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**Ground-breaking ceremony for
WASH project at Tudaya
Elementary School**

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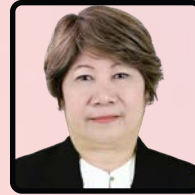
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PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, Creator of life and all things, the Light of the glory of God in heaven, we thank you for bringing us together to celebrate the gift of life of our February birthday celebrants and of Baby Arlo, who is yet to see the light of the world. Shine through them and be so in them that every soul they come in contact with may feel your presence in their souls. Bless us all so that we may keep bringing light and hope to others.

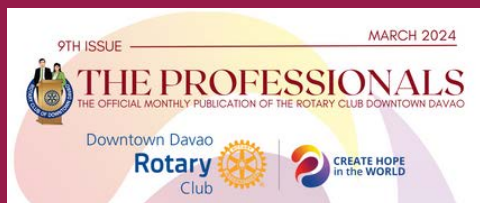
Make us worthy, O Father, to serve those people throughout the world, who live in poverty and hunger. Give them through our hands the bread of life and by our understanding love, give them peace and joy. We ask this in your mighty name. Amen

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

"Thousands have lived without love, not one without water."

- W. H. AUDEN

ABOUT THE COVER



Ground-breaking ceremony for WASH project at Tudaya Elementary School

On April 12, 2024, the Rotary Club of Downtown Davao participated in starting a WASH project at Tudaya Elementary School in Sta. Cruz, Davao del Norte. This project involves installing a Biosand Filtration System to provide clean water. It is a joint effort with the Rotary Club of Chilliwack Fraser in Canada and Clean Water International Philippines. The Bagobo Tagabawa tribe, who are the residents of Sitio Tudaya in Sta. Cruz, Davao del Sur, including students in Tudaya Elementary School, will benefit from this project.

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President's Message



Ma. Gwendelyn V. Sabsal
President, RY 2023-2024

Hello Downtowners!

Welcome to our 10th Regular meeting focusing on a theme fundamental to human health and well-being – Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene.

In a world where access to clean water and proper sanitation remains a challenge for many, our commitment to addressing these issues through service and collaboration is more critical than ever. Today, we have our keynote speaker to talk about providing access to clean water in remote communities.

As Rotarians, we are one by our shared commitment to service above self and our belief in the power of community-driven solutions to create lasting change.

10th REGULAR MEETING & FELLOWSHIP
March 13, 2024 Wednesday
11:00 AM Cafe Tavera

**THEME : Water Sanitation and Hygiene Month
and A Celebration of Life and Baby Shower**

PROGRAMME

I. Call To Order & Message
President Gwen Sabsal

Turnover to the Program Host
Rtn Cora Costan

Pause Muna, Peace Muna
AVP

Prayer
PP Thelma Ciudadano

**Singing of the Philippine National Anthem and
the Rotary Hymn**
AVP

Recitation of The Mission of Rotary International

**Acknowledgment of Visiting Rotarians,
Rotaractors and Guests**
Rtn Melch Rivera

Welcome Song
The Downtowners

**II. CELEBRATION OF LIFE , BABY SHOWER &
FELLOWSHIP**

Honoring the the Birthday Celebrants:
Feb 2 - PP Thelma Ciudadano
Feb.9 - Rtn Cyril Duran
Feb 10- Rtn . Therese Xyza Abarca
Feb 25. PP Bolyn Puno
Blowing of the Birthday Candles
by the celebrants

Baby Shower for Mariane G. Mosquiza

III. AWARDING OF THE OUTSTANDING ROTARIAN
For the Month of JANUARY and FEBRUARY
by PP/Club Administrator Lit-Lit M Ang

IV. PRESIDENT'S TIME
Pres .Gwen Sabsal

V. SECRETARY'S TIME
PP Ethel Caseres

VI . AWARDING OF PRIZES TO:
1. THE EARLY BIRDS and
2. TO THE BARKADAHAN WITH HIGHEST
ATTENDANCE
by PP/Club Administrator Lit-Lit

Incharge: The Promising Barkadahan
Program Host : Rtn Cora Costan
Attire : Smart Casual in Powder Blue

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.



Secretary's Page

By: **Ethel C. Caceres**
Secretary

Attendance Report

	1st Regular Meeting	2nd Regular Meeting	Service Projects	FELLOWSHIP
Members Actual Present	23		15	23
Members with Valid Make-up	0		0	0
Total Attendance	23		15	23
Membership Size	41		41	41
Excused due to health reasons	2		2	2
Net Membership Base	39		39	39
Total Attendance Divided by	59%		38%	59%
Net Membership Rate				

EARLY BIRDS:

1. Eliza Joy "Joy" S. Hilario
2. Sylvia "Binggot" C. Navarro
3. Belen "Belen" D. Gemelo
4. Corazon "Cora" L. Costan
5. Gloria "Glo" O. Cabillas

Visiting Rotarians:

1. Peter Moriarty- RC Passport Gold Coast
2. Darren Nelson - Clean Water International Phil.
3. Shannon Nelson- Clean Water International Phil.

