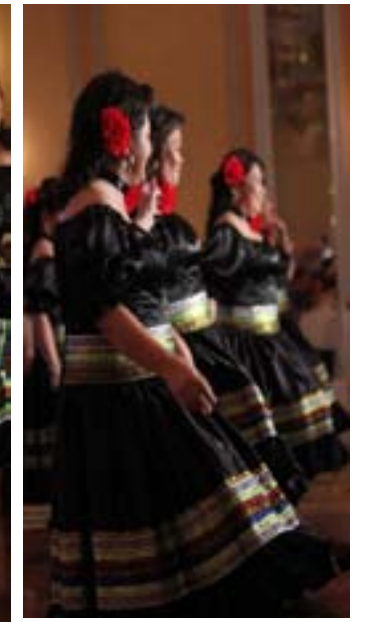
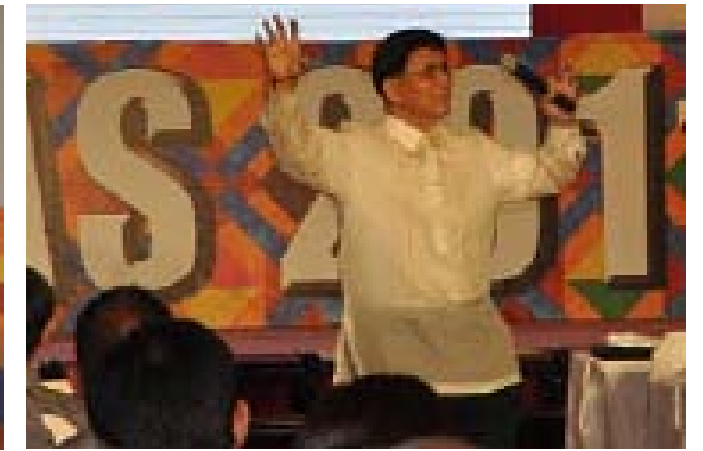
DISTAS 2011 Chair PP Alberto Vizcocho - RC Wack Wack



Under the leadership of RCWW Global President Emiliano Padre, DISTAS Chair Alberto Vizcocho, Co-Chair Renato Pineda, and Oversight Committee Chair PP Nelson Aspe, the full force of Rotary Club of Wack Wack (with all its members and their spouses) ably and enthusiastically hosted this year's District Assembly on April 30, 2011 at the EDSA Shangri-La Manila, Mandaluyong City. This event marks the potential magnificence of the incoming rotary year to be led by the Majestic Team. As our Majestic Governor Rafael "Raffy" Garcia III reminded everyone, DISTAS is one of the key training programs that prepare Rotarians for their tasks as leaders. This event offers Rotarian leaders the opportunity to learn their roles and responsibilities, and more importantly, understand how each makes up the whole of the club and connects with the whole district to ensure that we truly and effectively "Reach Within to Embrace Humanity."

DISTAS 2011 provided us with the comprehensive line-up of training sessions. Various district offi-

cers (with the special participation of the competent and inspired Global Team members who have been through a successful year under Governor Virgilio "Jun" Farcon, Jr.) generously shared their wisdom to the new batch of rotary officers and members to ensure a smooth transition and effective rotary year ahead. The incoming Majestic Presidents and Vice-Presidents learned the art of public speaking courtesy of PP Sedfrey M. Candelaria and the power of Servant Leadership as explained by PDG Jaime A. Cura. Meanwhile, incoming Club Secretaries and Treasurers started preparing for their roles and responsibilities in the sessions handled by DS Tom Rocamora, IDS Jun Zafra, and IDT Gani Dominguez. Other essential trainings were also provided: Protocol by PDG Efren de Guzman, Club Administration with PP Bobby Rosadia, Membership by CP Maricris Lim-Pineda and PDG Marc Go, Public Relations with PP Rose Imperial, Service Projects with PDG Pepe Peralta, and The Rotary Foundation headed by PDG Mac Hermoso, PP Manny Reyes and PP Albert Ang. Of course, the



lovely and ever-supportive spouses also had their productive workshop to prepare them for the next rotary year. The heartfelt testimonials that ensued are proofs of a successful DISTAS training this year.

