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Governor's Monthly Letter

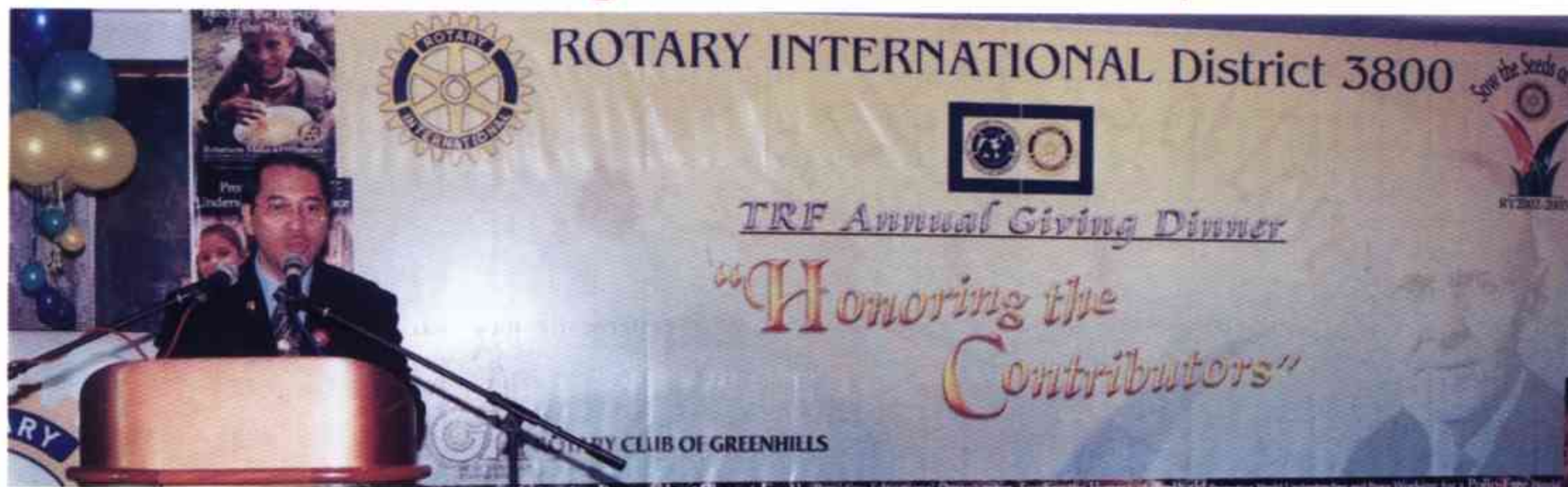
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Annual Giving Dinner nets US\$ 104,489.90



DG Efren, in his keynote address during the Annual Giving Dinner, expresses his profound gratitude to all the TRF Contributors.

Notwithstanding the bad economic situation our country is in, the Rotarians of District 3800 during the Annual Giving Dinner held at the Tai Woo Seafood Restaurant on November 15, 2002 pool together \$ 104, 489.90, as our District initial contribution to The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International.

Hosted by the Rotary Club of Greenhills under the leadership of Loving President Chito "Kongkong" Barazza and PP Freddie Miranda, the Annual Giving Dinner was a happy gathering of generous Rotarians dedicated to support the cornerstone of the foundation's funding effort. DG Efren De Guzman and Annual Giving Chairman PP Tony Sierra were all smile as contributions keep coming in, making it hard for the presentors to finish calling the name of the contributors. TRF Chairman PDG Lina Aurelio on her

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Christmas comes early at Luwalhati

It was an early Christmas indeed for the *lolos* and the *lolas* of Luwalhati ng Maynila (Home for the Aged.), when District Governor Efren O. de Guzman and his spouse Pam visited the Home last December 1, 2002 together with the Loving Presidents, District Officers, Rotarians and spouses, bringing with them food, gifts and early Christmas cheer to the elderly residents. The visit, which has now become a tradition at District 3800 every December, was also the occasion to turn over to the Home, the completed projects undertaken this Rotary year-the installation of ceilings on the multi-purpose hall and chapel, repainting; and, construction of cabinets. In addition and as part of the Rotary Spouses Care for the Elderly

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Giving Love on Christmas

"Give Love On Christmas Day, is the title of a very popular song by the Jackson 5 during the early 70's. The ditty has a simple melody but it conveys a message of giving Love to all those who need them to honor and glorify the birth of our saviour, Jesus Christ.

Hence, on November 16, 2002, with barely 39 days to go before Christmas day, District Governor Lady Pam De Guzman and Project Chairperson AGs Elena Dee, together with the members of the District Spouses, gave meaning and justice to this song, as they spearheaded a Gift-Giving project for the Yulitide season.

The lucky recipient of this project is the KYTHE Foundation Inc., an organization established to manage the needs and hospital

care of Filipino children afflicted with the deadly Cancer or as we commonly call, the Big C. Venue is the Tumor Clinic at the East Avenue Medical Center in Quezon City, where the foundation hold offices.

As early as 7:00 a.m., the venue was a scenery of a gather

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DGL Pam hands over the P120,000.00 check to Dr. Ramon Severino



Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year to all!!!



