

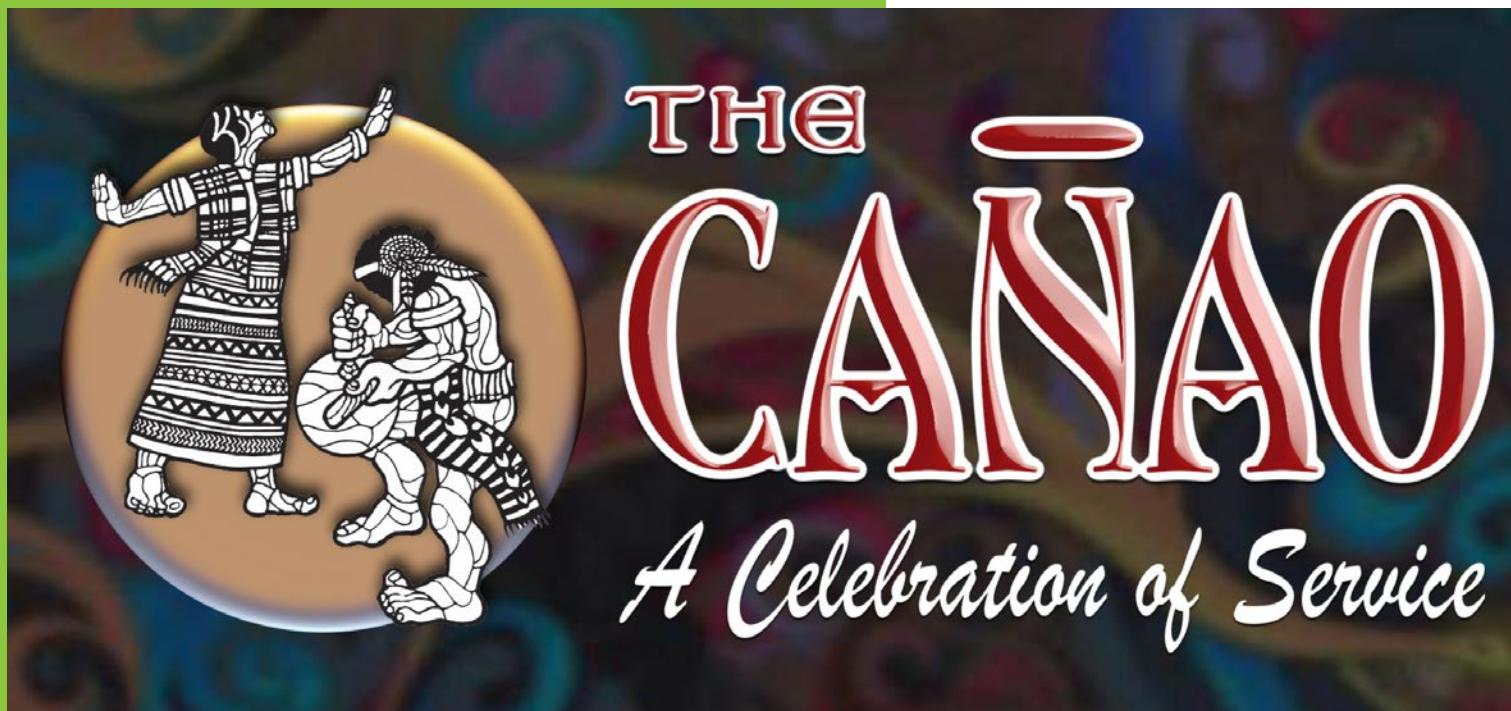
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PP CHRIS FAELNAR
Club Honored Speaker



Baguio City, Philippines
R.I. District 3790, Club No. 16863
Chartered on 21 February 1938

The Rotary Club of Baguio
meets every Saturday
at 12:30 to 2:30 pm
at the Baguio Country Club



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THE CAÑAO & NEW EMBLEM

Symbolizing unity, joy, and gratitude, "Cañao" (pronounced kan-yau) is a traditional dance from the Cordilleras in Northern Luzon of the Philippines, celebrated during feasts and gatherings.

