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Meet our Rotary International President

FRANCESCO AREZZO
RI PRESIDENT, RY 2025-2026
ROTARY CLUB OF RAGUZA, ITALY



Francesco Arezzo is an orthodontist in private practice and owns an agricultural enterprise that produces extra virgin olive oil in Sicily.

Arezzo is a graduate of the University of Padua and a member of the Italian, European, and American orthodontics associations, as well as the Italian and European lingual orthodontics associations. He is a dentistry graduate of the University of Cagliari, where he also received a master's in lingual orthodontics.

He has served as vice president of the National Association of Italian Dentists for the province of Ragusa and was the founder and head for seven years of the Ragusa delegation to the National Trust for Italy.

Arezzo is also the owner of an agricultural enterprise and producer of extra virgin olive oil in the Monti Iblei region of Sicily. He has been vice president of the administrative council of the consortium controlling and regulating quality production of oil in that region. He owns two boutique hotel settlements there. He enjoys modern art and opera.

A Rotary member for 36 years, Arezzo has served as vice chair of the Joint Strategic Planning Committee and as RI director, chair of the 2023 Melbourne Convention Committee, learning facilitator, and district conference presidential representative, among other roles.

Arezzo's partner is Anna Maria Criscione, an entrepreneur in the tourism field. They have two daughters and two grandchildren. His daughter Raffaella spent a year in Florida as part of a Rotary Youth Exchange. Francesco and Anna Maria are Benefactors and Major Donors to The Rotary Foundation.



Rotary's Vision Statement

TOGETHER WE SEE A WORLD
WHERE **PEOPLE** UNITE AND TAKE ACTION
TO **CREATE** LASTING
CHANGE ACROSS THE GLOBE
IN OUR COMMUNITIES AND IN OURSELVES

Meet our District Governor

ANGEL “JONG” FERNANDEZ, JR
DISTRICT GOVERNOR, DISTRICT 3860



DG Angel “Jong” Fernandez, Jr joined the Rotary Club of Mandaue in 2008 and became Club President in Rotary Year 2013-2014 under the leadership of then Past District Governor Ed Chiongban. He finished his term as club president with a Most Outstanding Club President award.

After successfully leading his club, he was elevated to Rotary District 3860 leadership roles when All Star District Governor Mary Anne Alcorido - Solomon invited him to join the district team as Assistant Governor for Area 1E where he was recognized as Most Outstanding Assistant Governor by District 3860. DGE Jong subsequently served as Assistant Governor under Past District Governor Art Tan and as Deputy District Governor for Operations for Visayas Region under Past District Governor Benjamin Garcia, making him assistant governor for three consecutive years.

DGE Jong is also the Past District Trainer and Past District Public Image Chair under the leadership of Champion Past District Governor Philip N. Tan. He served as Past Assistant District Membership Committee Chair and PETS-SETS training leader of Past District Governor Anna Louisa Bumagat in RY 2021-2022. He is also the immediate Past District Secretary who worked side by side with Imaginative Past District Governor Lilo I. Aliño. Not to mention he was the tireless and energetic perpetual district host and emcee in almost all of the annual district conferences, PETS-SETS, DISTAS and countless district fellowship night.

By profession, Jong is a professional ISO management systems auditor, trainer and consultant to some of the biggest private companies in the Philippines and abroad. He is a CQI-IRCA certified lead auditor for ISO-based management systems, granted by the British Standard Institute United Kingdom. He is the founder and CEO of AGF Consulting Group, an international management system standards think-tank with client presence in Singapore, Shanghai, Vietnam, Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, Sao Paolo, Brazil, Kentucky & Florida in the USA and the Netherlands.

