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LET'S ALL GIVE THANKS

Every November our thoughts immediately go Thanksgiving, a very special holiday that we have all embraced to when we immigrated to this great country. This year we are truly thankful to four of our fellow alumni:

Nunilo G Rubio MD⁶⁷ who has donated **NUNILO G RUBIO MD professorial chair fund in endocrinology** to be awarded in January 2017 during the *Balik-FEU/ Class*⁶⁷ golden jubilee celebration at the FEU-NRMF Institute of Medicine/ Medical Center in West Fairview, QC;

Gerry C Guzman MD⁶³ who recently is honored as the **physician of the year** during the 6th annual Illinois 6th congressional district awards gala; and

Rick De Leon MD⁶⁴ and Clarita De Leon MD⁶⁸ who just celebrate their **golden wedding anniversary** in Modesto CA.

Thank you, congratulations, and Happy Thanksgiving Day!



NUNILO G RUBIO MD



GERRY C GUZMAN MD



RICK DE LEON MD
CLARITA DE LEON MD

From your CHAIRMAN

We are trying still to facilitate endorsing our accounts from Dr Grace Rabadam to Dr Amethyst Cureg. Your president Drp. Jun Castro is busy with the leg work and soon will come to fruition.



NOLI C GUINIGUNDO MD

Dr Rabadam is gracious enough to continue doing the job.

We sure do appreciate her graciousness and being compassionate to us. May God bless you.

We are also in the process of preparing for the January *Balik-FEU* 2017.

Dr Castro had prepared for the March winter meeting in Las Vegas, and the July summer meeting in Long Beach all in 2017.

Please see again Dr Cesar V Reyes' announcement in the **ECTOPIC MURMURS**. Please see the previous month's issue for the exact dates.

By the way, did your candidate win in the November 8, 2017, presidential and senatorial elections. Let me digress and

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PRESIDENT'S *Message*

HAPPY THANKS GIVING, EVERYONE.

We have to be thankful for all the gifts, the blessings the love and most of all our freedom.



LICERIO V CASTRO JR MD

My brothers and sisters these joyous events are forthright coming and it defines us how we human beings truly believe that we possess that very precious virtue which is love for one another.

Undeniably we do care, appreciate the meager things we possess and the magnanimous values handed down by our beloved parents and great mentors as we pass them on to the generations ahead. Many a times we forget those fun memories in our lives and only in thanksgiving that we are reminded how great our life is.

Our organization is very sound as ever through vigilance, commitments and utmost dedication by everyone involved. It is so fulfilling that we are in this stage of our goals and meeting the challenges that are presented to us.

Christmas holiday is fast approaching so is the *Balik-FEU*. If by chance you will be in the Philippines, please attend the grand celebration night on Friday, January 20, 2017. It is indeed a gesture of support for our colleagues and for our alma mater. Medical missions are all around town and

I would like to express my heartfelt

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FAITH CORNER

REV MELVIN ANTONIO MD⁶⁵

Our election hangover must be over by now, otherwise I recommend a good stiff dose of reality to digest what just happened on the 8th of November. The people of the United States elected a new leader to take us into the next four or even eight years. Is the president-elect perfect? Hardly.



REV MELVIN ANTONIO MD

Should we join the sometimes violent protests going on across the country? That would be ignoring the democratic election process. Instead, pray that our elected leaders will remember who they serve – the people, and ultimately, a Divine ruler.

In the Christian calendar, the Sunday before Thanksgiving is Christ the King Sunday. Many people are uncomfortable with the political title of King to describe a religious figure. Christ the King Sunday leads to the first Sunday of Advent which is equivalent to New Year's Day according to Christian sacred time.

In the gospel text for this Sunday, Jesus is on the final day of his ministry, hanging on the cross at Calvary (**Luke 23:33-43**). This is really not the first nor even the last place where you would look for a king. But then again, Jesus is never where he is expected to be. He hangs between two criminals. One of them says: *Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us.* It

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ALL ABOUT BOASTING

CESAR D CANDARI MD⁶¹

FCAP *Emeritus*

It is quite entertaining to hear politicians boasting of their individual power as sovereigns in the recent 2016 election. An avalanche of bragging as a strategy in the recent contest for President was in abundance. Life is full of auditions in which it might seem advantageous, if not outright required, to describe

oneself as above others, particularly as a campaign stratagem in an election.

From my search engine, Wikipedia defines boasting as to speak with excessive [pride](#) and self-satisfaction about one's achievements, possessions, or abilities. This is also known as *bragging rights*, which are not cancelled out by another individual's objection to said bragging rights.

Not to toot one's own horn, but people need to know. I do certainly agree with this anonymous quotation. Summarily, I will try to expound on this subject of boasting.

