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The Mission of Rotary International

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

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

Fellowship, Integrity, Diversity, Service,
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.

ABOUT THE COVER



January is Vocational Service Month. The Downtowners contribute their vocational talents to the problems and needs of the community. Rtn. Cyril C. Duran shown on the cover, is a Civil Engineer, inducted recently on September 2, 2022. He has been taking charge of the major repairs and renovation of RCDD's Center for Hope building. A multi-purpose structure which houses the Medical-Dental & Health Clinic, the Day Care Classroom, the venue for skills training and other projects.

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President's Message



ARCHIE FRANCISCO F. GAMBOA
President, RY 2022-2023

A fresh start for the second semester of our Rotary Year. Happy new year to everyone.

As we continue to pursue our Service Projects, much has yet to be done. In our plans, we have lined-up 40 projects. Of these we have done or are continue doing 30 of them. For the next six months of the Rotary Year, we will do our best effort to implement the last remaining 10 service projects.

For this month, we have done three of our continuing service projects.

In behalf of the Club, I personally thank PE Gwen for taking care of the Club's affairs as we prepare for the Rotary Year of our very own DGE Twinkle. Our experience in the International Assembly will help us manage our District come July 1, 2023. It is an indication that our Continuity Plan in the Club is in place and everyone is assured that we will continually address the challenges that confront us.

A new year - a new commitment to serving our community beyond ourselves.

13th REGULAR MEETING
December 7, 2022, Wednesday @ 11:30 AM
Cafe Tavera, Tavera St., Davao City

Theme: DISEASE PREVENTION & TREATMENT MONTH
Call To Order and Welcome
MessageVP/PE Gwen

Pause Muna, Peace Muna AVP

Opening Prayer Baby Rtn. Cyril

Singing of the Philippine National Anthem & Rotary HymnAVP

Recitation of the Four
Way Test Baby Rtn. Cyril

Introduction of Visiting Rotarians/Rotaractors and Guests Rtn. Cora

Talk: "How to Avoid and Treat Common Diseases" VP/PE Gwen

Q & A Forum Baby Rtn. Chai

Vice-President's Time VP/PE Gwen

Secretary's Time Sec. Anthony John

Treasurer's Time PP/Treas. Josie

Adjournment VP/PE Gwen

FELLOWSHIP

Program Host: Baby Rtn. Chai
Barkadahan In Charge: The DREAMERS

Quote of the Month

"Imagination is the beginning of Creation. You imagine what you desire, you will what you imagine and at last you create what you will."

Jennifer Jones
RI President



Secretary's Report

By: Anthony John D. Modequillo
Secretary

Attendance Report

	15th Regular Meeting	16th Regular Meeting	Service Projects	FELLOWSHIP
Members Actual Present	20	17	5	17
Members with Valid Make-up	0	0	0	0
Total Attendance	20	17		17
Membership Size	39	39	39	39
Excused due to health reasons	2	2	2	2
Net Membership Base	37	37	37	37
Total Attendance Divided by Net Membership Rate	54%	46%	14%	46%

EARLY BIRDS:

1. Josefa "Josie" P. Ortiz
2. Belen "Belen" D. Gemelo
3. Patricia Melizza "Patmei" B. Ruivivar
4. Martha "Martha" L. Carlsen
5. Eliza Joy "Joy" S. Hilario

ROTARACTORS:

1. Kenneth Nomar Melliza

Activities for the Month

January 5 - Project NR 7 (Free Clinic) NR 8 (Pre-natal), Center For Hope in Agdao

January 11 - "Consider my Vocation to be Another Opportunity to Serve" Cafe Tavera

January 21 - "Kung Hei Fat Choi" A Tribute to our Chinese Cultural Heritage Cafe Tavera