But DISTAS is not just all work and no fun. A festive fellowship among Rotarians followed where friends met old friends and even made new ones while being serenaded by Rotaractor Rey Pineda, treated with a vibrant dance performance by the host club and rewarded with exciting raffle prizes. With the success of this year's DISTAS, we're sure to greet a very warm and festive ¡Hola! to the Rotary Year 2011-12. Bring on the Majestic Rotary Year! We are, as challenged by our Majestic Governor Raffy, "READY TO SERVE!"



## District Membership Seminar

By : DMS Chair PP Francisco I. Pe Benito - RC Marikina

May 24, 2011, 1:00 p.m., Ballroom Hall, Makati Sports Club, Makati City. A group of more than 200 Rotarians from R.I. District 3800, gathered to participate in the District Membership Seminar, hosted by the Rotary Club of Marikina. The Seminar for incoming Presidents and other officers of the different clubs in the district was called to order by DGE Raffy Garcia, who also was one of the speakers. Thanks to the other speakers and roundtable discussion Trainers: PDG Mickey Ortigas (Public Image & Membership), CP Maricris Lim-Pineda (Membership Plan for the year), PDG Pepe Peralta (Continuing Education), PDG Edison Ang (Service Projects), PDG James Dee (Alumni), PDG Fabie Enriquez (Younger Generations), PDG Rudy San Felipe (Sponsoring a New Club) and DGN Lirio Sandoval (Diversifying Membership). Thank you also to PDG Efren de Guzman (Advisor-Membership) and PDG Tony Puyat for their presence, CP Maricris Lim-Pineda for the venue and accommodation and of course to the members of the host club, Rotary Club of Marikina.



## WCS/TRF (World Community Service/The Rotary Foundation) Forum

By : Annual Giving Chair SDG/CP Manny Reyes - RC Rizal Centro

The Rotary Clubs of Mandaluyong headed by Incoming Majestic President Oscar Hipolito and Rizal Centro, headed by Incoming Majestic President Soc Carvajal, jointly hosted the WCS / TRF Forum last June 18, Saturday, at the Club Filipino.

With 202 registered attendees, the forum was called to order by the ever-busy Incoming District Governor Raffy Garcia who was also attending a special PETS session at the other end of Club Filipino with other Past District Governors and District Officers who were running back and forth both ends of the Club doing their best to serve - all for the cause of Rotary.

World Community Service (WCS), which ceases to be an R.I. program this RY 2011-12, was ably taken up by Global President / Incoming WCS Chair Ric Yu of R.C. Valenzuela West – one of the clubs in our District that received international funding from R.I. District 2770, Japan for their WCS project. Though WCS will no longer be a priority project of R.I. next Rotary year, it will continue to be supported through Project Link which will be further enhanced by R.I. starting next month. However, it has been requested by PDG Edi Chua C.K. and IWCS Chair Ric Yu that all clubs of D3800 who received funding from D2770 for their WCS projects acknowledge their international partners in their forthcoming club turnover ceremonies or forthcoming club inductions as a gesture of their gratitude to the Rotary clubs of D2770, Japan.

The TRF forum we all just had last Saturday was the first of its kind ever to be held in our District. It was a hands-on forum (learning how to fill up the Matching Grant forms) since this coming Rotary year, there will only be nine Matching Grants that will be funded by our District's DDF (District Designated Funds) – a clear case of a disadvantage turned positive for all of us in the District. Nine zones or joint clubs have all agreed to undertake a common MG project per group or zone due to limited funds. The greatest advantage though is that all nine MG projects



have their respective international partners – the most difficult part of completing a Matching Grant project. Out of our nine zones, seven of them have already agreed on their respective projects. The two remaining ones, Zones 1 and 6, still have to meet to agree on a common undertaking.

