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MANILA

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The Host Organizing Committee led by Convenor RI Director Rafael "Raffy" Garcia III and Chair PDG Isidro "Sid" Garcia preside over a general membership meeting, one of several held during the year-long preparation for the 2019 Manila Rotary Institute, held at the Manila Marriott Hotel.

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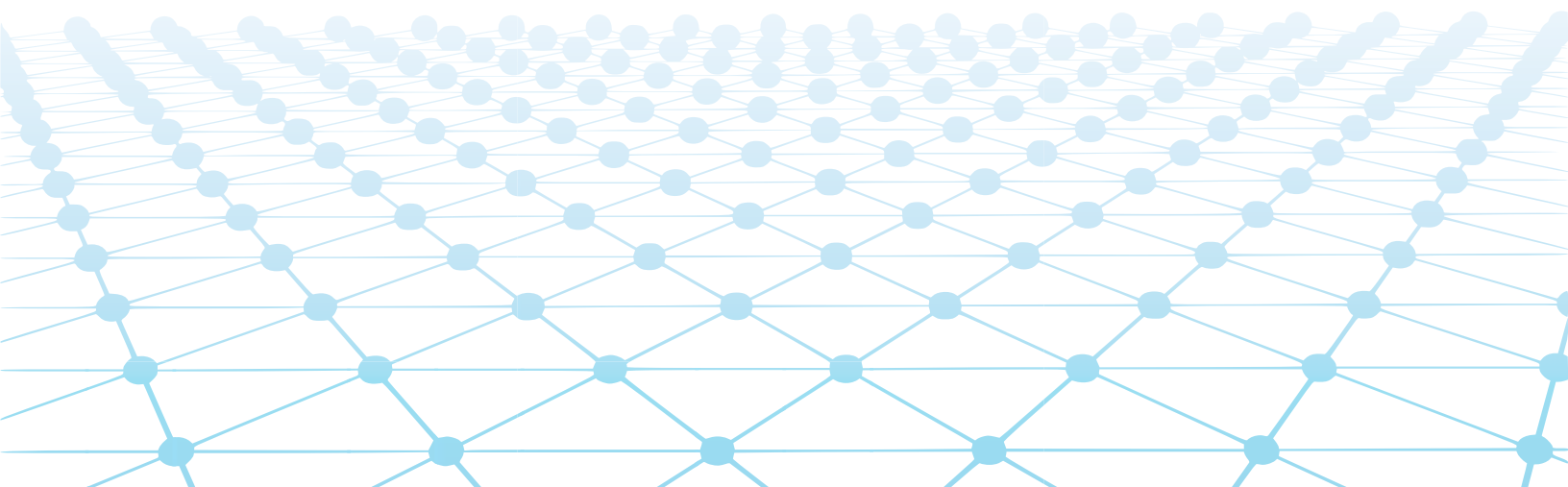
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***-PDG Sid Garcia
Chair, 2019 Manila
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**RID RAFAEL "RAFFY" M. GARCIA III
INSTITUTE CONVENOR**

Institute Convenor's Foreword

The 2019 Manila Rotary Institute was one of the largest attended and most memorable Rotary Institutes in recent history, with over 2,000 registered delegates.

It is a serious Rotary Institute where we learned from Rotary experts, such as RI President Elect Holger Knaack, TRF Trustee Chair Gary CK Huang, TRF Trustee Sangkoo Yun, RI Director Stephanie Urchick, RI Director Elect Surgeon Chi-Then Liu, RI Director Elect Virpi Honkala, Past TRF Trustee/PRID Jackson Hsieh, PRID and TRF Trustee Elect Frederick Lin from Taiwan, TRF Trustee-Elect Aziz Memon, Past RI Vice President/Chair of the International PolioPlus Committee Michael McGovern,

PRID Guiller Tumangan, PRID Rafael “Paing” Hechanova, and PRID Saowalak Rattanavich. We also had the Finance Secretary of the Republic of the Philippines, Carlos Dominguez, and Health Secretary Francisco Duque, both fellow-Rotarians. Aside from an AKS installation event, we had a re-enactment of the First Polio Drops done forty years ago by the late RI President Jim Bomar. We recognized three PolioPlus Pioneer awardees.

It was an experience to remember, an experience of a lifetime!

RI DIRECTOR RAFAEL “RAFFY” GARCIA III
Convenor 2019 Manila Rotary Institute

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RAFAEL "RAFFY" GARCIA III
RI Director, Convenor 2019
Manila Rotary Institute



**PDG ISIDRO "SID" G. GARCIA
INSTITUTE CHAIRMAN**

Institute Chairman's Foreword

My dear Co-Rotarians,

Thank you for taking the time to attend the 2019 Manila Rotary Institute!

Our program was packed with new information and innovative ideas from highly respected Rotary leaders such as RI President-Elect Holger Knaack, TRF Trustee Chair Gary Huang, TRF Trustee Sangkoo Yun, Polio Plus Committee Chair Michael K. McGovern, and RI Director Stephanie Ulrich.