Sunshine: Birthdays & Anniversaries

By: Angelita M. Ang
Sunshine Chair

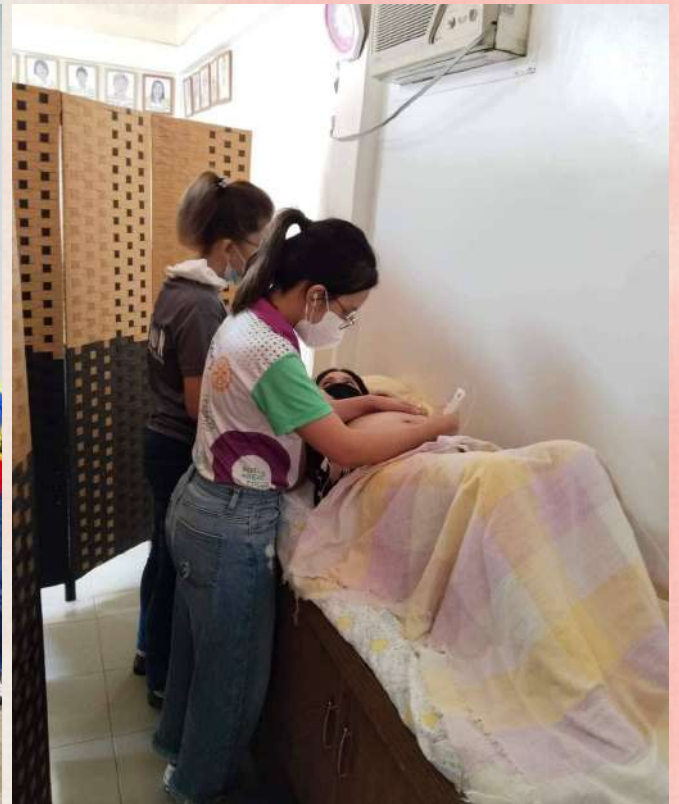


Vilma U. Kho
January 31

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RCDD SERVICE PROJECT NR 7 (FREE CLINIC) AND NR 18 (PRE-NATAL): LIBRE NGA KONSULTA

January 5, 2023 at Center for Hope in Agdao, Davao City in coordination with Barangay Centro Officials and Health Workers.



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15TH REGULAR MEETING "CONSIDER MY VOCATION TO BE ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE"



Steph Palconit gladly introduce guests of the day.



Jason Digal gave his Classification Talk.



The winning Team Visionaries Barkadahan



Early Birds of the day

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16TH REGULAR MEETING "KUNG HEI FAT CHOI" A TRIBUTE TO OUR CHINESE CULTURAL HERITAGE



Sunshine Chair Angelita Ang giving her most prepared celebration of Life to our January celebrant.

