



BULLETIN

ROTARY CLUB OF WELLINGTON NORTH DISTRICT 9940



2 August 2018

Weekly Meetings but from next month First and Third Thursday of the Month

**Wellington Bridge Club
17 Tinakori Road
Noon for 12:25 PM**

9 August 2018

**Dr Dragos Bratanu
Pursuit of Dreams**

Reflection	Peter Shanahan
Introduce Speaker	Rory O'Connor
Vote of Thanks	Stephen Brazier.
Parting Thought	Terry Pinfold
Attendance	Paul Tipping
Fellowship	Alan Fraser
Tables	David Bennett
AV	Ross Foubister

16 August 2018

**Tracey Coxhead
Trends in Banking**

Reflection	Adrian Ellingham
Introduce Speaker	Margaret Emerre
Vote of Thanks	David Bennett
Parting Thought	Peter Gibbons
Attendance	Maurice Scott
Fellowship	Rory O'Connor
Tables	Lionel Nunns
AV	Ross Foubister

**Apologies and guests advise
Maurice Scott
by Noon Wednesday.**

THURSDAY

President Michael Gorman welcomed Dawn Ferguson and Vivienne Spanjaard.

Coming events

A new room layout enabled the wall mounted projector to display forthcoming events on the wall. Maurice Manttan reminded us that this information can be readily accessed on the club website. *There was glitch with one of the addresses displayed in last week's bulletin but both this one www.wellingtonnorth.org.nz and the one in the contacts section now work.*

The social evening with the Khandallah Bowling Club will now be held on 2 Septemeber and not 26 August as originally planned. The Friday Fellowship that would have been held on 31 August is consequently cancelled.

Rotary International Conference

Tony Fryer spoke of some highlights iof the recent conference in Toronto and his experience of the 46, 000 attendees. He said our district was recognised as one that, on a per capita basis, had made a good sized contribution to Polio Plus last year. There were only 4 cases in the year. He recommends every Rotarian to attend one of these events . He said that in two years time the conference will be in Hawaii and he is keen to form a group from this club to go there.

Ian Crabtree Trust

David King spoke to the report of the Ian Crabtree Trust circulated to members. The trustees continue to be disappointed that only half the schools eligible to ask for funds to support cases

of student hardship do so. The trustees are happy with their financial result although the funds are skewed towards safety. Nevertheless they are seeking a financial advisor who is independent of a commission structure. Time precluded questions but David invited anyone with queries to contact him directly.

Subscriptions

These remain at \$275 and are now due. Our account is 03-0518-0023645-00 Please enter your surname and the word subscription so the club knows you have paid. If you can not do this on line or at a Westpac branch please send your cheque to PO Box 22368 Khandallah.

Remember tree planting project at Mt Victoria on the 11th of August.