Our new emblem shows a male and female in ritual dance within a native gong—honoring abundance, much like how we celebrate service and fellowship in Rotary. Truly, "A Celebration of Service."



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

HONORING THE PAST, EMBRACING THE FUTURE

As I begin my term as the 83rd President of the Rotary Club of Baguio, I am deeply honored to lead our club into its 88th year of service. Ours is a legacy built on fellowship, strengthened by tradition, and sustained by a spirit of service that continues to inspire us all.

My own path in service began as a young medical student, joining MomFI outreach programs in the Cordillera to bring healthcare to remote communities. Later, during residency in Emergency Medicine at PGH, I was confronted by the stark divide between rich and poor in their access to care. As an Obstetrician-Gynecologist serving in both public and private hospitals, I have come to embrace the truth that every life—regardless of background—deserves dignity and compassion.

These experiences moved me to teaching, where for over 30 years at SLU School of Medicine, I have encouraged future doctors to practice with both skill and empathy. For 18 years as a Rotarian, I have been blessed to carry this mission further through medical missions and community work. Now, as I assume this presidency, I feel my journey coming full circle—uniting medicine, education, and Rotary service.

As a physician, my guiding principle has always been: "First, do no harm." This aligns beautifully with our Rotary Four-Way Test, reminding us to seek truth, fairness, goodwill, and benefit for all. Both medicine and Rotary call us to live with compassion, integrity, and responsibility.

This Rotary year, my vision is threefold:

- Honor our past by continuing the projects and traditions that have

shaped our club for nine decades.

- Prepare for the future by empowering our youth—our Rotaractors and Interactors—whose energy and creativity are vital to our mission.
- Celebrate the present by living our service joyfully in the here and now, through fellowship, kindness, and unity.

I also wish to extend my heartfelt thanks on the recent Governor's Visit. Our Board and officers welcomed Gov. Dan and his party (AG Liza, Treas. Fe Oyson and Exec. Sec. Nonnette Bennet) with warmth and preparation. Special thanks to Sec. Cora for masterfully organizing the presentation, and to our advisers PP Alfred Laygo and PP Chris Faenar, whose presence lent both affirmation and dignity to our club.

To all who helped make our Induction Night at Hotel Supreme such a resounding success, I am truly grateful. Every detail—from the stage to the program, from the raffle to the music—was carried out with love and teamwork. My thanks as well to Dir. Ed for the generous use of his 360 videogram, saving us a significant cost. Truly, every effort reflected our unity in action.

Let us carry this same spirit forward as we gather again on 30 August, when PP Chris Faenar will lead us in a timely discussion on Member Engagement. Together, let us continue to live out Service Above Self as we Unite for Good.

Mabuhay ang Rotary Club of Baguio!
Mabuhay ang Rotary International



PRES. JOE URСUA

RCB President
RY 2025-2026



MEMBERS' ROSTER

rotary club of Baguio

HONORARY MEMBERS

PP Angelina Palma
PP Loreto Panglinan
PDG Seiichi Morita
PDG Dai Bong Yu
PDG Teo Kwan Swee
PDG Chul Min Choi

