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THE FIRST MULTI-DISTRICT PRE-PETS

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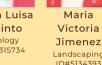
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# EDITOR'S



DIR. ALESSANDRA KÖNST Editor-in-Chief • Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion Director

#### Hello, hello, everyone!

This Bloomscoop issue features Dir. Luchi Aportadera sharing pictures of World Polio Day, which happened last October 24! Also, a total of 6 Waling-Waling Ladies attended the first multidistrict Pre-PETs last October 8, 2023. We were one of the few Rotary Clubs that had not just the President-Elect attend, but also its Secretary-Elect and members.

We also shared about the Rotary statement on the Israel and Gaza conflict, which has been an ongoing tragic and heartbreaking war happening on the other side of the world, affecting not just those at war, but also the innocent: the women, children, and the elderly. As Rotarians, we "denounce the violence against innocent civilians and support upholding international humanitarian law" (p.6).

Cheers!

Editorial

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### PROGRAMME **GOVERNOR'S VISIT** -**OCTOBER 27, 2023** 12PM - TOPAZ FUNCTION ROOM, THE

**PINNACLE HOTEL & SUITES** Call to Order

Turnover of Proceedings to **Program Moderator** 

Invocation

Pambansang Awit

Rotary Hymn

The Four-Way Test

Introduction of Visiting **Rotarians and Guests** 

Mood Breaker: Community Dance

Presentation of Accomplishments and **Future** Projects

Introduction of District Governor

District Governor's Message

President's Time & Adjournment

Fellowship

Pres. Emmanouelle Zhang

PP / Dir. Maria Victoria Jimenez

Dir. Jenah De los Santos

AVP

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PAG/PP Armi Geralyn Espiritu

RCWWD

Pres. Emmanouelle Zhang

AG Corina Guerrero

District Governor Rozanne "Twinkle" Gamboa

Pres. Emmanouelle Zhang



Invocation

Father, we praise and worship you. Thank you for another day, for another chance to glorify your name, for the multiple blessings you bestowed on us, so we may be your instruments to spread love, kindness, hope, and help to those who need it.

May you guide us in today's agenda; that all may be planned and executed under your will and blessings. Bless our minds with creative thoughts. Bless our hearts with pure intentions. Bless our hands with gentleness.

All of these we offer for your greater glory.

AMEN.

Shared by Dir. Jenah De los Santos

Waling-Waling Davao



### **Rotary International & District Leaders**



Gordon R. McInally *RI President* 



Rozanne "Twinkle" Gamboa District Governor



Corina Josefa Guerrero Assistant Governor for Area 2B

## Honorary Members



PP Abdullah Aquino



Antonio VA Llamas



Ishii

RC Narashino, District

2790 - Chiba, Japan

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Mario Luis

Jacinto



Francisco Vilela, Jr.

## **Club** Profile

Organized and sponsored in 1991 by RC East Davao and chartered on the 20th of January, 1992, with Sylvia Marfori as the Charter President, the Rotary Club of Waling-Waling Davao (RCWWD) is the 11th Rotary Club in Davao and holds the distinction of being the first all-women's Rotary Club in District 3860.

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In the last 32 years, RCWWD has accomplished 10 TRF Grants and 12 combined WCS/RC Narashino projects/4 District Grants; sponsored 9 and hosted 11 GSE members; sponsored 1 and hosted 2 RYE students; hosted 5 Rotarians on an Individual Friendship Exchange (USA & Canada); forged 12 sisterhood ties with Rotary Clubs in Australia, USA, India, and within the Philippines; organized several Rotary, Rotaract, and Interact Clubs, as well as RCCs; and spearheaded Zone and District activities.

# PRESIDENT'S

Dear RCWWD ladies,

Thanks to the relentless effort of Rotary to eradicate Polio, the virus spread has decreased to 99% globally. Last October 24 was World Polio Day, and RCWWD is one of the Rotary Clubs that support this cause with the upcoming awareness campaign and fund raising program by climbing the highest peak in the Philippines, Mt. Apo. This was spearheaded by PAG / PP Maribel "Baby" Vilela and her family. A project original and distinct to District 3860, it sends the message that even the highest peak or the biggest troubles can be overcome with commitment, determination, and unity. I wish the team only happy trails and thank you for this pursuit.

