

Waling-Waling Davao  
**Rotary**  
Club



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(active)



**Ma. Corazon  
Reyes**  
1994-1995 (*Be  
A Friend*)



**Lorna Llamas**  
1996-1997  
(*Build the Future  
with Action &  
Vision*)



**Leonida Santos**  
1999-2000 (*Act  
with Consistency,  
Credibility,  
Continuity*)



**Remedios  
Calaguas**  
2001-2002  
(*Mankind is Our  
Business*)



**Divina Fe  
Boiser**  
2006-2007  
(*Lead the Way*)



**Maria Luisa  
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2007-2008  
(*Rotary Shares*)



**Evangeline  
Schwendener**  
2008-2009  
(*Make Dreams  
Real*)



**Mae Concepcion  
Dolendo**  
2009-2010 (*The Future  
of Rotary is in Your  
Hands*)



**Maria Victoria  
Jimenez**  
2011-2012 (*Reach  
Within to Embrace  
Humanity*)



**Cheryl  
Gomez**  
2012-2013  
(*Peace Through  
Service*)



**Jannette  
Valderosa**  
2014-2015 (*Light  
Up Rotary*); 2021-  
2022 (*Serve to  
Change Lives*)



**Estela  
Maribel  
Vilela**  
2016-2017  
(*Rotary Serving  
Humanity*)



**Marilou  
Baarde**  
2018-2019 (*Be  
the Inspiration*)



**Teresita Yñiguez**  
2019-2020 (*Rotary  
Connects the World*)



**Armi Geralyn  
Espiritu**  
2020-2021  
(*Rotary Opens  
Opportunities*)



**Vanessa  
Madayag**  
2022-2023  
(*Imagine Rotary*)



**Emmanouelle  
Zhang**  
2023-2024  
(*Create Hope in  
the World*)



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Language*  
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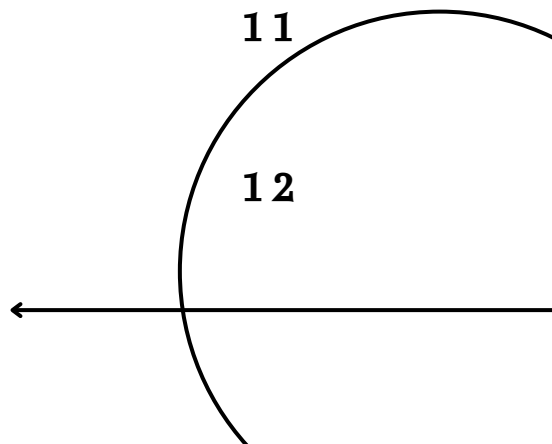
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Yñiguez**  
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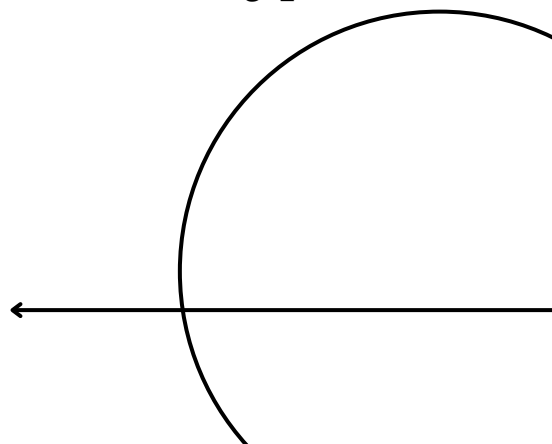
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# EDITOR'S NOTE

This week's Bloomscoop's cover photo features the Waling-Waling Ladies in our classic red uniform posing with Mr. Lito Pepito, a well-renowned Davao artist, at their fundraising activity. This activity will run from November 19 to December 1, 2024, at La Herencia, Davao City. It aims to raise funds for RCWWD's future community service projects.

We hope to see you there, Rotarians, family, and friends!

Happy Reading!