Talking about us, whether in a personal conversation triggers the same sensation of pleasure in the brain as food or money, researchers reported. So many people loves to talk about themselves and want to be the center of attraction. So often we feel proud in our accomplishments but also

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MEETING DR DENTON COOLEY

ROLANDO M SOLIS MD⁶³

After my medical internship at Albert Einstein Medical Center in Philadelphia in 1966, I was in a quandary on what residency to pursue. I had loved cardiology from medical school days but was also interested in surgery, and future fellowship in cardiac surgery, influenced largely by the rampant publicity of the new frontiers of heart surgery being unraveled in Houston TX by Drs Michael DeBakey and Denton Cooley.

I decided to pursue cardiology as I thought training in surgery would take so long.

The announcement on November 18, 2016, of the demise of one of the world's greatest heart surgeons, Dr Cooley, brought back a memory of my brief meeting with this famous surgeon in the mid-1980's.

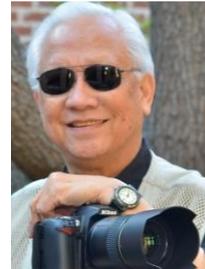
This was the time when I got very involved with percutaneous coronary angioplasty, after I started the program at Baylor University in Dallas.

At a physician's party after a heart meeting in Houston where I was

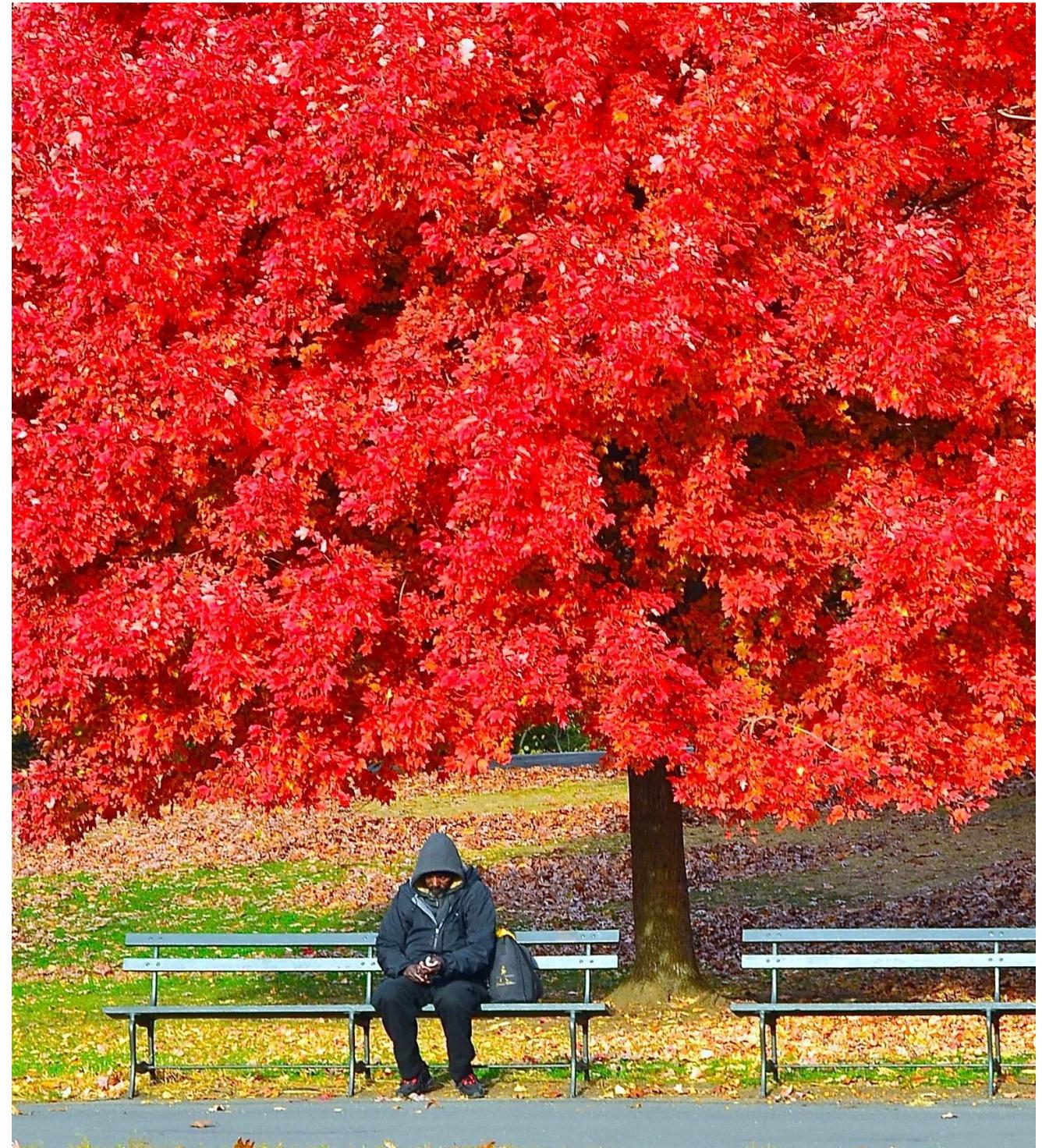
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The pictures, clockwise from left, show (1) Nunilo Rubio Jr MD, assistant professor of pediatric endocrinology at the University of Texas, is recognized as the young achiever in medicine and inducted in the Chicago Pilipino Hall Fame, and flanked by the newly elected Raja Krishnamoorthi of the Illinois 8th District US Congressman, with his two sons, Mrs Cheryl Rubio, Elenita Rubio MD and Nunilo G Rubio MD; (2) At their 50th wedding anniversary held November 12, 2016 at Double Tree by Hilton in Modesto CA, Rick DeLeon MD and Clarita DeLeon MD are shown with son and daughters. The event is attended by Congresswoman Josefina Sato and William Sato from the Philippines, Ambassador Romeo Arguelles and Azucena Arguelles, MD., Esther Kotowski, MD and Adams Lotowski, Larry Ursua, Josie Gerardo, members of the Philippine Medical Society of Northern California, Filipino American Medical Association of Central Valley CA, Stanislaus Medical Society, Rotary International of Modesto, Association of Philippine Physicians of America, and many relatives from everywhere; and (3) A great baby shower held at the Gibson Oakbrook IL is recently hosted by the Montellano Family, from left, Franklin Montellano MD, Nanette Montellano MT (ASCP), Franklin Montellano Jr, Lee Aizabel Montellano, Timothy Joshua Montellano, and Jeniece Montellano.

