# 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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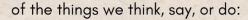








# THE FOUR-WAY TEST



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















































## **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 docume	ent certifies that
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of the Rotary Club of	
has attended the club's General M	Membership Meeting and Fellowship
on	held at Koronadal City, South
Cotabato, Philippines.	

RTN. RHEA E. SAVARIZ

Executive Secretary





# 31<sup>st</sup> 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 BENJAMIN D. PAJARO, PHF+1

#### Agenda:

- 1. Turnover of Water Purifiers to selected beneficiaries
- 2. DISCON 2024
- 3. RDLT 2024
- 4. 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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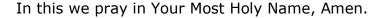






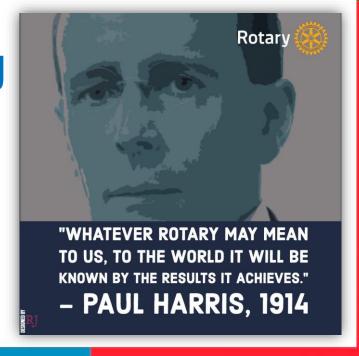
# Invocation

Father in heaven, we thank you for this moment as you have brought us together and allowed us to have this meeting with Rotary family and friends. On this day forward, we ask for your special blessings and days filled with hope, joy and optimism. Keep us strong in any circumstances that the world will bring.





# Inspiring Quote







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

**APRIL 2024** 

R. Gordon R. MacInally
RI President 2023-2024

These are times that cry out for peace. The Middle East is in its most volatile condition in years. The war in Ukraine is the largest in Europe since World War II, and there are armed conflicts in Sudan and parts of Central Africa. Nearly every continent is experiencing a major armed conflict.

Rotary has a vital role to play in advancing the cause of peace — I often say Rotary needs to work toward peace as aggressively as those who wish to wage war. It's the spirit found in our vision statement: "Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change — across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves." We must never lose track of that last call — that to bring about change in the world, we need to foster change within.

It is up to us to model peacebuilding behavior among each other. We can do better than questioning the motives of one another and jumping to the harshest possible explanation. After hearing words that might strain or offend us, we have an opportunity to ask, with compassion and curiosity, the intent of those offending words. And then we have another opportunity to repair the breach.

If we wish to be a beacon to the world, let us start by being so to one another. Let's help each other find greater understanding and productive alternatives to words that cause hurt and distrust. And let's stick to our principles, but never doubt the sincerity of each other to end conflicts, not inflame them.

I'm reminded of a speech that U.S. Senator Robert Kennedy made on 4 April 1968, that dreadful day when the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. was assassinated. Kennedy was in Indianapolis speaking to an audience in a predominantly African American neighborhood where people had yet to learn that Dr. King had been killed.

He shared the terrible news. He honored Dr. King for all he had done for the cause of justice and peace. And then he connected with the fuming, grieving crowd by saying: "For those of you who are Black and are tempted to be filled with hatred and distrust at the injustice of such an act, against all white people, I can only say that I feel in my own heart the same kind of feeling. I had a member of my family killed." It was the first time he had spoken publicly about President John F. Kennedy's assassination. And while many American cities exploded in violence that night, Indianapolis did not.

It is in times of crisis and despair that we need empathy most of all. Empathy is the most powerful tool of peace, and it is vital if we are to take the first brave, humble steps to *Create Hope in the World*.









# Trustee's Chair Message

Barry Rassin

**April 2024** 

For many, the Bahamas is a place to escape colder climes, relax on whitesand beaches, and snorkel in clear, turquoise waters. For me, it's home. I grew up sailing on these waters and to this day, anytime I can, I am out on the water with family and friends. It's where my heart is.

The environmental threats my country is facing are real. Our coral reefs, vital for biodiversity, are in danger due to warming seas and pollution.

Hurricanes and tropical storms seem to get more intense with each passing year. Rising sea levels pose an existential threat to the Bahamas, eroding our beautiful coastlines as saltwater intrudes on our precious and limited freshwater resources.

Late last year, I was fortunate to represent Rotary at COP28, the United Nations climate change convention in Dubai, United Arab Emirates. The consensus coming out of the meeting was that progress on addressing climate change has been too slow. Participants said the world needs to pick up the pace to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, help communities become more resilient to climate change, and better support countries that are most vulnerable to it. Rotary can be part of the solution.

As you know, protecting the environment is one of Rotary's areas of focus. Many clubs are active in their communities with projects such as beach and roadside cleanups. With The Rotary Foundation, you can increase your impact by pooling resources with clubs and districts around the world. Foundation grants let you put the generous contributions of your fellow Rotary members to work to make the world better.

