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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THE FOUR-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

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





Rotary





























March 7, 2024









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 c	certifies that
(Name	<u> </u>
of the Rotary Club of	
has attended the club's General Mem	bership Meeting and Fellowship
on	held at Koronadal City, South
Cotabato, Philippines.	

RTN. RHEA E. SAVARIZ

Executive Secretary





26th General Membership Meeting and Fellowship

PROGRAM FLOW

PART I. Registration and Dinner

PART II. Meeting Proper

Call to Order RTN. ILAH MARIE L. LABRADOR, PHF

President, RY 2023-2024

Invocation Overture

Philippine National Anthem Overture

Rotary Hymn Overture

Where Hope is Planted Overture

Four-Way Test and Object of Rotary PP ROLAN A. ALAJAR

Agenda:

- 1. Updates re: Golf Tournament 2024: Swing for a Cause
- 2. Other matters

Discussion and Open Forum

Secretary's Report RTN. JANINE C. PRING, PHF

President-Elect, RY 2024-2025

Adjournment RTN. ILAH MARIE L. LABRADOR, PHF

President, RY 2023-2024

PART III. Fellowship

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Invocation

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires know, and from whom no secrets are hid; cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love You, and worthily magnify Your holy name, through our works in Rotary. Amen.



Inspiring Quote

so many doors, it is up to you which to open and which one to close.





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 long-term 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

MARCH 2024

R. Gordon R. MacInally

RI President 2023-2024

There are many pathways to peace, and in Rotary, we are fortunate to have Rotary Peace Fellows who demonstrate this truth time and again.

Each year, Rotary awards up to 130 fellowships for leaders around the world to study peace and development, and what these peace fellows learn prepares them to work in conflict prevention and resolution and promote Positive Peace. Here are a few examples of the creative ways peace fellows advance peace:

Promoting sustainability

Alejandra Rueda-Zarate combined her Rotary Peace Fellowship in peace and conflict resolution with her master's degree in energy and resources to support her dream of protecting the Colombian countryside. She founded the organization NES Naturaleza in 2011 to help farmers in Colombia and across rural Latin America gain access to knowledge and training to uphold sustainable farming standards. That support has improved the lives of nearly 4,500 farmers, inspiring many of them to become entrepreneurs. And it's helped promote both natural and social sustainability throughout Latin America.

Ending racism

Peace fellows Geoffrey Diesel and Kathy Doherty have applied their fellowships in peace and development studies toward co-founding the Racial Equity Project, a subcommittee of Rotary Positive Peace Activators in North America committed to studying ways to create a more peaceful society through anti-racism efforts. The Racial Equity Project takes a deep look into how the eight Pillars of Positive Peace could support efforts to address racism, and it works to spread this message to communities across North America. The organization

to address racism, and it works to spread this message to communities across North America. The organization initially grew from Rotary's strategic partnership with the Institute for Economics and Peace, a global think tank dedicated to promoting Positive Peace.

Managing disasters using data

Through a Rotary Peace Fellowship, Jamie LeSueur earned a master's degree in social science within peace and conflict research. He now leads emergency operations for the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies, setting a management and operational framework for agency collaboration in emergency response situations.

Jamie has found that research data is a powerful tool to bring calm to the complex world of disaster response. No matter what an organization's protocols might entail, letting research be the foundation for decision making helps clarify even the most complicated emergencies.

These stories — and hundreds like them — show how Rotary is creating a generation of leaders ready and able to build peace worldwide. Nearly 1,800 peace fellows have graduated from Rotary Peace Centers, and they are applying their craft in more than 140 countries.

May the continuing work of peace fellows and the Rotary members who support them inspire you to continue to *Create Hope in the World* through service, fundraising, and creative thinking.

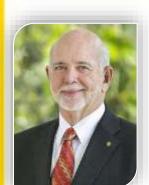
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Trustee's Chair Message

Barry Rassin

March 2024

Rotary's focus turns to two themes this month. March is Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene Month, and we celebrate World Rotaract Week 11-17 March. Both WASH and Rotaract are near and dear to me.

Clean water, basic sanitation, and proper hygiene are fundamental human rights, yet a staggering 2.2 billion people still lack access to safe drinking water.

We're taking action. Over the past decade, your Rotary Foundation has invested more than \$180 million in over 2,500 water and sanitation projects worldwide. Rotary is on the ground making a difference through global grant-supported projects funded by your contributions to the Foundation.

But Rotary can't do it alone. We have partnered with organizations like USAID to deliver large-scale solutions. The Rotary-USAID Partnership has helped thousands access water and sanitation services in the Dominican Republic, Ghana, the Philippines, and Uganda.

Our Foundation is the connector for other water partnerships, too. This was the case when I worked with leaders from Rotary District 7020 to set up the Haiti National Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene Initiative, known as HANWASH. Foundation grants continue to play a critical role in our strategy of working with nongovernmental organizations, municipalities, and government agencies in communities throughout Haiti.

Rotary efforts to connect people with clean water go beyond providing a basic necessity. We are paving the way for healthier communities and brighter futures, and doing so in a sustainable manner. With access to water, communities enhance education levels, improve health, and further development.