Past District Governor Fabie Enriquez provided everyone a presentation of all projects funded by The Rotary Foundation and our DDF and undertaken this RY 2010-11, the year with the biggest DDF to-date. PDG Mac Hermoso and concurrently our District Rotary Foundation Chair (DRFC) talked on the Foundation's Future Vision Plan as he exhorted every Rotary leader to prepare for TRF's Future Vision Plan which takes effect on RY 2013-14 – the term of DGN Louie Ticman. Incoming DGSC / PP Albert Ang of R.C. Mandaluyong discussed what has caused our small DDF this Rotary year and took up the guidelines in planning and implementing MG projects.



The break-out sessions (three in all) were very fruitful and a learning opportunity for all. All seven MG were discussed in detail from description to funding and distribution. Almost every possible question was raised and properly replied to. Suggestions to improve the format and content of their MG forms were likewise considered.

Though the forum started quite late, it ended well in time as scheduled.

Rotary International  
District 3800  
Gift of Sight Project

Monthly schedule per zone; 1st Sunday of the Month:

August, 2011 – Zone 4 - August 7 - 2:00Pm to 5:00PM  
Venue - Marikina Rotary Youth Center

2011	2012
September – Zone 1	January - Zone 6
October – Zone 2	February - Zone 7
November – Zone 3	March - Zone 8
December – Zone 5	April - Zone 9

All Zone Majestic Club Presidents should be ready for our FREE Eye Check-up with FREE Medicines, FREE eyeglasses or FREE Eye surgery if indicated, during their respective schedule on the 1st Sunday of the Month . Surgery will be scheduled during the designated month Please advise your preferred venue, other requirements to: District Chair for Gift of Sight Project  
PP Jimmy Capco  
RC Marikina  
Phone: 923-0376; Mobile: 0917-533-6153  
The Eye Specialist team will go to the venue preferred by each zone for eye check-up &/ or eye surgery.

### DISTRICT 3800 DUCKPIN TOURNAMENT

The first fellowship and sports activity of Rotary International District 3800, the Duckpin Bowling will open on August 7, 2011 (Sunday), at the Market Place Bowling Center, 6th level, The Market Place, Gen. Kalentong, Mandaluyong City .

Our registration fee will be Php2,000.00 per team plus Php825.00 every playing day to cover the lane fee, every Sunday from August 7 to September 18, You can also pay the total lane fee- Php4,500.00 net of the discount.

You may deposit your payment to Eastwest Bank with account name Rotary Club of Pasig North and Account number 50-02-01006-4. Please fax your deposit slip to 533-2399.

The Tournament rules and regulations and registration form have been posted in the web. Please submit the filled up registration form and fax to 533-2309 . For more details, please call the Secretariat office at 533-2309 look for Ms. Mj or MP President Rod Macalinao -09189481048 and PP Jake Ang - 09154038487

See you all in the bowling lanes and let us all have fun!!!!

**MP Rod Macalinao**  
**RC Pasig North**



## ROTARY ACADEMY 2011 - 2012

### I. Rotary 101 – Basics of Rotary

This is an introduction to Rotary for prospective Rotarians, new Rotarians and other older Rotarians who wish to have a refresher on Rotary's History, Organization, Guiding Principles, Communities, Programs, Meetings, Avenues of Service and Rotary International.