We celebrated the 40th anniversary of the PolioPlus campaign in the Philippines. We awarded three Polio Plus Pioneer Awardees and inducted 12 new members to the Arch Klumph Society. We addressed very pertinent topics such as protecting the environment, making Rotary relevant, conflict resolution, and attracting young professionals to Rotary.

Our cultural night featured presentations from seven countries.

This institute gave our Rotarians the opportunity to network with prominent leaders in business, government, and the various professions. The institute was a virtual mine of talent and resources that were available for Rotarians to tap for the communities we serve. We are proud that we achieved an outstanding record in institute attendance, but more than that, we are proud that we were instruments in facilitating connectivity, collaboration, and creation to change the lives of people who need Rotary's help in our part of the world.

I personally thank the members of the Organizing Committee for collectively dedicating their countless manhours, their resources, and their ideas to make the 2019 Manila Rotary Institute a huge success, way beyond our expectations!

ISIDRO "SID" GARCIA

Chairman 2019, Manila Rotary Institute
Past District Governor, District 3830

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ISIDRO "SID" GARCIA

**Chairman 2019, Manila Rotary
Institute Past District Governor,
District 3830**



RI PRESIDENT MARK MALONEY

RI President's Message

Dear fellow Rotarians,

It is a pleasure to welcome you to this Rotary institute.

For the past 114 years, Rotary has shown that the world can be made better. That all of the good things that sometimes seem to be missing from the world — like service, and fellowship, and diversity, and integrity, and leadership — are still right here in Rotary, waiting for people to embrace them. This is the inspiration that Rotary can be, and is, to our world. And it is the inspiration in which all of us are connected.

Every Rotary institute is an important opportunity to gather in fellowship, to acknowledge our successes, and to discuss how we can continue to grow and change. We come together to share ideas and prepare for the year ahead of us.

Our main focus is to grow Rotary — to grow our service, to grow the impact of our projects, and, most importantly, to grow our membership so that we can achieve more. We must all take responsibility for growing our membership base because, as you know, there is no Rotary without its members. We have to go beyond just inviting members, and build a membership that will appeal to a wide array of people from all walks of life who will add value to Rotary. Only with a diverse, vibrant, engaged membership will Rotary be capable of the work our communities need.

I hope that you will leave this institute feeling motivated and inspired, having been given the information and skills you need to accomplish these tasks and to set ambitious goals for the upcoming year.

Connecting people, communities, and nations remains at the heart of who we are and what we do. We must work to ensure that a stronger, thriving, revitalized Rotary will be better able than ever to connect the world for good. Together, we will continue to provide extraordinary service to local and global communities as Rotary Connects the World.

Kindest regards,

MARK DANIEL MALONEY

President, 2019-20, Rotary International



RIPE HOLGER KNAACK, RIPE

Message of the RI President-Elect

Greetings Fellow Rotarians,

Manila is one of the most important cities in Rotary history – the home of the first Asian Rotary club, which just celebrated its 100th anniversary, and it was also in the Philippines where Rotary volunteers administered the first drops of the oral polio vaccine.

This institute is a wonderful opportunity for you to continue your proud Rotary tradition and prepare a new generation of leaders. These meetings will help you to get to know each other better and to ensure that you are aligned to achieve our highest goals.

The most important task before us is to grow Rotary. For me, growing Rotary is not about numbers, it is about adaptation and change. It is about making Rotary bigger than the challenges before us. It is about rising to this incredible moment – when we are recognized worldwide for our efforts to End Polio Now – and fixing our roof while the sun is shining.

I am a strong believer in self-reflection, and I know that it can help us grow and thrive. We need to do more than listen and applaud to the messages we receive at Institutes. We need to take action by reaching out to new members, engaging current members, and creating more alternatives for membership for the next generation of Rotarians.

Our new Action Plan is all about the kind of transformation Rotary needs to thrive in the digital age. Over the next five years, this plan will increase our impact, expand our reach, enhance participant engagement, and increase our ability to adapt. Pay close attention to discussion about the plan, because it will be up to you to make it a success.

Together, we can ensure that the gift of Rotary keeps giving for decades and centuries to come. The world needs Rotary now more than ever. Thank you for your leadership and your friendship.

HOLGER KNAACK

President, 2020-21, Rotary International



PRIP GARY C. K. HUANG
TRF TRUSTEE CHAIR

TRF Trustee Chairman's Message

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

As you have seen, Rotary Institutes are a unique opportunity for networking. It's a time when past, current, and future Rotary leaders exchange ideas, share successes and challenges in our zones, and plan for our future.

You saw how The Rotary Foundation and its programs were, without a doubt, the biggest tool we have to change lives. You learned more about our Foundation. I hope you took the message back home to your club and district.

We are closer than we have ever been to eradicating polio from the face of the earth, and Rotary is not wavering in the final stage. Let us not lose sight of our top goal.

Work closely with your club, district, and zone teams to fulfill our promise to the world's children. You can help organize World Polio Day events and fundraisers, and spur our efforts in countless other ways.

