

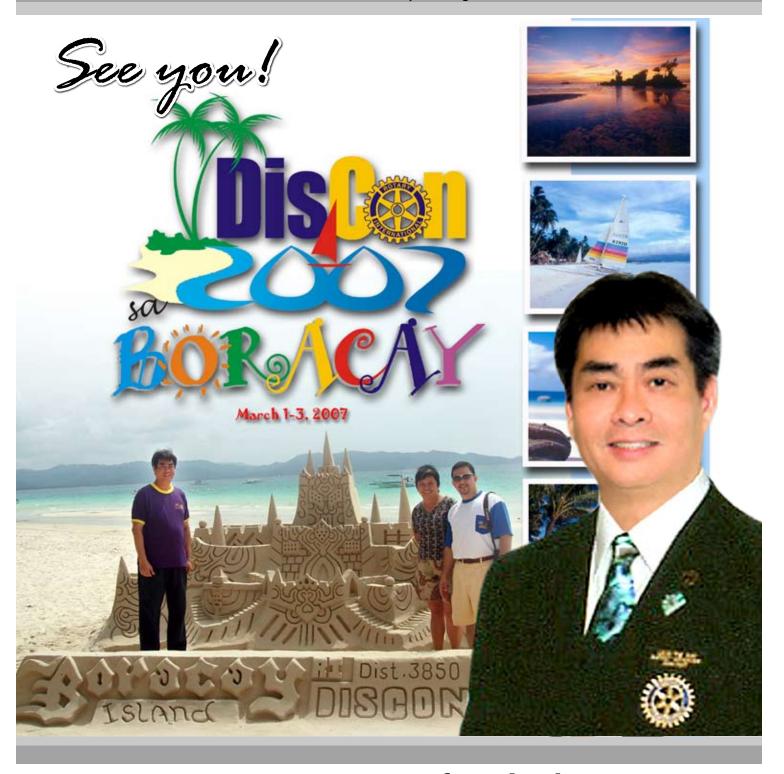
# GOVERNOR'S MONTHLY LETTER



**DISTRICT 3850, PHILIPPINES** 

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Rotary is an organization of people who care.

Lead the Way — William B. Boyd, President



llow me to depart from the usual message of Christmas as I am sure that all of us have our fair share of felicitations from friends and family. The year end moves us to take stock of what we have done so that we can learn from the past and improve the future.

The great environmental disaster in Guimaras has moved the entire nation to contribute time, money and effort in order to relieve the ecology of the strain of the oil spill. Everybody was angry at the tanker operator and Petron for what they have done to a beautiful Island. Everybody wanted to send medical missions or clean up the shores and the mangroves of the oil that has enveloped the environs of Guimaras. The question is, were people really moved by a genuine concern for the environment? One would think though that we felt that way against this assault to the environment because we wanted to have a scapegoat for all the ecological mess that we are in. Blaming the culprits for the Guimaras fiasco and taking part in the save Guimaras movement provides a catharsis for the collective guilt and responsibility that each one has to accept in the degradation of the environment. You see, it is not just in Guimaras. The Pasig River is a dead river. Several rivers in our community are dying and will soon meet the same fate. Forests are dwindling. Some species of flora and fauna are becoming extinct. Corals are being poisoned or dynamited. Pollution is wreaking havoc on our health. And all we can do is to look at the distant landscape of Guimaras and feel aggrieved by what a few million gallons of oil have done.

Alas, we do not feel the same sense of anger at the pedestrian who throws plastic on the streets, the factory that spills pollutants in the river or emits toxins in the air, or even loggers who clear hectares of trees daily. We were appalled by the Guimaras incident but we turn a blind eye to the disaster that is emerging in each community.

There is a Guimaras in all of us that cries out to be recognized. And if we really care about the environment, we should start in our own backyard.

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# 2006-2007 RI President

# William "Bill" Boyd

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Dear fellow Rotarians,

My wife, Lorna, and I will celebrate our 52nd wedding anniversary in March. We are fortunate to have 4 children and 11 grandchildren, the youngest of whom, Emery, we met for the first time earlier this year. Wherever we travel with Rotary, our thoughts are always with them. And no matter how much we've enjoyed our trip, our family is the reason we're always glad to return home. Family is what makes a place home. Family is what's really important in life.