#### Zones 1, 2, 3 CAMANAVA – Aug. 13

Venue– Social Hall Valenzuela Center, Valenzuela City

Host Clubs	Presidents	Coordinators
Kalookan North.	P. Edison P. Franco /PP Roberto B. Zamora	09172518817 09178435601
Valenzuela	P. Ma. Praceli S. Nelson /DDG Peter T. Quintana	09189283095 09175295509

#### Zones 4 & 6 MARIKINA-PASIG- Aug. 27

Venue- Club Filipino. San Juan City

Host Clubs	Presidents	Coordinators
Metro Marikina	P. Basilisa B. Montoya /PP Carla R. Dejeres	09062428044 09189049261.
Pasig South	P. Ricardo C. Felizardo /PP Danilo L. Supetran	09228387210 09178131099

Zones 5 & 9 RIZAL- Aug. 20 – Ynares Center, Antipolo City

Host Clubs	Presidents	Coordinators
Teresa	P James Pahati /DDG Boboy Campos	09193286633 09175825464
Suburban East Rizal	P Obet Clemente /AG Tet Requiso	090842023570 09175282815

#### Zones 7 & 8 – San Juan, Mandaluyong - Sept. 10

Venue – Club Filipino, San Juan City

Host Clubs	Presidents	Coordinators
San Juan West	P. Rita Feliciano /DDS Augie Soliman	09158541802 09228805757
Mandaluyong North	P Ruth Isla /AG Jackson Sia	09228833255 09228185590

### II. Rotary 102 – Leadership on the Club Level

This will deal on Rotary International Strategic Plan Priorities for Clubs which are:

Support and Strengthen Clubs  
Enhance Public Image and Awareness  
Focus and Increase Humanitarian Service

#### Zones 1, 2, 3, 4 - Sept. 17

Host Clubs	Presidents	Coordinators
North Bay East	P Liang Yu Shi / PP Romy Chua	09176385868 09175381718
Marikina South	P Enrico Chua / SDG Jun Angeles	092209001255 091782616222

#### Zones 5 & 9 - Oct. 1

Host Clubs	Presidents	Coordinators
Lakeshore Rizal	P Ferdinand Agudo /SDG Manny Reyes	09237183128 09209705863
Cainta	P Ging Esteves / DDG Emy Aguirre	09178370214 09209184647

#### Zones 6, 7, 8 - Oct 15

Host Clubs	Presidents	Coordinators
Pasig Sunrise	P Alfie Dimanlig / SDG Dan Santos	09214302008 09175389120
San Juan	P Arlan Sallan / IPP Gina Sanchez	09178060672 09178007929

### III. Rotary 103 - Zones 1 to 9 – Nov. 15

#### Leadership Beyond the Club Level

This is designed for Rotarians who aspire or maybe called upon to serve at district level and beyond.

Target Participants:

• Designated Club Trainers, Past, Presents and Future Club Officers, Other District Officers, Other Interested Rotarians

This Seminar will include:

• Leadership and Motivational Skills, Leadership Opportunities, Public Speaking Seminar

Host Club	President
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**SDG Marilou Co – Executive Director, Rotary Academy**

**PP Bobby Paterno - Chair, Rotary Academy**



## ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CHILDREN'S PARTY

Rotary Year 2011-2012

Fellow Rotarians:

I thought I would forward the email thread that I sent to the Majestic Team just so that you are all aware of why your PE is acting strangely and is suggesting that your club hold a Children's party on July 1, 2011.

This idea was proposed by Past RI President MAT Caparas and endorsed by RIPE Kalyan Banerjee. (See communications thread below). The more detailed proposal is in the attachment.

All the other districts in the Philippines have agreed to implement the idea first on July 1, 2011 and subsequently all other July 1's henceforth. We know all the clubs in District 3800 will see merit in the idea.

It would be great if we could do it with a favorite school of each club. You can choose how big or small the celebration should be. It can take the place of the club induction or be in addition to.

I ask that you give due consideration to the suggestions of your PE and plan a meaningful implementation of the idea in each of your areas.

Your Servant Leader

DGE RAFAEL M. GARCIA III

From: rafael garcia iii <rafaelgarciaiii@yahoo.com>  
Subject: [grupo\_onsedose] Fw: Childrens Party  
To: "GRUPO\_ONSEDOSE EGROUP" <grupo\_onsedose@yahoogroups.com>,  
Date: Monday, April 4, 2011, 7:49 PM

Your Majesties:

Attached is an eMail that I received from PRIP MAT Caparas, the only Filipino ever to be RI President. It is an email that he sent to all DGE's all over the Philippines and everyone has wholehearted endorsed the idea to the clubs in their respective districts. I chose this time to introduce it to you because I know many of you are now in the midst of planning for your individual inductions.