Calendar of District Activities for December to February

December

- 1 8:00 A.M. Home for the Aged
Venue: Lualhati ng Maynila
Parang, Marikina City
Chair: PP Rading Justo and
Sps. Edna Bolinao
- 7 1:00 P.M. Anti-Child Abuse Forum
Venue: Ateneo Social Dev't Center
Host: RC Mandaluyong West
- 20 Sat. 6:00 PM District Christmas Party
Venue: Riverbend Hotel
Host: Spouses Exec. Com.

January

- 10 Fri 6:30 AM
5th Leg Golf Tournament
Host Club: RC Marikina West
- 11 Sat 7:30 AM
Presidents Breakfast Meeting (4th)
Venue: Club Filipino
- 11 Sat 6:00 PM Songfest
Venue: Kaban ng Hiyas
Host Club: RC Man. North
- 18 Sat, 10AM GML Editorial Staff Meeting
- 25 **Midyear Review** 1:00 PM
Host Club: RC Kalookan Ctrl.

February - World Understanding Month

- International Assembly, Anaheim, California, USA, held during this month
Family Week (second week in February)
- 1 * Deadline for Rotary Peace Program Grant applications.
- 7 Fri 6:30 PM
6th Leg Golf Tournament
Host Club: RC East Rizal
- 8 Sun 6:00 PM Valentine's Party
Venue: Riverbend Hotel
Host Club: RC Marikina East
- 15 * Rotary's Anniversary & World Understanding and Peace Day.
- 15 Blood Letting, Host Club: RC Pasig
- 12 Wed 8:00 AM
Vitamin "A" Supplementation
Host Club: RC Pasig West
- 18 Tue, 5:30 PM
GML Editorial Staff Meeting
Venue: Cabalen Rest., Sta. Lucia East
- 23 Sun 98th Birthday of Rotary
Rotaract/Interact Convention



Rotary International
District 3800

Efren "Efren" O. de Guzman
District Governor

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Important events in December and January

December

- 1 7:30 A.M. Christmas Gift Giving
Venue: Home for the Aged, Parang, Marikina City
- 7 1:00 P.M. Anti-Child Abuse Forum
Venue: Ateneo Social Development Center, Quezon City
Host: RC Mandaluyong West
- 11 7:30 A.M. 4th Leg Golf Tournament
Venue: Canlubang Golf & Country Club
Host: RC Pasig

- 20 6:00 P.M. District Christmas Party
Venue: Riverbend, Marikina City

January

- 10 5th Leg Golf Tournament
- 11 Songfest
- 12 Rigodon participants practise
- 25 1:00 PM **Midyear Review**
Host Club: RC Kalookan Central

Voice of Our Youth Impromptu Speech Contest D3800 level winners



1st Place, Paolo Sanchez



2nd Place, Margarita Maria Luz

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 of 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 worldwide fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service



DG Efren O. de Guzman

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to you and your family!*

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DGN to be selected via 'Ballot By Mail'

In an official communication made by DG Efren to all the clubs district-wide last November 12th & 13th, it was learned that the District Nominating Committee for RY 2002-2003 failed to arrive at a selection of District Governor-Nominee (DGN) from among 3 candidates (in alphabetical order: CP Marilou Co of RC San Juan del Monte, AG James Dee of RC Malabon & DS Fabie Enriquez of RC Pasig North). None of them obtained the required number of votes provided by the revised Terms of Reference.

Accordingly, it will now be the turn of the clubs to choose the district's leader for RY 2004-2005, Rotary's centennial year. This 'ballot by mail' procedure will use the single transferable ballot system, with the candidate obtaining a majority of the valid votes cast to be declared the winner. The voting strength of the clubs will be based on their total membership as indicated in their latest Semi-Annual Reports (SAR).

To fully inform the clubs in the district about, among others, the mechanics of the 'ballot by mail' procedure & the single transferable ballot system, a Terms of Reference Forum was held last November 26th at the Club Filipino. Hosted by RC Kalookan, this informative district affair was

attended by 156 Rotarians from 61 clubs.

In his remarks, PDG Teddy Zamora as DNC Chair, stressed the importance of a Nominating Committee in the selection of a DGN in the Rotary world, and underscored the policy and belief that "it is the position that seeks the man" and not the other way around. Campaigning is not just frowned upon but outrightly prohibited by the R.I. By-Laws. He said that all Rotarians should observe both the letter & spirit of the by-laws in the selection process.

The other resource speakers were PP Benjie Liboro of RC Ortigas Center ("Membership in the DNC") & PP Jimmy Ortigas of RC San Juan ("Conduct of a DNC Member"). But it was the presentation of PP Tonipi Parungao of RC Marikina North on

the "Selection of DGN" that attendees were obviously interested in. PP Tonipi exhaustively discussed the general guidelines of the 'ballot by mail' procedure as well as the details of the single transferable ballot system. A very interesting and 'extremely lively' hour-long open forum followed the talks.

Before adjourning the forum, DG Efren announced the following important dates in the 'ballot by mail' selection process: **December 1**-distribution of ballots, **December 17**-deadline for submission of ballots to the district office, **December 19** (2 pm)- canvassing of ballots at the Club Filipino, and **December 20** - announcement of results.