**Alessandra Könst**

*GML Area 2B Editor •  
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# PROGRAMME

NOVEMBER 21, 2024 • 12TH REGULAR MEETING

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- VENUE: Sarung Banggi, F. Torres Street, Davao City
- ATTIRE: white top with host group scarf

<b>Call to Order</b>	<i>DMC/Sec Armi Geralyn Espiritu</i>
<b>Turnover of Proceedings to Program Moderator</b>	<i>PP Maria Victoria Jimenez</i>
<b>Invocation</b>	<i>AG/PP Jannette Valderosa</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>PP Remie Calaguas</i>
<b>Secretary's Time</b>	<i>DMC/Sec Armi Geralyn Espiritu</i>
<b>President's Time</b>	<i>Pres Maria Vida Konst</i>
<b>Other Announcements</b>	<i>RCWWD</i>
<b>Light-A-Cake</b>	<i>AVP</i>
<b>Adjournment</b>	<i>DMC/Sec Armi Geralyn Espiritu</i>



Father, thank you for every seat that has been filled, for each mind and heart that fills the presence of this room. Only YOU truly know what we are setting out to accomplish today. We have an idea, a vision, hints, and daily instructions. We have talents, abilities, and time to work. However, only YOU can see in perfect detail the end of every beginning. Every project, every season, every life. Nothing is ever in vain, for even mistakes and missteps are used for good. Your righteousness transcends all our efforts and understanding. Forgive us for our pride. Strengthen our confidence in who You have made us to be. Set us free from comparison in order to work together efficiently. Bless this meeting today, all those present, as well as the lives of those we will encounter afterward. Ready us to make every moment count.

AMEN

*Shared by AG/PP Jannette Valderosa*

## MARIA VIDA KÖNST

*President, Copy Editor - RC Waling-Waling Davao*

## ARMI GERALYN ESPIRITU

*Past President, Secretary - RC Waling-Waling Davao; District Membership Chair - District 3860*

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*Vice-President, Programs for Young Leaders Contact, Editor-in-Chief - RC Waling-Waling Davao; Editor for Area 2B, GML - District 3860*

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*Membership Director - RC Waling-Waling Davao*

## LUNA GAVIOLA

*TRF Director - RC Waling-Waling Davao*

## LOLITA LETICIA TAI

*International Service Director - RC Waling-Waling Davao*

## SAM WORLEY

*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



# Rotary International & District Leaders



**Stephanie  
Urchick**  
Rotary  
International  
President



**Caroline  
Andrade**  
District Governor  
for RID 3860



**Jannette  
Valderosa**  
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

**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*

G'day, Irresistible Red Ladies!

We all take a breather this November after 4 months of back-to-back-to-back projects and activities.

We're doing slow & easy with only 2 activities this month:

● 19NOV/ TUE: 🏠 Lito Pepito: One Man Show Art Exhibit - "Sugod sa Ika-Duhang Gutlo"

VENUE: La Herencia Davao, Foyer Room  
Torres St., Davao City

● 23NOV/ SAT:

✨ D3860: TRF ( The Rotary Foundation) Awarding and Recognition Nite | RY 2024 - 2025

VENUE: Parklane Hotel, Cebu City

✨ This event highlights the AWARDING and RECOGNITION of ROTARIANS & CLUBS beginning July 1, 2024 to October 30, 2024.

# PRESIDENT'S PASSPORT

And we're done!!!

We excitedly prepare for the Election of our Incoming Officers & Board of Directors for RY 2025 - 2026 and the much-awaited dressy Christmas Party full of fun, food, dance, games and definitely, lots of laffs!