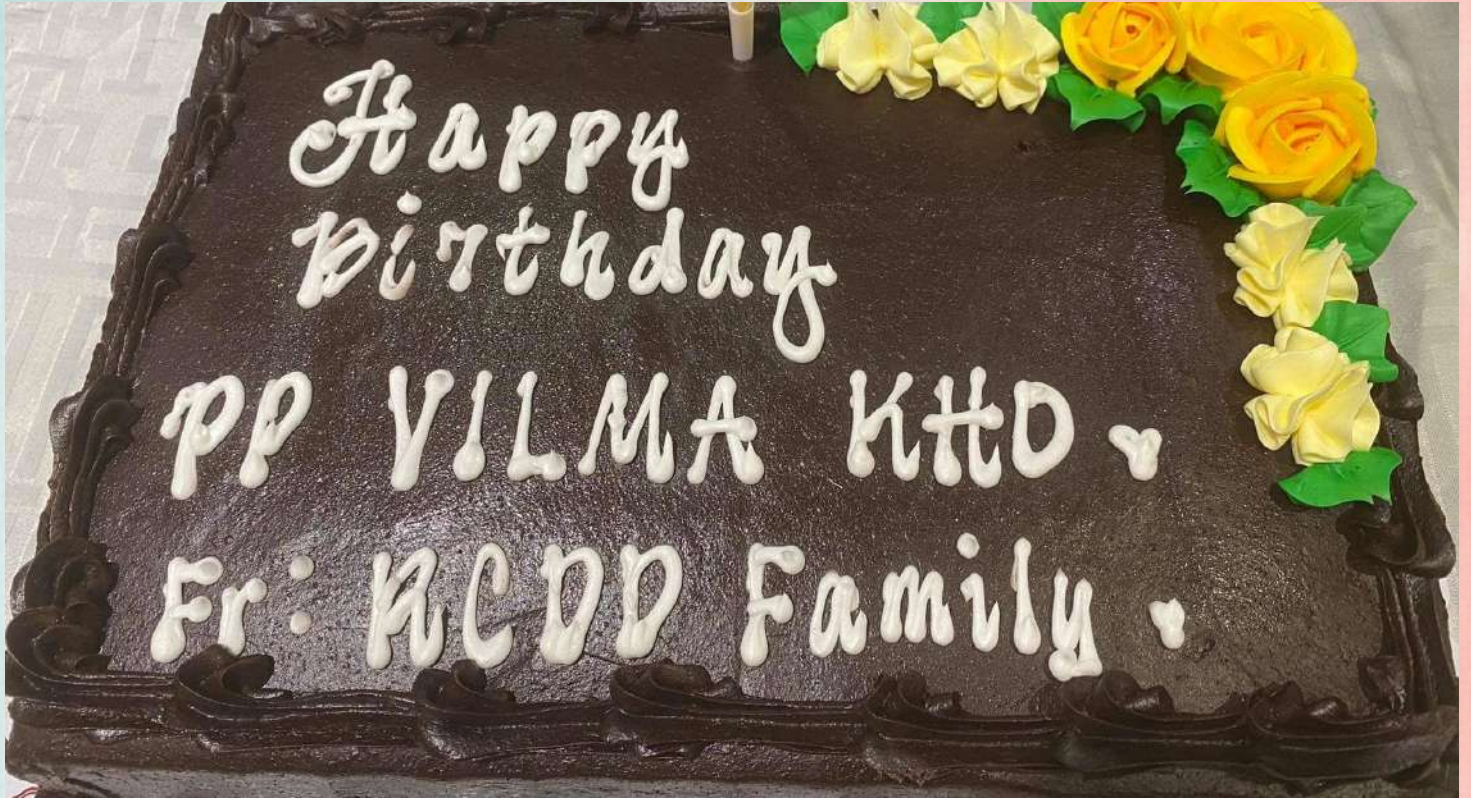


Special Barkadahan Award with the Team of the birthday girl, The Dreamer's.

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Name that Tune Winners got their prizes.



"Ikaw Ang Aking Mahal" Baby Rotarian Xyza Abarca



"Through The Years" PE Gwendelyn Sabsal

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**"How Can I Tell Her" Working Secretary
Nelbie Leuterio**



Early Birds of the day



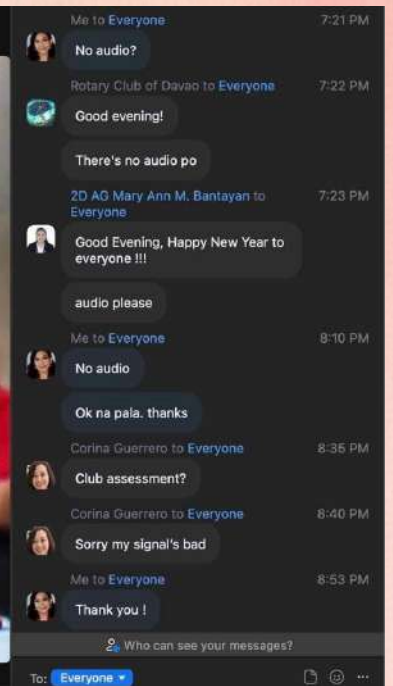
Most number of Barkadahan members - The Team Visionaries.

DISTRICT 3860 UPDATES

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Happy New Year 2023! 7th Area Coordination Meeting (ACOM) with a Theme: Pantone Color last January 5, 2023 hosted by Area 2A at Roadway Inn, 630pm. Our agenda was Planning for Rotary Week chaired by Past District Trainor Ma Luisa Jacinto.