He holds a degree in Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy from University of San Carlos and a Bachelor of Laws degree from Notre Dame University. He completed an executive MBA course in Singapore and is a Certified Quality Specialist recognized by global Underwriters Laboratories, Chicago USA. He is married to Atty. Maria Regina

He is married to Atty. Maria Regina Hagad-Fernandez, a former Graft Investigation and Prosecution Officer in the Office of the Ombudsman Visayas, and lives in Cebu City with their two children Angelo Emmanuel, who recently graduated from De La Salle University and Regina Angeli, a sophomore at the same university.



THE FOUR-WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say, or do

The Four-Way Test is a nonpartisan and nonsectarian ethical guide for Rotarians to use for their personal and professional relationships.

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



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, business, and community life;
- FOURTH:**
The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

Rotary's Essence Statement

Rotary joins leaders from all continents, cultures, and occupations to exchange ideas and take action for communities around the world.

Our Values

Fellowship: We build lifelong relationships.

Integrity: We honor our commitments.

Diversity: We connect diverse perspectives.

Service and leadership: We use our leadership skills and professional expertise to solve social issues in our communities.

Our Action Plan

- Increase our impact
- Expand our reach
- Enhance participant engagement
- Increase our ability to adapt



District Goals for Rotary Year 2025-2026

District Mandatory Obligations:

1. Settle the Rotary International dues for July 2025 club invoice on or before August 30, 2025 and January 2026 club invoice on or before February 28, 2026
2. Settle the District Dues (District Levy, District Disaster Fund, Rotaract Dues and the Philippine Rotary Magazine (PRM) on or before August 30, 2025.
3. Settle the club listing fee of P2,500 for DLA 2025 on or before February 28, 2025 and the DISCON Club listing fee of P4,500 on or before April 15, 2026.
4. Attain the Club Excellence Award (RI Citation)

A. Increase our Impact (The Rotary Foundation TRF Mandatory Goals)

1. The club to attain the \$100 per capita and every Rotarian every year (EREY) Goal by contributing to the TRF Annual Fund.
2. Maintain support to End Polio initiatives with a minimum Club Contribution of \$500 to the PolioPlus fund with all members contributing at least \$10 each.

A.1 Secondary Goals Achieve 5 of 8

1. The Club President and the club TRF Director or a NEW member to become a Paul Harris Fellow or a Multiple Paul Harris Fellow with a minimum cash contribution of \$500.00 each.
2. One (1) new Paul Harris Society (PHS) member.
3. 100% compliance of all existing club Paul Harris Society members.
4. Two (2) new PolioPlus Society members.
5. One (1) new Benefactor - A club member making a \$1000 to the District 3860 Endowment Fund.
6. One (1) new Major Donor from the club.
7. Undertake a PolioPlus Fundraising event to raise funds. Joint Area-wide Event is encouraged.
8. Attend the Grant Management Seminar

A.2 TRF District Special Citation

1. Club to become a 100% Paul Harris Fellow Club or sustain its status as 100% Paul Harris Fellow Club.
2. Club to be 100% Rotary Foundation Sustaining donor club with all members contributing at least \$100 based on the membership figures on July 1, 2025.
3. Club to contribute \$1500 to the PolioPlus Fund to support Rotary's top priority to End Polio.
4. Establish a new endowment fund, Individual or Club (minimum of \$25,000).
5. Apply for a District/Global grants program

B. Service Project Mandatory Goals

1. Conduct the club's SIGNATURE PROJECT/S under any seven Areas of Focus that are impactful, measurable and sustainable.
2. Participate in THE ONE PHILIPPINES.