NAME	CLASSIFICATION
Dir. Mariver Agayas -----	COMMUNCTN/MEDIA- Correspondent
Rtn. Nancy Alabanza-----	FOOD INDUSTRY- Meat Processing
Rtn. Modesto Bahul-----	GOVERNMENT- Judiciary
PP Vicenia Balajo -----	HEALTH CARE- Obstetrics & Gynecology
PP Marilyn Barredo -----	BANKING/MONEY- Information Technology
PE/Dir. Reymund Barrios -----	MKTG/SALES- Animal Feeds
PP Ricardo Bondoc Jr.-----	SOCIAL SERVICE- Entrepreneurship Dev
Rtn. Katrina Bosantog -----	LEGAL- Public Defence
PP Arnel Cabanisas-----	MGMT/ADMIN- Executive Mgmt
Rtn. Evangeline Cacho-----	FOOD INDUSTRY- Catering
Dir. Lorena Cachola -----	SERVICES- Personal Care
PP Anita Calabias -----	INSURANCE- Entrepreneurship
PP Mia Joy Cawed -----	LEGAL – Judiciary
PP/EIC Rafael Chan-----	ARCHITECTURE- Green Building
PP Dionisio Claridad -----	HEALTH CARE- Administration
Dir. Benedicto Grajo -----	SERVICES- Incognito Pest Control
Dir. Emlyou De Guzman-----	FOOD INDUSTRY- Finance Manager
Rtn. Ericson De Guzman -----	PUBLIC RELATIONS- Consumer Welfare
Rtn. Dwight Dulnoan -----	MINING- Exploration
PP Mary Leilani Fabi -----	COMMUNCTN/MEDIA- Telecom
PP Chris Fernando Faelnar -----	ENGINEERING- Electrical Engineering
PP Cyrus Fagar-----	ENGINEERING- Civil Engineering
PP Elizabeth Fernandez -----	LEGAL- Criminal Law
Rtn. Glenliel Flores -----	CONSTRUCTION- Comm'l/Resid'l Contracting
Rtn. Jeffrey Isip-----	INSURANCE- Risk Management
PP Gormito Kaur -----	MARKETING/SALES- Retail Sales
Rtn. Ailyn Kindipan-----	EDUCATION-Art
PP Ben Ladilad-----	AGRI/FORESTRY- Research & Development
Rtn. Estela Landayan-----	EDUCATION- Secondary
PP Alfredo Laygo-----	EDUCATION- Medical
PP Evangeline Maranan-----	MGMT/ADMIN- Special Events
PP/Aud. Alma Teresa Mendalla-----	BANKING/MONEY- Regional Operations
PP Ali Morales -----	BANKING/MONEY- Bank Manager
Rtn. Cornelio Naguit Jr. -----	HEALTH CARE- Geriatrics
PP/Sec. Ma. Corazon Ocampo-----	EDUCATION- Consultancy/Entrepreneurship
Rtn. Levy Lloyd Orcales -----	GOVERNMENT- City Legislation
Rtn. Krashemae Padilla -----	COMMUNCTN/MEDIA- Videography
PP Christopher Peralta -----	HEALTH CARE- Diabetology
Dir. Eduardo Ramos -----	SERVICES- Memorial Admin
Rtn. Ruth Rillera -----	HEALTH CARE- Nurse
Dir. Julius Solis-----	CLERGY/RELIGIOUS- Pastor
Rtn. Arlene Joy Sumalag-----	ART & DESIGN- Handicrafts
PP Benito Sunga-----	HEALTH CARE- Urology
PP Alberto Talco -----	ENGINEERING- Civil Engineering
Dir. Glaizazette Tan -----	SERVICES- Dorm Administration
Rtn. Ronald Carlton Tan-----	REAL ESTATE- General Practice
Pres. Jose Ursua-----	SCIENCE/TECH- OBGyne Sonology
Dir. Emmanuel Velasquez -----	MKTG/SALES- Management
Rtn. Anecita Viernes-----	FOOD INDUSTRY- Preserved Items
IPP Jesusa Villanueva -----	GOVERNMENT- Deeds Examination
Rtn. Harley Wasing -----	ENTERTAINMENT- Announcer
Rtn. Peter Wasing -----	ENTERTAINMENT- Journalist
PDG/PP Linda Winter-----	HEALTH CARE- Dentistry

SECRETARY'S UPDATE

EVENTS & ACTIVITIES FOR AUGUST

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS:

07 – Dir. Benedicto GRAJO
15 – Rtn. Modesto Jr. BAHUL
22 – Rtn. Gleniel FLORES

AUGUST WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:

18 - 7th Anniversary of Dir. Glaiza and RS Ronald Tan
19 – 47th Anniversary of PP Raffy and RAPP Josie Chan

AUGUST ANNIVERSARY IN RCB:

09 – PP Raffy (27 years)
21 – PGD Linda (32 years)
26 – PP Alfred (30 years)
29 – Sec Cora (16 years)

MOST RECENT EVENTS & ACTIVITIES FOR AUGUST 2025:

23 – Governor's Visit, 2pm Hotel Supreme *Participants: Pres. Joe, VP Lou, Sec Cora, Treas. Marilyn, PE Reymund, Dir. Vell, Dir. Lorena, Dir. Benedict, Dir. Eduard, Dir. Glaiza, Dir. Noel, PP Ali, IPP Susan, PP Alfred, PP Chris F, DG Dan Torres and team.*

23 – RCB Induction Ceremony, Titanium Hall, Hotel Supreme at 6pm (Attire: Formal black, coat and tie/ cocktail dress) *Participants: 34 members of the club*

UPCOMING EVENTS & ACTIVITIES FOR AUGUST 2025:

31 – Early Bird Registration (P1,700) for the Public Image Seminar that will be held in San Fernando La Union on 6 September 2025

23 AUGUST 2025 INDUCTION ATTENDANCE:

WE MISSED YOU: Rtn. Modz, PP Jun, Rtn. Eric, PP Lani, Rtn Glen, Rtn. Jeff, Rtn. Kacey, Rtn. Jojo, Rtn. Annie

EXCUSED: Rtn. Ike, PP Cy Fagar, PP Ben, Rtn. Lily, PP Chris P, PDG Linda

MAKE-UPS: PP Baby, Rtn. Ailyn

ON-LEAVE: Rtn. Ailyn

GUESTS:

GHS DG Dan Torre and Rann Rose Torres, Exec Sec. Nonnette Bennett, DTreas. Fe Oyson, Joseph Kim and company representing RC Wonju

Guests of President Joe: Mark Parrocha, Erlinda Parrocha, Karla Mae Parrocha, John Lawrence Parrocha and Jerchinel Moncada

Guests of VP Lou: Lanie Pablo and Ann Aplosen

ANNS: RAPP Oyee Faenar, RAPP Josie Chan, RA Tante Tan RA Cecille Barrios, RA Vanessa Ramos, RAPP Louie Claridad

ROTAKIDS: Francis Ursua, Marcus Ocampo, Nathalia Bosantog, Bel Balajo

ROTARY CLUBS:

RC San Fernando La Union – PP Brian Lim, PP Sherwin Go, Rtn. Nelson Go, Rtn. Roy Ranola, Dir. Aldrin D.

RC Vigan – Pres. Benjie Buen, PP Dan Ramos, Dir. V Rabang, PP Don Ramos, RAnn Edith and Rann Jomie

RCB Downtown Session – Pres. Dala Carino, Dir. Kristine Joy Tabara, PP Josef Rimando, Dir. Christian Cabilatazan

RCB Sunrise – Pres. Conrad Fajardo III

RCB North – Pres. Ayson Guron, Rtn. Mariano, VP Virgil Garcia, Dir. Beng Garcia, PAG Oscar Cadelina

RC La Trinidad – Pres. Myrna Keiper, Sec. Charrie Zarate, PP Fidel Demot, PP Esperanza P, PP Allan , Rtn. Mike Prado, Rtn Rajan Gomyad

RC Pasay – Pres. Eric Pasion, Rtn. Jarryd Bello

RC Manila – Pres. Radul Creencia and RAnn Myls

Rotaract Club SLU-SOM – Sec. Brix Tabias, Aud. Kana Ignacio



PP CORA OCAMPO

RCB Secretary
RY 2025-2026

R RETROSPECT IMAGES

FROM INDUCTION NIGHT



R IN RETROSPECT

INDUCTION NIGHT OF 23 AUGUST 2025

5:00pm The registration table was ably manned by Rotary Anns Ces Barrios, Vanessa Ramos and Oyee Faelnar who also enticed the guests to buy raffle tickets.

