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# GOLDEN ROTA NEWS



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**Rotary**  
Club



## EDITOR'S NOTE:

**ARTEMIO IAN D. PALIJO III**  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF



Rotary Connects The World: this rotary years theme aims to lead and live as an inspiration to humanities. We connect passionate people with diverse perspectives to exchange ideas, forge lifelong friendships, and, above all, take action to change the world.

The Rotanews of Rotary club of Tagum North provides information and activities of the club. This is also one of our avenue to provide information to people of the different activities and information about Rotary.

Similarly, in the human society, civilisation can evolve only if people with the right thought and right action pool in their resources together to move towards the right direction. When an engineer takes care of the construction of the new cellphone tower, he needs the cooperation of the associate engineers, product suppliers, transporters, people in the vicinity of the tower and of course, his friends and family. Once again, we are talking about togetherness making a difference.

When people come together for the right purpose and under the right leadership, what results is sheer magic. Right values are necessary if togetherness or unity is to yield the right results.

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## CLUB PROFILE



|                        |  |
|------------------------|--|
| Date Chartered         | December 09, 1988  |
| Sponsor Club           | Rotary Club of Tagum   |
| Charter President      | Seng Beng "Danny" Lee+   |
| Club No.               | 26110  |
| Current No. of Members | 33   |
| Meets every            | Tuesday @ 7:00 P.M.  |
| Meeting Place          | Miko's Brew  |
| Business Adress        | Apokon Road, Tagum City<br>CTC Business Center,<br>Rizal St., Tagum City |

## EDITORIAL BOARD

|                  |                                |
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### The Cover

The Golden ROTANEWS cover showcases Rotary Club of Tagum North President Renie P. Siscon during the club End Polio Now 1 hour live TV guesting during the Kapihan with its topic End Polio awareness Campaign at PTV 48 and 91.1 Radyo ng Bayan

# Editorial

October

*Economic and Community Development is one such area of focus that Rotary has asked all clubs to focus on, especially in October. What is your club doing?*



## What is Breast Cancer Awareness Month?

It is a worldwide annual campaign taking place in October, involving thousands of organizations, to highlight the importance of breast awareness, education and research. During Breast Cancer Awareness Month, Breast Cancer Now aim to get as many people as possible involved in raising awareness and funds to help support our life-saving research and life-changing support. This Breast Cancer Awareness Month do something great – make life-saving research happen by supporting wear it pink.

## What else can you do?

There are plenty of other ways to get involved and support our work during Breast Cancer Awareness Month and beyond. From campaigning to help women get access to the breast cancer drugs they need, to sharing information women need to know about checking their breasts, your support will help to reach the day when breast cancer has claimed its last life.

## Rotary Club of Tagum North

Council Member : Provincial Advisory Council Davao del Norte  
Provincial Police Office  
Council Member : Provincial Disaster Risk Reduction and  
Management Council of Davao del Norte  
Council Member : Local School Board – Tagum City  
Council Member : Pink Tagum

# Program

## 16th Regular Weekly Meeting Miko's Brew, Tagum City October 15, 2019

|  |                               |
|--|-------------------------------|
| Call to Order                                  | Pres. Renie P. Siscon,PHF     |
| Invocation                                     | AVP                           |
| National Anthem                                | AVP                           |
| Reaffirmation of Object of Rotary & 4 Way Test | Rtn. Michael Bryan A. Briones |
| Introduction of Visiting Guests & Rotarians    | Rtn. Dexter C. Consolacion    |
| Fellowship Song                                | PP Charles Aldwin M. Carpio   |
| Secretary's Report                             | Sec. Marlou P. Fulo,RFSM4     |
| Treasurer's Report                             | PAG Arnold M. Nicolas,PHF+6   |
| Presidents Time                                | Pres. Renie P. Siscon,PHF     |
| Adjournment                                    | Pres. Renie P. Siscon,PHF     |
| Emcee  | Rtn. Norman Adlawan           |

## Updates:

Pink Tagum Series of Event  
End Polio Immunization  
End Polio Now Fun Raising



**END  
POLIO  
FOREVER**





## RY 2019-2020 OFFICERS



**Mark Daniel Maloney**  
Rotary International President  
RY 2019 - 2020



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District Governor, District 3860  
RY 2019-2020



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RY 2019-2020



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Auditor



**PP Charles Aldwin M. Carpio, PHF+2**  
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New Generation Chair



**PP Ronald S. Bordios, PHF**  
Club Administration



**Kenric Jay Z. Tagorda, RFSM3**  
Service Project



**PPP Ramel A. Lintuan, PHF+2**  
Rotary Foundation



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Public Image Chair



**Jess M. Osorio, RFSM2**  
International Service Director



**IPP Neal Ararao**  
Protocol Officer



**PAG Glenn A. Pono, PHF+8**  
Club Adviser





## **Mark Daniel Maloney**

President 2019-20

**October 2019**

Rotary's long-term, sustained battle against polio has defined our organization for decades. We have a right to be proud of all that we have accomplished through the years.

Our progress is real and noteworthy. In 1988, polio was endemic in 125 countries, with more than 350,000 new cases a year worldwide. Since then, Rotary and our Global Polio Eradication Initiative partners have reduced the incidence of polio by more than 99.9 percent, vaccinated more than 2.5 billion children against the virus, and prevented 18 million cases of paralysis. Over the years, Rotary has helped country after country move into the polio-free column. This includes India, which some considered impossible not long ago. Of the three types of poliovirus, type 2 has been eradicated and type 3 could soon be certified as eradicated. Nigeria has not reported a case of wild poliovirus in nearly three years. If this trend holds, we will be down to just one type of wild poliovirus in only one section of the world, Afghanistan and Pakistan.

There are major challenges in that region. But it is crucial that we remain optimistic. Look at all that we have accomplished so far. This is no time to get discouraged or to think that the task is impossible. We will end polio forever, but only if we remain steadfast and vigilant. World Polio Day is a time for Rotarians from all over the globe to come together, recognize the progress we have made in our fight against polio, and plan the action we must take to end polio forever. The key word is action, because we still have important work to do.

This year, we want to see as many Rotary clubs as possible holding World Polio Day events around the world. Need some ideas? How about organizing a viewing party for friends and club members to watch Rotary's Online Global Update? You could also dedicate a club meeting to World Polio Day or create a fundraising event. Remember, every dollar raised is matched 2-to-1 by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

Once you have created an event, register it at [endpolio.org/register-your-event](http://endpolio.org/register-your-event). Then promote it using the World Polio Day toolkit, available at [endpolio.org/world-polio-day](http://endpolio.org/world-polio-day).

Mark your calendar to tune in to Rotary's World Polio Day Online Global Update on 24 October. This year we will stream our program on Facebook in multiple time zones around the world. Visit the Rotary International Facebook page to RSVP to your region's program. And do not forget to follow the event on social media and share it with your network.

When we reach our goal, polio will become only the second human disease eradicated on the planet, and Rotary will receive international acclaim. But what matters most is the children who will never again have to face this terrible, disabling virus. Rotary must continue to connect the world in the effort toward polio eradication. It is up to us. Let us finish the job.

## Trustee chair's message

October 2019



**Gary C.K. Huang**

Trustee Chair 2019-20

Friends, World Polio Day is this month and we are facing a major challenge. The news out of Afghanistan and Pakistan tells us that we have more work to do. It tells us that polio will not die out quickly or easily.

