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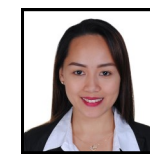
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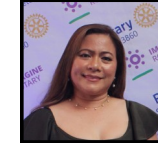
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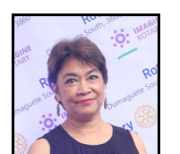
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Willes Matiao	1977 – 1978	Jorge “Jorge” Royeca RC General Santos	W. Jack Davis	Serve to Unite Mankind
Willes Matiao	1978 – 1979	Manuel “Mauel” de Veyra RC Cebu	Clem Renout	RC Reach Out
Henry Sojor	1979 – 1980	Honorario “Hila” Hilario RC Davao	James L. Bomar, Jr.	Let Service Light the Way
Marciano Kho	1980 – 1981	Graciano “Naning” Militante RC San Juanico	Rolf J. Klarich	Take time to Serve
Bill Wale	1981 – 1982	Arturo “Art” Pingoy RC Korondal	Stanley E. McCaffrey	World Understanding and Peace
Jose Nakao	1982 – 1983	Quintin “King” Doromal RC Dumaguete	Hiroje Mukasa	Mankind is One – Build Bridges of Friendship throughout the World
Jimmy Tan	1983 – 1984	Honorato “Totoy” Cabarroguis RC Davao East	William E. Sketon	Share Rotary, Serve Rotary
Gregorio Uymatiao, Jr.	1984 – 1985	Jose “Joe” Lardizabal RC Cebu West	Carlos Conseco	Discover A New World of Service
Susano Sy	1985 – 1986	Armin “Armin” Cuecoco RC General Santos	Edward F. Cadman	You are the Key
Lan Bulacan	1986 – 1987	Roque “Rey” Tiu RC San Juanico	MAT Caparas	Rotary Brings Hope
Junny Dimalag, Jr.	1987—1988	Antonio “Tony” M.Garcia RC Davao West	Charles C. Keller	Rotarians: United in Service,
Honorato Andaya	1988 – 1989	Cesar “Sar” G. Estalilla RC Cebu Fuente	Royce Abbey	Put Life into Rotary – Your Life
Youman Uymatiao	1989 – 1990	Hermínio “Hermie” A. Villano RC East Davao	Hug M. Archer	Enjoy Rotary
Alex Amor, Jr.	1990 – 1991	Martarito “Tito” Redona RC Tacloban	Paul V. Costa	Honor Rotary with Faith and
Zachy Beltran	1991 – 1992	Johnny “John” Asencio RC Dadiangas	Rajendra K. Saboo	Lock Beyond Yourself
Boy Diputado	1992 – 1993	Xaver “Xavier” Ledesma RC Metro Cebu	Clifford Dochterman	Real Happiness is Helping Others
Raul Dimalag	1993 – 1994	Nicanor “Nick” Del Rosario, Jr. RC Davao	Robert R. Bart	Believe in What You Do: Do What
Dannilo Olegario	1994 – 1995	Arcadio “Dodong” Alegrado RC Mandaue	Bill Huntley	Be a friend
Jonathan Amante	1995 – 1996	Reynaldo “Boy” Reyes RC Davao East	Herbert Brown	Act with integrity, Serve with
Patrick Chua	1996 – 1997	Vicente “Toting” Solis, Jr. RC Tacloban	Luis Vicente Gay	Build Future with Action and
Henry Liu	1997 – 1998	Jesus “Jess” Veneracion RC General Santos	Glen W. Kinross	Show Rotary Cares
Antonio Paalan	1998 – 1999	Antonio “Anton” Florendo RC Cebu Port Centre	James L. Lacy	Follow Your Rotary Dream
Manuel Sagarbarria	1999 – 2000	Raoul “Raul” E. Hilario RC Davao East	Carlo Ravizza	Rotary 2000: Act with Consistency, Credibility, Continuity
Edgar Calinawagan	2000 – 2001	Jose Ma. Luis N. Cupin RC Davao East	Frank Devlyn	Create Awareness Take Action
Raul Villanueva	2001 – 2002	Ramon “Monet” Tirol RC Central Davao	Richard D. King	Mankind is our Business
Rafael Rallos	2002 – 2003	Pablo “Pabs” Quizon RC San Juanico	Bhichai “Bichai”	Show The Seeds of Love
Roy Arco	2003 – 2004	Roberto “Bert” Domendo RC Bislig	Jonathan “Jone” Majiyagbe	Lend a Hand
Jose Chiu	2004 – 2005	Raymund “Ray” G. Patuasi RC Cebu West	Glenn E. Estress Sr.	Celebrate Rotary
Mark Higgins	2005 – 2006	Evelyn “Len” A. Magno RC Davao Downtown	Carl Wilhelm Stenhammer	Service Above Self
Antonio Carino	2006 – 2007	Fernando “Jun” Almeda, Jr. RC Metro Surigao	William “Bill” Boyd	Lead the Way
Rafael Besas	2007 – 2008	Joseph Michael “Yumi” Espina RC Cebu Fuente	Wilfred “Will” Wilkinson	Rotary Shares
Archer Baldwin Martinez	2008 – 2009	Pablito “Billy” Parilla RC Matina, Davao	Dong Kurn (D.K.) Lee	Make Dreams Real
Alfredo Bustamante III	2009 – 2010	Antonio “Tony” G. Veneracion RC General Santos	John Kenny	The Future of Rotary is in Your Hands
Neil Ray Lagahit	2010 – 2011	Teodoro “Ted” B. Locsin, Jr. RC Cebu Port Center	Ray Klighsmith	Building Communities Bridging
Edmund Gonzales	2011 – 2012	Leoncio “Nonoy” Villa-Abrille RC Cebu Port Center	Kalyan Banerjee	Reach Within to Embrace Humanity
Teresito Orbeta	2012 – 2013	Peter “Perok” Rodriguez RC Ormoc	Sakuji Tanaka	Peace through Service
Leo Bollos	2013—2014	Egdar R. Chiongbian RC Cebu	Ron D. Burton	Engage Rotary Change Lives
Myles Nicholas Bejar	2014—2015	Remegio Salanatin RC Davao	Gary C.K. Huang	Light Up Rotary
Eliezer Escorial	2015—2016	Salvador G. Estudillo RC San Juanico	K.R. “Ravi” Ravindran	Be a Gift to the World
Allan Martinez	2016—2017	Mary Anne Solomon RC Cebu Fuente	John F. Germ	Rotary Serving Humanity
Froilan Joseph Pinili	2017-2018	Art O. Tan RC Davao	Ian H.S. Riseley	Rotary: Making A Difference
Andre Stephen Jacobo	2018—2019	Benjamin M. Garcia RC Marbel	Barry Rassin	Be the Inspiration
Ludo Managing	2019—2020	Philip N. Tan RC Cebu West	Mark Daniel Maloney	Rotary Connects the World
Renante Angelo Lim	2020—2021	Rodel Riez S. Reyes RC East Davao	Holger Knaack	Rotary Opens Opportunities
Renante Angelo Lim	2021—2022	Anna Louisa Bumagat RC Ormoc	Shekhar Menta	Serve to Change Lives
Aurelio Bodo	2022—2023	Lilo I. Aliño RC Cebu Gloria Maris	Jennifer Jones	Imagine Rotary
Alex Rey Pal	2023—2024	Rosanne “Twinkle” Concon– Gambo	R. Gordon R. Melnally	Create Hope in the World
Elmore Baylon, Jr.	2024—2025	RC Downtown Davao Caroline “Caycay” Andrade	Stephanie A. Urchick	The Magic of Rotary