In a few days, our District Governor, DG Rozanne "Twinkle" Gamboa, will also visit our club to check the progress and status of our plans, programs, and goals. My personal challenge is to build sustainable projects. A good-looking club would have crossed a lot from the checklist, but the real goal is the impact in the community. The real goal is to create positive lasting change to the lives around. With the support of RCWWD, I believe this is attainable because everyone has the power. As a Rotarian, through the compassion and dedication of the members and the organization, we can do more.

I would also like to recognize the generous TRF contributors whose donation will assist the club in its future projects: PP Mae Dolendo; PP Marilou "Melot" Baarde; PP Maria Luisa "Malou" Jacinto; IPP Vanessa Madayag; PP Herminia Polintan; PP Teresita Yñiguez; PE Maria Vida Könst; Treas. Maribel Chua; Sec. Chona Lamparas; Dir. Cecile Diaz; Dir. Luna Gaviola; Dir. Maria Luisa "Luchi" Aportadera; Rtn. Myriam Tan; and Rtn. Maria Victoria "Bec" Evangelista.

Yours in Service,

Pres. Emmanouelle Zhang





Pictures courtesy of DGE Caroline "Cay-Cay" Andrade, PP Jannette "Jaja" Valderosa, Rtn. Elsa Villagomeza, and Rotary District 3860

The First Held last October 8, 2023 at Okada Hotel Manila, the Zone 10-A Pre-PETS 2023 was attended by 6 Waling-Waling ladies: PE Maria Vida Könst; PAG/PP Armi Geralyn "Gigi" Espiritu; PP Herminia Polintan; PP Jannette "Jaja" Valderosa; VP Sylvia Austria; and Rtn. Elsa Villagomeza.









Fellowship Dinner with RIPE Stephanie A. Urchick and the Philippine College of Rotary Governors Induction & Handover Ceremonies 2023



## ROTARY SPEAKS

alement on

Recognizing there has been protracted suffering in the long history of conflict between Israel and Palestinians in Gaza, Rotary International urges all parties to seek avenues to peace.

At the same time, we unequivocally condemn the horrific attack by Hamas on Israeli civilians and are appalled at the number of people who have been injured, killed, and kidnapped.

As the war between Israel and Hamas intensifies, we remain deeply concerned about the potential for further escalation as well as the loss of life and the humanitarian crisis that is occurring in Gaza. We denounce the violence against innocent civilians and support upholding international humanitarian law.

Peacebuilding is both a cornerstone of Rotary's mission and one of our areas of focus. At our core, Rotary is a common ground for people to come together - across nationalities and religions, cultures and histories - and connect around their shared belief in a better tomorrow. That connection is what humanizes us in times of conflict and builds a foundation for lasting peace.

Rotary remains committed to working with our members, partners, and communities to find long-term, sustainable solutions that support peace and development in the region and elsewhere.

Article taken from: https://www.rotary.org/en/rotary-statement-conflict-israel-and-gaza

# World Polio Day









SHARED BY DIR. MARIA LUISA APORTADERA

Director for Youth Service

CONQUER THE PHILIPPINES' HIGHEST MOUNTAIN AND RAISE AWARENESS TO

Rotary

# FOR A CAUSE

# END POLIO NOW! OCTOBER 27 TO 29, 2023

- Support Rotary International's campaign to eradicate polio
- Explore nature and experience the great outdoors
- Meet new friends and create unforgettable memories

#### **OPEN TO ALL ROTARIANS AND FRIENDS!**

For those interested, contact Maribel Tan Vilela on Facebook until September 10, 2023.



# COME AND JOIN OUR CLIMB TO END POLIO!

# Going Above and Beyond What DEI Means Pt. VII



From the <u>Rotary</u> <u>International's</u> <u>Instagram account:</u>

Your mental health matters.

As Rotary President Gordon R. McInally says, "We need to learn how to ask not just 'How are you?' but also 'How are you really?'" So, as the gears of your mind turn from the grind of day-to-day life, we want to know, how are you really?



