

# GOLDEN ROTA NEWS

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Tagum North  
**Rotary**  
Club



CREATE HOPE  
in the WORLD

# Rotary Code of Conduct



As a Rotarian, I will

1. Exemplify the core value of integrity in all behaviors and activities
2. Use my vocational experience and talents to serve Rotary
3. Conduct all my personal, business and professional affairs ethically encouraging and fostering high ethical standards as an example to others
4. Be fair in all dealings with others and treat them with the respect due to them as fellow human beings.
5. Promote recognition and respect for all occupations which are useful to society
6. Offer my vocational talents: to provide opportunities for young people, to work of the relief of the special needs of others, and to improve the quality of life in my community.
7. Honor trust that Rotary and other Rotarians provide and not do anything that will bring disfavor or reflect adversely on Rotary or other Rotarians
8. Not seek from a fellow a privilege or advantage not normally accorded others in a business or professional relationship

## DECLARATION OF ROTARIANS IN BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS

The Declaration of Rotarians in Businesses and Professions was adopted by the Rotary International Council on Legislation in 1989 to provide more specific guidelines for the high ethical standards called for in the Object of Rotary:

As a Rotarian engaged in a business or profession, I am expected to:

1. Consider my vocation to be another opportunity to serve;
2. Be faithful to the letter and to the spirit of the ethical codes of my vocation, to the laws of my country, and to the moral standards of my community;
3. Do all in my power to dignify my vocation and to promote the highest ethical standards in my chosen vocation;
4. Be fair to my employer, employees, associates, competitors, customers, the public, and all those with whom I have a business or professional relationship;
5. Recognize the honor and respect due to all occupations which are useful to society;
6. Offer my vocational talents: to provide opportunities for young people, to work for the relief of the special needs of others, and to improve the quality of life in my community;
7. Adhere to honesty in my advertising and in all representations to the public concerning my business or profession;
8. Neither seek from nor grant to a fellow Rotarian a privilege or advantage not normally accorded others in a business or professional relationship.



# 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 or do

- I. Is it the TRUTH?
- II. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- III. Will it build GOODWILL & BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- IV. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

# EDITORIAL

## Rotary themes

Each January, Rotary members enthusiastically await the incoming Rotary International president's announcement of the next Rotary theme. The president announces the theme at the International Assembly, an annual training event for incoming leaders.

Percy Hodgson, at the 1951 Rotary Convention in Atlantic City, New Jersey, U.S., was the 1949-50 Rotary International president credited with starting the tradition of crafting a theme.

The tradition of crafting a theme is credited to Percy C. Hodgson, Rotary's president in 1949-50. When Hodgson addressed the International Assembly in 1949, he impressed upon the incoming leaders that they had a "glorious opportunity to impart Rotary knowledge" and that "lack of Rotary knowledge can be a deterrent to the successful operation of a Rotary club." Hodgson's 83-word theme, which included a list of four objectives, was substantially longer than today's punchier themes, but it captured his hope that incoming leaders have essential knowledge of Rotary.

Rotarians' desire to celebrate and support their president's annual program of service has continued. Other early themes include Rotary Is Hope in Action (Joaquin Serratos Cibils, 1953-54), Kindle the Spark Within (Nitish C. Laharry, 1962-63), and Good Will Begins With You (Ernst G. Breitholtz, 1971-72).

In the decades that followed, RI presidents introduced theme logos, lapel pins, ties, and scarves. Theme ties were introduced in the 1990s, and are now crafted annually. Scarves first appeared in 1998-99. Many designs incorporate the theme logo for the year. Others, such as those selected by William Boyd from New Zealand and Sakuji Tanaka from Japan, use colors or imagery that reflects their home country.

# Program

## ROTARY CLUB OF TAGUM NORTH 13th General Membership Meeting January 9, 2024, 6:30PM, Miko's Brew, Apokon Road, Tagum City

Call to Order	Pres. Rommel B. Gomito, Major Donor Level 1
Invocation	Audio Visual Presentation
National Anthem	Audio Visual Presentation
Rotary Hymn	Audio Visual Presentation
Introduction of Visiting Guests & Rotarians	PE Eduardo C. Dinglasan, Jr., PHF
Treasurer's Time	AG Mae T. Dalisay, Major Donor Level 1
Secretary's Time	Sec. Arnold M. Nicolas, Major Donor Level 1
President's Time	Pres. Rommel B. Gomito, Major Donor Level 1
Adjournment	Pres. Rommel B. Gomito, Major Donor Level 1
Master of Ceremonies	PN Jason James S. Ebdao, PHF+1

### Updates:

Water for Life Project at San Agustin  
District Grant Project at Mankilam  
Tree Planting on January 20, 2024  
Club Invoice Payment Second Quarter  
PRM Subscriptions Second Quarter  
Rotaract Procon 2024



**R. Gordon R. McInally**  
RI President



**Rozanne "Twinkle" C. Gamboa**  
District Governor



**Edward Vincent Ang**  
District Executive Secretary



**Mae T. Dalisay**  
Asst. Governor

# Officers and Directors



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President



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DEI



**PP Renie P. Siscon**  
DTO



**PP Revedor R. Pereyras**  
On to Singapore



**PAG Charles Aldwin M. Carpio**  
Advisers



**PAG Jose Alvic P. Suaybaguio**  
Advisers

# Message

In difficult times like these, it's impossible to avoid feeling heartbroken over the devastation and loss of life caused by war and destruction.

Rotary always stands against harming and displacing civilian populations and using armed aggression instead of pursuing peaceful solutions. We advocate for the observance and respect of international law. We believe in strong action to defend and promote peace, even in the darkest of times.

But we also take our position as an international, nonpolitical, nonreligious organization seriously. To respect the global perspectives and experiences of our members, and to work most effectively in our peacebuilding efforts, we do not choose sides in conflicts.

Rotary is made up of 1.4 million people in communities all over the globe who are united in our commitment to building a peaceful world. We strive to ensure that our words and actions prioritize the health and safety of our global membership and the communities where we live and serve.

Our members seek to offer humanitarian assistance to those affected by conflict, and our global reach requires that we promote peacebuilding and conflict prevention with cross-cultural, cross-border connections and friendship through Rotary.

For decades, Rotary has harnessed these connections to carry out service projects, support peace fellowships and scholarships, and establish programs like Rotary Peace Centers to help build lasting peace. Our members also take action to promote Positive Peace, addressing the underlying causes of conflict, including poverty, discrimination, ethnic tension, lack of access to education, and unequal distribution of resources.