That's why the family of Rotary is so important to us. I've been a Rotarian for most of the years Lorna and I have been married, and over those years, Rotary has become a part of our family. Like our own family, we can count on the family of Rotary to help when help is needed and to share life's joys and sorrows. Being part of Rotary means being part of the largest extended family in the world.

Rotary is an organization of people who care — about their homes, their communities, and each other. And caring is what family is all about.

A key idea of the family of Rotary is that it encompasses the family of every Rotarian — spouses, widows and widowers, children, and parents. Rotary was never designed to take club members away from their families. Instead, it should be a force that brings them together. Through programs such as Rotaract, Interact, and Rotary Youth Exchange, we work to bring a new generation into the spirit of



Rotary service. Through our emphasis on the family of Rotary, we work to ensure that no one in the organization is ever left behind.

The end of the calendar year is a time of celebration in many traditions. Lorna and I would like to take this opportunity to thank those of you who send us your greetings during this season. Unfortunately, we cannot respond to you all as we would like. Therefore, we will make a contribution to The Rotary Foundation as our expression of thanks.

Rotary's success depends on the support of every Rotarian and everyone in the family of Rotary. In a family, no one is any more or less important than anyone else. Everyone is equally valued and equally a part of the family. That is also true in the family of Rotary. All of us are working toward the same goals of better communities and a better world. And we all know that we accomplish more and enjoy ourselves far more when we're working side by side with our friends — and our families.



# Governor's Message

Ramon "Toto" Cua Locsin
District 3850 Governor, RY 2006-2007



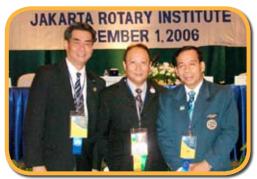




Gov. Toto with RI President's Representative to D3850 Discon, PDG Jason "Archi" Hsu of District 3500, Taiwan



Gov. Toto with 5 District Governors from Taiwan during the Jakarta Rotary Institute



Gov. Toto with PDG Gil Divinagracia & DG Danny Espinosa of District 3780

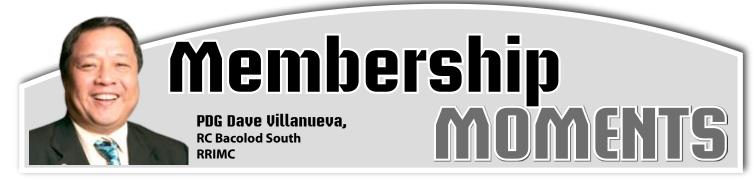
For the past six months you have been with me in serving the community. It can be said that we started Christmas right at the commencement of our year last July 1, 2006. That is because; we started with the spirit of giving and a mission of hope. Since July 1, 2006, I have seen how you as Rotarians of District 3850 conveyed the message of Christmas through health and nutrition missions, literacy projects, water delivery systems, and similar undertakings that were as creative as they were beneficial.

For this reason we have shared our blessings ahead of everyone else. We have led the way. In this sense, we deserve to celebrate the yuletide season by honoring our family, which should take focus this month of the Rotary Family. It is a time to strengthen our bonds and renew our strength by being with our loved ones.

I take comfort that, for the first half of the year, your wholehearted support has carried us through with wonderful achievements and we have moved forward with great strides, through you community projects, PR campaigns, and support to the Rotary Foundation.. During my visits, I have been welcomed with a brand of friendship that is heartwarming and true. It is this kind of support that has given me motivation to do more for our District. As we begin our second half of the Rotary Year let us pause for a moment and be encouraged by our purpose to serve, be inspired by the message of Christmas and take measure of the great movement that is Rotary.

