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Month of December 2025



THE FOUR-WAY TEST

of the things we think, say or do

- 1** Is it the **TRUTH** ?
- 2** Is it **FAIR** to all concerned ?
- 3** Will it build **GOODWILL & BETTER FRIENDSHIP** ?
- 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 enterprises and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

FIRST

The development of acquaintance as an opportunity to 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 CLUB OF CEBU



The Rotary Club of Cebu South began as a visionary initiative, originally conceived by RC Cebu West President Joe Cavan and former District Governor Marianing Ilano in 1968. A feasibility study at the time revealed that there were as many as 92 classifications available in the southern territory of the sponsoring club. Despite these promising findings, the plan was not immediately pursued.

It was only during the presidency of Tom Espina that the initiative was revived, with strong encouragement from then District Governor Onor Lozano. This renewed effort culminated in the formal organization of the Rotary Club of Cebu South on January 8, 1972, during a meeting held at Cavan's Resort in Guadalupe, Cebu City. A Charter application was subsequently filed with Rotary International.

On March 5, 1972, Rotary International officially recognized the Rotary Club of Cebu South, issuing its Charter and designating it as the fourth club under RI District 385. The Charter Presentation and Induction Ceremony took place on May 27, 1972, at the Casino Español de Cebu, where President Munding Crystal accepted the Club Charter from District Governor Onor Lozano. At its inception, the club proudly counted 28 charter members.

Since its founding, the Rotary Club of Cebu South has continued to make a lasting impact through its dedicated service and commitment to Rotary's ideals. Its unwavering passion for service has been reflected in numerous awards and citations, elevating the club's prominence within the district and beyond.

To this day, the club remains active and vibrant, currently composed of 27 active members. One of its defining traditions is the annual transition of leadership, a reflection of the strength, capability, and unity of its members—each one ready and able to lead while upholding the club's legacy and identity.



Francesco Arezzo

Rotary International President 2025-2026

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

As we enter the month of December—a season naturally filled with warmth, generosity, and reflection—we are also reminded that Rotary dedicates this time to Disease Prevention and Treatment, one of our core areas of focus. It is a powerful intersection: a season of joy aligned with a mission of healing.

Disease prevention is not only about medicine—it is about people, connection, and care. It is about ensuring that every child, every family, and every community has access to healthier lives and brighter futures. From supporting vaccination initiatives, promoting sanitation and hygiene, to strengthening healthcare systems, our work as Rotarians continues to create lasting impact.

But beyond programs and projects, I wish to emphasize something equally vital—happiness and fellowship.

Rotary is at its strongest not only when we serve, but when we serve together with joy. Fellowship is the heartbeat of our club. It is in our shared laughter during meetings, our camaraderie in service projects, and our genuine care for one another that we find renewed energy to continue our mission.

This December, let us:

Strengthen our bonds as Rotarians and friends
Celebrate the small victories we have achieved together
Extend kindness not only to our beneficiaries, but also within our Rotary family
And carry the spirit of happiness into every act of service we undertake

Because a healthy community is not built by effort alone—it is built by people who uplift each other.

As we continue our initiatives in disease prevention and treatment, may we always remember that healing begins with compassion, and that joy shared among Rotarians multiplies the impact of our service.

Let us end this year with grateful hearts, strong fellowship, and a renewed commitment to serve—happily, purposefully, and together.

Service Above Self, always.



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Atty. Rheneir P. Mora

**RCCS President
2025-2026**

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DECEMBER 2025 PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES



STRENGTHENING GLOBAL FELLOWSHIP VISIT

The Rotary Club of Cebu South, led by President Rheneir Mora, conducted an official visit on December 16, 2025 to its sister club, the Rotary Club of Yotsukaido in Japan. The visit reaffirmed decades of friendship and the shared commitment of both clubs to "Service Above Self." A key highlight was the continued support of RC Yotsukaido for the Day Care Center in Minglanilla, Cebu, a joint project that has provided early childhood education and care for more than 25 years through learning materials, facility upkeep, and operational assistance for young learners in the community.

During the visit, both clubs explored new opportunities to expand collaborative service initiatives and further strengthen international understanding. The exchange highlighted how Rotary's global network continues to unite clubs across borders, making lasting positive change possible through shared service and fellowship.



December 8, 2025

The Rotary Club of Cebu South celebrated its Christmas Party with joy, laughter, and heartfelt fellowship. The evening included gift-giving, dancing, singing, and sharing stories, creating a warm celebration of Rotary spirit and friendship.



TULAY DAY CARE CHRISTMAS GIVING

The Rotary Club of Cebu South spent a heartwarming day on December 16, 2025 with the children of its signature project, the Tulay Day Care Center in Minglanilla, Cebu, in celebration of the Christmas season. The activity brought joy and excitement to the children as the club shared time, presence, and festive cheer with them, reflecting the true spirit of giving and community.

The celebration served as a meaningful reminder of the impact of continued support for early childhood development programs. Through the generosity of members and supporters, the club was able to create a memorable Christmas experience for the children, strengthening its commitment to service and inspiring hope within the community.



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ROTARY HYMN

by George Canseco

I want to be a Rotarian for the world,
Make the Rotary flag be a flag of peace
unfurled;
I will serve my community,
Help to seek international unity.
Through Rotary, I will dedicate my all,
World understanding shall be my
cherished goal.

Refrain: With the Four Way Test
I will pursue my quest
And if I, in a way help obtain
Peace in the world
Then I won't have lived in vain

I'll observe service above self,
Lend a hand to all who need my help;
I'll get my spouse to involve in Rotary
And in Rotary ways I will train my family

Refrain: With the Four Way Test
I will pursue my quest
And if I, in a way help obtain
Peace in the world
Then I won't have lived in vain

Build a bridge for tomorrow's youth,
Strengthened by nothing but the truth;
Let's join our hands, there's no reason to
divide.
We shall all understand, while the good
Lord is our guide

Refrain: With the Four Way Test
I will pursue my quest
And if I, in a way help obtain
Peace in the world
Then I won't have lived in vain

**Peace be achieved,
So we won't have lived in vain**

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