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*

OCTOBER	3	17	NOVEMBER	7	21
Members Present	22	19		32	
Members Absent	8	7		9	
Members w/ makeup	17	19		4	
OB	83%	75%		80%	
Adjusted Average	83%	84%			

## DISTRICT 3860 TRF AWARDING AND RECOGNITION NIGHT

- DATE: 23 November, 2024/Saturday
- VENUE: Cebu Parklane International Hotel
- TIME: 6pm to 10pm
- ATTIRE: Cocktail attire

## LITO PEPITO ONE-MAN SHOW PAINTING EXHIBIT: BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

- DATE: 27 November, 2024/Wednesday
- VENUE: La Herencia, Davao City
- TIME: 5pm to 8pm
- ATTIRE: TBA

## RCWWD 13TH REGULAR MEETING

- DATE: 05 December, 2024/Thursday
- VENUE: Sarung Banggi, Davao City
- TIME: 12 to 2pm
- 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  
Könst**

*GML Area 2B Editor • Vice-  
President • Programs for  
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# PUBLIC IMAGE'S Exhibit



**Louis Palma Gil**  
*Public Image Director*



***6th ACOM***

*Roadway Inn, Davao City*

*November 6, 2024*

# PUBLIC IMAGE'S Exhibit



***11th Regular Meeting***  
Sarung Banggi, Davao City  
*November 7, 2024*

# PUBLIC IMAGE'S Exhibit



## *Global Grant Meeting*

PP Zony Reyes' Home, Davao City

*November 11, 2024*

# PUBLIC IMAGE'S Exhibit



***Elderlympics Joint Meeting***  
Sangguniang Panlungsod, Davao City  
*November 11, 2024*

# PUBLIC IMAGE'S Exhibit



***Meeting & Ocular Inspection for the Lito Pepito One-Man Show Art Exhibit***

*Daffodil Cafe, Davao City*

*November 13, 2024*

# PUBLIC IMAGE'S Exhibit



*Meeting with the School Principal for the Global Grant*

Grand Men Seng Hotel, Davao City

*November 13, 2024*

# PUBLIC IMAGE'S Exhibit



## *Writing, Implementing, Sustaining a WASH Global Grant*

Architectural & Interior Source, Axis Entertainment Center - Vibo  
Place, Cebu City

*November 16, 2024*

# PUBLIC IMAGE'S Exhibit



*Lito Pepito One-Man Show Exhibit: Sugod sa Ika-duhang Gutlo*

*La Herencia, Davao City*

*November 19, 2024*

# The Magic of DEI

pt. 11



“Seventy years ago, there was a vaccine in a bottle, and today we’re almost at the point of achieving a once unimaginable outcome.”

Dr. Peter Salk reflects on his father’s greatest medical achievement: the vaccine to help **#EndPolio**.

Taken from *Rotary International’s Instagram account*

**Shared by:**  
**Leamie Retales**  
*Assistant Treasurer •*  
*DEI Officer •*  
*Managing Editor*



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# MEMBERSHIP

*Check*

## Membership Development

Dear club leaders,

Some exciting changes will make it easier and faster for clubs to connect with the more than 30,000 prospective members each year who indicate their interest at [rotary.org/join](https://rotary.org/join).



**Shared by:**

**Maria Luisa**

**Aportadera**

When someone who's interested in joining a club submits their interest, their information becomes a membership lead. The current system sends the membership lead to district leaders, who *Membership Director* review each lead and assign it for follow-up to a club that fits the person's needs.

Soon, however, Rotary will be launching a new system to manage membership leads. This system, using technology from Salesforce, will streamline the process and allow clubs to directly receive leads and contact prospective members.

These prospective members will be able to select the club they find most interesting and suitable based on the information presented about it, such as location and meeting time.

Your club's president, membership chair, secretary, and executive secretary will then be asked via email to visit the membership leads management page, connect with the candidate, and report on the process. District leaders will still be available to provide support if a prospective member isn't a good match for your club.

In the coming weeks, we'll share more details about how the new system will help you easily connect with prospective members.



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# MEMBERSHIP

*Check*

What can club leaders do right now?

- Be sure that all your club officers have a My Rotary account. As with the current process, access to membership leads starts by signing in to My Rotary.
- Ensure that information about your club, including meeting details and location, is correct in My Rotary as well as on your club's website and social media. This will make your club more visible to prospective members.
- Continue using Rotary's existing membership leads process. We'll keep you informed about the upcoming changes and the expected launch date. Until then, don't miss out on prospective members who want to connect with your club.