Arlene and I join you in this season of hope and peace. And as we reflect on the humble setting of Christ's birth, let us all harness our dedication to bring hope to the community. Fellow Rotarians of District 3850, Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Zone	No.	Name	Club No.	Charter Year	Members to-Date	No. of Mtgs.	November Attendance %	Ranking	October Attendance %	Ranking	September Attendance %	Ranking
1	1	lloilo	17045	1933	49	4	48.26	41	44.77	39	54.76	38
	2	lloilo South	17047	1971	26	5	100.00	1	98.00	1	96.00	1 (tie)
	3	Antique	17015	1975	20	4	92.00	4	65.05	32	62.50	33
	4	lloilo West	28828	1992	18	4	67.00	32	65.50	31	94.00	4
	5	Miagao	58693	2002	16	4	80.68	20	78.60	18	80.00	20
II	1	lloilo City	17046	1975	20	4	82.00	18	84.05	10	82.00	18
	2	Jaro Iloilo City	25131	1988	24	4	70.83	30	63.06	34	73.32	27
	3	Central Iloilo City	27338	1990	15	4	78.41	25	82.95	15	54.17	39
	4	Jaro North	28741	1992	19	4	86.75	12	83.00	14	86.80	10
	5	Jaro Centraline	29746	1993	22	5	89.99	6	77.00	23	91.66	9
	6	Jaro South	31664	1996	10	4	78.77	23	78.07	22	75.00	26
III	1	Metro Iloilo	17066	1979	71	4	65.03	33	64.77	33	75.00	26
	2	Midtown Iloilo	24342	1987	28	4	77.92	26	78.50	20	84.00	14
	3	Guimaras	27277	1990	14	4	57.36	38	57.00	37	73.08	28
	4	Molo	27939	1991	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR
	5	Lapaz	30821	1995	13	4	79.00	22	84.00	11	83.00	16
	6	Dumangas	31821	1996	18	4	84.06	14	83.50	13	79.90	21
IV	1	Roxas	17080	1964	18	4	79.00	22	75.00	24	84.00	14
	2	Kalibo	17053	1967	45	4	83.76	16	83.76	12	83.55	15
	3	Metro Roxas	22518	1982	60	4	88.00	8 (tie)	91.00	5	93.00	6 (tie)
	4	Boracay	50661	1997	34	4	41.91	43	75.00	24	72.06	29
	5	Metro Kalibo	54828	2001	37	4	84.00	15	81.10	16	81.36	19
٧	1	Bacolod North	17091	1966	60	4	63.59	34	78.26	21	75.57	25
	2	Silay	17084	1973	14	4	89.21	7	80.00	17	92.30	7
	3	Escalante	17037	1976	17	4	75.00	28	75.00	24	85.00	13
	4	Metro San Carlos	51747	1999	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR	93.00	6 (tie)
	5	Victorias	51747	1999	14	5	78.57	24	78.53	19	75.00	26
VI	1	Bacolod	17016	1937	40	5	86.00	13	85.00	9 (tie)	85.29	12
	2	Bacolod East	17017	1983	25	4	55.75	39	56.05	38	61.06	34
	3	Bacolod West	27374	1990	24	4	91.67	5	95.50	2	96.00	1 (tie)
	4	Bacolod Marapara	29076	1992	23	4	61.00	36	68.00	28	61.00	35
	5	Bacolod Central	31518	1996	14	2	80.00	21	75.00	24	82.50	17
VII	1	Bacolod South	17019	1969	26	4	88.00	8 (tie)	88.00	8	92.00	8
	2	Kabankalan City	17052	1974	28	4	71.75	29	77.00	23	77.59	24
	3	Metro Bacolod	25280	1988	31	3	87.10	9	71.78	26	93.55	5
	4	Cauayan Centennial	69720	2005	11	2	77.00	27	72.00	25	60.00	36
VIII IX	1	Dipolog	21409	1950	25	4	68.07	31	69.02	27	67.00	32
	2	Jimenez	17050	1975	22	4	63.00	35	90.08	7	89.00	
	3	Dapitan City	25485	1986	10	4	47.05	42	85.00	9 (tie)	DNR	DNR
	4	Oroquieta Centennial	69314	2005	20	3	84.00	15	94.00	3	96.00	1 (tie)
IX	1	Ozamiz North	17073	1974	31	4	49.00	40	57.00	37	55.00	37
IA	2	Pagadian	17073	1975	30	5	41.33	44	40.83	41	51.67	40
	3	Pagadian West	17075	1977	26	3	34.67	45	41.50	40	45.20	42
	4	Ozamiz	17072	1995	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR	58.00	36	70.00	31
v	1	Zambaan za Citu	17004	1040	42	4	07.00	11	00.00	0	DND	DND
X	1	Zamboanga City Basilan City	17094 17022	1948 1960	42 20	4	87.00 87.05	11 10	88.00 67.18	8 29	DNR 70.31	DNR 30
	3	Zamboanga City East	17022	1974	27	4	59.61	37	62.00	35	45.75	41
	4	Zamboanga City North	17095	1974	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR
	5	Zamboanga City Central	26956	1990	32	4	96.42	2 2	90.17	6 6	85.80	11
V/												
ΧI	1	Zamboanga City West Metro Zamboanga	17097 22275	1971 1984	49 23	5 4	93.25 81.00	3 19	91.56 83.00	4 14	95.45 78.50	2 22
	3	Ipil Sibugay	59175	2002	29	4	82.03	17	67.07	30	78.03	23
	4	Bongao Tawi-Tawi	69302	2005	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR	95.00	3



Week 31 – December 31 – January 6 Have you considered having a Rotary Business card? Why not carry a business card that gives your name, classification, Club name, meeting place and time. Invite someone new to a meeting. They maybe a potential member Make the public aware of Rotary during Rotary Awareness Month.

