Enjoy Rotary!

Rotary Club of Marbel Original Theme Song (Lyrics: PP Camilo Dajay, Composer: Ryan

When life becomes short and complicated
When all you see is poverty and misery
When you are bored and discontented
And your days seem cold and dreary
It's time to get up, move on, and make new friends
The joy of serving others
Is felt by each Rotarian
Come take your place under the sun
Join us and have so much fun

If you want to be happy
Join Rotary
If you want to be loved
Embrace Rotary
If you want peace and harmony
Serve with Rotary

The Rotary Club of Marbel
Our Home
Our Passion
Our Family
All for the service of humanity

Rotary Club of Marbel Rotary Club of Marbel Rotary!









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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

...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: advancement international The understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.







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Our Mission

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

Our Core Values

Our values are an increasingly important component in strategic planning because they drive the intent and direction of the organization's leadership.

CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDANCE

This document certifies that

	(Name)
of the Rotary Club of _	
has attended the club's Gene	eral Membership Meeting and Fellowship

RTN. RHEA E. SAVARIZ

Executive Secretary

held at Koronadal City, South





10th General Membership Meeting and Fellowship: September Celebrators' Night

PROGRAM FLOW

PART I. Registration and Dinner

PART II. Meeting Proper

Call to Order ILAH MARIE L. LABRADOR, PHF

President, RY 2023-2024

Invocation Overture

Philippine National Anthem Overture

Rotary Hymn Overture

Four-Way Test and Object of Rotary

Agenda:

• Updates on the recently completed projects and activities

Open Forum

Secretary's Report

JANINE C. PRING, PHF
President-Elect, RY 2024-2025

Adjournment ILAH MARIE L. LABRADOR, PHF

President, RY 2023-2024

PART III. Fellowship

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Cotabato, Philippines.







Invocation

Lord, it is good to recognize how different we are. Our talents, our dreams, our backgrounds, our occupations. And it is good to know that when You created each of us, You broke the mold. No one is exactly like anyone else. Even our thumbprint and our voice track tell us how unique we are. Yet, we thank You that we can take these differences and mobilize them for the good of Rotary and our community. In our differences we can think the same thoughts and move together toward a common goal. Bless us as we meet together as we celebrate Your goodness to the lives of the September celebrators. Thank You for our individuality and also for our common bond of Rotary. Amen.



Finspiring Quote

Don't judge each day

by the harvest you reap but by the seeds that you plant.

ROBERT LOUIS STEVENSON





The club is a proud recipient of various TRF Matching Grants such as Adopt-a-Harelip Project with the Rotaract Club of Johor Bahru (Malaysia) of District 3310, Vitamin A supplementation, and cataract operation. The club has been also a recipient of World Community Service projects from RI District 2790 of Chiba, Japan on school building construction, feeding program, literacy, water supply and sanitation, cataract and harelip operation.

In cooperation with international and national medical societies, the club hosted medical and dental missions for various indigent communities in South Cotabato. This project was awarded as the Most Outstanding by the District. The club itself is also a recipient of numerous "Most Outstanding Club awards" in recognition for its dedication and commitment to do fair share in making the community a better place to live.

In 2005-2010, Koronadal City and Department of Education City Division awarded the club as one of the outstanding civic organization in Koronadal City during its Charter Day celebration.

The club had garnered string of awards from Rotary International and District. The highly-esteemed name it had carved in the community is a clear sign that it had accomplished its goals. It is not a reason to complacent, however. Every Rotary Year president aims to equal, or even surpass, the outstanding achievement that their predecessors had consummated for the club. To widen our network, expand our collaborative work for the good of humanity, we forged sisterhood agreements with Singapore, Johor Bahru, Davao, and Alabang LAMPARA.

The club is not only well-known for the delivery of service projects but also its contributions to The Rotary Foundation (TRF). It produced the first Paul Harris Fellow in the Rotary Year 1994-1995. From then onwards, annual contribution to TRF becomes usual thus, became a Paul Harris Fellow (PHF) Club in 2018 and still consistently generous until today. Also, some club members doing great service as district and club officers.