Rotary members who wish to wage peace can use district grants and Rotary Foundation global grants to support projects with other Rotary members that help refugees and displaced people, provide medical support, and more worldwide. Members can also work with or join peace-focused Rotary Action Groups, Friendship Exchanges, Fellowships, and intercountry committees. And District Designated Funds or district cash can support our peacebuilding and conflict prevention efforts.

Members and nonmembers alike can learn more about peacebuilding through the Rotary Positive Peace Academy, a free online course available to anyone with an internet connection. You can find it at [positivepeace.academy/rotary](https://positivepeace.academy/rotary).

There is no denying that incidents of violence and atrocities being perpetuated around the world seem to be escalating. Global peace is fragile, and the stakes are getting higher.

Still, we know that it is possible to bring all people together to work toward a shared goal. Rotary members do so every day in every part of the world. May our ability to unify in common purpose be a spark that helps light the path out of these dark days.

Together, let's Create Hope in the World.



**R. Gordon R. McNally**  
R.I. President 2023-24  
Rotary Club of South Queensferry  
West Lothian, Scotland

# Message

The new year ushers in promise and hope, a time to resolve to do things differently. We can do more than just hope for the best. We can take steps — big and small — to make changes in every aspect of our lives, including Rotary.

Here's a New Year's resolution to consider: Remember that The Rotary Foundation belongs to you. The Foundation is a global force, doing our good work in the world. Just like anything that belongs to you, it requires care and attention. How can we do this?

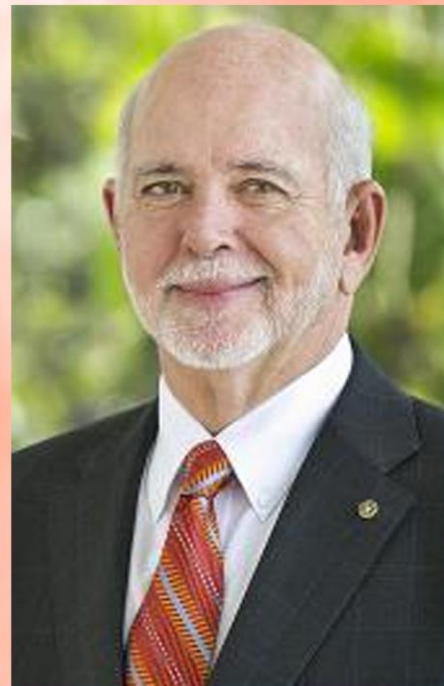
First, get to know your Foundation better this year. Did you know that in 2023, the Foundation achieved a maximum four-star rating from Charity Navigator for the 15th consecutive year? This places your Foundation among the world's top charities. Why do we consistently receive this honor? It's because we are financially strong, have a broad reach, and are highly effective with the gifts you give: 91 percent of funds are allocated to program awards and operations.

Another way to engage with your Foundation is to support it through a gift, every year. We've set an ambitious fundraising goal of \$500 million this year, and I'm confident that, with your support, we will achieve it. This year, I'm especially counting on those Rotarians and Rotaractors who have not yet contributed to make their first gift. Because The Rotary Foundation is an excellent steward, you can be confident that your gift will make a difference, whether it's in polio eradication, literacy initiatives, peace education, or any other area in which we excel.

In 2024, resolve to share the Foundation with others. The Foundation is too great to keep to ourselves. Spread the word during your fundraisers and events. Let the public know that The Rotary Foundation plays a significant role in everything we do, including in our many partnerships. Anyone can support the Foundation, even people who are not in Rotary.

Lastly this year, take action. Your Foundation is waiting for you to roll up your sleeves and make use of its resources to make the world a better place. Seek out global or district grant projects. Consider partnering with a Rotaract club in 2024 to support a grant or collaborate on one. Team up with Rotary and Rotaract clubs in your area to plan your biggest million dollar dinner fundraiser or End Polio Now event.

Whatever you decide to do in 2024, commit to keeping our Foundation in your plans. I can't wait to hear about all the great things we will accomplish this year.



**Barry Rassin**  
Trustee Chair 2023-24

# Message

Happy New Year!

Another year has passed. Let us all welcome year of the Dragon with a Bang! Let us continue Create Hope in the World! I hope the long holiday did make us energized.

2023 was a great year for Rotary Club of Tagum North, our club did perform well. All the planned programs and projects were successfully implemented. With this, I would like to personally thank the Rotarians and Lovely Spouse who helped and supported me and also to the persons outside the club who helped us in achieving our goals. Thank you very much.

As my terms ends, I would like again to ask for your continued support as we near the conclusion of remaining activities. I am extending this appeal fo the term of President Elect Eduardo C. Dinglasan, Jr.

Also, we just received the KRW 3,707,580.90 or US \$ 2,820.00 to fund our Water System Project at San Agustin Integrated School. We are also waiting for the approval of our District Grant Project to be implemented at Mankilam Elem. School.

Lets us also congratulate ourselves and our club for registering 25 Rotarians to the upcoming Rotary International Convention in Singapore with 43 pax including our spouse and guests.

I am reminding everyone to pay your dues in FULL as we will be paying again our obligation to the Rotary International and Philippine Rotary Magazine Foundation, Inc. Please keep in touch with AG/Treasurer Mae T. Dalisay or DGR-PRM/ Sec. Arnold M. Nicolas.



Rommel B. Gomito  
Major Donor Level 1  
Club President 2023-2024

## Executive Secretary's Corner



**Sec. Arnold M. Nicolas**  
Major Donor Level 1  
Executive Secretary

### Regular Weekly Meeting Attendance Report

December, 2023		13		
Members Actual Present	39			
Members with valid Make-up	05			
Member Size (Excluding Honorary member)	04			
Rule 85	02			
Net membership Base	51			
Total Attendance divided by net membership	90.19%			November Attendance Percentage 90.19%

