

Rotaract Manila Rocks World Rotaract Week

Rotaract's 40th anniversary is the best time to shout, "We share, we serve, we rock the world!" Thus, the Rotaract Club of Manila, celebrated World Rotaract Week 2008 (March 10 to 16) through various activities that showed Rotaractors' contribution to their communities and recognized their power to make a difference.

RAC Manila on TV - Rotaract Manila's officers and members graced local TV last March 12 when they appeared in ABS-CBN's morning show, Umagang Kay Ganda. It was a great way to inform millions of televiewers about Rotaract's 40th anniversary.

Mall Exhibits- At the start of the week (March 10-12), Rotaract Manila joined Rotaract Paranaque East Paragon in their International Photo and Doll Exhibit at SM Bicutan, Paranaque. Later on in the week (March 13-14), Rotaract Manila hosted its own exhibit, "Rotaract@40: Celebrating Youth, Celebrating Service" at Robinson's Mall in Otis, Manila. The exhibits shared with the public the purpose, accomplishments, and contribution of Rotaractors to their respective communities.

Rotaract Meets Rotary - Rotaract Manila's President, Izel Guatno, shared with Rotarians of the Rotary Club of Manila and the GSE Team from New York the history of the worldwide Rotaract Movement. The talk was given during the luncheon meeting of the Rotary Club of Manila last March 13, which was also the chartering anniversary of the first Rotaract Club.

Go for 40! - Young professionals interested to find out more about Rotaract had their chance last March 15. The Rotaract Club of Manila's officers held an orientation to inform people about Rotaract and how they can become part of this dynamic organization. In the spirit of "Fellowship through service," the officers held games and other fun activities during the orientation.

Rotaract Goes Green- The Rotaract Club of Manila joined forces with the Rotary Club of Manila, Rotaract Club of San Pedro East, Rotary Club of Munting Pag-asa Davao, and Voices for Christ last March 16 to make Earth a greener and better place. Through the Rotaract Goes Green environmental campaign, 40 kids from Gawad Kalinga learned how to care for the environment. With the help of Rotaractors and volunteers, they were able to plant 40 trees at the La Mesa Eco Park, their gifts for a better future.

The Rotaract Club of Manila also made its presence felt in the respective District Conference (DISCON) of RI District 3810 (at Sofitel Philippine Plaza) and District 3830 (at SMX Convention Center). The Rotaract Club of Manila presented its club video in RC Manila's exhibit at 3810's DISCON and talked with RC Pasay Ilustrado regarding sponsoring a new Rotaract club. Meanwhile, Treasurer Ritz Asiro and Rtr. Sol Racelis did a presentation with their respective GSE teams in 3830's DISCON. Rotaract Manila also participated in the Philippine Rotaract 40th Anniversary Celebration at Marikina Sports Complex.

Like the 7,000 Rotaract Clubs around the globe, Rotaract Manila looks forward to 40 more years of making a difference. Together, Rotaractors can rock the world!