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President's Page



November is Rotary Foundation (TRF) Month—a time when we are reminded of the power of collective generosity and the lasting impact of our contributions. Through TRF, Rotary continues to change lives across the world by supporting education, promoting peace, improving health, and responding swiftly to communities in need. Every peso we contribute becomes a seed of hope for someone, somewhere.

This spirit of service was clearly demonstrated by our club this month. When Typhoon struck Cebu, we immediately heeded the call for compassion. Thanks to the overwhelming generosity of our members, partners, and friends, we were able to collect more than six balikbayan boxes filled with essential relief items. Your kindness is a beacon of hope to families rebuilding their lives. Thank you for showing what it truly means to be People of Action.

On November 6, our commitment to supporting young learners continued as we conducted an outreach program for the IP children of Cebuano Elementary School, Mambusong, Tupi. We distributed educational and hygiene kits and taught them basic oral education and proper hygiene—simple lessons that can create lifelong positive habits. This activity was made even more meaningful through our supplemental feeding program in partnership with Malaya House Church (MHC), ensuring that the children received both learning and nourishment.

As we celebrate TRF Month, may we all be inspired to continue giving, serving, and uplifting. Our small acts of kindness, when put together, create waves of change. Thank you, RCP 101 for your unwavering dedication to service above self.

Yours in Rotary Service,
Prexy Gina de Guzman



EDITOR'S NOTE

November—A Month to Honor The Rotary Foundation



Every November, Rotary clubs around the world shine a spotlight on The Rotary Foundation (TRF)—the heart of Rotary's service and the lifeline of our humanitarian work. TRF may sound like a big, formal organization, but in simple terms, it is Rotary's savings bank for doing good. Every time we give, no matter how small, we help change lives.

Why should members contribute to TRF? Because our donations come back to us in the form of grants that support our own projects—whether it's providing clean water, helping schools, supporting health programs, responding to disasters, or funding peace and education initiatives. TRF multiplies what we give and turns it into bigger opportunities to serve.

Through the Foundation, Rotary has vaccinated billions of children against polio, built communities up from hardship, supported scholars who become leaders, and reached places where help is most needed. And all of this is possible because ordinary members—like us—choose to give. Supporting TRF is not just a donation. It is an investment in hope, in people, and in a better world. When we give, we make it possible for Rotary to continue doing what it does best: creating lasting change in our communities and beyond.

This November, may we be reminded that every peso we share becomes part of something bigger. Together, let's keep the spirit of giving alive. Together, let's continue doing good through The Rotary Foundation.

May Urbano

Editor-in-Chief

Message from TRF Director:

by: PP Rogelio Rallos, Jr



WHAT IS THE ROTARY FOUNDATION?

The Rotary Foundation is the very heart of Rotary's service. It is the arm of Rotary that turns our goodwill into action—transforming our contributions into projects that save lives, build peace, and uplift communities around the world.

Through The Rotary Foundation, we are able to fight diseases, provide clean water, support education, protect mothers and children, and respond quickly to disasters. It is also the driving force behind global initiatives such as the fight to end polio—one of the greatest humanitarian efforts in history.

What makes TRF truly special is how it works. Every donation, small or big, is carefully managed and eventually returns to our districts in the form of grants that allow us to carry out meaningful and sustainable projects. When we give, we make Rotary stronger. When we give, we create hope.

As we observe TRF Month, I encourage each member to continue supporting The Rotary Foundation. Your contribution is more than a donation—it is an investment in a better, kinder, and more compassionate world.

Together, let us keep “Doing Good in the World.”





TREASURER'S PAGE

by: PP Gladys Balano



Each November, we celebrate The Rotary Foundation (TRF) – the heart of Rotary's service. TRF is the reason we are able to bring clean water to communities, help children stay healthy, support education, and uplift families who need hope the most.

Every peso we give to TRF comes back to us in the form of grants and projects that directly benefit our own community. It is like planting a seed: what we give grows into life-changing programs – from medical missions, disaster response, to scholarships and peace initiatives. The impact becomes bigger than what we can do alone.

For our club, contributing to TRF is not just a responsibility – it is a commitment to making our service sustainable. When members give, even in small amounts, we strengthen the very foundation that allows Rotary to continue its mission for generations.

Supporting TRF is supporting our community. It is investing in a better future. And together, our contributions ensure that "Doing Good in the World" is not just a slogan, but a promise we fulfill every year.