Most of all, it tells us that we are needed now more than ever. Success will require us to remain steady and show that there is no time limit to our commitment. We are in this to the end, and we will conquer this terrible disease. We will give life back to children and families, and restore hope to communities.

We are fortunate to have great friends in the Global Polio Eradication Initiative — including the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, which continues to match every donation 2-to-1. We have already eradicated wild poliovirus type 2, and type 3 could soon be wiped out. India is polio-free. All of Africa may soon be polio-free.

The most important factor in ending polio forever is you. The people of Afghanistan and Pakistan have faced so much hardship in recent years. Polio is just one more challenge. To them, it could all feel overwhelming. But not to Rotarians. We do not feel overwhelmed. We feel challenged, and, as people of action, we rise to challenges.

In the words of Confucius: "If one is virtuous, one will not be left to stand alone. It is certain that associates of like mind will come and join with one." In Rotary, we understand these words very well. When we say "Service Above Self," we take a stand for this virtue. We know that our like-minded brothers and sisters around the world will join us. We have been drawn together by our need to do good in the world.

We can rid the world of a disease forever. And you will be the ones to do it, through your continued commitment and generosity.

Be a part of history! Help us overcome the final hardship, the final challenge. Make your donation at [endpolio.org/donate](https://endpolio.org/donate).

# President's Corner



**Renie P. Siscon, PHF**

Champion President

The Polio Plus

When we talk about Polio Plus, we know we are eradicating polio, but we do realize how many added benefits the programs bring? The "plus" is something else that is provided as a part of the polio eradication campaign-from preventing disease to providing clean water and even creating jobs. The World Polio Day will be on October 24, 2019 our club with other clubs in Tagum City will be having a joint Polio Immunization at Tagum City Health Center at Barangay South, Tagum City.

Also, we spearheaded the END POLIO NOW TV guesting at Kapihan in partnership with PTV 48, its 1 hour TV program and also aired over 91.1 Radyo ng Bayan. The program participated by Rotary Clubs of Area 2D and City Health Office of Tagum City last October 10, 2019. Thank you very much Josie P. Elesterio of PTV 48 for granting our request.

Breast Cancer Awareness is an effort to raise awareness and reduce the stigma to breast cancer through education on symptoms and treatment. Supporters hope that greater knowledge will lead to earlier detection of breast cancer, which is associated with higher long-term survival rates, and that money raised for breast cancer will produce a reliable, permanent cure. We campaign to stop women dying from breast cancer and make sure that everyone affected by breast cancer receives the best possible treatment and services.

On October 12, 2019 we conducted series of events at Robinsons Place Tagum we started with:

The Pink Forum with Dr. Genecar Hamo-Erfe of Davao Regional Medical Center as speaker with the topic of Breast Cancer 101 and Dr. Marites L. Domingo, Anesthesiologist, Chef, Mother, Rotarian, Educator and Wife with her topic A Story of Hope.

The Pink Clinic with PP Mike Malbog, MD, General Surgeon, PAG Connie B. Balunos, MD, OB-Gyn, Dr. Genecar Hamo-Erfe, Oncology, Dr. Maria Leonila Mendoza, Dr. Leeniel Rala, Dr. Trine Jumol and Dr. Renalin Ame of DRMC.

The Free Breast Scan courtesy of Dr. Gedion Tolentino of Clinica ng Masa former Tagum North Rotarian with following doctors and volunteers from Davao Regional Medical Center, Dr. Edwin Corinales, Dr. Louie John Baldonado, Dr. Julius Ramos, Dr. John Arthur Magno, Jennyfer Bermudez, RN and Ryan Viloria, RN. Out of 64 women avail the breast scan 10 were referred for mammogram and 6 for biopsy.

The Pink Vegan Cooking Demo with Chef Eduardo of Eduardo's Kitchen with his version of Khmer Fresh Spring Rolls, Pinoy Style Ratatouille and Pumpkin Dessert.

The Pink Chat with Dr. Genecar Hamo-Erfe of DRMC, Dr. Mike B. Malbog and PAG Arnold M. Nicolas of Rotary Club of Tagum North, Melina Avila of Living Hope Cancer Survivors Club, Ms. Doris Saluna Sobremisana of Provincial Health Office and Mariane C. Seno, RN of Tagum City Social Welfare Development Office as panelist.

The Pink Zumba participated by different Zumba Clubs in Tagum City and Guests.

In behalf of the City Government of Tagum (GAD Office headed by Anthonette J. Leones and Staff), PAG Arnold M. Nicolas of Rotary Club of Tagum North Pink Tagum Council Member, Engr. Melina C. Avila of Living Hope, Chef Eduard Dinglasan of Eduardo's Kitchen, Dr. Genecar H. Erfe of DRMC our sincerest thanks to all our partners in PINK Tagum. See you again on October 18, 2019 at Tagum City Atrium for the Dinner for a Cause and Pink Runway.

Last October 13, 2019 also the opening of the Area 2 Bowling Tournament thank you very much Tagum North Rotarians, Spouses and Family Members for joining me in the said event.

*Salamuch Pres. Daddy Dods Siscon*



## Secretary's Corner

### Regular Weekly Meeting Attendance Report

| October, 2019                                | Dates  |     |    |    |    |
|--|--------|-----|----|----|----|
|  | 01     | 08  | 15 | 22 | 29 |
| Member Actually Present                      | 09     | 10  |    |    |    |
| Member with valid make-up                    | 10     | 12  |    |    |    |
| Member Size<br>(Excluding Honorary members)  | 04     | 04  |    |    |    |
| Rule 85                                      | 02     | 02  |    |    |    |
| Net membership Base                          | 33     | 33  |    |    |    |
| Tota Attendance<br>divided by net membership | 66.66% | 75% |    |    |    |



**Marlou P. Fulo**

Champion Secretary

#### Visiting Guests 15th Regular Weekly Meeting

Hon. Dizon Namuag, Council Member of Panabo City  
Spouse Gina Sison  
Spouse Elma Ravelo  
Rotakid Precious Shannel Ravelo  
Rotakid Shannea Grace Ravelo

#### Make-up

##### End Polio Now Kapihan @ PTV 4, October 10, 2019,

PAG Arnold Nicolas  
Pres. Renie Sison  
PP Salvador Michael B. Malbog

##### Pink Clinic, October 12, 2019, Robinsons Place Tagum

PAG Arnold Nicolas  
Pres. Renie Sison  
PP Salvador Michael Malbog  
Rtn. Borg Baldonado  
Spouse Gina Sison  
Spouse Jessa Lorena L. Baldonado  
Spouse/Rtn. Rowena P. Suaybaguio  
Spouse/AG Tweet A. Malbog  
Pres. Angelica Joyce A. Sison, RAC Tagum North, UM Tagum Chapter  
Pres. John Andrew F. Manlapaz, RAC Tagum North, Palm City Chapter

##### Pink Cooking, October 12, 2019, Robinsons Place Tagum

PAG Arnold Nicolas  
Pres. Renie Sison  
PP Salvador Michael Malbog  
Rtn. Borg Baldonado  
Spouse Gina Sison  
Spouse Jessa Lorena L. Baldonado  
Spouse/Rtn. Rowena P. Suaybaguio  
Spouse/AG Tweet A. Malbog  
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##### Pink Chat, October 12, 2019, Robinsons Place Tagum