IMAGINING ROTARY

BY: **PATRICIA MELIZZA "PATMEI" B. RUVIVAR**
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

MENTORSHIP IS A VOCATION

Rotarians make excellent mentors for the new generation and this Vocation Month it may be good to develop a mentoring program for young Rotarians and Rotaractors.

The term mentor comes from the character named Mentor in Homer's Odyssey. Mentor was the companion of Telemachus, Odysseus' son, and he gave guidance and advice as he was away from his home and family.

A mentor, therefore, is to serve as guide to another, usually much younger, and less experienced mentee.

Being a mentor is a way of giving back and paying it forward. It is also rewarding because when you teach others, you learn more about what you teach and about yourself. As they say, we teach best what we most need to learn. It also develops your skills more so both mentor and mentee are enriched by one another.

A mentor is also a leader and a role model. As such, you are able to show the new generation the ways of Rotary and how to live their lives with the Four-Way Test as guide.

Having a mentorship program within the club as part of our Vocational Service is a way to ensure sustainability. It will help develop the next generation of Rotarian leaders who will also mentor others.

If being a Rotarian is living a life dedicated to "Service Above Self," then mentoring young people to keep the Rotary spirit alive for generations to come is a worthy vocation.



ROTARY INFORMATION

Compiled by: PDS/PP Marina B. Ruivivar
Club Administration & Historian

JANUARY IS VOCATIONAL SERVICE MONTH

Vocational Service is the contribution of your vocational talents to the problems and needs of society. The values expressed in the 4-Way Test and the Declaration of Rotarians in Business and Professions, which provides high ethical standards in the work- place, a central theme of Rotary throughout its history. Vocational Service Month is an opportunity to begin year-long vocational service activities, ranging from Rotary discussions to awards to community projects.

THE CONCEPT OF VOCATIONAL SERVICE

The Object of Rotary is a philosophical statement of Rotary's purpose and the responsibilities of Rotarians. The concept of vocational service is rooted in the second object, which calls on Rotarians to encourage and foster: *High ethical standards in business and professions *The recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations *The dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society.

As a Rotarian how can you put these ideals into action? Consider these suggestions:

- *Talk about your profession to your club, and take time to learn about future members' occupations.
- *Use your skills and expertise to serve a community.
- *Practice your profession with integrity, and inspire others to behave ethically through your words and actions.
- *Help young people achieve their career goals.
- *Guide and encourage others in their professional development.

By undertaking these activities, you bring vocational service to life. Vocational service is the essence of Rotary and serves as the foundation from which we serve our communities around the world.

WHY AM I A ROTARIAN?



BELEN D. GEMELO
ROTARY MEMBER

"I am a Rotarian because I love to connect with a diverse group of professionals who share my interest and passion".



ANDREA DELA CERNA
IPP 2021-2022

Service has no limits. I am a Rotarian because Rotary added an opportunity for me to serve beyond my capacity. As a public servant for years, I have instilled to myself the importance of "service above self" and it made my career and my life more meaningful knowing that when we serve others we also serve God.

The Rotary Club of Downtown Davao has been doing a lot of amazing charity work from the beginning until now. Opened their doors to those individuals from all corners of Davao City who are willing to take part as this organization grows bigger and bigger. Fortunately, that individual includes me. Joining this kind of organization helped me a lot in different ways. First and foremost it makes my heart flutter knowing that I am affecting people's lives in a positive way.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every one of us who was behind the success of the Rotary Club of Downtown Davao and opened their doors to those individuals like me who are willing to render help to others without expecting something in return.

Let me end my speech with this wonderful quote from Caroline Landry, "Community service gives me a valuable opportunity to walk into a different community that is less familiar to me but just as colorful and most importantly, in need."

THANK YOU AND MAY GOD BLESS ALL OF US!

