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ABOUT THE FOUNDATION

Let's Save the Brain Foundation, Inc. (LSTB) is a non-stock, non-profit; non-government organization registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) on January 31, 2012.

It has been issued a Certificate of Registration by the Department of Social Welfare & Development (DSWD) as a Resource Agency, Auxiliary SWDA, and granted a nation-wide solicitation permit by the same agency.

It is accredited by the Philippine Council for NGO Certification (PCNC) and is registered as a Donee Institution with the Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR).

OUR VISION

Every Filipino has access to responsive neurological healthcare.

OUR MISSION

We are a sustainable organization providing support for quality neurological health and services for qualified indigent Filipino patients of the University of the Philippines - Philippine General Hospital, Department of Neurosciences and those of its alumni.

OUR VALUES

Commitment

Competent and Compassionate Care

Creative Collaboration

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings!

2021 was the second year of the pandemic. But rather than discourage us, we saw it as an opportunity to flesh out and begin to implement the outcomes of the March 27, 2021 strategic planning workshop.

Committees

One of the first things we did was to appoint Committee Chairs as follows:

- Membership – Dr. Martha Lu-Bolanos & Dr. Ester Bitanga
- Research & Training – Dr. Paul Pasco & Dr. Leonard Pascual
- Communications – Dr. Lynne Lucena
- Resource Generation – Ms. Marianne Quebral
- Finance – Dr. Julette Batara
- Board Governance – Dr. Godfrey Robeniol



Over several meetings, your Board reviewed and revised the Duties and Responsibilities of the different committees in the Operations Manual to align these with our goals. Highlights include:

Membership –

- Expand individual membership by inviting not just UPFANS alumni practicing here but also those abroad
- Invite corporate partners, including both local and international organizations

Research & Training –

- Funding for this will come from a Grant from The Brain Foundation, Inc. (BRAIN)
- The Committee composed of representatives from child neurology, adult neurology, and neurosurgery which held a brain storming session on research initiatives just before the pandemic will be re-activated
- Researches will ultimately benefit the indigent patients of the department

Communications

- Our social media platforms (i.e., Website, Facebook, and YouTube,) will be maximized to promote and publicize programs and projects, thereby building our brand.
- Maxweb, Inc. and The Film Dream (TFD) are our partners in this initiative. In fact, TFD is so moved by our advocacy that they have proposed a marketing strategy for the next 3 years and are offering their services for a ridiculously discounted rate. Recognizing the impact this will have on our branding efforts, the Board has approved this proposal in principle.

Resource Generation

- Our application to be included among GCash's organizations is being processed
- We are planning several fund-raising activities for 2022 when LST Brain will celebrate its 10th Anniversary. This includes wellness lectures to corporations, webinars, and a big event in September where hopefully we will introduce our brand ambassador

Finance

- Our Endowment Fund has already earned One Million Pesos in interest since it was established in 2019. This has been re-invested so the fund will continue to grow.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Our Donors

The "Friend-get-friend" strategy is really what works best for us. Here are some stories to share: To refresh your memories, in 2020 Dr. Ester Bitanga posted our Christmas card fund raiser in her FaceBook page and sent this to her friends as well. In no time, her classmates in the United States - UPCM'73 - decided to donate \$10,000 to us thru UPMASA.

Dr. Jess Socrates, their Class President, then told the Neurosurgery Outreach Foundation, Inc. (NOF) about LST Brain. This organization, headed by Dr. Philipp Aldana, a neurosurgeon, also donated \$10,000 and has pledged to donate \$10,000 whenever this fund is depleted.

Nezda Technologies, Inc. is a top recruitment company with offices in different parts of the Philippines and Malaysia who learned about us from our website, On Oct. 1, 2021, we met with them virtually and by Oct 7, 2021 they deposited Php 150,000 in our account. Dr. Lynne Lucena was at that virtual meeting and told them about her patients in Bicol. So that donation became the start-up fund for our newest Program: The Alumni Patient Welfare Fund, with Bicol as our test site. After meeting with us, Nezda told its sister company - Collabera Technologies Private Limited – about LST Brain. We met with its representative virtually and on Dec 6, 2021 Collabera made a donation of Php 400,000. Php 150,000 of this has been added to the Alumni Patient Welfare Fund.



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Donations and Beneficiaries

During our Strategic Planning Workshop in March 2021, the projected revenue for the year 2021 was Php 1,872,000.00. But we actually raised Php 3,211,386.00 in cash and Php 789,000.00 in kind for a total of Php 4,000,386.00! We helped 115 patients and the survival rate was 90%. The amount of assistance we extended was Php 1,711,291.13

Accreditations

Our accreditations with the Dept. of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) as a Resource Agency, Auxiliary SWDA, Philippine Council for NGO Certification (PCNC), and the Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR) as a Donee Institution remain valid. Our Public Solicitation Permit has also been renewed by DSWD.