ASSOCIATION of FILIPINO PHYSICIANS in SOUTHERN ILLINOIS SCIENCE QUIZ 2016



Antonio Criste (center), eldest son of Vel Baricuarto Criste MD²⁰⁰⁰ and Gerson Criste MD²⁰⁰⁰ tops the 2016 Science Quiz sponsored by the AFPSI held at the Governor French Academy in Belleville IL. He is shown with his brother, sister, Mrs and Dr Enrico Farinas.

Illinois 7th Congressional District Gala IMAGE



Gerardo Guzman MD is recognized as physician of the year during the recent 6th Annual Congressional Awards Gala, and shown with, from left, Franklin Montellano MD, Nanette Montelano MT(ASCP), Faye Mendiola RN, Virginia Guzman RN, the honoree, US Congressman Danny K Davis Multi Ethnic Advisory Task Force chairman Kishor Mehta, Roger Cave MD and Stella Cave RN.

CLINICAL IMAGES

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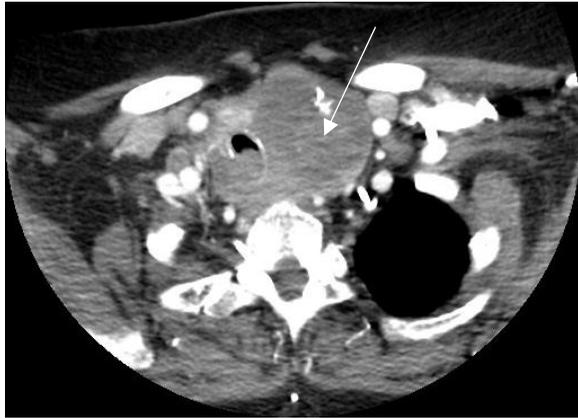


Figure 1 – A CT scan of the large left lobe thyroid goiter (arrow).



Figure 3 – Lateral view CT scan of the left thyroid goiter (arrow.).



Figure 2 – Anterior posterior view of the left thyroid goiter on CT scan (arrow).

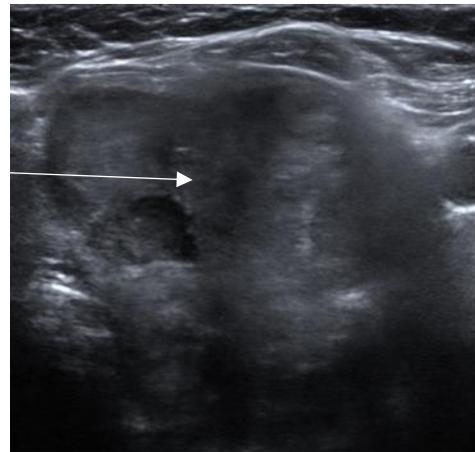


Figure 4 – Ultrasound of a large left thyroid lobe goiter (arrow).

