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9th Regular Weekly Meeting "Spouses' Night"

September 6, 2023 * Swiss Deli, Matina, D.C. * 5:00PM

Program

I. Opening:

- Call to Order.....Pres. Ester Gahol
- Invocation.....Spouse Lynda Tabije
- Singing of National Anthem & Rotary Hymn &
Recitation of the 4-Way Test & Object of Rotary
- Introduction of Guests &
Visiting Rotarians.....Spouse Ely Torno

II. Program Proper

- Rotary Information &
Secretary's Report.....Sec. Harold Abellana
- President's Time.....Pres. Ester Gahol

III. Closing

- Announcements / Adjournment

Spouse Kathy Uy
Master of Ceremonies

Invocation

Gracious God, make each of us an instrument of your grace. Weave us into a community showing forth your power and tenderness. Bless us and our differences and under gird our courage to stand together. We call on you tonight to gather us in your love. Lead us to better know you and glorify you on each step of the journey of our lives. In the name of Jesus, let us now keep silence and breathe in the love of God. Amen.

FOUR WAY TEST

OF THE THINGS WE THINK, SAY OR DO

- 1st Is it the **TRUTH**?
- 2nd Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
- 3rd Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
- 4th Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

OBJECT OF ROTARY

The object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular to encourage and foster:

FIRST:

The development to acquaintance as an opportunity for service;

SECOND:

High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;

THIRD:

The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business and community life;

FOURTH:

The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

Declaration of Rotarians in Business and Professions

As a Rotarian engaged in a business or profession, I am expected to:

1. Consider my vocation to be another opportunity of service;
2. Be faithful to the letter and to the spirit of the ethical codes of my vocation, to the laws of my country, and to the moral standards of community.
3. Do all in my power to dignify my vocation and to promote the highest ethical standards in my chosen vocation;
4. Be fair to my employer, employees, associates, competitors, customers, the public and all those with whom I have a business or professional relationship;
5. Recognize the honor and respect due to all occupations which are useful to the society;
6. Offer my vocational talents to provide opportunities for the relief of the special needs of others, and to improve the quality of life in my community;
7. Adhere to honesty in advertising and in all representations to the public concerning my business or profession;
8. Neither seek from nor grant to a fellow Rotarian a privilege or advantage not normally accorded to others in a business or professional relationship.

RJ Presidential Message...



R. Gordon R. McInally President 2023-24

September 2023

The International Day of Peace takes place 21 September. The United Nations General Assembly declared this a day devoted to strengthening the ideals of peace through observing 24 hours of non-violence and cease-fire.

It is not enough, as People of Action, to simply avoid making war. If we are to *Create Hope in the World*, we must aggressively wage peace.

Where can we begin? There are countless armed conflicts around the world, and the global population of displaced people is higher than ever. The opportunities are nearly limitless, but the cycles of violence and hardship seem endless.

My advice is to start small but think big. I look to Rotary members in Pakistan and India for inspiration.

In March 2020, about 50 Rotary members from Pakistan met about 50 Rotary members from India at Kartarpur Sahib, a shrine in Pakistan. The sanctuary honors Guru Nanak, the founder of Sikhism, a religion practiced in both countries. Tensions between the two countries barred many religious pilgrims from India from visiting the shrine. That is, until Pakistan opened a visa-free pathway to them in 2019.

Earlier this year, Rotary members from opposite sides of the border again met at the shrine, this time with about twice as many participants.

Any work toward building peace needs to be brave and bold. What these Rotary members have done is just that. The Pakistani government took an important step toward peace when it admitted Indian pilgrims to the Kartarpur Sahib shrine, but Pakistani Rotary members took the next step when they welcomed Rotary members from India as friends and family. That is Positive Peace at work.

These peacebuilders did not stop there. Club representatives at this year's meeting signed twin club certificates to recognize their long-term commitment to continue to learn from each other and to work together on more peacebuilding efforts, and they have held joint meetings via video chat.

The importance of communicating with and learning from another culture cannot be overstated, and Rotary is making it even easier to do so. One way of engaging in cross-cultural dialogue and building relationships across borders is through virtual international exchanges that build on our current programs and make them more accessible.

A virtual exchange uses online platforms to connect people from different parts of the world so they can share their traditions, priorities, values, and more. Virtual exchanges can serve as a window to another part of the world through activities such as teaching a digital cooking class, learning a new language, or even designing service projects with a global impact.