ROSTER OF MEMBERS

NAME

CLASSIFICATION

ALFECHE, NIEVEN MAY, V.	PHF	HOSPITAL SERVICES; CEO SECRETARY
BALANO, GLADYS D.	PHF	REGISTRAR; PRIVATE SCHOOL
BAYAN, XAVIER J.	PHF+3	LAW; GENERAL PRACTICE
CASTANIAGA, LANI S.	PHF	MANAGEMENT, GOVERNMENT BANK
DE GUZMAN, GINA A.	*RFSM+3	EDUCATION; TERTIARY
DEYPALAN, MELANII G.	PHF	DENTAL SERVICES; ORTHODONTICS
GALLINERO, OMAR S.	PHF+1	MANAGEMENT; PHOTOGRAPHY
GRIÑO, CELEMA I.	PHF	DENTAL SERVICES; HOSPITAL
INES, ALAN M.	PHF	ADMINISTRATION; PRIVATE SCHOOL
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JANDIC, DARNIE F.	PHF+1	MANAGEMENT; SPA
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LABAJO, HANNAH C.	EREY	JUNIOR EXECUTIVE MARKETING
LUIG, RHODORA J.	RFSM+1	MANAGEMENT; DRY GOODS DISTRIBUTION
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RALLOS, ROGELIO, JR A.	PHF+7	MEDICAL SUPPLIES DISTRIBUTION
SABELLANO, IVIE L.	PHF	MANAGEMENT; GOVERNMENT BANK
TEOXON, MALOU A.	PHF	MANAGEMENT; TRAVEL & TOURS
TITO, RUTCIE L.	RFSM+1	MANAGEMENT; RESTAURANT CAFE
TONGUIA, TOMAS JR.	PHF	MANAGEMENT; RICE DEALER
URBANO, MAYVELYN G.	PHF+2	MANAGEMENT; FASTFOOD RESTAURANT

NEW MEMBERS

ALERTA-NG, DAY	ACCOUNTANT
CABARABAN, ROYME	MANAGEMENT; PRIVATE BANK
ORBESIDO, VLADEMIR	ENGINEERING
YBAÑEZ, JOEL	PRIVATE LAW

HONORARY MEMBERS

AMBAT, MILBERT
ROGERS, LIZA

*PHF- PAUL HARRIS FELLOW

*RFSM- ROTARY FOUNDATION SUSTAINING MEMBER

Polomolok 101

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HALL OF PAST PRESIDENTS



CP OMAR GALLINERO

PHF+1

RY 2005-2006



PP ESPIE MALIWAT

RFSM+2

RY 2006-2007



PAG ALAN INES

PHF+1

RY 2007-2008



PP ROGELIO RALLOS JR

PHF+7

RY 2008-2009



PP MARIBEL ACUESTA

PHF

RY 2009-2010



PP XAVIER BAYAN

PHF+3

RY 2010-2011



GRACE SALAZAR

RFSM

RY 2011-2012



REY TRASPORTO

RFSM

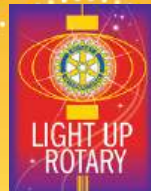
2012-2013



BENHUR DAPANAS

RFSM

2013-2014



PP REX MACHAN

RFSM

RY 2014-2015



PP CELEMA GRIÑO

PHF

RY 2015-2016



PAG MAYVELYN URBANO

PHF+2

RY 2016-2017



PP GLADYS BALANO

PHF

RY 2017-2018



PP MELANI DEYPALAN

PHF

RY 2018-2019



PP FANNY FERNANDEZ

PHF

RY 2019-2020



PP NIEVEN MAY ALFECHE

PHF

RY 2020-2021



HALL OF PAST PRESIDENTS





TULONG PARA SA CEBU: A COLLECTIVE ACT OF COMPASSION

By PAG MAY URBANO



In a moving display of unity and generosity, our club successfully concluded the donation drive “Tulong para sa Cebu”, extending much-needed support to families affected by the typhoon in the region. We extend our deepest and most heartfelt gratitude to all our generous donors, with special appreciation to the Rotary Club of Dadiangas for their support. Thanks to your kindness and swift response, we gathered more than six balikbayan boxes filled with essential items—each box representing hope, care, and love for our brothers and sisters in Cebu. Every contribution, big or small, has become a powerful reminder of the compassion and solidarity that define our community. These boxes are now carefully packed and ready for shipment, carrying not only goods but also the collective warmth and concern of everyone who shared in this mission. Thank you for standing with us. Together, we have once again proven that when hearts unite for a purpose, we can make a meaningful and lasting difference.

