

Club Information

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CONGRATULATIONS TO THE ROTARY CLUB OF SFLU, INC FOR BEING THE ONLY CIVIC ORGANIZATION IN THE COUNTRY TO RECEIVE THE 2002 GAWAD KALASAG AWARD LAST WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21, IN MALACANANG, FROM PRESIDENT GMA.

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doned the “very good” world that He has created and has allowed the devil to take charge? We all know this is not the case. Those who believe that God has endowed them with responsible freedom and commissioned them to be good stewards of His creation are not about to hand the management of the world to the dogs. They believe and act on the premise that love is stronger than hate; faith than unbelief; hope than skepticism; righteousness than wrong doing. Justice and peace continue to be pursued in earnest. As Rotarians, let us sow and nurture the seeds of love.

Calvary (sufferings) is not the bottom line. It is Resurrection! “The beginning of the new order of things – experienced in the here and now as ‘oasis’ in the desert.”

Let us be comforted by Jesus’ saying after the resurrection: “In the world you have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world.” (John16:31b)

Fireside Chat

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with the Rotary club of which he is a member, but even by himself alone or with family or friends likewise gifted with the desire to serve. Now, in the intensive process of development is a project to try to help strictly selected recipi-

ents of scholarship – Three or four deeply selected and guided students in Technology to enjoy scholarship in DMMMSU. They are intensively selected by faculty and Department Head to respond to my proposal to go together in their selected specialties of technology and service to open a shop store to apply electrical, mechanical services and business learned in the school.

In the ultimate desire to help apply what they learned in College I agree that they now go to electrical and mechanical services and business after graduation.

Financing by a bank, guidance by their tutors in College finally helped by a Rotarians and family or friends they now open shop to apply the results of their Rotarian supported scholarships. This, after a couple of years, if it proves success can be duplicated in many various fields.

The plan goes next to Agriculture, the widest field of Filipino activity, which our government targets to help.

The success of the help to the two above cited sectors can start a chain of hungry areas where legacy of Rotary can spread. Helping to advance scholars in academe, even to become academic leaders can come next, if time and chance grant. Finally, why not support a deserving young man to priesthood – the ultimate help!

MAY THE LORD ALMIGHTY FATHER ABOVE GRANT!

PROGRAMME

Call to Order Pres. Rex Mendoza

Invocation & Four Way Test Ming Yan Jao

National Anthem Ming Yan Jao

Luncheon

Welcome and Greetings Jong Komiya

Birthday Celebrants:

Linda Ang - August 29  
Edward Gaerlan - August 30

Club Singing Sec. Reggie Chan

Friendship Session PVP Frank Buenaventura

President’s Time Pres. Rex Mendoza

MET Project Review Billy Teninty

Words of Gratitude Nardie Valero  
Vice Mayor of SFC

Presentation of RC Modesto Delegation Mike Paderon

Short Talk Members of Modesto Delagation

Response IPP Richard Dy

Presentation of Gifts

Adjournment Pres. Rex Mendoza

Day Chairman & Master of Ceremonies  
Mike Paderon

Centerstage

WELCOME!!!

ROTARY CLUB OF MODESTO DELEGATION

Mike Keckler  
Susie Keckler  
Jana Ollar  
Garrad Marsh  
Dellas Marsh  
Allen Gammon  
Peter Johansen  
Ellen Dunbar  
Ed Ratinchuk  
Marilyn Ratinchuk

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## Medical Equipment Repair Training School

Today, I'll take a breather from writing about 'Monthly Observances' and do a piece for our guests from the Rotary Club of Modesto, California. For the information of our new members and our 'not-so-new' members who are 'MULTO' ( Making Up a Little Too Often in other clubs ), the Rotary Club of Modesto, California, is one of our partners in the 3-H Grant # 01-1200- the Medical Equipment Repair Training School Project. This project is, in terms of budget, the largest one ever undertaken by District 3790. The Grant amounts to 421,375 US dollars and an additonal Gift-In-Kind costing 300,000 US dollars. This is besides the 25,000 dollars combined contribution by our Club, the RC of Manila & RC Modesto.

This project was conceived during PP Albert Dy's term by PP Rufi Macagba Jr. and his counterparts in the RC of Modesto California and the RC of Manila. These were Rotarians Michael Keckler and Jose 'Peping' Tamayo, respectively. Also involved is International Aid (IA) an organization which provides various services for countries in the Developing World. IA had already set up pilot Medical Equipment Repair Training Programs in Accra, Ghana 1998, and in Bangalore, India, 1999. In charge is Bill Teninty of IA, now with our Club.