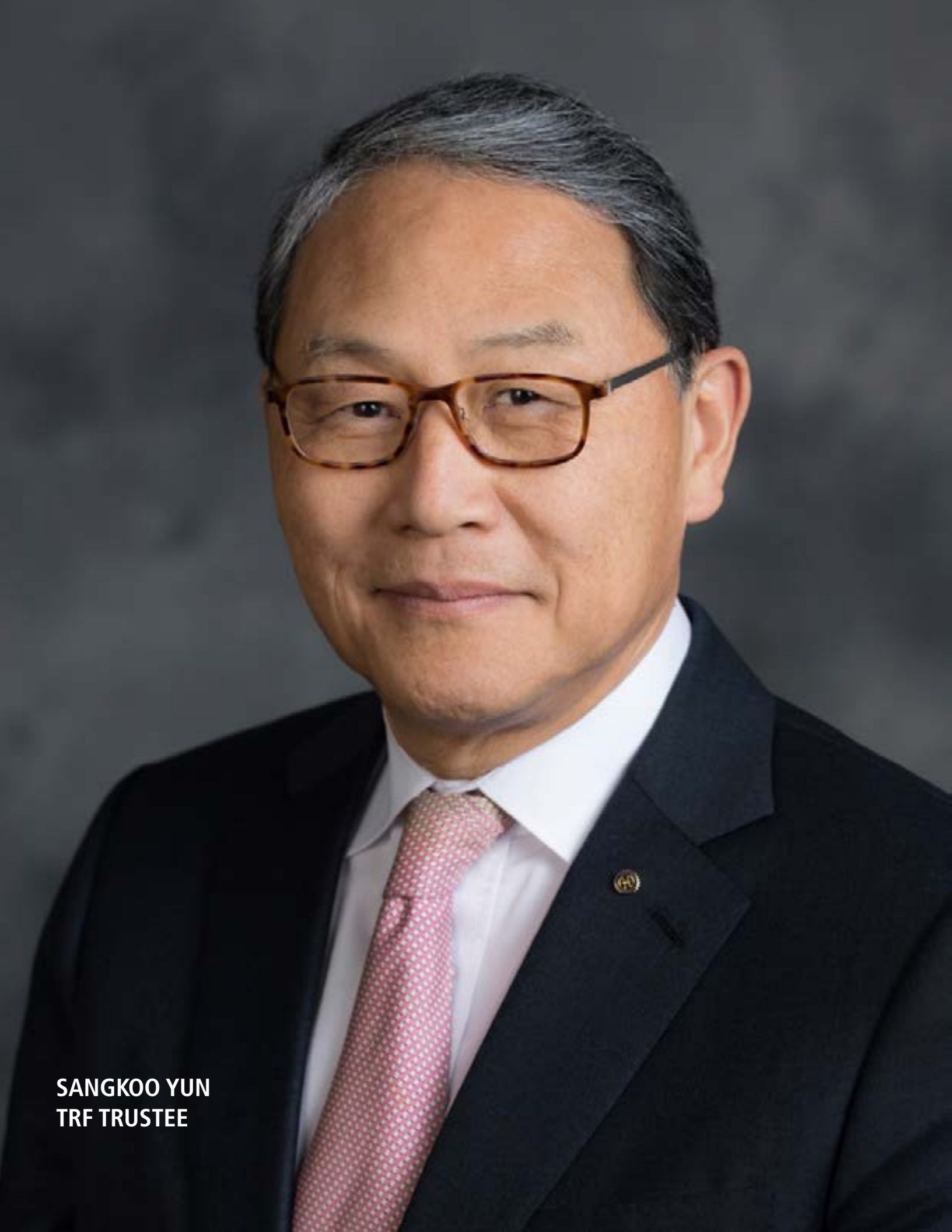
In projects beyond polio eradication, The Rotary Foundation is dedicated to helping us create lasting change. Let's work together to make all of our projects sustainable and measurable, so Rotary's impact continues well into the future. Another way we can increase our impact is by putting our District Designated Funds to work, through district grants, global grants, or PolioPlus. Share the Rotary Foundation Endowment option for Rotarians in your zones who want to leave a legacy through Rotary.

I know that The Rotary Foundation changes lives because I have seen it with my own eyes. And it is Rotary leaders like you who make it all possible by volunteering, leading, and giving. I thank you for your engaged participation in this institute, and for all you do to support our Foundation so that Rotary reaches its full potential of doing good in the world.

Sincerely Yours,

GARY C.K. HUANG

President, 2014-15
Rotary International Chairman,
Board of Trustees
The Rotary Foundation



SANGKOO YUN
TRF TRUSTEE

TRF Trustee's Message

Greetings from Seoul, Korea.

On behalf of The Rotary Foundation, Eunsun and I are honored that we were at your Manila Rotary Institute 2019.

Your Institute represented the great Rotarians from Zones 1B, 6, 9, 10A, 10B, 10C who are leading the Rotary world. It is not a coincidence. Without your sustained passion, determination and affection for our beloved organization, it would not have been possible. You are lauded. You are respected. And that comes with joy and responsibility. I am certain that you enjoy what you are able to achieve and willing to take even larger role in the Rotary movement. And Eunsun and I are anxious to confirm with our own eyes and ears.

We were happy to connect with you in a fabulous Institute.