SHIELA MAE S. TOLEDO
ROTARY MEMBER



RCDD BARKADAHAN RY 2022-2023

DREAMERS

Leader:

Vilma U. Kho

1. Irene B. Aquino
2. Ethel C. Caceres
3. Jhong Dela Cerna
4. Thelma S. Ciudadano
5. Patrick T. Co
6. Cora L. Costan
7. Cyril C. Duran
8. Belen D. Gemelo
9. Chai R. Madrid
10. Marilyn P. Puno
11. Patmei B. Ruivivar

VISIONARIES

Leader:

Anthony John D. Modequillo

1. Gloria O. Cabillas
2. Coco G. Calaca
3. Andeng G. Dela Cerna
4. Jason S. Digal
5. Mariane C. Gamboa
6. Fely P. Lovitos
7. Josie P. Ortiz
8. Steph F. Palconit
9. Melch P. Rivera
10. Camille C. Sencio
11. Shiela S. Toledo

CREATORS

Leader:

Angelita M. Ang

1. Xyza G. Abarca
2. Martha L. Carlsen
3. Andrea Concepcion
4. Twinkle C. Gamboa
5. Joan O. Gulanes
6. Eliza Joy S. Hilario
7. Edz C. Ko
8. Paul B. Ko
9. Florence Magistrado
10. Sylvia C. Navarro
11. Gwen V. Sabsal

Past Presidents

1993-1994	PDG /CP Evelyn A. Magno	2008-2009	PP Marina B. Ruivivar
1994-1995	PP Cornelia P. Aportadera	2009-2010	PP Thelma S. Ciudadano
1995-1996	PP Cynthia B. Rodriguez	2010-2011	PP Cristeta G. Gallano
1996-1997	PP Estrella Luz B. Cabebe	2011-2012	PP Enerie B. Aquino
1997-1998	PP Elisa W. Tay	2012-2013	PP Lagrimas T. Acero
1998-1999	PP Linda C. Tesoro	2013-2014	PP Marie Josephine B. De Vera
1999-2000	PP Felina A. Javellana	2014-2015	PP Ruth Theresa G. Castellones
2000-2001	PP Vilma U. Kho	2015-2016	PP Marilyn P. Puno
2001-2002	PP Sylvia C. Navarro	2016-2017	PP Rozanne C. Gamboa
2002-2003	PP Ma. Chona F. Caingles	2017-2018	PP Angelita M. Ang
2003-2004	PP Charisse P. Puentespina	2018-2019	PP Josefa P. Ortiz
2004-2005	PP Edna C. Ko	2019-2020	PP Ethel C. Caceres
2005-2006	PP Agatha Ellen S. Valencia	2020-2021	PP Myla C. Agustin
2006-2007	PP Ma. Richelle B. Vicente	2021-2022	IPP Andrea Dela Cerna
2007-2008	PP Eliza Joy S. Hilario		

The Council of Presidents



PP Vilma U. Kho
RY 2000-2001
"Create Awareness, Take Action"



PP Enerie B. Aquino
RY 2011-2012
"Reach Within To Embrace Humanity"



PP Sylvia C. Navarro
RY 2001-2002
"Mankind is Our Business"



PP Marilyn P. Puno
RY 2015-2016
"Be A Gift To The World"



PP Edna C. Ko
RY 2004-2005
"Celebrate Rotary"



PP Rozanne C. Gamboa
RY 2016-2017
"Rotary Serving Humanity"



PP Eliza Joy S. Hilario
RY 2007-2008
"ROTARY Shares"



PP Angelita M. Ang
RY 2017-2018
Rotary Making A Difference"



PP Marina B. Ruivivar
RY 2008-2009
"Make Dreams Real"



PP Josefa P. Ortiz
RY 2018-2019
"Be The Inspiration"



PP Thelma S. Ciudadano
RY 2009-2010
"The Future of Rotary is in Your Hands"



PP Ethel C. Caceres
RY 2019-2020
"Rotary Connects The World"



IPP Andrea G. Dela Cerna
RY 2021-2022
"Serve To Change Lives"