PRAYER

Heavenly Father,
Thank You for this new day and the opportunity to gather once again as Rotarians united in service. We are grateful for the gift of fellowship, for the strength You give us to serve others, and for the guidance You provide as we carry out our mission.

Bless our meeting this morning—grant us wisdom in our discussions, clarity in our decisions, and unity in our purpose. May all that we do reflect Rotary’s core values of service, integrity, and compassion.

Watch over our families, our community, and our fellow Rotarians here and around the world. May we continue to be instruments of hope, peace, and love.

All this we ask in Your holy name. Amen.

THE 4 – WAY TEST

of the things we Think, Say or Do:

- Is it the TRUTH?
- Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- Will it build GOODWILL and better FRIENDSHIPS?
- Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

OBJECT OF ROTARY

The object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy 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 by 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.

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Rotary International is to assist and guide Rotarians and Rotary clubs to accomplish the Object of Rotary to ensure Rotary's continuing relevance and to help build a better world, emphasizing service activities by individuals and groups that enhance the quality of life and human dignity, encouraging high ethical standards and creating greater understanding among all people to advance the search for people in the world.

“SERVICE ABOVE SELF”

You serve your club and all its members when you take time to attend meetings, work on committees, and promote Rotary's ideals through club projects and activities.

You serve all the members of your community when you take time to participate in the development of quality service for the youth, the elderly, the disabled and the needy.

As you travel, you serve by taking time to learn about people from other countries and their customs, needs and beliefs.

And, you serve by participating in Rotary programs such as the Rotary Foundation, Health, Hunger, Humanity Program and World Community Service.

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Master of Ceremonies Rtn. Randy Quisil
Call to Order Pres. Elmore Baylon, Jr.
Invocation

Pambansang Awit
and Rotary Hymn AVP
Four Way Test
And Object of Rotary Rtn. Matthew Green

Introduction of Guests VP Ashley Morelos

BREAKFAST

Induction of Baby Rotarian
Into a full-fledged Rotarian Pres. Elmore Baylon, Jr.
Message Rtn. Johnrey C. Baricuatro
Fellowship Singing Rtn. Nonoy Ligutom
Fine Moments PP Alex Rey Pal
Share a Joke PP Allan Martinez

President's Time Pres. Elmore Baylon, Jr.
Agenda:
1. Humanitarian projects to Senior Citizens
2. Other Matters

Adjournment Pres. Elmore Baylon, Jr.

