

Waling-Waling Davao
Rotary
Club



**CREATE
LASTING
IMPACT**

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Membership
Bonds



President's
Cornerstone



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Editor's Note

August highlights the importance of membership, celebrating fellowship, diversity, and the shared commitment to creating lasting impact through Rotary... [Read more](#)



August Host Group: Gold

[Click here](#) to view the programme for RCWWD's 3rd Regular Meeting



Waling-Waling Ladies in RID 3860

[Click here](#) to meet the Ladies in Red joining the District to Create Lasting Impact this year



Meeting Highlights

The Rotary Club of Waling-Waling Davao officially launched Rotary Year 2026–2027 with its 1st Regular Meeting, introducing its new leaders, outlining key initiatives, and inspiring members to unite in fellowship and service under the theme Create Lasting Impact... [Read more](#)

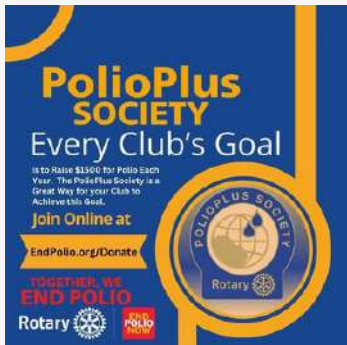


Did You Know Rotary Starts as Early as Age 5?

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Membership Memento

Membership begins with meaningful first impressions that make every guest feel welcomed, valued, and connected... [Read more](#)



RCWWD TRF CRS

[Click here](#) to view the Club's total all time giving



TRF Keystone

The Rotary Foundation turns generosity into action, supporting sustainable projects that bring hope and lasting change to communities worldwide... [Read more](#)

RI & District Leaders and RCWWD's Honorary Members

[Click here](#) to meet the RI and District 3860 leaders inspiring us to Create Lasting Impact, as well as our Honorary Members



August Celebrations

[Click here](#) to see our August birthday celebrants, wedding anniversaries, and membership milestones



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Waling-Waling Davao

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The Past Presidents *(active)*



Lorna Llamas
1996-1997 (Build
the Future with
Action & Vision)



Leonida Santos
1999-2000 (Act with
Consistency,
Credibility,
Continuity)



**Remedios
Calaguas**
2001-2002
(Mankind is Our
Business)



**Divina Fe
Boiser**
2006-2007 (Lead
the Way)



**Maria Luisa
Jacinto**
2007-2008
(Rotary Shares)



**Evangeline
Schwendener**
2008-2009
(Make Dreams
Real)



**Mae
Concepcion
Dolendo**
2009-2010 (The
Future of Rotary is
in Your Hands)



**Maria Victoria
Jimenez**
2011-2012 (Reach
Within to Embrace
Humanity)



**Jannette
Valderosa**
2014-2015 (Light Up
Rotary); 2021-2022
(Serve to Change
Lives)



**Estela
Maribel Vilela**
2016-2017
(Rotary Serving
Humanity)



**Teresita
Yñiguez**
2019-2020
(Rotary
Connects the
World)



**Armi GERALYN
Espiritu**
2020-2021
(Rotary Opens
Opportunities)



**Vanessa
Madayag**
2022-2023
(Imagine Rotary)



**Emmanouelle
Zhang**
2023-2024
(Create Hope in
the World)



**Maria Vida
Könst**
2024-2025 (The
Magic of Rotary)



Sylvia Austria
2025-2026 (Unite
for Good)



Waling-Waling Davao

Rotary
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Club Board of Directors and Officers



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Avena**
President



Sylvia Austria
Immediate Past
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De los Santos**
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The Rotary
Foundation Chair



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Lamparas**
Public Image
Chair



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Victoria
Evangelista**
Community
Service Chair



**Maria Luisa
Aportadera**
Youth Service
Chair



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Schwendener**
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**Charizma Cortez-
Catague**
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*The Rotary Club of Waling-Waling Davao
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Schwendener**
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Austria**
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Avena**
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**PE Charizma
Cortez-Catague**
Board of Trustee



Members of the Club



**Jennifer
Ang**
Civil
Engineering
ID#6204761



**Maria Luisa
Aportadera**
Physical Medicine
& Rehabilitation
ID#1932406



Sylvia Austria
Real Estate: Sales
& Marketing
ID#2446869



Niptalez Avena
Cargo Handling &
Heavy Equipment
Rentals
ID#12142775



**Divina Fe
Boiser**
Family
Medicine
ID#3202663



**Remedios
Calaguas**
Real Estate:
Brokering
ID#1932424



**Charizma
Cortez-Catague**
Accounting
ID#12491688



**Yolanda
Celi**
Tourism -
Boat Rentals
ID#12505070



**Maribel
Chua**
Motor Vehicle
Dealership
ID#5411013



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Rosa**
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Information &
Communications
Technology
ID#10050491



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los Santos**
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Preservation
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Concepcion
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Pediatric Oncology
ID#6199043



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Espejo**
Pharmacy
ID#6567407



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Espiritu**
DMD:
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Members of the Club



**Maria Victoria
Evangelista**

Skin Care & Plant
Food-based
Manufacturing
ID#11714467



**Teresita
Fitzback**

Fishing Equipment
Retailing
ID#6132312



Luna Gaviola

General Building
Construction
ID#5134392



Maria Luisa Jacinto

Water Resources
Management &
Governance
ID#3315734



**Maria
Victoria
Jimenez**

Landscaping
ID#5134393



**Ma. Alessandra
Elisabeth Könst**

Occupational
Therapist
ID#10984819



**Maria Vida
Könst**

Travel - Tours &
Other
Arrangements
ID#5660752



**Chona
Lamparas**

Party Needs
Supplier
ID#10808598



**Josephine
Liamzon**

Professional
Career Licensing
Consultant
ID#5615875



**Lorna
Llamas**

Real Estate:
Managing
ID#1932452



**Vanessa
Madayag**

Life/Financial
Underwriter
ID#8729988



**Janice Lao-
Oliva**

Social Media
ID#12114109



**Herminia
Polintan**

Food
Distribution
ID#6790050



**Leamie
Retales**

Government - Tax
Collection
ID#11830665



**Marydict
Rosales**

Real Estate
Developer
ID#10139535



Members of the Club



**Leonida
Santos**

Architecture
ID#2188840



**Evangeline
Schwendener**

Education: Foreign
Language
ID#5660754



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Tai**

Grains
Wholesaler
ID#8393324



Myriam Tan

Garments
Manufacturing
ID#3269847



**Jannette
Valderosa**

Agricultural
Farming
ID#6740932



**Estela Maribel
Vilela**

Veterinary Medicine
ID#5729591



**Elsa
Villagomez**

Anaesthesiology
ID#5872956



**Teresita
Yñiguez**

Lawyer
ID#5164777



**Emmanouelle
Zhang**

Optometrist
ID#9812443

Regular Meetings



The Board of Directors and Officers officially inform the Club that there will be TWO HYBRID MEETINGS on the FIRST and THIRD THURSDAY of the month, otherwise stated. VENUE of regular meetings will be at ROADWAY INN, DAVAO CITY, unless otherwise stated.