Roster of Membership & Classification



Therese Xyza "Xyza" G. Abarca
Lawyer



Angelita "Litlit" M. Ang
Fishery Industry



Enerie "Irene" B. Aquino
Building Leasing



Gloria "Glo" O. Cabillas
Civil Engineer and Construction



Ethel "Ethel" C. Caceres
Dental Care & Digital Imaging



Anjera "Coco" G. Calaca
Jewelry Retailing



Martha "Martha" L. Carlsen
Real Estate Leasing



Thelma "Thel" S. Ciudadano
Auditing/ Business Admin & Tax
Management Service



Darence Patrick "Patrick" Co
Chef/Food Services



Andrea Isabel "Andrea" Concepcion
Agricultural



Corazon "Cora" L. Costan
Banking and Fruit Farming



Andrea "Andeng" G. Dela Cerna
Law Enforcement/Operations

Roster of Membership & Classification



Jomar "Jong" P. Dela Cerna
Law Enforcement/Investigation



Jason "Jason" S. Digal
Distribution/Frozen Products



Cyril "Cy" C. Duran
Build and Design



Archie Francisco "Archie" F. Gamboa
Legal Service



Rozanne "Twinkle" C. Gamboa
Lending Industry



Mariane Louise "Mar" C. Gamboa
Real Estate Management



Belen "Belen" D. Gemelo
BDG Industrial Sales & Services



Joan "Joan" O. Gulanes
Banking



Eliza Joy "Joy" S. Hilario
Real Estate Development



Vilma "Vi" U. Kho
Financing



Edna "Edzz" C. Ko
Scrap Trading & Bailing



Paulino "Paul" B. Ko
Manufacturing/Boxes

Roster of Membership & Classification



Filomena "Fely" P. Lovitos
Education/ Nursing



Vimellee "Chai" R. Madrid
Police Training



Florence "Flor" R. Magistrado
Law Enforcement



Anthony John "Aj" D. Modiquello
Manufacturing & Trucking



Sylvia "Binggot" C. Navarro
Consultancy / Financial



Josefa "Josie" P. Ortiz
Agriculture



Stephanie "Stef" Follante-Palconit
Education/University Professor



Marilyn "Bolyn" P. Puno
Public Health/ General Dentistry



Maria Melissa P. Rivera
Medical Service - Anaesthesiology



Marina "Maring" B. Ruivivar
Private Education



Patricia Melizza "Patmei" B. Ruivivar
Communications & Governance
Consultancy



Ma. Gwendelyn "Gwen" V. Sabsal
Physician, Ob-Gyne



Jonah Camille "Camille" C. Sencio
Car Distribution



Shiela Mae "Shiela" S. Toledo
General Construction

RCDD'S BRIEF PROFILE

Chartered on February 23, 1993, the Rotary Club of Downtown Davao (RCDD) started as an all-women club with 26 lady executives of various professions and vocations. The whole Rotary world was then celebrating the 88th Founding Anniversary of Rotary International when RCDD became the 29,258th Rotary club all over the world, and the 79th club in District 3860. Led by Charter President Evelyn "Len" A. Magno, RCDD on its first year was already blazing the trail and raising the bar for Rotary clubs in the District with a mark of excellence. Eleven (11) new members were inducted during the charter year, making a total membership of thirty-seven (37) women.

RCDD IS a multi-awarded service club in Davao City, a consistent recipient of annual District awards. In RY 1998-1999, RCDD won all the major district awards as the "Most Outstanding Club, President, Secretary and club bulletin- The Professionals." It was a grand slam, besting then all 99 clubs in District 3860. RCDD is a 100% Paul Harris Fellow Club, and topping the annual list of club donors to The Rotary Foundation (TRF).

RCCD became a mixed club in RY 2018-2019, when two gentlemen were inducted to the Roster of Membership, the former PNP Chief Archie Francisco F. Gamboa and businessman Paulino B. Ko.. RY 2022-2023 starts with 27 members, 27 female and 6 male members. twelve (12) are aged 40 and below.

The Downtowners are easily identified in their apple green blazers during formal and official Rotary events, and in their uniform club tshirts during service project activities. They meet regularly every first Wednesday of the month at 12:00 noon. Fellowships are held during weekends.