District Goals for Rotary Year 2025-2026

B.1 Secondary Goals: Achieve 4 of 6

1. Participate in the Rotary Days of Service
 - 1-a. AOF Mother and Child Health: July 1 - Rotary New Year Kick-off : Adopt/support a Child Born on July 1, 2025
 - 1-b. AOF - Disease Prevention and Treatment: Bloodletting Activity (National Blood Donors Month)
 - 1-c. AOF - Protecting the Environment: Tree Growing (Forest Trees, Mangrove) and Coastal Clean-up
 - 1-e. AOF - Mother and Child Health: Breast Cancer Awareness
 - 1-f. AOF - Basic Education and Literacy: Brigada Eskwela
 - 1-g. AOF - Disease Prevention and Treatment: World Polio Day
 - 1-h. AOF - Economic and Community Development: JOB FAIR
2. At least two (2) club members participate in Rotary Fellowships or Rotary Action Groups (RAGs)
3. Implement at least one (1) measurable, impactful and sustainable project in at least five (5) of the Seven Areas of Focus;
4. Engage at least a minimum average of five (5) members to participate in a service project;
5. Leverage club's RI-registered Rotary Community Corps, or government and non-government organization(s), academe, professional associations, in a service project.
6. Report your club service projects on the Service Project Center in [rotary.org](https://www.rotary.org)

C. Expand our Reach (Membership Mandatory Membership Goals)

1. Achieve a net increase of two (2) members based on July 1, 2025 membership starting figure.
2. Club President leads by example by sponsoring at least 1 new member.
3. Achieve a 100% retention based on July 1, 2025 membership figures.
4. Establish a membership committee composed of at least 3 members
5. Appoint a Club Membership Champion.

C.1 Secondary Goals: Achieve 5 of 8

1. Develop at least five (5) members by attending mandated trainings:
 - 1-a. Vibrant Club Seminar
 - 1-b. Youth Protection Seminar
2. Induct two (2) new members below the age of 40 representing diverse backgrounds
3. Conduct retention assessment at the club level
4. Engage at least one (1) former member to rejoin the club.
5. Reach out to youth: Clubs maintain or form a new Rotaract Club or an Interact Club.
6. Leveraging on professional institutions (e.g. PICE, PMAP, PMA, Academe, Business Organizations) to join Rotary.
7. Sponsor a new club promoting new club format (e.g. cause-based/interest based)
8. Maintain or Achieve charter strength of 20 members.

C.2 Special District Citation

1. Form new clubs: Satellite, traditional, cause-based or interest-based club by TAPPING UNCHARTERED TERRITORY
2. Clubs attaining a net membership gain of five (5) new members.

D. Public Image Mandatory Goals

1. Follow the Rotary Branding, Voice, and Identify guidelines in the Rotary Brand Center
2. Create your club's public image plan.

District Goals for Rotary Year 2025-2026

D.1 Secondary Goals: Achieve 6 of 7

1. Strengthen your public image by "Telling Your Rotary Story" through powerful visuals and shared in social media and/or traditional media. Submit these stories to the Public Image Committee for sharing in PRM/GML/Social Media platforms.
2. Utilize the People of Action and other public image tools and resources for consistency, high-quality and copyright-free materials.
3. Wear your Rotary shirt and pin in conducting service projects.
4. Participate in the Rotary Week District/Area exhibit and activities.
5. Feature Rotary's support for and engagement in polio eradication efforts by highlighting Rotary's contribution towards ending polio in the club's official communication channels such as the club bulletin and/or social media account.
6. Submit e-copies of your club bulletin to the District 3860 website every 15th of the month
7. Appoint a Social Media Officer to ensure consistency of posts in all platforms (FB, Tiktok, Instagram)

D.2 Special District Citation

1. Participate in the District Rotary Film Challenge or Zone Public Image Competition.

E. Enhance Participant Engagement (Mandatory Goals)

1. PEs and SEs' attendance to the President-elect Learning Seminar and Secretary-elect Learning Seminar (PELS-SELS) on April 3-4, 2025 in Cebu.
2. Club Officers' (President, Secretary, Treasurer, Director of Membership, TRF, Public Image and Service Committee Chairs) attendance to the District Learning Assembly (DLA) on April 4-5, 2025 in Cebu.
3. Conduct a club strategic planning workshop right after the District Learning Assembly.