PAG Arnold Nicolas  
Pres. Renie Sison  
PP Salvador Michael Malbog  
Rtn. Borg Baldonado  
Spouse Gina Sison  
Spouse Jessa Lorena L. Baldonado  
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##### Pink Zumba, October 12, 2019, Robinsons Place Tagum

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Pres. Renie Sison  
PP Salvador Michael Malbog  
Rtn. Borg Baldonado  
Spouse Gina Sison  
Spouse Jessa Lorena L. Baldonado  
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Spouse/AG Tweet A. Malbog  
Pres. Angelica Joyce A. Sison, RAC Tagum North, UM Tagum Chapter  
Pres. John Andrew F. Manlapaz, RAC Tagum North, Palm City Chapter

##### Area 2 Bowling Tournament, October 13, 2019, SM Lanang Premiere

Pres. Renie Sison  
Sec. Marlou P. Fulo  
PAG Jose Alvic P. Suaybaguio  
PP Salvador Michael Malbog  
Rtn. Borg Baldonado  
Spouse Gina Sison  
Spouse/AG Tweet Malbog  
Spouse/Rtn. Aweng Suaybaguio  
Spouse Jessa Lorena Baldonado and  
Tagum North Rotakids

# Announcement

## ROTARY

### Family

#### Birthday Celebrators

- 05 Spouse Lorena Lintuan
- 06 Spouse Elay Pereyras
- 30 PP Cock Chang Soo

#### Wedding Anniversary

- 07 Rtn Philip & Spouse Maymay Villanueva

## Organizer

### October

- 01 On the Spot Poster & Slogan Contest, 1PM at Robinsons Mall
- 01 PDRRMC Council Meeting, PDRRMC Training Center, 1PM
- 01 14th Regular Weekly Meeting @ Miko's Brew, 6:30PM
- 03 Grand Opening Ceremony, New City Hall Open Arena Motorcade, 3PM
- Pink Ribbon Human Formation, 4PM
- Pink Tagum Lighting, 6PM
- Pink Zumba, 6:30PM
- 04 October Pink TV Guesting, 1pm @ PTV 4
- 07-13 Rotary Alumni Reconnect Week
- 08 15th Regular Weekly Meeting @ Miko's Brew, 6:30PM
- 10 End Polio Now TV Guesting, 2PM @ PTV 4
- 12 Pink Forum @ Robinsons Place Tagum, 1PM
- 12 Pink Clinic @ Robinsons Place Tagum, 2PM
- 12 Pink Vegan Cooking @ Robinsons Place Tagum, 3PM
- 12 Pink Chat @ Robinsons Place Tagum, 4PM
- 12 Pink Zumba @ Robinson Place Tagum, 5:30PM
- 13 2019 ROTARY DISTRICT 3860 (AREA 2) ANNUAL BOWLING FELLOWSHIP, SM Lanang Premeire, Davao City
- 15 Inter-Agency Meeting with NAPC at DSWD Region XI Conference Rm., 1PM
- 15 16th Regular Weekly Meeting @ Miko's Brew, 6:30PM
- 18 Dinner for a Cause @ City Hall Atrium, 6PM
- 18 Pink Runway @ City Hall Atrium, 7PM
- 19 Meeting with Rotary Club of Gifu Naka, Japan at New Corella Multi-purpose
- 19 Pink Zumba @ CitiMall, 6PM
- 20 2019 ROTARY DISTRICT 3860 (AREA 2) ANNUAL BOWLING FELLOWSHIP, SM Lanang Premeire, Davao City
- 22-24 3 day Multi Stakeholder Service Convergence Camp, Sitio Tapayanon
- 22 17th Regular Weekly Meeting @ Miko's Brew, 6:30PM
- 24 Polio Immunization (World Polio Day)
- 26 5th Regular Monthly Board Meeting @ IPP Neal Ararao Res.
- 26 Pink Survivor's Day, 10AM
- 27 2019 ROTARY DISTRICT 3860 (AREA 2) ANNUAL BOWLING FELLOWSHIP, SM Lanang Premeire, Davao City
- 29 18th Regular Weekly Meeting @ Miko's Brew, 6:30PM
- Club Trick-or-Treat Party

## Rotary The Four Way Test

of the things we think, say and do

1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

### Five Avenues of Service

For years, Rotary's commitment to Service Above Self has been channeled through the five Avenues of Service, which form the foundation of club activity. To get started on a project, think broadly about how your club and its members could contribute within each avenue.

#### Club Service

Club Service focuses on strengthening fellowship and ensuring the smooth functioning of Rotary clubs. Learn about effective club service in Membership and Training.



#### Vocational Service

Vocational Service involves club members serving others through their professions and aspiring to high ethical standards. Rotarians, as business leaders, share skills and expertise through their vocations, and they inspire others in the process.



#### Community Service

Community Service is the opportunity Rotary clubs have to implement club projects and activities that improve life in the local community.



#### International Service

International Service encompasses efforts to expand Rotary's humanitarian reach around the world and to promote world understanding and peace. It includes everything from contributing to PolioPlus to helping Rotary Youth Exchange students adjust to their host countries.



#### New Generations Service

The Avenue of New Generations recognizes the positive change implemented by youth and young adults involved in leadership development activities, community and international service projects, and exchange programs that enrich and foster world peace and cultural understanding.





## HISTORY OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

The first four Rotarians (from left): Gustavus Loehr, Silvester Schiele, Hiram Shorey, and Paul P. Harris, circa 1905-12.

The first four Rotarians (from left): Gustavus Loehr, Silvester Schiele, Hiram Shorey, and Paul P. Harris, circa 1905-12.

Paul P. Harris, an attorney, wanted to create a professional group with the same friendly spirit he felt in the small towns of his youth. On 23 February 1905, Harris, Gustavus Loehr, Silvester Schiele, and Hiram Shorey gathered at Loehr's office in Room 711 of the Unity Building in downtown Chicago. This was the first Rotary club meeting. They decided to call the new club "Rotary" after the practice of rotating meeting locations.

Within five years clubs had formed across the country, from San Francisco to New York.

In August 1910, Rotarians held their first convention in Chicago. The 16 clubs that existed at that time united to form the National Association of Rotary Clubs.

In 1912, the name changed to International Association of Rotary Clubs to reflect the addition of clubs in other countries. The name Rotary International was adopted in 1922.

By July 1925, Rotary had grown to more than 2,000 clubs and an estimated 108,000 members on six continents.

Rotary's reputation attracted presidents, prime ministers, and a host of other luminaries to its ranks — among them author Thomas Mann, diplomat Carlos P. Romulo, and composer Jean Sibelius.

As Rotary grew, members pooled their resources and used their talents to serve their communities. The organization's dedication to this ideal is best expressed in its motto: Service Above Self.



### NOTABLE ROTARIANS

Rotarians are your neighbors, your community leaders and some of the world's greatest history-makers:

Warren G. Harding, U.S. president  
Jean Sibelius, Finnish composer  
Dr. Charles H. Mayo, co-founder of Mayo Clinic  
Guglielmo Marconi, Italian inventor of the wireless radio and Nobel laureate  
Thomas Mann, German novelist and Nobel laureate  
Friedrich Bergius, German chemist and Nobel laureate  
Admiral Richard E. Byrd, American explorer  
Jan Masaryk, foreign minister of Czechoslovakia  
H.E. Soleiman Frangieh, president of Lebanon  
Dianne Feinstein, U.S. senator  
Manny Pacquiao, Filipino world-champion boxer and congressman  
Richard Lugar, U.S. senator  
Frank Borman, American astronaut  
Edgar A. Guest, American poet and journalist  
Sir Harry Lauder, Scottish entertainer  
Franz Lehar, Austrian composer  
Lennart Nilsson, Swedish photographer  
James Cash Penney, founder of JC Penney Co.