Week 27 – January 7 – 13 Have you ever written a newspaper press release about a club Rotary event? This is the month to do so as it is Rotary awareness month, who, what, where, when and why that is the start of the process. Rotarians enjoy seeing their efforts publicized.

# The answer to these questions gives your club some well-deserved publicity.

Week 28 – January 14 – 20 Have you heard of the Rotary airport, elevator or restaurant story? Some of the best happenings you'll ever have are when you meet people that recognize your Rotary pin. The exchange student that is now a business manager or the Ambassadorial Scholar that has gone on to be a University professor, these are the alumni of Rotary and they love to tell of their Rotary experience.

# Wear great public relations on your lapel - your Rotary pin is recognized world over.

Week 29 – January 21 – 27 Why not promote your club at your next fund raising event? At your next fund raising event help create a Rotary information table. Have a handout that tells of the community and international service that you as Rotarians perform. Let the community know that the Rotary Club of \_\_\_\_\_ is looking for good women and men to become members of your club. Help create a club brochure

Week 30 – January 28 – February 3 Do you know the Rotary story and how it all began? Take a look back and appreciate how this organization got it start and the founders created one of the leading service organizations through out the world. Increase your awareness during Rotary Awareness Month and then tell a non-Rotarian about the story.

# Knowing the Rotary story makes you a stronger Rotarian

Week 32 – February 4 – 10 February is World Understanding month. Have you ever hosted an Rotary exchange student? One of the most positive experiences that your family can have is by hosting an exchange student for a period of time during the school year. The understanding of different cultures is a gift you can give your family.

# Give your child or grandchild a part in this wonderful program

Week 33 – February 11 – 17 Has your club had a program on the Ambassadorial Program? This is part of the Rotary efforts for World Understanding. You can help spread the word that Rotary has provided 37,000 scholarships since the program's inception in 1947, and that scholars from 100s of countries have studied under this program. It is the world's largest privately funded international scholarship program furthering cultural understanding and friendly relations from people around the world.

# Be a proud Rotarian and find others to join you

Week 34 – February 18 – 24 Ever thought about being a Group Study Exchange leader? This is a cultural and vocational opportunity for young business and professional people between the ages of 25 and 40. Four to six weeks in a host country experiencing the country's institutions and way of life. You as a leader can be of any age and professional background.

# Be an involved Rotarian and stay a Rotarian

OR

Week 34 – February 18 – 24 Who has a birthday the week? That's right, Rotary's birthday is the 23rd. Help your club celebrate! Schedule an interesting speaker and invite business people through out your community to this meeting.

# Show off Rotary and promote membership.

Week 35 – February 25 – March 3 Do you know the newest international program sponsored by The Rotary Foundation? The Peace Fellow program situated at 6 international universities offers professionals from around the world the opportunity to study conflict resolution and peace making. They will be the peace makers and keepers of the future.

# Tell the world of Rotary's goal World Peace and Understanding

**EXTRA** 

Do you realize that if you're a Rotarian the way you do business lends to the reputation of Rotary? High ethical standards and good business practices give to you creditability and that is the foundation of Rotary.

# Show your values! Others will want to join our organization

By: Rtn. Hellaine Campbell
D-5130 and provided to us by PDG
Rosemary Barker Aragon of D-5030,
RRIMC for Zone 23.

# Voice of our Youth

he District recently concluded the final elimination round for the Biennial Voice of Our Youth Impromptu Speaking Competition which was held last November 25, 2006 at Business Inn, Bacolod City. The District Competition was spearheaded by the Rotary Club of Bacolod North. Governor Toto Locsin attended and awarded the winners. We were able to get top caliber judges who deliberated from among the 16 contestants who came to participate namely Dr. Merceditas Aves-Joson, Regina Groyon and Director/Film Maker Peque Gallaga.

