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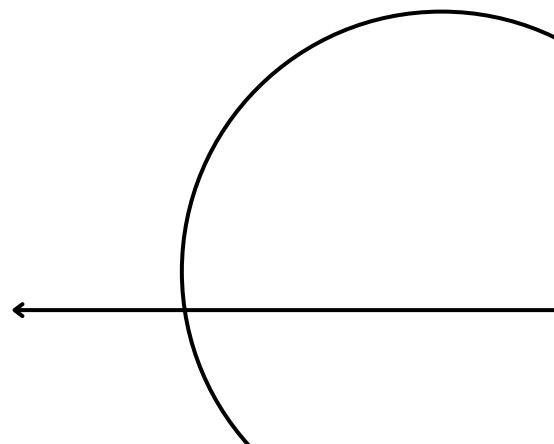
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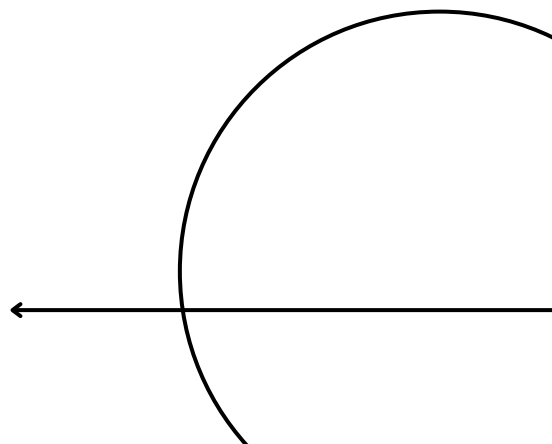
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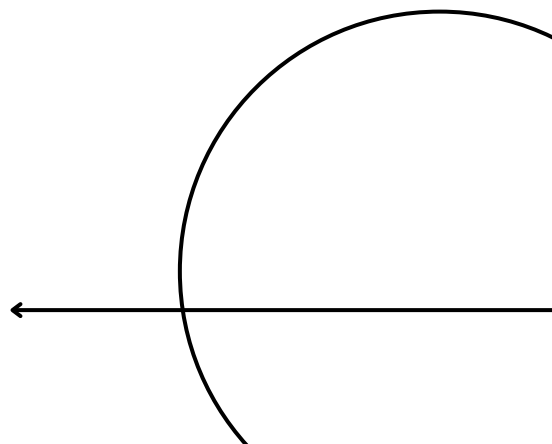


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# EDITOR'S NOTE

Happy Basic Education and Literacy Month, Rotarians!

For this Bloomscoop issue, our Directors were busy searching for information and have deemed what they found to be worth sharing! From TRF by Dir Luna Gaviola to International Service by Dir Letty Tai, we hope you find their parts enticing and beneficial!

Dir Loi Palma Gil, Dir Mimi Retales, and Dir Luchi Aportadera still share their routinely parts, keeping our Bloomscoop constantly up-to-date. Our Rotary Club is in good hands because of our Officers and Board of Directors.

Happy Reading!



**Alessandra Könst**  
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# PROGRAMME

SEPTEMBER 5, 2024 • 7TH REGULAR MEETING

• VENUE: Sarung Banggi, F. Torres Street, Davao City

• ATTIRE: Express your own fashion style; wear a scarf!

<b>Call to Order</b>	<i>Pres Maria Vida Könst</i>
<b>Turnover of Proceedings to Program Moderator</b>	<i>Rtn Jenah Kassandra De los Santos</i>
<b>Invocation</b>	<i>GML Editor/VP Ma. Alessandra Elisabeth Könst</i>
<b>Pambansang Awit</b>	<i>AVP</i>
<b>Rotary Hymn</b>	<i>AVP</i>
<b>Acknowledgement of Visiting Rotarians, Zoom Attendees, Guests, &amp; Sponsors</b>	<i>DMC/Sec Armi Geralyn Espiritu</i>
<b>Mood Breaker</b>	<i>Chanel (host group)</i>
<b>Secretary' Report</b>	<i>DMC/Sec Armi Geralyn Espiritu</i>
<b>President's Time</b>	<i>Pres Maria Vida Könst</i>
<b>Light-a-Cake!</b>	<i>AVP</i>
<b>Other Announcements</b>	<i>RCWWD</i>
<b>Games</b>	<i>Dir Myriam Tan</i>
<b>Adjournment</b>	<i>Pres Maria Vida Könst</i>

## Fellowship



O God, with those of all the ages we give thee thanks for the abundance of thy gifts. Strengthen us now according to your needs, and help us to serve in thy name through Rotary. Lord, thou hast not need of our thanks, but we have daily need to remind ourselves of our obligation unto thee and Rotary.

AMEN.

*Shared by GML Editor/VP Alessandra Könst*



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*International Service Director - RC Waling-Waling Davao*

## BRAD WEBBER

*Wrote an article for rotary.org*

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# REGULAR MEETINGS

The Board of Directors and Officers officially inform the Club that there will be TWO HYBRID MEETINGS on the FIRST and THIRD THURSDAY of the month, otherwise stated. VENUE of regular meetings will be at SARUNG BANGGI, DAVAO CITY, unless otherwise stated.

