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The Downtowners during RCDD's 26th Charter Anniversary

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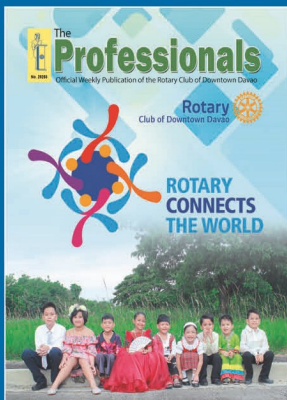
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COVER STORY



The Downtowners are committed to serve as they connect people who have less in life to a diverse group of professionals through Rotary's Six Areas of Focus, in their communities, sharing their talents, skills and resources without counting the cost. The children represents other countries in the world which Rotary connects and serve. RCDD plays an important role in helping ROTARY CONNECTS THE WORLD through it's humanitarian services, world understanding and goodwill.

Prayer

Dear Lord, we thank you for this gathering of fellow Rotarians and friends today. We thank you for helping us bring in new and honorary members. Bless them O Lord, so we can work as one family in articulating Rotary's motto: **SERVICE ABOVE SELF**. Cleanse our hearts so our prayer may be worthy of you and our words will come from our hearts. Help us too, to learn how to listen so that our minds and hearts can hear your voice and understand your will. Inspire us and guide us so we may do our best in every-thing we do today, Lord. Amen.

THE MISSION OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

We provide service to others, promote integrity and advance world understanding, goodwill and peace through our fellowship of business, professional and community leader.

THE 4-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 friendships?
 4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

CORE VALUES

Service, Fellowship, Diversity, Integrity and Leadership

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.

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PRESIDENT **L**IKES

By: **Ethel "Ethel" C. Caceres**
President, RY 2019-2020

MY FELLOW DOWNTOWNERS,

In every one's life, many things happen unexpectedly. We must therefore, learn to be flexible and accept it. Never blame anyone in your life. People who misunderstand our intentions, give us certain lessons that make us better persons. We learn to make difficult situations turn to a positive outcome knowing that there is complete happiness in forgiveness.

Life is short so let us live it to the fullest. Let us be happy and be an inspiration to others. Today, let me express my best wishes as we welcome our new members to our RCDD family, Mr. Alstair Rey L. Tecarro and Ms. Marissa T. Adorable, and our honorary members, the Honorable Councilor Pamela L. Morata, Dr. Alma C. Garduque and Ms. Patricia Melizza B. Ruivivar. Thank you for joining us in our Rotary journey of service and fellowship, sharing your talents, skills and personal resources to articulate Rotary's motto: SERVICE ABOVE SELF!

May we have a happy Wednesday filled with love and God's blessings Magandang buhay always!

A Happy Wednesday filled with love, life and blessings.

Magandang Buhay Always.

PROGRAMME

8th REGULAR MEETING & INDUCTION

August 28, 2019, Wednesday 12:00nn
Grand Men Seng Hotel, Pichon St., Davao City

WELCOME BABY ROTARIANS & HONORARY MEMBERS

Call To Order

President Ethel "Ethel" C. Caceres

Turnover of Proceedings To The Program Host

Rtn. Anjera "Coco" G. Calaca

Invocation, Singing of the Philippine National Anthem & Rotarian Hymn; Recitation of the Four Way Test