E.1 Secondary Goals: Achieve 5 of 7

1. Attendance of President, Secretary, Treasurer, Club TRF Chair, Membership Chair, Service Project Chair and interested Rotarians to the Vibrant Seminar on August 16, 2025 (Visayas) and September 6, 2025 (Mindanao).
2. Attendance to the DISCON 2026 in Cebu by at least five members
3. Appoint two new members as committee chairperson or co-chairperson.
4. Attendance of Club Presidents and Secretary to the Area Coordination Meetings (ACOM) (minimum of 6 meetings) and submit report to the District Website.
5. Sponsor at least 2 participants to attend the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA).
6. Support at least 2 participants to attend the Interact Leadership Seminar (Bootcamp)
7. Support the President and Secretary of Rotaract clubs to attend the Rotaract District Leadership Seminar (RDLS)

F. Increase Our Ability to Adapt (Mandatory Goals)

1. Choose and set your club goals (minimum of 13 goals) at the Rotary Club Central and update regularly.
2. Submit club monthly reports in the District 3860 website every 15th of the month.

F.1 Secondary Goals (Achieve all 3)

1. All members must create and register their My Rotary account in www.rotary.org
2. Establish the club's Leadership Continuity by reporting the Club President and Secretary on December 10, 2025 and the complete set of officers by January 10, 2026 for Rotary Year 2026-2027.
3. Adopt flexibility in club meeting formats utilizing various technologies to conduct meetings, communicate to club member's important information, and record-keeping.

ROTARY CLUB OF CALBAYOG

ROTARY YEAR 2025-2026

CLUB OFFICERS

PRESIDENT
VICE PRESIDENT
SECRETARY
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY
TREASURER
ASST. TREASURER
AUDITOR
ASST. AUDITOR
BUSINESS MANAGER

THE NEWS

IRENE P. OBONG
NILO F. CHAN
MARILYN A. TOLIPAS
SILVESTRE S. CALVARA
ROSA AILEEN M. REYES
REA Q. TARRAYO
MA. GINA D. YULO
MYLA B. ORTIZ
ANTONINA D. CHAN

CLUB DIRECTORS

ROTARY FOUNDATION
MEMBERSHIP
PUBLIC IMAGE
CLUB ADMINISTRATION
SERVICE PROJECTS
DISASTER RESPONSE

PAG ALEX R. GELERA
PAG ISAGANI G. TOGONON
PAG RONALDO M. OBONG
PP RAQUEL Y. SUMAYO
IPAG MA. VIVIAN D. JUMAGDAO
PP SANDRO C. DAGUMAN

AVENUE OF SERVICE CHAIRS

CLUB SERVICE

PP JOSELITO S. ROSALADO
GRACE R. PICELLI

COMMUNITY SERVICE

DAWN MARIE D. ACOSTA
SOLEDAD P. DELORAYA

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

IPP FELIX G. JUMAGDAO JR.
PP MARIA MARGARITA R. SAJUL

NEW GENERATION / YOUTH SERVICE

JOHN RAYMUND R. CARIAGA
CLEO DAWN CAMARINES
ROXANE GRACE PAGHUNASAN

VOCATIONAL SERVICE

ALAN C. FUA
BEVERLY ANGEL Y. SUMAYO

OUR STRATEGY



ROTARY CLUB OF CALBAYOG

ROTARY YEAR 2025-2026

AREA OF FOCUS COORDINATORS

DISEASE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT

AG RICHARD A. ALOVERA III
MICHELLE P. BOLANTE
HONEY LETH C. CLEMENS

BASIC EDUCATION AND LITERACY

LOURDES L. MATAN
VP NILO F. CHAN
RAMIL A. TAN

MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH

CHRISTINA MAE J. TAÑEGA
NIKKI IVY S. DOLLADO
LIANNE A. HERNANDEZ

WATER AND SANITATION

RODOLFO A. TAN
REINALYN E. CALVARA
TONI CHARM B. CALAG

ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

ROBERTO JOSE C. ROÑO
JULIUS A. MANCOL

PEACE AND CONFLICT RESOLUTION

PP NOEL G. SERMENSE
HERNANDO M. HERNANDEZ JR.
MICHAEL Q. PACA-ANAS

ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION

CHUBASCO O. LABASBAS
ORVEN N. ACOSTA
MANUEL T. SAJUL

ADVISORY COUNSEL

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT
LEGAL INFORMATION
MEDIA RELATIONS
FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