Yours in Service,

SANGKOO YUN
Trustee, 2018-22
The Rotary Foundation



CARLOS "SONNY" G. DOMINGUEZ III
SECRETARY OF FINANCE
REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES

Secretary of Finance's Message

I am sure the Filipino Rotarians responsible for organizing this event did their best to showcase the hospitality for which our people are known.

You came to the Philippines at a most opportune time. The economy has recovered its bearings. In the face of the expected slowdown in global economic growth, our economy has demonstrated resilience and sustained its trajectory of high growth.

Over the past three years of the Duterte administration, we spared no effort in preparing our economy for rapid inclusive development. We have maintained the highest standards of fiscal discipline, reformed our tax system,

reduced our debt service load, increased our foreign currency reserves, and managed the fiscal deficit.

We also enacted new laws that will improve the ease of doing business in the country, improve the efficiency of our financial system, and open up the economy further by liberalizing market. We likewise accelerated our spending program on infrastructure modernization and our people, two areas of investment that will provide the highest returns in the short-run and prove beneficial well into the future.

All these efforts have borne fruit. The Philippines today is one of the fastest growing economies in the most dynamic region in the world. Our credit rating has been upgraded to BBB+ and we are expected to achieve upper middleincome economy status next year, ahead of schedule.

I understand many of the participants in this event are businessmen from many countries. It could serve you well to look closely at our economic performance and discover areas for partnership and investments.

The Rotary Club is known for its deep commitment to social service. Many of our communities have benefited greatly from projects undertaken by the Rotary Club. We look forward to many more partnerships in the years to come.

CARLOS G. DOMINGUEZ

Secretary of Finance
Republic of the Philippines



HON. IMELDA CALIXTO-RUBIANO
MAYOR, PASAY CITY

Pasay City Mayor's Message

Warmest greetings and heartfelt congratulations to the Rotary Institute for Rotarians Across Asia and the Pacific for the holding of your annual gathering in Pasay City.

We welcome you most graciously and hope that you had the time to enjoy the various tourism and entertainment options in our City.

As an international service organization, you have successfully brought together business and professional leaders to provide humanitarian service and to advance goodwill and peace around the world. Rotary has become synonymous with service. Your progressive, dynamic and transformative leadership has changed the lives of millions for the better all over the world.

The City of Pasay will always welcome you and be supportive of Rotary International's endeavors and initiatives.

HON. IMELDA CALIXTO-RUBIANO

Mayor, Pasay City



PRIVP MICHAEL MCGOVERN
RI CHAIRMAN, POLIOPUS COMMITTEE

RI Chairman, PolioPlus Committee's Message

Dear Rotarians and Guests:

It was about 25 years ago that I first visited your area attending the Rotary Convention in Taipei. It was fascinating to visit the exhibit on 75 years of Rotary in Asia and to have an opportunity to meet so many Rotarians who over the years since then have become good friends.

This zone covers the Philippines where Rotary first began to eradicate polio and Afghanistan and Pakistan where I pray we will see the last cases soon. The energy and devotion to Rotary and to polio eradication I see each time I visit is inspiring. There is no area in the world where there is more passion to get the job done of ending polio.

I thank Director Raffy Garcia for inviting me to join you in a wonderful Institute.

Warm regards,

MIKE MCGOVERN

Chairman, PolioPlus Committee

Rotary International



PRID RAFAEL HECHANOVA

Past RI Director's Message

Fellow Rotarians, Spouses and Guests –

Many years ago, these Rotary Institutes had for its purpose, the discussion of policies initiated by the Board of Directors. In recent years, in addition, it has become the training of future Rotary leaders and in effect has taken the place of Regional Conventions.

I am happy that many Rotarians registered and participated in the Workshops and in the other Rotary activities. Our appreciation of membership in Rotary will be enhanced as our knowledge of Rotary Information will strengthen our passion of doing good in the world and to render service with love as LOVE FOR OTHERS IS WHAT ROTARY IS. In addition, the opportunity for fellowship with other Rotarians was always there.

I join our other Rotary leaders in welcoming the public or certain sectors of it to be invited to attend our meetings, the Institutes, the District Conferences and our Conventions. It is imperative that they know what we are doing. How can they if they are not invited.

RAFAEL “PAING” G. HECHANOVA SR.

Director, RY 1996-1998

Rotary International



PRID GUILLER TUMANGAN

Past RI Director's Message

My RI President of 2-0-0-0 Carlo Ravizza posed a tough challenge: “you will be the first Governors of the New Millennium, but not only the first, you must also be the best.” He knew that it could not accomplish this task in one year, so he taught us “Act with Consistency, Credibility and Continuity.”

I am grateful to Rotary for publishing the book “Rotary Presidents: Themes and Visions”. The organizational wisdom in this book has helped me give less of my ego and more of the Rotary spirit from Rotarians worldwide, as if Rotary was born eons ago. It changed my concept of time. In one year of service, Rotarians get lots of

things done. May these few days together yield a bountiful harvest of ideas, inspirations, and wisdom from the Institute resource persons.

James Bomar, Jr. in 1979 invited his governors to be torchbearers – to imagine planting a sapling of service, and nurturing it, and at the sight of the first bud theory of dreaming of a shady tree.