Rotaractor:

1. Kenneth Nomar A. Melliza
2. Princess Estrellanes
3. Aranella B. Leuterio

Guests:

Guest of Mariane Mosquisa-Gamboa

1. Ella Marie Cobol
2. John Sanchez
3. Ysabel Foronda
4. Shiena Chavez

Activities for the Month

March 2

Rotakids - Art Buffet 2024

March 10

Buntis Day 2024

March 8

International Women's Day

March 13

10th Regular Club Meeting

March 8

Board Meeting

March 15

Pasidungog Garbo sa Davao 2024



Sunshine and Fellowship

By: **Vilma U. Kho**
Sunshine Chair



Rtr Princess Jenina Estrellanes
Mar 13

ROTARY INFORMATION

Providing Clean Water

Clean water, sanitation, and hygiene education are basic necessities for a healthy environment and a productive life.

When people have access to clean water and sanitation, waterborne diseases decrease, children stay healthier and attend school more regularly, and mothers can spend less time carrying water and more time helping their families.

How Rotary makes help happen

Through water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) programs, Rotary's people of action mobilize resources, form partnerships, and invest in infrastructure and training that yield long-term change.

Our impact on water, sanitation and hygiene

***The Rotary Foundation** is changing the world by providing grants for projects and activities around the globe and in your own backyard:*

Rotary-USAID WASH Partnership: Rotary and the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) assist communities and governments to plan, finance and deliver safe water, sanitation and hygiene services, while sustainably managing water resources.

WASH in Schools Target Challenge: Rotary challenges our members to develop sustainable projects that comprehensively address the most pressing water, sanitation, hygiene and education needs in Belize, Guatemala, Honduras, India, and Kenya.

\$24

is all it takes to provide one person with safe water

123

schools in Ghana have gained access to basic sanitation and hygiene services due to the Rotary-USAID partnership

\$148 million

The Rotary Foundation has invested in water, sanitation, hygiene and water resource management interventions globally

DISTRICT 3860 UPDATES

Rotary District 3860  in partnership with **CEBU BLUE BLOODS**

Swing FOR CHARITY

"GOLF FOR A CAUSE"

Cebu Country Club
07.Mar.2024

Fellowship and Awarding
6:00 pm Molave Room
Cebu Country Club

P100k Hole in One
(Any Hole)

P 3,000 PER PLAYER
P 4,000 (non-CBB)

PRIZES (Cash) (Champion, 1stRU, 2nd RU)
Championship Div 1 (P 10k, 7k, 5k)
Championship Div 2 (P 10k, 7k, 5k)

Eagle Prizes : (All Divisions)
Par 5 = 10k, Par 4 = 25k
Most Nos. PAR = 10K
Most Nos. Birdies = 10k

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Rotaract Philippines Multi-District Information Organization
Rotaract District 3860
hosted by Rotaract Club of Cebu
co-hosted by Rotaract Club of Mandaue East, Rotaract Club of Metro Mandaue 2006

PILIPINAS ROTARACT SPORTSFEST

VISAYAS LEG
BADMINTON | ARCHERY | BOWLING

MARCH 24, 2024
KIZZIAH SPORTS CENTER
SM CITY, CEBU

REGISTRATION FEES
P800 - Player
P200 - Non-Player

YOU MAY PAY THROUGH

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NON-PLAYERS P200

CHEER FOR YOUR PLAYERS!
JOIN OUR FELLOWSHIP!

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 **CIRCLE OF FILIPINO AND AMERICAN ROTARIANS**
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The Role of the Philippine Red Cross in Nation Building

DR. GWENDOLYN PANG
Secretary General, PRC
Past President, RC Manila 101

22 MAR 2024 - FRIDAY, 6:00 PM, US & CANADA
23 MAR 2024 - SATURDAY, 9:00AM, PHILIPPINES

Hosted by: AKS/CP BING CARRION

MEETING ID: 878 6323 5879
PASSCODE: CFAR2024





DISTRICT 3860 UPDATES



Congratulations Gov @Twinkle Gamboa and D3860 for gaining and growing 7+% growth, with 218 new members! Having 2 new Rotary Clubs as well! One more New Club and we hit our target of Three! Cheers

Kudos to the D3860 leadership with Gov @Twinkle Gamboa at the helm with DMC @Mike Torres and the entire membership committee for their continued efforts! We also extend our felicitations to the sponsoring clubs and the club advisers for their steadfast dedication to grow Rotary! We're now 2,949 Rotarians of D3860, just 51 more to reach 3,000 this Rotary year. Let's help Gov Twinkle and the team achieve it



FAMILY OF ROTARY

BY PP/EDITOR-IN-CHIEF ANDREA "ANDENG" G. DELA CERNA

Growing Family of Rotary

Mariane's journey from a Rotakid to a Rotarian and now a mother is a compelling testament to the transformative power of service and the potential for Rotary to evolve alongside its members.