#### Attendance

##### 12th General Membership Meeting, December 13, 2023

Rtn. Boyet Adtoon  
Rtn. Wiggle Adtoon  
Rtn. John Ryan Alegre  
PAG Neal M. Ararao  
Rtn. Arnold E. Arbuso  
Rtn. Arnold John A. Arbuso  
Rtn. Rene E. Arbuso  
Rtn. Wenter D. Barruga  
PP Ronald S. Bordios  
Rtn. Fritz Bundang  
PAG Charles Aldwin M. Carpio  
Rtn. Rucel C. Cayetano  
Rtn. Dexter C. Consolacion  
AG Mae T. Dalisay  
Service Project Chair Noven Deligero  
PE Eduardo C. Dinglasan, Jr.  
Rtn. Jefford Arnel M. Egoc  
Rtn. Joshua M. Espiritu  
Rtn. Kenneth Q. Gentugaya  
Rtn. Keren M. Gentugaya  
Rtn. Marben P. Gillado  
Pres. Rommel B. Gomito  
Rtn. Jay-ar R. Hilay  
PP Ramel A. Lintuan  
Rtn. Donah Fe A. Lumangtad  
Rtn. Anwar E. Maadel  
Rtn. Alexis D. Mina  
Rtn. Federico C. Mina  
DGR-PRM Arnold M. Nicolas  
PP Jess M. Osorio  
PP Revedor R. Pereyras  
PN Robyn Nino R. Pereyras  
PP Darwin B. Ravelo  
Rtn. Ayet Seismundo  
DTO/PP Renie P. Sison  
CM Cock Chang F. Soo  
PAG Jose Alvic P. Suaybaguio  
Rtn. Jeffrey H. Tornilla  
Rtn. Ingrid Z. Yanong

##### Guest

Vice Pres. Japeth D. Gomito  
-Interact Club of STMMS  
Pres. Joash Willow Picot  
-IAC Tagum North  
-UM Tagum Junior High School  
Sec. Kristel Bagol  
-IAC Tagum North-UM Tagum Junior High School  
Asst. Sec. Miles Stacy Donal  
-IAC Tagum North-UM Tagum Junior High School  
Paulo Andree Cabayag  
-IAC Tagum North-UM Tagum Junior High School  
Krystel Shem Japay  
-IAC Tagum North-UM Tagum Junior High School  
Lorenz Jann Parennas  
- IAC Tagum North-UM Tagum Junior High School  
Johannah Mae Redosendo  
- IAC Tagum North-UM Tagum Junior High School  
PP Joyce Sison  
-RAC Tagum North-UM Tagum Chapter  
Pres. Christine Joy Balobalo  
- RAC Tagum North-Palm City Chapter  
PE Randolph Ramirez  
- RAC Tagum North-Palm City Chapter  
PN Jorey Jane Caballero  
- RAC Tagum North-Palm City Chapter  
Sec. Trexie Gail Sotis  
- RAC Tagum North-Palm City Chapter  
Public Image Chair Ivy Joy Cahayag  
- RAC Tagum North-Palm City Chapter  
Ramcir John Salar  
- RAC Tagum North-Palm City Chapter  
LJ Tuling  
- RAC Tagum North-Palm City Chapter  
PP Sanang Adtoon  
-RC Tagum Golden LACES  
Rtn. Cristelle Adtoon  
- RC Tagum Golden LACES

Sps Vangie Alegre  
Sps Leslie Ararao  
Sps Chona Arbuso  
Sps Shairrah Arbuso  
Sps Odessa Carpio  
Sps Jessa Deligero  
Sps Marissa Gomito  
Sps Cherylyn Hilay  
Sps Lorena Lintuan  
Sps Fatima Mina  
Sps Rose Carla Osorio  
Rtn. Elay Pereyras  
- RC Tagum Golden LACES  
Rtn. Meg Pereyras  
- RC Tagum Golden LACES  
Sps Elma D. Ravelo  
Sps Gina Sison  
Sps Gina Siesmundo  
Rtn. Aweng P. Suaybaguio  
- RC Tagum Golden LACES  
Rotakid Lyxen Ararao  
Rotakid Ludvig Ararao  
Rotakid Luteo Ararao  
Rotakid Yona Adtoon  
Rotakid Chino Pereyras  
Clint Francine N. Nicolas  
Juliana Louriene N. Velarde



**We Missed you last meeting**

Rtn. Jorish S. Amargo  
Rtn. Dan A. Bagarra  
PE Michael Bryan A. Briones  
Rtn. Yays B. Coderis  
Rtn. Val Reyjohn Cualing  
Rtn. Marlou P. Fulo  
Rtn. Reymon A. Guden  
Rtn. Karl Hibionada  
Rtn. Joseph D. Low  
PP Jong D. Magat  
Rtn. Razlee Louie V. Malipero  
PP Mike B. Malbog  
Rtn. Marc Arden Pude

**Valid Make-up**

RC Tagum Golden LACES  
  
Board Meeting  
  
Mt. Apo Climb to End Polio  
Medical Mission, Dec. 11, 2023

**Make up****Gift Giving, November 25, 2023, Sitio Puting Bato, Brgy. Ngan, Davao de Oro**

PAG Charles Aldwin M. Carpio  
PE Eduardo C. Dinglasan  
DGR-PRM Arnold M. Nicolas  
PP Revedor R. Pereyras  
DTO/PP Renie P. Siscon

**2024 Singapore Rotary International Convention , June , 2024**

Registered Delegates

1. DGR-PRM Arnold M. Nicolas
2. AG Mae T. Dalisay
3. Pres. Rommel B. Gomito
4. Pres. Elect Jason James S. Ebdao
5. President Nominee Eduardo C. Dinglasan, Jr.
6. President Nominee-Designate Robyn Nino R. Pereyras
7. PP Ronald S. Bordios
8. PP Revedor R. Pereyras
9. PP Darwin B. Ravelo
10. PP Rommel A. Lintuan
11. PP Renie P. Siscon
12. Rtn. Ryan John Alegre
13. Rtn. Froilan P. Adtoon
14. Rtn. Raphael Roi P. Adtoon
15. Rtn. Arnold E. Arbuso
16. Rtn. Wenter Barruga
17. Rtn. Dexter C. Consolacion
18. Sps Evangeline Alegre
19. Sps Marissa Gomito
20. Sps Lorena C. Lintuan
21. Sps Elma D. Ravelo
22. PP Rosanna P. Adtoon
23. PAG Norma R. Pereyras
24. Chair Herna H. Crawhorn
25. Rtn. Lucia S. Ebdao

**CONGRATULATIONS !!!  
OFFICERS & DIRECTORS  
Rotary Year 2024-2025**

**ROTARY CLUB OF TAGUM NORTH**

Club No. 26110, District 3860

December 9, 2023 Charter Date

Meets Every 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the Month @ Miko's Brew  
Apokon Road, Tagum City, Davao del Norte