PADG MEL SENEN S. SARMIENTO
PAG EDUARDO P. TIBO
PP ALAN A. DIOMANGAY
FEDERICO S. RESENTE JR.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!

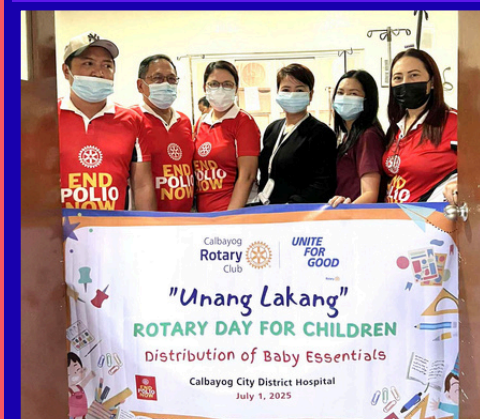


AS THE MAGIC OF ROTARY YEAR COMES TO A CLOSE, THE ROTARY CLUB OF CALBAYOG ACKNOWLEDGES YOUR EXCEPTIONAL LEADERSHIP AND DEDICATION. THROUGHOUT THIS MAGICAL ROTARY YEAR, YOU HAVE NOT ONLY LED BUT ALSO EMPOWERED THOSE AROUND YOU. THANK YOU FOR REMINDING US ALL THAT TRUE MAGIC LIES IN SERVICE, IN UNITY AND IN PURPOSEFUL ACTION. THANK YOU FOR YOUR REMARKABLE SERVICE, PRES. JUN!



IN LINE WITH ROTARY INTERNATIONAL'S JULY THEME, "MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH MONTH," THE ROTARY CLUB OF CALBAYOG, ALONGSIDE OUR DEDICATED PARTNERS FROM THE ROTARACT CLUB OF IBATAN-CALBAYOG, THE SOON-TO-BE-CHARTERED ROTARACT CLUB OF CHRIST THE KING COLLEGE OF CALBAYOG CITY, INC., AND THE INTERACT CLUB OF CALBAYOG CITY HIGH SUCCESSFULLY HELD UNANG LAKANG: ROTARY DAY FOR CHILDREN "CARE DAY" A DISTRICT-WIDE ACTIVITY FOCUSED ON THE HEALTH, JOY AND WELL-BEING OF OUR YOUNGEST COMMUNITY MEMBERS.





AS PART OF THE ONGOING COMMITMENT TO MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH, ROTARIANS DELIVERED BAGS OF SURPRISES TO NEWBORN BABIES AT THE CALBAYOG CITY GENERAL HOSPITAL, WHERE ESSENTIAL NEWBORN SUPPLIES AND HYGIENE SUPPORT WERE DISTRIBUTED TO FIVE (5) BABIES BORN ON JULY 1, 2025.



THE ROTARY CLUB OF CALBAYOG PAID A COURTESY VISIT TO DR. JONATHAN GABRIEL J. PAQUIT, M.D., DPCHA, THE CHIEF OF THE CALBAYOG DISTRICT HOSPITAL LOCATED IN THIS CITY. THIS MEETING WAS AN OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS THE CLUB'S PROGRAMS AND INITIATIVES, AS WELL AS TO EXPLORE AVENUES FOR COLLABORATION AND PARTNERSHIP WITH THE HOSPITAL, INCLUDING THE DISTRICTWIDE BLOODLETTING ACTIVITY.