Did his governors that year think that the their TRF contributions and first drop of polio vaccine would combat an ever escalating disease that will place Rotary at the center of a global fight to eradicate it, influencing business and government leaders to pour in resources and having women working side by side with Rotarians in perilous areas to find the last child with polio?

Our pride and icon M.A.T Caparas in his address to his Governors: “Let us invite the world to join us in our quest, through Rotary, for children without polio; for food for all people; for life worth living; for world at peace. In our year, and in all the years to come, let us say it because it is true: Rotary Brings Hope!

Harold Thomas, in 1959 reminded us that “The early success of Rotary came from building bridges of friendship in vocational, club and community service”. I hope that with each institute we attend, the bridges of international service will be galvanized by deeply-rooted friendships and personal visions of a world at peace.

GUILLER E. TUMANGAN

Director, RY 2014-2016

Rotary International

What is a Rotary Zone Institute?

Rotary members believe that they have a shared responsibility to take action on our world's most persistent issues, which Rotary has classified into six areas of focus, to: 1) promote peace, 2) fight disease, 3) provide clean water, sanitation, and hygiene, 4) save mothers and children, 5) support education and 6) grow local economies.

Each year, past, present, and incoming RI and district and leaders attend Rotary Zone institutes to update and share information, build connections, and exchange ideas about Rotary International and The Rotary Foundation, the repository of donations for service projects by Rotarians and their friends which funds are used to finance service projects around the world through grants.



ZONE 1 Section B:

Bangladesh, Indonesia, Pakistan: 3271, 3272, 3281, 3282, 3410, 3420



ZONE 9:

China, Hong Kong, Macau, Mongolia, Taiwan: *52, 3450, 3461, 3462, 3470, 3481, 3482, 3490, 3501, 3502, 3510, 3521, 3522, 3523

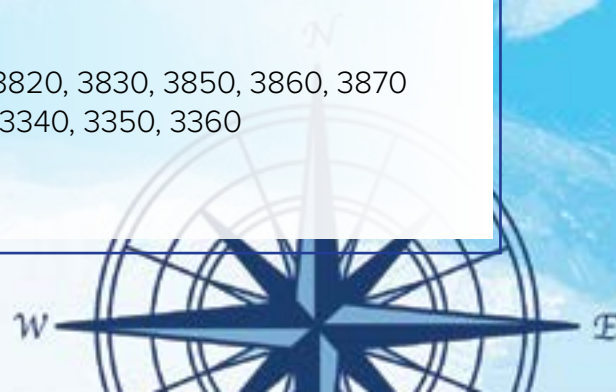


ZONE 10:

Section A: Philippines 3770, 3780, 3790, 3800, 3810, 3820, 3830, 3850, 3860, 3870

Section B: Cambodia, Laos, Myanmar, Thailand 3330, 3340, 3350, 3360

Section C: Brunei, Malaysia, Singapore 3300, 3310



The Zone Institute program is divided into 3 parts: 1) Training of future District leaders; 2) Presentation of various updates and forecasts followed by interactive discussions and sharing of best practices, handled by world class Rotary experts and finally; 3) Cultural immersion and fellowship.

The 2019 Manila Rotary Institute is one such zone institute, envisioned to be an enjoyable and educational event. The institute also holds numerous adjunct events such as the Governors-Elect Training Seminar (GETS), the Governors Nominee Training Semina (GNTS), the District Team Training Seminar for district trainers (DTTS), the Regional Rotary Foundation Seminar (RRFS), and the Spouses' Program.

*Contributed by **Past District Secretary Jesse Tanchanco, D3780, Deputy Vice Chair for Proceedings, Member, Editorial Board***

CONNECT. COLLABORATE. CREATE.

When he started his year of service, Rotary International President Mark Daniel Maloney explained his theme, *Rotary Connects the World*.



Maloney believes that connection is at the heart of the Rotary experience.

He says, “(Rotary) allows us to connect with each other, in deep and meaningful ways, across our differences. It connects us to people we would never otherwise have met, who are more like us than we ever could have known. It connects us to our communities, to professional opportunities, and to the people who need our help.”

“Through Rotary, we connect to the incredible diversity of humanity on a truly unique footing, forging deep and lasting ties in pursuit of a common goal,” he added. “In this ever more divided world, Rotary connects us all.”

“Connect” is a strong action word, which means “to join, link, unite, or bind.”

In an increasingly digital global environment, interesting ideas can leap in from anywhere. In Rotary, there is much value in breaking through the silos of district-only or country-only or zone-only ideas. It is so easy to connect beyond the boundaries of our districts, beyond our zones, beyond our countries. The value of these connections is not about the number of people we know, but about the depth, sincerity, and authenticity of the connections that we build and sustain, about valuing and nurturing the free flow

of ideas between ourselves, about sharing the same goals of improving humanity, and about strengthening the public image of Rotary.

Beyond connection is another action word, “collaborate,” which means “to work with one another for a special purpose.” Collaboration leads to the formation of teams, of groups of interdependent individuals who choose to work together to achieve a common goal. Rotary’s unique structure allows its members to create cross-cultural teams of individuals beyond geographical borders. Despite our cultural differences, Rotarians have a common understanding that we need to work together to improve this world in the best way we can.