As a young Rotakid, Mariane eagerly embraced opportunities to contribute to her community's well-being through Rotary-sponsored initiatives. Her early experiences instilled in her a deep sense of empathy and a passion for service that would shape her path in remarkable ways.

Transitioning into adulthood, Mariane continued her journey with Rotary, seizing new opportunities for service and leadership as a member of the Rotary Club of Downtown Davao. Her unwavering dedication to addressing social issues and improving lives not only left a tangible impact but also fostered enduring connections within her community.

What's particularly notable about Mariane's journey is her steadfast commitment to service, which she inherited from her mother, District Governor Twinkle Gamboa. From her childhood days as a Rotakid to her current roles as a Rotarian and a mother, Mariane has always been accompanied by her mother's guidance and support, instilling in her the values of Rotary and the importance of giving back to the community.

Mariane's story is a shining example of the inclusivity and adaptability of Rotary. As she moved from being a Rotakid to a Rotarian and eventually a mother, she not only experienced personal growth but also contributed to the expansion of Rotary itself. Her journey underscores the dynamic nature of Rotary, emphasizing its ability to evolve with its members, embrace diversity, and empower individuals to lead with compassion and purpose.

In Mariane's footsteps, we find inspiration for the continued growth of Rotary and its ever-growing family. Welcoming members from all backgrounds and walks of life, we form a global community united by a shared commitment to service above self. Let us celebrate Mariane's journey and the countless others like her who embody the spirit of Rotary, inspiring us all to Create Hope In The World.





HEALTH IS WEALTH

BY PRESIDENT GWENDELYN. V. SABSAL



HEPATITIS A

Hepatitis A is an inflammation of the liver caused by the hepatitis A virus (HAV). The virus is primarily spread when an uninfected (and unvaccinated) person ingests food or water that is contaminated with the faeces of an infected person. The disease is closely associated with unsafe water or food, inadequate sanitation, poor personal hygiene and oral-anal sex.

Unlike hepatitis B and C, hepatitis A does not cause chronic liver disease but it can cause debilitating symptoms and rarely fulminant hepatitis (acute liver failure), which is often fatal. WHO estimates that in 2016, 7134 persons died from hepatitis A worldwide (accounting for 0.5% of the mortality due to viral hepatitis).

Hepatitis A occurs sporadically and in epidemics worldwide, with a tendency for cyclic recurrences. Epidemics related to contaminated food or water can erupt explosively, such as the epidemic in Shanghai in 1988 that affected about 300 000 people (1). They can also be prolonged, affecting communities for months through person-to-person transmission. Hepatitis A viruses persist in the environment and can withstand food production processes routinely used to inactivate or control bacterial pathogens.

Geographical distribution

Geographical distribution areas can be characterized as having high, intermediate or low levels of hepatitis A virus infection. However, infection does not always mean disease because infected young children do not experience any noticeable symptoms.

Infection is common in low- and middle-income countries with poor sanitary conditions and hygienic practices, and most children (90%) have been infected with the hepatitis A virus before the age of 10 years, most often without symptoms (2). Infection rates are low in high-income countries with good sanitary and hygienic conditions.

In the United States of America, large outbreaks have been reported among persons experiencing homelessness. In middle-income countries and regions where sanitary conditions are variable, children often escape infection in early childhood and reach adulthood without immunity.

Transmission

The hepatitis A virus is transmitted primarily by the faecal-oral route; that is when an uninfected person ingests food or water that has been contaminated with the faeces of an infected person. In families, this may happen though dirty hands when an infected person prepares food for family members. Waterborne outbreaks, though infrequent, are usually associated with sewage-contaminated or inadequately treated water.

The virus can also be transmitted through close physical contact (such as oral-anal sex) with an infectious person, although casual contact among people does not spread the virus.

Symptoms

The incubation period of hepatitis A is usually 14-28 days.

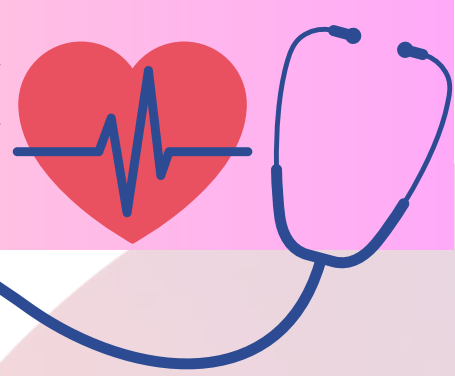
Symptoms of hepatitis A range from mild to severe and can include fever, malaise, loss of appetite, diarrhoea, nausea, abdominal discomfort, dark-coloured urine and jaundice (a yellowing of the eyes and skin). Not everyone who is infected will have all the symptoms.