6:00pm A sisterhood agreement was entered into between RCB, represented by Pres Joe Ursua and the Rotary Club of Pasay, represented by Pres. Eric Pasion.

6:30pm Program Coordinator Levy Orcales requested the dignitaries, Gov Dan Torres, IPP Susan Villanueva and Pres. Joe Ursua to take their seats at the head table. The induction program was called to order at exactly 6:30pm by outgoing president Susan Villanueva. This was followed by the invocation sung by PP/Sec Cora Ocampo who sang "Take Me Out from the Dark", the Pambansang Awit, Rotary Hymn and The Four Way Test.

6:45pm PE Reymund Barrios gave the welcome remarks.

6:50pm Dinner was opened by a parade of waiters carrying the first course. During dinner, the guests were entertained by our singing Rotarians who rendered 2 songs each. Thank you, PP Benny Sunga, PP Dionicia Claridad, PP Chris Faelnar and Dir., Noel Velasquez for an enjoyable evening of song.

7:15pm The hardest part of any Rotary function is the introduction of visiting Rotarians and guests, but this was expertly done by PP Alfred Laygo. Kudos PP Alfred!

7:25pm An AVP presentation was shown on screen which highlighted the past year. This was followed by the valedictory address of Immediate Past President Susan Villanueva.

7:40pm PP/Sec Cora Ocampo then

called to the center the president, the board and officers for RY 2025-2026 for their induction. District Governor Danila Torres then swore them into office.

7:55pm PP Veeh Balajo introduced the newly inducted president, giving a brief history of the professional life of Pres. Joe and his passion for service.

8:05pm Pres. Joe Ursua then gave his acceptance speech, emphasizing his commitment to leading the mother club in a year of service to the community.

8:15pm President Joe then presented the Leadership Award to Immediate Past President Susan Villanueva as a token of gratitude for the past year.

8:20pm PP Chris Faelnar introduced the guest of honor, Dist. Gov. Dan Torres who praised the club for having impactful projects which were presented during the governor's visit that afternoon. He went on to say that he is expecting great things from the club and that the club is a club to emulate.

8:40pm Pres. Joe Ursua then presented a token of appreciation to Gov. Dan Torres after which, everyone was requested to rise for the singing of the RCB hymn and the Pilipinas Kong Mahal.

8:50pm The induction was adjourned by newly inducted Pres. Joe Ursua.

8:55pm PP Chris Faelnar and his Ways and Means Committee composed of Dir. Eduard Ramos and Rtn. Tonton Tan then started the raffle. An unplanned karaoke singing done by mostly guests from RC Pasay, RC San Fernando Inc. and RC Vigan filled up the rest of the night, ending the occasion in happy camaraderie.



PP GIGI MARANAN
RCB Past President

R RETROSPECT SCENES

SCENES WE LIKE TO SEE :



INDUCTION NIGHT 23 AUG 2025

Retrospect Photos By:
Rtns. Peter and Harly Wasing





CLUB HONORED SPEAKER

CHRIS FERNANDO B. FAELNAR

PERSONAL

Name: CHRIS FERNANDO B. FAELNAR
Registered Electrical Engineer, License Number: 11944
Address: 88 Sweet Pea Road, Alta Verde Subdivision, Km. 6 Asin Road, Tadiangan, Tuba, Benguet
Date of Birth: 04 December 1961
Place of Birth: Cebu City
Spouse: Yolanda Gloria Prieto-Faelnar
Children: Andre' Ness Gerrad, Jerico Arne Fernando, Alla Andion Jecri, Leandro Arne Ness
Parents: Gerardo L. Faelnar (Businessman) and Josefina B. Faelnar (Pharmacist)