To bring our connections and intent to collaborate towards tangible results, is the need to “create,” or to make something new

that did not exist before, or to cause a new situation. Rotary was the dream of one man in 1905, Paul Harris. It was a dream that came true by connecting and collaborating with a few friends. Today the movement he created has 1.2 million members around the world. The Rotary Foundation started with a dream of Arch Klumph in 1917, to create an endowment fund “to do good in the world”. It started with US\$26.50. TRF has since awarded more than US\$4 billion in grants to improve the world.

Rotarians create new situations as they build schools and install deep wells where none existed before. Rotarians create new lives by providing livelihood opportunities.

Today that online exchange can be seamless, without the restrictions of distance and time, we need only to keep an open mind, to be in both “send” and “receive” modes to be able to connect, collaborate, and create, and make this world – our world – a better place.

Past District Governor

Sue Sta. Maria

Editor-in-Chief, Coffeetable Book

(Online & Print Versions)

Institute Vice Chairman for Proceedings,

Publications and Secretariat




Connect • Collaborate • Create



Convenor RI Director Rafael "Raffy" Garcia III and Chair PDG Isidro "Sid" Garcia preside over one of several general membership meetings of the Host Organizing Committee, as Vice Chair for Proceedings, Publications and Secretariat PDG Sue Sta. Maria (seated) reviews information for presentation. Behind is PDG Benigno Emilio "Pichoy" Ramirez, Vice Chair for Online Registration.

TOGETHER, WE

CONNECT

Rotary  **PEOPLE OF ACTION**

PDG
Sid Garcia



People of Action

The success of 2019 MARI depended on efficient organization, extensive planning, and bringing a total of 23 great teams together in one well-coordinated event. In the end, the Institute was attended by an unprecedented number of attendees never before seen in a zone institute anywhere around the world.

Despite the unprecedented number of attendees, there was no queue in the Secretariat Room where the kits were claimed. Delegates even stopped by to relax and have coffee. The pre-institute activities were carried out, with attendance better than expected. The pre-training seminars left distinct memories with the future governors. Even the spouses were treated to enriching encounters. Geared to be an information-packed conference, the institute's schedules were tightly packed, softened by efficiently managed sumptuous buffet meals and great evening events. The stage was a sight to behold. The breakout sessions and the PolioPlus commemorative program glided by smoothly. Daily online newsletters were published on time.



Change of Chairmanship and Organization

Preparations for the 2019 MARI started more than one full year in advance with Convenor RI Director (RID) **Rafael “Raffy” Garcia III** and Past District Governor (PDG) **Robert Kuan** at the helm. Unfortunately, PDG Robert Kuan’s health caught up with him. The Philippine Rotary world was shattered, but as they say in theater circles, the show must go on.



Convenor RID Raffy Garcia appointed PDG **Isidro “Sid” Garcia** to take over the chairmanship. It was an easy choice. PDG Sid Garcia chaired the 2016 Presidential Conference in Manila, a successful international event convened by Past RID **Guiller Tumangan**, with about 1,000 in attendance.

Convenor RID **Raffy Garcia** and Chair PDG **Sid Garcia** immediately set to work. The first task was to establish the organizational structure that would create the institute, and make it happen.

They organized 21 local committees, consisting of:

1) the Executive Committee composed of most of the committee chairs,

2) Online Registration,

3) Events Management,

4) Pre-Institute Training

Seminars, 5) Attendance

and Promotions, 6)

Secretariat, Proceedings

and Publications, 7) House

of Friendship, Project Fair and Holiday Bazaar,

8) Institute Program Development, 9) Ways

and Means, 10) Publicity and Communications,

11) Dignitaries and Aides, 12) Gala Night, 13)

Cultural Night, 14) Logistics, Venue and Meals,

15) Partners Program, 16) Airport Reception and

Transfers, 17) Hotel Reservations, 18) PolioPlus

Commemorative Program, 19) Pre-Institute

Activities (the Golf Tournament and Mountain



Institute Chair PDG Sid Garcia makes a point as Vice Chair for Program PDG Danny Fausto listens and Institute Treasurer Connie Beltran takes notes.

Trek), 20) Sergeant-at-Arms/Security, and 21) Medical and Health.

In addition, two international committees were created: 1) Country Coordinators who took care of coordinating operational and administrative matters with their respective countrymen, and 2) Attendance and Promotions.

In total, the Convenor and the Chair managed 23 committees.

A much bigger function room had to be used for a general membership meeting of the Host Organizing Committee to include the foreign members, assigned as Country Coordinators and/or Marketing Committee members.





Members of the Host Organizing Committee from the different countries belt out songs in a fellowship after one of the meetings.





Meetings

The African proverb, “it takes a village,” applies in achieving just about any significant endeavor – and 2019 MARI was no exception.

Amidst his travels and responsibilities as RI Director, Convenor RID Raffy Garcia, joined by Chair PDG Sid Garcia, presided over international meetings and ocular inspections of the Marriott Grand Ballroom with the Execom, the Country Coordinators and the foreign Attendance and Promotions Coordinators who flew to Manila for these events.