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As my term ends, I'd like to thank the Trustees: Drs. Ester Bitanga, Martha Lu-Bolanos, Julette Batara, Lynne Lucena, Paul Pasco, Leonard Pascual, Ms. Marianne Quebral and Mr. Gadwin Handumon who, along with past members of the Board, have worked tirelessly to bring us to where we are now. Thank you, too to Dr. Carissa Dioquino-Maligaso our Dept. Chair; Drs. Kevin Moalong, Charmaine Sy, Karl Separa, and Jane Pascual – our Resident Volunteers; Dr. Lourdes Ledesma our Executive Director, Miafe Mendoza, our Administrative Officer, Jocelyn de Guzman, Amy Bamba and Jun Rey Bayawa – our staff volunteers. And most of all I'd like to thank our generous donors without whom we would not be able to provide the neurological care our patients deserve.

Mabuhay ang LST Brain!
Mabuhay tayong lahat!

Stay safe and well.

Godfrey T. Robeniol, MD, FPNA
President





PROGRAMS

Patient Welfare Fund

While doctors at the UP-PGH, Department of Neurosciences, do not charge a professional fee to the patients, other needs such as medicines, devices, supplies for laboratory tests, and procedures have to be funded. This is where Let's Save the Brain's Patient Welfare Fund comes into play by providing financial assistance to indigent patients who, more often than not, cannot afford such costly medical care.



Table 1.0 Patient Welfare Fund Beneficiaries for 2021 and the assistance extended

2021	DATE	PATIENT NAME	AGE	OUTCOME	PARTICULARS	AMOUNT GIVEN
1	03/31/2021	John Homer S.	20/M	Survived	Image Guidance Study machine fee & bone cement	15,500.00
2	03/31/2021	Krysthel R.	18/F	Survived	External ventricular drain	10,000.00
3	05/07/2021	Samantha D.	19/F	Survived	Cranial MR spectroscopy	20,000.00
4	05/11/2021	Angelita R.	38/F	Survived	Anti Gq1b and Anti GM1 serum	24,000.00
5	05/21/2021	Lalaine B.	14/F	Survived	Acetylcholine receptor antibody & anti-muscle specific kinase antibody tests	19,000.00
6	06/01/2021	Ezekiel C.	18/M	Survived	Homocysteine & Gene test-factor V Leiden	10,950.00
7	06/07/2021	Cyrene Kate P.	9/F	Survived	CSF Antiglycolipid (anti-GQ1b antibody)	21,000.00
8	06/14/2021	Leander C. P.	34/M	Survived	CSF oligoclonal bands	27,700.00
9	06/21/2021	Zoey L.	4/F	Survived	Folic acid & homocysteine	8,663.00
10	06/29/2021	Rosemarie C.	62/F	Survived	02 Tank 50lbs, regulator, Pulse Ox	8,600.00
11	07/20/2021	Alvin G. C.	36/M	Survived	JAK 2 mutation assay	7,450.00
12	08/02/2021	Glaisa L.	35/F	Survived	AQP4	15,000.00
13	08/09/2021	Elvin Brian R.	41/M	Survived	Apixaban, citicholine, sacubitril-valsartan	15,000.00
14	11/11/2021	Ryan D.	7/M	Survived	Epilepsy gene panel w/ processing fee	18,200.00
			TOTAL			221,063.00

Table 1.1. UPMASA (UPCM '73) Fund Beneficiaries for 2021 and the assistance extended

This is a donation of the University of the Philippines College of Medicine Class '73 (UPCM'73) practicing in the United States. It is coursed thru the University of the Philippines Medical Alumni Society in America (UPMASA) in the form of a Grant and is a component of the Patient Welfare Fund.

2021	DATE	PATIENT NAME	AGE	OUTCOME	PARTICULARS	AMOUNT GIVEN
1	01/15/2021	Mer Ann M.	40/F	Survived	Duragen	12,500.00
2	01/15/2021	Albert F.	44/M	Expired	Titanium mesh	25,000.00
3	01/22/2021	John T.	5/M	Survived	3pcs Extraventricular drain	14,000.00
4	01/26/2021	Victorio A.	45/M	Expired	Becker Extraventricular drain	10,000.00
5	02/04/2021	Nercy G.	29/F	Survived	Image Guidance Study machine fee	8,500.00
6	02/05/2021	Jorge Denzel L.	25/M	Expired	Viral load, CD4 count, genotyping resistance	7,000.00
7	02/15/2021	Charlene DL M.	14/F	Survived	External ventricular drain	10,000.00
8	02/15/2021	Jovilyn S.	29/F	Survived	Duragen	20,000.00
9	02/15/2021	Enrico L. C.	67/M	Survived	Reclining wheelchair	6,000.00
10	02/15/2021	Jennifer L. P.	43/F	Survived	Image Guidance Study machine fee	8,500.00