Sgt-At-Arms Andrea "Andeng" G. Dela Cerna

Introduction of Visiting Rotarians and Guests

PE/Editor -in- Chief Myla "Mymy" P. Cocon

Community Singing/Performance

The TWITTER BARKADAHAN

Induction of Baby Rotarians

Introduction of the Baby Rotarians

PP/Membership **Chair Eliza Joy "Joy" S. Hilario**

Charging by **AG/PP Marilyn "Bolyn" P. Puno**

Induction by **President Ethel "Ethel" C. Caceres**

Pinning of Rotary Pins & Giving of Rotary Materials &

Tokens by the Sponsors

Message on Behalf of the Newly Inducted Baby Rotarians

Rtn. Alstair Rey "Alstair" L. Tecarro

Induction of Honorary Members

Introduction of Honorary Members

PP/Membership **Chair Eliza Joy "Joy" S. Hilario**

Induction by **President Ethel "Ethel" C. Caceres**

Pinning of Rotary Pins and giving of Tokens

Message on Behalf of the Newly Inducted Honorary Members

Honorable Pamela Librado-Morata

City Councilor, District 1, Davao City

RETURN OF PROCEEDINGS TO THE PRESIDENT

President's Time: **President Ethel "Ethel" C. Caceres**

Secretary's Time: **Secretary Gwendelyn "Gwen" S. Viado**

Treasurer's Time: **IPP/Treas. Josefa "Josie" P. Ortiz**

Adjournment: **President Ethel "Ethel" C. Caceres**

FELLOWSHIP



What's on your Mind

By: **PP Sylvia C. Navarro**

The Golden Rule

Buddhism:

Hurt not others with that which pains yourself.

Christianity:

Do unto others as you would have them do unto you.

Hinduism:

Treat others as you would yourself be treated.

Islam:

Do unto all men as you would wish to have done unto you.

Judaism:

What you yourself hate, do to no man.

Native American:

Live in harmony, for we are all related.

Sacred Earth:

Do as you will, as long as you harm no one.



Secretary's Twitts

By: Secretary Ma. Gwendelyn S. Viado

ATTENDANCE REPORT	WEEK 1	WEEK 2	WEEK 3	WEEK 4	WEEK 5
Members Actually Present	15	20	19		
Members with valid Make-up	6	2	2		
Total Attendance	21	22	21		
Membership Size	31	31	31		
Excused due to Health Reasons	5	5	5		
Net Membership Base	26	26	26		
Total Attendance Divided by Net Membership Rate	81%	85%	81%		

Early Birds:

1. Edna "Edzz" C. Ko
2. Josefa "Josie" P.Ortiz
3. Marina "Maring" B. Ruivivar
4. Sylvia "Binggot" C. Navarro
5. Anjera "Coco"D. Calaca

GUEST:

1. Marissa Adorable - Guest of PP Marina "Maring" Ruivivar
2. Marife Salcedo

Make-Ups
 First Board Meeting
 @Bistro Rosario, F. Torres St., Davao City
 August 2, 2019

Visiting Rotarians:

1. PDG Pablito "Billy" Parilla - RC Matina Davao
1. Rozanne C. Gamboa
2. Myla P. Cocon

ACTIVITIES OF THE MONTH

- August 2, 2019 - 1st Board Meeting
Plans and Programs
- August 7, 2019 - 6th Regular Meeting
"Renewal Pledge of Membership"
- August 12, 2019 - One District, One blood letting activity (MDMRC Bajada) 7:00AM
- August 14, 2019 - 7th Regular Meeting
"Celebration of Life and Kadayawan Festival)
- August 21, 2019 - 8th Regular Meeting
Speaker- District Membership Chair
- August 23, 2019 - TRF Grant Seminar- Balanghay Hotel, Butuan August 28, 2019 - 9th Regular Meeting
"Induction of New Members & Honorary Member"
- August 31, 2019 - Area 2C Joint Meeting "Can chronic diseases be prevented and reversed by food?
By Dr. Oyie Balburias, MD, FPCP
EMCOR Bajada 1:00PM-4:00PM



Sunshine

By: VP Herminia S. Polintan



Rtn. Florence R. Magistrado
August 8



PP Eliza Joy S. Hilario
August 14



Rtn. Myla P. Cocon
August 16



Rtn. Venus M. Altamera
August 29



3 ways to make your club more inclusive

Strategies For Member Attraction & Retention

Rotary International reports that the top reason members stay with Rotary is the valuable friendships and connections they make as members. Committed to member retention, Rotary Club of Bainbridge Island has put into effect several innovative communication programs to help members connect both inside the club and in the wider community.