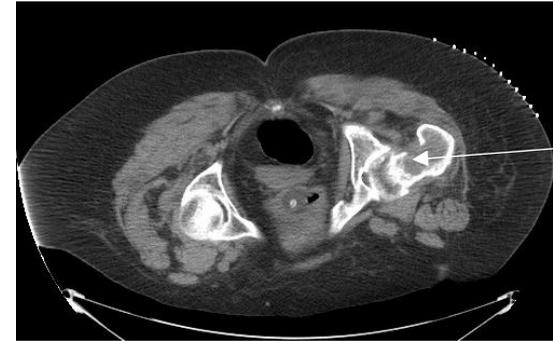


Figure 5 – A lytic right hip lesion (arrow).

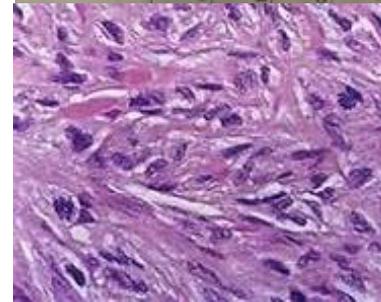


Figure 6 A and B – Cut section of a well demarcated, well circumscribed and fully encapsulated left subtotal thyroidectomy tumor, covered by an irregular rim of nodular colloid goiter. Microscopically, it is high-grade leiomyosarcoma (HE stain, x460)

These **IMAGES** are from a pleasant 80-year-old woman who was admitted to the hospital with complaints of difficulty breathing secondary to stridor. An otolaryngology consults did not find any air way obstruction on a laryngoscopy; and pulmonologist evaluation was within normal in the tracheal, bronchial and lung airways.

A chest computer tomographic scan showed a large heterogenous substernal goiter, which was deviating the trachea (**Figure 1, 2 and 3**). The patient was seen by an endocrinologist who recommended an ultrasound-guided fine-needle aspiration cytology (**Figure 4**) which only revealed microscopically a benign nodular colloid goiter.

The patient also started having significant hip pain. Orthopedic surgery was consulted; and the abdominal pelvic CT scan demonstrated a lytic lesion of right hip bone (**Figure 5**) which on fine-needle aspiration cytology was diagnosed as high-grade leiomyosarcoma. It was suggested that this type of tumor had been reported primary in the bone but a metastatic process could not be ruled out.

Because the respiratory stridor was increasing, a left subtotal thyroidectomy was performed and disclosed a fully encapsulated, well demarcated and well circumscribed, necrotic, extensively fibrocollagenized, and cavitated leiomyosarcoma, covered by an irregular rim of nodular colloid goiter (**Figure 6A and B**). It was also postulated the fine-

needle aspiration cytology was limited to the benign area of the left thyroid lesion.

The final diagnosis was left thyroid lobe high-grade leiomyosarcoma, probably arising from a vascular wall smooth muscle tissue with solitary metastasis in right hip bone. An oncologist took over the care of the patient. No follow-up is available at this writing.

COMMENTS and LITERATURE REVIEW. Primary thyroid leiomyosarcoma is an extremely rare soft tissue cancer. There are only about a couple dozen of cases reported in the literature to date, despite the fact that 15% to 20% of sarcomas occurring in the head and neck and 80% in adults, only 0.014% are primary thyroid leiomyosarcomas.

The tumors usually present in elderly patients with female predilection and are associated with poor clinical outcome.

Leiomyosarcoma of the thyroid gland whether of primary or metastatic origin should be distinguished undifferentiated (anaplastic) carcinoma of the thyroid, spindle cell variant of medullary thyroid carcinoma, spindle cell tumor with thymus-like differentiation, uncommon primary tumor of the thyroid and metastatic tumors with predominant spindle cells.

It is important to exclude thyroid metastases of a distant leiomyosarcoma. It is believed that approximately 1% of thyroid cancers are metastases to the thyroid gland. In autopsy series, thyroid metastases have been found to occur in up to 24% of patients who died of cancer.

Unfortunately, only clinical examination and appropriate imaging studies will help in making the diagnosis. In the index case, both physical exam and total body scan show no other tumor. Moreover, more features are in favor of primitive lesion: it is a solitary lesion (all the few cases of metastatic leiomyosarcoma reported in literature have presented clinically with multiple metastasis at lungs and bones), and it had bad outcome (patient dying within two months after surgery).

The etiology of primary leiomyosarcomas of the thyroid gland still remains unknown. No history of previous cervical radiation exposure in such cases has been reported till now. The histogenesis of leiomyosarcoma may be from the smooth muscle in the vascular walls.