Apart from its zeal to extend help to the needy, members became popular in District 3860 with their unique innovations in folk and modern dances.

The strength of the club lies in each member's commitment to the motto 'Service above Self and to a feeling of unity within the Rotary Club of Marbel family. Whether it is in the good times to work together on club projects or during the sad times having personal tragedies. Membership retention is vitally important to retain a solid core and membership development is important for the longterm future of the club. The club is proud to have among its members outstanding leaders in the community not only in their respective professions or businesses but also in their passionate involvement in the Rotary service.

These may not be much crow about, but in humble way, the Rotary Club of Marbel during its 43 years of journey had shared time and resources with the least of the brethren in places and instances most appreciated. Through the years, it delivered myriads of projects benefitting the less fortunate members of the community.

Our commitment of service never ends. The Rotary Club of Marbel will continue to serve the humanity to be an inspiration in helping to change lives and creating hope in the world!











It started when Attorney Paul Harris desired for camaraderie among business associates brought together of four men in downtown Chicago. After practice of subsequent rotating meeting location, they decided to call it as Rotary Club of which eventually led to an international organization of service and fellowship. The organization's dedication to this ideal is best expressed in its motto: Service Above Self.

As Rotary grew, members pooled their resources and used their talents to serve their communities. There are 34,282 member clubs worldwide, 1.2 million neighbors, friends, and community leaders called Rotarians have joined these clubs to create positive, lasting change in the communities around the globe.

The Rotary Club of Koronadal then, was the only Rotary Club in the municipality of Marbel (now City of Koronadal). The committee on Club Extension headed by Past President (PP) Tolosa came up to the idea of forming one additional club in the growing City of Koronadal. In mid-1979, they searched for young, dynamic and well-respected professionals who will compose the new club.

It was June 30, 1980 when the Rotary Club of Marbel (Koronadal) has been approved by Rotary International (RI). The late PP Gerardo Calaliman was the Charter President who led the club its birth pains, surviving the odds and establishing a name worthy of respect and prestige that every Rotary Club brings. As years sped fast, new blood was brought in regardless of religion, gender, or political preference.

The club's flagship projects includes medical, dental, and surgical mission; literacy and feeding; career orientation to graduating high school students; anti-bullying and I love English campaign; Adopt-a-Day Care Centers; support the school for the deaf at Koronadal Pilot Elementary School; annual December gift-giving and feeding; breast cancer awareness activities; environmental projects such as tree planting in the mountain areas of Lake Sebu and City of Koronadal, coastal clean-up in the shores of Sarangani Bay and General Santos City as well as B'lok Creek together with different national line agencies. All One Rotary, One District activities were also participated.



The club sponsored the Rotaract Club of Notre Dame of Marbel University (school-based) in 1988 and organized the Interact Club of Koronadal National Comprehensive High School (KNCHS) in 2014. The Rotaract Club of Korbel (school-based) and Interact Club of Korbel were also organized during the inspiring Rotary year 2018-2019. During the pandemic era in 2021, the first community-based – Rotaract Club of Marbel was born which composed of young professionals.









Presidential MESSAGE

SEPTEMBER 2023

R. Gordon R. MacInally RI President 2023-2024

The International Day of Peace takes place 21 September. The United Nations General Assembly declared this a day devoted to strengthening the ideals of peace through observing 24 hours of non-violence and cease-fire.

It is not enough, as People of Action, to simply avoid making war. If we are to *Create Hope in the World*, we must aggressively wage peace.

Where can we begin? There are countless armed conflicts around the world, and the global population of displaced people is higher than ever. The opportunities are nearly limitless, but the cycles of violence and hardship seem endless.

My advice is to start small but think big. I look to Rotary members in Pakistan and India for inspiration. In March 2020, about 50 Rotary members from Pakistan met about 50 Rotary members from India at Kartarpur Sahib, a shrine in Pakistan. The sanctuary honors Guru Nanak, the founder of Sikhism, a religion practiced in both countries. Tensions between the two countries barred many religious pilgrims from India from visiting the shrine. That is, until Pakistan opened a visa-free pathway to them in 2019. Earlier this year, Rotary members from opposite sides of the border again met at the shrine, this time with about twice as many participants.