## ROTARY MONTHLY OBSERVANCES

**JULY** - Maternal & Child Health Month

**AUGUST** - Membership & New Club Development Month

**SEPTEMBER** - Basic Education & Literacy month

**OCTOBER** - Community Economic & Development Month

**NOVEMBER** - The Rotary Foundation Month

**DECEMBER** - Disease Prevention & Treatment Month

**JANUARY** - Vocational Service Month

**FEBRUARY** - Peacebuilding & Conflict Prevention Month

**MARCH** - Water, Sanitation, & Hygiene Month

**APRIL** - Environmental Month

**MAY** - Youth Service Month

**JUNE** - Rotary Fellowship Month



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RC Narashino,  
District 2790 -  
Chiba, Japan



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Jacinto**



**Francisco  
Vilela, Jr.**



## CLUB PROFILE

**CHARTER DATE:** January 20, 1992

**CLUB NUMBER:** 28480

**SPONSOR:** Rotary Club of East Davao

**CHARTER PRESIDENT:** Sylvia V.  
Marfori

**NUMBER OF MEMBERS TO DATE:** 45

**MULTIPLE PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS:**  
29

**PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS:** 2

**TRF SUSTAINING MEMBERS:** 4

### **MAJOR DONORS:**

- *Active Members:* 2
- *Honorary Members:* 2

**FOUNDATION:** The Rotary Club of  
Waling-Waling Davao Foundation,  
Inc.

**EXTENSION CLUB:** Rotary Club of  
Davao 2000

### **SISTER CLUBS:**

- RC Pikesville-Owings, USA, D-7620; 2018 – present
- RC Adelaide, Australia, D-9500; 2015 – present

- RC Prospect, Australia, D-9500; 2007 – present
- RC Tagum North; 2006-2022
- RC Hundred Islands, D-3790; 2006-2009
- RC Galena Park, Jacinto City, Texas, USA; 2003-2004
- RC Escondido Sunrise, D-5340; 2003-2004
- RC Mabalacat, Pampanga, PH, D-3790; 2000-2001
- RC Poway, California, USA, D-5340; 1999-2009
- RC Cebu Fuente, D-3860; 1999-2022
- RC Commonwealth; 1998-1999
- RC J.P. Rizal, D-3830; 1995-1996

### **PARTNERS-IN-SERVICE:**

- RC Narashino, Japan, D-2790
- Rotaract Club of Waling-Waling Davao
- Interact Club of Waling-Waling Davao
- RCC Tibungco Resettlement Area, Davao City
- RCC Matina Pangi, Davao City





## CLUB PROFILE

- RCC Association of Differently Abled Persons Village, Davao City
- RCC Duha, Ma-a, Davao City

**CLUB BULLETIN:** BLOOMSCOOP

**NUMBER OF ROTEX HOSTED:** 2

**NUMBER OF ROTEX SPONSORED:** 1

**NUMBER OF GSE HOSTED:** 7

**NUMBER OF GSE SPONSORED:** 9

### **ROTARY CONFERENCES:**

- *As Host Club*
  - MEMBERSHIP/TRF SEMINAR: 2022-2023; 2010-2011
  - DISASTER RISK REDUCTION SEMINAR: September 2015
  - TRI-DISTRICT SEMINAR: August 2014
  - DISTRICT BLOODLETTING ACTIVITY: 2003-present
  - PETS/SETS & DISTAS: May 10-11, 2002
  - MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT SEMINAR: August 16, 2001

- INTERCITY FORUM: 1998-1999; 1997-1998; 1993-1994

- *As Co-Host Club*

- Fellowship Night, DisCon 2024
- Voice of the Youth Impromptu Speaking Competition, 2008
- Governor's Night, DisCon 2003
- DisCon 1996

### **FUNDED PROJECTS:**

- Rotary Foundation Matching Grants: 10
- Global Grants
  - 2 as proponent
  - 1 co-proponent with RC East Davao, RC Prospect (Australia) and RC Adelaide (Australia)
  - District Grants
    - D-3860: 8
    - D-7620: 1 (with Pikesville-Owings)
  - World Community Service: Chiba, Japan; RC Narashino



## CLUB PROFILE

### ***NON-GOVERNMENT AGENCY***

#### ***PARTNERS:***

- Pag-asa ng Batang May Kapansanan Foundation, Inc.
- Kakayahan ng may Kapansanan Foundation, Inc. (KKFI)
- Member, Davao City Council for the Welfare of Persons with Disability
- Philippine Pediatric Society
- Davao Medical Society
- Brokenshire Memorial Hospital
- Davao City Children Cancer Fund, Inc.
- San Pedro College
- San Pedro Hospital
- Philippine Veterinary Medical Association - Southern Mindanao Chapter

### ***GOVERNMENT AGENCY PARTNERS:***

- Davao City Social Services & Development Office
- Department of Social Welfare & Development
- Department of Labor & Employment
- Department of Education
- Department of Environment & Natural Resources
- Davao Blood Center
- Davao City Planning & Development Office
- Davao City Health Office
- Davao City Nutrition Office
- Davao City Water District
- Department of Agriculture
- Technical Education Skills Development Authority
- Philippine National Red Cross
- Southern Philippines Medical Center

# PRESIDENT'S PASSPORT



**Maria Vida Könst**  
*President*

BER- greetings!

Feel the nip in the air... ber , brrr, nice! As of 01Sept 2024, Filipinos far & wide are officially on our countdown for "100 days to Christmas"!!!