Shared by **Dir. Alessandra Könst** Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion Director • Editor-in-Chief

# October Celebrations & Monthly Host Teams

#### BIRTHDAYS



**PP** Teresita Yñiguez October 2

PAG / PP Armi

**Geralyn Espiritu** 

October 11



**Rtn.** Teresita Fitzback October 6



**Rtn. Happy** Rosales October 6



**Rtn. Leamie** Retales



#### HELPFUL VISIONARIES (July,

#### October, January, April)

- Dir. Jenah De los Santos (TL)
- VP Svlvia Austria
- PP Fe Boiser
- Dir. Cecile Diaz
- PP Mae Dolendo
- Dir. Gina Espejo
- PAG/PP Armi Geralyn Rtn. Amabelle Yuzon Espiritu

- PP Cheryl Gomez
- Dir. Alessandra Könst
- PP Lorna Llamas
- Rtn. Leamie Retales
- Rtn. Mary Dict Rosales
- Dir. Lolita Leticia Tai
- Rtn. Bai Zainal

#### ARDENT FOCUS (August, November,

#### February, May)

- Rtn. Irish Tan (TL)
- PP Remedios Calaguas PP Ma. Corazon
- Treas. Maribel Chua
- Rtn. Maria Victoria Evangelista
- PP Maria Luisa Jacinto
- PE Vida Könst
- Sec. Chona Lamparas
- Rtn. Josephine
  - Liamzon
    - **TRUTH SEEKERS (September,**

#### December, March, June)

- Rtn. Carina Abellera-Te (TL)
- Dir. Maria Luisa Aportadera
- Dir. Sophiya Avisado
- PP Marilou Baarde
- Rtn. Teresita Firzback
- Dir. Luna Gaviola
- PP/Dir. Maria Victoria Iimenez
- Rtn. Lara Delos Santos

- Rtn. Elsie Libron
- IPP Vanessa Madayag
- Rtn. Louis Palma Gil
- PP/Dir. Herminia Polintan
- Rtn. Myriam Tan
- PAG/PP Maribel Vilela
- Rtn. Elsa Villagomeza
- PP Teresita Yñiguez

**Rtn. Joesphine** Liamzon October 4, 2001



**PP Mae Dolendo** October 1, 2006



**Dir. Cecile Diaz** October 1, 2006



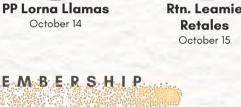
**PP Jannette** Valderosa October 18, 2007



Rtn. Elsa Villagomeza October 24, 2013

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- Rtn. Caryl Lim
  - Reves
  - PP Leonida Santos
  - PP Evangeline Schwendener
  - Rtn. Monica Suico
  - PP Jannette Valderosa
  - Pres. Emmanouelle Zhang



#### MEMBERSHIP MILESTONES

October 14



Announcements and Reminders

REGULAR MEETINGS

The Officers & Board of Directors officially informs the Club that there will be 2 hybrid meetings on the 2nd and 4th Thursday, otherwise stated. Venue of regular meetings are to be announced.

## SAVE THE DATE!

**Governor's Visit** 

- DATE: October 27, 2023
- WHERE: The Pinnacle Hotel & Suites
- ATTIRE: Red blazer with white top (club uniform)

## MONTHLY OBSERVANCES IN ROTARY

**AUGUST - Membership & Extension** Month SEPTEMBER - Basic Education & Literacy month OCTOBER Economic & **Community Development Month** NOVEMBER The Rotary **Foundation Month DECEMBER - Disease Prevention & Treatment Month** JANUARY - Vocational Service Month FEBRUARY - Peace & Conflict **Prevention Month** MARCH - Water & Sanitation Month APRIL - Maternal & Child Care Month MAY - Youth Service Month JUNE - Rotary Fellowship Month