Adults have signs and symptoms of illness more often than children. The severity of disease and fatal outcomes are higher in older age groups. Infected children under 6 years of age do not usually experience noticeable symptoms, and only 10% develop jaundice. Hepatitis A sometimes relapses, meaning the person who just recovered falls sick again with another acute episode. This is normally followed by recovery.



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HEPATITIS A

Who is at risk?

Anyone who has not been vaccinated or previously infected can get infected with the hepatitis A virus. In areas where the virus is widespread (high endemicity), most hepatitis A infections occur during early childhood. Risk factors include:

- poor sanitation;
- lack of safe water;
- living in a household with an infected person;
- being a sexual partner of someone with acute hepatitis A infection;
- use of recreational drugs;
- sex between men; and
- travelling to areas of high endemicity without being immunized.

Diagnosis

Cases of hepatitis A are not clinically distinguishable from other types of acute viral hepatitis. Specific diagnosis is made by the detection of HAV-specific immunoglobulin G (IgM) antibodies in the blood. Additional tests include reverse transcriptase polymerase chain reaction (RT-PCR) to detect the hepatitis A virus RNA and may require specialized laboratory facilities.

Treatment

There is no specific treatment for hepatitis A. Recovery from symptoms following infection may be slow and can take several weeks or months. It is important to avoid unnecessary medications that can adversely affect the liver, e.g. acetaminophen, paracetamol.

Hospitalization is unnecessary in the absence of acute liver failure. Therapy is aimed at maintaining comfort and adequate nutritional balance, including replacement of fluids that are lost from vomiting and diarrhoea.

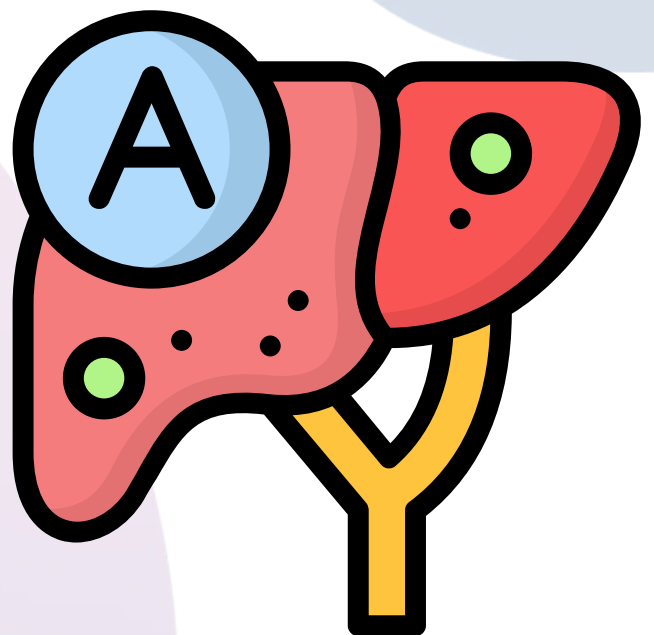
Prevention

Improved sanitation, food safety and immunization are the most effective ways to combat hepatitis A. The spread of hepatitis A can be reduced by:

- adequate supplies of safe drinking water;
- proper disposal of sewage within communities; and
- personal hygiene practices such as regular handwashing before meals and after going to the bathroom.

Several injectable inactivated hepatitis A vaccines are available internationally. All provide similar protection from the virus and have comparable side effects. No vaccine is licensed for children younger than 1 year of age.

Source: WHO, July 2023



EVENTS

March 2

RCDD Rotakids joined in Jam 2024 Art Buffet at La Herencia, Davao City



10 EXCITING ART STATIONS

- 1 INNOVATIVE PRINT MAKING
- 2 LEAF PRESS ART
- 3 STRING ART
- 4 COFFEE PAINTING
- 5 MAGIC PAINTING
- 6 IMPRESSIONIST CHALK ART
- 7 SIMPLE STILL LIFE USING OIL PASTELS
- 8 BASIC PORTRAIT SKETCHING
- 9 SHADOW HAND PAINTING
- 10 DOT PAINTING

ART BUFFET:
CREATE ALL THE ART YOU CAN FOR TWO HOURS!