President	Eduardo C. Dinglasan, Jr.
President Elect	Jason James S. Ebdao
President Nominee	Robyn Nino R. Pereyras
Vice President	PP Ronald S. Bordios
Secretary	Jason James S. Ebdao
Asst. Secretary	Anwar E. Maadel
Treasurer	PAG Arnold M. Nicolas
Asst. Treasurer	Jefford Arnelle Egoc
Auditor	Keren M. Gentugaya
Sgt. At Arms	Froilan P. Adtoon
Membership	PP Jess M. Osorio
Club Admin	PP Darwin B. Ravelo
Service Project Chair	John Ryan Alegre
Public Image Chair	Rucel C. Cayetano
The Rotary Foundation	PP Ramel A. Lintuan
DEI	PAG Mae T. Dalisay
DTO	IPP Rommel B. Gomito
New Generation	Kenneth Q. Gentugaya
Advisers	PAG Neal M. Ararao PAG Charles Aldwin M. Carpio PAG Jose Alvic P. Suayba

# Planner

## January

- 08 PROJECT Assessment , Tagum City National High School,9:00am
- 08 Tree Planting Committee Meeting, 5PM
- 09 13th Regular General Membership Meeting, Miko's Brew, 6:30pm
- 20 Tree Planting, 7:00am, Tagum City
- 23 14th Regular General Membership Meeting, Miko's Brew, 6:30pm
- 30 Regular Monthly Board Meeting, 6:00pm

## Rotary Convention

2024	Singapore	25-29 May 2024
2025	Calgary, Canada	21-25 June 2025
2026	Taipei, Taiwan	13-17 June 2026
2027	Honolulu, Hawaii	05-09 June 2027
2028	Manila, Philippines	03-08 June 2028



- 05 Rtn. Boyet P. Adtoon
- 10 Spouse Dyma Dinglasan
- 14 Rtn. Arnold Jan A. Arbuso
- 19 Rtn. Wiggle Adtoon



- 08 Rtn. Ayet & Gina Seismundo
- 10 PP Bidoy & Spouse Elay Pereyras
- 25 Rtn. Jefford & Spouse Jenny Egoc

# RI Directors declared for 2025-27

Rotary International President Gordon R. McNally declared on 4 December seven Rotary members to be RI directors for 2025-27.

The RI Bylaws provide that if the general secretary does not receive a duly proposed challenge to the selection of a zone's nominating committee for director by 1 December, the president shall declare the selection of the nominating committee to be the director-nominee from the zone.

There were no proposals of additional candidates from the following zones. Therefore, in accordance with the RI Bylaws, McNally declared the following Rotary members to be the directors-nominee from their respective zones to serve on the Board beginning on 1 July 2025:

Zone 8

Jennifer Scott — Central Blue Mountains, New South Wales, Australia

Zone 11

Jung-Hyun Lee — Hwasung Taeon, Korea

Zone 16A

Christine Büring — Altenburg, Germany

Zone 20B

Harriette Verwey — Leiden-AM, Netherlands

Zone 23A

César Luis Scherer — Marechal Cândido Rondon-Beira Lago, Brazil

Zone 27

Wyn Spiller — Grass Valley, California, USA

Zone 31

Brian Hall — Covington, Louisiana, USA

The general secretary received challenges to the Nominating Committee's selection in Zones 5 (India, southern) and 7 (India, southern and central). An electronic ballot is being prepared for clubs in these zones to select their candidate. The ballot will be live by 31 December and will run, per the RI Bylaws, until 1 February.

# Presentations and workshops at COP28 highlight community-led solutions, partnerships.

By Etelka Lehoczky

Rotary experts are hosting more than two dozen sessions at the 28th United Nations climate conference, addressing how a changing climate intersects with health, poverty, and other factors. Rotary International President R. Gordon R. McNally will discuss the mental health effects of climate-linked disasters.

The two-week conference in Dubai, also known as COP28 (short for Conference of the Parties, now in its 28th year), is the world's highest decision-making process addressing climate issues. It brings together more than 70,000 delegates from 197 countries and geographical areas as well as thousands of nongovernmental organizations, companies, and others. Rotary is taking part in the conference for the third time, highlighting community-led solutions, partnerships, and dialogue.



"The record global temperatures this year have underscored the immediate need to take action on climate change," McNally says. "They have also demonstrated the massive destructive toll that climate has taken on global mental health."

McNally notes studies connecting extreme heat to greater rates of violence and incidents of mental distress. His presentation will also address the anxiety that younger people feel because of climate change.

Recognizing the central role of young people in shaping a sustainable future, Rotary is sponsoring 12 youth volunteers to attend COP28. This amplifies young voices in the climate discussion and offers the volunteers learning opportunities and international experience.

Rotary's 28 sessions include presentations by Rotary representatives to the UN and international organizations, as well as UN agencies, NGOs, academia, and corporate entities. Meenakshi Venkataraman, a member of the Rotary Club of Nilgiris West, Tamil Nadu, India, will discuss how invasive species cause biodiversity loss. Salvador Rico, a member of the Rotary Club of South Ukiah, California, USA, will offer an introduction to community-led watershed protection efforts.

In addition, Elif Selin Calik, author of "The Renaissance of Smart Energy" and a member of the Environmental Sustainability Rotary Action Group, will talk about how artificial intelligence can revolutionize areas like energy, agriculture, and disaster resilience.

Yaseen Mohamed Jaffer Mohsen, president of the Association of Rotary Clubs in the United Arab Emirates, will explore how environmental projects can be financed through corporate partnerships.

The "Climate Crisis and Health Consequences" panel, held in partnership with GAVI, the Vaccine Alliance, will address the escalating health threats posed by climate change. Moderated by Rose Cardarelli, Rotary International representative to UNICEF, the panel will feature health professionals from Rotary, the World Health Organization, UNICEF, and GAVI.

Other sessions focus on food systems, Indigenous land rights, and related topics.

From supporting vulnerable populations to forging partnerships across the public and private sectors, Rotary members are motivating progress and inspiring action on the environment. Members in the United Arab Emirates are planting 50,000 mangrove trees in partnership with the government. The restoration of mangrove forests, which help protect coastlines and marine life, is a Rotary priority.

"Mangrove ecosystems in the tropics and subtropics around the world are in peril because of their position along coastlines," says Christopher Puttock, chair of the Rotary Action Group Council. "Because of the rapid sea-level rise we are experiencing, and the persistent need for human coastal development, these ecosystems are being squeezed out of existence. Working with governments and local communities, Rotary has the unique opportunity to assist in mangrove restoration projects."

Rotary's COP28 delegation includes Trustee Chair Barry Rassin and General Secretary John Hewko, as well as Judith Diment, dean of the Rotary Representatives to the UN and International Agencies; Mohamed Delawar Aly, Rotary Representative to the Arab League; Yasar Atacik, chair of the Environmental Sustainability Rotary Action Group; and K. Neil Van Dine, chair of the Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene Rotary Action Group.

