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Editor's NOTE

Season's greetings, everyone!

I've always found Christmases special, as this is the time I'm able to rest and recuperate, and spend more time with my family and friends without the impending doom of having to work the day after (or even the week after).

I hope all of us will be able to rest during this time, recuperate, and re-energize - just in time for the next half of this Rotary Year.

On behalf of the Rotary Club of Waling-Waling Davao, we wish all of you a very Merry Christmas.

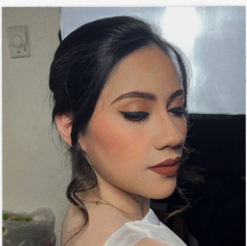
Cheers!



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ALESSANDRA
KÖNST**

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WEEKLY COLUMN

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12TH REGULAR MEETING (CHRISTMAS PARTY)

PROGRAMME

DECEMBER 14, 2023

Call to Order	Pres. Emmanouelle Zhang
Invocation	Rtn. Carina Abellera-Te
Turnover of Proceedings to Program Moderator	PP/Dir. Maria Victoria Jimenez
Dinner	PP/Dir. Herminia Polintan
Games	
Presentation of Special Awards	Rtn. Carina Abellera-Te
Dance Presentations	(per host group)
Adjournment	Pres. Emmanouelle Zhang



Dear Heavenly Father, as we gather in the spirit of joy and fellowship for this Rotary Christmas party, we give thanks for the bonds of friendship and the opportunities to serve others.

Bless this festive occasion with warmth, laughter, and the spirit of giving. May our shared moments foster a sense of community and purpose. As we celebrate the season of love and generosity, inspire us to continue making a positive impact in the lives of those we serve.

AMEN.

Shared by Rtn. Carina Abellera-Te

Rotary International & District Leaders



Gordon R.
McNally
RI President



Rozanne
"Twinkle"
Gamboa
District Governor



Corina Josefa
Guerrero
*Assistant Governor
for Area 2B*

Honorary Members



PP Abdullah
Aquino



Antonio VA
Llamas



PP Yoshinori
Ishii
*RC Narashino, District
2790 - Chiba, Japan*



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.

- **Club Foundation:** The Rotary Club of Waling-Waling Davao Foundation, Inc.
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- **Bloomscoop Email:** rcwwd.bloomscoop@gmail.com
- **Club Social Media Page:** facebook.com/rcwalingwalingdavao
- **Club Email Address:** RCWWD@yahoo.com
- **Club Mailing List (internal):** RCWWD@yahoogroups.com

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.

Help Rotary Strike Out Polio

Article taken from:

<https://www.rotary.org/en/help-rotary-strike-out-polio>

2024-25 Rotary International President Stephanie A. Urchick invites 25 PolioPlus supporters to her hometown of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, USA, to Help Rotary Strike Out Polio at the \$1 Million Baseball Game.

Starting 1 December 2023, the first 25 Rotary Foundation supporters who donate US\$10,000 or more to the PolioPlus Fund will be invited to join RI President Stephanie Urchick and General Secretary and CEO John Hewko to cheer on Major League Baseball's Pittsburgh Pirates from a private suite at PNC Park on 23 July 2024.

Attendees' transportation and accommodation expenses are not included. When matched 2-to-1 by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, these gifts will result in an additional \$1 million in funding to support Rotary's work to eradicate polio worldwide.

Space is limited, so interested donors are encouraged to register right away. Contact Kevin Kelly, Rotary Foundation major gifts officer, at kevin.kelly@rotary.org or +1-847-866-3205.

The Rotary Foundation thanks Bob Brooks, 2023-24 president of the Rotary Club of Delmont-Salem, Pennsylvania, for hosting this special event.

RY 2024-2025 ELECTION RESULTS

To the members who voluntarily accepted to be a part of the Eligibility List, the Rotary Club of Waling-Waling Davao is grateful for all 15 of you.