We expect these changes to create a better experience for club leaders and prospective members.

Thank you for your continued collaboration in growing Rotary!

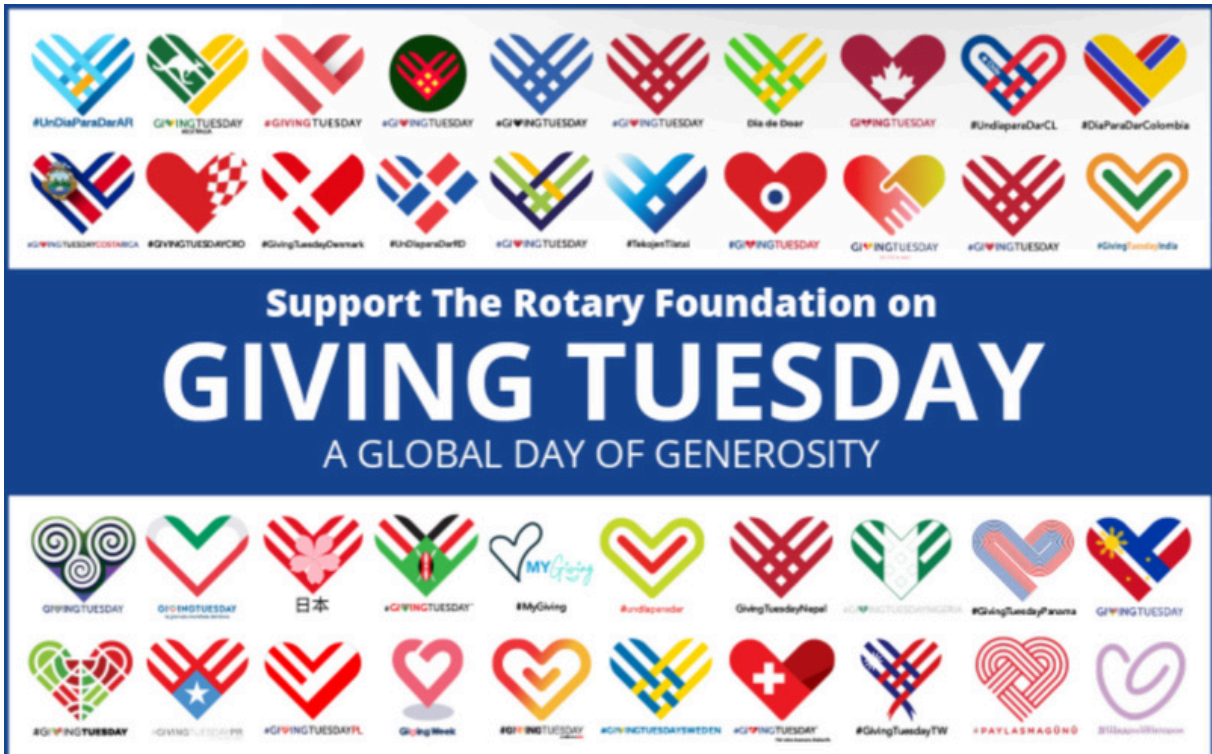
Sincerely,

Brian King

Director of Membership Development

Rotary International

# TRF BLUEPRINT



We need your leadership to help raise funds and awareness for The Rotary Foundation this Giving Tuesday, 3 December.

This global day of generosity is an opportunity for all members to make a big impact with a gift of any size. A donation to Annual Fund-SHARE supports projects you're passionate about, both in your community and around the world. A gift to PolioPlus helps transport vaccines and immunize children to keep them safe.



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

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Here's how you can help us prepare for Giving Tuesday:

- Watch our Giving Tuesday video with your club.
- Donate to The Rotary Foundation on Giving Tuesday.
- Download our Giving Tuesday graphic and share with your peers.