In this current report of an 80-year-old female patient who presents with a right hip bone lytic lesion that is initially diagnosed a high-grade leiomyosarcoma, either primary or metastatic process. Because progressive dyspnea and stridor, a left lobe thyroid goiter extending substernally, resected and microscopically is actually a high-grade leiomyosarcoma. Because of the size, compared to the right hip lesion, it is deemed to be primary tumor; and the metastatic bone lesion as a presenting manifestation.

The diagnosis of leiomyosarcoma was made on the pathological, and immunohistochemical features of the

tumor, which are similar to those found in the literature.

Treatment-wise, and despite surgical excision, most patients die after 1 to 51 months or get a metastatic disease in the lungs, lymph nodes, liver, myocardium, kidney, pancreas, small bowel, colon, peritoneum, brain, and bones. Two cases have been reported, in which the patients are still alive with no evidence of disease, with a follow-up of 15 and 25 months.

In **CONCLUSION**, a primary leiomyosarcoma of the thyroid which is extremely rare. It is a challenging diagnosis to make due to its differential diagnosis. But before making this diagnosis, it is important to exclude a metastasis to the thyroid gland of a distant leiomyosarcoma or a thyroid extension of a non-thyroidian cervical leiomyosarcoma.

A list of **REFERENCES** is available upon request. **CESAR V REYES MD⁶⁸**

NOVEMBER QUOTE

Oh let me see your beauty when the witnesses are gone

Let me feel you moving like they do in Babylon

Show me slowly what I only know the limits of

Dance me to the end of love

LEONARD COHEN

FAMED CARDIAC SURGEON

DENTON COOLEY MD dead at 96

Dr Denton Cooley performed some first heart transplants and implanted the world's first artificial heart. He was a preeminent in operations to correct congenital heart problems in infants and children.



DENTON COOLEY MD

Dr Cooley performed the first successful human heart transplant in the United States in 1968, implanted the world's first artificial heart the following year as a temporary measure while a compatible heart transplant was searched.

He pioneered the repair of aneurysms of the aorta and coronary bypass graft surgery. He also developed procedure to repair and replace diseased heart valves and was renowned.

An alumnus of the Johns Hopkins University in 1944 when he assisted Dr Alfred Blalock in the first *blue baby* operation to correct an infant's congenital heart defect. This paved the way for modern heart surgery.

In 1951, Dr Cooley started as a surgical instructor at Baylor College of Medicine at Houston's Methodist Hospital, later moved to Texas Children's Hospital/ St Luke's Episcopal Hospital where he did a series of heart operations on children.

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Among his numerous honors is the Presidential Medal of Freedom from President Ronald Reagan in 1984.

The medical world indeed has just lost a great surgeon.

MEETING DR DENTON COOLEY

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invited to attend by my friend, Dr

Harold Urschel Jr, a Baylor Dallas cardiothoracic surgeon and friend of Dr Cooley, introduced me to the latter.

He presented me as the *coronary angioplaster* at Baylor in Dallas.

We shook hands then Dr Cooley jokingly poked my chest with his long right

index finger, smiled, and said *you guys be careful with that procedure now.*

He followed up with, *Where do you hail from, Dr. Solis?*

From the Philippines, sir, I replied.

Then, *Do you by any chance know Dr. Phillip Chua?*

Proudly, I replied, *Yes sir, very well, in fact we graduated from the same medical school.*

Phillip is a very good man, he ended up.

ALL ABOUT BOASTING

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brag we become tactless and fatheaded.

However, strategic self-promotion often is the best way to avoid being overlooked (and possibly downsized) in the dog-eat-dog business world. Just don't be a "brag bomb" and let all that successes go to your head.



CESAR D
CANDARI MD

But there are good and bad about boasting. From

religious teachings, the Christian bible: Thus says the Lord: *God loves it when man boast in God, and God hates it when man boasts in man. Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord (2 Corrinthinas 10:17).*

Sometimes we Christians can engage in boasting that contradicts the basis of our relationship with God. We can get puffed up about our access to God. You'll see this kind of arrogance in the public square, and it surely turns people away from the Lord. It also contradicts the very basis of our Christianity. The more we remember that we have been made right with God through his grace, the more we will put aside pride and boastfulness. Our testimony in the world will come with genuine humility.

The Bad Part of Boasting: A man boasting deflects man's attention from the foundation of his life. *Let not the wise man boast in his wisdom, let not the mighty man boast in his might, let not the rich man boast in his riches (Jeremiah 9:23).*

Boasting sometimes never ends. I do not boast about tomorrow, for you do not know what a day may bring forth. Let feel sense of self-satisfaction when we another praise you and not your own mouth.

Stone is heavy and sands a burden, but provocation by a fool is heavier than both. A good caution against presuming upon time to come: Boast not thyself, no, not of tomorrow, much less of many days or years to come. This does not forbid preparing for tomorrow, but presuming upon tomorrow.