The Club's Communication Director, Mark W. Costa, is a veteran Sales, Marketing and Business Development Executive with an extensive background in travel, tourism, hospitality and nonprofit executive leadership. His inclusive, motivating approach to leadership involves a combination of senior level management experience and inspiring creativity. Here are some of his new programs:

1. The Club's Communication Committee has strengthened its alliance with the Program Committee to organize and widely market bi-monthly Special Programs, attracting attendance from both the membership and the wider community.

One recent Special Program, "Holocaust Survivor: Pete Metzelaar," was announced across multiple local newspapers, social media posts, a professionally designed flyer distributed to hundreds of bulletin boards and stores in the area, and word of mouth sparked through local civic and religious organizations.

The result was a sell-out event with a long waiting list. Over 140 members and friends attended this casual business dinner meeting at our Island country club. The presentation was poignant and stirred community discussion.

Continuation: Strategies for Member Attraction and Retention:

2. The redesigned weekly newsletter and modernized Clubrunner website have been a hit, drawing boundless feedback and member engagement. Social media posts are now made daily and include meeting photos, member stories with links to the Club website, and upcoming meeting announcements. The Facebook page has a following of over 1600 likes.
3. Two regular weekly bylines have been added to the Club Communiqué newsletter. One column, "Rotary History Quiz," challenges members to a who-done-it about the Club's 70 year history. Another column, "Member Capital" presents a life story about individual members after they have been interviewed and photographed in action at their place of work. Members reveal why they joined Rotary and how Club members can directly help them in their life and career. Both bylines work to create stronger member connections and a deepened sense of our Club identity through its long history.

About these new programs, Bainbridge Island Club President, John Stephens says, "Our Club leaders are proud of the innovation and connections arising from the various committees this year. We are already seeing Club membership on the rise, and we expect retention rates will reach new levels, as well."

Submitted by Ann Warman

Member of Rotary Club of Bainbridge Island

RI Goals

Be A Vibrant Club brochure

From RI President Mark D. Maloney's brochure:
MEMBERSHIP ATTRACTION AND ENGAGEMENT

Achieve at least 3 of the following:

- Rotary can automatically verify many of your club's achievements as long as you keep your club and member information up-to-date in My Rotary.
- To be eligible for the Rotary Citation, clubs need to begin the year as active clubs that are in good standing and remain so throughout the year.
- Achievements will be compared with membership figures from 1 July 2019 and will be recognized after the 1 July 2020 numbers are final, on 15 August 2020.

Achieve at least 5 of the following goals:




- Appoint an active club membership committee comprised of no less than five members and report the chair to Rotary International
- Achieve a net gain in membership
- Maintain or improve your club's retention of current and new members:
- Improve your club's retention rate by 1 percentage point
- If your club's retention rate was 90 percent or more in 2018-2019, maintain it
- Achieve a net gain in female members or members under the age of 40
- Conduct a study of your members' occupations, and work to align your membership with the mix of businesses and professions in your community



AG Shares



Assistant Governor **Marilyn P. Puno**






East Davao Rotary Club Central Davao Rotary Club Downtown Davao Rotary Club West Davao Rotary Club

“Health is Wealth” - Rotary Helping Prevent Chronic Diseases

SPEAKER:

ROLANDO “OYIE” BALBURIAS, M.D., FPCP, IFMCP
GENERAL INTERNAL MEDICINE / CERTIFIED FUNCTIONAL MEDICINE PRACTITIONER



EMCOR BAJADA, DAVAO CITY
AUGUST 31, 2019 | 1:00-4:00PM

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION DONORS

By: **Rozanne C. Gamboa**

TRF/ International Service Committee Chair

The Rotary Club of Downtown Davao

is a 100% Paul Harris Fellow Club/100% EREY

Major Donors

1. **Rozanne C. Gamboa- PHS**
2. **Archie Francisco F. Gamboa** (Appointee of Rozanne C. Gamboa)
3. **Edna C. Ko- PHS**
4. **Paulino B. Ko** (Appointee of Edna C. Ko)
5. **Enerie B. Aquino** (Appointee of Remegio G. Salanatin)