The 3-H Grant Project was put into motion during my term as President. During IPP Richard's term, the project expanded to Laguna & Sorsogon. I had expressed my enthusiasm to PP Rufi, when he mentioned the idea of putting up such a school, the first of its kind in the country. As a Radiologist, I deal with expensive Medical equipment and I have stories to tell about machines becoming 'white elephants' if malfunction occurs w/ no trained personnel to do repairs. 'Maintainace contracts' w/ dealers of these equipment often cost an 'arm and a leg'. If the equipment is a donation no one will take care of maintainance! Such a 'Horror Story' occurred in the early 1990's, involving our

Club. I wasn't yet a Rotarian but I was familiar with the details, since I was then Head of the Radiology Dept. of the Ilocos Regional Hospital or IRH ( now known as Ilocos Training and Regional Medical Center or ITRMC). I don't want to open old wounds, so no names will be mentioned. IRH received a new 1000 MA X-ray unit from the RC of Malta through the efforts of a DG there. Donation was through the RC of Makati which then contacted one of the Clubs here in LU, which then involved the Mother Club. Members of our Club decided to make the donation to IRH. Since there was no room for the unit, I suggested to our Hosp. Chief that we donate our old 500 MA unit to a District Hospital to make way for the new one. The remaining problem was 'installation'. The unit was a 'Philips' so the company was contacted but they gave a high 'quotation' for installation. Then a Rotarian, or rather pseudo-Rotarian, classified as Biomedical Engineer in one of the LU Clubs, offered to do the service for a reduced sum. Members of the different RC's here passed the 'hat' around & came up with the sum. The pseudo-Rotarian took the sum, installed the unit in time for a successful program involving officers of the DOH, the DG from Malta, officers of RC Makati, leaders of our District & L.U. Rotarians. Despite program's success, the unit never worked. The pseudo-Rotarian left LU, present whereabouts unknown after I filed a 'case' against him. Our Dept. suffered because we replaced a functioning machine with a 'dud'. After no one could make the machine from Malta functional (Philips, their offer spurned, did not want to help), we decided to dismantle and return it. This might not have happened had trained people been around. So thanks to our friends from Modesto for helping make the 'school' a reality. They are true Rotarians who 'make-up' for the harm 'pseudo-Rotarians' & 'pseudo-human beings' do.

Editor Jerome Gaerlan

Dir. Alan D. Sy

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## Medicine the Best Laughter

**Acrobat:** Doc, how come I get dizzy when I stand on my head?

**Doc:** That's because all the blood from your body rushes to your body?

**Acrobat:** How come blood doesn't rush to my feet, when I stand normally?

**Doc:** That's because your feet aren't empty?

**Playboy** (in bed after operation): Doc, was my vasectomy a success? I'm in a hurry to resume my numerous flings without worrying about making anyone pregnant.

**Doc:** Vasectomy! What vasectomy? Aren't you the patient who wanted a "sex change" operation?

*Contribution of PP Jerome Gaerlan*

**Doc:** I'm sorry sir but you have an incurable disease. You only have two months of live.

**Dying Patient:** But Doc, I'll be getting my

pension only after three months. I might not be able to pay you.

**Doc:** Is that so? In that case, I'll keep you alive for an extra month.

*Contributed by PD Ray Espinosa*

**Pretty Young Girl:** Doc, I'm here for a check up.

**Doc:** In that case go behind the curtain, take off all your clothes and lie down on the examination table.

**Pretty Young Girl:** But Doc, It's my grandma here who needs a check-up!

**Doc:** Is that so? O. K., "Lola", please take a deep breath.

*Contributed by PADG Rey Bonifacio*

*Editor's Note: The above are just jokes and do not provide a justification to support the "Malpractice Bill" filed in Congress.*

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PD Tim L. Warden

(Crosswords & Other Puzzles for Enthusiasts)