(Jesus) Gary Domingo Philippines Ambassador



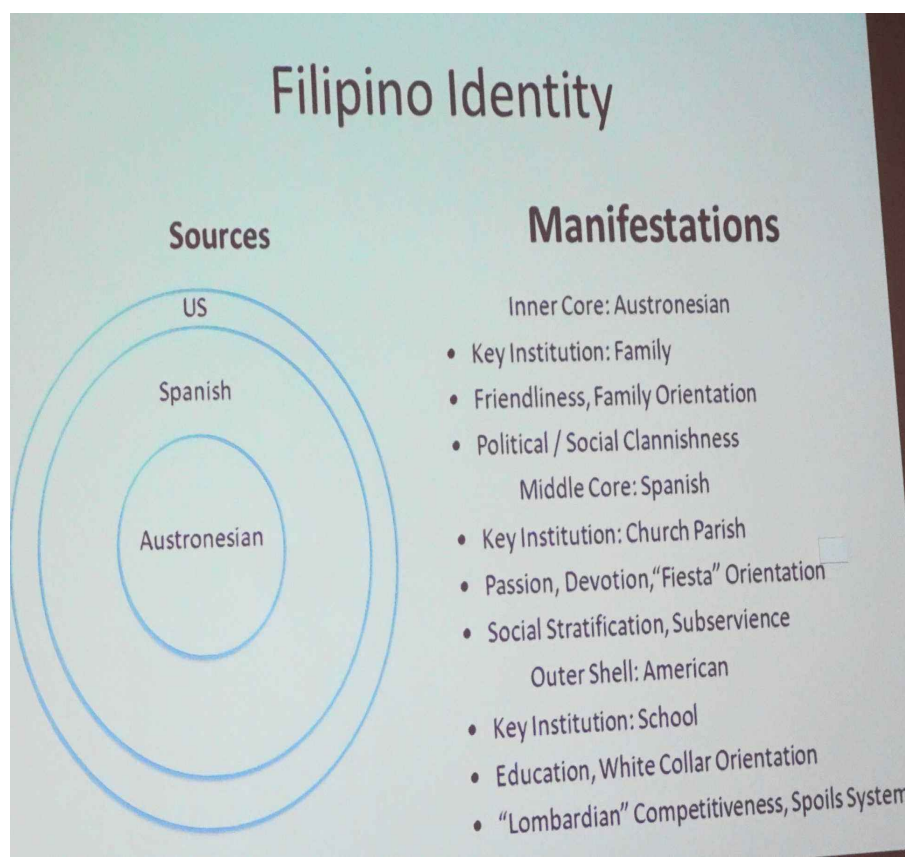
Graeme Waters introduced his Excellency Gary Domingo the Philippines Ambassador. He is a career diplomat, with broad multilateral, political and consular experience. Extensive professional network among Philippine, Southeast Asian, United Nations and other International Organization officials. Broad graduate education and professional training in international relations, law and military affairs. Parallel career in academe and civic voluntarism. Particular professional interest in humanitarian and security affairs.

The Ambassador spoke about diplomacy in the widest sense as incorporating relations with diplomats, and with organisations and also individuals. First he talked about Philipinos. He said that they are mostly christians, the official language is english, and the culture spanish.

He illustrated this with the first of several slides.

He told us that there are 50,000 in NZ and they are concentrated in dairying, nursing and age care.

The word "Lombardian" was new to



some of us and comes from an American coach who said that, "Winning is not the most important thing, it is the only thing."



His daughter had told him of the more cooperative attitude found in NZ schools in contrast to her experience in USA where her school had a designated rival school.

There is not room here to reproduce what he had to say about universal diplomacy but two of his slides will jog the memory of listeners to his address and others may also follow his drift from them.

What is Universal Diplomacy ?

- UD Orientation
 - Tracks 1,2,3 Co-Equal
 - Human Being is the focus
- **VISION - 5P's:** Have all **PEOPLE** live in **PEACE** with **PURPOSE** and **PROSPERITY** in our **PLANET** thru **UNIVERSAL DIPLOMACY**
- **MISSION: - 8C's** To train and develop Universal Diplomats via **8C's: (1) Citizens (4) Connect, Catalyze, Convene & Create – (3) Causes, Communities & Commerce:**

Universal Diplomacy: Individuals

- **#VAMBA** 
 - Volunteer Ambassadors
 - University Students and Citizens (18+)
 - Choose Advocacy: Cause, Community or Commerce
 - Can work Individually or in Groups
 - Popular Advocacies:
 - Tourism, Business, Music, Agriculture, City & Local Community Partnerships, Sustainable Development Goals, Climate Change, Disaster Management, Civic Organizations (ie Rotary), Guardia Diplomatica*
- **#YAMBA** 
 - Youth Ambassadors
 - High School Students
 - Complete Individual Training and Projects in 5 Areas:
 - Leadership*
 - Diplomacy*
 - Humanitarian*
 - Entrepreneurship*
 - Cultural*
 - Youth Conferences
 - *Virtual Merienda* (Tea) – link HS via Internet, Language & Culture teaching
 - Similar to Scouts & Guides

Question time was short but he was asked about the statements and actions of President Duterte in the light of human rights. He said it was his job to defend the President, that the President was a politician but not from the class that most politicians came from and that he spoke in an extreme way.

Maurice Manttan proposed a vote of thanks.

THE PARTING THOUGHT

Most of us are as happy as we make up our minds to be.

- Abraham Lincoln

- from David Young

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