## ROTARY HYMN



I want to be a Rotarian for the world,  
Make the Rotary flag be a flag of peace unfurled;

I will serve my community,  
Help to seek international unity.  
Through Rotary, I will dedicate my all,  
World understanding shall be my cherished goal.

Refrain: With the Four Way Test  
I will pursue my quest  
And if I, in a way help obtain  
Peace in the world  
Then I won't have lived in vain.

I'll observe service above self,  
Lend a hand to all who need my help;  
I'll get my spouse to involve in Rotary  
And in Rotary ways I will train my family.

Refrain: With the Four Way Test  
We'll pursue our quest  
And if we, in a way help obtain  
Peace in the world  
Then we won't have lived in vain.

Build a bridge for tomorrow's youth,  
Strengthened by nothing but the truth;  
Let's join our hands, there's no reason to divide.

We shall all understand, while the good  
Lord is our guide.

Refrain: With the Four Way Test  
We'll pursue our quest  
And if we, in a way help obtain  
Peace in the world  
Then we won't have lived in vain.

Peace be achieved,  
So we won't have lived in vain.





Are you an alumnus of a Rotary program like Rotaract, Interact, Rotary Peace Centers or others? Reconnect Week is coming 7-13 October! Learn how you can get involved at [on.rotary.org/reconnectweek](https://on.rotary.org/reconnectweek) #RotaryReconnect

Reconnect Week is a way for former Rotary program participants and scholars like Peace Fellows, Youth Exchange Students, Rotary Scholars, ex-Rotaractors, and Interactors to reunite with the Rotary community. This is a week to see how Rotary shapes lives in the community and around the world. Together, members and alumni can find new ways to promote Rotary's ideal of service!

Rotary alumni, share your experience on how Rotary has impacted your life and reconnect today! Contact a local Rotary club and find out what events they are planning or join them at their next meeting.

For the past few years, Rotary International has been promoting Reconnect Week as a time to remind Rotary clubs of the value of reaching out and "reconnecting" with alumni of Rotary programs like Interact, Rotaract, scholarships, Rotary Peace Fellowships, youth exchange and other regional programs. But celebrating alumni and making them feel welcome to your club is something you can and should do year-round. Alumni of Rotary make great leaders and innovators and may possess the skills you need for your next service project.

# We're doing so much more than eradicating polio

By Vanessa Glavinskas Photography by Andrew Esiebo



Musa Muhammed Ali, a farmer in Borno state, Nigeria, has had to deal with the many ways polio has affected his life. For instance, he used to have to pay for transportation when he needed to buy feed for his animals. But after receiving a hand-operated tricycle funded through Rotary's PolioPlus grants, Ali (pictured above) can now spend that money on other necessities. His life was changed by the "plus" in PolioPlus.

When we talk about PolioPlus, we know we are eradicating polio, but do we realize how many added benefits the program brings? The "plus" is something else that is provided as a part of the polio eradication campaign. It might be a hand-operated tricycle or access to water. It might be additional medical treatment, bed nets, or soap. A 2010 study estimates that vitamin A drops given to children at the same time as the polio vaccine have prevented 1.25 million deaths by decreasing susceptibility to infectious diseases. In these pages, we take you to Nigeria, which could soon be declared free of wild poliovirus, to show you some of the many ways the polio eradication campaign is improving lives.



Polio vaccination campaigns are difficult to carry out in northern Nigeria, where the Boko Haram insurgency has displaced millions of people, leading to malnutrition and spikes in disease. When security allows, health workers diligently work to bring the polio vaccine and other health services to every child, including going tent to tent in camps for displaced people. The health workers pictured here are in Maiduguri, the capital of Borno, where the insurgency began 10 years ago.

The Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI), of which Rotary is a spearheading partner, funds 91 percent of all immunization staff in the World Health Organization's Africa region. These staff members are key figures in the fight against polio — and other diseases: 85 percent give half their time to immunization, surveillance, and outbreak response for other initiatives. For example, health workers in Borno use the polio surveillance system, which detects new cases of polio and determines where and how they originated, to find people with symptoms of yellow fever. During a 2018 yellow fever outbreak, this was one of many strategies that resulted in the vaccination of 8 million people. And during an outbreak of Ebola in Nigeria in 2014, health workers prevented that disease from spreading beyond 19 reported cases by using methods developed for the polio eradication campaign to find anyone who might have come in contact with an infected person.





Children protected from polio still face other illnesses, and in Borno, malaria kills more people than all other diseases combined. Worldwide, a child dies of malaria every two minutes. To prevent its spread, insecticide-treated bed nets — such as the one Hurera Idris is pictured installing in her home — are often distributed for free during polio immunization events. In 2017, the World Health Organization, one of Rotary’s partners in the GPEI, organized a campaign to deliver antimalarial medicines to children in Borno using polio eradication staff and infrastructure. It was the first time that antimalarial medicines were delivered on a large scale alongside the polio vaccine, and the effort reached 1.2 million children.

Rotary and its partners also distribute soap and organize health camps to treat other conditions. “The pluses vary from one area to another. Depending on the environment and what is seen as a need, we try to bridge the gap,” says Tunji Funsho, chair of Rotary’s Nigeria PolioPlus Committee. “Part of the reason you get rejections when you immunize children is that we’ve been doing this for so long. In our part of the world, people look at things that are free and persistent with suspicion. When they know something else is coming, reluctant families will bring their children out to have them immunized.”



Rotarians’ contributions to PolioPlus help fund planning by technical experts, large-scale communication efforts to make people aware of the benefits of vaccinations, and support for volunteers who go door to door.

Volunteer community mobilizers are a critical part of vaccination campaigns in Nigeria’s hardest-to-reach communities. The volunteers are selected and trained by UNICEF, one of Rotary’s partners in the GPEI, and then deployed in the community or displaced persons camp where they live. They take advantage of the time they spend connecting with community members about polio to talk about other strategies to improve their families’ health. Fatima Umar, the volunteer pictured here, is educating Hadiza Zanna about health topics such as hygiene and maternal health, in addition to why polio vaccination is so important.

Nigerian Rotarians have been at the forefront of raising support for Rotary’s polio efforts. For example, Sir Emeka Offor, a member of the Rotary Club of Abuja Ministers Hill, and his foundation collaborated with Rotary and UNICEF to produce an audiobook called *Yes to Health, No to Polio* that health workers use.



Addressing a critical long-term need such as access to clean water helps build relationships and trust with community members. Within camps for displaced people, vaccinators are sometimes met with frustration. “People say, ‘We don’t have water, and you’re giving us polio drops,’” Tunji Funsho explains. Rotary and its partners responded by funding 31 solar-powered boreholes to provide clean water in northern Nigeria, and the effort is ongoing. At left, women and children collect water from a borehole in the Madinatu settlement, where about 5,000 displaced people live.