Any work toward building peace needs to be brave and bold. What these Rotary members have done is just that. The Pakistani government took an important step toward peace when it admitted Indian pilgrims to the Kartarpur Sahib shrine, but Pakistani Rotary members took the next step when they welcomed Rotary members from India as friends and family. That is Positive Peace at work.

These peacebuilders did not stop there. Club representatives at this year's meeting signed twin club certificates to recognize their long-term commitment to continue to learn from each other and to work together on more peacebuilding efforts, and they have held joint meetings via video chat.

The importance of communicating with and learning from another culture cannot be overstated, and Rotary is making it even easier to do so. One way of engaging in cross-cultural dialogue and building relationships across borders is through virtual international exchanges that build on our current programs and make them more accessible.

A virtual exchange uses online platforms to connect people from different

parts of the world so they can share their traditions, priorities, values, and more. Virtual exchanges can serve as a window to another part of the world through activities such as teaching a digital cooking class, learning a new language, or even designing service projects with a global impact.

These online chats have the potential to inspire new connections and more respect between societies. Taking that knowledge and using it to better the lives of our fellow human beings is the next step.

Let's see where it takes us.

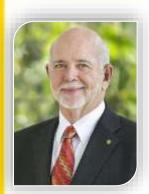
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Trustee's Chair Message

Barry Rassin

September 2023

When was your Rotary moment? It's when you realize that being part of Rotary means more than just showing up for a meeting, when you discover you are part of something that changes the lives of others as it changes yours.

I will never forget the moment when I learned about Daniel, a Haitian child. Rotary Foundation Trustee Greg Podd, who at the time

was serving with me on an RI committee, had been trying to get Daniel on a plane for urgent heart surgery through the Gift of Life program. But Daniel couldn't get the visa to travel, and doctors had given him only months to live.

When Greg told me this, I remembered that Gift of Life was operating in Haiti and we could do the surgery there. This was on a Wednesday. Greg helped get ahold of Daniel's medical records. The Gift of Life surgeon I knew — who visited only once or twice every month — happened to be in Haiti. By Thursday, the surgeon had looked over the medical charts and told us that he could repair Daniel's heart but said he was traveling soon. We had to get Daniel to a medical facility by Friday morning.

Daniel and his parents rode 90 minutes on a scooter through the bumpy roads of rural Haiti to get to the facility, and the surgeon successfully performed the procedure. Thankful, Greg and I moved on to other projects.

A few months later, I got an email with a picture of Daniel. I will never forget his smiling face, despite the foot-long scar running down his chest, and what he wrote: "I know you helped me. You saved my life. Thank you."

On behalf of Daniel and countless others, I am passing along that gratitude to all Rotary members who have helped or will help this year.

The beauty of Rotary, especially with The Rotary Foundation, is that we can create these Rotary moments anytime. Just reach out to others in Rotary and discuss our work. Our caring network, our dedicated volunteers, and available resources will take care of the rest.

If two people can make such a difference, imagine what we can accomplish by working together in larger groups through The Rotary Foundation. Picture the impact of clubs within a district joining forces for a Foundation district grant to boost literacy, or two districts from different parts of the world transforming a community through a water, sanitation, and hygiene global

If you haven't discovered your Rotary moment yet, keep searching. Serving Rotary through our Foundation is a great place to find it, and it will change your life.