On the Cover

Pres Niptalez “Jeejee” Avena blooms into her new role with grace and enthusiasm during the Rotary Club of Waling-Waling Davao’s 36th Installation and Handover Ceremony. Together with the Blooming Ladies in Red, she welcomes a new Rotary year rooted in fellowship, inspired leadership, and a renewed commitment to blossom through service while *Creating Lasting Impact* in the communities they serve.

Members are requested to send articles, stories, and digital photographs to the Bloomscoop email rcwwd.bloomscoop@gmail.com no later than 12NN of SUNDAY every 1st and 3rd week of the month (unless otherwise stated). Articles should cite the source of information (print and electronic) and credit the author.

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Rotary Monthly Observances

JULY - Maternal & Child Health Month

AUGUST - Membership & New Club Development Month

SEPTEMBER - Basic Education & Literacy month

OCTOBER - Community Economic & Development Month

NOVEMBER - The Rotary Foundation Month

DECEMBER - Disease Prevention & Treatment Month

JANUARY - Vocational Service Month

FEBRUARY - Peacebuilding & Conflict Prevention Month

MARCH - Water, Sanitation, & Hygiene Month

APRIL - Environmental Month

MAY - Youth Service Month

JUNE - Rotary Fellowship Month



Editor's Note



Ma. Alessandra Elisabeth Könst

District RYLA Coordinator for Mindanao •

Vice-President • Editor-in-Chief

August celebrates one of Rotary's greatest strengths: its members. Membership is more than just growing our numbers; it's also about building meaningful connections, embracing diverse perspectives, and creating a club where everyone feels they belong and can make a difference.

As we observe Membership and New Club Development Month, let's continue to welcome new faces with open hearts, nurture lasting friendships, and inspire others through our service. Every new member brings fresh ideas, renewed energy, and another opportunity to *Create Lasting Impact*.

Together, we continue to grow, not only in membership, but also in fellowship, purpose, and our shared commitment to Service Above Self.

Happy Reading!

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Estela Maribel "Baby" Vilela



President
Niptalez "Jeejee" Avena

Programme



RCWWD 3rd Regular Meeting

August 6, 2026, 12-2 PM / Sarung Banggi, Davao City

ATTIRE: *red blazer, white inner, black pants*

Call to Order	Pres Niptalez Avena
Invocation	DRCCC/PP Jannette Valderosa
Pambansang Awit	AVP
Rotary Hymn	AVP
Acknowledgement of Visiting Rotarians, Guests, and Zoom Attendees	PP Herminia Polintan
Membership Talk	DMC/PP Armi Geralyn Espiritu
Presentation of Token of Appreciation for the Speaker	Pres Niptalez Avena & DGRPRM/Sec Estela Maribel Vilela
Introduction of New Member	Dir Maria Victoria Evangelista
Charging of New Member	Dir Cecile Diaz
Induction of New Member	Pres Niptalez Avena
Ceremonial Pinning of New Member	Pres Niptalez Avena & Maria Victoria Evangelista
Secretary's Time	DGRPRM/Sec Estela Maribel Vilela
Other Announcements	RCWWD
President's Time & Adjournment	Pres Niptalez Avena

Fellowship

Program Moderator: PP Emmanouelle Zhang

Programme



Heavenly Father, we gather today with grateful hearts, thanking You for the gift of fellowship and the opportunity to serve our community through Rotary. Thank You for guiding our club and blessing us with the privilege of making a positive difference in the lives of others.

Today, we especially thank You for the newest addition to our Rotary family. We are grateful for this new member who has chosen to join us in our mission of service above self. May You bless her with wisdom, enthusiasm, and lasting friendship as she begin this Rotary journey with us.

As we conduct our meeting, grant us open minds, humble hearts, and the wisdom to make decisions that will benefit those we serve. Strengthen our unity, inspire our compassion, and remind us that together we can accomplish far more than we ever could alone.

May all that we do bring hope, kindness, and goodwill to our community, and may our actions always reflect integrity, generosity, and love.

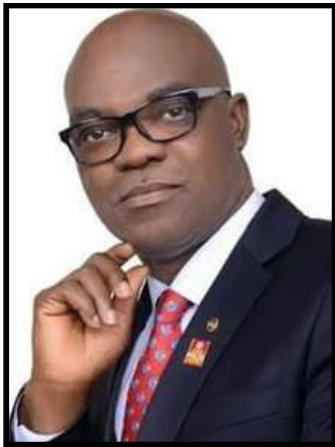
AMEN.

*Shared by DRCCC/PP Jannette Valderosa
Team Gold*





Rotary International and District Leaders



Olayinka "Yinka"
Hakeem Babalola
Rotary International
President



Arlene Juele Adlawan
District Governor for
RID 3860



Sylvia Austria
Assistant Governor for
Area 2B

Honorary Members



PP Abdullah
"Nonoy" Aquino



Antonio VA
"Tonying" Llamas



PP Yoshinori Ishii
RC Narashino,
District 2790 -
Chiba, Japan



Mario Luis "Louie"
Jacinto



Francisco "Dave"
Vilela, Jr.