Multiple Paul Harris Fellows +7 (2 Rubies)

1. **Marina B. Ruivivar**

Multiple Paul Harris Fellows +6 (1 Ruby)

1. **Joyce Abigayle C. Ko**
2. **Enerie B. Aquino**

Multiple Paul Harris Fellows +5

1. **Ma. Richelle B. Vicente**
2. **Herminia S. Polintan**
3. **Eliza Joy S. Balinas**

Multiple Paul Harris Fellows +4

1. **Angelita M. Ang**
2. **Linda C. Tesoro**
3. **Thelma S. Ciudadano**

Multiple Paul Harris Fellows +3

1. **Vilma U. Kho**
2. **Josefa P. Ortiz**

Multiple Paul Harris Fellows +2

1. **Lagrimas T. Acero**
2. **Estrella Luz B. Cabebe**
3. **Patria B. Mejos**
4. **Corazon L. Costan**
5. **Filomena P. Lovitos**
6. **Sylvia C. Navarro**
7. **Josephine B. De Vera**
8. **Luzviminda S. Reyes**
9. **Paulo Lorenzo B. Ko**
10. **Paulino B. Ko**

Multiple Paul Harris Fellows +1

1. **Martha L. Carlsen**
2. **Xena Joy C. Lim**
3. **Marilyn P. Puno**
4. **Myla P. Cocon**

Paul Harris Fellows

1. **Corazon C. Alba**
2. **Venus M. Altamera**
3. **Janine B. Sato**
4. **Ma. Chona F. Caingles**
5. **Anjera G. Calaca**
6. **Ruth Therese Castellones**
7. **Andrea Dela Cerna**
8. **Patricia Nicole Bernolo**
9. **Gloria Castro Bernolo**
10. **Belen D. Gemelo**

11. Joan O. Gulanes

12. **Rizalina Gloria C. Manongdo**
13. **Yvonne B. Sasin**
14. **Rhealyn L. Conception**
15. **Angel Carr (+)**
16. **Cristeta G. Gallano**
17. **Sofia I. Gundran (+)**
18. **Milagros I. Iturralde**
19. **Paulo Benedicto C. Ko**
20. **Erlinda A. Magbanua**
21. **Anna Maria A. Magno**
22. **Jeanette S. Ortiz**
23. **Minda G. Ortique**
24. **Gina S. Peralta**
25. **Roman O. Tesoro (+)**
26. **Agatha Ellen S. Valencia**
27. **Marianne Louise C. Gamboa**
28. **Teofilo Ymil C. Gamboa**
29. **PMA Sinagtala Class'86**
30. **Renz Ralpi Panuncio PHF**
31. **Princess Kainiel Panuncio**
32. **Efren Daniel P. Panuncio**



Trending Now



By: PP Vilma U. Kho

Fashion Mistakes That Make You Look Uncomfortable in Your Own Skin

Choosing the wrong material for the weather

Avoid that haggard, hulas look by making sure you're choosing the right fabric for the day.

When it's hot, opt for linen (it's one of the most breathable fabrics you can find), chambray, or anything made with 100% cotton or cotton jersey. And on a rainy day, wool, polyester, nylon or silk are your best bets. Of course, since living in the Philippines sometimes means a combination of both in one day, just be sure to always bring an umbrella with you, and keep a jacket or sweater in your office so you're always prepared.