We must not promise ourselves the continuance of our lives and comforts till tomorrow, but speak of it with submission to the will of God and as those who with good reason are kept at uncertainty about it.

The Good Part of Boasting:

The boasting rooted in Humility is to be practiced daily. This is called the Good kind of boasting because it's about what the Lord has done. In God we make our boast all day long, and we will praise your name forever.

(Matthew 5.5) *Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.* What does meekness have to do with God? The reason this question should be uppermost in our minds is that if we don't have an answer to it, we will not be able to fulfill the aim of our Lord.

Let your light so shine before men, that they may see our good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

Meekness begins when we put our trust in God. Then, because we trust him, we commit our way to him. We roll on to him our anxieties, or frustrations, our plans, our relationships, our jobs, our health. And then we wait patiently for the Lord.

Today I want to pray especially for Christians in the public square who speak of faith and its implications. Keep them from boastfulness and pride. Help them to feel and communicate with genuine humility.

May the way we live in this world reflect the fact of your grace, so that people might be drawn to you, not only through our words, but also through our attitudes.

Let others praise you. We must do that which is commendable. And we must do good works that may be seen, though we must not do them on purpose that they may be seen.

Some of us think that if you're going to boast about knowing things, or people, you should probably actually know them, because it doesn't take long, in an age of smartphones and Google, to find out if you don't.

And because if you don't, it makes you look what you were trying very hard not to look, which is stupid. Which is bad for your business, bad for your *brand*, and very embarrassing for your mum. But some of us can't help also thinking that the world would be nicer if just a few more people thought it wasn't such a great idea to boast at all.

FAITH CORNER

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is probable that this criminal has heard stories of Jesus healing the sick, cleansing lepers, driving out demons, and even raising the dead. And yet here He is, hanging on a cross like a common criminal, unable or unwilling to save himself.

We might feel the same way when things are going badly. We lash out in anger and say, *Where is Christ the*

King and why is He letting these things happen to me? What kind of king is this that He lets himself be degraded, mocked, tortured then crucified? How can He possibly claim to be the savior of the world when He cannot or will not even save himself?

Christ the King made people uneasy and suspicious. People associated the title of king or emperor with oppression and tyranny. In modern times, the title of Christ the King also makes people uneasy and because it is associated with religious imperialism. The conquest of Mexico, South and Central America was accomplished by the sword and the cross. The Anglican cross followed the British throughout the empire and enjoyed a privileged status reinforced by sword and bayonet.

The burning question is if Christ is King, does his church occupy a privileged position in government? Our experience

with kings and queens has been largely negative. The United States was born out of a rebellion against royal authority. Our constitution was carefully crafted to separate church and state. A concept often misrepresented.

So what kind of King is Christ and how does He exercise his authority? Kingship was central to Christ's mission. From the very beginning of his ministry, the gospels speak of Jesus announcing that the kingdom of God was near at hand. However, He also turned the whole concept of kingship upside down. Kingdoms of the world are about power and prestige while Jesus' was about service and humility. Rulers are about preserving power and increasing territory by coercion and violence while the life of Jesus was about peace and reconciliation. Kings surrounded themselves with a select court while Jesus surrounded himself with the lowly and the outcasts. The one power that Jesus shared with earthly kings was to pardon others of their crimes.

The irony of the crucifixion is that Jesus was sentenced to die for claiming to be a king, yet while hanging on the cross, he showed his executioners that they were the ones in need of forgiveness and that He alone had the power to grant it. *Father forgive them for they do not know what they are doing.*

Another fitting irony is that it is the other criminal who showed some comprehension of what the Kingdom of God meant. When he says, *Jesus remember me when you come into your*

kingdom, he is showing that he understood that the kingdom promised is not of this world but beyond. Jesus' reply affirms this understanding: *Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise.*

God the Father allowed the Son to be overcome by the greatest human power in the world represented by Rome. The resurrection of Jesus is how God declares victory over all this earthly power. It is God who gets to say, *Bring it on. Do your worst. Your power is of this world. I have the last word in this fight.*

There is an important aspect of Advent that we should be aware of and that is the way we see its recurrent theme as an event anticipating the coming of Jesus Christ the Messiah, born of a virgin in Bethlehem. That has already happened. We consider ourselves anticipating Christ coming again in power and glory. His physical resurrection assures us that He is present among us today. The prayer of the penitent criminal becomes our prayer too. *Jesus remember me when you come into your kingdom.*

Christ the King Sunday invites us to remember that the Kingdom of God has always been fully available to us. The Kingdom of God exists in the here and now. It is a kingdom that exists in our hearts when we give ourselves over to the King of Kings and act accordingly with humility, justice and love. The question that remains each time Christ the King Sunday comes around is whether we choose to live as if the one who reigns over us is God and not someone who

obtains the title through the exercise of power.