Declared winners were SHIVEENA AMARNANI PARMANAND of Ateneo University, Zamboanga sponsored by RC Zamboanga City East and VINCEN GREGORY YU of the Iloilo Central Commercial High School sponsored by RC Iloilo City. Each of the district winners will get to bring home P15,000 in cash and compete in an all-expense paid trip to Manila along with their coach/trainer. In case they will win the National Level Competition, the winner will bring home an additional P40,000 cash for the Runner-Up and P50,000 for the Grand Prize. The National Level Competition will be held on February 2, 2007 at the Philamlife Auditorium in Manila. Here we will witness all the winners of the different Districts in the Philippines compete with one another and bring home the honor and glory to their school and their sponsoring Rotary Club.

It may be interesting to note that our District has been successful in fielding not only contestants but also winners in the Manila competition. Last 2004, Ms.Abigail Bayona, a student from UNO-R and sponsored by the RC Bacolod West won the Grand Prize. Prior to that, in 2002, another student from USLS-Bacolod, Ms. Nicole Golez came home as the Runner-Up in the National Competition.

This event which is being sponsored by Allied Banking Corporation is being held to give Filipino High School students between the ages 14-18 years, a chance to develop their ability to form their point of view and at the same time convey their message in plain English. Close to 100 students from the different High Schools all over the district participated in this year's event. For all the Rotary Clubs who actively participated in this activity, our heartfelt gratitude because we know that without your support, this project would not have been successful. As for the rest of the Rotary Clubs in the District that have not participated, we hope that in two years time, you will also find time and effort to support this worthwhile project so that we can give our students the venue and opportunity to express their opinion in matters affecting our nations by listening to the Voice of our Youth.



Voice of Our Youth District Chairman Ernie Malata of Rotary Club of Bacolod North delivering his welcome remarks



DG Toto Locsin pose with all the Voice of our Youth candidates from Zones 1 to 11



Gov. Toto, VOY District Chairman Ernie Malata and Representative of Allied Bank presenting the Cash Awards to SHIVEENA AMARNANI PARMANAND of Ateneo University, Zamboanga sponsored by RC Zamboanga City East and VINCEN GREGORY YU of the Iloilo Central Commercial High School sponsored by RC Iloilo City



# 3850 District Conference 2007 March 1-3, 2007 Boracay Island

### **Tentative Schedule of Activities**

# March 1, 2007 Thursday

Governor's Cup Invitational Golf Tournament 6 am

(Fairways & Bluewater Resort Golf & Country Club)

8am-6pm REGISTRATION

(Boracay Regency Beach Resort, Station 2)

5 pm Assembly

Boracay Regency Beach Resort Convention Hall Attire: Beach Attire (up to the individual clubs to

decide)

### **Plenary Session 1**

5:30 pm **Opening Ceremonies** 

7 pm Welcome Reception for RI President's

Representative, Guests & Delegates

(Beach front, Boracay Regency Beach Resort)

**Buffet Dinner** Club Presentations Dance & Fellowship

# March 2, 2007 friday

10th International Rotary Matched Clubs 6 am

Invitational Golf Classic

Fairways & Bluewater Resort Golf & Country Club

9 am Assembly

**Boracay Regency Convention Hall** 

Attire: Club uniform

### **Plenary Session 2**

"On to Salt Lake City" 9:30 am

Rotary's Emphasis: Literacy

Rotary's Emphasis: Water Management

**Break-up Group Sessions** 

Group 1: Literacy

Group 2: Water Management Report of Break-up Group Sessions

12:15 am Adjournment

#### **Plenary Session 3**

12:30 pm Luncheon Meeting

Presentation of GSE Team from D5240 USA

**Rotary Foundation & The World** 

Recognition of The Rotary Foundation Contributors

2:30 pm Adjournment

## **Plenary Session 4**

2:40 pm Rotary's Emphasis: Membership &

**Family of Rotary** 

Rotary's Emphasis: Health & Hunger

**Break-up Group Sessions** 

Group 1: The Rotary Foundation & Matching Grants

Group 2: Membership & Family of Rotary

Group 3: Health & Hunger

Report of Break-up Group Sessions

Adjournment

# Hawaiian Night Beach Fellowship

Willy's Beach Resort & Nigi-Nigi Too (Station 2)

