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## *Rotary's Gift of Care: Advancing Medical Services in Carmen Zone*





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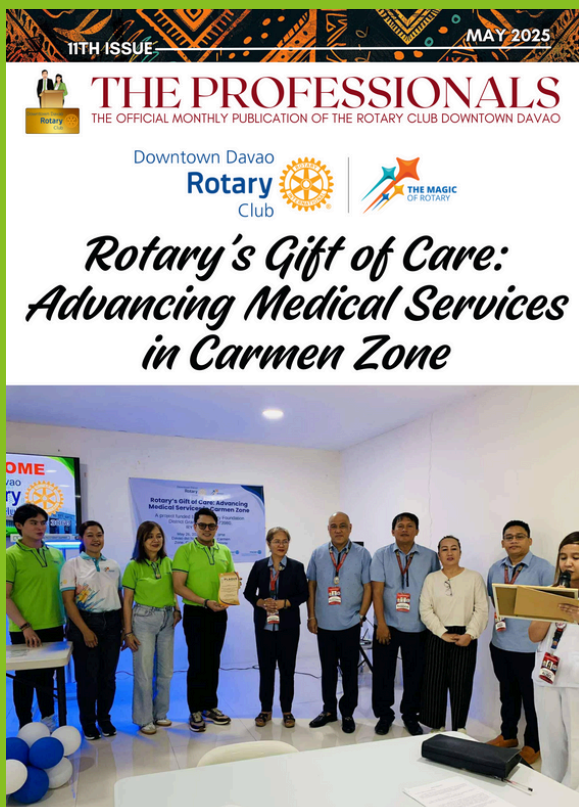
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## QUOTE OF THE MONTH

*"The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others."*

- Mahatma Gandhi

## ABOUT THE COVER



On May 26, 2025, the RCDD turned over medical equipment to Davao del Norte Hospital – Carmen Zone, boosting healthcare access through its Gift of Care project.

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The heartbeat of Rotary has always been service—especially where it is needed most. On May 26, 2025, the Rotary Club of Downtown Davao brought that heartbeat to life through the Gift of Care project, turning over vital medical equipment to Davao del Norte Hospital – Carmen Zone. It was more than a donation; it was a reaffirmation of our commitment to support healthcare workers and bring quality medical services closer to those who need them.

Backed by The Rotary Foundation through District Grant No. DG2573980, this initiative reflects what we can achieve when compassion meets action. The equipment will help improve patient care and strengthen the capacity of the hospital to serve the Carmen Zone and nearby communities—creating lasting impact where it matters most.

Efforts like this remind us that even small interventions can save lives and build stronger, healthier communities. As we continue to serve, may we never forget the faces behind every project—the patients, the families, and the tireless frontliners who benefit from our shared mission.

This is the Magic of Rotary in action—service that heals, uplifts, and transforms lives for the better.

## 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.



# President's Message



**Anthony John D. Modiquello**  
President, 2024-2025

It is my great pleasure to welcome everyone to our 10th regular meeting today. We are delighted to gather once again in the spirit of service, fellowship, and camaraderie.

Today is a special occasion as we celebrate our fellow Rotarians born in the month of May. Happy Birthday to all our May celebrants! May this year bring you abundant blessings, good health, and continued inspiration as we work together to make a difference in our community.

As we kick off this gathering, let us also recognize that May is Rotary Youth Service Month—a time dedicated to empowering and engaging our youth. It's a reminder of our commitment to nurture future leaders and foster positive change through youth programs and initiatives. Let us renew our dedication to youth service and explore new ways to support and inspire the young minds of our community.

Looking ahead, we are excited to present our plans and activities for the Rotary Year 2025-2026 to be presented by no other than incoming Club Admin - Ethel Caceres. These initiatives are designed to amplify our impact, strengthen our fellowship, and fulfill our mission of service above self. Your ideas, enthusiasm, and participation will be crucial as we move forward together.

To conclude today's meeting, we have prepared fun game to promote camaraderie and enjoyment among us all. Let's embrace this time to connect, have fun, and celebrate the spirit of Rotary.

Thank you for your presence, your dedication, and your unwavering commitment to service. Let's make this meeting productive and memorable!

Once again, welcome, and let's have a wonderful gathering!