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10.	Cabiles, Robert	Rob	Water Distribution			11546318
11.	Catacutan, Richard	Richard	Family Lawyer Practice	Hannah	4229067/4229984	8973052
12.	Catacutan, Arman	Arman	Law Practice / Public Attorney		0917-320-0775	10769909
13.	Chiu, Jose U.	Joe	Radiology	Ellen	4225244/2250841	270211
14.	Chua, Jeorex	Rex	Recycling	Amber H.	0969-240-9561	5994162
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17.	Dejaresco, Anton Marlon Eric. I.	Anton	Corporate Law Practice	Ling-ling	4227788/0998-567-1174	9373253
18.	Diputado, Apolonio, Jr.	Boy	Government Prosecution	Abie	0915-780-8789	1599410
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20.	Fuentes, Gilbert	Bert	Food Products Distribution	Brin	2257479/4200433/4211349	5251568
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22.	Genove, Mark Ronald	Mark	Nutrition Education	Jin	0917-724-8265	11768586
23.	Green, Matthew	Matt	Psychiatric Nursing		0949-173-7265	11967685
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29.	Lagahit, Neil Ray	Bimbo	Legislative Administration	Rhanie	2262422/0921-748-2349	6544686
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32.	Lim, Gerard Michael	GM	Automotive Industry	Alex	0917-311-9100	12202225
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34.	Liu, Henry Q.	Hen	General Merchandising	Lorna	2254676/0939-939-2411	1261259
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36.	Martinez, Allan	Allan	Judicial Administration	Gen-gen	2251672/0918-419-3302	6070765
37.	Mascardo, Jessie E.	Jess	Universal Banking	Wen	4197439/0917-312-1224	6989755
38.	Matiao, Wilkie L.	Wilky	Non-Life Insurance	Emma	2261683/0917-314-3198	270237
39.	Matiao, Willington L.	Tona	Transportation	Rosalia	2255830/0917-304-7199	270239
40.	Molas, John Michael	Owen	Merchant Seafaring			12207181
41.	Morelos, Jan Ashley E.	Ashley	Marine Engineering	Lynn	4222923/0997-330-0720	11555959
42.	Morelos, Rick Mitch Marthel	Mitch	Car Transportation Services	Joy	0956-886-8161	11675575
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47.	Ramirez, Aldrin	Aldrin	Construction	Alma	0977-817-9044	11432468
48.	Romarate, Carlos, Jr.	Caloy	Website Development	Michele	0917-627-5602	11555955
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50.	Sojor, Henry A.	Henry	Education	Joy	2251472/0918-923-7342	1498057
51.	Sy, Marcelo E.	Mars	Gym Operation	Grace	0915-192-1983	270241
52.	Sumagang, John	John				
53.	Uymatiao, Gregorio, Jr. L.	Greg	Structural Engineering	Joy	2254395/2254717	270218
54.	Viking, Niño Joseph Marfren E.	Niño	Vehicle Importation	Soci	0977-801-1191	11432465
55.	Yao, Philip	Philip	Software Development	Yan		11868939

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2. FP Gregorio "Greg" Uymatiao, Jr. - four stone sapphire
1. FP Willes "Willes" Matiao - three stone sapphire
2. FP Susano "Sano" Sy (+) - three stone sapphire
1. PAG Edgar "Ed" Calinawagan - two stone sapphire
2. FP Marciano "Mars" Kho - two stone sapphire
3. PP Henry Liu - two stone sapphire
4. FP Antonio "Tony" Paalan - two stone sapphire
5. IPP Alex Rey "Alex" V. Pal - two stone sapphire
6. PN Niño Marfren Joseph "Niño" E. Viking - two stone sapphire
1. PP Leo Bollos - one stone sapphire
2. PP Patrick "Bebot" Chua - one stone sapphire
3. PP Mark Higgins - one stone sapphire
4. PP Renante Angelo "Ran" Lim - one stone sapphire
5. PP Henry "Hen" Liu - one stone sapphire
6. PP Allan Martinez - one stone sapphire
7. Treas. Willington "Tona" Matiao - one stone sapphire
8. PP Teresito "Terry" Orbeta - one stone sapphire
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10. PP Raul "Raul" Villanueva - one stone sapphire
11. PP Eliezer "Ely" Escorial (+) - one stone sapphire
12. PP Jaime "Jimmy" Tan (+) - one stone sapphire

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8. Rtn. Christopher Jay Cayang
9. PP Jose "Joe" Chiu
10. Rtn. Bonifacio "Bonnie" Chua
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34. PAG Youman "Boy" Uymatiao
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37. Hans Brauchli (+)
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39. PP Alfredo "Dodo" Bustamante III (+)
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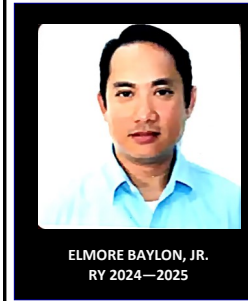
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8. Ann FP Lorna Liu
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26. Rtn. Dominador "Doming" Rubia (+)
27. Rtn. Herbert "Eddie" Tia (+)
28. PP Edmund "Ed" Gonzales (+)
29. PP Sabellon "Bill" Wale (+)

D. HONORARY MEMBERS

1. PP Jonathan Amante
2. PP Edgar Calinawagan
3. PP Raul Dumalag
4. Dr. Masahiko Dohi - Japan
5. Dr. Shinjiro Kawano - Japan
6. Dr. Eiro Kubota - Japan
7. Dr. Tekeshi Katsuki - Japan
8. PP Marciano Kho
9. Dr. Egbert Machtens
10. PP Teresito Orbata
11. Dr. Rico Absin (+)
12. Mr. Bagwandas "Bhagi" Dulamal (+)
13. Mr. Eusebio "Boy" Ong (+)

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

ELMORE BAYLON, JR.
RY 2024—2025

On this beautiful Wednesday, May 14, 2025, we are all thrilled with the results of the 2025 Elections, which will shape and mold our province, cities, and towns for the next three years. As responsible citizens, may we continue to support our elected leaders in their efforts to bring development and unity to our communities.