11	02/15/2021	Mary C. D.	31/F	Survived	Titanium implants (rods & screws)	20,000.00
12	02/18/2021	Renato L.	71/M	Survived	External ventricular drain	5,000.00
13	02/24/2021	Milagros M.	35/F	Survived	Image Guidance Study machine fee & Craniofix	18,000.00
14	03/01/2021	Reynaldo A.	54/M	Survived	External ventricular drain	10,000.00
15	03/01/2021	Corazon A.	61/F	Survived	Serum anti-aquaporin 4	12,000.00
16a	03/01/2021	Riley Jane P.	3/F	Survived	External ventricular drain	10,000.00
17	03/08/2021	Juvelyn A.	31/F	Survived	Anti AQP4 antibody test	10,000.00
18	03/08/2021	Rene Caunsing M.	35/M	Survived	RITM Viral Panel 4	5,946.40
19	03/09/2021	Genelyn S.	42/F	Survived	Image Guidance Study machine fee	8,500.00
20	03/23/2021	Mereya Kristine P.	35/F	Survived	External ventricular drain	10,000.00
21	06/22/2021	Vhir G.	40/M	Survived	JaK2 mutation assay	7,450.00
22	08/10/2021	Eric R.	20/M	Survived	Hypertonic saline solution	10,000.00
23	08/12/2021	Novain Rai V.	25/M	Survived	Karyotyping + flow cytometry	10,000.00
24	08/17/2021	Armina J.	52/F	Survived	O2 tank 50lbs regulator pulse Ox	8,600.00
16b	09/15/2021	Riley Jane P.	4/F	Survived	External ventricular drain	10,000.00
25	09/22/2021	Mark Anthony D.	12/M	Survived	Duragen	12,500.00

26	09/24/2021	Laarni G. B.	34/F	Survived	Muscle Biopsy	30,000.00
27	09/24/2021	Analisa G. M	53/F	Expired	External ventricular drain	10,000.00
28	09/29/2021	Renato Q.	44/M	Survived	External ventricular drain	10,000.00
29	10/01/2021	Sittie B.	29/F	Expired	External ventricular drain	10,000.00
30	10/01/2021	Vishna C.	2/F	Expired	External ventricular drain	10,000.00
31a	10/11/2021	Sea Mae J.	15/F	Survived	CSF oligoclonal bands	18,603.63
32	10/18/2021	Jose P. Jr	72/M	Survived	External ventricular drain	10,000.00
33	10/18/2021	Cecilia N.	41/F	Survived	Acetylcholine receptor antibody	5,000.00
31b	10/19/2021	Sea Mae J.	15/F	Survived	Serum anti-aquaporin 4 antibody	11,300.00
34	10/20/2021	Paul John C.	31/M	Survived	JaK2 mutation assay	6,000.00
35	10/26/2021	Michelle A.	19/F	Survived	CSF oligoclonal band	19,179.00
36	10/28/2021	Aldrian Jake P.	11/M	Survived	Antiepileptic & pain medications	20,200.50
37	12/31/2021	Catalino O.	54/M	Survived	External ventricular drain	11,000.00
38	12/31/2021	Carl R.	20/M	Survived	CSF viral panel	8,000.00
39	12/31/2021	Gerardo E.	60//M	Survived	External ventricular drain	11,000.00
			TOTAL			479,779.53

Table 1.2 Phi Kappa Mu Fraternity Beneficiaries for 2021 and the assistance extended

Phi Kappa Mu is a Fraternity of the University of the Philippines College of Medicine founded in August 1933. This fund is also a component of the Patient Welfare Fund.

2021	DATE	PATIENT NAME	AGE	OUTCOME	PARTICULARS	AMOUNT GIVEN
1	04/26/2021	Eric R.	20/M	Survived	Hospital bed at home	8,500.00
2	05/07/2021	Elena DL. C.	56/F	Survived	Teflon for surgical treatment	6,500.00
3	05/13/2021	Sherrylou R.	22/F	Survived	Serum AQP4	10,000.00
4	06/01/2021	Renato Q.	44/M	Survived	External ventricular drain	10,000.00
5	06/01/2021	Lorenz A.	17/M	Survived	CSF COVID RT-PCR	3,360.00
6	08/24/2021	Samuel N.	69/M	Survived	CSF COVID RT-PCR	2,800.00
			TOTAL			41,160.00

M.T. Cheng Fund for Infants

Thanks to the continuing supported of Mrs. MT Cheng, since January 2018 the lives of infants from 0 to 12 months are being saved, assuring normal development and a bright future for many of them.