Attire: Hawaiian

7 pm Dinner

> Discon 2008 Promotion **Club Presentations** Dance & Fellowship

# March 3, 2007 Saturday

### **Plenary Session 5**

Boracay Regency Beach Resort Convention Hall

Attire: Club uniform

Assembly 8:45 am

9:00 am **Business Meeting** 

> Election of Zone Representatives to the **District Nominating Committee** District Awards (Projects & Programs)

11:30 am Adjournment

**FREE TIME** 

## **Governor's Ball**

Venue: Boracay Regency Beach Resort Beach Front

Attire: All WHITE beach attire

7:00 pm Dinner & Entertainment

> District Award (Outstanding Club & Club President) Introduction of DGN & Spouse RY 2008-2009

Introduction of DGE & Family

Message of DGE

**RIPR Closing Plenary Address** 

**DG Closing Address Ball & Fellowship** 

# 2007 DISTRICT CONFERENCE

# March 1-3, 2007



### **REGISTRATION RATES**

	Jan. 1, 2007 to Feb. 15, 2007	Feb. 16, 2007 to Mar. 2007
Rotarians	2,200.00	2,400.00
Spouses / Anns	2,000.00	2,200.00
Guests	2,000.00	2,200.00
Rotaractors   Interactors	1,800.00	2,000.00

### **REGISTRATION INCLUDES:**

- Kits for Rotarians
- 3 Buffet Dinner
  - March 1 Welcome Reception
  - March 2 Hawaiian Night
  - March 3 Governor's Ball
- 1 Buffet Lunch
  - March 2 Luncheon Meeting

# Governor's Cup

# Invitational Golf Tournament

March 1, 2007 • 7 AM
Fairways and Bluewater Resort Golf & Country Club
Boracay Island

Contact Person: PP Jess Arlegui

**District Sports Chairman** 

**RC Molo** 

Contact Nos. 09188011111 • (033) 321 3485

Email: actelecoms@yahoo.com

#### **REGISTRATION FEE**

P2,500.00 - up to February 15 P3,000.00 - February 16 to March 1

- \*inclusive of 1 round of golf, giveaways, raffle prizes and buffet lunch (cart and caddie excluded).
- \* Rotarians and Spouses should be officially registered with the Discon.
- \* Guests who are not officially registered with the Discon will be charged an additional P500.00 for the golf registration fee.

#### **SCORING SYSTEM AND FORMAT**

**Rotarians:** Pal Points (Stable Ford, Full handicap played)

Index card is required, no index card - 0 handicap

Guests: System 36

Participants: Open to all Rotarians, Spouses and Guests

Categories: Class A 0 to 11
Class B 12 to 19

Class B 12 to 19 Class C 20 to 28

# District Raffle December 15, 2006 at Hotel Del Rio









# Announcement for suggestions to the District nominating committee for candidates for the office of Governor of R.I. District 3850 in RY 2009-2010

Rotary Clubs of R.I. District 3850 are invited to submit their suggestions for nomination for District Governor in RY 2009-2010 for consideration by the District Nominating Committee. In order to receive such consideration, the suggestions must reach the District Nominating Committee through the Office of the District Governor on or before March 15, 2007, Thursday, at the following address: RCL Commercial, 22 Quezon St., Iloilo City.

All suggestions shall be submitted the a form of a resolution adopted at a regular meeting of the Club naming the suggested candidate properly certified by the Club Secretary, with at least ten (10) copies of the candidates Bio-Data, following the format of our District's criteria for the selection of District Governor Nominee, enclosed. In the event that any Club desiring to suggest a candidate for District Governor-Nominee who is not a member of such Club, concurrence of the Club of which the candidate is a member shall be first obtained.

Clubs desiring to suggest candidates for nomination for District Governor should refer to the R.I. Bylaws (Article XIII, Section 13.020.4) and pertinent sections of the 2001 Manual of Procedure for the qualifications of a District Governor Nominee and must strictly comply with the Guidelines for Candidates for Elective Positions in R.I.

The District Nominating Committee shall convene on March 31, 2007, Saturday, 10:00 A.M., at the Business Inn, Bacolod City to make its selection. The Nominating Committee shall not limit the selection to those names submitted by Clubs in the District but shall nominate the best qualified Rotarian available to perform the functions of the office of District Governor, properly informing the District Governor of the candidate selected upon making its selection.

Done on this 26th day of December, 2006 in the City of Iloilo, Philippines.