Amidst these transitions, Rotary International—especially our very own Rotary Club of Dumaguete South—remains steadfast in service and compassion. Despite the challenges of the year, we continue to uphold our commitment to service above self.

I am pleased to share that our club has been invited to participate in a meaningful humanitarian project by the Negros Elite Riders Community Pantry, in collaboration with the Negros Mission Riders. This initiative aims to provide grocery packs to 150 elderly beneficiaries as tokens of love, care, and respect. The project is scheduled for Sunday, May 25, 2025, at Barangay Tubigon, Sibulan, in celebration of Women's Month, honoring our beloved senior citizens.

They are appealing for support—either in cash or in-kind donations—to help complete the grocery bags with essential items. I have also offered to share some of our available reading glasses, which may greatly help improve the vision and quality of life of our elderly recipients.

Let me also remind everyone that this Saturday, May 17, 2025, we are heading to Canlaon City to continue our outreach efforts by turning over grocery packs to the victims of the Canlaon Volcano eruption. This is a continuation of our February 7, 2025, medical mission and gift-giving activity in partnership with DILG through PMCC. Please ensure your availability as we bring our presence and compassion to those still in recovery.

Lastly, let's keep our focus on the upcoming District Conference (DisCon) happening on May 29-30, 2025, in Palo, Leyte. I highly encourage everyone, especially those who have already secured their tickets, to register as soon as possible. Let us join other Rotarians from across the District as we celebrate achievements, foster fellowship, and renew our passion for service.

Thank you for your continuous commitment and generosity. Let us carry the spirit of Rotary wherever we go, with humility, compassion, and joy in serving others.

Mabuhay ang Rotary Club of Dumaguete South! Mabuhay ang Rotary!

Yours in Rotary Service,
Pres. Elmore Baylon Jr.
Rotary Club Dumaguete South RY2024-2025

TREASURER'S REPORT
PRES. LOLOY'S TERM

I. ROTARY YEAR 2024-2025

A. SAR Dues RY 2024-2025	1st SEM	2nd SEM	R.I. ID
1.0 Abangan, Bernard Louie	5,500.00	5,500.00	11695305
2.0 Adriano, Jose Edgardo	5,500.00	5,500.00	1261257
3.0 Amor, Alex, Jr.	5,000.00	2,900.00	270207
4.0 Amor, Jed Michael	5,550.00		11623568
5.0 Baylon, Elmore, Jr.	5,500.00	5,500.00	8474947
6.0 Bejar, Myles Nicholas	5,500.00		6544688
7.0 Bodo, Aurelio	3,850.00	4,475.00	8973118
8.0 Bungabong, Jun Rex	5,500.00	5,500.00	11694218
9.0 Bustamante, Elson	5,500.00		6070762
10.0 Cabiles, Robert	5,500.00	5,500.00	11546318
11.0 Catacutan, Richard			8973052
12.0 Catacutan, Arman			10769909
13.0 Cayang, Christopher Jay	5,500.00	5,500.00	11432448
14.0 Chiu, Jose	5,500.00	5,500.00	270211
15.0 Chua, Jeorex			5994162
16.0 Dacumos, Rodelle	1,137.96	5,500.00	12153161
17.0 Dejaresco, Anton Marlon Eric	5,500.00		9373253
18.0 Diputado, Apolonio, Jr.	5,500.00	5,500.00	1599410
19.0 Don, Dupio	5,500.00	5,500.00	
20.0 Duran, Robert	5,500.00		11967688
21.0 Fuentes, Gilbert	5,500.00	5,500.00	5251568
22.0 Fungo, Ronnel	5,500.00	5,500.00	11820224
23.0 Genove, Mark Ronald	5,500.00	5,500.00	11768586
24.0 Green, Matthew	5,500.00	5,500.00	11967685
25.0 Higgins, Mark	5,500.00	5,500.00	5904343
26.0 Ijan, Jason	758.64	5,741.36	12177242
27.0 Jacobo, Andre Stephen	4,550.00	5,500.00	8111768
28.0 Jordan, Jeremy	5,500.00	5,500.00	10769905
29.0 Kliene Korekamp, Jobert	5,500.00	5,500.00	11623562
30.0 Lagahit, Neil Ray	5,500.00	5,500.00	6544686
31.0 Lejarso, Josie Wen	758.64	5,500.02	12177240
32.0 Ligutom, Ponciano	5,500.00	5,500.00	11967680
33.0 Lim, Gerard Michael	379.32	5,500.00	12202225
34.0 Lim, Renante Angelo	5,500.00	5,500.00	5994163
35.0 Liu, Henry	5,500.00	5,500.00	1261259
36.0 Managing, Ludo	5,500.00	5,500.00	9854644
37.0 Martinez, Allan	5,500.00	5,500.00	6070765
38.0 Mascardo, Jessie	5,500.00	5,500.00	6989755
39.0 Matiao, Wilkie	5,500.00	5,500.00	270237
40.0 Matiao, Willington	5,500.00	5,500.00	270239
41.0 Molas, John Michael	379.32	5,500.00	12207181
42.0 Morelos, Jan Ashley	5,500.00	3,000.00	11555959
43.0 Morelos, Rick Mitch Marthel	5,500.00	5,500.00	11675575
44.0 Pal, Alex Rey	5,500.00	5,500.00	11432397
45.0 Pinili, Froilan Joseph	5,500.00	5,500.00	8978611
46.0 Quisil, Randy	5,500.00	5,500.00	11868914
47.0 Rabaca, Carl	5,500.00	5,500.00	11525289
48.0 Ramirez, Aldrin	5,500.00	5,500.00	11433102
49.0 Romarate, Carlos, Jr.	5,500.00	5,500.00	11555955
50.0 Sagarbarria, Manuel, Jr.	5,500.00	5,500.00	115731
51.0 Sojour, Henry	5,500.00	5,500.00	1498057
52.0 Sumagang, John	5,500.00	5,500.00	
53.0 Sy, Marcelo			270241
54.0 Uymatiao, Gregorio, Jr.	5,500.00	5,500.00	270218
55.0 Uy, Ryan	5,500.00	5,500.00	
55.0 Viking, Niño Joseph Marfren	5,500.00	5,500.00	11432465
56.0 Yao, Philip	5,500.00	5,500.00	11868939