Here are the results of the Election for the Officers and Board of Directors for the Rotary Year 2024-2025:

President-Elect RY 2024-2025	
AUSTRIA	30
ABSTAIN	11

Officers & Board of Directors RY 2024-2025 (highest to lowest)
1. Aportadera (41)
2. Espiritu (41)
3. Gaviola (41)
4. Könst (41)
5. Polintan (41)
6. Chua (40)
7. De los Santos (40)
8. Diaz (40)
9. Evangelista (39)
10. Palma Gil (39)
11. Tai (39)
12. Retales (36)
13. Tan (34)
14. Lamparas (22)

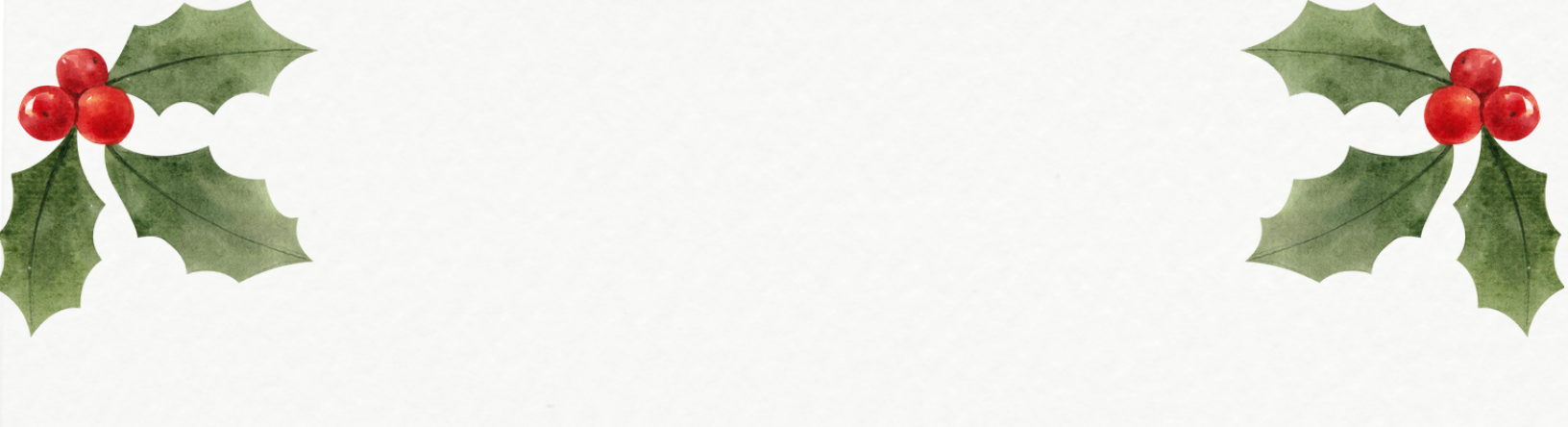


RY 2024-2025 ELECTION RESULTS

- **PRESIDENT-ELECT RY2024-2025:** Austria, Sylvia
- **THE RY2024-2025 OFFICERS & BOARD OF DIRECTORS (from highest number of votes to the lowest):**
 - Aportadera, Maria Luisa “Luchi”
 - Espiritu, Armi Geralyn “Gigi”
 - Gaviola, Luna
 - Könst, Ma. Alessandra Elisabeth “Alex”
 - Polintan, Herminia “Mynne”
 - Chua, Maribel “Bel”
 - De los Santos, Lara Aurea “Lara”
 - Diaz, Cecile “Ces”
 - Evangelista, Maria Victoria “Bec”
 - Palma Gil, Louis “Loi”
 - Tai, Lolita Leticia “Letty”
 - Retales, Leamie “Mimi”
 - Tan, Myriam

With our **President** for RY 2024-2025, *PE Maria Vida Könst*, and the rest of the team, the Club knows and is ensured that they’ll be in good hands.

Congratulations to these Ladies in Red!



We wish you a
MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!
with love, the Waling-Waling
Ladies





SHARED BY

DIR. ALESSANDRA

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DIVERSITY, EQUITY, & INCLUSION

DIRECTOR • EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Meet Jerilyn Brusseau, member of the Rotary Club of Seattle and the genius behind Cinnabon's iconic cinnamon rolls!

Her journey is incredible. From baking the world's greatest cinnamon rolls to fostering global connections through food, her passion goes beyond ovens, embracing culinary diplomacy and a mission for peace in Vietnam.