Waling-Waling Ladies in Rotary International District 3860



Armi Geralyn Espiritu
District Membership
Chair



Maria Vida Könst
District Deputy Membership
Chair • District New Club
Development Chair



Estela Maribel Vilela
District Governor's
Representative - Philippine
Rotary Magazine



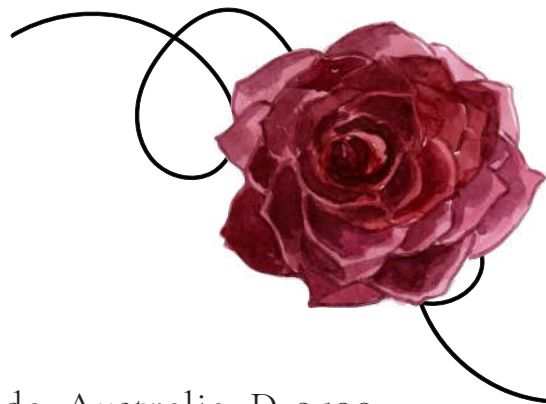
Sylvia Austria
Assistant Governor for Area
2B



Ma. Alessandra Elisabeth Könst
District RYLA Coordinator for
Mindanao



Jannette Valderosa
District Rotary
Community Corps Chair



Club Profile

CHARTER DATE: January 20, 1992

CLUB NUMBER: 28480

SPONSOR: Rotary Club of East Davao

CHARTER PRESIDENT: Sylvia V.

Marfori

NUMBER OF MEMBERS TO DATE: 39

MULTIPLE PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS:

21

PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS: 5

TRF SUSTAINING MEMBERS: 5

MAJOR DONORS:

- Active Members: 8
- Honorary Members: 4

BENEFACTORS: 1

FOUNDATION: The Rotary Club of Waling-Waling Davao Foundation, Inc.

EXTENSION CLUB: Rotary Club of Davao 2000

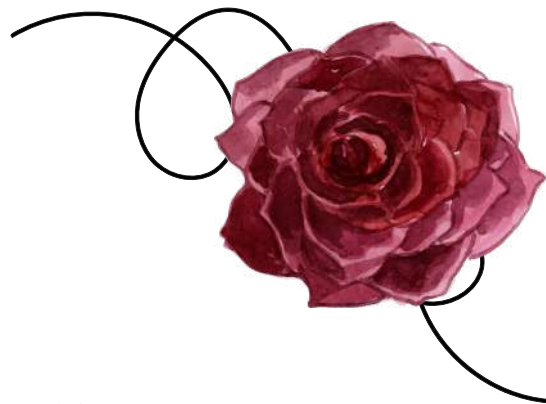
SISTER CLUBS:

- RC Pikesville-Owings, USA, D-7620; 2018 – present

- RC Adelaide, Australia, D-9500; 2015 – present
- RC Prospect, Australia, D-9500; 2007 – present
- RC Tagum North; 2006-2022
- RC Hundred Islands, D-3790; 2006-2009
- RC Galena Park, Jacinto City, Texas, USA; 2003-2004
- RC Escondido Sunrise, D-5340; 2003-2004
- RC Mabalacat, Pampanga, PH, D-3790; 2000-2001
- RC Poway, California, USA, D-5340; 1999-2009
- RC Cebu Fuente, D-3860; 1999-2022
- RC Commonwealth; 1998-1999
- RC J.P. Rizal, D-3830; 1995-1996

PARTNERS-IN-SERVICE:

- RC Narashino, Japan, D-2790
- Rotaract Club of Waling-Waling Davao
- Interact Club of Waling-Waling Davao
- RCC Tibungco Resettlement Area, Davao City
- RCC Matina Pangi, Davao City



Club Profile

- RCC Association of Differently Abled Persons Village, Davao City
- RCC Duha, Ma-a, Davao City

CLUB BULLETIN: BLOOMSCOOP

NUMBER OF ROTEX HOSTED: 2

NUMBER OF ROTEX SPONSORED: 1

NUMBER OF GSE HOSTED: 7

NUMBER OF GSE SPONSORED: 9

ROTARY CONFERENCES:

- *As Host Club*
 - VIBRANT CLUB SEMINAR - Mindanao Rotary Clubs: September 7, 2024
 - MEMBERSHIP/TRF SEMINAR: 2022-2023; 2010-2011
 - DISASTER RISK REDUCTION SEMINAR: September 2015
 - TRI-DISTRICT SEMINAR: August 2014
 - DISTRICT BLOODLETTING ACTIVITY: 2003-present
 - PETS/SETS & DISTAS: May 10-11, 2002
 - MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT SEMINAR: August 16, 2001

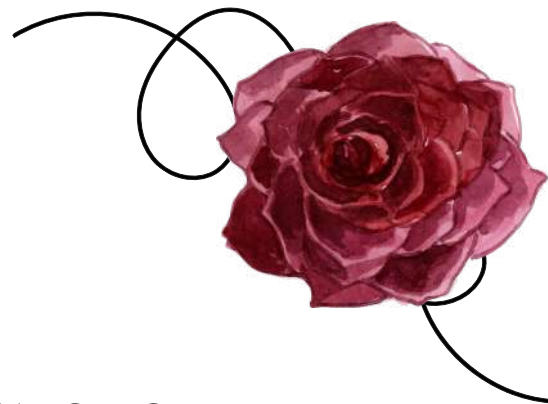
- INTERCITY FORUM: 1998-1999; 1997-1998; 1993-1994

• *As Co-Host Club*

- Fellowship Night, DisCon 2024
- Voice of the Youth Impromptu Speaking Competition, 2008
- Governor's Night, DisCon 2003
- DisCon 1996

FUNDED PROJECTS:

- Rotary Foundation Matching Grants: 10
- Global Grants
 - 2 as proponent
 - 1 co-proponent with RC East Davao, RC Prospect (Australia) and RC Adelaide (Australia)
- District Grants
 - D-3860: 8
 - D-7620: 1 (with Pikesville-Owings)
- World Community Service: Chiba, Japan; RC Narashino



Club Profile

NON-GOVERNMENT AGENCY

PARTNERS:

- Pag-asa ng Batang May Kapansanan Foundation, Inc.
- Kakayahan ng may Kapansanan Foundation, Inc. (KKFI)
- Member, Davao City Council for the Welfare of Persons with Disability
- Philippine Pediatric Society
- Davao Medical Society
- Brokenshire Memorial Hospital
- Davao City Children Cancer Fund, Inc.
- San Pedro College
- San Pedro Hospital
- Philippine Veterinary Medical Association - Southern Mindanao Chapter

GOVERNMENT AGENCY

PARTNERS:

- Davao City Social Services & Development Office
- Department of Social Welfare & Development
- Department of Labor & Employment
- Department of Education
- Department of Environment & Natural Resources
- Davao Blood Center
- Davao City Planning & Development Office
- Davao City Health Office
- Davao City Nutrition Office
- Davao City Water District
- Department of Agriculture
- Technical Education Skills Development Authority
- Philippine National Red Cross
- Southern Philippines Medical Center

Dear Blooming Ladies in Red,

As we welcome the month of August, we also celebrate Membership Month, a special time to recognize the heart of our club: our members. Each one of you brings unique talents, compassion, and commitment that help our club bloom and make a meaningful difference in our community.