# THE ROTARY FOUNDATION RCWWD Club Recognition Summary as of

July 2023

Total All Time Giving: USD -162,136-

# ACTIVE MEMBERS

Major Donor		FRP
Ma. Luisa Jacinto	+8	6900
Multiple Paul H	arris Fellows	FRP
Estela Maribel Vilela	USD 9,000.00 +8	3500
Lorna Llamas	USD 9,000.00 +8	800
Divina Fe Boiser	USD 9,000.00 +8	700
Remie Calaguas	USD 8,206.88	800
Hermie Polintan	USD 7,093.00	1000
Marivic Jimenez	USD 6,645.38	100
Armi Geralyn Espiritu	USD 6,329.79	1300
Teresita Yñiguez	USD 6,007.92	1000
Mae Dolendo	USD 5,580.93	2300
Jannette Valderosa	USD 5,409.29	1900
Luna Gaviola	USD 5,003.38	100
Vangi Schwendener	USD 4,609.79	200
Leonida Santos	USD 4,554.56	100
Luchi Aportadera	USD 4,343.38	400
Gina Marie Espejo	USD 4,241.38	1500
Vegloure Maguinsay	USD 3,668.38	500
Ma. Corazon Reyes	USD 3,548.38	500
Letty Tai	USD 3,456.96	1200
Marilou Baarde	USD 3,433.38	1300
Myriam Tan	USD 3,355.65	800
Maribel Chua	USD 3,306.92	500
Sylvia Austria	USD 3,084.29	100
Cecile Diaz	USD 3,022.46	100
Vanessa Madayag	USD 2,565.71	1500
Elsa Villagomeza	USD 2,496.29	700
Teresita Fitzback	USD 2,343.38	1000
Josephine Liamzon	USD 2,211.38	500
Vida Könst	USD2,149.91	100
Alessandra Könst	USD 2,007.91	500

#### Paul Harris Fellows

Emmanouelle Zhang	USD 1,468.14	1000
Cheryl Gomez	USD 1,420.42	400
Elsie Libron	USD 1,315.38	A CONTRACTOR
Bai Johanna Zainal	USD 1,198.88	600
Marydict Rosales	USD 1,142.20	100
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#### **Sustaining Members**

FRP

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Chona Lamparas	USD 383.38	
Sophiya Avisado	USD 369.00	
Jenah De los Santos	USD 159.00	
Caryl Lim	USD 159.00	
, Carina Te	USD 159.00	

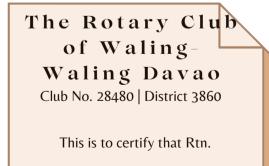
#### **Honorary Members**

Nonoy Aquino	Major Donor +8	1500
Mario Luis Jacinto	Major Donor	-
Antonio Llamas	USD 2,000.00	100
Francisco Vilela	USD 1,000.00	-

# \*FRP - Foundation Recognition Points available for transfer

Only MPHFs and PHFs are allowed to transfer points.

Transfer of FRP can only be done by the donor concerned as it requires his/her signature. Forms can be downloaded at Rotary.org (*please be guided accordingly*).



attended the meeting on

Thurday, 1 PM via Zoom/Face-to-Face



### THE FOUR-WAY TEST OF THE THINGS WE THINK, SAY, AND DO

1.1s it the TRUTH?

- 2.1s it FAIR to all concerned?
- 3. Will it build GOOD WILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- 4.Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

#### THE 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 and community life;

FOURTH, the advancement of international understanding, good will, and peach through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

#### CORE VALUES: SERVICE · FELLOWSHIP · DIVERSITY · INTEGRITY · LEADERSHIP

#### **ROTARIAN CODE OF CONDUCT**

As a Rotarian, I will:

- 1.Act with integrity and high ethical standards in my personal and professional life;
- 2.Deal fairly with others and treat them and their occupations with respect;
- 3. Use my professional skills through Rotary to mentor young people, help those with special needs, and improve people's quality of life in my community and in the world;
- 4. Avoid behavior that reflects adversely on Rotary or other Rotarians.

#### **ROTARY'S SEVEN AREAS OF FOCUS**

For more than 100 years, Rotarians have joined together from all continents, cultures, and industries to take action in our communities and around the world. With a commitment to achieving lasting change, we work together to empower youth, enhance health, promote peace, and most importantly, advance the community.

While Rotarians can serve in countless ways, Rotary has focused its efforts in seven areas, which reflect some of the most critical and widespread humanitarian needs:

- 1.Peace and conflict prevention/resolution
- 2. Disease prevention and treatment
- 3.Water and sanitation
- 4.Maternal and child health
- 5.Basic education and literacy
- 6.Economic and community development
- 7.Supporting the environment