PRESIDENT'S Message

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gratitude for everyone who have volunteered their services for our countrymen and the communities now and in the future.

The winter meeting for all officers and board of trustees will be in Monte Carlo, Las Vegas, on Saturday, March 25, 2017, and I urge all officers to please book early before you go on your vacations to avoid the last minute rush.

There will be plenty of news, new ideas and updates to be discussed and disseminated. I am also appealing to all Chapter presidents to attend so that you could share with your particular chapters what is happening within the FEUDNRSM Alumni Foundation.

Once again, let us all enjoy and celebrate **THANKSGIVING** for it resembles the very goodness in us and the fiery love emanating from our philanthropic hearts. And above all, please do not forget to hug your love ones every morning. You will be glad you did.

I pray for the grace that everybody will be safe this **THANKSGIVING** holiday and though out the year.

LICERIO V CASTRO JR MD⁷³



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CASTRO JR MD



REV MELVIN
ANTONIO MD

From your **CHAIRMAN**

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make some personal comments on the side. Mr Donald Trump was elected fair and square and Mrs Hillary Clinton had conceded graciously. Most Republicans had also called and congratulate President-elect Trump. However, there are still elements in our

society who are not satisfied with the results of the November election. Some had tears in their eyes. Some are rebelling against the results and are now in the process of demonstrating in the bigger cities.

Is this a sign of democratic process? If you don't win an election you will demonstrate, you poor losers. We are protected by the first amendment, but you are not if you hurt someone in the process, or vandalize properties. I wonder how long this process of demonstration would last.

To make matters worse teachers coddles these demonstrators, offering psychological help and excusing them from not taking the examinations. Is this a process of educating our youth and condoning their bad attitude? Is it excusable to let these ruffians break glasses of windows of stores to bend their frustrations. To make matters worse also, these people are being bussed by the losing party, incited apparently by the media. These are all disgusting. We are no

better than the most primitive societies in the world.

Politics is dirty and the last election is about the same and, definitely no different. At the end of each election, pundits try to analyze what had happened, what made one win, and what made the other lose. It is disconcerting, but there won't be an end to this. Day in and day out, on various television stations, they will keep on expressing their explanation. Someone had to be blamed for the outcome of the election.

I am still familiar with politics since I came from a political family. My father had different positions in the government, particularly in the province of Bulacan. Suffice it to say, I had my part in the nightly campaigning, giving *polletos* to the people listening to the various speeches.

My father had always been the last speaker because they as usual will request him to deliver poems, etc. If he is the earliest speaker and left earlier, nobody will be left among the audience. So, he is always the last speaker. This put us also in a dangerous situation since we will be alone in our loyal jeep to pass through towns riddled with *hukbalahaps* and can be easily targeted in the wee hours of the morning. Just the same we enjoyed the hardships and the satisfaction that goes with winning an election.

Losing an election is very depressing and affects the whole family, affects financial situation, and of course the well-being of everybody in the household.

That's also part of the reason I did not get involved in the Philippine national politics because of the thought of also losing.

I am happy being by myself and help

my medical school in all its programs and various activities. God bless you all and see you in the Philippines in January 2017.

NOLI C GUINIGUNDO MD⁶²



**NOLI C
GUINIGUNDO MD**

FEUDNRSM Alumni Foundation

MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION

Yes, I would like to invest in the future of the FEUDNRSM Alumni Foundation. Herewith below is my membership registration/ renewal for 2016-2017

Name _____

Address _____

Email _____ **Telephone** _____

Membership dues is \$65 (physician in training, \$25). Please make you check payable to **“FEUDNRSMF”** and mail the same with this registration to: **FEUDNRSM Alumni Foundation, 6530**

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Editorials, news releases, letters to the editor, column proposal and manuscripts are invited. Email submission, including figures or pictures, is preferred.

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Nov. 12, 2016

To my dear Friends:

As you know, as of last week, after intense negotiations of the Department of Tourism, The PHILIPPINES is now hosting its first Tourism Project of the year - the **2017 Miss Universe Pageant on January 30, 2017, (its live Telecast will be seen in the world on January 29, 2017) under the country's new President, His Excellency Rodrigo R. Duterte.** This is a bold move of the pageant's new management after being relinquished by TRUMP'S Organization under US President elect, Donald J. Trump. This is the third time Manila is hosting the event. The first time coincided with Mohammed Ali's Thrilla in Manila which began the country's famous **brand** when it **stamped itself** as the best host for international conventions, headlined top stars money making music concerts, even APEC Summits for Heads of States in the world.

