

# The Official Club Bulletin of Rotary Club of Kankabato-Tacloban

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*RC Kankabato Family*

## 7 Areas of Focus of Rotary



PEACEBUILDING AND  
CONFLICT PREVENTION



DISEASE PREVENTION  
AND TREATMENT



WATER, SANITATION,  
AND HYGIENE



MATERNAL AND  
CHILD HEALTH



BASIC EDUCATION  
AND LITERACY



COMMUNITY ECONOMIC  
DEVELOPMENT



ENVIRONMENT

*Meets every 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month at  
Seafood & Ribs 70 Warehouse, Palo, Leyte  
6:00 pm*

Club No. 84232  
Chartered: December 20, 2011  
Rotary International District 3860

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# MISSION

Our mission at the Rotary Club of Kankabato-Tacloban is to advance the welfare and human rights of all people by working on humanitarian projects that meet urgent needs and encourage long-term solutions. We are devoted to helping disadvantaged populations live healthier, more prosperous lives by offering them resources, support, and assistance. We aspire to make a good and enduring impact, leaving no one behind in times of crisis or adversity. We do this by adhering to the values of compassion, teamwork, and accountability. We work to create a world where everyone has access to opportunity, education, and basic necessities while establishing a global community that is based on social justice, empathy, and respect. We do this with the help of our partners and volunteers.

# VISION

Through our humanitarian endeavors, we hope to create a society in which everyone is treated with respect and their natural worth is respected. We envision a world in which all communities prosper, are free from suffering and adversity, and have access to basic necessities like safe drinking water, wholesome food, high-quality healthcare, an excellent education, and job opportunities. In order to address the underlying causes of poverty, inequality, and injustice, individuals and organizations must work together to create a global community that is unified in empathy and solidarity. As we work toward realizing this vision, we picture a world that is happier and more just, where people come together to help those in need and leave a lasting legacy of hope, fortitude, and constructive change for future generations.



# CLUB HISTORY

Others may wonder, “*Why waste one’s effort, time and money just to help other people?*” With that being said, RC Kankabato believes that helping other people is an act of benevolence. It is what the universe needs. To do good with other people with different characters and background is the vocation that one could have while he’s still breathing and standing on the ground. You must do what you can, with what you have – the reason why Rotary Club of Kankabato-Tacloban continues to shine through their rays of compassion and service above self.

The Rotary Club of Kankabato-Tacloban was chartered in the year 2011. Rotarian Antolin Ofonda was elected and served as the Charter President. From 25 pioneering members, the RC Kankabato has now 23 active members, with the current Hope-Creating President, Rtn. Ralph Lavador Martel for the Rotary Year 2023-2024 as the 12th president of the organization. This organization is composed of established professionals and businessmen with diverse characters and background who came together and believed in one goal which is to make a difference. This international organization is a non-profit and non-partisan union. Members of this club are called as rotarians. Also, they sponsor young rotarians called as rotaractors. These inspiring rotarians believe in the inherent goodness of other people as it results to the ripple effect of kindness in the community. When we show kindness to other people, it creates a chain of reaction which causes kindness to find its way back to us.

Every Rotary Club like the RC of Kankabato-Tacloban is grounded with guiding principles which are Object of Rotary, 4-Way Test and Avenues of Service. These principles have been developed to serve as the bible for every Rotarian as they venture themselves in humanitarian acts of kindness as well as making themselves for another time a servant-leader who aims to uplift the status of the community they belong to. Rotarians of this organization initiate transformational projects not only in the region and national level but also in the international stage. Their projects are based on areas of focus such as Basic Education and Literacy, Disease and Prevention Treatment, Rotary Day of Service and Supporting the Environment.





Since 2011, the RC Kankabato-Tacloban engages in several projects that are timely and relevant to the needs, issues and concerns of the society. They have conducted several projects such as distribution of school supplies and hygiene kits, bloodletting activities, raising awareness and funding to end Polio and Breast Cancer, and Mangrove and tree-planting activity. This organization also did an adopt-a-school campaign to donate facilities such as handwashing facility, books for their library and repair some old school buildings in Guindapunan Elementary School. Moreover, donation drives and feeding programs were also conducted to send help to those victims of natural and man-made calamities such as typhoons, earthquakes, landslides, and fires. Now that the entire community is still experiencing pandemic, still the club lends a hand and do an extra mile just to be of help to the community. They have donated essential medical supplies such as medical facemasks, alcohols, vitamins and PPEs to the hospitals in the city and province. These programs may be less extravagant but it is, for the meantime necessary and beneficial.