May this month inspire us to strengthen our fellowship, support one another, and warmly invite others to join us in service. Together, let us continue to grow, serve, and bloom with purpose.

Thank you for your continued dedication and for being an invaluable part of our club family.



Niptalez Avena

President

President's Cornerstone



Estela Maribel Vilela

*District Governor's
Representative - Philippine
Rotary Magazine • Secretary*

JULY 5, 2026 – CELEBRATING NEW ROTARY LEADERSHIP

Members of the Rotary Club of Waling-Waling Davao attended the 52nd District Installation of District 3860 and the 34th Induction and Handover Ceremony of RC Tagum Golden LACES. Joining fellow Rotarians in celebrating Rotary's transition from *"Unite for Good"* to *"Create Lasting Impact,"* the delegation reaffirmed its commitment to service, leadership, and fellowship. RCWWD also extended its heartfelt congratulations to DG Arlene Adlawan and the newly inducted officers of the Rotary Club of Tagum Golden LACES, wishing them a meaningful and impactful Rotary year.



Secretary & Print

JULY 7, 2026 – PREPARING FOR THE ANNUAL DISTRICT BLOODLETTING ACTIVITY

DGRPRM/Secretary Baby Vilela and Area 2B Assistant Governor Sylvia Austria joined a coordination meeting at Habi at Kape, Abreeza Mall, Davao City to finalize preparations for the Annual District Bloodletting Activity scheduled on August 15, 2026. The meeting gathered Area 2 Assistant Governors, District Community Service Project Chair for Mindanao Art Galendez, and the presidents and secretaries of Area 2 clubs to discuss plans and ensure the successful implementation of this life-saving district initiative.



JULY 7, 2026 – AREA 2 COORDINATION MEETING: STRENGTHEN DISTRICT BLOODLETTING EFFORTS

Hosted by the Rotary Clubs of Area 2B under the leadership of Assistant Governor Sylvia Austria, the Area 2 Coordination Meeting brought together club presidents, secretaries, and district leaders to prepare for the Annual District Bloodletting Activity on August 15, 2026. Discussions focused on planning, resource mobilization, club participation, and collaborative strategies to ensure the success of the district-wide humanitarian initiative. Representing RCWWD, DGRPRM/Club Secretary Baby Vilela joined fellow Rotarians in reaffirming their shared commitment to service, teamwork, and saving lives through this meaningful community project.

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JULY 16, 2026 – CAPTURING ROTARY'S STORY THROUGH EVERY FRAME

The Rotary Club of Waling-Waling Davao conducted a photo and video shoot at iconic Davao City landmarks, including City Hall, the Sangguniang Panlungsod Building, and the Coastal Road, to create visual presentations for the National Anthem during official meetings and events. Beyond capturing memorable images, the project showcases the club's spirit of fellowship, unity, and service. Through meaningful visuals, RCWWD continues to celebrate its story, inspire others, and reflect Rotary's commitment to *Creating Lasting Impact...* One project, one life, and one community at a time.



Secretary's Print

JULY 16, 2026 - GREAT MOMENTS, STRONGER FELLOWSHIP

Following a successful club photo and video shoot, members of the Rotary Club of Waling-Waling Davao ended the day by sharing laughter, stories, and fellowship. The gathering highlighted the camaraderie and sisterhood that make Rotary service meaningful, proving that while service may be demanding, the friendships built along the way make every moment worthwhile. It was a fitting reminder that Rotary is not only about serving communities but also about building lasting bonds that inspire members to continue creating lasting impact together.



JULY 16, 2026 – SUPPORTING YOUNG LEARNERS THROUGH BRIGADA ESKWELA

The Rotary Club of Waling-Waling Davao reaffirmed its commitment to Basic Education and Literacy through the distribution of school supplies to pupils of its supported Child Development Centers in Tibungco, San Jose, and DUHA. The initiative equipped young learners with essential materials as they began the new school year, promoting confidence, learning, and opportunity. More than providing school supplies, the outreach reflected Rotary's dedication to investing in education and empowering children to build brighter futures. Through every act of kindness, RCWWD continues to create lasting impact—one child, one school, and one community at a time.

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**SAN JOSE CHILD
DEVELOPMENT
CENTER**



**DUHA CHILD
DEVELOPMENT
CENTER**



**TIBUNGO CHILD
DEVELOPMENT
CENTERS**

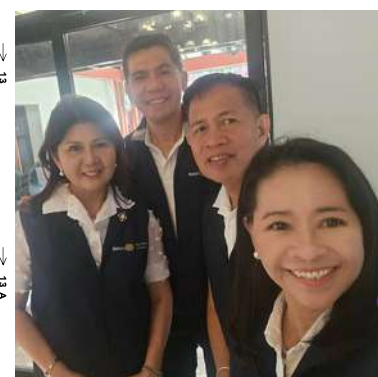
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Secretary's Print

JULY 31, 2026 - STRENGTHENING ROTARY COMMUNICATION THROUGH TRAINING

Representatives from the 10 Rotary districts in the Philippines gathered for the District Governors' Representatives to The Philippine Rotary Magazine Training, aimed at strengthening Rotary communication and engagement. The session equipped participants with strategies to promote magazine subscriptions, support collection efforts, and enhance collaboration with Rotary clubs. It also underscored the magazine's vital role in sharing inspiring stories of service, celebrating club achievements, and keeping Rotarians informed. Through the exchange of ideas and best practices, participants reaffirmed their commitment to amplifying Rotary's voice and fostering a more connected, informed, and inspired Rotary community nationwide.



Secretary's Print

JULY 31, 2026 COORDINATION MEETING FOR SIGHT- SAVING MONTH

The Rotary Club of Waling-Waling Davao Ladies attended a coordination meeting with the stakeholders of the Sight-Saving Month activity, which will be held on August 26, 2026.