The Balloting Committee for this selection procedure was already constituted by DG Efren. Among the first 3 members to be appointed were PP Ver Farcon of RC Marikina, PP Bien Medel of RC Marikina North and PP Lorna Kapunan of RC Sampaguita Grace Park (as Chair). The other members of the committee include PP Al Ancheta & Rtn. Rene Florencio of RC Marikina, PP Romy Cabungcal of RC East Rizal, PP Dave Santos of RC Metro Valenzuela, PP Bayani Vargas of RC Dagat-dagatan and PP Romy Chua of RC North Bay East.

Indeed, and as that old Chinese curse goes, truly interesting times are ahead of us in District 3800!



Above, DG Efren and DNC Chair PDG Teddy Zamora together with the speakers at the presidential table during the TOR Forum

Below, DG Efren and DGL Pam together with PDG Lina Aurelio and the officers and members of RC Greenhills pose underneath the Anti-Polio Campaign poster:



Anti-Polio Campaign Public awareness in San Juan - Mandaluyong targetted

In this day and age of great advances in technology, it is distressing to realize that there are still silent killers looming within us. One of these silent killers is Polio. Generally forgotten and often ignored, this disease still threatens communities particularly those in areas with limited access to medicine. Hence, the need to combat this silent killer. Enter The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International.

With its global reach of thousands of members, the Rotary International has embarked on a global campaign to contribute in the eradication of polio. With an army of

civic-minded Rotarians in over one hundred countries, the Rotary International is making its mission felt in the Philippines.

One of the earliest to heed the call of the Rotary International is the Rotary Club of Greenhills. It is undertaking a direct approach in combating polio among public school students in the San Juan area. Aside from going from school after school, donat-

ing polio vaccines and taking an active role in administering the vaccine themselves.

To generate more public awareness, the club has embarked on an awareness campaign to combat the spread of Polio in the Philippines. The Rotary Club of Greenhills has started the effort with the installation of giant banners in strategic location around the San Juan - Mandaluyong area. The first giant banner was unfurled last October 29 along Ortigas Avenue besides the Shell service station. Eleven such banners will be installed within the month of December. The choice of location is fortuitous as it is also designed to seek involvement from the more affluent constituents to take part in this public service program.

from RC Greenhills



Some of the Loving Presidents pose with DG Efren during the **Annual Giving Dinner**.



TRF Major Donors. Above and right, **CP Marilou Co** is recognized by...



D3800 GSE Team to Japan (from l to r) Joanna Gilladoga, RC Sampaguita Grace Park; Annie Rose Cequina, RC Marikina Central; Cristy Fuentes, RC Pasig North; Guiseppe Morta, RC Pasig South with DGA Robert Lopez as Team Leader poses with DG Hajime Akutsu of D2530 Fukushima, Japan and R.I. Representative William Boyd and spouse from New Zealand during the recent District Conference held last Oct. 18 and 19, 2002 at Fukushima City, Fukushima Japan.

DISCON 2003 Executive Committee
 2nd meeting, November 22, to discuss and finalize plans of respective committees. Right, DG Efren flanked by man Roland Garcia (with microphone), chair Tonipi Parungao. Extreme left, DGL Pam stresses a point. Below, members of various subcommittees.



Birthday Asaltos by loving presidents and spouses for DG Efren, above, Nov. 13th, and for DGL Pam, right, Nov. 22nd.



DG Efren receives his crystal and pin from PDG Lina and **PDG Teddy** is congratulated by DG Efren during the Annual Giving Dinner, November 15th. Extreme RI Past Director Ken Collins and RI Dir. John Thorne during the Major Gift Donor Breakfast, Rotary 2002 Institute, October 25th

Committee
discuss
becom-
Chair-
and Co-
right,
chair-



Right, Marina S. Bonabra (Gift of New Life No. 459) is shown at the Women's Ward of the Philippine Heart Center receiving a brand-new Medtronic Pacemaker and a Vitatron Lead and **Rotary Club of Pasig's** token donation of P 5,000.00 to the **Life Saving Mission - Gift of New Life Project** of the Philippine Rotary Pacemaker Bank from RCP Pres. Celso Ylagan (2nd from left). Witnessed by (l-r) Heartbeat International Director PDG Mon Cumagun, Dr. Joyce Jumangit and Dr. Daisy Jarcia. The pacemaker was implanted by Dr. Florimond Garcia on Sept. 26, 2002.



D3800 Fellowship Tenpin Bowling Tournament Results

Governor's Cup:

1st Place, RC Valenzuela West; 2nd Place, RC Rizal Centro; 3rd Place, RC Rizal Mid-east

Assistant Governor's Cup:

1st Place, RC Kalookan Central (A); 2nd Place, RC Valenzuela South; 3rd Place, RC Lakeshore Rizal

President's Cup:

1st Place, RC Metro Marikina; 2nd Place, RC Pasig South; 3rd Place, Marikina Hilltop (B)

Records:

Pinfalls

MVP - Art Alarilla (Grace Park) - 2,840

High Game Scratch

(M) Jeremy Chiu (Val. West A) -257

(F) Minia Judan (Marikina A) - 210

High Game w/ Handicap

(M) Jeremy Chiu (Val. West A) -290

(F) Minia Judan (Marikina A) - 233

High Game Series Scratch

(M) Jeremy Chiu (Val. West A) -636

(F) Mameng Eugenio (Metro Val.)-552

High Game Serie w/ HDCP

(M) Jeremy Chiu (Val. West A) -735

(F) Minia Judan (Marikina A) - 657

High Team Single Scratch

Valenzuela West A - 831

High Team Single w/ HDCP

Valenzuela West A - 880

High Team Series Scratch

Valenzuela West A - 2,366

High Team Series w/ HDCP

Valenzuela West A - 2,571

Group Champion

Group A - Marikina Hilltop (A)

Group B - Marikina Central

Group C - Rizal Centro

Group D - Grace Park

Group E - Valenzuela West (A)

Group F - Marikina North (A)

Group G - Kalookan Central

Group H - Malabon East

"We are fortunate to belong to an organization that encourages all of us to cultivate love in our clubs, in our vocations, in our communities, and everywhere in our world."