Because of the successes of their projects, the RC of Kankabato-Tacloban is recognized not only in the local community but also in the international level. They bagged local and international awards for their community involvements. Their recent prestigious recognitions are Rotary International Citations for helping Rotary Open Opportunities, a plaque for End-Polio Campaign for being a Polio Fund District Goal Achiever, RY 2019-2021, Katambulig Award from the DepEd - Schools Division of Tacloban City, RY 2019-2020, and Outstanding Rotary Club in D3860, RY 2014-2015 & 2018-2020. These sets of awards serve as an inspiration for them to continue to work side by side to execute action and impact through fellowship and service.

Jane Goodall once uttered, "You cannot get through a single day without having an impact on the world around you. What you do makes a difference, and you have to decide what kind of difference you want to make." It implies that we are the legacy of the past generations -- it is up to us how are we going to make an impact and better change to the community by the choices that we make every day. We must find ways to better ourselves in order to get great results. As long as we are living and part of the continuous cosmic evolution, let us not forget to lend little drops of love to the less privileged. A little act of kindness, charity and generosity creates a magical effect on the heart of a person; hence, we call it as the true evidence of authentic and genuine love. The Rotary Club of Kankabato-Tacloban, as long as it breathes, will continue to shower rays of love to all people around the globe.

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# ROTARY LEADER'S MESSAGE

*Dear Rotarians,*

*“BUILDING PEACE IS THE ESSENCE OF ROTARY.”*

Peace isn't a dream, and it's not passive. It's the result of working hard, earning trust, and having open conversations that may be difficult. Peace must be waged persistently – and bravely. Everything we do across our areas of focus has the potential to foster the hope that can make peace possible.

The spirit of connection and purpose should inspire every Rotary member. When club leaders focus on offering an excellent club experience, we retain more members and attract more prospective members. We must make our clubs as welcoming and as engaging as we can. Our goal is to create a sense of belonging, from our club meetings to our service activities. We need to continue creating inclusive, welcoming environments where everyone can be their authentic selves. All people of action need to be able to imagine a place for themselves in Rotary – it's up to us to ensure they can do so.

Over the next year, I will be putting a focus on continuing our journey in diversity, equity, and inclusion – ensuring that Rotary reflects the communities we serve and continues to take significant steps toward accessing the full range of human talents and experiences, so that we can better serve humanity. And we will continue to empower women and girls by helping them unlock the potential already within them.

As we begin this journey together, I take inspiration from Scotland's national poet, Robert Burns, who in the 18th century spoke of all the world becoming kin, promoting “sense and worth, over all the earth.” This has long been my call to action, and I share it now with you.

Let us build peace within and spread it freely. Let us create belonging and imagine the future of Rotary afresh. Let us work together joyously and Create Hope in the World.

R. Gordon R. McNally  
President, Rotary International  
RY 2023-2024



# EXECUTIVE'S INSIGHTS

*Dear Rotarians,*

As we gather here today, I am reminded of the profound responsibility we share in nurturing the well-being of mothers and children across our nation and around the world. The month of April brings with it a renewed focus on maternal and child health, an area where our collective efforts can make a significant difference in the lives of many. It is a cause that calls for our immediate attention, unwavering commitment, and concerted action.

The health of mothers and their children is the cornerstone of a prosperous and sustainable society. Yet, despite our advancements in medicine and healthcare, far too many families face preventable challenges and tragedies. It is our duty to ensure that every mother has access to quality prenatal and postnatal care, that every child is given a healthy start in life, and that no family is left behind. In this endeavor, the role of organizations like Rotary International cannot be overstated. Your tireless work in providing healthcare, supporting education, and improving living conditions for vulnerable populations around the globe is a testament to the power of collective action.

As we observe this important month, let us renew our pledge to advance maternal and child health. Let us innovate, collaborate, and leverage our resources to address the critical needs facing mothers and children. Together, we can overcome barriers to healthcare access, educate parents and communities, and advocate for policies that protect and empower families. By doing so, we not only save lives but also lay the foundation for a healthier, brighter future for generations to come.

I call upon each of you, as Rotarians and as global citizens, to join me in this vital mission. Your passion, expertise, and generosity can transform the landscape of maternal and child health. Let us work hand in hand, with hearts full of hope and determination, to make this world a better place for all mothers and children. Thank you.