Imagine the possibilities. Perhaps Rotary districts in Canada and Australia could protect wetlands in New South Wales in Australia. Rotary leaders from Brazil, India, and Taiwan could lead grant projects to train farmers in the Indian state of Andhra Pradesh in sustainable agriculture. Rotary and Rotaract clubs from the Bahamas, South Africa, and New York could work with their districts to help my country restore its natural resources, one reef or mangrove at a time.

The problems our environment faces seem overwhelming until you realize that many are fixable. There are so many ways to help through Rotary. Even if we don't lead a grant or volunteer on the project, we can all help protect the environment through our giving to the Foundation.

Rotary can't save the planet all by itself. But as our progress in ending polio proves, Rotary's impact is great when we put our vision for a better world in motion, and just get started.







ROTARY YEAR	RI LOGO	RI THEME	CLUB PRESIDENT
2002-2003	A STATE OF THE PARTY OF THE PAR	"Sow the Seeds of Love"	Rolan "Rolan" A. Alajar
2003-2004	Level a Hand	"Lend a Hand"	Roland "Roland" Asperga
2004-2005	CELEBRATE ROTALXY	"Celebrate Rotary"	Noel "Noel" M. Dungca⁺
2005-2006	SERVICE Above Self	"Service Above Self"	Camilo "Toto" L. Dajay
2006-2007		"Lead the Way"	Datu Tungko "Dats" M. Saikol
2007-2008		"Rotary Shares"	Mark Marie "Mark" G. Bantug
2008-2009	Make Breams Real	"Make Dreams Real"	Jessie "Jessie" P. Cruz
2009-2010	The service of cooks	"The Future of Rotary is in Your Hands"	Marie Antonina "Junette" Hurtado
2010-2011	BUILDING COMMUNITIES INDICATE CONTINUATES	"Building Communities, Bridging Continents"	Juanito "Johnny" C. Cueva
2011-2012		"Reach Within to Embrace Humanity"	Leodegario "Leo" R. Santos, Jr.
2012-2013	Peace	"Peace Through Service"	Antonio "Tony" M. Vicente
2013-2014	The state of the s	"Engage Rotary Change Lives"	Carlo "Carlo" S. Precioso
2014-2015		"Light Up Rotary"	Leandro Ador "Ador" A. Dizon
2015-2016	To a gift to the world	"Be A Gift to the World"	Nolito "Lito" B. Prudencio
2016-2017	ROTARY SERVING HUMANITY	"Rotary Serving Humanity"	Randy "Rhandz" S. Baldelovar
2017-2018	SCHAPP: MARRING A DIFFERINCE	"Rotary: Making a Difference"	Jason Anthony "Jay" Y. Garcia
2018-2019	BE THE INSPIRATION	"Be the Inspiration"	Leween Jan "Leween" P. Santos
2019-2020	WILLIAM COMMENTS	"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	IMAGINE ROTARY	"Imagine Rotary"	Francis Ian "Ian" A. Fedoc
	BENJAMIN M	I. GARCIA, Major Donor Level 3 District 3860 Governor Rotary Year 2018–2019 "Be the Inspiration"	

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1980-1981		"Take Time to Serve"	Gerardo "Gerry" Calaliman
1981-1982	The Branch And	"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	Serve Progle	"Share Rotary - Serve People"	Tranquilino "Jun" Araral, Jr.
1984-1985	Name of the Bod of Starte Start	"Discover a New World of Service"	Bernardo "Jun" Dignadice, Jr.
1985-1986	<b>*</b>	"You are the Key"	Gerardo "Gerry" S. Cruz
1986-1987		"Rotary Brings Hope"	Perfecto "Pitok" Sueno, Jr.
1987-1988	ROTAGIAN- SHITLIN MINICE STRUMON TO PIACO	"United in Service Dedicated to Peace"	Romulo "Romy" Rafael†
1988-1989	7	"Put Life in Rotary - Your Life"	Jose "Peps" Barroso
1989-1990		"Enjoy Rotary"	Benjamin "Ben" D. Pajaro
1991.	<b>1</b>	"Honor Rotary with Faith and Enthusiasm"	Claro "Caloy" Precioso
1991-1992	Local Beyond Yourself	"Look Beyond Yourself"	Pio "Pio" Mariñas
1992-1993	TA MA	"Real Happiness is Helping Others"	Nazario "Boy" Grecia Antonio "Tony" M. Vicente
1993-1994	Believe in what you do  Do what you believe in	"Believe In what You Can Do - Do what You Believe In"	Delfin "Bong" O. Riego de Dios
1994-1995	2	"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	Now have Gare	"Show Rotary Cares"	Jose "Joe" Cagampang
1998-1999	CUNIV. ACTIANT. DREAM	"Follow Your Rotary Dream"	Arnold "Nonoy" G. Garcia
1999-2000		"Act with Consistency, Credibility, Continuity"	Alfredo "Fred" E. dela Peña
2000-2001	TAME ACTION	"Create Awareness Take Action"	Suzanne "Zanne" Araquil







# Message from the Club President

Rtn. Ilah Marie L. Labrador, PHF



#### Greetings!

The District Conference 2024 is drawing near, and I urge all members to consider attending. The district has issued a challenge for all Presidents to ensure at least 10 participants from each club attend this significant event. The regular rate is in effect until April 25, 2024, with fees set at P6,500 for Rotarians and P5,500 for Spouses. If you require any assistance with registration, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Congratulations once again to PDG Bing Garcia, IAG Evelyn Tampus, President-Elect Janine Pring, and Secretary-Elect Jun Fresco from District 3860 for successfully completing and attending the DTA and PETS-SETS 2024.