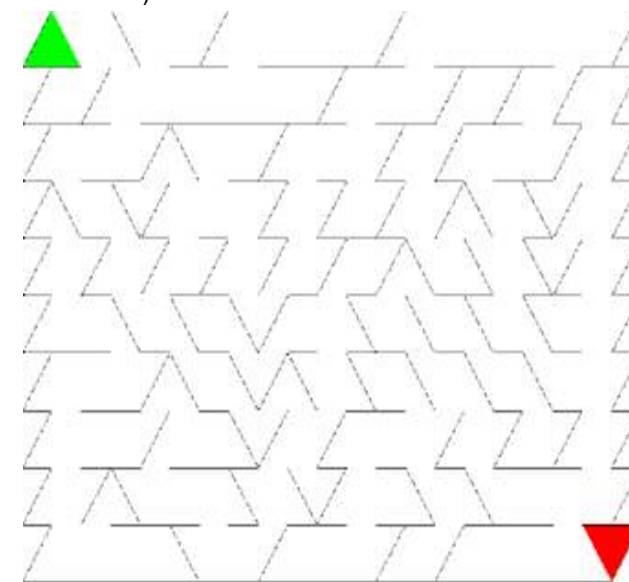
## Answers of August 20 issue

Across:

3. China
5. Scotland
6. Japan
8. Greece

Down:

1. Thailand
2. United States
4. Spain
7. Iran



## TIPS (Tidbits, Information & Practical Suggestions)

Romy de Castro

### SPIRITUAL TIPS

#### Oasis in the Desert

The world that God created that was not only good but “very good”, (Gen. 1:31) has since then been undergoing sufferings and tribulations in varying degrees. And the journey of life which began in the Garden (Paradise), went through Calvary (Garden of Gethsemane), but happily ended in the Resurrection. This dynamic seems to be the pattern of events in the world.

One of the greatest tragedies of all times is that of 9/11, which is about a couple of weeks to its first anniversary. While viewing the TV footage of the event while it was happening last year, I felt a sense of rage for such an irresponsible and dastardly act of barbarity on the part of those who committed it and also nostalgia, for in May of 1976 when the WTC was only 3

years old, Mrs. De Castro and I zoomed to the top of one of the ‘twins’, while visiting NYC, on our way to Washington, D.C. for the bicentennial celebration of America. We were on our way back from our post-grad studies from a University in the Midwest.

Then followed the Afghanistan war on liberation from the oppressive Talibans, and its attendant hostilities on both sides of the conflict throughout the world. Internally, we were continuously challenged by the kidnapping sprees of the Abu Sayaff group, the faltering economy, the instability in government, the glaring poverty of the majority of our people, not to say anything about the constant complaints of many of our children and the nagging of our spouses. Do these things suggest that God has aban-

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## TEST (Ten Exercises for Students of Trivia)

Rotarian Ruel T. Tana

**Country Flags** – in this quiz, I will describe a flag and name which country it belongs.



1. This country's flag is red with a black bird in the center.
2. This flag features a red leaf and has two vertical stripes of red.
3. This flag consists of a vertically divided blue, white and red.
4. This country's flag displays nine horizontal stripes, alternatively blue and white, and a white cross on a blue square field in canton.
5. This country's flag has a shield with two spears in the center. The background consists of horizontal stripes of red, black, white and green.
6. This country's flag is totally green.
7. This country's flag is not rectangular, and instead is two attached pennants. On the upper

side a moon is depicted and on the lower side there is a picture of a sun.

8. This country's flag simply consists of white over red horizontally.
9. This country's flag has a large “R” on it over colored vertical stripes.
10. This country's flag is red with a yellow star in its center

-Answer on the next issue

Answers to previous:

1. Rasputin
2. Democratic Republic of Vietnam
3. Antonio Lopez de Sta. Anna
4. Operation Overlord
5. Endeavor
6. Enola Gay
7. 116 years
8. Librarian
9. Perestroika
10. The Suez Canal

## C.P.R. (Club Pass & Review)

Sec. Reggie C. Chan

It was indeed a dream come true for the Dream Team to host a Ladies' Day meeting last Tuesday. One performs at his best when he is inspired, right? Our dream boys certainly did so and gave quite an impressive presentation because their beloved Anns were there to give them extra motivation. Day chairman and master of ceremonies, Rtn. Dave showed us that he is now well adjusted despite the long vacation he had away from the Philippines. Rtn. Ronald with his saintly looks led the prayer and 4 way test. Pambansang Engineer, Rtn. Frederick led the national anthem. After a few minutes of eating, laughing and gossiping, Rtn. Edgar went up to officially welcome and greet everyone. A wonderful surprise followed when the Inner-wheel members joined PP Ferdinand and company sing “O Ang Babae”. Speaking of Babae,

Rtn Romy de Castro used it as his topic in his friendship session. Since it's a topic that is baffling, beyond understanding and difficult to comprehend, many Rotarians ended up paying the bigger fine for giving incorrect answers. Pres. Rex, who was almost forgotten to be called by Dave, was granted his time and privilege to welcome everyone, thank some people and give announcements on upcoming events.