Source: FEMALENETWORK.COM

WHERE TO MAKE-UP IN DAVAO CITY

MONDAYS:

6:00 PM RC CENTRAL DAVAO
Grand Men Seng Hotel

TUESDAYS:

12:00 NN RC EAST DAVAO
Marco Polo Hotel

WEDNESDAYS:

12:00 NN RC DOWNTOWN
DAVAO

Grand Men Seng Hotel
RC SOUTH DAVAO
Marco Polo Hotel

6:00 PM RC MATINA DAVAO

Lispher Inn
RC DAVAO 2000
Road Way Inn

7:00 PM RC STA. ANA DAVAO
Grand Men Seng Hotel

WEDNESDAYS:

7:00 PM RC PAG-ASA DAVAO
Lispher Inn
RC CALINAN DAVAO
Milsoso, Calinan

THURSDAYS:

12:00 NN RC DAVAO
RCD Club House
RC WALING-WALING
Grand Men Seng Hotel
RC WEST DAVAO
Marco Polo Hotel

FRIDAYS:

12:00 NN RC NORTH DAVAO
RCN Club House

SATURDAYS:

7:00 PM RC TORIL DAVAO
RCT Club House

MAKE-UP CARD

Name of Rotarian: _____

Club & Position: _____

Make Up Time & Date: _____



Downtowners in Action

By: PE Myla P. Cocon
Editor-in-Chief

7th Regular Meeting
August 14, 2019

“A CELEBRATION OF LIFE and KADAYAWAN in RCDD”



Pres. Ethel and Sec. Gwen getting ready to celebrate the Kadayawan Festival in RCDD.



PP/Ways & Means Chair Sylvia, the ever-smiling Program Host.



IPP/Treas. Josie, in her usual sweet smile as she led in the Invocation, singing of the Phil. National Anthem & the Recitation of The Mission of Rotary International.



PP/Historian Marina introduced the Visiting Rotarians and Guests in her usual motherly smile.



Together with the celebration of the Kadayawan Festival was the celebration of the August Birthday celebrants: Rtn. Venus Altamera PP/Membership Chair Eliza Joy Hilario, and Rtn. Florence Magistrado, shown here blowing their birthday candles



The Kadayawan costume winners: PAG/PP Irene, Rtn. Cora, PP/Auditor Vi, and VP Mynne, all of the INSTAGRAM Barkadahan.



The FACEBOOK Barkadahan and their 1st prize Table-setting showcase winner.



Early Bird awardees: Rtn. Martha, PP Marina, PP Sylvia, PP Edzz, IPP Josie (Facebook) & Rtn. Coco (Twitter).



Highest Attendance Awardee: FACEBOOK Barkadahan.



The Downtowners in their Kadayawan Costumes and smiles, in an amazing Kadayawan room-filled setting.



FAMILY OF ROTARY

By: PE Myla P. Cocon
Editor-in-Chief

WELCOME TO THE RCDD FAMILY, OUR NEW BABY ROTARIANS AND HONORARY MEMBERS, RY 2019-2010!

New Members



Marrissa "Mariz" T. Adorable
Online Marketing



Alstair Rey "Jun-Jun" L. Tecarro Jr.
Registered Nurse

Honorary Members



Hon. Pamela "Pameng" Alonsabe-Morata
City Councilor 1st District



Patricia Melizza "Patmei" B. Ruivivar
Writer/Columnist/Consultant



Dr. Alma "Alma" Garduque
Optalmologist

PAST PRESIDENTS

1993-1994 **PDG/CP Evelyn A. Magno**
 1994-1995 **PP Cornelia P. Aportadera**
 1995-1996 **PP Cynthia B. Rodriguez**
 1996-1997 **PP Estrella Luz B. Cabebe**
 1997-1998 **PP Elisa W. Tay**
 1998-1999 **PP Linda C. Tesoro**
 1999-2000 **PP Felina A. Javellana**
 2000-2001 **PP Vilma U. Kho**
 2001-2002 **PP Sylvia C. Navarro**
 2002-2003 **PP Ma. Chona F. Caingles**
 2003-2004 **PP Charisse P. Puentespina**
 2004-2005 **PP Edna C. Ko**
 2005-2006 **PP Agatha Ellen S. Valencia**