Total 264,313.88 263, 616.38

CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES
Month of MAY 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Birthday of Rtn. John Sumagang & Anniversary of SAA Edp & Ann Annabelle Adriano	2 Brithday of Rtn. Jeremy Jordan & Anniversary of Rtn. Rex & Ann Gigi Bungabong	3 Birthday of Ann Mary Joy Sojour
4	5	6	7	8 Birthday of PP Joe Chiu Anniversary of PE Niño & Ann Soci Viking	9 Anniversary of PP Froilan & Ann Val Pinilik	10
11	12 Birthday of Rtn. Mark Genove	13	14 Anniversary of Rtn. Mitch & Ann Joy Morelos	15	16	17
18	19	20 Birthday of Ann Michele Romarate	21	22 Birthday of PP Myles Bejar	23	24
25 Birthday of Rtn. Epoy Yao & Ann Alma Flores	26 Birthday of PP Dodong Managing & Rtn. Owen Molas	27 Birthday of Ann Annabelle Adriano	28	29	30 Birthday of Rtn. Mitch Morelos	31

ROTARY'S AREAS OF FOCUS TEAM

Peace-building & Conflict-Prevention

Ronoel "Ron" Fungo, head

Myles Nicholas "Myles" Bejar
Elson "Erp" Bustamante
Arman Catacutan
Apolonio Diputado, Jr.
Andre Stephen "Andre" Jacobo
Rick Mitch Marthel "Mitch" Morelos
Elmore Baylon, Jr.

Disease Prevention & Treatment

Elmore "Loloy" Baylon, Jr., head

Jed Michael "Jed" A. Amor
Jose "Joe" U. Chiu
Robert "Obet" C. Duran
Matthew Green
Marcelo Sy

Water, Sanitation & Hygiene

Aldrin Ramirez, head

Neil Ray "Bimbo" Lagahit
Randy "Ran" Quisil
Gregorio "Greg" L. Uymatiao, Jr.
Elmore Baylon, Jr.

Maternal and Child Health

Niño Marfren Joseph Viking, head

Richard Catacutan
Antonio Marlon Eric I. Dejaresco
Mark Ronald "Mark" Genove
Allan C. Martinez
Jan Ashley "Ashley" E. Morelos
Manuel "Chiquiting" T. Sagarbarria, Jr.
Elmore Baylon, Jr.

Basic Education & Literacy

Henry "Hen" A. Sojour, head

Jeorex "Rex" P. Chua
Ponciano "Nonoy" Ligutom
Renante Angelo "Ran" S. Lim
Froilan Joseph "Froilan" Pinili
Alex Rey "Alex" V. Pal
Carlos "Caloy" Romarate, Jr.
Elmore Baylon, Jr.

Community Economic Development

Jeremy "Aming" Jordan, head

Bernard Louie "Bernard" Abangan
Christopher Jay "Jake" Cayang
Gilbert "Bert" Fuentes
Mark "Mark" Higgins
Henry "Hen" O. Liu
Ludo "Dodong" Managing
Wilkie "Wilky" L. Matiao
Willington "Tona" L. Matiao
Philip "Epoy" Yao
Elmore Baylon, Jr.

Environment

Jobert Kleine Koerkamp, head

Jose Edgrado "Edo" J. Adriano
Alex "Jun" A. Amor, Jr.
Jun Rex D. Bungabong
Jessie "Jess" E. Mascardo
Judan Carl "Carl" Rabaca
Elmore Baylon, Jr.