Extra Attendance / Makeups

June 29, 2026

Meeting with PP Jaja on Rotary Community Corps.
PP Kemi Calaguas

July 20, 2026

DANCE PRACTICE

Llamas Residence

Pres. Jeejee Avena
DNC Gigi Espiritu
DDMEC Vida Konst
DGR-PRM Baby Vilela
PP Teresita Yniguez
PP Evangeline Schwendener
PP Divina Fe Boiser
PP Maem Zhang
PP Marivic Jimenez
PP Lorna Llamas
Dir Luma Gaviola
Dir Myriam Tan
VP/EIC Ma. Alessandra Elisabeth Konst

July 21, 2026

DANCE PRACTICE

Llamas Residence

Pres. Jeejee Avena
DNC Gigi Espiritu
DGR-PRM Baby Vilela
PP Teresita Yniguez
PP Evangeline Schwendener
PP Divina Fe Boiser
PP Maem Zhang
PP Marivic Jimenez
PP Lorna Llamas
Dir Luma Gaviola
Dir Myriam Tan
Dir Chona Lamparas
Rtn Yolly Celi
PE Charizma Catague

July 23, 2026

DANCE PRACTICE

Llamas Residence

PP Lorna Llamas
DMC Gigi Espiritu
DDMEC Vida Konst
PP Fe Boiser
Dir Luma Gaviola
PP Tess Yniguez
PP Maem Zhang
PE Charizma Catague
VP Alex Konst
Dir Chona Lamparas
Rtn Myriam Tan
PP Vicky Jimenez
Jeejee Avena
PP Vangie Schwendener

Secretary's Print



Meeting Highlights

JULY 9, 2026 – FIRST REGULAR MEETING OPENS ROTARY YEAR 2026–2027

The Rotary Club of Waling-Waling Davao officially opened Rotary Year 2026–2027 with its First Regular Meeting, introducing the new officers and Board of Directors while outlining the club's plans and priorities for the year. Members were also presented with their monthly host groups and received updates on upcoming service projects, fellowship activities, and preparations for the 36th Installation and Handover Ceremony. The meeting set an enthusiastic tone for the new Rotary year, inspiring members to work together in unity, fellowship, and service under the theme *Create Lasting Impact*.



Membership Memento



Let's be honest for a moment 🙌

Membership decisions don't happen after 3-4 meetings; they happen in the first 10 minutes.

Think about the last guest who visited your club:

- 👉 Were they welcomed right away?
- 👉 Did someone sit with them or connect personally?
- 👉 Did the meeting feel engaging and easy to follow?



Shared by

Maria Vida Könst

Because here's the truth: Guests don't join Rotary — they join how Rotary makes them feel.

Take a look at the graphic. Which side is closest to your club's typical experience today? And what's ONE small change you could make before your next meeting?

*District Deputy Membership
Chair • District New Club
Development Chair • Past
President*

Let's raise the bar together 🙌

FIRST IMPRESSION AUDIT

What happens in the first 10 minutes?

GREAT FIRST IMPRESSION		COMMON MISSES
✓ Warm welcome at the door	10 MINUTES They decide faster than we think.	✗ No clear welcome
✓ Someone sits with the guest		✗ Guest sits alone
✓ Clear, engaging meeting flow		✗ Unclear structure or agenda
✓ Members introduce themselves		✗ Inside conversations dominate
✓ Guest feels included early		✗ Little direct interaction

★ Guests decide **in minutes...** not meetings.

💡 Small improvements. Big difference. **Stronger clubs.**



AUGUST IS



MEMBERSHIP & NEW CLUB DEVELOPMENT MONTH

**CREATE
LASTING
IMPACT**

Rotary



Membership Bonds



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**Armi GERALYN
Espiritu**

*District Membership Chair •
Past President*

10 IDEAS TO MAXIMIZE ENGAGEMENT DURING MEMBERSHIP MONTH

By Lee Ann Searight, Membership Resources Specialist

In August, we celebrate our members during Membership Month and recognize their contributions while engaging with prospective members. Here are 10 ideas we hope will inspire an exciting August for you and your club:

1. Print “What is Rotary?” business cards for each member of your club and have a contest to see who can hand out the most in six months.
2. Share the “Proud Member” graphics (Available for members of Rotary and Rotaract clubs!), then choose a day in August to post it on your social media channels. Remember to include information about how people can connect with your club, attend a meeting, or take part in a service project.
3. Review and update your club information on My Rotary and consider using the optional “Notes” field to include relevant information about accessibility, costs, dress code, or club culture so prospective members can find you easily and know what to expect!
4. Set aside a meeting in August to host a Thank-a-thon. Write short notes to new members, donors, businesses in your community, alumni, and anyone who has partnered with your club in the last year. It’s a great way to appreciate these supporters and strengthen bonds.



Membership Bonds

5. Choose one meeting for your club members to make a list of people they'd like to invite to an upcoming service activity, meeting, or special event where prospective members can meet current members to learn about your club and how to get involved.
6. Remind members about all the ways they can make connections, participate in meaningful service, become a leader, expand their perspective, and design their own Rotary experience beyond the club. Consider sharing the "Designing Your Rotary Experience" resource.
7. Recognize Rotary and Rotaract club members for Rotary awards. Learn the different nomination deadlines and requirements for each award, such as the Sylvia Whitlock Leadership Award, which honors one member annually who is actively working to advance women in Rotary.
8. Feature members on your club's social media channels throughout August. Select an engaging photo along with a story about why they joined, why they stay, and how they find meaning within the club and beyond. Learn more tips on how to best use your social media channels on the Brand Center.
9. Make meetings memorable! Watch a speech from the Rotary International Convention. Or start a meeting with a short "Personal Perspective" from a current member.
10. Consider how to reinvigorate your club experience in a way that prioritizes the needs of clubs members, increasing engagement and overall satisfaction.

How do you celebrate during membership month? Leave your comments here or share your ideas on the [Discover Rotary Facebook](#) page.



Article taken from [here](#).



The Rotary Foundation Keystone

How well do you know The Rotary Foundation?

The Rotary Foundation is the charitable arm of Rotary International, transforming contributions into grants and programs that improve lives around the world. From clean water and education to peacebuilding and PolioPlus, every gift helps Rotary Create Lasting Impact.

This quick reference guide highlights how the Foundation is organized, how it is funded, and how your generosity supports life-changing projects locally and globally.

Whether you're new to Rotary or a longtime Foundation supporter, we hope you'll find it a helpful overview. To see it better, save the image by right clicking and save to your computer.



Shared by

Luna Gaviola

*The Rotary Foundation
Chair*

Thank you for supporting The Rotary Foundation and the good it makes possible.



The Rotary Foundation



The Rotary Foundation is the charitable arm of Rotary International. It funds and powers the good works of Rotary clubs worldwide. Its mission is to help Rotarians advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace by improving health, supporting education, and alleviating poverty.