RULES OF ENGAGEMENT

- * Pay Php 250 at the Secretariat Table to secure your activity bracelet
- * Art activities are designed for 7 yrs old and up; Younger than 7 yrs old are allowed only when accompanied by a guardian who can help co-facilitate the activity; The guardian is free of charge.
- * Secure Your Time Entry:
 - Batch 1: 1:00 to 3:00 pm
 - Batch 2: 3:30 to 5:30 pm
- * At the Opening of Your Batch Time, you may select any Art Activity of Your Choice for 2 hours; You may stay in a station as long as you like and repeat the art activity or try out all the other art activities!
- There are 10 Art Stations You can Try but each station can only take in 12 seaters at a time, you may wait for your turn or go first to other Art Stations.
- Each Art Station is designed to have art activities for 10 to 20 minutes; You can finish earlier or take your time in creating, what is important is you are having fun doing your art!
- Be mindful of the materials you use so we don't waste things or create unhappy accidents with our fellow seaters.
- If your last art work is not yet finish at the end of two hours, you will be seated in a different table to finish your art.
- * You can repeat again the Art Buffet but must pay again the Entry Fee.



EVENTS

March 8

RCDD joined in Davao City's celebration of the 114th International Women's Day. VP Patmei was the keynote speaker.



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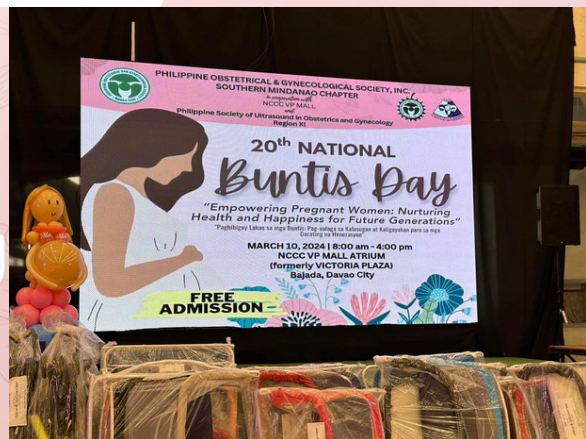
March 8
RCDD Board Meeting



EVENTS

March 10

RCDD joined Buntis Day to celebrate International Women's Day at NCCC Victoria Plaza, Davao City. RCDD sponsored services for pregnant women led by President Gwen.



EVENTS

March 13

10th Regular Club Meeting at Cafe Tavera

With guest speaker, Mr. Darrell Nelson, the Founder/CEO of Clean Water International Philippines, who discussed the importance of clean water acquisition through the Biofiltration Sand System.

And Shannen Nelson, presented on "Days for Girls" a program involving menstrual hygiene kits that will also be distributed to teenage female students in Tudaya.



EVENTS

March 13

10th Regular Club Meeting at Cafe Tavera
Celebration of Life, Baby Shower and Awarding of Outstanding Rotarian for the Months of January and February



EVENTS

March 15

"Pasidungog Garbo sa Davao 2024" during the "Araw ng Dabaw" celebration

The City Government of Davao has acknowledged RCDD as a valued partner that has made significant contributions to the development and advancement of Davao City.





INTERACT CORNER

by: President Shyra Khaye Napala

Interact



Club of Downtown Davao -
Davao City National High School

My Life Changing Experience in Interact Club By Shyra Khaye S. Napala | President

Joining the Interact Club was a decision that changed my life. From the very beginning, I was passionate about the club's mission of serving the community and making a positive impact in the world. The club provided me with a platform to contribute my time, skills, and passion towards multiple service projects which has since given my life meaning and purpose.

One of the most remarkable aspects of my experience in Interact Club was the opportunity to work alongside like-minded individuals who shared the same values and aspirations. They really taught me the importance of collaboration, teamwork, and effective leadership. Through our shared goals and dedication, we were able to make an impact in our community. Additionally, collaborating with my fellow club members not only taught me the importance of teamwork but also enhanced my communication skills. We had to effectively communicate our ideas, delegate tasks, and work towards a common goal. These experiences helped me develop strong interpersonal skills, as well as the ability to listen, empathize, and understand the different perspectives. These skills have proven invaluable in both my personal and professional life. Together, we organized events, volunteered at local charities, and initiated projects that addressed pressing social issues.

Moreover, the personal growth I experienced through my involvement in Interact Club was great. The club provided a supportive environment for me to step out of my comfort zone, to develop new skills, and overcome challenges. It really pushed me to discover my potential and build self-confidence. Also, the most rewarding aspect of my journey in the Interact Club was the friendships I made. The connection we shared was unique, and the hours we spent laughing and creating unforgettable memories has positively contributed to my life. We were more than just a club, we were a family, and our meetings, service trips, and events were more than just an opportunity to fulfil volunteering requirements. The memories and friendships I made will always remain in my heart.