Both the Convenor and the Chair busied themselves raising the funds – and contributing immensely to the coffers – that would oil the Institute machinery.





From 2018 through 2019 until the month of the Institute, countless meetings were conducted by Chair PDG Sid Garcia with the 21 Philippine committees, each held separately from the rest to ensure full focus on the respective areas of responsibilities. In between, general membership meetings were held to keep all the committees updated of each other's activities and ensure close coordination between them.

The three-day-conference soon happened – and just as soon, it ended. In the afternoon of December 1, 2019, the doors to the Marriott Grand Ballroom closed. The numerous rows of buffet tables were taken out.



The hotel crew went back to their regular posts.
The attendees returned to their home countries.

The organizers feel that the overwhelming positive comments indicated that the Institute was a success. If there was any aspect that may have needed some change, it was the tightly packed sessions that necessitated a few schedule overflows, which at the end, nevertheless ended the day on time.

The full year spent by the 23 committees and their members – People of Action – in hectic preparations, communication, coordination and meetings, were rewarding.

SALAMUCH!





Salamuch, salamuch, salamuch!

The first known use of a mash-up word was in 1896, more technically called a “portmanteau” (*portmanteau* once meant *suitcase*, in which one stuffs several items in one valise or luggage) – literally, it means combining two words into one. An example of a famous mash-up word, or portmanteau, is “*brunch*” (breakfast + lunch).

The **2019 Manila Rotary Institute** adapted a *mash-up* word, or *portmanteau*: “**SALAMUCH**” to mark the gratitude of the organizers to the many committee members. It is a mash-up of the words “*salamat*” (a Tagalog word meaning, “thank you”) and “much” (meaning, a large amount).

Filled with gratitude, the Convenor and the Chair deemed it fitting to celebrate the success of the Institute. A thanksgiving party was quickly in the works after the 2019 Christmas and New Year holidays.





On February 5, 2020, the 2019 MARI Salamuch Thanksgiving Program took place at the Dusit Thani Makati attended by the members of the institute's various committees.

A Catholic mass was celebrated by **Father Tito Calauag**. The attendees then moved to the ballroom, where a buffet dinner was spread. A short program ensued. PDG **Chit Lijauco**, chair of the event, welcomed the attendees. Emcees PDG **Sue Sta. Maria** and PDG **Oyan Villanueva** set the pace. Convenor RID **Raffy Garcia** and Chair PDG **Sid Garcia** expressed their gratitude in their speeches.

Convenor RID Raffy Garcia and Chair PDG Sid Garcia were caught off guard—and pleasantly surprised—when a video compilation of their “*bloopers*” (fumbles and funny moments) were played. The room was filled with laughter, probably a collective expression of relief that the institute ended well. Then it was time for the “roasting” (similar to a lampoon) of

Convenor RID Raffy Gracia and Chair PDG Sid Garcia who gamely laughed with the audience. The irreverent roasting was led by PDG **Oyan Villanueva**, CP **Maricris Lim-Pineda**, and PDG **Sam Pagdilao**.

The wine and whiskey added to the lively singing and dancing after the program—lots and lots of it. The spirit of SALAMUCH filled the air.

**Job well done, 2019 Manila Rotary Institute!
And to the People of Action who made it
happen – all 23 committees including the
Country Coordinators and the Attendance
and Promotions committee members from
abroad – salamuch, salamuch, salamuch!!**





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(D3850, PHILIPPINES)**

“Awesome event.”

**FARHAN ESSA ABDULLAH, PHD
(D3271, PAKISTAN)**

**“Excellent. It’s a
memorable Institute
for me.”**

**IMTIAZ SAJU
(D3281, BANGLADESH)**

““ Excellent.

Well prepared venues. Registration was well organized. I wish to express my personal gratitude to you and to the entire team for the kind assistance that you and your team extended to me and to my club.
More power. Congratulations!”

**DGE DINDO O. BERINO
(D3770, PHILIPPINES)**



CONGRATULATIONS! I AGREE WITH THE MANY POSITIVE COMMENTS YOU HAVE RECEIVED. INDEED THE 2019 MARI WAS A GREAT SUCCESS AND THE WAY THE THREE-DAY-EVENT WAS ORGANIZED, PLANNED AND EXECUTED WAS VERY, VERY GOOD! THANK YOU TO EACH AND EVERY MEMBER OF THE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE FOR ALL YOUR HARD WORK. "

**PP LUZ N. COTOCO
(D3800, PHILIPPINES)**

**This is the best
Zone Institute in
terms of logistical
arrangements.**

**DG ADOR TOLENTINO
(D3830, PHILIPPINES)**

“Congratulations to all!”

**PDG DARWIN IGUALADA
(D3820, PHILIPPINES)**

“I have been attending conventions on a regular basis and this one is so far, so good. I have been enjoying the speeches of the organizers who are very relaxed and cool. The opening ceremonies was good. Very well-organized. The programs are well planned and the topics are relevant.”