The idea proposed by PRIP MAT is for all Rotary Clubs all over the Philippines hold a children's party on July 1, 2011 and every July 1 henceforth. It should not be expensive and should fit in the budget of a club. It could be in place of or in addition to a regular club induction. It could be held in a school supported by the club or if limited to a class of section it could be held at a nearby fastfood like Jollibee or McDonald's.

Please include this in your planning and let your AG and DDG know your plans so we can incorporate it in our report to PRIP Mat Caparas and to RIPE Kalyan Banerjee, who has endorsed the idea through an email message that I will forward to you separately.

Your Servant Leader

DGE RAFAEL GARCIA III

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Subject: Childrens Party  
To: "Corina Tengco Bautista" <corinatbau@yahoo.com>, jqcifra@yahoo.com, drragasa614@yahoo.com, rafaelgarciaiii@yahoo.com, erniechoa@skybroadband.com.ph, rhc11\_12@yahoo.com, villarealbilly@yahoo.com, meldelaser@yahoo.com, nonoyva09@yahoo.com  
Date: Friday, February 18, 2011, 12:53 AM

Dear friends:

Please read the attachment which, I think is self-explanatory. It is a suggestion which I endorse in all seriousness and with all my heart. I submit it to you of the 11-12 class because it will begin, if adopted by you, during your year. I hope you will find merit in it and will implement my suggestion whole-heartedly. We need to do everything we can to help improve the country.

Thank you. I hope you have a wonderfully successful year. Begin with my recommended CHILDREN'S PARTY!

M.A.T. Caparas

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To: "rafaeliii@garcia@yahoo.com" <rafaeliii@garcia@yahoo.com>  
Cc: M.A.T. Caparas <matc1223@hotmail.com>  
Sent: Saturday, March 5, 2011 12:13 AM  
Subject: Children's Party

Dear DGE Garcia,

Greetings. By now, you should be well on your way to getting ready for the beginning of your year - our year - together, starting July 1, 2011. I am so glad that Binota and I got an opportunity to visit Manila earlier in this Rotary year and have a wonderful get together with you and get to know all of you a bit better. The Philippines is a country that Binota and I have always loved and so many of you have been such long and wonderful friends. And, of course, Past President MAT Caparas and Nita have been our role models for over 25 years.

So when I heard from Past President MAT, his idea about having a Children's Party to start off our year in 2011-12, all over the Philippines, I thought it was one of the best ideas I had heard of in a long time. Not only would it be a great way to usher in our year with the generation that means so much to each one of us, it would also help to send a signal to our community and society what Rotary stands for. I will share the joy and the spirit of the day with each one of you even though personally, I will not be able to remain present. So thank you for a great beginning, and thank you for your leadership in all that you will do in your Rotary year.

Warmest regards,

Kalyan Banerjee

Rotary International President, 2011-12

*The Rotary Clubs in District 3800 responded tremendously to this project. In fact a Happy New Rotary Year Card was also proposed by Past RI President MAT Caparas to be made and the Rotary Club of Marikina East made the idea possible and created a card for PRIP MAT, RI President Kalyan Banerjee and District Governor Raffy Garcia which was sent to all the Rotarians not only in the Philippines but world wide. We will be re-printing the card and will likewise feature all the July 1 and more, Childrens Party Projects in a supplement issue within the month.*