ROTARY YEAR	RILOGO	RITHEME	CLUB PRESIDENT
2002-2003	Y	"Sow the Seeds of Love"	Rolan "Rolan" A. Alajar
2003-2004		"Lend a Hand"	Roland "Roland" Asperga
2004-2005	TWIV	"Celebrate Rotary"	Noel "Noel" M. Dungca
2005-2006	SOME Anne Sell	"Service Above Self"	Camilo "Toto" L. Dajay
2006-2007	*	"Lead the Way"	Datu Tungko "Dats" M. Saikol
2007-2008	- Mod	"Rotary Shares"	Mark Marie "Mark" G. Bantug
2008-2009	₹	"Make Dreams Real"	Jessie "Jessie" P. Cruz
2009-2010	4	"The Future of Rotary is in Your Hands"	Marie Antonina "Junette" Hurtad
2010-2011	1	"Building Communities, Bridging Continents"	Juanito "Johnny" C. Cueva
2011-2012	63	"Reach Within to Embrace Humanity"	Leadegario "Leo" R. Santos, Jr.
2012-2013		"Peace Through Service"	Antonio "Tony" M. Vicente
2013-2014	1	"Engage Rotary Change Lives"	Carlo "Carlo" S. Preciosa
2014-2015		"Light Up Rotary"	Leandro Ador "Ador" A. Dizon
2015-2016	-	"Be A Gift to the World"	Nolito "Lito" 8. Prudencio
2016-2017	E	"Rotary Serving Humanity"	Randy "Rhandz" S. Baldelovar
2017-2018	6	"Rotary: Making a Difference"	Jason Anthony "Jay" Y. Garcia
2018-2019	SE THE INSPIRATION	"Be the Inspiration"	Leween Jan "Leween" P. Santos
2019-2020	*	"Rotary Connects the World"	Philip Leonard "Philip" T. Escueta
2020-2021	Rotary Opens Opportunities	"Rotary Opens Opportunities"	Andrew Robert "Andy" W. Atkins
2021-2022	SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES	"Serve to Change Lives"	Evelyn "Bing" P. Tampus
2022-2023	:O: IMAGINE	"Imagine Rotary"	Francis Ian "Ian" A. Fedoc
	BENJAMIN M	I. GARCIA, Major Donor Level 3 District 3850 Governor Rotory Year 2018-2019	2







OTARY YEAR	RILOGO	RI THEME	CLUB PRESIDENT
1980-1981		"Take Time to Serve"	Gerardo "Gerry" Calaliman
1981-1982	Description of the last	"World Understanding and Peace Through Rotary"	Benjamin "Bing" M. Garcia
1982-1983	1	"Mankind is One-Build Bridges of Friendship Throughout the World"	Pedro "Pete" Torres
1983-1984		"Share Rotary - Serve People"	Tranquilino "Jun" Araral, Jr.
1984-1985	45	"Discover a New World of Service"	Bernardo "Jun" Dignadice, Jr.
1985-1986	6	"You are the Key"	Gerardo "Gerry" S. Cruz
1986-1987		"Rotory Brings Hope"	Perfecto "Pitok" Sueno, Jr.
1987-1988	- 99	"United in Service Dedicated to Peace"	Romula "Romy" Rafael"
1988-1989	Ž.	"Put Life in Rotary - Your Life"	Jose "Peps" Barroso
1989-1990	2	"Enjoy Rotary"	Benjamin "Ben" D. Pajaro
1991.	-	"Honor Rotary with Faith and Enthusiasm"	Claro "Caloy" Precioso
1991-1992	- Total	"Look Beyond Yourself"	Pio "Pio" Mariñas
1992-1993	***	"Real Happiness is Helping Others"	Nazario "Boy" Grecia Antonio "Tony" M. Vicente
1993-1994	Bases nature Denote in many is	"Believe In what You Can Do - Do what You Believe In"	Delfin "Bong" O. Riego de Dios
1994-1995	1	"Be A Friend"	Emmanuel "Manny" Reinoso
1995-1996	(**)	"Act with Integrity - Serve with Love - Work for Peace"	Edgardo "Ed" Barrios
1996-1997		"Build the Future with Action and Vision"	Loreta "Loring" C. Sy
1997-1998	10	"Show Rotary Cares"	Jose "Joe" Cagampang
1998-1999	•	"Follow Your Rotary Dream"	Arnold "Nonoy" G. Garcia
1999-2000	1	"Act with Consistency, Credibility, Continuity"	Alfredo "Fred" E. dela Peña
2000-2001	0	"Create Awareness Take Action"	Suzanne "Zanne" Araquil
2001-2002		"Mankind is Our Business"	Floro "Puyot" D. Calixton







Message from the Club President

Rtn. Ilah Marie L. Labrador, PHF



First of all, I would like to extend my deepest appreciation to the September celebrators who subsidized our dinner tonight. Thank you PDG Bing and Lady Nene, PP Tony Vicente, PP Lito Prudencio, Rtn. Josie Garcia, Rtn. Neneng de Jesus and Spouse Ivy Fedoc. I wish you all the best of everything and the years ahead.