-RI Pres. Bhichai Rattakul

Christmas ...

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Program, it will undertake a medical mission for the elderly under the supervision of Dr. Raquel Sayo.

The highlight of the program was the awarding of plaques of appreciation by the City of Manila to the Governors and their spouses of District 3800 who have undertaken projects at the home - PDG Pepe and Thesy Peralta (who started it all), PDG Teddy and Mely Zamora, (who initiated the construction of a new multi-purpose hall and chapel), PDG Edison and Malen Ang (who installed floor tiles, metal cladding and other finishing works and constructed a new covered pathway); and DG Efren and Pam de Guzman (for the construction of ceilings and cabinets, and for the completion of the chapel).

Certificates of Appreciation were also awarded to AG Ed and Edna Bolinao, this year's Project Chair, and to District Chair PP Rading and Cora Justo and PP Rene and Evelyn Reside, Chair for Special Projects of the Rotary Spouses Working Committee, for their continuing support of the projects of Rotary at *Luwalhati* "thus making the lives of the elderly pleasant and comfortable, a legacy of an organization dedicated to the care of disadvantaged Filipinos."

The fun portion of the program soon followed with Christmas song numbered by the talented children of PDG Teddy and Mely Zamora whom Emcee Zeny Farcon jokingly christened the "Zamora Music Ministry". Not to be outdone, the *lolos* and *lolas* also rendered song numbers and a pair even dance the "pasa doble".

It was a long day at *Luwalhati* for the Rotarians and Spouses of District 3800 as the medical mission extended up to mid-afternoon. But for DG Efren and Spouse Pam, the tremendous outpouring of support for the project in terms of attendance and contributions received from the Rotary Clubs in the District and the happy and smiling faces of the elders when they received their gifts, are very gratifying and well worth the long hours spent at *Luwalhati*. After all, these elders *ay ating ding mga kapatid o mga utol*. They are family.

By: PP Renato "Rene" R. Reside, RC Marikina Hilltop

Ang Pundasyon ng Rotaryo (The Rotary Foundation)

Ito'y hindi isang bato na tungtungan ng gusali Kundi ito'y institusyon ng kaloob na salapi, Ang programang pandaigdig na gawaing natatangi Kawanggawa't pagbibigay ang talagang minimithi.

Ang pundasyon ng Rotaryo'y may layunin suportahan

Ang Rotaryong pandaigdig sinikap na makamtam, Unawaan at payapa na programang may palitan Sa pang mundo bilang tao, kultura at karunungan.

Ang salaping tinatanggap ng nasabing institusyon Na kaloob ng Rotaryo at iba pang tumutulong, Laganap sa buong mundong sa puso ay dumadaloy Ang sagradong mga handog sinisinop iniipon.

Mga tagapamahala ng titulong binabanggit Ay maingat ang paghawak, maayos at walang dungis,

Ang halagang nakapondo'y nakaplano ang paggamit

Proyektong pang kapuspalad ang bigay mo'y masusulit.

Kaya nga ba ang kasaping may magandang kapalaran

Masagana ang biyaya na nagbuhat sa maykapal, Ang balik ay pasasalamat bukod pa sa kanyang butaw

Ay suporta kay "Paul Harris" bilang siya'y kaibigan.

Ang suportang nagbubuhay sa butihing mga puso Ay daan ng katuparang hinihintay na pangako, Ang programang magagandang pinagtibay at binuo Ng pundasyon ng Rotaryo'y natutupad na matino.

Pandaigdig na programa mga libreng pag-aaral Kaloob sa mga gurong may puso ring nagbibigay, Sama-samang pag-aaral palitan ng kaalaman Mga tulong sa biktima ng masamang kapalaran.

Magkatuwang na kaloob sa programang makatao Ang "Polio Plus", ang taggutom, kalamidad nitong mundo,

Ang paligid na payapa, ang sakuna't mga gulo Taos pusong tumutulong ang pundasyon ng Rotaryo.

Marami pang di nabanggit na proyektong magaganda

Mga tulong na higit pa sa sarili'y handog nila Mga taong kapuspalad nabibigyan ng pag-asa Sakbibi ng kalungkutan ay nagiging maligaya.

Kada buwan ng Nobyembre ay higit na pinaigting Ang proyekto ng pundasyon na may layong hikayatin,

Ang samahan ng Rotaryo na maglunsad ng gawain Isa man lang sa programa ay matupad ang layunin.

Ang pundasyon ng Rotaryo ay malawak at matatag Buong mundo'y sinasaklaw ng biyayang di masusukat,

Bawa't tulong ng kasapi na dito ay ilalagak Ang D'yos na ang magbabalik ng higit na pasalamat!