# Secretary's Page

**By: Princess Joann V. Deño**  
Secretary

## Attendance Report

	Regular Meeting	Service Projects	FELLOWSHIP
Members Actual Present	17	4	17
Members with Valid Make-up	0	0	0
Total Attendance	17	4	17
Membership Size	47	47	47
Excused due to health reasons	2	2	2
Net Membership Base	45	45	45
Total Attendance Divided by	38%	8%	38%
Net Membership Rate			

### EARLY BIRDS:

1. Marina "Maring" B. Ruivivar
2. Patmei Ruivivar
3. Angelita "Litlit" M. Ang
4. Sylvia "Binggot" C. Navarro
5. Marife Salcedo

### ROTARACTORS:

1. ADRR Kenneth Nomar Melliza
2. Pres. Princess Jenina Estrellanes

## Activities for the Month

**May 24**

10<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting  
Paramount Hall, Crocodile Park, Davao City

**May 26**

Rotary's Gift of Care: Advancing Medical Services in  
Carmen Zone  
Davao del Norte Hospital - Carmen Zone, Carmen,  
Davao del Norte



## Sunshine and Fellowship

**By: Enerie B. Aquino**  
Sunshine & Fellowship Chair



**JOAN**  
MAY 6



**CHAI**  
MAY 15



**ANDENG**  
MAY 21



**GLORIA**  
MAY 22



# DOWNTOWNERS IN ACTION

On May 26, 2025, the Rotary Club of Downtown Davao turned over essential medical equipment to Davao del Norte Hospital – Carmen Zone through District Grant No. DG2573980. This Gift of Care project aims to enhance healthcare services and support frontline workers in underserved communities, bringing Rotary's mission of service and compassion to life.





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*Business Consultancy*



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*Culture and Arts Manager*



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*Quality Assurance Manager*



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*Media and Communication  
Educator*



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*Educator*



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# RCDD'S PROFILE AND HISTORICAL HIGHLIGHTS: RY 2024-2025

by PDS/PP Marina Bello-Ruivivar, RCDD Club Historian

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

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

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 winning 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 club was when its Centennial Dream Team in RY 1998-1999 won a grand slam in all four major district awards as Most Outstanding Club, President, Secretary, and Club Bulletin-The Professionals", besting 93 clubs in the district. It was recorded as the club's glorious historic feat. RCDD has been dubbed a multi-awarded club through its 31 years of service.

In RY 2011-2012, RCDD was recognized as a 100% Paul Harris Fellow Club, and in RY 2023-2024 as a "Promised Club" with all the members contributing to the Endowment Fund with (5) Major Donors. RCDD is consistently among the top contributors to the Rotary Foundation (TRF).

RCDD maintains its flagship projects at its Center for Hope, serving the marginal families of Barangays Agdao Centro and Vicente Duterte in Agdao District, Davao City. Through a daycare center, humanitarian service projects continue to address the community's needs for the welfare and development of children during their formative years. It also addresses their medical-dental, healthcare, and livelihood skills training needs. It has sponsored a Rotary Community Corps (RCC) as a partner-in-service with some non-government organizations, the Philippine National Police (PNP), other local and International Rotary Clubs, and the City Government.

RCDD was Chartered on February 23, 1993, as an all-women service club by RI President Robert R. Batch. The charter year was one grand celebration as the Rotary World celebrated the 88th Foundation Anniversary of the Rotary International. RCDD became the 29,258th Rotary club worldwide and the 79th club in District 3860 (Visayas and Mindanao). The Club started with twenty-eight (28) women executives with various professions of one classification each.

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, then became the Chief of the Philippine National Police and RCDD's first male club President (2022-2023). This turned RCDD into a mixed club from an all-women club, practicing Rotary's Diversity, Equity, and Inclusiveness (DEI) principle.



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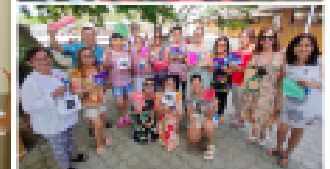
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RY 2023-2024 marked another milestone when another club's Past President, Rozanne "Twinkle" C. Gamboa, was the District Governor, the second from the club. The first woman District Governor came from the club, Charter President Evelyn "Len" A. Magno (RY 2005-2006).

There is no turning back for RCDD. It has to forge on and get better and better each year in its service to humanity, inspired and motivated by the happy smiles and grateful responses from the people it serves, much more worthy than the awards it receives.

This RY 2024-2025, RCDD starts its 32nd year of service and fellowship with 39 strong men and women of various professions and leaders of their fields of specialization. RCDD's Roster of Membership is a balance of a senior-aged group, middle-aged and young generation, five (5) male and 36 female, under the new young leadership of President Anthony John D. Modiquello.

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 make a difference, spreading the "MAGIC OF ROTARY".



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