Table 2. MT Cheng Fund for Infants Beneficiaries for 2021 and the assistance extended

2021	DATE	PATIENT NAME	AGE	OUTCOME	PARTICULARS	AMOUNT GIVEN
1	03/23/2021	Ysabelle S.	7mos/F	Survived	Duragen	12,500.00
2a	03/31/2021	Louisa G.	28days/F	Survived	External ventricular drain	10,000.00
3	04/07/2021	Cham C.	1mo/F	Survived	Unishunt (integra VPS)	13,500.00
4	04/14/2021	Sabrina B.	6mo/F	Survived	Whole genome sequencing	34,400.00
2b	04/20/2021	Louisa G.	1mo/F	Survived	External ventricular drain	10,000.00
5	09/13/2021	Jedrek A.	1 yr/M	Survived	External ventricular drain	10,000.00
6a	10/11/2021	Baby boy Simon P.	5mos/M	Survived	External ventricular drain	10,000.00
7	11/16/2021	Lance Kim P.	1 yr/M	Survived	Comprehensive neuromuscular disorder panel w/ shipping & processing fee	17,500.00
8	11/23/2021	Yarah C.	6mos/F	Survived	CSF Viral Panel	8,000.00
6b	12/01/2021	Baby boy Simon P.	6mos/M	Survived	External ventricular drain	10,000.00
			TOTAL			135,900.00

Dystonia Initiative Fund

The PGH Adult Neurology Outpatient Department (OPD) receives a significant number of patients complaining of dystonia, a movement disorder. These indigent patients have difficulty funding diagnostic procedures such as neuroimaging and genetic testing. The commute to PGH for their follow-up and botulinum toxin injections, in addition to their medications, are already considerable financial burdens. As a result, a lot of them are lost to follow-up without even having definitive diagnosis and treatment. Among these patients are possible cases of X-linked Dystonia Parkinsonism (XDP), a disease endemic to our country.

This Program has been funded by Allergan International Foundation since 2015.

Table 3. Dystonia Initiative Beneficiaries for 2021 and the assistance extended

2021	DATE	PATIENT NAME	AGE	OUTCOME	PARTICULARS	AMOUNT GIVEN
	01/14/2021				freight for blood samples	3,312.00
	03/16/2021				courier fee	1,153.60
	04/19/2021				freight for blood samples	3,556.00
1	05/24/2021	Gemar D.	M	Survived	Diagnostic study	14,700.00
2	05/24/2021	Roldan A.	M	Survived	MRI	5,000.00
	06/08/2021				courier fee	3,655.00
	07/12/2021				courier fee	3,556.00
3	07/12/2021	Roderick G.	M	Survived	MRI	5,000.00
4	07/26/2021	Joel F. G.	M	Survived	MRI	8,640.00
	09/01/2021				courier fee	3,556.00
5	10/01/2021	Henry S.	M	Survived	MRI	10,800.00
6	11/01/2021	Kevin P.	M	Survived	MRI	10,800.00
7	11/16/2021	Jaime L.	M	Survived	MRI	4,000.00
	11/16/2021				courier fee	3,430.00
8	12/29/2021	Fritzie D.	F	Survived	MRI	10,800.00
	12/29/2021				courier fee	3,430.00
			TOTAL			95,388.60

C. Huang Memorial Fund for Brain Tumors

The C. Huang Fund, a Program established in 2019, is restricted to patients with brain tumors. This came from family and friends of the late C. Huang whose children requested that donations be made to our Foundation in lieu of flowers.

Table 4. C. Huang Memorial Fund Beneficiaries for 2021 and the assistance extended

2021	DATE	PATIENT NAME	AGE	OUTCOME	PARTICULARS	AMOUNT GIVEN
1		Wesly A.	20/F	Survived	Temozolamide 100mg	
2		Myrna A.	56/F	Survived	Lomustine 40 mg/cap, 6 caps	
3		Rodolfo B.	57/M	Survived	Temozolamide 100mg	
4		Leonarda B.	54/F	Survived	Temozolamide 100mg; 20mg	
5		Rexance C.	36/F	Survived	Lomustine 40mg; Procarbazine 50mg	
6		Nercy G.	29/F	Survived	Lomustine 40mg	
7		Rom Jed G.	32/M	Survived	Lomustine 40mg	
8		Imelda G.	43/F	Survived	Temozolamide 100mg; 20mg	
9		Juan H.	46/M	Survived	Temozolamide 100mg; 20mg	
10		Patrick J.	6/M	Survived	Temozolamide 100mg; 20mg	

11		Arturo M.	54/M	Survived	Temozolamide 100mg	
12		Charles M.	21/M	Survived	Temozolamide 100mg	
13		Jeffrey M.	41/M	Survived	Temozolamide 100mg; 20mg	
14		Jenny Lyne N.	41/F	Survived	Lomustine 40 mg; Procarbazine 50 mg	
15		Melesa O.	37/F	Survived	Temozolamide 100mg; 20mg	
16		Mark R.	36/M	Survived	Temozolamide 100mg	
17		Genelyn S.	42/F	Survived	Temozolamide 100mg, Lomustine 40mg	
18		Ricci T.	30/F	Survived	Lomustine 40mg	
19		Ismael T.	59/M	Survived	Lomustine 40mg	
	02/19/2021				purchase of chemo medicines	270,000.00
	06/29/2021				purchase of chemo medicines	40,000.00
	11/22/2021				purchase of chemo medicines	110,000.00
			TOTAL			420,000.00

The Neurosurgery Outreach Foundation, Inc. Fund for Neurosurgical Procedures

This was established in April 2021 by a Gift Agreement with the Neurosurgery Outreach Foundation, an NGO based in Florida, USA. It is headed by Dr. Philipp Aldana, a graduate of the University of the Philippines College of Medicine and a pediatric neurosurgeon. It is restricted to neurosurgical procedures, at least half of whom should be children.