And just like that we too have **299** days to go for this Magical Rotary Year. Yep, only 2 full months have passed but we have accomplished more than 1/2 of our Plans & Programs, early Christmas presents!

Even during the last week of Aug,2024 our Waling-Waling ladies had back-to-back activities:

♡ 29Aug: Sightsaving Activity with 423 Seniors Citizens present from the 10 - municipalities of Davao Del Sur. Held at the Davao del Sur Coliseum in Digos City.

♡ 31Aug: Joined our Rotaractors & Interactors for "Pagbisita sa Kaolo ug Blaan tribes" at Brgy. Magtuod, Davao City.

When it comes to community service, there is no stopping our Red Ladies and difficult for us to say "no"!!!



# PRESIDENT'S PASSPORT

Septem-BER is no different. We'll be busy... busy ... busy!

☆ 07Sep/Saturday: **IRRESISTIBLE VIBRANT CLUB SEMINAR** ( IVCS) ~ Davao for the MINDANAO ROTARY Clubs. Venue: Acacia Hotel Davao City, 2F /Aves Ballroom from 8AM - 6PM. Rotary Club of Waling- Waling Davao ( RCWWD) is the HOST CLUB!

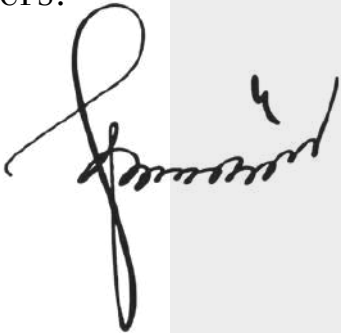
☆ 14Sep/ Saturday: 🌸 ROTARY DAY OF SERVICE 🌸 District 3860's Areas 2A, 2B & 2C goes tree planting at " The ROTARY PARK" in Marahan, Marilog.

☆ 26Sep/ Thursday: RCWWD & RC SOUTH DAVAO will do a JOINT WASH PROJECT at Damilag Elem School, Brgy. Mapul, Paquibato

We bid y'all fun & safe travels!

Wishes of g'luck & g'health as we tackle each project / activity with " Fellowship & Friendship Through Service" in mind at all times!

Cheers!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'J. M. M.', written in a cursive style.

# SECRETARY'S

IMPRESSION



**Armi Geralyn  
Espiritu**  
*Secretary*

AUGUST 2024	8	22		
Members Present	26	24		
Members Absent	8	8		
Members w/ makeup	12	12		
Unadjusted Average	82%	82%		
Adjusted Average	86%			

# THE IRRESISTIBLE VIBRANT CLUB

## SEMINAR - MINDANAO

- DATE: 07September, 2024/  
Saturday
- VENUE: Acacia Hotel
- TIME: 8 am to 5pm
- ATTIRE: TBA

## ROTARY DAY OF SERVICE: DISTRICT ENVIRONMENT ACTIVITY (TREE PLANTING)

- DATE: 14September, 2024/Saturday
- VENUE: Rotary Park, Marahan, Marilog
- TIME: 7 to 11am
- ATTIRE: TBA

## **TENTATIVE:** ONE ROTARIAN, ONE TREE

- DATE: 14September, 2024/Saturday
- VENUE: Narulasan, Bukidnon
- TIME: 1 to 4pm
- ATTIRE: TBA



## 8TH REGULAR MEETING

- DATE: 19 September, 2024/Thursday
- VENUE: Sarung Banggi
- TIME: 12NN to 2pm
- ATTIRE: TBA

## JOINT WASH PROJECT WITH RC SOUTH DAVAO

- DATE: 26 September/Thursday
- VENUE: Damilag Elementary School,  
Barangay Mapul, Paquibato
- TIME: TBA
- ATTIRE: TBA

THAT'S ALL FOR NOW!  
KEEP YOURSELF UP TO  
DATE WITH OUR  
ACTIVITIES, EVENTS, AND  
PROJECTS BY REFERRING  
TO RCWWD'S  
GCALENDAR OF EVENTS.  
THANK YOU!



**Ma. Alessandra Elisabeth  
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# THE IRRESISTIBLE VIBRANT CLUB SEMINAR *Mindanao*



We are inviting all *MINDANAO ROTARY CLUBS* to register for this seminar!

Happening on SEPTEMBER 7, 2024, the **IRRESISTIBLE VIBRANT CLUB SEMINAR - MINDANAO** will be held in Acacia Hotel, DAVAO CITY.

*REGISTRATION IS STILL ONGOING UNTIL SEPTEMBER 2, 2024, OR UNTIL WE HAVE 250 PARTICIPANTS!*

# THE IRRESISTIBLE VIBRANT CLUB SEMINAR

*Mindanao*

REGISTER NOW to learn more about Public Image, Membership, The Rotary Foundation, and the Disaster Management of District 3860 at the plenary sessions.

Click here to register: <https://events.rotarydistrict3860.org/> 

This seminar will be hosted by The ROTARY CLUB OF WALING-WALING DAVAO, with DMC/Sec Armi Geralyn “Gigi” Espiritu as the Chair.

See you, fellow Rotarians!