To sum up, it has been a life-changing experience that has made me a more compassionate and socially aware person. It taught me the value of service above self, the strength of unity, and the significance of doing one's best to make the world a better place. It has not only provided me with lifelong memories but has also equipped me with the skills and mindset to continue serving others and creating change in the future. I am grateful for the opportunities and experiences that Interact Club has given me, and I am excited to carry the lessons I have learned into my future endeavors.



ROTARACT CORNER

by: President Princess Jenina Estrellanes

Rotaract 
Club of Downtown Davao
Poblacion

Rotaract 
Club of Downtown Davao

World Rotaract Week 2024



Rotaract  Rotaract 
Pilipinas Multi-District
Information Organization District 3860

co-hosted by: Rotaract 
Club of Cebu

Rotaract  Rotaract 
Club of Mandaue East Club of Metro Mandaue 2006

PILIPINAS ROTARACT SPORTSFEST

VISAYAS LEG
BADMINTON | ARCHERY | BOWLING

MARCH 24, 2024
PATT'S BADMINTON COURT
SM CITY, CEBU

REGISTRATION FEES
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PILIPINAS ROTARACT SPORTSFEST 2024

MINDANAO LEG
KORONADAL CITY, SOUTH COTABATO | MARCH 24, 2024

JOIN NOW

Scan the QR code to register
<https://tinyurl.com/pinasracsportsfest2024reg>



ROTARACT CORNER

by: President Princess Jenina Estrellanes

Rotaract Club of Downtown Davao Poblacion

Rotaract Club of Downtown Davao

World Rotaract Week 2024



MINDANAO AREA

Agusan Norte Council of Rotaract Clubs
Oplan PAGAHOM
March 16, 2024 | Bethany Home for the Girls | Butuan City

Davao Council of Rotaract Clubs
BamintonRac
March 10, 2024 | Davao Badminton World

Koronadal Council of Rotaract Clubs
Bida Juana
Woman x World Rotaract Week Celebration
March 10, 2024 | DSWD - Home for Girls, Tantaran, South Cotabato

MINDANAO AREA

Gensan Council of Rotaract Clubs
Mangrove Growing and Coastal Clean-Up
Purok Sarif Mucsin Mangrove Sanctuary

Surigao Norte Council of Rotaract Clubs
Project SEEdlak
March 16 | Sabang Elementary School, Sabang, Surigao City

Rotaract Ripples
A PeaceBuilding and Conflict Transformation Workshop
March 17 | Taft National High School

Tagum Council of Rotaract Clubs
IKIGAI
Child Center, Panabo City and Home for the Aged, Tagum City

MINDANAO AREA

Agusan Sur-Surigao Sur Council of Rotaract Clubs
Lakang Para sa Kinaiyahan
Clean Up Drive and Tree Growing Activity
March 16, 2024 | Per Club

VISAYAS AREA

Cebu Council of Rotaract Clubs
Kick Off World Rotaract Week Celebration Mass
March 11, 2024 | Redemptorist Church, Cebu City

Trivia Fellowship Night
March 16, 2024 | Host Club: RAC Cebu South, Cebu Fuente USC, and Metro Cebu CIT Chapter

VISAYAS AREA

Negros Council of Rotaract Clubs
Tipon-Tipon
Local Small Business Bazar | Busking for Peace (Open Mic Concert)
Socio-Civic Org Show Case | Citronella Awareness Campaign
-RAC Duma Fundraising Merchandise | Polaroid Photo Booth
March 13-17 | Brgy. Bantayan, Cheese Sticks Country

Samar Council of Rotaract Clubs
Libreng Sakay
para sa Estudyante Within Calbayog City Proper | March 11 - 17

Rotaract Impact Exhibition
March 17 | Northwest Samar State University | Online Platforms

Fellowship and Team Building
March 18 | Mondejares Beach Resort, Samar

VISAYAS AREA

Bohol Council of Rotaract Clubs
IslandSPIRATION: YEAR 6
March 17 | Cabilao Island

Leyte Council of Rotaract Clubs
Project Bulig
March 15 | Sta. Nino Elementary School | Host: RAC Kankabato

Project Turok
March 16 | Brgy. 98, Camansihay, Tacloban City | Host: RAC San Juanico

Lamrag Ha Kaaraman
March 16 | Bagacay Elementary School | Host: RAC Tacloban

Kahimsug Health Club
March 16 | Brgy. Sta. Elena, Tacloban City | Host: RAC Tacloban

Council Fellowship
March 16 | Aguz Beer Garden, Tacloban City



THE NEW GENERATION

PP Marilyn "Belyn" P. Puno

New Generation Committee Chair

Rotary District 3860 CREATE HOPE in the WORLD

Fun and Friendship Unleash Your Creativity Embrace Connection

10th Interact District 3860 RYLA rotary youth leadership awards Boot Camp

Inviting Rotaractors, Interactors, Children of Rotarians, and Student Leaders aged 15-20 to join and participate in

Leading with H.O.P.E.