Table 5. Neurosurgery Outreach Foundation, Inc. Fund Beneficiaries for 2021 and the assistance extended

2021	DATE	PATIENT NAME	AGE	OUTCOME	PARTICULARS	AMOUNT GIVEN
1	04/19/2021	Claire Beatriz M.	12/F	Survived	External ventricular drain	10,000.00
2	04/26/2021	Ichiro S.	5/M	Survived	External ventricular drain	10,000.00
3	05/07/2021	Blesxie P.	6/F	Survived	External ventricular drain	10,000.00
4	05/13/2021	Tristam H.	41/M	Survived	Duragen	9,500.00
5	06/01/2021	Khristina R.	30/F	Survived	Titanium mesh 7x7cm & screws	15,000.00
6	06/01/2021	Milky M.	22/F	Survived	Duragen	12,500.00
7	06/01/2021	Jhon Alvin S. B.	10/M	Survived	Image Guidance Study machine fee	8,500.00
8	06/07/2021	Jan Clarence B.	5/M	Survived	Image Guidance Study machine fee	8,500.00
9	06/15/2021	Leo T. G.	40/M	Survived	External ventricular drain & IGS	18,000.00
10	06/17/2021	Imelda P. M.	51/F	Survived	Duragen	12,500.00
11	06/17/2021	Amalia I.	45/F	Expired	External ventricular drain	10,000.00
12	07/07/2021	John Ricky M.	9/M	Survived	External ventricular drain	10,000.00
13	07/12/2021	John Rey O.	11/M	Survived	Image Guidance Study machine fee	8,500.00
14	07/19/2021	Anika H.	11/F	Survived	External ventricular drain	10,000.00
15	07/19/2021	Bernise D.	65/F	Expired	External Ventricular Drain	10,000.00

16	07/26/2021	John Miguel T.	11/M	Survived	Image Guidance Study machine fee	8,500.00
17	07/26/2021	Jenar B. A.	51/M	Expired	External ventricular drain	10,000.00
18	08/02/2021	Ysabelle Christina C.	3/F	Survived	External ventricular drain	10,000.00
19	08/04/2021	Matthew G.	6/M	Survived	2 External ventricular drains	20,000.00
20	08/04/2021	Jamal P.	30/M	Survived	External ventricular drain	10,000.00
21	09/13/2021	Vishna C.	2/F	Expired	External ventricular drain	10,000.00
22	10/29/2021	Mark Anthony D.	12/M	Survived	External ventricular drain	11,000.00
23	11/16/2021	Estrella F.	46/F	Survived	Duragen	12,500.00
24	12/01/2021	Riley Jane P.	4/F	Survived	External ventricular drain	10,000.00
25	12/01/2021	Dasha C.	7/F	Expired	External ventricular drain	10,000.00
26	12/14/2021	Arsenio S.	70/M	Expired	External ventricular drain	11,000.00
27	12/14/2021	Wenceslao B.	58/M	Expired	External ventricular drain	11,000.00
28	12/15/2021	Radito B.	58/M	Survived	External ventricular drain	11,000.00
			TOTAL			308,000.00



The generosity of the Foundation's benefactors who share its advocacy is what enables more lives to be saved. Some of them are known to us, while others have learned about us from friends or thru social media and have now become our friends. A number have chosen to remain anonymous and just deposit their donations in our bank accounts. For us at LST Brain, no amount is too small when it comes to helping save a brain... save a life!



Table 6.1. List of Benefactors for 2021

DONORS	
Name	Amount of Donation
Aileen S.	50,000.00
Allan DG.	5,000.00
Amy B.	1,500.00
Annabelle Y.	10,000.00
Annaliza T.	5,000.00
Annette D.	15,000.00
Anonymous	521,946.00
Antonio & Aurora N.	10,000.00
Bella H.	1,000.00
Carmen A.	8,000.00
Carmen Y.	10,000.00
Catherina O.	5,000.00
Chary L.	1,000.00
Chim DS.	35,000.00
Chona S L.	3,000.00
Clary S.	10,000.00
Collabera Technologies Private Limited Inc.	400,000.00
George T.	5,000.00
Gilda G.	5,000.00
Hart International Co.	90,000.00
Herminio & Anne Marie O.	25,000.00
James Christian B.	40.00
Jocelyn DG.	1,000.00
Joy O.	4,800.00
Judy J.	1,500.00
Limketkai Manufacturing Corporation	25,000.00
Lisa N.	5,000.00
Lloyd & Phoebe B.	10,000.00