The Rotary Foundation Register

1 STRUCTURE: HOW IT'S ORGANIZED



WHAT IT IS

A public charity that turns donations into service projects that change lives.



WHO RUNS IT

Governed by a Board of Trustees (different from the Rotary International Board of Directors, which runs the member organization).



WHERE IT IS

Headquarters are in Evanston, Illinois, USA.



2 FUNDING: THE THREE MAIN FUNDS

The Foundation's work is supported by three principal funds.



ANNUAL FUND

The primary source of money for yearly Rotary projects and grants. Donations are invested for three years before being spent.



ENDOWMENT FUND

A permanent fund where the capital is never spent. Only the investment earnings are used, securing Rotary's long-term future.



SUSTAINING TODAY
SECURING TOMORROW



POLIOPLUS FUND

Specifically dedicated to the global eradication of polio.

END
POLIO
NOW



3 PROGRAMS: HOW THE MONEY IS USED

The Foundation focuses its work in seven Areas of Focus.



Peacebuilding & Conflict Prevention



Disease Prevention & Treatment



Water, Sanitation & Hygiene



Basic Education & Literacy



Maternal & Child Health



Community Economic Development



Supporting the Environment

It achieves this through two main types of support:

A. GRANTS – Funding for Rotary clubs to carry out projects



DISTRICT GRANTS

For small-scale, short-term, local or international projects.



GLOBAL GRANTS

For large-scale, international projects with sustainable, measurable outcomes.



B. TARGETED PROGRAMS – Specific initiatives



POLIOPLUS PROGRAM

Working toward a polio-free world.



ROTARY PEACE FELLOWSHIPS

Developing leaders to promote peace and prevent conflict.



VOCATIONAL TRAINING TEAMS

Sharing skills and expertise to build stronger communities.

HOW IT WORKS – THE ROTARY FOUNDATION IN ACTION



1. DONATE

Rotarians and friends contribute to the Foundation's funds.



2. INVEST

Contributions are invested for growth and sustainability.



3. DISTRIBUTE

Funds are converted into grants and programs.



4. CLUBS & DISTRICTS ACT

Clubs use the grants to carry out hands-on projects.



5. LASTING IMPACT

Communities thrive and lives are changed around the world.

CREATE
LASTING
IMPACT

Rotary



Did You Know Rotary Starts as Early as Age 5?

By Sahar Sobeih

Most people know about Interact and Rotaract, but Rotary's youngest changemakers are already making a difference in elementary schools worldwide! Let's talk about Rotakids and EarlyAct™—our two programs for children ages 5 to 13.

● ROTAKIDS (Ages 6–12)

These are school-based clubs, sponsored by local Rotary clubs, where kids learn citizenship, leadership, and social responsibility through fun, hands-on service. Think toy drives, environmental projects, and even fundraising for End Polio Now!

- Official Status: Not yet a worldwide Rotary International program, but it IS an official program of Rotary International in Great Britain & Ireland (RIBI).
- Good news: The RI Board is actively considering making it a global official program!

● EARLYACT™ (Ages 5–13)

This club focuses on character-building, peace, and global understanding—laying the groundwork for a lifetime of service. Students take on real-world problems and learn to lead with kindness.

- Official Status: Not an official global RI program yet, but heavily supported at the district and club level. RI is also considering giving it official worldwide recognition.

(Quick note: "KidsAct" is just a regional variation name—not an official RI title.)

What about logos?

- Interact has a standard global logo.
- Rotakids and EarlyAct do not have a single worldwide logo yet. Instead, clubs typically incorporate the official Rotary emblem into their own designs, following RI branding guidelines—often with district-specific variations.

The Big Picture:

These programs are the starting line of our Rotary family. They are sponsored and guided by local Rotary clubs, building young leaders who naturally progress through Interact, Rotaract, and eventually into Rotary itself.

"Service Above Self" starts early!

How can YOU get involved?

- Know a school that would love a Rotakids or EarlyAct club?
- Is your Rotary club ready to sponsor one?

Let's grow the next generation of people of action—starting in elementary school!



Rotary
PEOPLE OF ACTION



ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

2027

26-30
JUNE
2027

IS COMING TO

Barcelona, — SPAIN —



20,000+
Participants



140+
Countries



668+
Million Boost to
Local Economy

One World.
**ONE MISSION.
ENDLESS IMPACT.**



*A Global Celebration of
SERVICE, FRIENDSHIP & IMPACT!*



**TOGETHER, WE CONNECT.
TOGETHER, WE CHANGE LIVES.**

Rotary brings together 1.2 million
People of Action in over 45,000 clubs
across almost every country in the world.



BE PART OF SOMETHING BIGGER THAN YOURSELF!



**LEADERSHIP
GROWTH**

Develop skills,
confidence & leadership
that last a lifetime.



**GLOBAL
NETWORKING**

Connect with leaders &
professionals from
around the world.



**SERVICE
ABOVE SELF**

Make a real difference
in your community
and beyond.



**INTERNATIONAL
EXPOSURE**

Experience global
conversations, projects
& cultural exchange.



**LIFELONG
FRIENDSHIPS**

Build bonds that
inspire, support &
celebrate with you.



Rotary
District 3860



CREATE
LASTING
IMPACT

END
POLIO
NOW

VIBRANT CLUB

SEMINARS 2026

SEPTEMBER

5

TACLOBAN

SEPTEMBER

19

CEBU

OCTOBER

3

BUTUAN

OCTOBER

10

DUMAGUETE

OCTOBER

17

DAVAO

SAVE THE DATES

Waling-Waling Davao
Rotary
Club



**CREATE
LASTING
IMPACT**

CLIMB MT FUJI TO END POLIO NOW



**ONE CLIMB
ONE CAUSE TO
CREATE
LASTING IMPACT**



**AUGUST
20&21
2026**



**CHALLENGE
YOURSELF**



**A POLIO-FREE
WORLD**

**END
POLIO
NOW**

DONATE NOW!