**The GML Editor**

## 1st President's Breakfast Meeting

The first meeting of Majestic Presidents, Majestic District Officers and Majestic Spouses was convened by DG Raffy Garcia III last Saturday morning at the Valle Verde Country Club in Pasig. Registration started as early as 6:30 AM and breakfast was served simultaneously. The program proper was called to order by DG Raffy at 8:00 AM followed by the usual program protocol and the message of the District Governor. All the District Officers were then introduced to the Majestic Presidents so they would know who they are and what they are responsible for. They were likewise made to say something about their area of responsibility. Starting with Membership-SDG Maricris Lim-Pineda; TRF - SDG Manny Reyes; Pulic Image - SDG Roland Garcia; Administration - SDG Bobby Rosadia; Special Events - SDG Luz Cotoco; Sports Activities - SDG Dan Santos; Special Training - SDG Marilou Co; Fellowship - SDG Joey Sy; Service Projects - SDG Sunday Pineda; the Operations Group of SDG Jerry Lim, SDG Jun Angeles and SDG Conrad Cuesta; Heads of the other Avenues of Service - PDG Tony Puyat, DGE Lirio Lirio Sandoval and PP Oscar Bautista; Future Visions- DGN Loieue Ticman; PRM - PDG Teddy Zamora; Finace - SDG Nelson Aspe; Major Training - SDG Willy Caballa; Legal Affairs - PP Celso Ylagan and DNC - IPDG Jun farcon. The 1st Semester SAR, PRM subscription forms, PMR Forms and other materials were distributed to the Presidents. DG Raffy adjourned the meeting at 12:00 noon after his response and reminders. PP Saldy Quimpo of RC Caloocan was the master of ceremonies, hosted by the CAMANAVA Zone.



DG Raffy Garcia calls the 1st Breakfast meeting to order flanked by District Trainer/ PDG James Dee and other Senior Deputy Governors at the Valle Verde Country Club.



Left: DG Raffy speaking before his Majestic Team urging them to double membership, give to the TRF and serve the community. Right: D3800 Webmaster PP Dindo Santos.



SDG Manny Reyes started his campaign for another record breaking year on the TRF Annual Giving, EREY/ Sustaining Membership club and the Raffy Garcia Challenge.



Majestic Presidents and District Officers "READY TO SERVE". This is what is conveyed in this photo as the Grand Ball Room of the Valle Verde Country Club was at full capacity during the 1st President's Breakfast Meeting, attesting to their enthusiasm to make this Rotary year a success.



## Secretary's Report

*District Secretary Jun C. Zafra*

TO : All ROTARY CLUBS

SUBJECT : Reminders for the Month of July 2011

4.3 Submit two copies / issues of your weekly Club Bulletin together with your PMR.

### A. REMINDERS FOR CLUBS

1. Ensure timely submission of your duly accomplished Semi-Annual Report (SAR) and remittance of payments for the First Semester Semi-Annual Dues - US \$ 25.50 per member. Current Exchange Rate is Php 43 to US\$ 1

2. Remit payment for the First Semester Subscription to the Philippine Rotary Magazine (PRM) - Php 270.00 per member.

### 3. Governor's Visits:

3.1 Hold a club assembly to present your club plans and programs to your designated Assistant Governor not later than two weeks before your scheduled Governor's Visit.

3.2 The Assistant Governors should submit the final club plans and programs to the District Office not later one week before the scheduled Governor's Visit.

3.3 Ensure that payment for the District Fund (Php 500 per member) is prepared and given to the District Secretary or Deputy District Secretary during the Visit.

3.4 If the visit will be held separately from the club induction, please send to the District Office not later than one week before the visit a copy of the programme and if there will be members to be inducted, send their registration forms.

### 4. For Submission :

4.1 Monthly Club Attendance Report - due not later than 15 days from the last club meeting day for the month. (Please see the report form for the submission details).

4.2 President's Monthly Report (PMR) - to be submitted not later than the 15th of the following month. (In this case August 15, 2011)

### B. DISTRICT ACTIVITIES - JULY 2011

1. International Children's Party - July 1, 2011
2. District Handover - July 2, 2011 / 4:00 PM World Trade Center.
3. 1st Majestic Breakfast Meeting - July 16, 2011 / 7:30 AM Valle Verde Country Club.

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