ROTARY CLUB OF CALBAYOG

ROTARY BLOODLETTING DAY

SAVE LIVES DONATE BLOOD Give for Life

JULY 20, 2025 | Calbayog City Water District Function Hall

PARTNERS

CALBAYOG DISTRICT HOSPITAL



CALBAYOG CITY WATER DISTRICT

DONORS



SAVE LIVES DONATE BLOOD



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Rotary Bloodletting Day

July 20, 2025 | Calbayog City Water District Function Hall

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July 20, 2025 | Calbayog City Water District Function Hall

THE ROTARY CLUB OF CALBAYOG, IN COLLABORATION WITH THE ROTARACT CLUB OF IBATAN-CALBAYOG, ROTARACT CLUB OF CHRIST THE KING COLLEGE OF CALBAYOG CITY, INC., AND THE INTERACT CLUB OF CALBAYOG CITY HIGH, SUCCESSFULLY PARTICIPATED IN A DISTRICT-WIDE BLOODLETTING ACTIVITY. THE INITIATIVE WAS MADE POSSIBLE THROUGH A PARTNERSHIP WITH THE CALBAYOG DISTRICT HOSPITAL AND THE CALBAYOG CITY WATER DISTRICT, REFLECTING THE COLLECTIVE COMMITMENT OF THESE ORGANIZATIONS TO COMMUNITY HEALTH AND WELFARE.

JULY MEETINGS

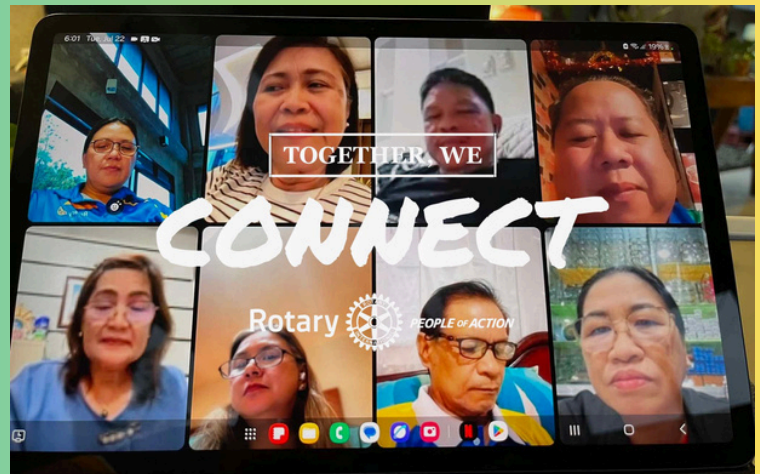
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THE ROTARY CLUB OF CALBAYOG, UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF PRESIDENT IRENE P. OBONG, CONDUCTED ITS FIRST MEETING FOR THE ROTARY YEAR 2025-2026 AT THE I'S PLANT HOTEL ON FRIDAY, JULY 4, 2025. DURING THIS MEETING, SEVERAL UPCOMING INITIATIVES WERE DISCUSSED, INCLUDING THE DISTRICTWIDE BLOODLETTING ACTIVITY, THE CLUB ASSEMBLY, AND THE INDUCTION OF OFFICERS. FURTHERMORE, PLANS WERE MADE TO VISIT NORTHERN SAMAR TO ENGAGE WITH PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS.

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 3860 AREA 3A ASSISTANT GOVERNOR RICHARD ALOVERA III CONVENED AN ONLINE MEETING WITH THE CLUB PRESIDENTS OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF CALBAYOG, ROTARY CLUB OF GREATER CALBAYOG, ROTARY CLUB OF BORONGAN, ROTARY CLUB OF CATARMAN, AND ROTARY CLUB OF CATBALOGAN CITY LAST JULY 22, 2025 TO DISCUSS THE ANTICIPATED VISIT OF DISTRICT GOVERNOR JONG FERNANDEZ IN SEPTEMBER.