The Rotary Foundation will again recognize the top three clubs in fundraising, donor participation, and online giving. Find out which clubs were recognized last year and set a giving goal for your club this year. Just be sure the gifts are made on 3 December!

Thank you for your leadership and support. As we approach this day of giving, remind other members that every contribution, no matter the size, helps Rotary create positive change in the world.

We know that with your help, we can make an even bigger impact because of Giving Tuesday!

Sincerely,  
The Rotary Foundation

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# INTERNATIONAL SERVICE STATION



Join Rotary members, partners, and thought leaders at the 2025 Rotary Presidential Peace Conference. Leaders from across the globe will come together to learn, exchange ideas, gain inspiration, and build relationships to advance peace - through dialogue, interactive workshops, and insightful presentations.

The three-day event will explore important peacebuilding issues of our time, including healing in a divided world, and creating sustainable peace. Take advantage of the many opportunities to share stories, insights, and ideas and engage in meaningful conversations about advancing peace within and beyond our communities.

Led by 2024-25 Rotary International President Stephanie Urchick, the conference will also recognize the launch of our newest Rotary Peace Center, the Otto and Fran Walter Rotary Peace Center, in partnership with Bahçeşehir University in Istanbul.



**Shared by:**

**Lolita Leticia Tai**

*International Service*

*Director*

## ELIMINATION ROUND

BY SAM WORLEY

*Cervical cancer can be stopped, and Isabel Scarinci intends to deliver the knockout blow in Alabama*

Lily Mayner is about to take the stage, and she's nervous: "I am so stressed out right now," she says, practically humming with energy. A chatty 17-year-old wearing torn jeans and a nose ring, Mayner is slated to speak at the Back to School Bash, an annual event in LaFayette, a small town near Alabama's border with Georgia. It's late July, hot and overcast; kids and their parents wander between a bouncy house and a hot dog stand. Mayner's phone is nearly dead — a problem, since that's where her speech is stored. But she transfers the text to somebody else's device, and the show goes on.

"Good afternoon, everyone," Mayner says to a distracted crowd. "Today we're spreading awareness about a virus that is very prevalent in our community. This virus is called human papillomavirus. We know that this can be a very difficult topic to broach, but today it's very important for us to talk about it to prevent illness."

HPV is a highly common sexually transmitted infection that can cause six kinds of cancer, including cervical cancer. The reason Mayner is talking about it is that Chambers County, where LaFayette is located, has the highest rate of cervical cancer in Alabama, which itself is near the top nationally in both incidence of and mortality from the disease. A high school senior who hopes to become a psychiatrist, Mayner has been part of a health sciences class that's worked to reverse these numbers, one cog in a larger machine devoted to stopping cervical cancer in Alabama.

# Rotary Speaks



Caught early, cervical cancer is treatable. But more than that, it's preventable. In 2006, the [U.S. Food and Drug Administration](#) approved the first HPV vaccine, which could be administered starting at age 9. Since HPV causes virtually all cervical cancer cases, this means people can basically immunize themselves against it. "We really can eliminate a cancer," says Nancy Wright, director of the Cancer Prevention and Control Division of the [Alabama Department of Public Health](#), which has set up a booth at the Back to School Bash. "It's a miracle."



This hopeful prospect means Alabama can stake its claim to another superlative, far sunnier than high mortality rates: It's the first state in the nation to devise a comprehensive plan for the elimination of cervical cancer. Launched statewide in 2023, [Operation Wipe Out](#) is a collaborative effort between the Alabama Public Health Department, the University of Alabama at Birmingham, and various partners, including the Rotary clubs of Birmingham and LaFayette.

The face of the initiative is Isabel Scarinci, a behavioral psychologist and the vice chair of the Global and Rural Health Program in UAB's Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology. Sixty-two years old and a member of the Rotary Club of Birmingham, Scarinci has deep expertise in cancer prevention; she was recently tapped by the [American Cancer Society](#) to lead a task force developing a nationwide cervical cancer strategy.