Scan the QR code or visit



rotarydistrict3860.org/raise

AUGUST
20&21
2026

CLIMB MT FUJI TO END POLIO NOW



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rotary.philippines2026.org/phil



ONE CLIMB ONE CAUSE TO
CREATE LASTING IMPACT

SEND OFF PARTY
D-3860

AQUINO, AARON NAOTALON
AYENA, NIPTALEX
DIAZ, CECILLE
ESPIRITU, GIGI

KONST, VIDA
ILAMAY, LOBNA
MAURO, ROZALYN
NADUA, JONATHAN
VIELA, NINA

D-3860

• ROTARY CLUB OF BISLIG
• ROTARY CLUB OF KORONADAL
• ROTARY CLUB OF SOUTH DAVAO
• ROTARY CLUB OF WALINGWALING DAVAO

PARTICIPATING CLUBS

D-2790

• ROTARY CLUB OF MATSUO NORTH
• ROTARY CLUB OF NODA CENTRAL

HOW TO DONATE RAISE FOR ROTARY

 Your donation helps fund service projects that eradicate polio, promote peace, develop communities, and more.

1



VISIT THE FUNDRAISER PAGE

Go to the fundraiser page and click the **DONATE** button.

2



CHOOSE YOUR COUNTRY & AMOUNT

Select your country and choose an amount or enter your own amount.

3



REVIEW & CONFIRM YOUR DONATION

Accept the terms, choose to cover the fees (optional), and click **DONATE** to proceed.

4



LEAVE A MESSAGE (OPTIONAL)

Add a personal message of support that will be displayed on the fundraiser page.

5



THANK YOU! YOUR IMPACT MATTERS

Your donation is complete. Thank you for supporting The Rotary Foundation!

Rotary 
District 3860

CREATE
LASTING
IMPACT

TO DONATE

SCAN THE QR CODE
OR VISIT THE LINK BELOW:



rotarydistrict3860.org/s/raise



CHALLENGE
YOURSELF



A POLIO-FREE
WORLD



END POLIO
NOW



ONE CLIMB.
ONE CAUSE.
TO CREATE **LASTING IMPACT.**

 0917-701-5675

 MARIBEL TAN VILELA

Monthly Host Groups

PEARL

July, October, January, April

1. **Team Leader:** LAO-OLIVA, Janice
2. ANG, Jennifer
3. AVENA, Jeejee
4. CELI, Yolly
5. DELA ROSA, Evamay
6. DOLENDO, Mae
7. EVANGELISTA, Bec
8. FITZBACK, Teri
9. GAVIOLA, Luna
10. KÖNST, Alex
11. TAN, Myriam
12. VILLAGOMEZA, Elsa
13. YÑIGUEZ, Tess

GOLD

August, November, February, May

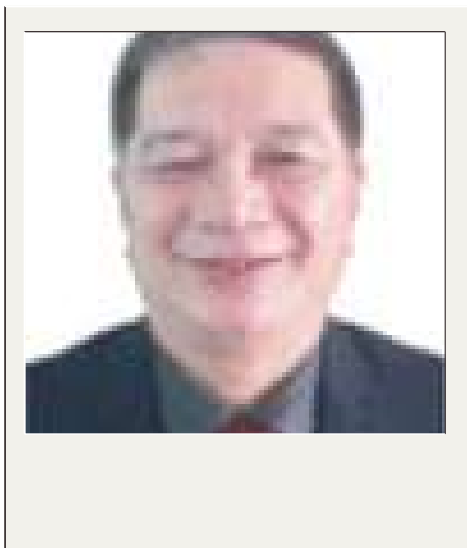
1. **Team Leader:** CORTEZ-CATAGUE, Cham-Cham
2. APORTADERA, Luchi
3. BOISER, Fe
4. CALAGUAS, Remie
5. ESPEJO, Gina
6. JACINTO, Malou
7. MADAYAG, Vanessa
8. POLINTAN, Hermie
9. RETALES, Mimi
10. SANTOS, Nen
11. TAI, Letty
12. VALDEROSA, Jaja
13. ZHANG, Ma-em

DIAMOND

September, December, March, June

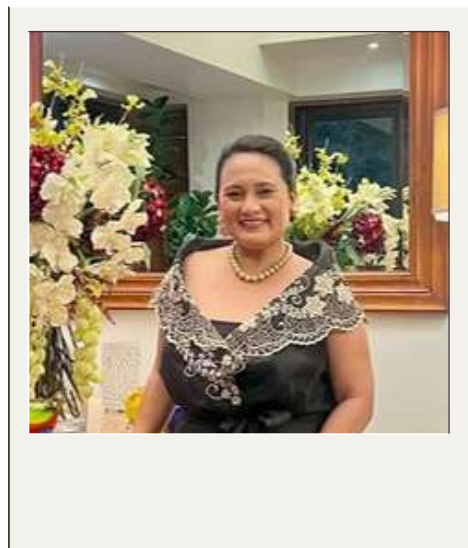
1. **Team Leader:** DE LOS SANTOS, Jenah
2. AUSTRIA, Sylvia
3. DIAZ, Ces
4. ESPIRITU, Gigi
5. JIMENEZ, Vicky
6. KÖNST, Vida
7. LAMPARAS, Chona
8. LIAMZON, Jo
9. LLAMAS, Lorna
10. ROSALES, Happy
11. SCHWENDENER, Vangi
12. VILELA, Baby