DG Ramon "Toto" Cua Locsin

# **Qualifications of a District Governor Nominee**

At the time of selection, a District Governor Nominee must have the following qualifications:

- Membership, other than honorary, in good standing of a Club in the District where he or she is nominated:
- 2. Full qualifications for such membership in the strict application of the provisions and the Nominee's classification must be without question;
- 3. Membership in a functioning Club in good standing which has no outstanding indebtedness to Rotary International as of the close of the fiscal year preceding the period when proposed as a candidate for nomination for District Governor;
- 4. Service as President of a Club for a full term;
- 5. Willingness and ability, physically and otherwise, to fulfill the duties and responsibilities of the office of District Governor as provided;
- 6. The ability and commitment to meet additional qualifications called for on taking office.

At the time of taking office, a District Governor must have completed seven (7) years of membership in one or more Rotary Clubs and have attended the International Assembly.

The District Governor Nominee also:

- a. Should possess the esteem and confidence of his or her own Club;
- b. Should be a person of high business or professional standing, with executive ability, demonstrated in the conduct of his or her own business or profession;
- c. Should have his or her business or professional work so well organized that the time necessary to carry out the Rotary work can be given;
- d. Should be a person whose conduct and the conduct of whose immediate family is above reproach;
- e. Should have a knowledge of Rotary, its purposes, objects and laws, and be a Rotarian of recognized loyalty to Rotary International; and
- f. Should be able to discuss any phase of Rotary in a convincing manner and to express these thoughts publicly, as well as privately, in simple, direct and earnest language and need not be an orator.

# Guidelines regarding campaigning, canvassing and electioneering

(Reference: Section 26.100.5 of the Rotary Code of Policies, June 2004)

It is a fundamental principle in Rotary that the best qualified candidate should be selected for service in Rotary's elective offices. Therefore, any effort to influence the selection process by campaigning, canvassing, electioneering or otherwise is prohibited under the RI Bylaws.

The following guidelines shall be followed concerning campaigning, canvassing and electioneering for any Rotarian considering election to the office of President, Director, Governor, or representative to the Council on Legislation, or the nominating committee for any such office. These guidelines are designed to ensure that the best qualified candidate is selected for office:

- 1. Rotarians should at all time conform to the prohibitions of RI Bylaws concerning campaigning, canvassing or electioneering. All Rotarians should observe both the letter and the spirit of the bylaws and refrain from any activity whose purpose or effect is to influence others by promoting or soliciting support for a candidate or another Rotarian's candidacy. Such activity is repugnant to the spirit of the bylaws and the principles of Rotary and will be grounds for disqualification of a candidate.
- Campaigning, canvassing or electioneering is any action seeking votes, requesting support in a forthcoming election, distribution of literature or promotional materials or other overt actions intended to promote one's candidacy for an elected Rotary office.
- 3. The periods of candidacy for elective office begin when individual Rotarians begin to give serious consideration to submitting their names for a position covered by the RI rules for nominations and elections. Commencing at that time, candidates should be particularly careful to avoid any actions designed to publicize their names or achievements, to call attention to the applicable nominations or elections, or to give candidates an unfair advantage over other candidates for the same position.
- 4. The normal performance of duly-assigned Rotary activities would not be considered to be a violation of the policies related to campaigning, canvassing, or electioneering.
- 5. Should a candidate become aware of any campaigning or electioneering activities which are undertaken on the candidate's behalf, the candidate shall immediately and in writing express disapproval to all concerned and instruct them to terminate such activity.

# Inbound GSE Team from D5240, USA



# The Team and their Vocational Interests

# Sita Aiello (Team Member)

34 yrs, Married

Occupation: University Graduate Program Advisor

Fielding Graduate University

Industry: Education

#### Vocational Goals for Exchange:

- Learn about the Filipino educational system.
  - Visit elementary and secondary schools
  - Visit universities and meet educational administrators.
  - Learn what the job market is like in the Philippines for American educators.
  - Learn about cultural differences and similarities and use this to help my understanding of the term "diversity" when applied to education in the U.S.

# Lindsay Loft (Team Member)

25 yrs, Single

Occupation: Laboratory Analyst, Las Virgenes Water District Industry: Public Water Works

## Vocational Goals for Exchange:

- Learn about various water issues in the Philippines.
- Learn about problems Filipinos face with sanitization, treatment and distribution of water.
- · Visit any water projects sponsored by Rotary.
- Learn about the differences between water industries in the Philippines versus the US.