Katha ni:

PP Almario "Mario" S. Francisco
RC Teresa

A Rockin' and Rollin' Halloween



Some Rotarians and spouses rockin' and rollin'.

If ghost and goblins enjoy rock and roll, their flighty spirits would have been drawn to Rotary District 3800's "Halloween Rockin' n Rollin'" held last October 28, 2002.

With the walls of the Valle Verde Country Club reverberating with the upbeat music of the "Rockin; Revival Band", Rotarians and spouses had truly enjoyable evening dancing the night away.

The Halloween affair was hosted by the Rotary Club of Pasig South led by its loving President Aaron Miravalles. Under the Chairmanship of PP Albert de Rivera and Spouse Nanette who spruced up the hall,

the Halloween ambiance was complete with witches' hats, broomsticks and pumpkins. Life-size witches with their long gray hair decorated the hall, completing the "Harry Potter inspired" theme for a night of Halloween fellowship and entertainment.

If attendance is one of the indications of the success of an affair, then the district Halloween Party was an outstanding success as more and more tables had to be set up for the guests who kept on arriving. The attire for the night? Men In Black and Women In Black.

After the brief Welcome Remarks, the

The keg is tapped for Oktoberfest 2002

O zapt is! (The keg is tapped!) This was how this year's RI District 3800 Oktoberfest was officially opened by Lord Mayor (title of the Mayor of Weisn, the place where the yearly German Oktoberfest is held) Gov. Efren De Guzman. The keg tapping was just one of the innovations that the host clubs RCs San Juan West and Agono, introduced to everybody's delight and amazement.

Oktoberfest 2002 was filled with a lot of activities both for Rotarians and their Spouses. The participants were treated with a slide story of the origins of Oktoberfest in Germany. The District event went through actual German Oktoberfest traditions. To further spice up the event the host clubs prepared group games designed to strengthen Zone bonding and make everybody mingle with Rotarians outside of their Clubs and Zones. As highlights for the evening there was a presentation by Zones, Zone 7 eventually went home highly spirited after winning the first place in the presentations. Another highlight was the bladder challenge which were participated by

the Zones best beer drinkers, again it was Zone 7's representative who showed them how to conquer the challenge.

The food made everybody's tummy happy. The participants more than 440 of them was even treated with two "Lechon Bakas". The beer, well, the host clubs were ready for the Rotarians, in fact, one barrels beer was still untapped after the party. To make the evening even more exciting, the host clubs gave away more than 200 pieces of raffle and game prizes. Indeed,



"Lord Mayor" DG Efren tapping the keg to open the Oktoberfest 2002

emcee for the night, PP Raymond Samson, called on District Governor Efren de Guzman for a short message. Our loving Governor congratulated the host club for the excellent arrangements, rallied his loving team to work together for a fruitful year of Rotary service, and called on everyone to enjoy the music.

The dance floor was packed, with Rotarians and spouses alike gyrating to the beat of classic old rock and roll music from the 50s to the 70s. The fun and laughter was infectious as Rotarians danced even on top of the table. A crowd favorite was Pres. Manny Esposito of RC Valenzuela East who wowed his captive audience with the magic strings of his guitar. Not to be outdone was PPEfren Tan of RC Malabon who sang "The Young Ones" and "Constantly" with IPP Noli Cuevas of RC Mandaluyong North at the drums. Prizes were raffled off with the lucky ones spiriting away major items like a colored t.v. set, washing machine and electric fans.

It was, indeed, a successful night of rockin' and rollin' as Rotary District 3800 enjoyed an evening of fun and fellowship with the Rotary family in a night of Halloween revelry.

By Sps. Dideth Urbano, RC Metro Valenzuela

Oktoberfest 2002 will be long remembered and would be difficult to copy.

Oktoberfest 2002 was chaired by PP Jim Tan and PP Vic Chua (RC San Juan West) and PP Boy Samson (RC Angono) together with the Presidents of the two clubs Pres. Rey Navarro of RC San Juan West and Pres. Totoy Villamayor of RC Angono. This year's one of a kind Oktoberfest was managed by EVENTSMASTERS.

By PP Vic Chua, RC San Juan West

REMINDERS

To: **ALL ROTARY CLUBS**
 From: **CP Fabie J. Enriquez**
 District Secretary
 Subject: **Important Reminders for
 the Month of December 2002**



DS Fabie J. Enriquez

2.6 Participate in the Rotary's Care for the elderly program & early Christmas Gift Giving at the Home for the Aged, December 01, 2002, 7:30 A.M., Parang, Marikina City.

2.7 Attend the Child Abuse Forum on December 7, 2002, 1:00 PM at the Ateneo Social Development Center, Quezon City.

2.8 Participate in the Rotary District 3800 4th Leg Golf Tournament on December 11, 2002, 7:30 AM at Canlubang Golf & Country Club hosted by RC Pasig.