Taken from the Rotary International's Instagram account



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December Celebrations & Monthly Host Teams

BIRTHDAYS



PP/Dir. Maria Victoria Jimenez
December 1



PP Mae Dolendo
December 8



Dir. Maria Luisa Aportadera
December 16



Dir. Gina Espejo
December 21



PP Evangeline Schwendener
December 30

ANNIVERSARIES



PP/Dir. Maria Victoria Jimenez & Spouse Ely
December 1



Dir. Luna Gaviola & Spouse Odi
December 20



PAG/PP Armi GERALYN Espiritu & Spouse Binot
December 21



PP Mae Dolendo & Spouse Gabriel
December 27

MEMBERSHIP MILESTONES



PP Fe Boiser
December 28, 1996



PP Teresita Yñiguez
December 31, 1999



PDT/PP Maria Luisa Jacinto
December 5, 2002



Dir. Luna Gaviola
December 5, 2002

MONTHLY HOST TEAMS

HELPFUL VISIONARIES (July, October, January, April)

- Dir. Jenah De los Santos (TL)
- VP Sylvia Austria
- PP Fe Boiser
- Dir. Cecile Diaz
- PP Mae Dolendo
- Dir. Gina Espejo
- PAG/PP Armi GERALYN Espiritu
- PP Cheryl Gomez
- Dir. Alessandra Könst
- PP Lorna Llamas
- Rtn. Leamie Retales
- Rtn. Mary Dict Rosales
- Dir. Lolita Leticia Tai
- Rtn. Amabelle Yuzon
- Rtn. Bai Zainal

ARDENT FOCUS (August, November, February, May)

- Rtn. Irish Tan (TL)
- Rtn. Jennife Borong
- PP Remedios Calaguas
- Treas. Maribel Chua
- Rtn. Maria Victoria Evangelista
- PP Maria Luisa Jacinto
- PE Vida Könst
- Sec. Chona Lamparas
- Rtn. Josephine Liamzon
- Rtn. Caryl Lim
- PP Ma. Corazon Reyes
- PP Leonida Santos
- PP Evangeline Schwendener
- Rtn. Monica Suico
- PP Jannette Valderosa
- Pres. Emmanuelle Zhang

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 Jimenez
- 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 Villagomez
- PP Teresita Yñiguez

December

ANNOUNCEMENTS & 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!

Christmas Party

- **WHEN:** December 14, 2023
- **WHERE:** Llamas' Compound
- **ATTIRE:** Anything glittery or shiny

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
NOVEMBER 2023

TOTAL ALL TIME GIVING: USD -169,486-

Active Members

Major Donor

Ma. Luisa Jacinto +8

FRP

6600

Multiple Paul Harris Fellows

		FRP
Estela Maribel Vilela	USD 9,000.00 +8	3600
Lorna Llamas	USD 9,000.00 +8	800
Divina Fe Boiser	USD 9,000.00 +8	1000
Remie Calaguas	USD 8,341.88	900
Hermie Polintan	USD 8,228.17	2200
Marivic Jimenez	USD 6,680.38	100
Mae Dolendo	USD 6,615.93	3300
Armi Geralyn Espiritu	USD 6,364.79	1300
Teresita Yñiguez	USD 6,142.92	1100
Jannette Valderosa	USD 5,544.29	1900
Luna Gaviola	USD 5,138.38	200
Leonida Santos	USD 4,689.56	200
Vangi Schwendener	USD 4,644.79	200
Luchi Aportadera	USD 4,578.38	700
Gina Marie Espejo	USD 4,276.38	1500
Marilou Baarde	USD 3,668.38	1500
Ma. Corazon Reyes	USD 3,583.38	600
Letty Tai	USD 3,491.96	1200
Myriam Tan	USD 3,490.65	900
Maribel Chua	USD 3,441.92	600
Sylvia Austria	USD 3,319.29	400
Cecile Diaz	USD 3,157.46	200
Vanessa Madayag	USD 2,900.71	1900
Emmanouelle Zhang	USD 2,603.14	2100
Elsa Villagomez	USD 2,531.29	800
Teresita Fitzback	USD 2,378.38	1000
Josephine Liamzon	USD 2,246.38	500
Vida Könst	USD 2,364.91	300
Alessandra Könst	USD 2,042.91	500

Paul Harris Fellows

Cheryl Gomez	USD 1,455.42	400
Elsie Libron	USD 1,350.38	100
Bai Johanna Zainal	USD 1,238.88	600
Marydict Rosales	USD 1,177.20	100

Sustaining Members

Chona Lamparas	USD 383.38	-
Sophiya Avisado	USD 404.00	-
Jenah De los Santos	USD 194.00	-
Caryl Lim	USD 194.00	-
Carina Te	USD 194.00	-

FRP

Other Contributors

Irish Tan	USD 94.00	-
Amabelle Yuon	USD 94.00	-

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).

The Rotary Club
of Waling-

Waling Davao

Club No. 28480 | District 3860

This is to certify that Rtn.

attended the meeting on

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



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 **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 peace 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