Holistic Leadership Optimum Development
Productivity & Positivity Emotional Intelligence





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PP Marilyn "Bolyn" P. Puno
New Generation Committee Chair

Mia Zanoria

Participating in the 10th Interact-Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) bootcamp was an eye-opening journey for me. Throughout the experience, I discovered profound truths about leadership, realizing that being a great leader goes beyond mere skills, it's about embodying a holistic approach, optimizing one's potential, fostering productivity, maintaining a positive outlook, and nurturing emotional intelligence. As a newcomer to boot camps, I was unsure of what to expect, but the experience turned out to be incredibly rewarding. I found myself immersed in a world of teamwork and collaboration, especially within my own group, Team TUKMO, TUTUKMODAOG! Our interactions were marked by genuine exchanges of ideas and unforgettable moments, like our lively tropical-themed nights filled with delicious food and mesmerizing fire dances. The speakers and facilitators played an integral role in shaping my perspective on leadership. They emphasized the importance of effective communication and confident presentation skills, leaving a lasting impression on me. Moreover, meeting fellow participants who shared my passion for environmental conservation and community service was truly inspiring. Through engaging in various activities, from team-building exercises to project proposals, I realized the profound impact of Rotary's mission to serve humanity and lead with hope. This realization has ignited a newfound commitment within me to serve my community to the best of my ability, utilizing the leadership skills I've acquired. I want to express my deepest gratitude to Ma'am Twinkle, Sr. Madeline, SMI Davao, The Rotary Club, Ate Cess, and all the facilitators who made this transformative experience possible. DAGHANG SALAMAT!

Jamaica Tiongco

REFLECTION. I just wanted to say how much I appreciate the chance. I had a great time at the two-day boot camp, and I gained a lot of knowledge from the activities you offered. As a result, I became a widow and realised how fantastic your platform is for protecting the Philippines' natural beauty. I was surprised to see that there are so many tags that need to be altered in the Philippines—even in the project proposal. and it surprised me that even at our young age, we can make positive changes in the world and inspire optimism. It was an amazing and wonderful experience for me. Additionally, I would want to add that I thought the entire programme was fantastic and that everyone involved—including the hosts, staff, major bosses, facilitators, and participants—was kind and inviting. Rotary has benefited greatly in many different parts of the world, therefore I hope they will continue to pursue their aim to the very end. and at the appropriate time and location, if given the chance, I would also like to join their club. Knowing that the next generation is the country's best chance has prevented me from concentrating on my community and how I can contribute.

RCDD BARKADAHAN RY 2023-2024

Promising

Leader: Irene B. Aquino

1. Thelma S. Ciudadano
2. Andrea Isabel Concepcion
3. Corazon L. Costan
4. Jomar P. Dela Cerna
5. Archie Francisco F. Gamboa
6. Marianne Gamboa-Mosquisa
7. Belen D. Gemelo
8. Stephanie F. Palconit
9. Melch Rivera
10. Marina B. Ruivivar
11. Shiela Mae S. Toledo
12. Lorelei May Zambales

Inspiring

Leader: Fely P. Lovitos

1. Xyza Abarca
2. Gloria O. Cabillas
3. Patrick Co
4. Andrea G. Dela Cerna
5. Cyril Duran
6. Joann Deno
7. Edna C. Ko
8. AJ Modiquello
9. Sylvia C. Navarro
10. Josie P. Ortiz
11. Maria Rea Lane L. Horfilla

Motivating

Leader: Jason Digal

1. Martha Carlsen
2. Joan O. Gulanes
3. Liza Joy Hilario
4. Vilma U. Kho
5. Paul Ko
6. Chai Madrid
7. Florence Magistrado
8. Camille Sencio
9. Bolyn P. Puno
10. Patmei B. Ruivivar
11. Diane R. Janolino

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
2006-2007	PP Ma. Richelle B. Vicente
2007-2008	PP Eliza Joy S. Hilario

2008-2009	PP Marina B. Ruivivar
2009-2010	PP Thelma S. Ciudadano
2010-2011	PP Cristeta G. Gallano
2011-2012	PP Enerie B. Aquino
2012-2013	PP Lagrimas T. Acero
2013-2014	PP Marie Josephine B. De Vera
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	PP Josefa P. Ortiz
2019-2020	PP Ethel C. Caceres
2020-2021	PP Myla C. Agustin
2021-2022	PP Andrea Dela Cerna
2022-2023	IPP Archie Francisco F. Gamboa

MEMBERSHIP ROSTER

Every Rotarian Reach One, Keep One



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



Martha "Martha" L. Carlsen
Real Estate Leasing



Thelma "The" 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



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



Princess Joann "Joan" V. Deño
Construction

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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