Rotary International has long worked to protect the environment by collaborating with communities to implement clean water and sanitation, alleviate poverty, and promote sustainable energy technologies. The Rotary Foundation has committed more than US\$23.7 million toward environmental projects led by Rotary members around the world.

Learn more about Rotary's commitment to the environment.  
- December 2023

# 2023 Rotary Institute



# Christmas Party



# Parole and Probation Medical Mission





# RC Tagum North TRF Recognition



# Rotary Club Tagum North General Assembly



# Sitio Quipo, Gupitan GAD Caravan 2023



## 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 Lehár, 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.

# Rotary



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



*Rotary Club Partner*

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



*Rotary Sponsored Club*

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

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

# 2023-2024 CLUB COMMITTEES



## CLUB ADMINISTRATION

Club Program/Attendance  
FB Admin  
Archive  
Fellowship  
Charter Anniversary  
Family of Rotary  
PETS/SETS & DTA Bohol  
Davao DISCON 2024  
Taipei Rotary Institute  
Singapore RI Convention

## PP DARWIN B. RAVELO

DGR-PRM/PAG Arnold M. Nicolas  
Marlou P. Fulo  
DGR-PRM/PAG Arnold M. Nicolas  
Joseph B. Low  
PS Jorish S. Amargo  
PP Cock Chang F. Soo  
Pres. Rommel B. Gomito  
Jefford Arnelle M. Egoc  
Jovito Coderis III  
PP Revedor R. Pereyras

## MEMBERSHIP

Recruitment/Retention  
Orientation/Education  
Mentoring  
Membership Assessment and Planning  
Alumni / Diversity

## IPP JESS M. OSORIO

Dexter C. Consolacion  
PAG Charles Aldwin M. Carpio  
PP Darwin B. Ravelo  
PE Michael Bryan A. Briones  
PAG Glenn A. Pono

## PUBLIC RELATIONS

Media Relations  
External Relations  
Web and Social Media

## DIR. JASON JAMES S. EBDAO

Reymon A. Guden  
Marc Pude  
Asst. Secretary Anwar E. Maadel

## SERVICE PROJECTS

Vocational  
International  
RYLA  
Rotaract  
Interact  
Fundraising for Club Projects  
Water for Life  
Sitio Mondol  
Environment  
Tree Planting  
Mangrove Planting  
Pink Tagum  
Anti Dengue  
Blood Letting  
Buntis Congress  
Job Fair  
Empowering Girls  
Sister Clubs  
Satellite Club  
Rotary Week

## DIR. NOVEN DELIGERO

PP Jong D. Magat  
Kevin Ahn  
Arnold Arbuso  
Asst. Treasurer Robyn Nino R. Pereyras  
Giovanni I. Gulanes  
PAG Jose Alvic P. Suaybagueio  
Noven Drio Deligero  
PP Renie P. Siscon  
PP Antonio R. Inguillo  
Louie V. Malipero  
Karl Stephen S. Hibionada  
Eduardo C. Dinglasan, Jr.  
Dan A. Bagarra  
Ryan Alegre  
Dir. Jason James S. Ebdao  
Asst. Secretary Anwar E. Maadel  
Jorish S. Amargo  
DGR-PRM/PAG Arnold M. Nicolas  
Ryan Alegre  
Jeoffrey Tornilla

## ROTARY FOUNDATION

TRF/Vibrant Seminar  
District/Global Grants  
Annual Giving  
Polio Plus  
Endowment Fund

## PP RAMEL A. LINTUAN

AG Mae T. Dalisay  
DGR-PRM/PAG Arnold M. Nicolas  
PAG Jose Alvic P. Suaybagueio  
PAG Neal M. Ararao  
PP Darwin B. Ravelo





**ROSTER OF MEMBERS**

ROTARY ID	NAME	CLASSIFICATION	SPOUSE	MILESTONES
11763052	Froilan P. Adtoon,PHF	Water Drilling	Sanang	
11763055	Raphael Roi P. Adtoon,PHF	Real Estate Leasing	Cristelle	
11661068	John Ryan Alegre,PHF	Construction	Evangeline	1
11201916	Jorish S. Amargo, PHF	Home Furnishing		3
8721076	Neal M. Ararao,PHF+3	Dentistry Orthodontics	Leslie	11
11661072	Arnold E. Arbuso,RFSM2	Electrical Construction	Chona	1
11860968	Arnold Jan A. Arbuso	Electrical Services	Shairrah	
	Rene E. Arbuso	Electrical Supplies Dealership	Imelda	
8537322	Dan A. Bagarra,PHF	Orthopedic Surgery	Debbie	12
	Wenter D. Barruga	Heavy Equipment Parts Distributor	Donah Fe	
10673853	Michael Bryan A. Briones ,PHF	Sports Equipment Retail	Claire	6
2545425	Ronald S. Bordios,PHF+2	Mobile Phone Retailer		20
	Fritz Bundang	Education Program Specialist		
6986525	Charles Aldwin M. Carpio,PHF+5	Nursing Service	Odessa	15
9090693	Rucel C. Cayetano	Law-Procecutor		
10673859	Dexter C. Consolacion,PHF	Banking Commercial		6
11033599	Jovito B. Coderis III,MD Level 1	Law Enforcement	TJ	4
8921443	Mae T. Dalisay,MD Level 1	Medicine Pediatric		5
11860971	Val Reyjohn Cualing	Lending		
11501341	Noven Drio U. Deligero,PHF	Engineering Civil	Jessa	1
10999098	Eduardo C. Dinglasan,Jr.,PHF	Restaurateur	Dyma	4
11501336	Jason James S. Ebdao,PHF+2	Governmental Relations		1
11501335	Jefford Arnelle M. Egoc ,PHF	Banking-Universal	Jenny	1
	Joshua M. Espiritu	Electrical Engineering	Marcy Ann	
9972836	Marlou P. Fulo,PHF	Financing	Katkat	7
11860963	Kenneth Q. Gentugaya,RFSM	Civil Engineering		
10572039	Keren M. Gentugaya,RFSM	Water Supply		
11860974	Marben P. Gillado	Banking_Rural	Rona Jin	
6693871	Rommel Gomito,MD Level 1	Engineering Mechanical	Marissa	4
11501333	Reymon A. Guden,RFSM2	Marketing Specialist	Mary Anne	1
11501328	Karl Stephen S. Hibionada,RFSM 2	Electrical Engineering		1
11860978	Castrenskie R. Hilay, Jr.	Bakeshoppe Management	Cherilyn	
8426668	Ramel A. Lintuan,MD Level 1	Gas Services	Lorena	12
10676722	Joseph D. Low,RFSM4	Pawnshop Management	Rose	5
	Donah Fe A. Lumangtad	Heavy Equipment Sales	Wenter	
11661083	Anwar E. Maadel	Education Partners/Linkage		1
3380633	Jong D. Magat,PHF+2	Contractors General	Rhoda	26
6377182	Michael B. Malbog,PHF+1	Cosmetic Surgery	Tweet	19
11501319	Razlee Louie V. Malipero,PHF	Life Insurance		1
11860981	Alexis D. Mina	Car Accessories	Fatima	
	Federico C. Mina	Government Service	Naneth	
5912929	Arnold M. Nicolas,MD Level 1	Insurance Consultancy		21
10419717	Jess M. Osorio,PHF+2	Architecture	Rose	6
5881882	Revedor R. Pereyras,PHF+4	Tables & Chairs Rental	Elay	16
8615731	Robyn Niño R. Pereyras, PHF	Registered Nurse	Meg	3
10346963	Marc Arden Pude,PHF	Insurance Non-Life	Kim	7
6377179	Darwin B. Ravelo,MD Level 1	Heavy Equipments Rental	Elma	19
11860964	Ayet Seismundo	Construction	Gina	
8720375	Renie P. Siscon,PHF+1	Auto Parts Surplus	Gina	11
1510880	Cock Chang F. Soo,PHF+1	Real Estate - Rentals	Maricor	36
5912917	Jose Alvic P. Suaybaguio,MD Level 1	Engineering Sanitary	Aweng	21
11661079	Jeoffrey H. Tornilla	Architecture	Maricel	1
	Ingrid Z. Yanong	Banana Exporter		