*\*To learn more about it, check out our [Facebook post!](#)* 



# PUBLIC IMAGE'S Exhibit



**Louis Palma Gil**

*Public Image Director*



***Euro Xtreme Circus with House of Hope and Field of Dreams***

**Davao Global Township**

***August 13, 2024***



# PUBLIC IMAGE'S Exhibit



*Turnover of School Materials for RCC Duha*

DUHA, Davao City

August 13, 2024



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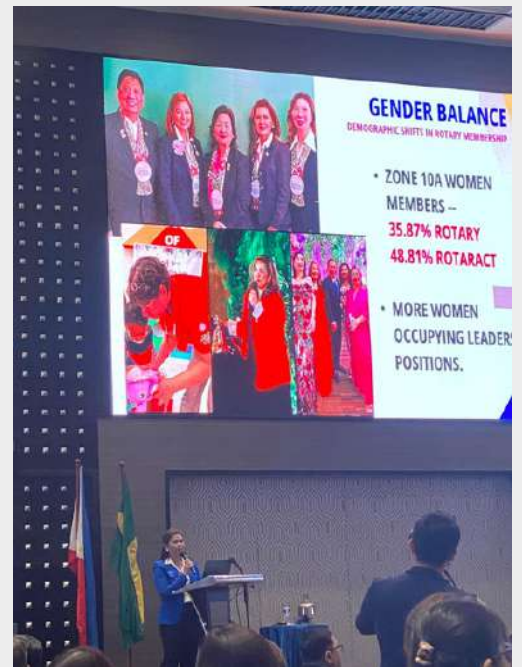
***RC Cebu: 6th Regular Meeting***  
Waterfront Hotel, Cebu City  
*August 15, 2024*



***Irresistible Vibrant Club Seminar - Visayas***  
Parklane International Hotel, Cebu City  
*August 17, 2024*



# PUBLIC IMAGE'S Exhibit



## *Multi-District Membership Seminar*

Bellevue Hotel, Alabang

*August 20, 2024*



## *6th Regular Meeting*

Sarung Banggi, Davao City

*August 22, 2024*



# PUBLIC IMAGE'S Exhibit



*Courtesy Call to Davao del  
Sur Governor Yvonne Cagas  
for Sightsaving Month  
Activity*

Digos City Capitol, Digos  
City

*August 28, 2024*



*Sight Saving Month: Kalinaw sa Mata, Kahayag sa Kinabuhì*

Davao del Sur Coliseum, Digos City

*August 29, 2024*

# PUBLIC IMAGE'S Exhibit



***Pagbisita sa Kaolo ug Blaan Tribes (RaCWWD &  
IACWWD Activity)***

***Barangay Magtuod, Davao City***

***August 31, 2024***



# The Magic of DEI pt. 6

## A Love Letter to Rotary Youth Exchange 📧



The first thing I saw in Pindamonhangaba, Brazil, was the Rotary club that welcomed me. Being part of their community projects gave me great memories and taught me Rotary's philosophy: "Service Above Self", for which I am very grateful to all of them. When you are in another country far from your family, it's easy to feel lonely, but that never happened to me because I already had another family that made me feel at home. Thanks to Rotary Youth Exchange, I know that I have a friend in every part of the world. Never stop being an exchange student who marvels at the world and, despite the challenges, wants to explore it. - **Andrés Esquivel Breceda, Rotex District 4110**