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

College: Cebu Institute of Technology, Cebu City, Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering, Graduated 1982 (King of Engineer's Court – Member)
Secondary: University of San Carlos, Cebu City, Graduated 1978
Elementary: Colegio del Santo Niño, Cebu City, Graduated 1974

AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS

Institute of Integrated Electrical Engineers (Life Member)
Rotary Club of Baguio (Past President)
Benguet Hydro Corporation (Board of Director)
Luzon Hydro Corporation (Board of Director)
Alta Verde Homeowners Association (President)

TRAININGS AND SEMINARS ABROAD

Hydro Vision 2009, Venue: Sacramento, California USA, September, 2009
11th Hydro Power Engineering Exchange, Venue: Lake Taupo, New Zealand, October 17-22, 2004
Advasoft Training, Venue: ABB Generation, Västerås, Sweden, 20 February 2000
Abb Advant Controller Training, Venue: ABB Generation, Västerås, Sweden, 20 February 2000
Technical Meeting & Plant Tour, Venue: Sulzer Hydro, Zurich, Switzerland, 20 February – 01 March 1997

Training On Sulzer Turbine & Governor & Technical Tour, Venue: Sulzer Hydro, Switzerland, April - May, 1996

International Conference On Small Hydro, Venue: New Delhi, India, October 1992

International Conference On Small Hydro, Venue: Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, October 1990

Study Tour On Small Hydro, Venue: Indonesia, October 1990

WORK EXPERIENCE (LATEST)

January 2022 – December 2023: Aboitiz Power Corporation, Beckel, La Trinidad, Benguet, Position: Consultant for Stakeholder Relations & Compliance, Aboitiz Renewables Inc.

January 2018 – December 2021: HEDCOR Inc., Beckel, La Trinidad, Benguet, Position: Senior Vice President for Business, Community & Government Relations (BCGR), Aboitiz Power Corporation PD&E.

January 2017 – December 2017: HEDCOR Inc & Luzon Hydro Corp., Beckel, La Trinidad, Benguet, Position: Senior Vice President for BCGR, HEDCOR INC. & Luzon Hydro Corporation

December 1999 – December 2016: HEDCOR Inc & Luzon Hydro Corp., Beckel, La Trinidad, Benguet, Position: Senior Vice President for O&M, HEDCOR INC. & Luzon Hydro Corporation

November 1996 – November 1999: Hydro Electric Development Corporation, Beckel, La Trinidad, Benguet, Position: Vice President for Operations & Electrical

July 1992 - November 1996: Hydro Specialists Inc., Beckel, La Trinidad, Benguet, Position: Assistant Vice President for Operations & Electrical

ACCOLADES RECEIVED

2017 Awardee: Top Performing President in RI District 3790 for RY 2016-2017

2005 Awardee: Don Ramon Aboitiz Award of Excellence: Highest Award given to an employee within the Aboitiz Group of Companies



PP CHRIS FAELNAR

RCB Adviser for RY 2025-2026
District Learning & Facilitators Team

WHEN SHOWING UP SPEAKS VOLUMES

One of the truest measures of a Rotarian's spirit is the willingness to show up—not only when it's convenient, but especially when it takes a conscious choice. Our senior members, particularly those officially "Excused" from attendance, embody this beautifully. Though they could rest on the privilege of their status, many still make the effort to be with us, contributing their time, wisdom, and warmth. Their quiet presence speaks volumes about what it truly means to belong.

It is therefore both ironic and concerning when some younger members—those without any attendance exemption—choose not to be present. This absence is more than missing a meeting; it is stepping away from the fellowship, the shared mission, and the very heartbeat of our Mother Club of RI District 3790.

A glance through our Membership Roster may prompt reflection: Who among us has not been seen for months? And more importantly—why? Rotary is not a name on a roster, nor a badge worn for prestige. It is an active embrace of service, camaraderie, and shared purpose.

When membership is held merely for the honor of association, we miss the deeper fulfillment Rotary offers. Let passive affiliation give way to genuine engagement—so that every member's presence, whether in meetings or in service, becomes a gift we give to each other and to the causes we cherish.