And she has deep personal experience that dramatizes the stakes of vaccination: As an infant in the early 1960s, Scarinci contracted polio when an epidemic struck the small Brazilian town where she grew up. When she was older, her mother took Scarinci — who, due to the infection, walks with a limp — door to door, exhorting her neighbors to immunize their children against the disease.

Now it's Scarinci who's spreading the word, with Operation Wipe Out aimed at multiple audiences. Young people and their parents, she insists, need to learn about vaccination. Before Operation Wipe Out went statewide, Scarinci coordinated an early version in Chambers County that boosted the full HPV vaccination rate among county school district students to 60 percent in 2024, including 82 percent at one of two high schools. The broader county vaccination rate in 2023 for all eligible young people was much lower: Only about 30 percent of those ages 9 to 18 completed their HPV shots.

Adult women, meanwhile, need regular testing to identify cell changes before they become lethal. At the Back to School Bash, Scarinci, wearing a blue Operation Wipe Out T-shirt, is stationed at the LaFayette Rotary club's tent, trying to sign up women for screening appointments at an upcoming mobile clinic event. "When was your last cervical cancer screening?" she asks one woman who stops by. She gives the woman the rundown. "Oh, girl, let me tell you," she says. "It's the only cancer we can truly prevent." Another woman, towing a couple of kids, has what appear to be needle marks on her arms. She has survived cervical cancer, she tells Scarinci, who offers to connect her to a cancer survivors support group.

Scarinci has been doing this kind of work in underserved Alabama communities for decades. Another program she spearheaded has connected thousands of Latina women with cancer screenings.

Sitting beneath the tent, Scarinci remembers one of the first Spanish-language events she organized. Half the people with screening appointments never came. Her husband said to her: “Why are you killing yourself? They’re not interested.”

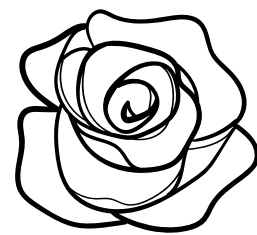
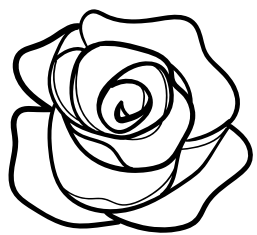
But the next morning she got a call: One of the few who made the appointment had been diagnosed with cancer — early-stage, totally treatable. A wry look spreads across Scarinci’s face, “And I said, OK, God, I got the message.”

## **A disease of poverty**

A few days later, in her office in Birmingham, Scarinci is still thinking about the woman with needle marks on her arm. Most cervical cancer is a “disease of poverty,” she says. It’s preventable if people have access to vaccination and to reliable medical care. That’s part of the reason Alabama, a poor, rural state with a tattered social safety net, has been hit so hard. For Scarinci, though, Operation Wipe Out began not in Chambers County but across the globe in Sri Lanka, where she became involved in a similar project sponsored by the Rotary Club of Birmingham.

In the past 75 years, the medical understanding of cervical cancer and its prognosis have changed seismically. “Pre-World War II, more women in this country died from cervical [and uterine] cancer than from breast cancer,” says Warner Huh, a gynecological oncologist who leads UAB’s OB-GYN department. The 1940s saw the widespread adoption of the Pap smear, a test that collects cells from the cervix to detect potentially cancerous ones. But it wasn’t until around the turn of the 21st century that physicians came to a deeper understanding of the relationship between HPV and cervical cancer — and then, with the HPV vaccine, the means to sever that link.