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 2007-2008 **PP Eliza Joy H. Balinas**
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 2014-2015 **PP Ruth Theresa G. Castellones**
 2015-2016 **PP Marilyn P. Puno**
 2016-2017 **PP Rozanne C. Gamboa**
 2017-2018 **PP Angelita M. Ang**
 2018-2019 **IPP Josefa P. Ortiz**



Rotary Club of Downtown Davao

RCDD's HISTORICAL HIGHLIGHTS
RY 1993-1994 to RY 2019-2020

By: **PDS/PP Marina Bello-Ruivivar**
Club Historian

RCDD CONNECTS ROTARY TO THE WORLD

The commitment to the Rotary motto, SERVICE ABOVE SELF became a way of life for every Downtowner as their continuing programs and projects on the six (6) Areas of Focus, have served those who have less in life so they too can enjoy the world that Rotary dreams of.

RCDD prides itself to be consistent in its outstanding performance as a service club working towards perfection, without counting the cost. There were difficult times along the way especially on financial resources, and personal relationships. But undaunted, RCDD survived with flying colors, receiving awards and recognition year after year. RCDD has been blazing the trail and raising the bar for Rotary clubs in District 3860 since its charter year. A landmark achievement was made during RY 1998-1999 when RCDD bested all Rotary clubs in the District with a grand slam, winning all four (4) major district awards- "Most Outstanding Club, President, Secretary, and Club Bulletin". There was no turning back for RCDD. It has to forge on and get better and better each year in its service to humanity. The best genuine awards that the club has ever received are the happy smiles and expression of gratitude from the people it serves.

Chartered on February 23, 1993, as an all-women service club, by then RI President Robert R. Batch, RCDD articulated the Rotary theme, "Believe in What You Do, Do What You Believe In" through its projects on the children's and women's welfare and development, the elderly and the marginalized families in the community. The Charter Year was one great celebration as the whole Rotary world was then celebrating the 88th Foundation Anniversary of Rotary International, and RCDD became the 29, 258th Rotary Club all over the world. and the 79th club in District 3860. RCDD then was the second all-women club in Area 2.

RCDD was recognized as a one hundred (100%) percent Paul Harris Fellow Club as of RY 2011-2012. The following are major donors: Archie Francisco F. Gamboa and Rozanne C. Gamboa, level 3; Paulino and Edna C. Ko, level 2. Archie and Rozanne Gamboa were the lone District awardees during RY 2018-19, as a "Rotarian Couple Polio Plus Achiever", and RCDD as a "Polio Fund Club Achiever."

Some landmark projects of RCDD, deserving of the awards are the following:

1. The multi-purpose building named "Center for Hope" which houses the Day Care Center, the Medical-Dental, Pre-Natal and Health Clinic as well as a workshop for skills training as a source of livelihood for the marginalized families in two (2) barangays: Centro and Vicente Duterte at Agdao District, Davao City. This is also where RCDD's Rotary Community Corps Officers and members meet and hold their events and activities.
2. A Children's mini-library and Reading Center at the People's Park turned over to the City Government during RY 2009-2010. RCDD continues to conduct literacy training services to the children, such as story-telling, book donations, and gift-giving.
3. The Shelter for Abused Women and Children to house victims of domestic violence and abuse, turned over to the Police Regional Office II Women and Children

Protection Department, during RY 2014-2015. Support services are continued by RCDD every year.

4. Construction of Comfort rooms and handwashing stations in public Elementary and Secondary Schools in Davao City as needed and/or requested.
5. Donation of hospital beds and facilities to the PNP-PRO II Hospital at Camp Quintin Mericido, Catitipan, Davao City during RY 2014-2015, a continuing project of the club.
6. Wheelchair donations to the patients of the Calinan Medical Center.
7. The Annual Pink October (Breast Cancer Awareness) projects for a Health Forum, free breast screening, mammogram and breast ultra-sound services.
8. The annual Tri-Medical Missions (free Medical-Dental, Eye Health Care and Pre-Natal Clinics) conducted every Charter Anniversary.
9. A 2-storey structure housing four (4) classrooms for children in conflict with the law and out-of-school youths who are scholars of the Davao City Police Office, a part of the city's Project "Operation Kalinaw". Partnership was forged with the Rotary Club of Camp Crame, Philippine Military Academy Sinagtala Class'86, the Philippine National Police-PRO II, and the Davao City Police Office. It was likewise partially funded by The Rotary Foundation. Other generous donors contributed to the project.