Last September 23, 2023, we attended three (3) important activities. Early in the morning, we travelled to Alabel, Sarangani for the Bamboo Growing activity with the 12 Rotary Clubs in the Areas 3F, 3G and 3H. At 2:00 in the afternoon was the virtual Grants Management Seminar facilitated by the Rotary International District 3860. After the online training was the 6:00 in the evening 2nd Joint Induction Ceremonies of the Rotaract Club of Marbel and Rotaract Club of Korbel. It was a tight schedule but we managed to attend all. My heartfelt thanks to those who joined and supported me in attending the aforesaid activities and project.

However, for tonight, let us enjoy the fellowship as the September birthday and wedding anniversary celebrators shared their blessings to us. Thank you to our dynamic Club Treasurer and Past President Lito Prudencio who facilitated tonight's celebration. The hosting of monthly celebrators is a big help to the club especially when it comes to expenses. Thank you to all of you who supported this initiative. This is an avenue also to strengthen the relationship among the members particularly with the ones.

Thank you again for a great night and let's enjoy the celebration!









The Secretary's Report

Rtn. Janine C. Pring, PHF



- 1. I am pleased to report that the Rotary Clubs under Areas 3FGH in partnership with the Philippine Dental Association, Gensan Chapter; DENR-City Environment and Natural Resources Office (Gensan); General Santos Council of Rotaract Clubs; Koronadal Council of Rotaract Clubs, conducted the Bamboo Growing, a riverbank rehabilitation activity in caring and protecting Mother Earth. It was held at Maribulan, Alabel, Sarangani last September 23, 2023. I would like to thank Prexy Ilah Labrador, PAG Gerry Cruz and Spouse Neneng, PN Jun Fresco, Rtn. Dan Bumaras, Spouse Grace Vicente, Ms. Maria Anna Gabriel, and the Rotaractors who were with me during the said activity.
- 2. On September 23, 2023, the RI District 3860 conducted the Grants Management Seminar via Zoom. Let me thank those who attended the said activity and fortunately, 3 of the participants from our club won the raffle.
- 3. I would like to congratulate the new set of officers of the Rotaract Club of Marbel and Rotaract Club of Korbel during their 2nd Joint Induction ceremonies last September 23, 2023 held at the Function Hall of Macaba Resort, Brgy. Concepcion, City of Koronadal. The Rotaractors now officially enter another year of service for the Rotary Year 2023-2024.
- Finally, thank you to the following September celebrators who sponsored our sumptuous dinner tonight, to wit:
 - 1.) PDG Bing Garcia and Lady Nene
 - 2.) PP Tony Vicente
 - 3.) PP Lito Prudencio
 - 4.) Rtn. Josie Garcia
 - 5.) Rtn. Neneng de Jesus
 - 6.) Spouse Ivy Fedoc







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SEPTEMBER CELEBRATORS









September 5 Rtn. Josie Garcia

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September 9 Lady Nene Garcia

September 14 Spouse Ivy Fedoc

September 16 Rtn. Neneng de Jesus



September 19 **PP Tony Vicente**



September 25 PP Lito Prudencio



September 17 PDG Bing & Lady Nene Garcia

















































DOCUMENTED ACTIVITY

September 23, 2023: Bamboo Planting Activity at Maribulan, Alabel, Sarangani



September 23, 2023: 2nd Joint Induction of the Rotaract Club of Marbel and Rotaract Club of Korbel held at the Function Hall of Macado Resort, Brgy. Concepcion, City of Koronadal, South Cotabato