*Read more of the article by clicking the Rotary image on the upper right corner.*



# NOVEMBER CELEBRATIONS

## *Birthdays*



**Rtn Jenah De los  
Santos**

*November 14*



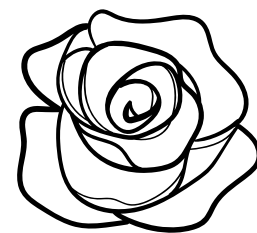
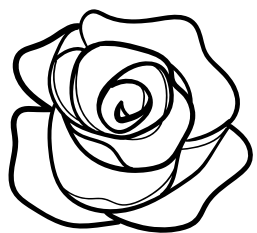
**PP Remie Calaguas**

*November 15*



**Rtn Elsie Libron**

*November 17*



# NOVEMBER CELEBRATIONS

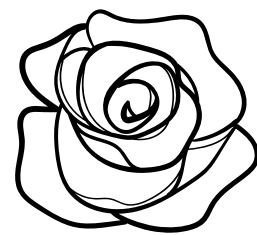
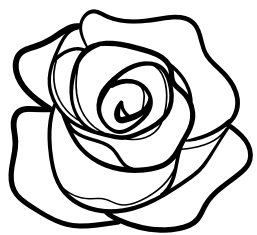
*Wedding Anniversary*



**Rtn Elsa  
Villagomez &  
Spouse Gibley**  
*November 5*



**Rtn Chona  
Lamparas & Spouse  
Jelfreind**  
*November 17*



# NOVEMBER CELEBRATIONS

*Membership Milestones*



**PP Fe Boiser**

*November 29, 2007*



**Dir Letty Tai**

*November 10, 2011*

## 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 SEPTEMBER 2024

TOTAL ALL TIME GIVING: USD 192,881.00

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

ACTIVE MEMBERS

<b>Major Donor</b>		<b>FRP</b>
Ma. Luisa Jacinto	+8	6600
Myriam Tan	+8	10000

**Benefactor**  
Myriam Tan

Multiple Paul Harris Fellows

Estela Maribel Vilela	USD 9,000.00 +8	3800
Lorna Llamas	USD 9,000.00 +8	1300
Divina Fe Boiser	USD 9,000.00 +8	2000
Hermie Polintan	USD 9,000.00 +8	3300
Remie Calaguas	USD 8,376.88	900
Teresita Yñiguez	USD 7,177.92	2200
Marivic Jimenez	USD 6,715.38	200
Mae Dolendo	USD 6,650.93	3400
Armi Geralyn Espiritu	USD 6,399.79	1300
Jannette Valderosa	USD 6,079.29	2500
Luna Gaviola	USD 5,773.38	900
Leonida Santos	USD 5,724.56	1300
Vangi Schwendener	USD 4,779.79	300
Luchi Aportadera	USD 4,713.38	800
Gina Marie Espejo	USD 4,311.38	1600
Marilou Baarde	USD 4,003.38	1900
Marydict Rosales	USD 3,907.12	3400
Ma. Corazon Reyes	USD 3,618.38	600
Vanessa Madayag	USD 3,612.40	2600
Letty Tai	USD 3,526.96	1300
Maribel Chua	USD 3,576.92	700
Vida Könst	USD 3,419.91	1400
Sylvia Austria	USD 3,354.29	400
Cecile Diaz	USD 3,192.46	200
Emmanouelle Zhang	USD 3,038.14	2100
Elsa Villagomez	USD 2,666.29	900
Teresita Fitzback	USD 2,413.38	1100
Josephine Liamzon	USD 2,281.38	500
Alessandra Könst	USD 2,077.91	600

Paul Harris Fellows

Cheryl Gomez	USD 1,490.42	400
Elsie Libron	USD 1,385.38	100

Sustaining Members **FRP**

Chona Lamparas	USD 553.38	-
Mimi Retales	USD 535.00	-
Jeejee Avena	USD 500.00	-
Jenah De los Santos	USD 229.00	-
Caryl Lim	USD 229.00	-
Carina Abellera-Te	USD 229.00	-
Irish Tan	USD 129.00	-
Faustell Guiding	USD 100.00	-

Other Contributors

Lara De los Santos	USD 35.00	-
Loi Palma Gil	USD 35.00	-

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).

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Club No. 28480 | District 3860

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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