2.9 Join the District Christmas Party on December 20, 2002, 6:00 PM at the Riverbend, Marikina City.

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- 1.2 Prepare semi-annual report, and send it directly to Southwest Pacific Service Center. Include first semester per capita dues of US \$ 17.50 and US \$1.00 to Council Legislation plus US \$6.00 for the Rotarian magazine. In lieu or in addition to The Rotarian, club members are encouraged to support the regional magazine by subscribing to the Philippine Rotary Magazine by subscribing to the Philippine Rotary Magazine at PHP 480.00 per year. (New conversion rate: Dec. 1, 2002 P53.00 - \$1.00; Jan. 1, 2003 P54.00 - \$1.00)
- 1.3 Report new members and terminated members (if any)
- 1.4 Report change of data of members, changes of officers and/or club meeting information (if any)
- 1.5 Confirm receipt of your club's payment of the first semester R.I. dues and other assessment from the Southwest Pacific Service Center.
- 1.6 Turn over contribution to The Rotary Foundation.

3. Club

- 3.1 Prepare for the annual meeting to elect club officers.
- 3.2 Immediately and following the annual meeting, complete the Rotary Club Officers Report Form and mail the complete form to the District Office and the District Governor-Elect and retain a copy for your records.
- 3.3 Collect all outstanding receivables and settle all club payables.
- 3.4 Review status of members' dues and attendance for report to the board of directors.
- 3.5 Coordinate with your AG for possible joint/zone meetings or joint/zone projects.
- 3.6 Secure from South Pacific office or download from the Rotary website needed forms and supplies like membership proposal and application cards, membership ID's, membership data forms, change in club information report form, etc.
- 3.7 Answer all correspondence promptly after proper consultation with the president
- 3.8 Adopt in your club the approved District 3800 Continuing Rotary Education Program (CREP) for Rotary Year 2002 -2003.

Attendance Honor Roll for September

1. RC Marikina North	- 100%
RC Pasig North	- 100%
RC Rizal Centro	- 100%
2. RC Marikina East	- 99%
3. RC Marikina Central	- 98.60%
4. RC Marikina Hilltop	- 95.30%
5. RC Marikina	- 95.08%

2. District

- 2.1 Forward the attendance report within 15 days of the last meeting of each month to the District Chair for Attendance PP Mel Jose of RC Pasig East of PP Joe Toreja of RC Pasig North or the District Office.
- 2.2 Forward the monthly membership report to District Chair for Membership Task Force PP Ferdie Fuentes of RC Pasig South or the District Office.
- 2.3 Submit 3 copies of the weekly bulletin to the District Chair for Club Bulletin, PP Jun Abellar of RC Marikina East or the District office not later than 10 days after the last meeting.
- 2.4 Submit photos with appropriate captions of newsworthy club projects and activities for publication in the GML to Editor-in-Chief PP Eugenio Abril or the District Office.
- 2.5 Accomplish and submit Club President's Monthly Report not later than ten (10) days after the last meeting of each month to your respective Assistant Governor or to the District Office.

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Club Performance Report

"Kahulugan Nitong Pasko"

For the month of
October

		MEMBERSHIP			ATTENDANCE			
		as of August 31			for October			
		As of 7/-1	As of 9/30	Gain (Loss)	%	No. of Meet	Rank	
I	Dagat Dagatan	18	29	11	79.00	4	32	
	Malabon	47	44	-3	79.00	4	28	
	Malabon East	46	48	2	76.00	4	32	
	Navotas	25	30	5	93.26	5	7	
	Northbay	20	31	11	89.00	4	12	
	Northbay East	26	27	1	86.00	4	17	
	Total Zone I	182	209					
II	Caloocan Monumento	23	23		69.00	4	39	
	Caloocan Silangan	16	17	1	50.17	5	50	
	Grace Park	38	37	-1	64.30	4	42	
	Kalookan	35	33	-2	87.00	5	16	
	Kalookan Central	28	30	2	77.00	3	30	
	Kalookan North	22	26	4	70.40	5	37	
	Metro Novaliches Cal.	16	16		66.67	5	41	
	Sampaguita Grace Park	22	22		n.r.			
Total Zone II	200	204						
III	Greater Valenzuela	15	14	-1	87.75	4	15	
	Metro Valenzuela	28	28		85.71	5	18	
	Valenzuela	31	33	2	91.00	4	9	
	Valenzuela East	26	31	3	83.00	4	23	
	Valenzuela South	17	17		71.00	5	36	
	Valenzuela West	37	44	7	92.80	5	8	
Total Zone III	156	167						
IV	Marikina	58	61	3	95.08	4	5	
	Marikina Central	18	20	2	98.60	4	3	
	Marikina East	27	27		99.00	4	2	
	Marikina Heights	24	24	1	80.50	4	26	
	Marikina Hilltop	30	40	10	95.30	4	4	
	Marikina North	41	47	4	100.00	2	1	
	Marikina West	30	30		n.r.			
	Metro Marikina	23	25	2	86.00	4	17	
	Total Zone IV	251	274					
V-A	Cainta	25	27	2	n.r.			
	Cainta Brookside Hills	18	16	-2	86.00	4	17	
	Cainta East	23	25	2	87.96	4	14	
	East Rizal	39	43	4	71.00	5	36	
	Lakeshore Rizal	26	26		60.00	4	44	
	Rizal Centro	29	29		100.00	4	1	
	Rizal Mideast	18	17	-1	n.r.			
	Suburban East Rizal	27	30	3	94.50	4	6	
	Total Zone V-A	205	213					
	V-B	Angono	33	33		70.00	4	38
Antipolo Centro		15	22	7	48.00	3	53	
Binangonan		12	16	4	75.00	4	34	
Cardona		29	29		89.65	4	11	
Metro Antipolo		15	17	2	80.00	4	27	
Morong		27	28	1	83.93	4	21	
Rizal Uptown		18	21	3	71.00	4	36	
Tanay		23	29	6	82.76	4	24	
Taytay		29	32	3	76.72	4	31	
Teresa		22	25	3	59.75	4	45	
Total Zone V-B		223	252					
VI		Mutya ng Pasig	18	23	5	50.00	4	51
		Ortigas Center	32	35	3	55.75	4	49
	Ortigas East	18	18		57.45	4	46	
	Pasig	65	63	-2	45.00	4	54	
	Pasig East	16	21	5	n.r.			
	Pasig North	33	34	1	100.00	4	1	
	Pasig South	19	18	-1	n.r.			
	Pasig Sunrise	17	19	2	81.00	4	25	
	Pasig West	14	13	-1	88.27	4	13	
	Metro Pasig	25	29	4	90.25	4	10	
	Valle Verde	11	15	3	62.00	4	43	
	Total Zone VI	268	288					
	VII	Downtown San Juan	18	17	-1	n.r.		
		Greenhills	26	29	3	74.20	5	35
San Juan		22	24	2	67.00	5	40	
San Juan Del Monte		22	25	3	n.r.			
San Juan Metro		13	13		56.00	2	48	
San Juan North		27	33	6	83.25	4	22	
San Juan West		31	31	5	84.00	5	20	
Total Zone VII		159	172					
VIII	Mandaluyong	48	51	3	75.50	4	33	
	Mandaluyong Central	19	22	3	83.00	3	23	
	Mandaluyong East	16	16		45.00	4	54	
	Mandaluyong North	18	20	2	79.00	3	28	
	Mandaluyong Uptown	11	17	6	48.47	4	52	
	Mandaluyong West	13	16	3	78.00	3	29	
	Man-Pa-San	25	24	-1	57.29	4	47	
	Wack Wack	29	36	7	84.96	5	19	
	Total Zone VIII	179	202					
T O T A L	1823	1981	158	77.09%				