Supplying clean water to vulnerable communities is a priority of the PolioPlus program not only in Nigeria, but also in Afghanistan and Pakistan — the only other remaining polio-endemic nations, or countries where transmission of the virus has never been interrupted. “Giving water is noble work also,” says Aziz Memon, chair of Rotary’s Pakistan PolioPlus Committee.

Access to safe drinking water is also an important aspect of the GPEI’s endgame strategy, which encourages efforts that “ensure populations reached for polio campaigns are also able to access much-needed basic services, such as clean water, sanitation, and nutrition.” The poliovirus spreads through human waste, so making sure people aren’t drinking or bathing in contaminated water is critical to eradicating the disease. Bunmi Lagunju, the PolioPlus project coordinator in Nigeria, says that installing the boreholes has also helped prevent the spread of cholera and other diseases in the displaced persons camps.

Communities with a reliable source of clean water enjoy a reduced rate of disease and a better quality of life. “When we came [to the camp], there was no borehole. We had to go to the nearby block factory to get water, and this was difficult because the factory only gave us limited amounts of water,” says Jumai Alhassan (pictured at bottom left bathing her baby). “We are thankful for people who provided us with the water.”





Polio left Isiaku Musa Maaji disabled, with few ways to make a living. At age 24, he learned to build hand-operated tricycles designed to provide mobility for disabled adults and children, and later started his own business assembling them. His first break came, he says, when a local government placed a trial order. It was impressed with his product, and the orders continued. Rotary's Nigeria PolioPlus Committee recently ordered 150 tricycles from Maaji to distribute to polio survivors and others with mobility problems. The relationship he has built with local Rotarians has motivated him to take part in door-to-door polio vaccination campaigns.

"It is not easy to be physically challenged," he says. "I go out to educate other people on the importance of polio vaccine because I don't want any other person to fall victim to polio."

Aliyu Issah feels lucky; he's able to support himself running a small convenience store. He knows other polio survivors who have attended skills training programs but lack the money to start a business and are forced to beg on the street. However, the GPEI provides a job that's uniquely suited to polio survivors: educating others about the effects of the disease.

"Some of my friends who used to be street beggars now run their own small business with money they earn from working on the door-to-door immunization campaign," Issah says.

In Maiduguri, Falmata Mustapha rides a hand-operated tricycle donated to her by Rotary's Nigeria PolioPlus Committee. She is joined by several health workers for a door-to-door immunization campaign, bringing polio drops to areas without basic health care. UNICEF data show that polio survivors like Mustapha have a remarkable success rate persuading reluctant parents to vaccinate their children — on average, survivors convince seven of every 10 parents they talk to. In places where misinformation and rumors have left people hesitant to vaccinate, the survivors' role in the final phase of the eradication effort is critical.

"Since working with the team, I have seen an increase in immunization compliance in the community," Mustapha says. "I am well-regarded in the community because of my work, and I am happy about this."

Eighteen million people around the world who would have died or been paralyzed are alive and walking because of the polio eradication campaign. Health workers and volunteers supported by PolioPlus grants have built an infrastructure for delivering health care and collecting data that, in many parts of the world, didn't exist before. It's already being used to improve overall health care and to fight other diseases, proving that the legacy of PolioPlus is more than eradicating a deadly disease from the planet — it's also building a stronger health system that provides better access to lifesaving interventions for the world's most vulnerable children.

• This story originally appeared in the October 2019 issue of *The Rotarian* magazine.



# End Polio Now TV Guesting at PTV





Pink Forum  
@ Robinsons Place Tagum, 1PM





# Pink Clinic @ Robinsons Place Tagum





# Pink Chat @ Robinsons Place Tagum

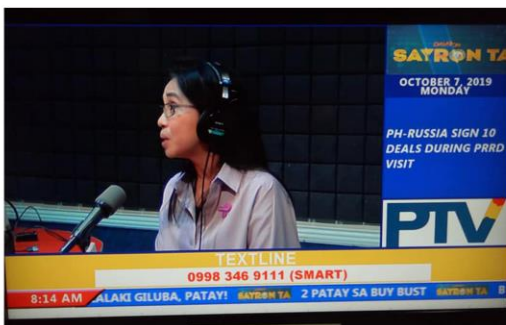




## Pink Chat @ Robinsons Place Tagum



## October Pink TV Guesting @ PTV 4





# 2019 ROTARY DISTRICT 3860 (AREA 2) ANNUAL BOWLING FELLOWSHIP, SM Lanang Premeire, Davao City





## THE PAST PRESIDENTS AND RI LOGOS



**SING BENG LEE +**  
1988-1989



**ROGELIO ISRAEL +**  
1989-1990



**CRISANTO MANIWANG+**  
1990-1991



**JESUS ALBACITE +**  
1991-1992



**REGINO O. VERGARA +**  
1992-1993



**JIM M. OSORIO**  
1993-1994



**COCK CHANG F. SOO**  
1994-1995



**JOEL RETERBA +**  
1995-1996



**ALBERT NAVALLO**  
1996-1997



**MACARIO BERMUDEZ, II**  
1997-1998



**SAMUEL RAYMUNDO**  
1998-1999



**REY T. UY**  
1999-2000



**JOSEPH NILO F. PARREÑAS**  
2000-2001



**GEORGE SILVOSA**  
2001-2002



**CONRADO D. MAGAT**  
2002-2003



**FLORENCIO I. IBAÑEZ, JR.**  
2003-2004



**LEOPOLDO D. DIAMANTE**  
2004-2005



**MARTELINO D. BRIGUEZ**  
2005-2006



**JOSE ALVIC P. SUAYBAGUIO**  
2006-2007



**REYNALDO T. SALVE**  
2007-2008



**ARNOLD M. NICOLAS**  
2008-2009



**SALDY F. DALISAY+**  
2009-2010



**GLENN A. PONO**  
2010-2011



**ANTONIO R. INGULLO**  
2011-2012



**Charles Aldwin Carpio**  
2012-2013



**Darwin B. Ravelo**  
2013-2014



**Salvador Michael B. Malbog**  
2014-2015



**Christopher Donayre**  
2017-2018



**Ramel Lintuan, PHF+2**  
2017 - 2018



**Neal Ararao, PHF+1**  
2018 - 2019

# The Rotary Foundation

**All Time Giving : US \$ 73,347.00 as of October 15, 2019**

## Multiple Paul Harris Fellows ( Active Club Members )

|                                    |             |
|------------------------------------|-------------|
| PAG Glenn A. Pono, PHF+8           | \$ 9,000.00 |
| PAG Arnold M. Nicolas,PHF+6        | 7,420.02    |
| PP Darwin B. Ravelo,PHF+5          | 6,400.00    |
| PE Mae T. Dalisay,PHF3             | 4,000.00    |
| PAG Jose Alvic P. Suaybaguio,PHF+2 | 3,800.00    |
| PP Joseph Nilo F. Parrenas,PHF+2   | 3,751.50    |
| PP Ramel A. Lintuan,PHF+2          | 3,505.00    |
| PP Charles Aldwin M. Carpio,PHF+2  | 3,425.00    |
| PP Jong D. Magat,PHF+1             | 2,825.03    |
| Revedor R. Pereyras,PHF+1          | 2,600.02    |
| IPP Neal M. Ararao,PHF+1           | 2,305.00    |
| PP Cock Chang F. Soo,PHF+1         | 2,061.50    |
| PP Michael B. Malbog,PHF+1         | 2,051.50    |