Lourdes K. L.	92,100.00
Margarita T.	10,000.00
Maria Cecilia J.	5,000.00
Maria Hernandez S.	9,000.00
Mavis C.	5,000.00
Maya S.	15,000.00
Monte De Tesoro Holdings Inc	150,000.00
Nezda Technologies Inc	150,000.00
Nicole B.	50,000.00
Phi Kappa Mu Fraternity/Phi Community Outreach Program	48,300.00
Rigmor J.	38,500.00
Rukkus Andre' V.	200.00
Sally L.	1,000.00
San Mateo Heights Realty Corp	120,000.00
Sportfit Inc	90,000.00
Susan T.	10,000.00
Teresa C.	100,000.00
The Neurosurgery Outreach Foundation, Inc.	493,000.00
University of the Phils Medical Alumni Society of America	490,500.00
Wilson T.	10,000.00
WKL Realty Inc	60,000.00
TOTAL	3,211,386.00

Table 8.2. Donations in Kind for 2021

DONORS	
Name	Amount of Donation
Anonymous	45,000.00
Julette Marie F. B.	40,000.00
Stephen C	704,000.00
TOTAL	789,000.00

The Foundation, the patients we serve, and their families cannot thank our donors enough for sharing their blessings. Indeed, they give HOPE in times when everything seems so hopeless.



STORIES



JM is an 11 year old boy residing in Tondo, Manila. He first presented with seizures in April 2020 which gradually increased in frequency to almost daily. During this time, he was taking on-line classes as a 5th Grader and finished the year with honors despite having attacks that would occasionally cause his cell phone to fall and need repair.

In February 2021, JM was seen by an epileptologist who diagnosed him with epilepsy and started him on anti-seizure medications which resulted in some decrease in seizure frequency. However, a cranial MRI revealed an intra-axial mass in the medial right temporal lobe so epilepsy surgery was considered.

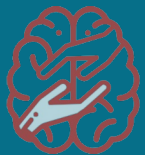
On July 20, 2021, JM underwent excision of the tumor at the University of the Philippines – Philippine General Hospital (UP-PGH), a tertiary state-owned hospital where 98% of the 600,000 patients it serves annually are indigent. Neurosurgery Outreach Foundation, Inc. thru Let's Save the Brain Foundation, Inc. provided the funds to rent the neuronavigation machine so image guided surgery could be performed.

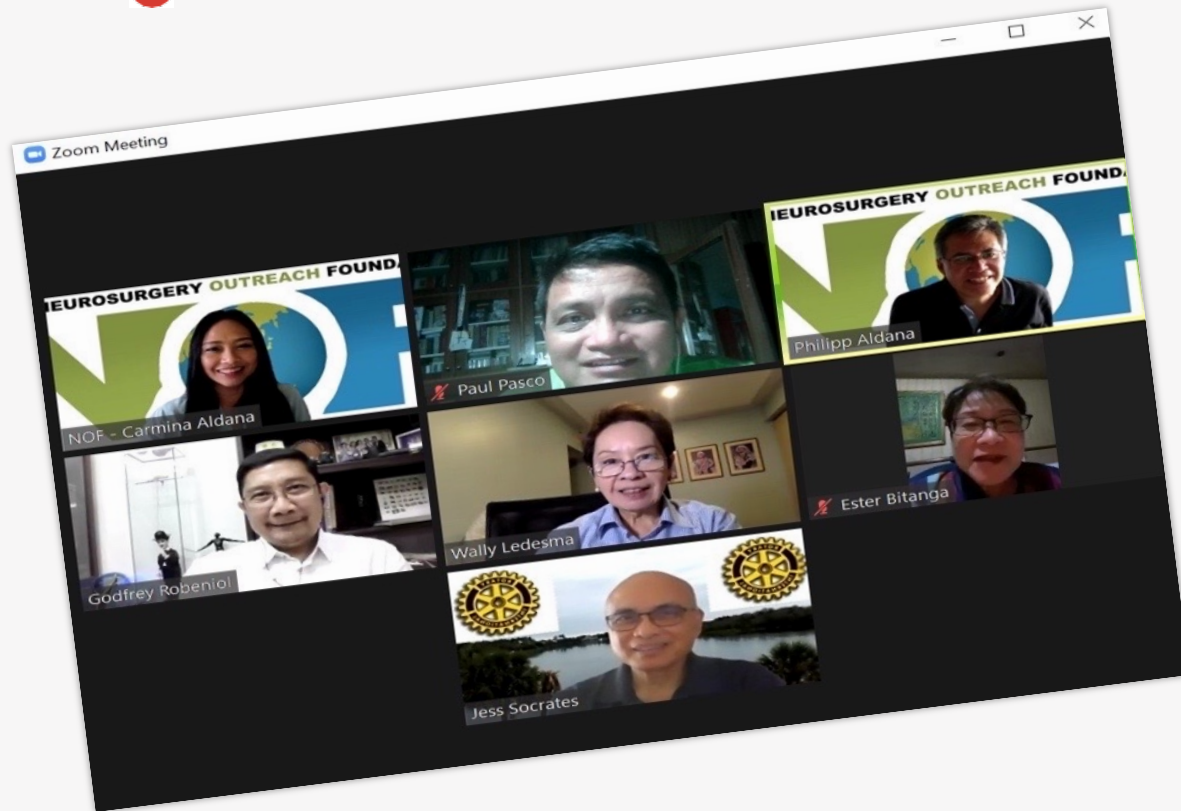
The surgery was successful and the tumor completely removed. Five days after the procedure, JM was discharged and has since fully recovered.