Additional Activities

- September 2024
Environmental Project | TBA
Governor's Visit | Sep 10-15
- October 2024
Breast Cancer Awareness Activity | TBA
World Polio Day | Oct 24
- March 2025
Water, Sanitation and Hygiene | TBA

SPINNING WHEEL STAFF

JUN REX BUNGABONG
Club Secretary
Chairman

Members: CARLOS ROMARATE, JR.
CHRISTOPHER JAY CAYANG

Contributors:
PRES. ELMORE BAYLON, JR.
JIN HONCULADA—GENOVE
Ann President RY 2024-2025

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Adviser: ELMORE D. BAYLON, JR.
President, RCDS RY 2024-2025

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ATTENDANCE REPORT

MAY 07, 2025

1. SAA Edo Adriano

2. Rtn. Tona Matiao

3. Pres. Elmore Baylon, Jr.

4. Rtn. Matthew Green

5. Treas. Jessie Mascardo

6. Rtn. Jake Cayang

7. PP Jose Chiu

8. VP Ashley Morelos

9. Rtn. Gerard Lim

10. Rtn. Aldrin Ramirez

11. PP Alex

12. PP Ran Lim

Guests and Visiting Rotarians:

1. John

WHERE TO MAKE-UP (AREA 3D)

THURSDAYS

Rotary Club of Dumaguete East

8:00p.m. Ang Tay Golf Club Café

FRIDAYS

Rotary Club of Dumaguete North

6:30p.m. Ang Tay Golf Club

Rotary Club of Dumaguete

7:oop.m Chil-Out Bar, Bantayan

ROTARY HYMN

By George Canseco

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

Refrain:

With the Four Way Test
I'll pursue my quest
And if I, in a way help obtain
Peace in the world
I shall not have lived in vain.

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

Repeat Refrain

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

Peace be achieved,
We shall not have lived in vain.

Laughter Corner

What's the Difference

Teacher:

What is the difference between a creditor and debtor?

Student:

A creditor has a better memory than a debtor does.

Source:

World's Funniest Joke

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TREASURER'S REPORT

PRES. LOLOY'S TERM

RCDS CLUB FUND, RY 2024—2025

I. ROTARY YEAR 2024—25

A. SAR Due RY 2024-2025

1st SEM

Date Paid

2nd SEM

Date Paid

1.0 Allan Martinez

2.0 Henry Liu

3.0 Don Dupio

4.0 Mark Genove

5.0 Alex Amor, Jr.

6.0 Jason Ijan

7.0 Josie Wen Lejarso

8.0 Robert Duran

9.0 Manuel Sagarbarria, Jr.

10.0 Ryan Uy

11.0 Josie Wen Lejarso

12.0 Rodelle Dacumos

13.0 Michael Molas

14.0 Anton Dejaresco

15.0 Gerard Michael Lim

5,000.00

2,900.00

1,000.00

1,000.00

5,500.00

11,000.00

11,000.00

1,258.66

1,137.96

379.32

5,500.00

379.32

P5,000.00

P68,555.26

P73,555.26

3/13/2025

3/14/2025

3/17/2025

4/23&30/2025

4/4/2025

4/14/2025

4/21/2025

4/23/2025

4/23/2025

4/23/2025

4/30/2025

145,248.07

158,998.39

304,246.46

B. Club Meeting Collections:

1.0 Fine Moments

2.0 Meals

3.0 Reimbursement for "BAG OF JOY" donations

4.0 Matching Grant Contribution—Mark Higgins

5.0 interest

6.0 Redeposit MG Share from Club

4,970.00

100.00

1,520.00

29,000.00

3.13

49,850.00

C. Expenses

1.0 Donations for "BAG OF JOY" through the Ann of RCDE

2.0 Expressions Flower Shop (wreath of PP Raul Dumalag)

3.0 Jonette Ventula—CA for Office Supplies

4.0 Jonette Ventula—March 2025

—April 2025

5.0 For Matching Grant Share from Club

6.0 Matching Grant Contribution—Mark Higgins

7.0 New Conchita's Store Corporation—For Canlaon District Donation

11,780.00

4,000.00

2,481.25

5,988.00

5,988.00

49,850.00

28,500.00

16,755.00

125,342.25

125,342.25

178,904.21

D. Running Balance as of May 9, 2025

125,342.25

178,904.21

RI DOLLAR RATE

ASSESSMENT PER ROTARIAN PER SEMESTER PHP5,500.00

1US\$ = Php58.00

AUD = 1.61

NZD = 1.77

Rotary

District 3850

MAY 30-31

LEYTE CONVENTION COMPLEX

DISCON

2025

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PLEDGES SANO FUND , RY 2024—2025					
	AMOUNT PLEDGE	AMOUNT PAID	DATE PAID	ADDITIONAL	DATE PAID
1. Abangan, Bernard Louie					
2. Adriano, Jose Edgardo					
3. Amor, Alex A., Jr.					
4. Amor, Jed Michael					
5. Baylon, Elmore, Jr.	2,000.00	2,000.00	13-May-24	1,000.00	16-May-24
6. Bejar, Myles Nicholas					
7. Bodo, Aurelio		10,000.00	21-Aug-24		
8. Bungabong, Jun Rex					
9. Bustamante, Elson	3,000.00	3,000.00	09-May-24		
10. Cabiles, Robert					
11. Catacutan, Richard					
12. Catacutan, Arman					
13. Cayang, Christopher Jay		1,000.00	21-Aug-24		
14. Chiu, Jose	5,000.00	5,000.00	15-Aug-24		
15. Chua, Jeorex	5,000.00				
16. Dacumos, Rodelle		2,000.00	30-Oct-24		
17. Dejaresco, Anton Marlon Eric					
18. Diputado, Boy	5,000.00	2,000.00	20-Aug-24	3,000.00	24-Sep-24
19. Duran, Robert	1,000.00	1,000.00	09-Aug-24		
20. Fuentes, Gilbert	5,000.00	2,000.00	19-Aug-24	1,000.00	30-Oct-24
21. Fungo, Ronnel					
22. Genove, Mark Ronald					
23. Green, Matthew	2,000.00	2,000.00	09-May-24		
24. Higgins, Mark					
25. Ijan, Jason					
26. Jacobo, Andre Stephen					
27. Jordan Jeremy					
28. Kleine Koerkamp, Jobert					
29. Lagahit, Neil Ray					
30. Lejarso, Josie Wen					
31. Ligutom, Nonoy	2,000.00	2,000.00	09-May-24		
32. Lim, Renante Angelo	5,000.00	500.00			
33. Liu, Henry	5,000.00	5,000.00	09-May-24		
34. Managing, Ludo					
35. Martinez, Allan					
36. Mascardo, Jessie					
37. Matiao, Wilkie	5,000.00	5,000.00	17-May-24		
38. Matiao, Willington					
39. Molas, John Michael					
40. Morelos, Jan Ashley					
41. Morelos, Rick Mitch Marthel					
42. Pal, Alex Rey	5,000.00	5,000.00	19-Aug-24	1,000.00	
43. Pinili, Froilan Joseph		3,000.00	21-Aug-24		
44. Quisel, Randy	1,000.00	1,000.00	09-May-24	1,000.00	24-Sept-24
45. Rabaca, Carl	5,000.00				
46. Ramirez, Aldrin					
47. Romarate, Carlos, Jr.					
48. Sagarbarria, Manuel, Jr.					
49. Sojor, Henry	2,000.00	1,000.00	21-Aug-24		
50. Sy, Marcelo					
51. Uy, Ryan					
52. Uymatiao, Gregorio, Jr.	5,000.00	5,000.00	12-Jul-24		
53. Viking, Niño Joseph Marfren	5,000.00	5,000.00			
54. Yao, Philip					
TOTAL PLEDGES	68,000.00	62,500.00		7,000.00	
TOTAL COLLECTIONS AS OF April 30, 2025					69,500.00
SANO FUND, RY 2024—2025 PRES. LOLOY's TERM					
I. BEGINNING BALANCE FOR ROTARY YEAR 2024—25					137,500.00
A. Collections (July 2024—June 2025)					
1.0 Pledges for RY 24-25			69,500.00		
2.0 Donations from Sy Family			68,000.00		
		TOTAL	137,500.00		
Less:					
B. Expenses (July 2024—June 2025)					
1.0 Travel expenses c/o IPP Alex and Pres. Elmore for District Turn-over and Inauguration			21,651.68		
2.0 Vibrant Club Seminar Registration (Pres. Elmore)			2,530.00		
3.0 Vibrant Club Seminar Registration (PP Ran)			2,530.00		
4.0 Vibrant Club Seminar Registration (VP Ashley)			2,515.00		
5.0 RIPE Seminar registration in Manila (IPP Alex)			3,000.00		
6.0 RIPE Seminar registration in Manila (PP Ran)			3,000.00		
7.0 Canlaon Medical Mission on Feb. 7, 2025 (For Medicine)			20,000.00		
8.0 For DELS/SELS on April 3-5, 2025			26,500.00		
9.0 Club Listing for DISCON 2025			4,000.00		
		TOTAL	85,726.68		
II. TOTAL BALANCE AS OF April 30, 2025					(85,726.68) 51,773.32

ROTARY INFORMATION	
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We work with our partners to engage in sustainable projects that tackle poverty, inequality, and lack of access to education in our own communities and those around the world. Rotary's recent peace conference in Istanbul, which attracted more than 1,000 Rotary members, peace builders, and scholars around the world is testimony to our commitment. At this moment, it is ever more important that we channel our concerns and uncertainties into action and share that vision of hope with others. Sincerely, Stephanie A. Urchick President, Rotary International John Hewko General Secretary Mark Daniel Maloney Chair, The Rotary Foundation	
BIO—DATA	
Full Name: Johnrey Cabuyao Baricuatro Home Address: unit 50 circa delmar subdv.agan-an sibulan negor. Email Address: johnreybaricuatro@gmail.com Date of Birth: 12/01/84 Place of Birth: Cebu City Gender: male Height: 5/4 Blood type: o Weight: 70 Nationality: filipino Civil Status: married Religion: inc Name of Wife: Laverne Grace Lumapak Baricuatro Number of Children: 3 Date of Wedding: March 29,2008 Place of Wedding: leyte Contact Number: CP#:0952615251838 Educational Attainment: College Graduate Business/Occupation/ Mega Center Distributor of Health and Beauty Products Employment: Self employed Position: Owner	
Business Address: Daro Dgte City	