We would like to express our sincere gratitude to PDG Bing Garcia, Spouse Grace Vicente, PP Jessie Cruz, and SE Janine Pring for their generous financial support that will be enabled two incoming Rotaractors to attend the Rotaract District Leadership Training (RDLT) 2024 at Hotel de Fides in Tacloban City on April 19-21, 2024.

Also, we will discuss tonight about the schedule and other preparations for the turnover of water purifiers to the selected schools. Some if not all of the items were slowly but surely delivered in Koronadal City under the care of PAG Gerry Cruz. There will be upcoming guests during the said activity thus, I wish your presence as well.

Thank you for your attendance tonight and see you all in the succeeding meetings. We have still two months ahead before the new Rotary Year.

April 18, 2024











# The Secretary's Report

Rtn. Janine C. Pring, PHF



- 1. The District Training Assembly (DTA) and Presidents-Elect and Secretaries-Elect Training Seminar (PETS-SETS) took place from April 11-13, 2024 in Dumaguete City. Congratulations to PDG Benjamin Garcia as the incoming Council on Legislation Representative for District 3860, PP Evelyn Tampus as the incoming Assistant Governor for Area 3H Rotary Clubs, President-Elect Janine Pring, and Secretary-Elect Jun Fresco for successfully completing this crucial training to prepare for their upcoming terms of office for the Rotary Year 2024-2025.
- 2. Please see below information for details regarding your attire and other preparations for RC Marbel's 45th Induction and Handover Ceremonies.

Date : August 3, 2024 : Magic of Rotary Theme Attire : Something Magical

> Ladies: Bright-colored dress/gown Gentlemen: Bright-colored formal wear

3. Thank you to those who attended to the 30<sup>th</sup> General Membership Meeting and Fellowship held on April 11, 2024 at the Moonplate Grill and Resto, City

of Koronadal.







#### **ROTARY OBSERVATION MONTHS**





















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## **APRIL CELEBRATORS**





April 4 Pres. Ilah Labrador



April 5 Spouse Sherill Atkins



April 8 Spouse Nancy Adalin



April 22 Rtn. Dan Bumaras



April 25 PP Mark Bantug



PP Andy & Spouse Sherill



April 14













MARIEL, PHF

Government Banking

PRECIOSO, CARLOS.,

Spouse: Trixy, PHF

School Administration

- Primary

SAVARIZ RHEAE.

Spouse: Jay

Government Service -

Higher Education

VALERO, SHEENA

**FANTILANO** 

Government Service -

Legal













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**Public Image** 

**JASON** 

**ANTHONY** 

Y. GARCIA Youth Service



DANIEL NORR G.

**BUMARAS** 

Digital

Transformation Officer

**CAMILO** 

L.DAJAY

**Vocational Service** 



**ROLAN** 

A. ALAJAR







**OUR CLUB MEMBERS** 

ATKINS, ANDREW

ROBERT W., PHF

Spouse: Sherill

Social Work





Medicine - Nephrology

BALDELOVAR, RANDY

S., PHF

Spouse: Theresa

Life Insurance





BANTUG, MARK MARIE

G., PHF+5

Spouse: Elizabeth,

PHF

Chemical Sales &

Distribution



CHIU, CHRISTIAN VALEEN R., PHF Spouse: Jillian Distribution - IT



Management Services



CRUZ, JESSIE P., PHF13 Spouse: Nemia Pawnshop



Architecture

Spouse: Gertrudes Medicine - General



Fuel Sales & Distribution



DE JESUS, JOSE MARI B., PHF Spouse: Arianne Pauline Printing Services



DELA PEÑA, ALFREDO E., PHF.6 Spouse: Maria Henrietta, PHF Real Estate Development



LEONARD T., PHF Government Service-Social Welfare

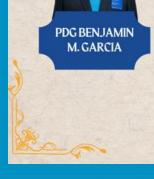


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GARCIA, BENJAMIN M., MAJOR DONOR LEVEL 3 Spouse: Virginia, Major Donor Level 3 Telecommunication Services







**LEWEEN JAN** 

P. SANTOS

















# **DOCUMENTED ACTIVITY**

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