ACTIVITIES





On March 27, 2021, Dr. Philipp Aldana and Carmina Aldana, President and Executive Director respectively of the Neurosurgical Outreach Foundation, Inc., (NOF) met with some Board members of LST Brain. This subsequently led to NOF's Gift Agreement with the Foundation in April.

Included in the photo is Dr. Jess Socrates, President of UPCM'73. He has been instrumental in telling other medical organizations about LST Brain, resulting in their become generous donors as well.





LST Brain virtual Annual Meeting,
May 29, 2021





Turn over of the Alumni Patient Welfare Fund to Dr. Lynne Lourdes Lucena, a neurosurgeon practicing in Bicol and a Trustee of LST Brain, December 4, 2021. Held at Old Swiss Inn, Makati, this was our first face-to-face meeting since the start of the pandemic!

The start-up fund was made possible by donations from Nezda Technologies, Inc. and its sister company, Collabera Technologies Private Limited, Inc.





Our hard-working resident volunteers.

From left to right:

**Drs. Karl Separa,
Charmaine Sy,
Jane Pascual and
Kevin Moalong.**





Our dedicated staff:

**Amy Bamba,
Jocy de Guzman,
and Mia Mendoza**



PROFILE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES





Godfrey T. Robeniol, MD, FPNA President

Dr. Godfrey Robeniol is a Clinical Associate Professor of the Department of Neurosciences, University of the Philippines College of Medicine. He is also a neurology consultant of the UP-PGH, Cardinal Santos Medical Center and Victor R. Potenciano Medical Center. He is a member of the Board of Trustees of the Brain Foundation Inc., and the Medical Director of HI-Eisai Pharmaceutical, Inc. He is also a member of the Philippine Neurological Association, Philippine League Against Epilepsy, Stroke Society of the Philippines, Manila Medical Society, and Philippine Medical Association. He was President of the UP-PGH Faculty and Alumni of the Neurosciences (UPFANS) from 2007-2009, and President of the Philippine Neurological Association in 2009. He obtained his degree in BS Biology from the University of Santo Tomas, graduating Cum Laude, then pursued his medical degree at the University of Santo Tomas Faculty of Medicine and Surgery. He had his residency training in Neurology at UP-PGH.





Ester S. Bitanga, MD, FPNA Vice-President

Dr. Ester Bitanga obtained her medical degree from the University of the Philippines, graduating in 1973. She is a Professor in Neurology (retired); and former Deputy Director for Health Operations, University of the Philippines College of Medicine – Philippine General Hospital.

She is a Past President of the Philippine Neurological Association, UP-PGH Faculty and Alumni of the Neurosciences (UPFANS), and Stroke Society of the Philippines. She is also the Vice-President of the Alzheimer's Disease Association of the Philippines (ADAP).





Martha C.T. Lu-Bolaños, MD, FPNA Secretary

Dr. Martha Lu-Bolaños is a Clinical Associate Professor at the Section of Pediatric Neurology, Department of Pediatrics and Neurosciences, UP-PGH. She is also a member of the University of the Philippines Faculty and Alumni of the Neurosciences, Inc. (UPFANS), Philippine Neurological Association, Child Neurology Society Philippines, Asian and Oceanian Child Neurology Association, Philippine League Against Epilepsy, Headache Council, PNA, Neuromuscular Council, Stroke Society of the Philippines, Philippine Society of Ultrasound in Clinical Medicine, Inc., Philippine Medical Association, Manila Medical Society, and the Filipino-Chinese Medical Association.





Julette Marie F. Batara, MD, FPNA Treasurer

Dr. Julette Batara is a Clinical Associate Professor, Neurology consultant and the Assistant Chair for Services of the Department of Neurosciences, UP-PGH. She is also an active consultant of the Comprehensive Brain Tumor Center and a member of the Executive Committee and Training Committee of the Department of Neurosciences of St. Luke's Medical Center. She was a Postdoctoral Fellow in Neuro-oncology at the Johns Hopkins Medical Institution and attended clinical rotation in Medical Oncology at the Johns Hopkins International Medical Center in Singapore. She is the Vice-President of the Philippine Society for Neuro-oncology, member of the Executive Committee of the Asian Society for Neuro-oncology, and a member of the Board of Governors of the Brain Foundation of the Philippines.