Ano nga ba itong Pasko, ano nga bang kahulugan? Bakit tila may hiwaga ng kung anong kasiyahan? Mga parol at "Christmas Tree", kislapan ng mga ilaw Nadarama itong lamig na simoy ng kapaskuhan.

Mga magulang ng bata, kapag pasko'y papalapit Pino-problema sa anak bagong sapatos at damit, Kaya naman bilang bayad sa utang na ibinihis "Sipagan mo pamamasko" ang turo sa batang paslit.

Mga batang makukulit, sa ninong at ninang nila Animo ay may pautang namamaskong masisigla, Matatanda man o bata malakas ang delihensya Hanapbuhay na "Carolling" namamalat sa pagkanta.

Ang binata at dalaga sa pagdating nitong pasko Kapag may kasintahan na'y, problema'y pang aginaldo, At kung wala pang kasuyo tahimik na sumasamo Sana po ang matanggap ko ay katipan na regalo.

Samo't saring mga gimik sa nabanggit na okasyon May timpalak na palaro, pabinggo at mga "raffle", Palamuti sa paligid iba't-ibang dekorasyon Palitan ng aginaldo'y ugali na ng panahon.

Pabonggahang "Christmas Party" ang lagi mong mamamalas

May sayawan, may inuman at tugtugang malakas, Anong gulong sanlibutan sa taguring "Merry Christmas"

Itong ating kinagisnang kaarawan nitong Mesias.

Ano nga bang kahulugan, bakit nga ba mayrong pasko?

Para yatang nalilihis ang pagsalubog ng tao, Magugulong hindi tama ang pagdiriwang ng mundo Sa nabanggit na okasyong nawawala diwa nito.

May batayan sa bibliya sa Juan tres disesais Kahulugan nitong Pasko'y malalama't maisip, Na kung ating bubuklatin makikitang nakatitik Dito'y ating mababasa, pag-ibig ng Dios ay labis.

Sinasabi ng talatang, pagsinta ng Dios Ama Ay pag-ibig na di hamak sa buhay ng bawa't isa, Dahilan sa pagbibigay nag-iisang anak niya Alay niyang aginaldong tumubos sa ating sala.

Gayon din ay tinutukoy na kung ating tatanggapin At kung sasampalataya sa Dios anak na magiliw, Hindi na mapapahamak tayo'y kanyang tutubusin Ang buhay na walang hanggan, ito ay ating kakamtin.

Ngayon ano itong Pasko kung ang diwa'y di mo alam Kahit gaano karangya ang handa sa kapskuhan, Kung hindi mo tatanggapin aginaldo ng maykapal Ay hindi rin makakamit ang pag-ibig niyang tunay.

Kaibigan, ngayong pasko, kung di mo pa natatanggap Tanggapin mong buong puso si Hesus na Diyos anak, Magsisi sa kasalanan at ng ikaw ay maligtas Ang tunay na aginaldo'y may langit kang hinahanap.

Kahulugan nitong pasko ay ang ganap na pag-ibig Na nagmula sa lumikha ng tao at ng haigdig, Pag-ibig sa sanlibutang kasalanan'y di masulit Mga taong nangasisi kaligtasan ay nakamit.

Katha ni:
PP Almario "Mario" S. Francisco
RC Teresa



District Chair PP Paeng Pacheco presents the winners of Category A.