Tips on Buying Christmas Gifts for Your Christmas Party

by PP Bel Acuesta

Choosing the perfect Christmas gift for an exchange gift or holiday party doesn't have to be stressful. With a little thought and creativity, you can find something meaningful, useful, and fun—without breaking the bank. Here are some simple tips to help you pick the right gift this season:



1. **Set a Budget** Most Christmas parties have a price range for gifts. Stick to the limit and find something that's worth its value. A thoughtful item doesn't have to be expensive.
2. **Go for Useful Items** Practical gifts are always appreciated. Think of items people can use daily—mugs, tumblers, desk organizers, self-care sets, or small gadgets.
3. **Choose Something Universal.** If you don't know who will receive your gift, pick something that fits all ages and genders. Snacks, scented candles, notebooks, or holiday-themed goodies are safe and enjoyable choices.
4. **Add a Personal Touch.** A simple ribbon, cute wrapper, or handwritten note can make even a simple gift feel special. Presentation adds charm!
5. **Think Fun!** Christmas parties are all about joy. Funny gifts, novelty items, or small games can bring laughter and make the exchange more memorable. This Christmas, remember that it's the thought and spirit of giving that count the most. Happy gift hunting and enjoy the party!





CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES RY2025-26

by: PP Cel I. Griño

JULY

MATERNAL & CHILD
HEALTH

AUGUST

MEMBERSHIP
& NEW CLUB
DEVELOPMENT

SEPTEMBER

BASIC EDUCATION
& LITERACY

OCTOBER

COMMUNITY
ECONOMIC &
DEVELOPMENT

NOVEMBER

Rotary Foundation

DECEMBER

Disease
Prevention
& Treatment

JANUARY

Vocational
Service

FEBRUARY

Peacebuilding
& Conflict
Resolution

MARCH

Water,
Sanitation
& Hygiene

APRIL

Environment

MAY

Youth Service
DiSCON- CEBU

JUNE

Rotary Fellowship
RI Convention-Taipei

SEVEN AREAS OF FOCUS COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

BASIC EDUCATION & LITERACY– PRES. GINA DE GUZMAN/RTN VLADEMIR ORBESIDO

DISEASE PREVENTION & TREATMENT– PP MEL DEYPALAN/PP BEL ACUESTA

COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT– RTN RYNELL ILETO/RTN DAY ALERTA-NG

WATER & SANITATION– IPP TOMMY TONGUIA, JR/RTN ROYME CABARABAN

MATERNAL & CHILD– RTN DOLORES LABAJA/RTN RHODORA LUIG

PEACE & CONFLICT RESOLUTION– PAG ALAN INES/PP XVIER BAYAN

ENVIRONMENT– PP WANG RALLOS/PE RUTCIE TITO

Strength Begins With Self-Love

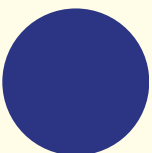
Throughout the ups and downs of life,
You must keep yourself in mind,
You are in need of self love and care,
To yourself, you should be kind.
Sometimes it's hard to prioritise your needs,
When there is so much going on,
But, to look after your own wellbeing
Helps to keep your resolve strong .
Reward yourself with time out,
To do the things that make you smile.
You are as important as everyone else,
So, remind yourself, once in a while.
These joyful moments you gift yourself,
Will help to strengthen your reserves,
Your full capacity can be reached,
When you receive what your soul deserves.
Being kind to yourself is imperative,
Who knows, what waits around each bend,
By taking care of yourself, in the present,
You are prepared, for what the future, may send ..



NOVEMBER *Activities*



NOVEMBER *Meetings*





**16th Membership Meeting
& Fellowship Night
November 20, 2025/ 6:30pm
Brader's Cafe Conference Room**

Call to Order

Invocation

Phil. National Anthem

Rotary Hymn

**The Rotarian Pledge/
& 4 Way Test**

Reading of Minutes

President's Time

Open Forum

Adjournment

Pres. Gina de Guzman

Rtn Rhoda Luig

AVP

AVP

Rtn Day Alerta-Ng

PP Gladys Balano

Pres. Gina de Guzman

Pres. Gina de Guzman

Moderator- PP Wang Rallos

Invocation



Heavenly Father,

We humbly come before You tonight with hearts filled with gratitude and joy. Thank You for the blessings of Rotary, for the gift of friendship, and for the noble opportunity to serve others. We are grateful for the chance to gather once more as brothers and sisters in fellowship, united by our shared purpose of service above self.