Taken from **Rotary International's Instagram** account

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# MT. APO GLIMB

# FOR A GAUSE

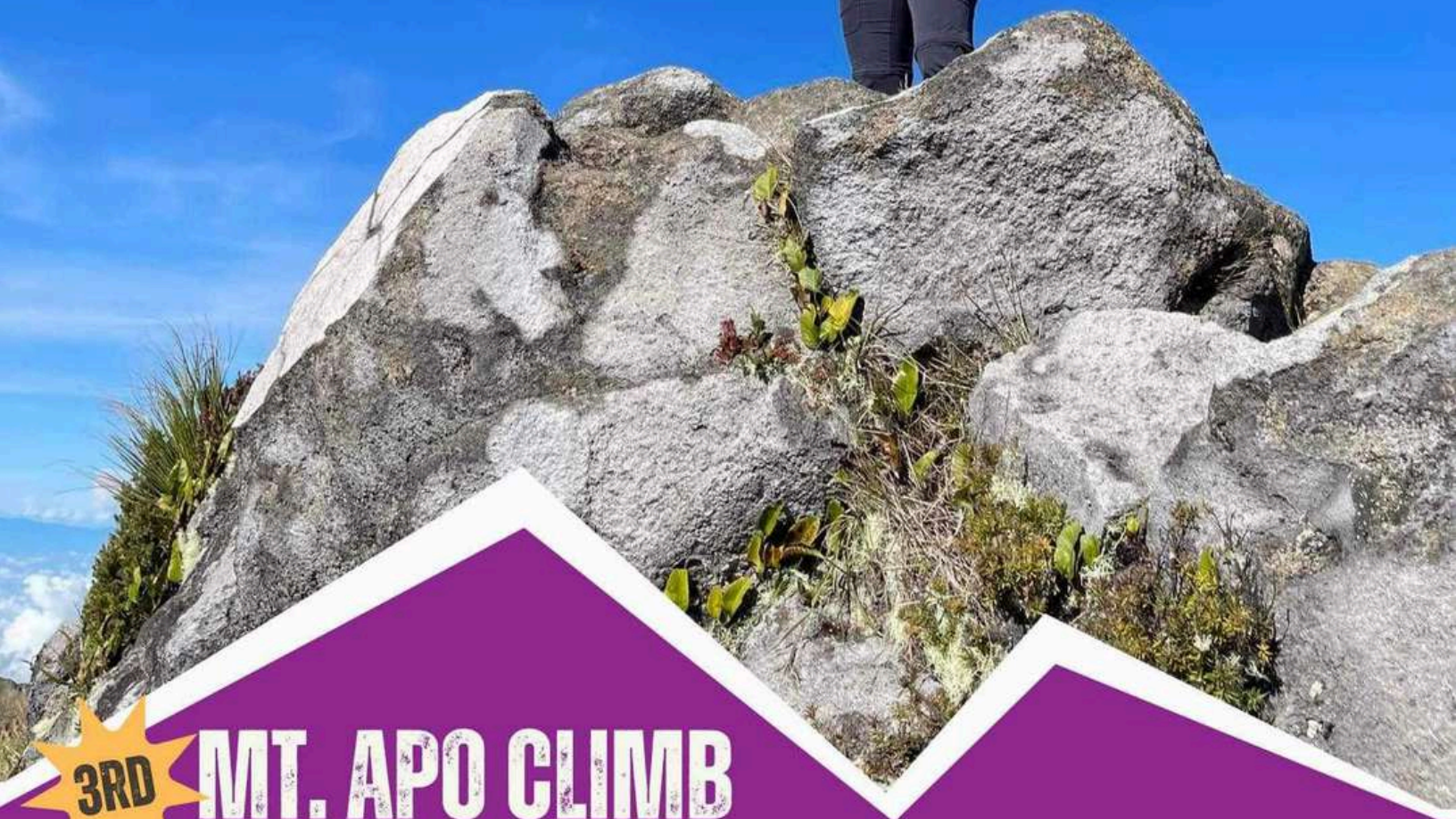
OCTOBER 24-26, 2024

Rotary  
District 3860





# JOIN DATE



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## MT. APO CLIMB

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per person



# 3D2N MT. APO BACKTRAIL

## Package Type: Standard

### PROFILE

Elevation: 2,954 Meters  
Above Sea Level Trail: Kapatagan backtrail  
Entry Point: Kapatagan Digos  
Exit point: Kapatagan, Digos  
Estimated Distance:  
Day 1: 6km  
Day 2: 3km to summit

### EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

- IP community vegetable farms
- Boulder face
- Crater Lake
- Davao Peak
- Center Peak
- Kidapawan Peak

### REQUIREMENTS

- Valid ID with birthdate
- Medical Certificate - fit to climb
- Registration form
- Waiver

## Package Inclusions

- Processing of Climb Permit
- DOT accredited lead guide
- DOT accredited sweeper guide
- Transportation (comfortable van with AC hotel pick up to jump off, roundtrip)
- Souvenir shirt
- Logistics/porter for group meals
- DOT Accredited camp manager
- Certificate of successful ascent
- Guides + porters' meals
- Highlights Photography
- Regulatory fees /taxes
- Government Taxes
- Meals
- Day 1: Merienda + Dinner
- Day 2: Breakfast +Lunch +Merienda+Dinner
- Day 3:Breakfast + Lunch

## Exclusions

- Items not mentioned under inclusions
- Personal Porter fee: 500 per day x 3 days maximum of 15 kgs
- Excess baggage: 50 per kilo per day x 3 days Plus personal porter's meals 1,200 for 3 days.

SCAN ME





# MAKE HISTORY TODAY



# TOGETHER, WE END POLIO



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# MEMBERSHIP

*Check*

Dear 2024-25 club presidents and membership committee chairs,

We know that leading a club is a big job with many responsibilities. The Membership team at Rotary International is here to help by connecting you with resources specifically designed for the challenges you face.



**Shared by:**  
**Maria Luisa**  
**Aportadera**

The [Club Experience Concierge](#) is a quick, interactive *Membership Director* resource that allows you to explore ways to improve the five aspects of the club experience that matter most to members. Start by identifying which element of the club experience you want to prioritize, then select a variety of recommendations and resources you can use to help make your club irresistible.

Follow this link to the [Club Experience Concierge](#)

We hope you find this helpful in identifying available resources and implementing practical solutions to help attract, engage, and retain more members.

Sincerely,  
The Membership Team  
Rotary International





# TRF BLUEPRINT

## What can a donation to The Rotary Foundation do?

**Provide clean water.** Rotary clubs in Cambodia and Taiwan collaborated to obtain and install water purification equipment for floating towns on Tonle Sap, the largest freshwater lake in Southeast Asia.



**Shared by:**  
**Luna Gaviola**  
*TRF Director*

**Prevent and treat disease.** Rotary clubs around the world strengthen communities by keeping them healthy. Clubs in the U.S. states of Wisconsin and Minnesota obtained a mobile clinic that provides free services for people without health insurance. In Korea, Rotary clubs assist cyclists who have partial or complete vision loss.

**Grow local economies.** Women in Uganda who lifted their families out of poverty, with support from microloans, started a Rotary club dedicated to empowering other entrepreneurs.

**Protect the environment.** A global grant scholarship allowed Gabi Fleury to study conservation biology and become an “interspecies diplomat” who helps communities find creative solutions to the conflicts between humans and wildlife that are becoming more common.

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# TRF BLUEPRINT

**Encourage education.** The Guatemala Literacy Project has worked for decades to improve literacy rates and keep children in school.