39 young artists vie for On-The-Spot Painting Contest

A kaleidoscope of vibrant colors on canvas, subdued sketches in charcoal, massive frames and huge bronze statues embraced and overwhelmed everyone at the Pacheco Art Gallery last 23 November 2002. The occasion was the District 3800 On-The-Spot-Painting Contest held at U-ugong Park, Morong Rizal with the theme "Kamalayan sa Sining, Kultura at Kapaligiran."

The well-attended event was hosted by the Rotary Club of Morong led by President Melencio "Melboy" Caiña, PP Ambrosio "Bong" Gutierrez, PP Florencio "Boy" Pascual, PP Don "Don" F. Soriano, and of course, PP Rafael "Ka Paeng" G. Pacheco, the District Chair for Arts and Culture. DG Efren De Guzman and Sps. Pam graced the affair together with PDG Tony Co, PDG Teddy Zamora, IPDG Edison Ang and DGE Tony Puyat, also present were

DS Fabie Enriquez and Sps. Myrna, the Loving President, Spouses and Rotarians, many of whom traveled from distant places and endured the traffic in Antipolo and Angono, which was celebrating its town fiesta.

Among the highlights was the finger painting demonstration of PP "Ka Paeng" Pacheco which he conducted amidst music and dancing around his work area. His demonstration painting became the subject of an impromptu auction which was won by Sps. Elena Dee, wife of AG James Dee, with a bid of P30,000.00. "Ka Paeng" has pledged to donate part of the proceeds to the Rotary Club of Morong to fund its projects.

There were 39 participants in the 3 contest categories. There were 16 contestant for Category A (6-9 years old), 12 for Category B (10-13 years old) and 11 for Category C (Rotarians and Guest). The names of the winners together with their sponsoring clubs as follows:

Category A (6-9 yrs. old): *1st Prize, Aleli A. Lazo*, RC Pasig Sunrise; *2nd Prize, Mariel Lyndsey Quijado*, RC Valenzuela; *3rd Prize, Emmanuel Sablaon*, RC Navotas.

Category B (10-13 yrs. old) *1st Prize, Melvin Manuel*, RC San Juan del Monte; *2nd Prize, Alvin Enriquez*, RC San Juan del Monte; *3rd Prize, Jimmy Nabor*, RC Valenzuela

Category C (Rotarians and Guests) *1st Prize, PP Chris Gutierrez*, RC Rizal Uptown; *2nd Prize, Pres. Boyette Coronel*, RC Pasig Sunrise; *3rd Prize, Pres. Manny Chua*, RC Tanay

It was fun to watch the children compose their wide-ranging creations. Poignant feeling of delight sprang from the Rotarians as they observed the very focused efforts of the contestants. The works of the art of the children brought home the message of PP Ka Paeng Pacheco that art uplifts the human spirit and enriches the culture of a people and in doing so, builds up the character of a nation for the challenges ahead.

Annual Giving ...

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inspirational message harp on the need to continue supporting The Rotary Foundation Programs with emphasis on the Eradicate Polio Campaign with the objective of overcoming the funding gap in the program, which is the greatest obstacle to final victory in the war against polio.

The Club with the highest amount of contribution is RC Marikina, while the club with the highest per capita contribution is RC San Juan del Monte.

By PP Freddie Miranda, RC Greenhills

Giving love ...

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DGL Pam De Guzman in the end turned over to Dr. Ramon Severino Officer In Charge of the Kythe Foundation Inc., a check in the Cool Amount of One Hundred Twenty Thousand Pesos (Php 120,000.00) as the District's donation to their organization to help them in their operation.

Dr. Severino in turn acknowledged the

TOP 10 Contributions		TOP 10 Club per Capita Contributions	
1. RC Marikina	\$8500.00	1. RC San Juan del Monte	174.00
2. RC Kalookan	4900.00	2. RC Sampaguita Grace Park	158.00
3. RC San Juan Del Monte	4700.00	3. RC Kalookan	140.00
4. RC Marikina North	4400.00	4. RC Marikina	137.00
5. RC Sampaguita Grace Park	4100.00	5. RC Mandaluyong Uptown	133.00
6. RC Marikina Hilltop	3620.00	6. RC Wack Wack	124.00
7. RC Wack-Wack	3600.00	7. RC Downtown San Juan	111.00
8. RC Mandaluyong	3580.00	8. RC Suburban East Rizal	107.00
9. RC Greenhills	3000.00	9. RC Greenhills	106.00
RC San Juan North	3000.00	10. RC Marikina Hilltop	103.00
10. RC Suburban East Rizal	2900.00		

As of Nov. 15, 2002, by PP Tony Sierra, RC Cainta, Annual Giving Chairman

gestures and showed his sincere appreciation by a big smile with tears flowing from his eyes and which incidentally affected everyone, putting some dramatic ending to a wonderful event, to the delight and happiness of everyone.

A simple merienda consisting of spaghetti, chicken, fruits and cold drinks served by the spouses working committee, finally capped the affair.

To DGL Pam De Guzman, all the AG Spouses, Rotarians, spouses, all the Rotary Clubs of D3800. Congratulations for a well done district project.

May the spirit of Christmas stay with you always and let you continue to Give Love on Christmas Day!

By AG Nonoy De Jesus & Sps. Susie RC Kalookan Central