Gadwin Estabas-Handumon Trustee

Mr. Gadwin Estabas-Handumon is the Sectoral Representative for the National Anti-poverty Commission (NAPC). He is the Founder and General Manager of Paglaum Multi-Purpose Cooperative, Executive Officer of the Paglaum Community Development Foundation Inc., President of the Misamis Occidental Federation of Microfinance Services (MOFMS) and President of the Misamis Occidental First Integrated Coconut Processing Center. He is also a Credit Committee Member of the Mindanao Alliance of Self Help Societies Southern Philippines Educational Cooperative Center, President/CEO of the Rural Bank of Plaridel, Vice-Chairperson of the Microfinance Council of the Philippines, and Board Member of the Mindanao Cooperative Hostel Services, as well as Rimansi Philippines, Inc.





Lynne Lourdes N. Lucena, MD, FPCS, FAFNI Trustee

Dr. Lynne Lourdes Lucena was a Nellie Kellogg Van Schaick Full Scholar at the University of the Philippines College of Medicine Intarmed Class 1991. She is a recipient of the Golden Scalpel Award for Neurosurgery, (serving the Bicol Region); Chair of the Philippine Board of Neurological Surgery, Inc. (2013-2015); Secretary, Board of Directors of the Academy of Filipino Neurosurgeons Inc. from 2017-2019; International Faculty/Speaker /Lecturer- Women in Neurosurgery/ World Federation of Neurosurgical Societies 2017 (Istanbul); Visiting International Surgeon Award- Women in Neurosurgery Greg Wilkins-Barrick Chair, American Association of Neurological Surgeons, 2016; and a Recipient of the International Scholarship from the Turkish Neurosurgical Society and World Federation of Neurosurgical Societies, 2017. She is also a Poet/Author, having published "Windows to my Soul" - a collection of poems, in 2018.





Dr. Paul Matthew D. Pasco, MD, FPNA Trustee

Dr. Paul Matthew Pasco obtained his medical degree from the University of the Philippines in 1992, after which he pursued his Residency in Clinical Neurology at the University of the Philippines – Philippine General Hospital (UP-PGH) Medical Center. He was a Translational Research Fellow at the Children's National Medical Center in Washington, DC from 2003 – 2004, and obtained an MS in Clinical Epidemiology from the University of the Philippines Manila in 2010.

Dr. Pasco was President of the Philippine Neurological Association in 2015. At present he is Assistant Chair for Services of the Dept of Neurosciences, UP College of Medicine; and Research Science Specialist of the Child Neurosciences Division, Philippine Children's Medical Center.





Jose Leonard R. Pascual V, MD, FPNA Trustee

Dr. Leonard Pascual, the immediate past President of LST Brain, is a consultant Neurologist at the UP-PGH, a Visiting Consultant and Project Head of Saint Luke's Medical Center Stroke Databank, a Visiting Vascular Neurology Consultant at The Medical City and a Consultant Neurologist at the Manila Doctors Hospital. He is also an Associate Professor II at the Department of Anatomy, UP Manila, and a member of the Philippine Neurological Association and UP-Faculty & Alumni of the Neurosciences, Inc. (UPFANS). He is a BS Psychology graduate of the University of the Philippines, Diliman, and obtained his medical degree from the University of the Philippines Manila. He specializes in the management of people with strokes and other diseases of the brain, nerves, and spinal cord.





Marianne G. Quebral Trustee

Ms. Marianne G. Quebral is a senior Development Consultant who specializes in Fund Raising, Resource Mobilization, Non-Profit Management and Strategic Planning with over 3 decades of experience in progressive leadership roles. She is a pioneer in fund raising and trained at the Fund Raising School in Indiana, U.S.A. She has raised funds for organizations such as UNICEF, Asian Institute of Management, Ang Misyon, Inc. and Save the Children, to name a few. In 1999 she co-founded Venture for Fund Raising, a non-profit organization which provides fund raising training, mentoring and research for the non-profit sector. She is the author of The Fund Raiser's Guide to Fund Raising and Fund Raising 101.





Lourdes K. Ledesma, PhD, FPNA (HON) Executive Director

Dr. Lourdes K. Ledesma was President of the UP-PGH Faculty & Alumni of the Neurosciences, Inc. (UPFANS) from 2011 to 2015 and President of Let's Save the Brain Foundation, Inc. from 2012 to 2016. She is a consultant at the Section of Neurology of the Dept. of Neurosciences, Makati Medical Center and likewise has her private practice at the Ledesma Center for Neuropsychological Services.

She was a Clinical Fellow at the Harvard University School of Medicine where she trained in Clinical Neuropsychology. She is a Fellow of the Psychological Association of the Philippines, and an Honorary Fellow of the Philippine Neurological Association and Child Neurology Society, Philippines. She is also a member of the American Psychological Association and the International Neuropsychological Society.





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