Our club thrives on the principle of Responsible Membership. True participation is not about fulfilling a schedule or responding to a coordinator's reminder; it is about personally valuing the time we spend together every

Saturday. Over time, private-messaging assigned participants has become a habit—a safety net that, while well-intentioned, risks turning a freely given commitment into mere compliance.

The heart of Rotary beats stronger when we call ourselves to action. And showing up is not limited to Saturdays. It also means keeping our fellowship alive through the small but essential habits—reading our Club's Facebook group chats, staying updated via the Cañao Club Bulletin, and promptly responding when assigned a role or task. These simple acts keep our work smooth and ensure no opportunity for connection or service slips away.

Rotary, by its nature, is a voluntary organization. We cannot—and should not—mandate involvement. Yet the beauty of volunteerism lies in the fact that its power comes from personal choice. When made freely, without pressure, that choice holds far greater meaning. Our gatherings, rich with energy, warmth, and purpose, are the visible expression of that choice.

When we joined this club, we embraced an identity—one that values service, fellowship, and shared responsibility. If that identity is alive in us, showing up becomes second nature. Let us see Saturday not as "the day my group is on duty," but as "my day to connect, contribute, and belong."

The magic of Rotary lies not only in what we do, but in how we do it—willingly, joyfully, and without prompting. When presence and engagement become a natural part of who we are, reminders will no longer be needed. What will remain is the shared understanding that we are all part of something truly worth our time, our effort, and our wholehearted presence.



PP RAFFY CHAN

Cañao Editor-in-Chief

RY 2025-2026

PROGRAM FOR TODAY

REGULAR MEETING at the BCC Training Center

Saturday, 30 August 2025

TIME	PORTION	IN CHARGE
12:00 nn	Fellowship	
12:30 pm	Call to Order -----	Pres. Joe Ursua
	Invocation -----	Rtn. Anecita Viernes
	Pambansang Awit-----	(Everyone)
	Rotary Hymn -----	(Everyone)
	Four-Way-Test-----	(Everyone)
1:20	Introduction of Visiting Rotarians & Guests (VRG)-----	PP Marilyn Barredo
	Entertainment -----	Rtn. Kaycee Padilla
	Raffle -----	Rtn. Levy Orcales
	Finest Moments -----	Rtn. Peter Wasing
1:40	Members' Time-----	(Anyone)
1:50	President's Time-----	Pres. Joe Ursua
1:55	Introduction of Club Honored Speaker-----	PP Raffy Chan
	Club Honored Speaker (CHS)-----	PP Chris Faelnar
	Topic: Membership Engagement	
	Open Forum	
	Club Response -----	PP Bert Talco
2:30	RCB Hymn -----	(Everyone)
	Pilipinas Kong Mahal-----	(Everyone)
	Adjournment-----	Pres. Joe Ursua
	Program Coordinator -----	PP Veeh Balajo
	Retrospect -----	PP Mia Cawed
	Imager -----	Rtn. Harly Wasing

PARTICIPANTS FOR NEXT MEETING

REGULAR MEETING at the BCC Training Center

Saturday, 06 September 2025

CLUB ASSEMBLY: Birthday Fellowship
 Program Coordinator ----- PP Aneth Calabias
 Invocation ----- Rtn. Bong Naguit
 Welcome Remarks ----- Rtn. Levy Orcales
 Toast ----- PP Atom Mendalla
 Raffle ----- Dir. Lorena Cachola

Celebrants: Rtns. Dwight, Levy, Arlene, Ailyn, Benedict, Eric, Nancy, PPs Jun and Raffy
 Celebrants Recognition ----- Rtn. Levy Orcales
 Closing Remarks ----- PP Raffy Chan
 Retrospect ----- PP Libby Fernandez
 Imager ----- Rtn. Peter Wasing

AUGUST IS MEMBERSHIP & NEW CLUB DEVELOPMENT MONTH