**PDG YOLY WYCOCO
(D3770, PHILIPPINES)**

““ MANAGING 2,000 PARTICIPANTS IN SUCH A HUGE GATHERING, EVERYTHING WAS SO FANTASTICALLY COORDINATED AND ORGANIZED ... EVERYONE FROM THE ORGANIZING HOST WAS SO CORDIAL AND COURTEOUS. EVERY NEED WAS SO FINELY MET ... ALWAYS WITH A SMILE. LOVED EVERY ASPECT OF YOUR MARI.”

**DR FARHANA AHMED
(D3281, BANGLADESH)**



**MANILA ZONE INSTITUTE SHOWS
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A CULTURAL EXPERIENCE OF THE
PHILIPPINES AT ITS BEST!”**

**PDG MARIQUIT “KIT” REVENTAR
(D3820, PHILIPPINES)**

**“Thanks for
making us proud.”**

**PDG JOSIE ANG
(D3810, PHILIPPINES)**

“The Cultural Night was much fun because we caught a glimpse of the cultures of other countries. It was also refreshing to see our Rotarian friends gamely participate. The House of Friendship could be likened to that of Rotary International's. This is the first time that we saw something of that kind in a Zone Institute. The topics are very relevant, especially the talk of McGovern on polio which was very informative ... The buffet meals were very good!”

**PP ASIAM CHRISTI AND
PP SAJID BASEER SHAIKH, RETIRED COLONEL
(D3272, PAKISTAN)**

Excellent Institute!

**DGE ERIK CHAK
(D3450, HONG KONG)**

“ I APPRECIATE THE TECHNICAL PROVIDER FOR PROVIDING EXCELLENT SUPPORT. THE SOUND WAS CLEAR EVEN AT THE BACK.”

**ROBERTO ANTONIO
F. ROSADIA
(D3800, PHILIPPINES)**

“ EXCELLENT. IT WAS EASY TO CLAIM MY KIT ON THE FIRST DAY IT WAS AVAILABLE. THE FOOD WAS VARIED AND TASTY AND THE AMOUNT WAS GENEROUS. THERE WERE ADEQUATE FOOD STATIONS THAT HANDLED THE VOLUME OF PARTICIPANTS.”

**ROIDEMER VECIDA
(D3820, PHILIPPINES)**

**“Wonderful event management.
Warm reception at the Secretariat room.
Very informative press conference at the
House of Friendship. Grand presentation
of cultural show. Inspirational speakers
especially the (AKS) donors recognition.
I love the End Polio footage in Makati.
All organized and smooth.”**

**APRIL_73UL@YAHOO.CO.UK
(D3850, PHILIPPINES)**

**““ Overall institute was a well-planned
event. I enjoyed my days in Manila.
Hopefully I will join again if any major
event will be arranged in Philippines.
Great Job, Team Manila.”**

**SHAHAB RAZA KHATEEB
(D3271, PAKISTAN)**

**Thanks for
organizing
an excellent
institute.**

**MAHMUDUL HASAN
(D3281, BANGLADESH)**



WELL DONE! CONGRATULATIONS. VERY ORGANIZED REGISTRATION. THE NEWSLETTER ON THE FOLLOWING DAY WAS EXCELLENT, A PRODUCT OF HARD WORK."

**REBECCA DELA CRUZ
(D3780, PHILIPPINES)**



THE OPENING CEREMONY
WAS VERY INFORMATIVE
AND HISTORICAL. THE
CULTURAL SHOW WAS
GREAT AND THE LECTURERS
PROVIDED US A LOT OF
INSIGHTS AND LEARNINGS.
KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK,
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
OFFICERS AND STAFF.
GREAT!!!

FEDELINO MALBAS JR.
(D3810, PHILIPPINES)

“Thank you for doing good for Rotary, and thank you for taking good care of us.”

**MOMIN AHMED RONY
(D3282, BANGLADESH)**

“It was a great Institute.”

PDG DR RAJINDAR SINGH (D3300, MALAYSIA)

“ I LEARNED A LOT THROUGH THE VERY INFORMATIVE AND INTERACTIVE SESSIONS. THANK YOU, VERY MUCH. IT WAS A VERY INFORMATIVE PROGRAM COUPLED WITH FASCINATING GATHERING. METICULOUSLY PLANNED LUCRATIVE MEALS.”

**IMTIAZ AHMED
(D3281, BANGLADESH)**

“ THE PRESENTATIONS ON TRF WAS ILLUMINATING. THE PROJECT FAIR WAS VERY WELL DONE WITH VERY GOOD PARTICIPATION. OVERALL A WELL-BALANCED PROGRAM. INNOVATIVE INCLUSION OF ROTARACTORS AT THE WORKSHOPS IS CERTAINLY WELCOMED.”

**LESLIE SALEHUDDIN
(D3300, MALAYSIA)**

Excellent. Well organized, excellent food, enough buffet tables to avoid long queue, perfect kit, very good speakers.

**DANTE G BOLUSAN
(D3790, PHILIPPINES)**

**“The onsite registration
was a breeze.”**


**MICHAEL YEE
(D3310, SINGAPORE)**

“Excellent.”

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