**Honorary Members**

10653633	Wendy Ng
2057033	Joseph Nilo F. Parrenas,PHF+2
1907065	PP Jim M. Osorio,PHF+4
9341312	Vice Governor. Jayvee Tyron L. Uy,PHF
5250782	Mayor/PP Rey T. Uy, PHF

**Club Partners:**

Rotaract Club of Tagum North-UM Tagum Chapter March 15, 1993-Club #11175  
 Rotaarct Club of Tagum North-Palm City Chapter September 19, 2012-Club #90381  
 Rotary Community Corp-Imelda



**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 RAYMONDO**  
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



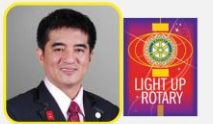
**ANTONIO R. INGUILLO**  
2011-2012



**Charles Aldwin Carpio**  
2012-2013



**Darwin B. Ravelo**  
2013-2014



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



**Christopher Donayre**  
2017-2018



**Ramel Lintuan**  
2017 - 2018



**Neal Ararao**  
2018 - 2019



**Renie P. Sison**  
2019-2020



**Mae T. Dalisay**  
2020-2021



**Revedor R. Pereyras**  
2021-2022



**Jess M. Osorio**  
2022-2023

## The Past President's

# TAGUM NORTH is UP

by: PAG Arnold M. Nicolas , PAG Jim M. Osorio & PAG Glenn A. Pono



At 35, The Rotary Club of Tagum North (RCTN) stands strong and proud. Like a grown-up man, it has gained so much confidence, beaming, and always ready to face new challenges.

The Rotary Club of Tagum North is Club No. 26110 of Rotary International, District 3860, Area 2D. It is the second Rotary Club in Tagum City, Davao del Norte. To date, its membership strength of 38 Rotarians.

In 1988, the Rotary Club of Tagum, led by Pres. Arrel Olano, organized the Rotary Club of Tagum North. Barely three months from its first organizational meeting, the club was chartered on December 9, 1988. The club was nurtured under the caring hands of its "father" PP Filemon Maloles, the Special Governor's Representative to District Governor Cesar Estalilla. Among the 27 charter members, the late Sing Beng "Danny" Lee was the elected charter president. Two of the charter members, namely PP Cock Chang F. Soo and PP Antonio Inguillo remain to be part of the current active members of RCTN.

There are three Rotary Clubs in Tagum City. Being the first club extension, the Rotary Club of Tagum North brought in a new dimension of dynamism and aggressiveness of the Rotary Community in Tagum City. It rallied behind its birth-year Rotary theme: "Put Life into Rotary-Your Life (RY 1988-89)". As a young club, it supported the call to expand the Rotary Community and organized the Rotary Club of Tagum Golden L.A.C.E.S. (Ladies in Action Committed to Effective Service) in RY 1992-93.

The district formally recognized 20 of the 34 past presidents, as Outstanding Presidents (in different awarding categories). Seven of the club's past presidents earned high positions in the district leadership structure. Just like any other volunteer organization, the club experienced not only its splendor in success, but also its share of low moments as well. During the RY 1997-98 the club experienced a severe membership crisis that almost brought its dissolution. During the terms of PP Macario "Bong" Bermudez and PP Samuel "Sammy" Raymundo the club bounced back from its moribund state through numerous fellowship activities coupled with aggressive recruitment of young members.

Gradually, the club earned its name not only in its locality but in the whole District as well. The District granted the opportunity for RCTN to host Membership Development Forum both in RY 1993-94 and RY 2008-09. Likewise, the District recognized the RCTN as the host of the 27th District Assembly on May 1-2, 2001, 32nd District Assembly on May 5-6, 2006 and co-hosts 2017 District Training Assembly on May 26-27, 2017.

Thanks to the relentless support of its members, the club reached its peak when it earned the highest honor of distinction for a Club (Most Outstanding Club Award in RY 2005-06) in RI District 3860, during the term of PP Marty D. Briguez and RY 2017-2018 during the term of PP Ramel A. Lintuan. Worth mentioning among the other prestigious awards received by the club were: 2008 Most Outstanding NGO Award given by the Armed Forces of the Philippines in Manila, Most Outstanding NGO of Davao del Norte in 2008, 2016 Tagumpay Excellence Awardee for Community Service Category of Tagum City and United Nations Development Millennium Award for Hot Lunch Plus program given by UNICEF in Malacanan in 2007. Also, PAG Arnold Nicolas 2017 Rotary Avenue of Service Citation for Individual Rotarian given by RI President John F. Germs. Oozing with enthusiasm, the club remains very sensitive to the needs of the community alongside its role of providing its members the opportunity for fellowship thereby widening its circle of friends.

The implementation of laudable community projects serves as the life-blood of the club. It brings more attendance to the club meetings. It develops new club leaders and provides instant fellowship as well.

In RY 2011-2012 the club became 100% Paul Harris Fellow Club with a Total All-Time Foundation Giving of \$ 111,692.00 as of June 30, 2022 with Four Major Donors Level 1.