With warm regards,

Ralph L. Martel  
President, Rotary Club of Kankabato



# 8TH REGULAR/FELLOWSHIP MEETING

## *Program*

Call to Order	<i>Pres. Ralph I. Martel</i>
Prayer	<i>AVP</i>
Philippine National Anthem	<i>AVP</i>
Rotary Hymn	<i>AVP</i>
Recitation of the Object of Rotary & The Four Way Test	<i>AVP</i>
Introduction of Guests & Visiting Rotarians	<i>Rtn. Jerico Cahayag</i>

## Fellowship

Joke Time	<i>Rtn. Al Anthony Casal</i>
Finest Moments	<i>Rtn. Alan Bargamento</i>

## Business

### Portion

Treasurer's Time	<i>Rtn. Vernon Jolbitado</i>
Secretary's Time	<i>Rtn. Al Anthony Casal</i>
President's Time	<i>Pres. Ralph L. Martel</i>
Adjournment	<i>Pres. Ralph L. Martel</i>





# THE 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.

## 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?



# SECRETARY'S EXCLUSIVE SESSION

*Dear Rotarians,*

I hope this message finds you well. As we embark on the new month of **APRIL**, I wanted to provide you with an overview of the exciting activities and important initiatives that are scheduled for the coming weeks.

April	MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH MONTH
<b>TBAL</b>	President and/or Secretary must attend minimum of six (6) of the monthly Area or Cluster Coordination Meeting (ACOM). <b>Club Facilitation Workshop Regular Session</b> (Interested Rotarians and Rotaractors)
<b>As sched</b>	<b>Training Help Desk for New Generation</b> (Interested Rotarians and Rotaractors)
	1 <sup>st</sup> week
	2 <sup>nd</sup> week
<b>1</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> week
	Settle and paid the Club Listings including the requirements for DISCON 2024. Cut-off date for all Club Activities and Service Projects in relation to the District Awards, RY 2023-2024. Submit e-copies of your club bulletin to the District 3860 website
<b>15</b>	Submit club monthly reports containing your meeting (regular, board, committee, ACOM), activity (service project or with other organizations), Attendance Report, and other required information in the District 3860 website
<b>25</b>	<b>Training Help Desk for New Generation</b> (webinar)
<b>28</b>	Gift of Life Fun Run
<b>TBD</b>	On a quarterly basis, conduct Membership Health Check in the club level and Club Assemblies



Please note that this schedule is subject to change, and you will receive detailed agendas and invitations for each event as the dates approach. Your active participation and commitment to these activities are crucial to their success.

Let's make April a productive and memorable month for our team! Thank you for your dedication and hard work.

Best regards,

**RTN. AL ANTHONY F. CASAL**  
 Secretary



# EXECUTIVE SECRETARY'S UPDATES

*Dear Rotarians,*

I hope this message finds you all in good health and high spirits. As we move forward with our commitment to making a positive impact on our community, I wanted to provide you with some important updates regarding our upcoming service projects.

**1. Project LIBRO**

- Project Lead: Rotary Club of Kankabato-Tacloban & Rotaract Club of Kankabato
- Description: Club service
- Volunteers Needed: Rotarians, School Head, Teachers, PTA
- Timeline: April 4, 2024

**2. Empowering Binanig**

- Project Lead: RC Kankabato & RAC Kankabato
- Description: Outreach Program
- Volunteers Needed: IEEP EVS Chapter, Rotarians & Rotaractors from Biliran Island & Kiwanis Club of Sulhog Tacloban
- Timeline: April 5, 2024

**3. 10th REGULAR MEETING**

- Project Lead: RC Kankabato
- Description: Regular Meeting
- Volunteers Needed: Rotarians
- Timeline: April 10, 2024

**4. DTTS, DTA, & PETS-SETS**

- Project Lead: Rotary International District 3860
- Description: District Training
- Volunteers Needed: Rotarians & Rotaractors
- Timeline: April 10-14, 2024

**5. Rotaract District Leadership Training 2024**

- Project Lead: Rotary International District 3860
- Description: District Training
- Volunteers Needed: Rotarians & Rotaractors
- Timeline: April 19-21, 2024

Your active participation and dedication to these service projects are crucial to their success, and we encourage all members to get involved. If you have any questions, suggestions, or ideas related to these projects or any other club matters, please feel free to reach out to me or the respective project leads. Thank you for your continued commitment to making a difference in our community. Together, we can achieve great things.

Best regards,

**RTN. JERICO M. CAHAYAG**  
Executive Secretary



# MONEY MATTERS UPDATES

*Dear Rotarians,*

I hope this message finds you all well. As the treasurer of our club, I wanted to provide you with some important financial updates and reminders to ensure the smooth operation of our organization and transparency in our financial matters.