## Paul Harris Fellows ( Active Club Members )

|                               |          |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| PP Ronald S. Bordios,PHF      | 1,601.93 |
| PN Andres P. Gentugaya,PHF    | 1,600.00 |
| Philip S. Villanueva,PHF      | 1,430.00 |
| Renie P. Siscon,PHF           | 1,230.00 |
| Artemio Ian D. Palijo III,PHF | 1,030.00 |

## Rotary Foundation Sustaining Members ( Active Club Members )

|                             |        |
|-----------------------------|--------|
| Dan A. Bagarra,RFSM         | 466.50 |
| Marlou P. Fulo,RFSM         | 400.00 |
| Mark Anthony Libuangan,RFSM | 400.00 |
| Kendric Jay Z. Tagorda,RFSM | 300.00 |
| Kevin Ahn,RFSM              | 200.00 |
| Marc Arden Pude,RFSM        | 200.00 |
| Azmat Hussain,RFSM          | 200.00 |
| Jess M. Osorio,RFSM         | 200.00 |
| Albert L. Ng,Sr., RFSM      | 200.00 |
| Jess M. Osorio              | 200.00 |
| Excelsis Deo Baldonado,RFSM | 100.00 |
| Irvin Dick Emia,RFSM        | 151.50 |

## Paul Harris Society Members:

|                     |       |
|---------------------|-------|
| PAG Glenn A. Pono   | 4 yrs |
| PP Darwin B. Ravelo | 3 yrs |
| PP Ramel A. Lintuan | 2 yrs |

## Paul Harris Fellows ( Former Members & Donors )

|                             |             |
|-----------------------------|-------------|
| PAG Jim M. Osorio,PHF+4     | \$ 5,026.50 |
| PAG Leopoldo Diamante       | 3,210.00    |
| PP Antonio R. Inguillo      | 3,200.00    |
| +PP Saldy F. Dalisay        | 2,800.00    |
| PP Reynaldo T. Salve        | 2,700.00    |
| Mr. Philip A. Santiago, Jr. | 2,027.00    |
| PP Christopher Donayre      | 1,967.39    |
| Mr. Alexander C. Cabahug    | 1,800.00    |
| Dr. Asterio M. Ramiscal     | 1,610.00    |
| PP Florencio B. Ibanez,Jr.  | 1,460.00    |
| Mr. Allan L. Templa         | 1,405.00    |
| PP Marty D. Briguez         | 1,305.00    |
| Dr. Joel Mendoza            | 1,261.50    |
| +Benjamin A. Arboso         | 1,210.00    |
| PP Urbano D. Budtan         | 1,210.00    |
| Engr. Bartolome A. Navalta  | 1,205.00    |
| Mr. Bhagwan Chulani         | 1,100.00    |
| Mr. Noel Navarro            | 1,110.00    |
| Mr. Noel Navarro,Jr.        | 1,055.00    |
| Engr. Gudillo R. Lapay      | 1,030.00    |
| +PP Jesus Albacite          | 1,021.74    |
| +Mr. Guy Polome             | 1,010.00    |
| Mr. Herminigildo B. Apsay   | 1,005.00    |
| +Atty. Jose T. Amacio       | 1,000.00    |
| Mr. Hermis Bordios          | 1,000.00    |
| Odessa Maglana-Carpio       | 1,000.00    |
| Engr. Roy Castillo          | 1,000.00    |
| Johann Calvin Pono Chieng   | 1,000.00    |
| Mr. July A. Claveria        | 1,000.00    |
| +PP Rogelio E. Israel       | 1,000.00    |
| Engr. Carlo Lacson          | 1,000.00    |
| +CP Sing Beng Lee           | 1,000.00    |
| Engr. Eaco Buen J. Pondoc   | 1,000.00    |
| Mr. Rey Pangilan            | 1,000.00    |
| Mrs. Elma D. Ravelo         | 1,000.00    |
| Mrs. Maricor Soo,RN         | 1,000.00    |
| PP Rey T. Uy                | 1,000.00    |
| De Carlo L. Uy              | 1,000.00    |



## ROSTER OF MEMBERS

| ROTARY ID | NAME                           | CLASSIFICATION              | SPOUSE   | MILESTONES |
|-----------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------|------------|
| 10653559  | Norman Adlawan                 | Photography                 | Jane     | New        |
| 10142164  | Kevin Ahn,RFSM                 | Past Service                | Malou    | 1          |
| 8721076   | Neal M. Ararao,PHF1            | Orthodontic Dentist         | Leslie   | 6          |
| 8537322   | Dan A. Bagarra,RFSM            | Orthopedic Surgery          | Debbie   | 7          |
| 10323897  | Excelsis Deo Baldonado,RFSM    | Farming                     | Jessa    | 1          |
| 10673853  | Michael Bryan A. Briones       | Sports Equipment Retail     | Claire   | New        |
| 2545425   | Ronald S. Bordios,PHF          | Mobile Phone Retailer       |          | 15         |
| 6986525   | Charles Aldwin M. Carpio,PHF2  | Nursing Service             | Odessa   | 10         |
| 10673859  | Dexter C. Consolacion          | Commercial Banking          |          | New        |
| 8921443   | Mae T. Dalisay,PHF3            | Pediatric                   |          | 2          |
| 9470314   | Irvin Dick Emia,RFSM           | Transport Licensing         | Nelma    | 3          |
| 9972836   | Marlou P. Fulo,RFSM            | Financing                   |          | 2          |
| 5983987   | Andres Gentugaya,PHF           | Water Supply Consultancy    | Nelly    | 13         |
| 9972844   | Azmat Hussain,RFSM             | Car Dealership              | Dyesebel | 2          |
| 10346959  | Mark Anthony Libuangan,RFSM    | Local Legislation           | Sarah    | 1          |
| 8426668   | Ramel A. Lintuan,PHF2          | LPG Distribution            | Lorena   | 7          |
| 10676722  | Joseph D. Low                  | Pawnshop Management         | Rose     | New        |
| 3380633   | Jong D. Magat,PHF+1            | Construction                | Rhoda    | 21         |
| 6377182   | Michael B. Malbog,PHF1         | Cosmetic Surgery            | Tweet    | 14         |
| 10653586  | Albert L. Ng,Sr., RFSM         | Plywood Manufacturing       | Wendy    | New        |
| 5912929   | Arnold M. Nicolas,PHF+6        | Insurance Consultancy       |          | 16         |
| 10419717  | Jess M. Osorio,RFSM            | Architecture                | Rose     | 1          |
| 8720381   | Artemio Ian D. Palijo III,PHF  | Electronics Engineer        | Tata     | 6          |
| 2057033   | Joseph Nilo F. Parrenas,PHF+2  | Drug Rehabilitation         | Tess     | 24         |
| 5881882   | Revedor R. Pereyras,PHF+1      | Tables & Chairs Rental      | Elay     | 11         |
| 6812841   | Glenn A. Pono, PHF+8           | Adult Pulmonary Medicine    |          | 11         |
| 10346963  | Marc Arden Pude,RFSM           | Non-Life Insurance          |          | 1          |
| 6377179   | Darwin B. Ravelo,PHF+5         | Heavy Equipments Rental     | Elma     | 14         |
| 8720375   | Renie P. Siscon,PHF            | Surplus Auto Parts          | Gina     | 6          |
| 1510880   | Cock Chang F. Soo,PHF          | Real Estate Rental          | Maricor  | 30         |
| 5912917   | Jose Alvic P. Suaybaguio,PHF+2 | Sanitary Engineer           | Aweng    | 16         |
| 10323893  | Kendric Jay Z. Tagorda,RFSM    | Retail Store                |          | 1          |
| 5250782   | Philip S. Villanueva,PHF       | Computer Supplies Retailing | Melissa  | 19         |