### Disease, Prevention & Treatment

The project 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 City community, to the nearby underprivileged prisoners/parolees and even to its farthest neighborhood communities in Davao del Norte, Davao de Oro and Surigao del Norte Provinces. The club has established a program on “Botica sa Barangay” last 2000 in Asuncion, Davao del Norte that helped a total of 26 remote barangays access to cheap but effective medicines.

The club proudly launched the “Operation New Look” program. It is a continuing project, funded by Jerome Foundation, Inc. that has generously provided free cleft lip and cleft palate surgeries to more than 1,000 indigent patients coming as far as Zamboanga del Norte, Cotabato City, Surigao City, Agusan del Norte, Butuan City and Lanao del Norte.

In 2001, the RCTN coordinated with the Pediatrics Department of Davao Regional Medical Center and the City Government of Tagum 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. In 2019 the club received through Rotary Club of Godeok, Republic of Korea, District 3620 11 units of Dengue Misting Sprayer with 3 years supply of anti dengue chemicals and two (2) units fogging machine.

The club received grant projects and assistance from various sponsoring international sister clubs of RC Marine Sunrise, California, USA, and from RC Port St. Lucie, Florida, USA. From these sister clubs, the RCTN received two (2) units of Neonatal Incubators and seven (7) units of dialysis machine which were donated to Davao Regional Medical Center, a tertiary government hospital in Tagum City. Also, 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 DRMC.

Conducted Oral Polio Vaccination & free-tigdas and german measles annually at Tagum City Health Center in partnership with Tagum City Health Office .

Conducted Schistosomiasis Mass Treatment in Municipalities of Asuncion , New Corella, B. Dujali and Kapalong, Davao del Norte in partnership with UP Manila and DOH.

Conducted free Breast Scan every year in partnership with Clinica ng Masa.

The club also donated more than two million pesos worth of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE's) during the Covid-19 response in partnership with different Municipal and City Health Centers of Davao del Norte, Davao de Oro and Davao City.

### Maternal & Child Care

“Hot Lunch Plus” a feeding program for the undernourished elementary school pupils that became the recipient of United Nations Millennium Development Award given by UNICEF in RY 2006-2007, is a continuing club project that prioritizes 92 wasted pupils of Magugpo Pilot Imelda Elementary School SPED Center. The Club embarks on activities such as the Free Osteoporosis Screening Program, TB Screening by PPD Mantoux Testing , Deworming, Iron Supplementation and advocacy for Malaria Control and Schistosomiasis Program.



In partnership with RC Harvey , Australia the club donated 50 units of children wheelchair in Davao del Norte, Davao de Oro, Davao City and Agusan del Norte.

Pink Tagum, a Breast Cancer Awareness Campaign Program in partnership with the City Government of Tagum, Icanserve Foundation, Living Hope, GAD Tagum, PTV 48, PIA Davao del Norte , NCCC Mall, City Mall and Robinson's Place Tagum .

Annual Buntis Congress, seeks to promote greater awareness among pregnant and “would be pregnant” mothers on maternal and infant health.

The club is now focusing not only on the well-being of our women, but also on the health and nutrition of the mothers, the newborn and the children, pregnant women learned about the proper health and nutrition during and after pregnancy. They also gained knowledge on the importance of giving birth in accredited health facilities, being made aware of the risks of giving birth at home or in unlicensed facilities, among other requirements.



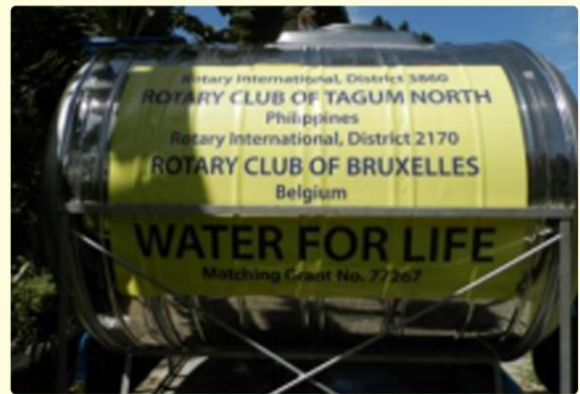
### Water and Sanitation

Through the project grant funded by WCS from District 2790, Chiba Japan and District Grant Project, the club initiated the program on “Oplan 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 Davao de Oro. To date, the club handed out more than 7,000 units to these areas.



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 Barangay Magdum, Tagum City. In its unending passion to provide potable water for indigent families in the remote barangays of Davao del Norte and Davao de Oro, the “Water for Life” became the Club’s Centennial Project. It is a continuing project which has installed a total 91 pumps, three (8) units Water Tank for Rainwater Storage, two (2) Water Reservoir, four (4) Artesian Well with 1.5 horsepower submersible pump and 2,000 liters stainless storage tank funded by Matching Grant with RC Bruxelles, Belgium as International Partner and RC Duksan, RC Kodeok, RC Yesan-Neugkeum, RC Shinrewon and RC Yesan of District 3620. This year, the clubs aims to construct/install additional two (2) units of Artesian Well with 1.5 horsepower submersible pump and 1,000 liters stainless storage tank funded by RC Godeok, D3620, Republic of Korea.

This year the Rotary Club of Tagum North donated 1 unit brand new water tank truck to District 3860 Disaster Management, Inc funded by PP Darwin B. Ravelo.



### Economic & Community Development

In harmony with the preservation of the countryside environment and natural resources, the club ventured on “Coral Reef, Mangrove & Tree Planting” in 1992. It is a continuing project that helps to rehabilitate the mangrove forest in the coastlines of Tagum City and its neighboring areas.

Donation of six (6) units 18 footer Fiberglass Motorized Banca to Liboganon Fisherfolks Association, courtesy of RC Littehampton, RC Seaford, RC Bognor, RC Steyning&Henfield and RC Shoreham & Southwick, United Kingdom, District 1250.

Regular Job Fair in Partnership with Tagum City Public Employment Services Office (PEESO). Job Fair is quarterly event. Closely coordinated with the Department of Labor and Employment, also opens opportunities for job-seekers to avail of services from government agencies such as the Professional Regulations Commission, the Social Security System, Phil Health, National Statistics Office, Department of Foreign Affairs among others.