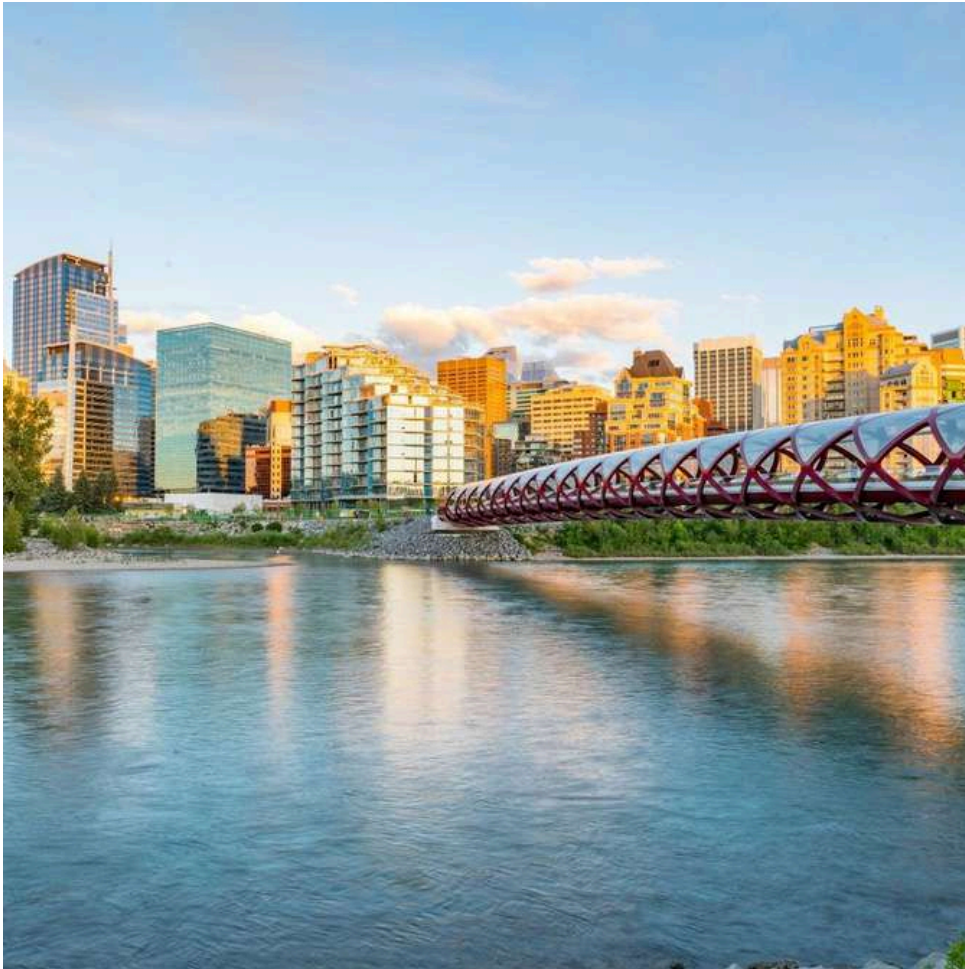
Please consider making an additional gift today. You can donate online or send your contribution by mail to support our Foundation's Annual Fund-SHARE or an areas of focus your passionate about. Your gift will support projects like these and make Doing Good in the World possible.

Sincerely,

The Rotary Foundation



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# SEPTEMBER ROTARY MONTHLY OBSERVANCE


**SEPTEMBER IS**

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**BASIC EDUCATION  
AND LITERACY  
MONTH**

*"Education is a social process. Education is growth. Education is not a preparation for life; education is life itself."*

*John Dewey*

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**TAKE ACTION:** Join Rotary, Get Involved



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**Shared by:**

**Ma. Alessandra Elisabeth Könst**

*GML Area 2B Editor • Vice-President • Programs for Young  
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## ROTARY PROJECTS AROUND THE GLOBE - SEPTEMBER 2024

WRITTEN BY BRAD WEBBER

### *CANADA*

About 200 college students, faculty, and community members took turns swinging baseball bats at junkyard vehicles during a Car Smash for Charity event organized by the Rotaract Club of Vancouver-University of British Columbia. The fundraiser, held each of the past three years before final exams, “offers people a fun way to relieve stress or test their own strength, while supporting a wonderful cause,” says Sara Lee, a past co-president of the club. The event, held on the campus quad in April, raised more than \$2,200 Canadian for education-related endeavors. A scrap car company delivered a Volkswagen and a Chevrolet and collected the remnants afterward for recycling. “Our team is continually amazed at the response the event receives,” Lee says.

### *UNITED STATES*

The Rotary Club of Patchogue in New York has raised more than \$138,000 over the past dozen years by feting civic and business leaders in rollicking style. The most recent soiree, held in March to roughly coincide with St. Patrick’s Day, attracted nearly 250 guests. Attendees paid \$125 each for food and drinks and to listen to friends and relatives roast local celebrities.

“There were some slightly embarrassing stories of their childhood and baby pictures,” says Paul Moran, a club member and organizer. A band featuring Moran and other Rotarians performed cover tunes to help lead the merriment. More than \$17,000 was donated to the Patchogue Community Service Foundation, principally for youth services, including Camp Pa-Qua-Tuck, a residential program for people with disabilities that is operated by Rotary District 7255.