CLUB INFORMATION

PAUL HARRIS SOCIETY CONTRIBUTION

- | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------|
| 1. PP Gregorio L. Uymatiao, Jr. | — P57,000.00 |
| 2. PE Niño Viking | — P57,000.00 |
| 3. PP Alex Rey Pal | — P57,000.00 |
| 4. PP Ely Bodo | — P57,000.00 |

TRF Contribution for Matching Grant share

- | | |
|-----------------------------|-------------|
| 1. PP Mark Higgins | — 28,500.00 |
| 2. Pres. Elmore Baylon, Jr. | — 28,500.00 |
| 3. PP Allan Martinez | — 2,850.00 |

INDUCTION & TURNOVER CONTRIBUTION

- | | |
|-----------------------------|------------|
| 1. Alex Rey Pal | - 1,800.00 |
| 2. Elmore Baylon, Jr. | - 1,800.00 |
| 3. Jessie E. Mascardo | - 1,000.00 |
| 4. Randy Quisil | - 1,800.00 |
| 5. Matthew Green | - 1,800.00 |
| 6. Wilkie Matiao | - 1,000.00 |
| 7. Henry Sojor | - 1,000.00 |
| 8. Gilbert Fuentes | - 1,800.00 |
| 9. Bimbo Lagahit | - 1,800.00 |
| 10. Carlos Romarate, Jr. | - 1,800.00 |
| 11. Manuel Sagarbarria, Jr. | - 1,800.00 |
| 12. Jake Cayang | - 1,800.00 |
| 13. Nonoy Ligutom | - 1,000.00 |
| 14. Niño Viking | - 1,800.00 |
| 15. Boy Diputado | - 1,000.00 |
| 16. Greg Uymatiao, Jr. | - 1,000.00 |
| 17. John Michael Molas | - 1,000.00 |
| 18. Ashley Morelos | - 1,800.00 |
| 19. Tona Matiao | - 1,000.00 |
| 20. Gerard Lim | - 1,000.00 |
| 21. Aldrin Ramirez | - 1,800.00 |
| 22. Mitch Morelos | - 1,800.00 |

Total Balance as of May 09, 2025 **P 32,400.00**

CLUB MEETING LAST MAY 07, 2025



*34th
Club
Meeting*

Letter to members from RI President nominee SangKoo Yun

Dear Rotary friends:

As the Rotary International President for 2026-27, I have been working closely with other Rotary members and staff to plan and prepare for the important work ahead after my confirmation last September. It has been a tremendous honor and pleasure to be given the opportunity to serve our organization.

However, I have been facing some personal health challenges. Recently, I was diagnosed with pancreatic adenocarcinoma or pancreatic cancer, which has put a temporary pause on my work. The good news is that I am receiving excellent care at one of Korea's top hospitals. My treatment is already progressing smoothly and my medical team is optimistic about the path forward. Based on their recommendation, I will need to take a step back from Rotary leadership responsibilities over the next six months.

I have been sharing updates with Rotary International President Stephanie Urchick and the Board of Directors. They have unanimously supported my decision, and I want to use this opportunity to thank President Stephanie and RI directors for their understanding and unwavering support. I am determined to return once the treatment is complete and continue to serve our organization, meeting the challenges ahead in Rotary.

My wife EunSun and I want to express our gratitude for all the care and encouragement. I have been deeply moved by the support of family and friends.

With warm regards,
SangKoo Yun
President, Rotary International, 2026-27
24-Apr-2025

Message to our members

Dear Rotary members,

Over the past few months, while we visited Rotary clubs worldwide and witnessed inspiring projects that are making a tangible difference in their communities, many have approached us with concerns about the current political and economic volatility, and its potential impact on the work that we do.

We want to assure you that in times of uncertainty, one thing is certain - our mission and values remain unchanged. Rotary is a force for good in the world because we are deeply embedded in communities. We will continue to provide service to others, promote integrity, and advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace.

The ideals of service, fellowship, and diversity have enabled us to transcend boundaries of all kinds. We bring people of all backgrounds together, foster collaboration, and make our communities stronger.

For 120 years Rotary has thrived through two World Wars, through the Cold War, and through multiple deadly pandemics. We have endured and strengthened because we adhere to our mission and to our values. In times like these, we are once again reminded of the strength of Rotary and the importance of supporting our organization.

As a founding partner of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative, we've helped reduce polio cases by 99.9 percent since our first project to vaccinate children in the Philippines in 1979. Regardless of what lies ahead, we will stay the course and keep our commitment to the world's children by ending polio forever. At present, we're coordinating with our global partners to closely monitor and assess the fast-evolving situation, proactively working with many governments to sustain their financial support and seek alternative funding sources. Now more than ever, your financial support of Polio Plus is critical.

We will continue to support our Areas of Focus to forge solutions and fulfill long-term goals. Through our programs, grants, and people-to-people diplomacy, we address the underlying causes of conflicts, creating an environment conducive to peace.

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