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



Joan "Joan" O. Gulanes
Banking



Eliza Joy "Joy" S. Hilario
Real Estate Development



Maria Rea Lane "Rea" L. Horfillo
Pediatric Dentistry



Diane "Diane" R. Janolino
Architect



Vilma "Vi" U. Kho
Financing



Edna "Edzz" C. Ko
Scrap Trading & Bailing



Paulino "Paul" B. Ko
Manufacturing/Boxes



Filomena "Fely" P. Lovitos
Education/ Nursing



Vimellee "Chai" R. Madrid
Police Training

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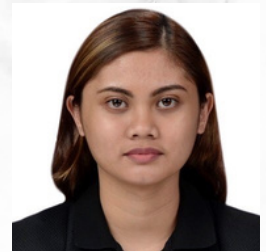
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Florence "Flor" R. Magistrado
Law Enforcement



Anthony John "Aj" D. Modiquello
Manufacturing & Trucking



Mariane Louise "Mar" Gamboa-Mosquisa
Real Estate Management



Sylvia "Binggot" C. Navarro
Consultancy / Financial



Josefa "Josie" P. Ortiz
Agriculture



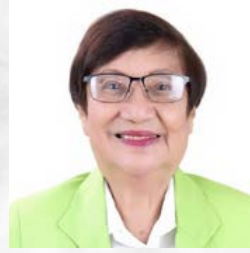
Stephanie "Stef" Follante-Palconit
Education/University Professor



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



Lorelei May "Lore" M. Zambales
Banking



RCDD'S PROFILE and HISTORICAL HIGHLIGHTS

**By PDS/ PP Marina B. Ruivivar
Club Historian**

The commitment to the Rotary motto, SERVICE ABOVE SELF became a way of life for every Downtowner as their continuing programs and humanitarian projects on the seven (7) Areas of Focus, serve those who have less in life so they too can enjoy a world that Rotary dreams of.

RCDD prides itself to be consistent in its outstanding performance as a service club working towards excellence without counting the cost. There were challenges along the way especially on financial resources and personal relationships. But undaunted, RCDD survives.

RCDD has been blazing the trail and raising the bar for Rotary clubs in District 3860 since its charter year, receiving awards and recognitions year after year. Its first landmark achievement was when it won its first "Most Outstanding Club and President" awards, in RY 1995-1996, topping all 83 clubs in the district. The most shining moment for the Downtowners was when the club's Centennial Dream Team in RY 1998-1999 won grand slam all the four major district awards: Most Outstanding Club, President, Secretary and Club Bulletin (The Professionals), besting 93 clubs in the district. It was considered as the club's glorious historic feat.

In RY 2011-2012, RCDD was recognized as a 100% Paul Harris Fellow Club. For the past years and to the present, the club keeps its place on the top five list in contributions to the Rotary Foundation.

RCDD maintains its flagship projects at its Center for Hope, serving Barangays Agdao Centro and Vicente Duterte in Agdao District, Davao City. The service projects address the community's needs for medical and dental healthcare, children's welfare and development, livelihood skills training, maternal and child healthcare. It's partners-in-service are its sponsored Rotary Community Corps (RCC), the City Health Office (CHO), the City Social Service & Development (CSSDO), the Philippine National Police PRO XI, and other civic and non-government organizations.

There is no turning back for RCDD. It has to forge on and get better and better each year in its service to humanity. RCDD gets its inspiration and motivation from the happy smiles and grateful response of the people it serves, much worthy than the awards received.



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Chartered on February 23, 1993, as an all-women service club, by then RI President Robert R. Batch. The charter year was one great celebration as the whole Rotary world was then celebrating the 88th Foundation Anniversary of the Rotary International. RCDD became the 29,258th Rotary club worldwide and the 79th club in District 3860.

On its 26th year in RY 2018-2019, RCDD marked another historical milestone when it inducted two distinguished gentlemen to the club membership, Paulino B. Ko, a successful businessman, and Archie Francisco F. Gamboa, a high-ranking Police General, who then became the Chief of the Philippine National Police, and RCDD's first male club President. This turned RCDD into a mixed club from an all-women club to manifest Diversity, Equity and Inclusiveness (DEI).

This RY 2023-2024 RCDD starts its 31st year of service and fellowship with 37 men and women of various professions, leaders of their own fields of specialization. RCDD's Roster of Membership is a balance of the senior-aged group, middle-aged and the young generation. This year marks another milestone as its very own Past President Rozanne "Twinkle" C. Gamboa is installed as District Governor, the second from the club. The first was the club's Charter President, Evelyn "Len" A. Magno.

The Rotary Club of Downtown Davao (RCDD) will continue to persevere in God's Grace and guidance, serving and touching other people's lives to CREATE HOPE IN THE WORLD.