May this meeting be more than just an exchange of ideas—may it be an expression of our commitment to make a difference, to serve with sincerity, and to extend compassion to those who are in need.

Bless our discussions tonight. May our minds be enlightened with wisdom, our hearts be open with understanding, and our words be spoken with kindness. May every decision we make reflect not only fairness but also Your will, bringing forth actions that inspire hope and positive change.

All these we entrust into Your loving hands, confident that You will continue to journey with us in all that we do. We offer this prayer in the most precious name of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Rotarian Pledge

I am a Rotarian. I will always uphold the truth.

I am a Rotarian. I will always strive to be fair in all my dealings with my fellow human beings.

I am a Rotarian. I will always endeavor to build goodwill and understanding in my community. Among my countrymen, and among peoples of all nations.

I am a Rotarian. I will always seek to promote the greatest good for the greatest number of people in the spirit of Rotary service.

I am a Rotarian. I will observe this year's theme "Unite for Good" and Rotary International's motto: Service Above Self.

Rotary



The Four-Way Test

of what we think, say or do

1. Is it the truth?
2. Is it fair to all concerned?
3. Will it build good will and better friendships?
4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

Sunshine Greetings



The Rotary Club of Polomolok 101: A Legacy of Service



The Rotary Club of Polomolok 101 was officially chartered by Rotary International on August 31, 2005, through the dedicated efforts of its mother club, the Rotary Club of Midtown General Santos. While initial attempts to establish a Rotary club in Polomolok began as early as February 2003, it was only in January 2005 that persistence bore fruit. With the support of Rotary Club of Midtown General Santos, Omar Gallinero was appointed as the club's Charter President, leading 25 charter members from diverse professional backgrounds. The club was established under the leadership of then-District Governor Len Magno of District 3860.

The number 101 in the club's name holds special significance. First, it marks the club's founding during Rotary International's 101st anniversary. Second, it represents the club's distinction as the 101st chartered club under District 3860.

Registered under District 3860, Area 2F with Club Number 70517, the Rotary Club of Polomolok 101 continues to thrive, powered by a dedicated team of 26 committed individuals who embody the spirit of service above self.

Mission Statement

The mission of Rotary International is to provide service to others, promote integrity, and advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through its fellowship of business, professional, and community leaders.

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."

Important Events



Rotary
District 3860



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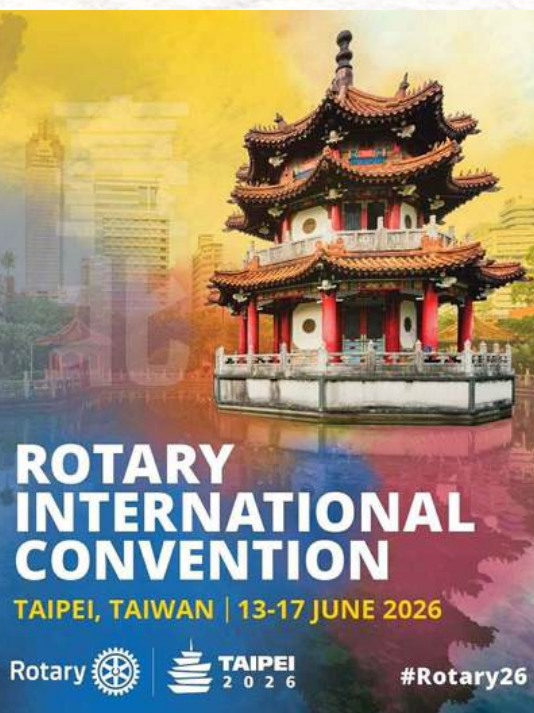
DISCON 2026
DISTRICT CONFERENCE
May 29-31, 2026 | NUSTAR Resort Cebu, Cebu City

Rotary
Zone 1B, 9 & 10



2025
Genting
Highlands
Rotary Institute

28th - 30th NOVEMBER 2025 | GENTING INTERNATIONAL
CONVENTION CENTRE, MALAYSIA



**ROTARY
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CONVENTION**

TAIPEI, TAIWAN | 13-17 JUNE 2026

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AND SCHOOL LARGESSES FEES

ENTRANTS FEES: TUITION FEES,
AND SCHOOL LARGESSES FEES

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ENTRANTS FEES, TUITION FEES,
AND SCHOOL LARGESSES FEES

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