# Beth Pitton-August (Team Member)

40 yrs, Married

Occupation: Non-profit fundraiser, Direct Relief International Industry: International Health Charity

#### Vocational Goals for Exchange:

- Learn about how fundraising and non-profit financial development practices are carried out in the Philippines.
- Meet members of the donor community as well as members of the non-profit management, programs and fundraising professions.
- · Learn about health/medical needs in the Philippines.
- Make contacts with Filipino Rotarians and others; forge partnerships so as to develop further Direct Relief Inter national's capacity to provide medical material assistance to organizations serving communities of high need in the Philippines.
- Interact with people from a variety of communities and stations in life.
- Learn about women's issues, particularly access to health services, meaningful and gainful employment and social justice.

# April Rosser (Team Member)

25 yrs, Single

Occupation: Client Benefit Specialist, Ventura County Industry: Local Government Social Services

#### Vocational Goals for Exchange:

- Learn about the structure and organization of the welfare system in the Philippines.
- Be exposed to and educated on the social issues pertaining to the Philippines.
- Learn about non-profit, charitable organizations operating in the Philippines, most especially human rights, such as poverty and child/women's rights.
- Learn how social institutions, such as shelters, hospitals and orphanages, operate in the Philippines.

# Janet Napier (Team Leader)

62 yrs, Married

Occupation: Retired President/CEO, Easter Seals Tri-Counties, California Industry: Non-profit, charitable organization providing services to children and adults with disabilities; rehabilitation, childcare, infant development.

### Vocational Goals for Exchange:

- Learn about social institutions in the Philippines serving the poor, youth, persons with disabilities and women, e.g. charities, orphanages, healthcare facilities, schools, etc.
- · Visit projects sponsored by Rotary.
- Learn about potential Rotary partnerships and projects to address needs of the disadvantaged in the Philippines to bring back to District 5240.

#### Other Team Goals

- Opportunities for sightseeing.
- Learn about culture, politics and society.
- · Interact with Filipinos; make new friends.
- Do some shopping.
- Have some relaxation time included.



# Dates to REMEMBER

## January 2007

19-20: 6th Philippine Conference on Rotary Concerns
 Venue: Business Inn, Bacolod City

#### **Rotary Awareness Month**

28-31: International Assembly; San Diego, California, USA

#### February 2007

#### **World Understanding Month**

- 1-4: International Assembly; San Diego, California, USA
- 15: Deadline of submission of entries for District Award
- 23: Rotary's 102nd Anniversary

#### March 2007

#### **Literacy Month**

- 1: Governor's Cup Golf Tournament
- 2: Rotary International Matched Club Invitational Golf Classic Boracay
- 1-3: Discon 2007 Boracay
- 12-18: World Rotaract Week

#### April 2007

#### **Magazine Month**

22-28: Council on Legislation; Chicago, Illinois, USA

### June 2007

### **Rotary Fellowships Month**

17-20: 2007 Rotary International Convention;
 Salt Lake City, Utah, USA

# **To all Club Presidents:**

We have received several payments through Allied Bank for advanced DisCon Registration that we cannot identify the sender of the payment. Kindly fax to us your deposit slips & the corresponding filled Discon registration form so that we can credit your advanced registration officially. - The DisCon Treasurer

# Club President's

# CHECKLIST

# Rotary Awareness Month

Plan and conduct monthly board meeting.
Promote attendance at the district conference.
Send monthly membership and attendance report to
the district governor or district secretary no later than 15
days after the last meeting of the month.
Conduct activities and programs to provide members
with continuing education on RI and to publicize Rotary
to the community.
Plan to send club representatives to the district confer-
ence and to the RI Convention.
Work with the club secretary to complete the semian-
nual report and send with dues to RI. Submit district per
capita dues, if applicable. A past-due reminder notice will
be sent on 1 April if RI dues have not yet been paid.
Monitor membership development initiatives and goals.
Conduct a semiannual checkup on all committee activi-
ties and objectives.
Plan and conduct club assembly to review progress
toward all club goals.
Promote availability of Ambassadorial Scholarships and
Rotary Grants for University Teachers locally. Check with
district scholarships chair on deadline for clubs to submit
applications for the district-level competition. *
Promote availability of world-competitive Rotary World
Peace Fellowships. Check with district Rotary World
Peace Fellowships chair on deadline for clubs to submit
applications for the district-level competition. *
31 January: Deadline for reporting next year's club
president and secretary to RI for the Official Directory
(007-EN), and to the district governor-elect.

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