1. Membership Dues:

- A friendly reminder to all members who have not yet paid their annual membership dues. These dues are vital to supporting our club's activities and projects. Please submit your dues by contacting me through my messenger account.

2. Expense Reimbursements:

- If you have incurred expenses on behalf of the club for approved purposes, please ensure you submit your reimbursement requests along with proper receipts and documentation. This helps us maintain accurate records and ensure everyone is reimbursed promptly.

3. Budget Review:

- We have reviewed and approved the club's budget for the current fiscal year, which includes allocations for various projects and activities. If you have any questions or need more information about the budget, please don't hesitate to reach out to me.

4. Financial Transparency:

- We are committed to maintaining transparency in our financial operations. If any member would like to review our financial statements or have questions about our financial practices, please reach out to me to schedule a meeting or request the necessary documentation.

I want to express my gratitude to all members for their financial contributions and responsible handling of club funds. Your support enables us to continue our mission of making a positive impact on our community.

If you have any financial-related inquiries, concerns, or suggestions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Your feedback is essential in ensuring the financial health and sustainability of our club.

Thank you for your attention, and I look forward to working together to achieve our club's financial goals and objectives.

Best regards,

**RTN. VERNON JOLBITADO**  
Club Treasurer





# THE EFFORTS OF RC KANKABATO ...



## PROJECT LIBRO



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**DTA, DTTS, PETS-SETS**



## MEMBER REGISTRY

MEMBER ID	NAME	SPOUSE
8413096	Alimangohan, Alvin M.	Edna
10340709	Alvero, Brian Ray V.	Mae
8910773	Bargamento, Allan L.	Elaine
9976438	Barsana, Geraldine C.	
11556168	Cahayag, Jerico	Gemmalyn
10340720	Casal, Al Anthony F.	Grace
8622741	Catingub, Sigmundo Rio A.	Charina
8413102	Chua, Ricky C.	Ruena
11339928	De Veyra, Kenneth Spice M.	
5466099	Diu, Walter A.	Evelyn
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11110425	Granada, Arthur A.	Maria Priscila
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9729865	Martel, Ralph L.	May
11339941	Merilo, Jo Vanille C.	Mark Giffren
10762817	Nielsen, Nina B.	Flemming
9244569	Oronos, Jane Mae	
8909471	Padillo, Rodolfo M.	Dory
8530951	Yu, Analiza F.	Jaime
1953089	Ayaso, Regina D.	
11953085	Evite, Janice T.	
11953093	Galangue, Shiela May D.	



## MEMBER REGISTRY

### ADDRESS

### BIRTHDAY

Brgy. 88, Blk. 5 Lt. 4, Beta Bayview Homes Airport Rd. San Jose, Tacloban City	05 - 04 - 1962
B19, L38, P2 V&G Subd., Tacloban City	09 - 25 - 1981
407 Old Road Sagkahan, Tacloban City	05 - 26 - 1969
Phase 2 Block 2 Lot 10 St. Scholastica Village, Palo, Leyte	02 - 04 - 1978
Villa Rita Subd. Manlurip San Jose, Tacloban City	10 - 22 - 1987
Brgy. 95-A Caibaan, Tacloban City	09 - 05 - 1981
Brgy. Caibaan, Midland Ville, Tacloban City	12 - 22 - 1972
Brgy. 110, Zone 4, Utap, Maharlika Highway, Tacloban City	02 - 05 - 1968
Marianville Subdivision, Alangalang, Leyte	02 - 13 - 1990
Brgy. 91, Abucay, Tacloban City	11 - 27 - 1962
San Jose, Tacloban City	01 - 13 - 1981
Kassel Homes, Abucay, Tacloban City	12 - 06 - 1970
Brgy. Holy Child I, Alangalang, Leyte	03 - 21 - 1975
Brgy. Guindapunan, Palo, Leyte	07 - 28 - 1966
Lot 2 Jiborenville subd., Marasbaras Tacloban City	01 - 24 - 1972
Brgy. Bislig, Tanauan, Leyte	11 - 25 - 1995
Brgy. San Francisco East Alangalang, Leyte	06 - 29 - 1977
Brgy. 76, Fatima Village, Tacloban City	07 - 18 - 1986
105 Pantak St., Phase 4 V&G Subdivision, Tacloban City	01 - 15 - 1945
Palo Petron Service Station Cor. Campetic, Pawing	10 - 27 - 1968
V & G Subd., Tacloban City	08- 06 - 1993
Arellano St., Tacloban City	05 - 15 -1978
Brgy. 94, Tigabo, Diit, Tacloban City	04 - 22 - 1988

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