## ***ENGLAND***

Christopher Hill was diagnosed with a heart condition at age 38. A past president of the Rotary Club of Bolton Lever in Greater Manchester, he has since become an advocate for automated external defibrillators. In 2022, Hill’s club joined five other Bolton-area Rotary clubs to purchase a nearly \$1,900 defibrillator for the Bolton Steam Museum. “When you are out there in the countryside, you can be miles and even hours from one,” but when needed, Hill says, “it is needed in minutes.” Hill takes to area trails as leader of a walking group, prompting the Bolton Lever club to acquire a portable, single-use defibrillator that Hill carries on the treks. All 33 club members have attended training sessions and refresher courses on how to operate the machines.

## ***ITALY***

Brushes and rollers in hand, members of the Rotary Club of Torino Lagrange converged on a youth center to supply a fresh coat of paint.

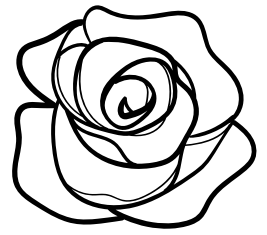
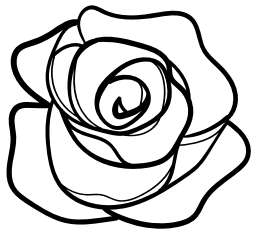
The club members spent a weekend in April and about \$1,500 sprucing up the facility, which offers counseling services and a gathering place for people ages 14 to 28. “The aim is to help young people overcome difficult moments and face changes in a welcoming, confidential, and judgement-free environment,” says club member Raffaele Battaglini. The club partnered with students at an arts high school who made paintings for the center.

## **INDIA**

The Rotary Club of Bombay Seacoast staged a concert and high tea reception in May for about 150 veterans injured on duty and their families. Club members tapped their connections with local celebrities, among them the emcee, Neeta Mirchandani, the wife of club member and singer Vijay Mirchandani. “The jawans (soldiers) participated with full joy and excitement as several kept dancing and clapping to the music, with the families of many joining in toward the end,” says Sampath Iyengar, a past club president. “Some of the jawans seated on chairs or in wheelchairs participated as a mark of solidarity, their chairs lifted by their fellow jawans who still had strength in their arms, love in their hearts, and deep empathy for their fellow ex-soldiers without limbs.”

*This story originally appeared in the September 2024 issue of Rotary magazine.*





# SEPTEMBER CELEBRATIONS

## *Birthdays*



**Treas Maribel Chua**

*September 19*



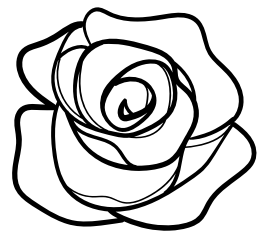
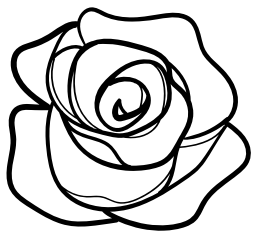
**Rtn Janice Lao-  
Oliva**

*September 19*



**PP/Dir Mynne  
Polintan**

*September 30*



# SEPTEMBER CELEBRATIONS

## *Membership Milestones*



**PP Cheryl Gomez**

*September 28, 2006*



**PP Melot Baarde**

*September 29, 2011*



**GML Editor/VP**

**Alessandra Könst**

*September 3, 2020*

## HERMES

(July, October,  
January, April)

1. *TEAM LEADER:*  
POLINTAN, Myne
2. APORTADERA,  
Luchi
3. BOISER, Fe
4. CHUA, Bel
5. GAVIOLA, Luna
6. GUIDING, Pao
7. KÖNST, Vida
8. LIAMZON, Jo
9. LLAMAS, Lorna
10. PALMA GIL, Loi
11. ROSALES, Happy
12. SANTOS, Nen
13. SCHWENDENER,  
Vangi
14. YÑIGUEZ, Tess

## DIOR

(August, November,  
February, May)

1. *TEAM LEADER:*  
EVANGELISTA, Bec
2. AUSTRIA, Sylvia
3. AVENA, Jeejee
4. CALAGUAS, Remie
5. DE LOS SANTOS,  
Lara
6. ESPEJO, Gina
7. GOMEZ, Che
8. JIMENEZ, Vicky
9. LAMPARAS, Chona
10. LIBRON, Elsie
11. MADAYAG, Vanessa
12. LAO-OLIVA, Janice
13. REYES, Zony
14. TAN, Irish
15. VALDEROSA, Jaja
16. ZHANG, Ma-em

## CHANEL

(September, December,  
March, June)

1. *TEAM LEADER:* DE  
LOS SANTOS,  
Jenah
2. BAARDE, Melot
3. DIAZ, Ces
4. DOLENDO, Mae
5. ESPIRITU, Gigi
6. FITZBACK, Teri
7. JACINTO, Malou
8. KÖNST, Alex
9. LIM, Cha
10. RETALES, Mimi
11. TAI, Letti
12. TAN, Myriam
13. TE, Creng
14. VILELA, Baby
15. VILLAGOMEZA,  
Elsa