### Honorary Members

|          |                             |
|----------|-----------------------------|
| 10653633 | Wendy Ng                    |
| 1907065  | PP Jim M. Osorio,PHF+       |
| 9341312  | Gov. Jayvee Tyron L. Uy,PHF |
| 5250782  | PP Rey T. Uy, PHF           |

### Club Partners:

Rotaract Club of Tagum North-UM Tagum Chapter March 15, 1993  
 Rotaarct Club of Tagum North-Palm City Chapter September 19, 2012  
 Interact Club of Tagum North-UM High School  
 Interact Club of Tagum North-UM Senior High School  
 Rotary Community Corp-Imelda



Rotary:

Rotary International is an international service organization whose stated purpose is to bring together business and professional leaders in order to provide humanitarian service and to advance goodwill and peace around the world. Wikipedia

President: Mark Daniel Maloney (July 2019 - Present)

Motto: Service Above Self

Membership: 1.22 million

Publication: The Rotarian

Founder: Paul P. Harris

Founded: 23 February 1905, Unity Building, Chicago, Illinois, United States



Rotaract originally began as a Rotary International youth program in 1968 at Charlotte North Rotary Club in Charlotte, North Carolina, United States, and has grown into a major Rotary-sponsored organization of over 10,904 clubs spread around the world and 250,792 members in 184 countries. Wikipedia

Motto: Self Development - Fellowship Through Service

Membership: 291,006

Focus: Fellowship and Service

Origins: The Rotary International Family

Founded: 13 March 1968

Headquarters: Evanston, Illinois, United States



Interact clubs bring together young people ages 12-18 to develop leadership skills while discovering the power of Service Above Self. Find out how serious leadership can be seriously fun.

Founder: Rotary International

Founded: 28 October 1962



Rotary Community Corps is a group of people who share our commitment to changing the world through service projects. Rotary Community Corps members plan and carry out projects in their communities and support local Rotary club projects but are not members of a Rotary club



# WHY THE ROTARY YEAR BEGINS 1 JULY?



Ever wonder why the Rotary year begins 1 July? The international convention initially played a key role in determining the start date of our fiscal and administrative year.

Rotary's first fiscal year began the day after the first convention ended, on 18 August 1910. The 1911-12 fiscal year also related to the convention, beginning with the first day of the 1911 convention on 21 August.

At its August 1912 meeting, the Board of Directors ordered an audit of the International Association of Rotary Clubs' finances. The auditors recommended that the organization end its fiscal year on 30 June to give the secretary and treasurer time to prepare a financial statement for the convention and board, and determine the proper number of club delegates to the convention.

The executive committee concurred, and at its April 1913 meeting, designated 30 June as the end of the fiscal year. This also allowed for changes to the schedule for reporting club membership and payments. Even *The Rotarian* changed its volume numbering system to correspond to the fiscal year (beginning with vol. 5, July 1914).

Rotary continued to hold its annual conventions in July or August until 1917. Delegates to the 1916 event in Cincinnati, Ohio, USA, approved a resolution to hold future conventions in June, mainly because of the heat in cities where most of them occurred. The next one was held 17-21 June in Atlanta, Georgia.

The term "Rotary year" has been used to signify Rotary's annual administrative period since at least 1913. An article in *The Rotarian* that July noted, "The Rotary year that is rapidly drawing to a close has been signaled by several highly successful joint meetings of Clubs that are so situated as to assemble together easily and conveniently."

Since the executive committee's decision in 1913, the end of the Rotary year has remained 30 June.

## MISSION AND VISION OF ROTARY

The Mission of Rotary International, a worldwide association of Rotary Clubs, is to provide service to others, to promote high ethical standards, and to advance world understanding, goodwill and peace through its fellowship of business, professional and community leaders.

The Vision of Rotary International is to be universally recognized for its commitment to Service Above Self to advance world understanding, goodwill and peace

## 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 Four Way Test**  
of the things we think, say and do

1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?



# AVENUES OF SERVICE

The RCTN has continuously lived its zeal to make water as a natural resource accessible to everyone. It all first started with a simple water pump project, which later expanded into a "Spring Water Impounding System" (SWIS) in Magdum, Tagum Davao. In its unending passion to provide potable water for indigent families in the remote barangays of Davao del Norte and Compostela Valley, the "Water For Life" became the Club's Centennial Project. It is a continuing project, which aims to install 100 water pumps these communities. To date, RCTN has installed a total of 81 pumps and one Water Reservoir.

The Club was a recipient of the Rotary Foundation 3-H Grant that provided the opportunity to launch the "Kasama Project" 2002. It has afforded a PhP240,000.00 soft loan to local residents that help develop and modernize and indigent-family's farm in Asuncion, Davao.

Its commitment to hasten the productivity of the local farming industry, the "Cable-Lift" project in 2004 has provided an ingeniously cable cart system used to transport farmers and convey their produce from one side to another side of the river in Asuncion, Davao del Norte.

Another community development project that RCTN took part includes "Oplan Flip Flops para sa Indigenous People" which provided 148 pairs of slippers in Barangay San Jose, Municipality of Sto. Tomas.

## YOUTH PROJECTS

The RCTN has constantly helped many schools and universities organize the Rotaract and Interact clubs in this received the "Hall of Fame-Outstanding Club" award. The club President during that time was Arnold Nicolas who later garnered the honor of "Hall of Fame-Outstanding President" in RY 1993-94. Another Outstanding President of the club, Karlene Lariosa and Cyril Muring, also became DRR. Recently, the Rotaract Club of Tagum North co-hosted with RC Waling-waling & Pag-Asa Davao during the Mindanao Finals of the Voice of our Youth Impromptu Speaking Contest held at UM Davao City.



## PROMOTION OF INTERNATIONAL UNDERSTANDING AND GOODWILL

The RCTN is acknowledge to have endorsed the most number of sponsored representatives of Zone 2-D to the Group Study Exchange program in D3860. The out-bound team members include: Dr. Nanette Perido (Florida, USA in 2000-01), Maricar Zamora Apsay (Canada and USA in 2001-2002 Lorenzo Mendoza (Kentucky, USA 2006-07), Dr. Glenn A. Pono (Virginia, USA in 2007-08), Mr. Stephen Manangan (Washington, USA in 2008-09) and Dr. Alvin Concha (British Columbia, Canada in 2009-2010), Atty. Ruel Cayetano Sydney, Australia 2010-2011.

In 2000, Marjorie Osorio was the RCTN's endorsed delegate who qualified for the Out-Bound ROTEX exchange student, in exchange with In-Bound ROTEX student, in Samantha Gordin of West Palm Beach, Florida, USA.