MEMBERS OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF CALBAYOG TRAVELED TO ALLEN IN NORTHERN SAMAR ON JULY 13, 2025 TO CONNECT WITH PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS IN THE COMMUNITY. THE MEET AND GREET EVENT WAS NOT ONLY PLEASANT BUT ALSO HIGHLY ENGAGING, WITH POTENTIAL MEMBERS EXPRESSING ENTHUSIASTIC AND POSITIVE FEEDBACK ABOUT ROTARY.

JULY INVITES



GAMECHANGER PRESIDENT IRENE P. OBONG REPRESENTED THE ROTARY CLUB OF CALBAYOG TO SAMELCO I'S STATE OF THE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE ADDRESS (SECA) HELD AT BAYPARK PAVILION, BRGY RAWIS, CALBAYOG CITY. THE FIRST EVER SECA HAS BROUGHT TOGETHER STAKEHOLDERS FROM DIFFERENT SECTORS IN THE COMMUNITY INCLUDING LGUS, THE ACADEME, BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONALS, NGAS, NGOS AND CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS

THE ROTARY CLUB OF CALBAYOG WAS HONORED TO BE INVITED TO THE GRAND OPENING OF THE BAYPARK PAVILION, A NEW VENUE LOCATED IN THE HEART BRGY. RAWIS, CALBAYOG CITY.



MEMBERS OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF CALBAYOG GATHERED TO CELEBRATE THE VIBRANT HERMANA NIGHT IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF STA. MARGARITA. THE EVENT WAS GRACIOUSLY HOSTED BY VICE MAYOR SOL DELORAYA, A DEDICATED MEMBER OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF CALBAYOG, WHO WARMLY WELCOMED EVERYONE WITH HER WARM HOSPITALITY.

ROTARY ON AIR

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National Council on Disability Affairs

leads the nation in celebrating the



NATIONAL DISABILITY RIGHTS WEEK

PROMOTING INCLUSION: CELEBRATING ABILITIES AND ADVOCATING ACCESS

JULY 17 - 23, 2024



GAMECHANGER PRESIDENT IRENE P. OBONG RECENTLY INVITED MR. LEMUEL S. MIANO, THE HEAD OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITY AFFAIRS OFFICE IN CALBAYOG CITY, TO DISCUSS THE VARIOUS PROGRAMS, PROJECTS, AND ACTIVITIES AIMED AT SUPPORTING PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES (PWDs). MR. MIANO EXPRESSED THAT THE CITY IS DEDICATED TO SERVING ALL PWDs, RECOGNIZING THEIR RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES AS MANDATED BY LAW.

HE EMPHASIZED THE IMPORTANCE OF COMMUNITY SUPPORT IN HELPING PWDs ENHANCE THEIR CAPABILITIES, ABILITIES, AND TALENTS. MR. MIANO NOTED THAT WITH ADEQUATE EDUCATION, TRAINING, AND INTERVENTIONS, PWDs CAN SIGNIFICANTLY CONTRIBUTE TO SOCIETAL DEVELOPMENT.

THE CLUB'S ADVOCACY CAMPAIGN ALIGNS WITH THE NATIONAL DISABILITY RIGHTS WEEK, WHICH HAS BEEN DECLARED FROM JULY 17 TO 23, 2025, THROUGH PROCLAMATION NUMBER 597. INCIDENTALLY, THE ADVOCACY CAMPAIGN IS IN LINE WITH ROTARY INTERNATIONAL'S AREA OF FOCUS, SPECIFICALLY DISEASE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT. ADDITIONALLY, ROTARY ON AIR, A SPECIAL RADIO PROGRAM BY THE ROTARY CLUB OF CALBAYOG, IS BROADCAST EVERY THIRD SATURDAY OF THE MONTH ON DYSI 104.9 RADYO NATIN CALBAYOG.