Birthdays



HM Louie Jacinto

August 22



Pres Jeejee Avena

August 23



PP/HM Nonoy Aquino

August 25

Wedding Anniversary



DDMC/PP Vida Könst &
Spouse Frits

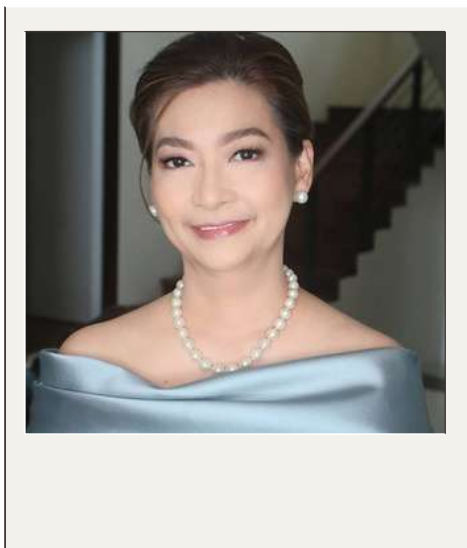
August 9

August Celebrations

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Membership Milestones



DMC/PP Gigi Espiritu

August 1, 2000



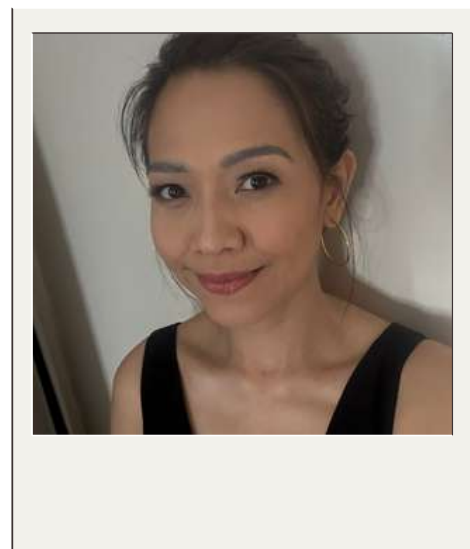
Rtn Gina Espejo

August 1, 2006



**PAG/PP Hermie
Polintan**

August 29, 2007



**PP Vanessa
Madayag**

August 16, 2013



Membership Milestones



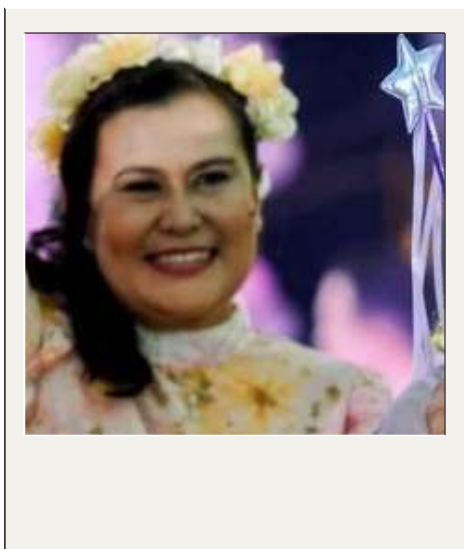
**Dir Jenah
De los Santos**

August 18, 2022



Pres Jeejee Avena

August 22, 2024



**PE Cham Cortez-
Catague**

August 6, 2025

RCWWD CLUB RECOGNITION SUMMARY (CRS)

AS OF JULY 2026

TOTAL ALL TIME GIVING: USD 233,329.00

ACTIVE MEMBERS

Major Donor

Myriam Tan *	+8	15000
Maria Luisa Jacinto	+8	7200
Marydict Rosales	+8	3900
Estela Maribel Vilela	+8	3100
Divina Fe Boiser	+8	5100
Lorna Llamas	+8	3000
Herminia Polintan	+8	1900
Sylvia Austria	+5	3100

*Major Gift 2, Benefactor

FRP

Sustaining Members

Jenah Kassandra De los Santos	USD 264.00	-
Janice Lao-Oliva	USD 235.00	-
Charizma Catague	USD 100.00	-

FRP

Honorary Members

Nonoy Aquino	Major Donor +8	1500
Mario Luis Jacinto	Major Donor	-
Francisco Vilela	Major Donor	-
Antonio Llamas	Major Donor	-

Multiple Paul Harris Fellows

Remedios Calaguas	USD 9,000.00	1300
Jannette Valderosa	USD 9,000.00	5000
Mae Dolendo	USD 8,685.93	5400
Teresita Yñiguez	USD 8,212.92	2400
Armi Geralyn Espiritu	USD 8,144.08	2700
Maria Victoria Jimenez	USD 7,050.38	200
Luna Gaviola	USD 6,108.38	900
Leonida Santos	USD 6,039.56	1300
Evangeline Schwendener	USD 5,154.08	600
Maria Vida Könst	USD 5,107.59	2500
Maria Luisa Aportadera	USD 5,063.38	1000
Lolita Leticia Tai	USD 5,036.96	1500
Gina Marie Espejo	USD 4,346.38	1600
Elsa Villagomez	USD 4,041.29	1900
Vanessa Madayag	USD 3,672.40	2600
Emmanouelle Zhang	USD 3,373.14	2500
Cecile Diaz	USD 3,327.46	400
Teresita Fitzback	USD 2,648.38	1300
Josephine Liamzon	USD 2,316.38	600
Ma. Alessandra Elisabeth Könst	USD 2,287.91	800

Family of Rotary

Kayden Mathew Panuncio	PHF	-
Kayiel Franciano Panuncio	PHF	-
Prince Khriel Panuncio	PHF	-
Princess Kainiel Panuncio	PHF	-
Raizo Hanz Panuncio	PHF	-
Elisabeth Meredith Rosales	PHF	-
Emerson Rosales	PHF	-
Emily Maxine Rosales	PHF	-
Enrico Angelo Dominic Rosales	PHF	-
Erica Angel Rosales	PHF	-
Ana Alexia Medina Vilela	PHF	-
Katrina Mae Tan Vilela	PHF	-
Miguel Francisco Tan Vilela III	PHF	-

**FRP - Foundation Recognition Points available for transfer*

Only MPHFs and PHFs are allowed to transfer points.

Transfer of FRP can only be done by the donor concerned as it requires his/her signature. Forms can be downloaded at Rotary.org (please be guided accordingly).

Paul Harris Fellows

Niptalez Avena	USD 1,135.00	600
Leamie Retales	USD 1,040.00	500
Chona Lamparas	USD 1,138.38	800
Evamay Dela Rosa	USD 1,036.00	500





THE FOUR- WAY TEST

OF THE THINGS WE THINK, SAY, AND DO

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOOD WILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

THE OBJECT OF ROTARY

The object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise, and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

FIRST, the development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;

SECOND, high ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;

THIRD, the application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal and community life;

FOURTH, the advancement of international understanding, good will, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

**CORE VALUES: SERVICE • FELLOWSHIP •
DIVERSITY • INTEGRITY • LEADERSHIP**

ROTARIAN CODE OF CONDUCT

As a Rotarian, I will:

1. Act with integrity and high ethical standards in my personal and professional life;
2. Deal fairly with others and treat them and their occupations with respect;
3. Use my professional skills through Rotary to mentor young people, help those with special needs, and improve people's quality of life in my community and in the world;
4. Avoid behavior that reflects adversely on Rotary or other Rotarians.

ROTARY'S SEVEN AREAS OF FOCUS

For more than 100 years, Rotarians have joined together from all continents, cultures, and industries to take action in our communities and around the world. With a commitment to achieving lasting change, we work together to empower youth, enhance health, promote peace, and most importantly, advance the community.

While Rotarians can serve in countless ways, Rotary has focused its efforts in seven areas, which reflect some of the most critical and widespread humanitarian needs:

1. Peace and conflict prevention/resolution
2. Disease prevention and treatment
3. Water and sanitation
4. Maternal and child health
5. Basic education and literacy
6. Economic and community development
7. Supporting the environment