Supported the Sari-sari Store Training and Access to Resources (STAR) for more than 2000 women. A joint undertaking of the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA), Tagum City Council of Women and Coca-Cola Philippines, the STAR Program aims to economically empower women retailers by providing them access to business and life skills training; access to financing and assets; and access to peer mentoring support. Women retailers are initially engaged on a 12-week Basic Entrepreneurship and Gender Sensitivity Training before they are introduced to access to resources, where women who successfully graduate from the training are given the chance to apply for micro financing from STAR Program partners and merchandising support from Coca-Cola Philippines. Coca-Cola funded the program while Tesda gave the training to selected COW 10 delegates as future trainer's, delegates re-echo barangays; RCTN facilitates transportation of trainer's to the barangays to re-echo the STAR program in their areas.

2004-05- "Cable-Lift" project. An ingenious cable cart system used to transport farmers and their produce from one side to another side of the river in Asuncion, Davao del Norte.

Donation of 12 Unit weeing scale in Bugasan sa Kapurokan in partnership with LGU Tagum City.

Funded the IP's Sari-sari Store Negosyo Package at Sitio Tawinian, Barangay Gupitan, Municipality of Kapalong, Davao del Norte.

Also, donated 2 housing units at Rotary Village Magsaysay, Davao Del Sur funded by Rotary Club of Godeok, District 3620, Republic of Korea and SUP Corporation.



### Basic Education & Literacy

The club has been supportive in promoting educational skills development programs in the area. The "Adopt A School program" was commenced in 2008; identifying Rizal Elementary School as its beneficiary.

Its compassion for education is unstoppable when it extended its coverage to 44 learners both out of school youths and young adults at Barangay East, Tagum City when the Alternative Learning System (ALS Palengskwelahan) was conceived in 2008. Since 2012 the club take care of the construction, rehabilitation and maintenance of the school.

Since 1998, RCTN helped in the promotion of a reliable livelihood program in Tagum City. The club organized its Basic Skills Training Program promoting Basic Electronics for Differently-able individuals; Cellular Phone, Radio and TV repair and Basic Carpentry for 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.

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 Magugpo Pilot Imelda Elementary School Sped Center.

Rehabilitation of Three (3) Classroom Building at Mangayon National High School, Davao de Oro. The school rehabilitation project is funded by RC Littlehampton, United Kingdom, District 1250 in partnership with DSWD and Office of Rep. Maria Carmen S. Zamora.





Construction of 1 Unit School Building at Brgy. Imelda, Laak, Davao de Oro funded by RC Oxted & Limsfield, United Kingdom in partnership with the Provincial Government of Davao de Oro.

Construction of Reading Center at San Agustin Elem. School, Tagum City funded by RC Godeok, District 3620, Republic of Korea.

Construction of School Canteen at San Agustin Elem. School, Tagum City funded by RC Godeok, District 3620, Republic of Korea.

Rehabilitation of three (3) classroom Units at Camansa Elem. School at Barangay Camansa, Municipality of Asuncion.

Construction of three (3) classrooms Units at Madrasaton Nor Al Islamia at Municipality of Asuncion, Davao del Norte.

**Peace & Conflict Prevention & Treatment**

**A Silver Lining at the Crossroad of Conflict**

Situated along with the benches of the Pantaron mountain ranges and at the crossroads of Bukidnon, Agusan del Norte, and Davao del Norte, Sitio Tapayanon in Barangay Gupitan, Kapalong Davao del Norte is a remote and internally displaced indigenous people community. The area has limited access to basic education and literacy, health, sanitation, and maternal and child health care. Sitio Tapayanon was eventually relieved as the insurgents' strategic shelter spot and place of retreat in these regions after being explored and identified by forces from the 60th Infantry Battalion in 2019.



The "Tapayanons" of Mindanao's Ata-Manobo tribe endured a simple, modest way of life while preserving vibrant culture and tradition, attributed to their ingenuity and persistence. Although the community is now peaceful and thriving, problems continue to emerge as the community struggle to transform into a sustainable and developed rural community. Because the area is only accessible by helicopter, there are no essential services available. Provision of basic education and literacy are neglected due to a lack of resources and services. Through the initiative of the Provincial Government of Davao del Norte and the Local Government Unit of Kapalong, residents of Sitio Tapayanon are now relocated into Sitio Mondol, Barangay Gupitan in Kapalong, Davao del Norte that can be accessed by land transportation.

The Rotary Club of Tagum North has continued to be the "light of hope" in every Tapayanon child's goal of having access to basic education and literacy, thanks to a District Grant from The Rotary Foundation. The building of Sitio Mondol Multi-Purpose Hall, which may also be utilized for children's educational activities, The project were supported by the Provincial Government of Davao del Norte and the LGU of Kapalong. This humanitarian initiative will benefit around 98 households, totaling almost 700 residents, most of whom are children. Basic education opens up a world of possibilities for every "Tapayanon" child, from community development to nation-building. Tagum North Rotarians are more than motivated to "Serve to Change Lives" by teaching one child at a time, even in the most distant and inaccessible locations.

Learning Peace in School and Community project in partnership with Office of Presidential Adviser of Peace Process (OPAPP)



**The Rotary Foundation**

Group Study Exchange Program (GSE) & Rotary Exchange (ROTEX)  
 The first club in the zone to send an Out-Bound ROTEX exchange student, Marjorie Osorio, exchanged with In-Bound ROTEX student Samantha Gordon of West Palm Beach, Florida, USA.

In 2000-01- Dr. Nanette Perdido Out-Bound GSE to Florida, USA.  
 2001-02- Maricar S. Zamora Out-Bound GSE to Canada and USA.  
 Dr. Lorenzo Mendoza Out-bound GSE Kentucky, USA  
 Dr. Glen Pono Out-bound GSE Virginia, Dr. Concha, Out-bound British Columbia, Canada, and Atty. Rusell J. Cayetano, Sydney, Australia.



**Youth Service**

The RCTN has constantly helped many schools and universities organize the Rotaract and Interact clubs in this area. Hosted the 13th, 22nd, 28th and 31st Rotaract & Interact District Conference and the 2005 & 2008, Rotaract & Interact District Assembly. Also, the club regularly sent delegates to 3rd, 4th, 6th, 8th, 9th, 11th Asia Pacific Regional Rotaract Conference in Tagaytay, Malaysia, Singapore, Subic, Bangkok and Hongkong respectively and Bangkok and Seoul Rotaract Pre Convention Meetings.

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

# 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

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.

## Diversity and Rotary

Rotary International recognizes the value of diversity within individual clubs. Rotary encourages clubs to assess those in their communities who are eligible for membership, under existing membership guidelines, and to endeavor to include the appropriate range of individuals in their clubs. A club that reflects its community's diversity with regard to professional and business classifications, gender, age, religion, and ethnicity is a club with the key ingredients to its successful future.



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