We formed an independent executive committee last September 15, 2016 during the Coronation night and Miss America's Show Me your Shoes Board Walk Parade in Atlantic City. As Project Directors of various Philippine events, we felt that we can ably conduct an independent Tour from **January 27-31, 2017** since this is the second time that our Executive Chairperson has done one during the Presidency of Fidel Ramos with his Tourism Cabinet person, Mina T. Gabor. Two (2) departures from JFK will take place from **January 26th via Philippines Airlines from JFK International Airport** and another group will leave on **Jan. 25th midnight from JFK via AirChina** stopping at Shanghai, China for a free day 12 hr. tour, shopping, Early Brunch at Ritz Carlton and High Tea at the opulent PENINSULA HOTEL .

(No parts of this idea, travel info or parcel of this information may be duplicated or copied by any idea or organization from Nov. 12, 2016 to February 12, 2017. The project has been registered as a Title Heading in Virginia and New Jersey).

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November 12, 2016
Reyes A. Arevalo & Tet Abrigo-Palencia

The Hotel package is \$1,950.00 which will include, the Round Trip AirFare, 4 days of Hotel Stay, double occupancy, 4 extra days of free Breakfasts in Manila (Jan. 28-31), Brunch during an out of town Spa and Health trip, Theatre Show on the night of arrival, privately hosted Trade Fair with at least 7 Haute Couture Designers and well known developers, Food, Accessory, Beauty Seminars and services (Jan. 28, 5p.m.-11:00p.m. and Jan. 29, 2017 from 9:00-1:00 p.m.). After the 2017 Miss Universe Crowning from 5:30 a.m. - 12 noon where more than 120 countries are participating with Mr. Steve Harvey as Host, we will end the Tour with a dressed up High Tea Reception with a Royal Ascot Reception and a Limited Edition Fashion Show from 4:00p.m.-9p.m. Tickets for the Miss Universe or an optional trip to a province are not included. An Optional tour to Dubai from Manila is also being offered by the JFK China-MANILA group.

The country is now finishing one of the most beautifully designed \$2billion HOTEL OKADA which is the new premier Hotel Resort and Casino in the Southeast Asia. Mr. Antonio "Tonyboy" Cojuangco whose family was the original owner of PLDT, a television network executive and son of Manila's dame, the late Fashion icon Imelda O. Cojuangco is a proud co owner of this enterprise. This will be the official Hotel of the Miss Universe Candidates. We will start there with a Breakfast and Tour at the 2nd Largest Mall in the world, ASIA MALL with your own independent Lunch. Check in at the new Marriott Hotel or Sofitel is at 2:00 p.m. Participants wishing to stay at OKADA Hotel will have a premier quotation rate.

For now **Tickets** for the elimination rounds and the **Coronation Night** is up for grabs and we are awaiting for the official Ticket Directors to reserve for our participants. We will appreciate if you can call us im(856) mediately since the cut-off time for all tickets and hotel reservations is **on Dec. 12, 2016. All payments must be received immediately after the reservations.**

Thank you very much in advance and hope to see you. My warm wishes.

Very truly yours,

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Invitation to the Miss Universe Event to be held January 27-30, 2017



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**42nd ANNUAL ALUMNI HOMECOMING
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GOLDEN & SILVER JUBILEE CELEBRATION

January 18 -20, 2017

Dr. Ricardo L. Alfonso Hall

5th floor, FEU-NRMF Medical Center
Regalado Ave., West Fairview, Quezon City

and

**GRAND ALUMNI, GOLDEN & SILVER
JUBILARIAN'S NIGHT**

January 20, 2017 (Friday) at 5:30 pm
NOVOTEL MANILA, Araneta Center
Cubao, Quezon City

Honorees

Class '61 (Emerald Jubilee)	Class '91 (Silver Jubilee)
Class '67 (Golden Jubilee)	Class '96 (20 th Anniversary)
Class '71 (Sapphire Jubilee)	Class '2001 (15 th Anniversary)
Class '76 (Ruby Jubilee)	Class '2006 (10 th Anniversary)
Class '81 (Coral Jubilee)	Class '2011 (5 th Anniversary)
Class '86 (Pearl Jubilee)	

(This serves as an invitation)

PROGRAMME HIGHLIGHTS

JANUARY 18 - Golf Tournament

JANUARY 19 - Registration

Thanksgiving mass

Opening of exhibits

Breakfast

39th Dr. Lauro H. Panganiban Memorial Lecture

Luncheon Symposium

5th flr. Dr. Ricardo L. Alfonso Hall

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WELCOME RECEPTION "*Barrio Fiesta*"

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State of the Arts Lectures

Luncheon Symposium

Student Achievement Award

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