When we talk about partnerships, we can't forget our closest ally, right here in the family of Rotary: Rotaract. The engagement, energy, and ideas of Rotaract complement the experience of Rotary clubs and increase our collective impact.

Yet many Rotary members still do not know that, as of 2022, Rotaract club activities can be included in district grants, and they are eligible for global grants, expanding avenues for collaboration.

I encourage all Rotary and Rotaract clubs to foster closer collaboration and engagement in our Foundation, whether it's rolling up their sleeves on a project or giving.

We all know that in Rotary, great opportunities are always around the corner. When you combine water and sanitation projects, Rotaract, and the Foundation, all will become a big part of your life, as they have in mine — and not just this month, but forever.







ROTARY YEAR	RILOGO	RI THEME	CLUB PRESIDENT
2002-2003	Ŷ	"Sow the Seeds of Love"	Rolan "Rolan" A. Alajar
2003-2004		"Lend a Hand"	Roland "Roland" Asperga
2004-2005	10/17	"Celebrate Rotary"	Noel "Noel" M. Dungca'
2005-2006	SERVICE SHAPE SHAPE	"Service Above Self"	Camillo "Tato" L. Dajay
2006-2007	*	"Lead the Way"	Datu Tungko "Dats" M. Salkol
2007-2008	No.	"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" Hurtado
2010-2011	1	"Building Communities, Bridging Continents"	Juanito "Johnny" C. Cueva
2011-2012		"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. Preciose
2014-2015		"Light Up Rotary"	Leandro Ador "Ador" A. Dizon
2015-2016	-	"Be A Gift to the World"	Nolito "Lito" 8. Prudencio
2016-2017		"Rotary Serving Humanity"	Randy "Rhandz" S. Baldelovar
2017-2018	6	"Rotary: Making a Difference"	Jason Anthony "Jay" Y. Garcia
2018-2019	DE 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	MAGINE HOTARY	"Imagine Rotary"	Francis Ian "Ian" A. Fedoc
	BENJAMIN	A. GARCIA, Major Donor Level 3 District 3860 Governor Rotory Year 2018-2019 "Se the Inspiration"	2

The Moonplate Resto & Grill, Prk. Roamsceville, City of Koronadal







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Romulo "Romy" Rafael*
Jose "Peps" Barroso
Benjamin "Ben" D. Pajaro
Claro "Caloy" Precioso
Pio "Pio" Mariñas
Nazario "Boy" Grecia Antonio "Tony" M. Vicente
Delfin "Bong" O. Riego de Dios
Emmanuel "Manny" Reinoso
* Edgardo *Ed* Barrios
Loreta "Loring" C. Sy
Jose "Joe" Cagampang
Arnold "Nonoy" G. Garcia
Alfredo "Fred" E. dela Peña
Suzanne "Zanne" Araquil







Message from the Club President

Rtn. Ilah Marie L. Labrador, PHF



I would like to express my gratitude to everyone for their tremendous support and active involvement during the highly successful Rotary Week celebration 2024, commemorating the 119th Rotary International Anniversary. Your participation throughout the week-long event, from February 18 to 24, 2024, played a crucial role in making this celebration a resounding success. Whether through significant contributions or small gestures, each of you contributed to the overall success of the event, which we all thoroughly enjoyed.

The donation drive for the disaster victims in Davao Del Norte was a triumph. I extend my heartfelt thanks to all who donated and helped spread the word to their friends and families during our "call". The funds collected were used to purchase essential items for the affected areas and were delivered on February 25, 2024. This assistance initiative was named "Tabang para sa Davao del Norte: A Donation Drive for the Flood Victims." Rotarians and members of the Rotary family personally distributed over 70 packs of essential goods to families affected by the flood in the Braulio E. Dujali municipality of Davao del Norte. Below are some of the photos:





Thank you once more for your impactful contribution and for instilling hope within the community!











The Secretary's Report

Rtn. Janine C. Pring, PHF



The culmination of Rotary Week 2024 in General Santos City on February 24, 2024, was a delightful event brimming with cherished memories and happiness, especially during the celebration organized by Areas 3FGH. On the same day, Area 3H shared a heartwarming story on Facebook featuring Rotarian Past President Benjamin Pajaro and a beneficiary of the harelip project, now Rotaractor Lervianne Valerie Tabago, both interviewed by club President Ilah Marie Labrador.











ROTARY OBSERVATION MONTHS

























March 7, 2024

















MARCH CELEBRATORS





March 4 IPP Francis Ian Fedoc



March 7 Rtn. Fr. Joean Paez

March 8 **PAG Carlo Precioso**



March 23 Spouse Hen dela Peña





March 26 PP Tony & Spouse Grace Vicente



March 28 **PAG Carlo & Spouse Trixy Precioso**

7:30 PM The Moonplate Resto & Grill, Prk. Roamsceville, City of Koronadal

7:30 PM

























CREATE HOPE in the WORLD







March 7, 2024















DOCUMENTED ACTIVITY

February 22, 2024 | 25th General Membership Meeting and Fellowship