## THE ROTARY FOUNDATION CONTRIBUTIONS

In 1999, the club achieved a 100% Paul Harris Fellow Rotary Foundation Sustaining Member Club and 2012 the club achieved 100% all Paul Harris Fellow Club. The club is proud to have (12) Multiple Paul Harris Fellows, (32) Paul Harris Fellows and thirty-five (35) Rotary Foundation is one of the Rotary clubs acknowledged by the Rotary Rotarian Every Year (EREY) program.

Tagum North has stood the test of time, remained strong, vibrant, and proud. The North will continue to dream and reach for greater heights. There is no doubt North is up!

## ENVIRONMENT AND SANITATION PROJECTS

In harmony with the preservation of the countryside environment and natural resources, the club ventured on Mangrove Tree It is a continuing to rehabilitate the in the coastline its neighboring Through funded by the 2790 Chiba, Japan, the club initiated the program on "Tutok Kubeta" in order to facilitate empowerment and self-reliance in producing locally made water-sealed toilet bowls among the less fortunate families in Davao del Norte and Compostela Valley provinces. To date, the club handed out more than 6,000 units to these areas.



## EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND LITERACY DEVELOPMENT

The club has been supportive in promoting educational and skills development programs in the area. From the initiation of its Scholarship Program in 1999, the RCTN has administered Vocational Course Scholarship grants to at least 140 graduates at the Tagum National Trade School. The program has expanded into giving High School Scholarship grants to 10 students at the St. Augustine High School in 2002. The "Adopt A School Program" was commenced in 2008, identifying Rizal Elementary School as its beneficiary.

Its compassion for education its unstopable as its extended its coverage to 65 learners both out of school youths and young adults at Barangay New Balamban, Tagum City when the Alternative Learning System (ALS) was conceived in 2008.

Since 1998, RCTN helped in the promotion of a reliable livelihood program. The club organized its Basic Skills Training Program promoting Basic Electronics for "Differently-abled" individuals; Cellular Phone, Radio and TV Repair and Basic Carpentry for the out-of-school youth. The club stretched its program to the women sector by conducting Livelihood Trainings in Meat Processing, Pillow Case and Curtain Making, Cosmetology and Basic Baking in 2008.

## AVENUES OF SERVICE

We channel our commitment to service at home and abroad through five Avenues of Service, which are the foundation of club activity.

- **Club Service** focuses on making clubs strong. A thriving club is anchored by strong relationships and an active membership development plan.
- **Vocational Service** calls on every Rotarian to work with integrity and contribute their expertise to the problems and needs of society. Learn more in An Introduction to Vocational Service and the Code of Conduct.

Providing avenues of learning started to be the prime commitment in its literacy program. In 1999, the club's generosity was measured when it donated, through the help of the WCS Project, from Chiba, Japan, a Braille Typewriter to the Maguppo Pilot Imelda SPED School. The compassion was contagious when RCTN further initiated and provided a brand new computer unit with printer to the Nueva Fuerza Elementary School and Maguppo Pilot ALS, Tagum City; assorted Math & Physics books for the Pipisan Maug National High School, Tagum City; and a Library, Tagum City. The club also donated Php 5,000.00 for the "Lakbay Aral para sa mga batang Lumadng Talaingod".



## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

The club has dedicated numerous innovative services to help develop and improve the conditions of its nearby communities. As a first club project of RCTN in 1988, the construction of the Rotary Landmark structure at the corner of Pioneer and Rizal Streets has repeatedly caught the attention of anybody who comes to visit Tagum City for the first time or just pass by at one of the busiest junctions of the city.

## HEALTH CARE PROGRAMS

The projects dedicated to Community Service brought the club an overwhelming recognition and praise from its neighborhood communities. Since its conception, the RCTN has incessantly conducted innumerable Surgical/ Medical Dental and Optical Missions to the less privileged members of the Tagum community, to the nearby underprivileged prisoners/ parolees, and even to its farthest neighborhood communities in Davao del Norte, Compostela Valley and Agusan del Sur Provinces. The club has established a program on "Botica sa Barangay" in Asuncion, Davao del Norte that helped a total of 26 remote barangays access to cheap but effective medicines.



In 1998, the club proudly launched the "Operation New Look" program. On its 14th year as a continuing project funded by Jerome Foundation, Inc., the program has generously provided sixty-nine (69) free cleft lip and cleft palate surgeries in addition to the previous indigent 600 patients.

"Hot Lunch Plus", a feeding program for malnourished elementary school pupils at the Rizal Elementary School II that was initiated in 1999, is another continuing project of the Club that became the recipient of United Nationals Millennium Development Award given by UNICEF in RY 2006-07. This year the program has extend its services to giving free medical consultation and PPD testing to the undernourished beneficiaries.

In 2001, the RCTN coordinated with the Pediatrics Department of Davao Regional Hospital and the City Government of Tagum City in carrying out the project - "Bantay Dengue Tagum", a dengue awareness and prevention campaign program that curbed the unprecedented and scaring rise of dengue cases in Davao del Norte Province.

The "Renal Care Foundation", another continuing program of the RCTN since 2003 enables indigent patients to avail of hemodialysis treatment at a very low and affordable cost of only PHP500.00 (~US 10.00) per session. Presently, the program is taking care of 15 End-Stage-Kidney Disease patients at the Davao Regional Hospital.

- **Community Service** encourages every Rotarian to find ways to improve the quality of life for people in their communities and to serve the public interest. Learn more in Communities in Action: A Guide to Effective Projects and this Community Service presentation (PPT).
- **International Service** exemplifies our global reach in promoting peace and understanding. We support this service avenue by sponsoring or volunteering on international projects, seeking partners abroad, and more.
- **Youth Service** recognizes the importance of empowering youth and young professionals through leadership development programs such as Rotaract, Interact, Rotary Youth Leadership Awards, and Rotary Youth Exchange.

The RC Tagum North has established its reputation in the district. It has likewise established linkages with other clubs in the local and international Rotary community by forging a Sisterhood Agreement with the Rotary Clubs of Acreage, Florida, USA; Port St. Lucie, Florida, U S A ; Nilai, Malaysia; Loyola Heights, Quezon City; Downtown Olongapo; Waling-Waling Davao, San Francisco and Pag-asa Davao. Recently, through the efforts of PP Arnold Nicolas, Tagum North is again expanding its horizon by building bonds of friendship with the Rotary Club of Tomioka, Japan.



The club received a manifold of matching grant projects and assistance from the various sponsoring international sister Rotary clubs of RC of Marine Sunrise, California, USAm, and from the RC of Port St. Lucie, Florida, USA. From these sister clubs, the RCTN received two (2) units of Neonatal Incubators and seven (7) units of Hemodialysis Machines which were donated to the Davao Regional Hospital, at tertiary Government Hospital in Tagum City. Through the assistance of the Rotaplant Foundation of the Rotary Club of Novato, California, USA, two (2) patients were successful beneficiaries of the Kidney Transplant Operations at the Davao Regional Hospital.

The club embarked on the Vitamin A Plus Seminar for Mindanao Rotary Clubs. Likewise, activities such as the Free Osteoporosis Screening Program, TB Screening by PPD Mantoux Testing at the Sagop Palad Foundation, Inc., Gloria Christi Regis Centers (homes for street and abandoned children), and at the Rizal Elementary School had been the main foci on disease prevention and management program.

Since 1998, the RCTN actively participated in the Anti-Drug Abuse Program for the youth through information dissemination and awareness campaign in layfara and assemblies throughout Davao Region.





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