RCDD started as an all-Women service club, until RY 2018-2019 when it marked its 26th Year with another milestone as it inducted two distinguished gentlemen, converting the club from an exclusive all- women Service club to a mixed gender club, in response to the challenge of Rotary International. The two new gentleman Downtowners are: Paulino B. Ko, a successful businessman who leads a Band called Recto Rhythm, and Archie Francisco F. Gamboa, a high-ranking 3-star General of the Philippine National Police. Police Deputy Director General Gamboa is currently the Chief of Operations of the Philippine National Police in Camp Crame, Quezon City. He is also a lawyer, therefore, has reviewed and helped prepare the Amended Constitution and By-Laws of RCDD before finally ratified by the general membership during RY 2018-2019. Archie, as he is fondly called by fellow Downtowners, is among the fifty (50) individuals around the world who received the "Rotarian Spouse Award" in Rotary Year 2016-2017.

The Downtowners meet every Wednesday at noontime at the Grand Men Seng Hotel along A. Pichon Street, Davao City. They come in their official green blazers during special and important occasions, and share the presence of each other as a gift of friendship and life. They come together to share ideas and thoughts, aspirations and dreams, giving to the other, and accepting from each other the far deeper realities of life, making their own lives richer and more meaningful.

The Rotary Club of Downtown Davao, under the leadership of this year's President Ethel Chavez-Caceres with her Champion Team, will continue to plant the Rotary seeds of Goodwill and Service in every Community it reaches out, making a difference in the people's quality of life, and continue to be an Inspiration as it connects Rotary to the world!

MEMBERSHIP ROSTER

Every Rotarian Reach One Keep One



Venus "Venus" M. Altamera
Agri-Business
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 Homes, Matina, Davao City
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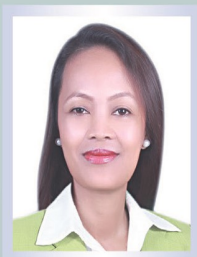
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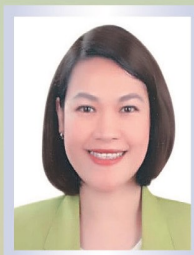
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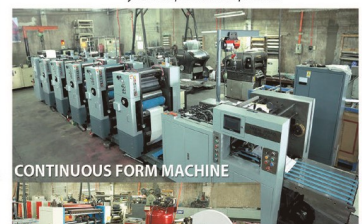
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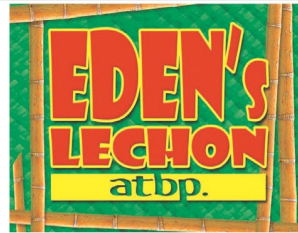


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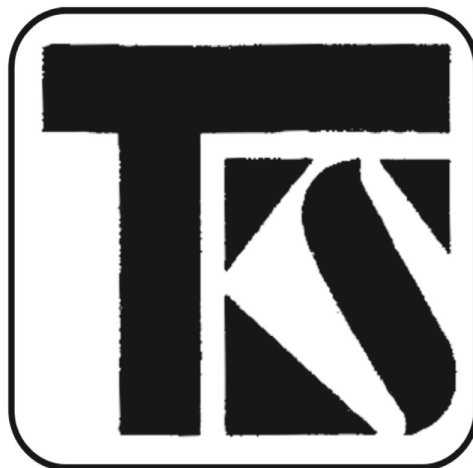
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