Guest of honor and speaker, spouse of IPDG Mark Go, Soledad gave a speech that described the mutual love and inspiration that both Rotarians and Anns can give to each other. She said that being a Rotary Ann is never easy but the learning experiences, the rewards, and the opportunity to work hand in hand with their husbands make all the difference.

It was a delightful afternoon. Pres. Rex adjourned the meeting.

## WE CARE (Weekly Cartoon Editorial) Sec. Reggie C. Chan



## E-QUIP

(Quotes from the Internet)

Sec. Reggie C. Chan

“One machine can do the work of fifty ordinary men. No machine can do the work of one extraordinary man.”

- Elbert Hubbard (1856 - 1915)



## Club FulFILMent



2nd Regular Board Meeting at  
Gee-o Restaurant



Pwede pa kami, Birit Lung held at  
CAP Building



Essay Writing Contest of the  
Lung Month celebration



Poster Making Contest of the  
Lung Month celebration



Donors, participants and organizers of the  
Lung Month celebration



Health Awareness broadcast held at DZNL

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**PRESIDENTS' CORNER**  
**President Rex O. Mendoza, Jr.**

To our Medical Equipment Training Project partners, welcome to our Club and Mabuhay po kayo!

Today will be the last meeting day for August. If I am permitted to count, 10 months to go and a new Rotary year will unfold. So, PE Rey, better start giving your 1000% time to your business and family because for sure they will miss.

Next week will be our Club Assembly, in preparation of our Governors visit September 10. Members of the Board will share with us the Report to the Governor. We have to do it in advance to make it sure that members are well informed and to give us time for any improvements.

In the last Board meeting, it was approved that we have to start considering organizing the Rotary Foundation of RCSFU, Inc. So, today we are enclosing an election form for you to elect 7 members of our Club as BOARD OF

TRUSTEES. After filling it up, please return back the form to Lydia and announcement will be made next week during our Club Assembly.

For the information of everybody our new Scroll of Honorees are the following: (1) Rtn. Francis Ali Morales and (2) PP Caloy Mendoza both from the Rotary Club of Baguio.

Other activities for the week:

♦ On Wednesday at 6:30am – our 2<sup>nd</sup> hog dispersal project for RVC of Calabugao

♦ On Thursday from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm – organization of different Interact and Rotaract Club

♦ On Thursday at 7:00 pm – induction of the Rotary Club of Bauang

To all our GREAT supporters and partners for the month of August, especially Rotadoc Edward, Inner Wheel Club of SFU, LUMS, and to all the different drug companies Maraming Salamat po! We share to you all our riches and blessings!

**PP Dan Bolong**

## Fireside Chat

### CREATING LEGACY THRU ROTARY

Legacy as interpreted in this Article is a lasting deed or action led to posterity.

If legacy, there indeed is by Rotary, it derives firmly from the blaring tenets of Rotary – to respect and practice the TRUTH, FAIRNESS, SOLIDIFIED FRIENDSHIP AND SPIRITED GOODWILL, and finally acts BENEFICIAL TO ALL CONCERNED.

Having matured in Rotary through the THIRTY SEVEN (37) years of membership and gaining the Senior Active Membership, there now mellows a driving spirit to practice to the fullest the golden spirit of Rotary.

The Motto. SERVICE ABOVE SELF – HE PROFITS MOST WHO SERVES BEST, prods an intensive spirited urge to respond fully. And

respond to leave a legacy, if possible, a long lasting if not eternally living legacy, if I can realize, I think I should do, if I'm a true Rotarian.

Thus prodded, I have decided to start projects that leave long lasting effects on recipients of Rotary service.

The PORKIES FOR GOODWILL that won an award ignited the sense of legacy. For it persisted and arrived at a continuing HOG BREEDING FARM, the source of piglets for dispersal for the RCSFLU these days.

And so flare up the question: WHAT ARE OTHERS THAT CAN BE INITIATED TO STAY AS LEGACY?

In response to such self inquiry as a true Rotarian, I decided that one need not do only

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