# MONTHLY HOST TEAMS





# RCWWD CLUB RECOGNITION SUMMARY (CRS)

AS OF JULY 2024

TOTAL ALL TIME GIVING: USD -181,216-

## ACTIVE MEMBERS

Major Donor		FRP
Ma. Luisa Jacinto	+8	6600
Myriam Tan		9900

### 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	2000
Luna Gaviola	USD 5,328.38	300
Vangi Schwendener	USD 4,744.79	300
Leonida Santos	USD 4,689.56	200
Luchi Aportadera	USD 4,678.38	800
Gina Marie Espejo	USD 4,276.38	1500
Marilou Baarde	USD 3,668.38	1500
Ma. Corazon Reyes	USD 3,583.38	600
Vanessa Madayag	USD 3,577.40	2500
Letty Tai	USD 3,491.96	1200
Maribel Chua	USD 3,441.92	600
Sylvia Austria	USD 3,319.29	400
Cecile Diaz	USD 3,157.46	200
Emmanouelle Zhang	USD 3,003.14	2100
Elsa Villagomez	USD 2,531.29	800
Vida Könst	USD 2,384.91	300
Teresita Fitzback	USD 2,378.38	1000
Josephine Liamzon	USD 2,246.38	500
Marydict Rosales	USD 2,177.20	1600
Alessandra Könst	USD 2,042.91	500

### Paul Harris Fellows

Cheryl Gomez	USD 1,455.42	400
Elsie Libron	USD 1,350.38	100

### Sustaining Members

		FRP
Chona Lamparas	USD 518.38	-
Jenah De los Santos	USD 194.00	-
Caryl Lim	USD 194.00	-
Carina Te	USD 194.00	-

### Other Contributors

Irish Tan	USD 94.00	-
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### 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

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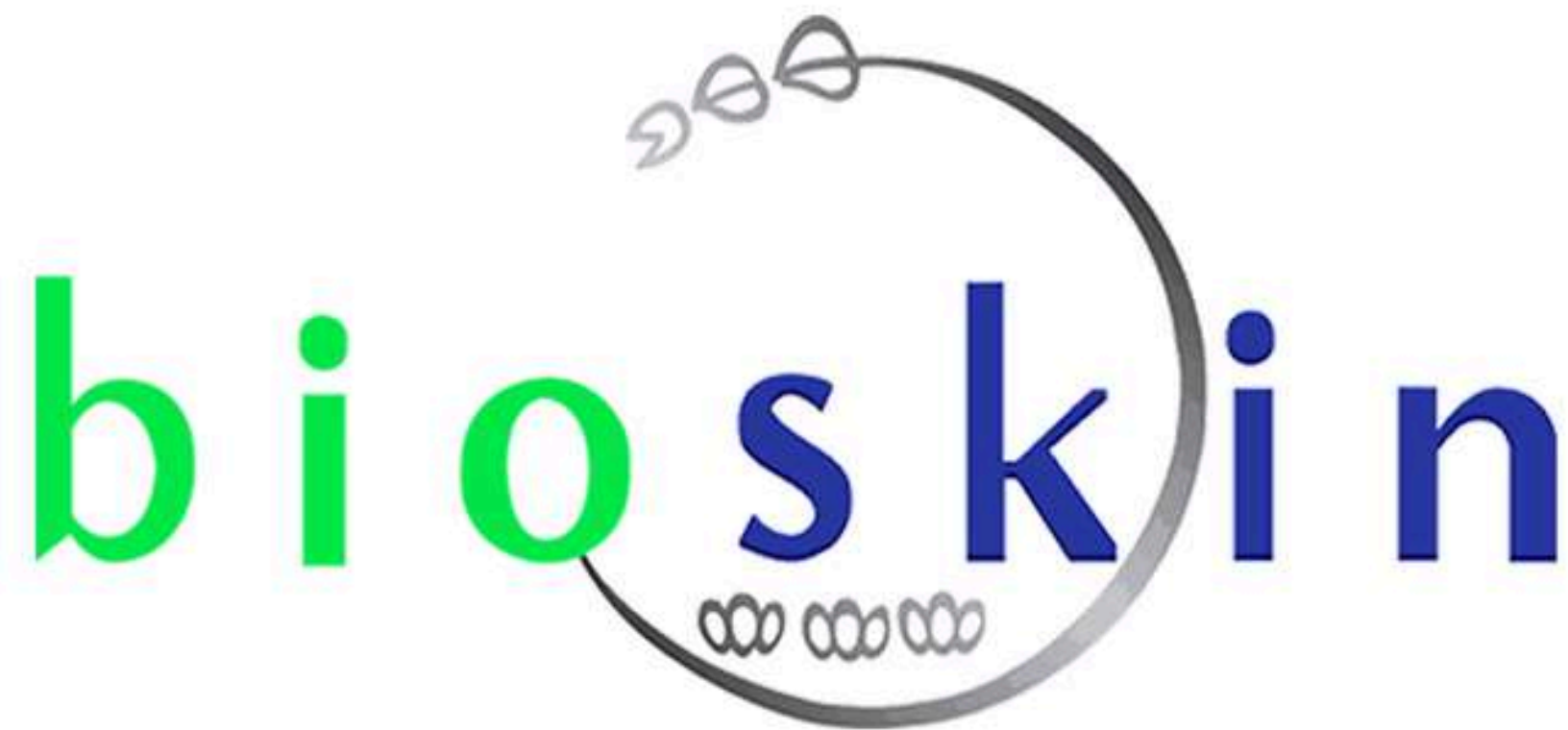
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# THE FOUR- WAY TEST

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