These online chats have the potential to inspire new connections and more respect between societies. Taking that knowledge and using it to better the lives of our fellow human beings is the next step.

Let's see where it takes us.



Secretary's Report

Harold Abellana

Club Secretary

Comparative Weekly Attendance

	Aug. 2	Aug. 9	Aug. 16	Aug. 30
CLUB MEMBERSHIP	22	22	23	23
HONORARY MEMBER	05	05	05	04
PRESENT	12	12	13	14
ON LEAVE	00	00	00	00
ABSENT	10	10	10	09
MADE UP	00	03	03	00
ATTENDANCE % BASE	22	22	23	23
WEEK AVERAGE	55.00%	68.18%	70.00%	61.00%

Guests & Visiting Rotarians:

PDG Billy Parilla – RC Matina

PP Arwin Ardon – RC Matina

Happy Birthday!

Sept. 24 – Rtn. JR Tomines

Happy Anniversary!

Sept. 19 – PP Jacob & Sp. Bing Chua



Reminder:

Sept. 13, 2023 - 10th Regular Meeting
12:00NN, Pinnacle Hotel

Sept. 23&24, 2023 – “Rotarians Create
Hope” Garage Sale
8:00AM to 8:00PM
Dr. A. Gahol Ave. cor.
JA Sarenas Ave. (Old
Gas Station)

Oct. 18, 2023 – Governor's Visit
12:00NN, Pinnacle Hotel



President's Message

Ester T. Gahol

Club President

This evening is special because we have the spouses with us during this fellowship. This is the first fellowship during my Presidency and I am very happy that we are all excited to get together finally with the spouses who are a great support to our projects.

We are saddened to see our Honorary member Joe Custodio pass away last Aug 29, 2023 at 88 years old. He was the father in law of our fellow member Past President Maximo Lozano and father to Dr. Marselle Lozano. It was an honor to have known him and we will all miss his presence in our meetings.

Our Governor, Twinkle Gamboa has asked the Presidents to do a District Mental Awareness project of 30 teachers for a 1 day seminar sometime this year. She has a Psychologist chosen to do the seminar for 18k to be divided among participating clubs. Her concept is that the teachers are taught to spot problems among their students giving them the tools to help them first hand. Therefore, we are tasked to find teachers who are willing to do this seminar for free. Please let me know if you have any recommendations.

Please continue to invite prospective members so we increase our membership. Thank you for your initiative and dedication to our club.

Rotary Information...

Rotary delegates to attend conference on climate change

Rotary International will send a delegation of members to the UN Climate Change Conference, known as COP28, to be held 30 November to 12 December this year in Dubai, United Arab Emirates. It will be the third time that Rotary participates in the annual conference in this way. The environment is one of Rotary's areas of focus, and members hope their involvement will emphasize the importance of contributing to global climate action.

The delegation wants to know about other Rotary members who will be at the conference. If you plan to attend, please tell them through a form on [the Association of Rotary Clubs - UAE website](#).

On a Wednesday Noon...

Guest Speaker: Engr. Arwin Ardon on Electrical Distribution & its Consumption Awareness. Aug. 30, 2023 at the Pinnacle Hotel



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ROTARY HYMN

*I want to be a Rotarian for the world
 Make the Rotary flag as the flag of peace unfurled
 I shall serve my community
 Help achieve universal unity.*

*Through Rotary I shall dedicate my all
 World understanding shall be my cherished goal
 With the 4-Way Test, I'll pursue my quest
 And if I, in a way, help obtain peace in the world
 I shall not have lived in vain*

*I observe service above self
 Lend a hand to all who need my help
 I'll get my spouse to involve in Rotary
 And in Rotary ways I will train my family*

*With the 4-Way Test, we'll pursue our quest
 And if we, in a way, help obtain peace in the world
 We shall not have lived in vain*

*Build a bridge for tomorrow's youth
 Strengthened by nothing but the truth
 Let's join our hands, there's no reason we'll divide
 We shall all understand why the good Lord is our guide*

*With the 4-Way Test we'll pursue our quest
 And if I, in a way help obtain
 Peace in the world
 We shall not have lived in vain
 Peace be achieved we shall not have lived in vain.*