

#### Waling-Waling Davao

# Rotary

Club



#### THE PAST PRESIDENTS

(active)



Ma. Corazon Reves 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 **Jacinto** 2007-2008 (Rotary Shares)



Schwendener (Make Dreams Real)



Mae Concepcion Dolendo

2008-2009 2009-2010 (The Future 2011-2012 (Reach of Rotary is in Your Hands)



Maria Victoria **Jimenez** Within to Embrace Humanity)



Cheryl Gomez 2012-2013 (Peace Through Service)



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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#### Waling-Waling Davao



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Yñiguez
Lawyer
ID#5164777



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# EDITOR'S NOTE

December is here, and with that, the year comes to an end. It was not without its challenges, and all our Club's hard work paid off when we saw the Member Satisfaction Survey results, which can be found in this Bloomscoop issue.

Aside from that, our Rotary Club was also recognized during the TRF Awarding and Recognition Night. We went home ecstatic. 9 Rotarians were present, with 2 Rotakids, all of whom can be seen on our cover photo.



Alessandra Könst

GML Area 2B Editor •

Vice-President •

Programs for Young

Leaders Contact •

Editor-in-Chief

The 1st half of this Rotary Year is also ending soon. What are you excited about for the next half?

Happy Reading!

# EDITORIAL BOARD



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Call to Order

Pres Maria Vida Könst

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DPPSC/PP Estela Maribel Vilela

Invocation

PDT/PP Maria Luisa Jacinto

Pambansang Awit

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Rotary Hymn

AVP

Acknowledgement of Visiting

Rotarians, Zoom Attendees, Guests, & DPPSC/PP Estela Maribel Vilela

**Sponsors** 

Member Satisfaction Survey Results PP Lorna Llamas

Secretary's Time

DMC/Sec Armi Geralyn Espiritu

President's Time

Pres Maria Vida Könst

• Election Results of Incoming Officers and Board of Directors

for RY 2025-2026

PE Sylvia Austria

Other Announcements

RCWWD

Adjournment

Pres Maria Vida Könst

**Fellowship** 



Heavenly Father, we gather at this moment to praise and worship Your name. We are grateful for all the blessings, and for the opportunities to share those to others. We pray for guidance throughout this day Lord, especially for the incoming officers of our club, that You may bless every plan, every step, every word, and every action they take to be able to spread Your goodness and love throughout this world. We also pray for the safety of our sisters who are not present here today. We humbly ask You to continue guiding and blessing us all.

AMEN

Shared by Rtn Jenah Kassandra De los Santos

IRE: red jockshirt / red blazen

# WEEKLY COLUMN

#### MARIA VIDA KÖNST

President, Copy Editor - RC Waling-Waling Davao

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#### LOUIS PALMA GIL

Public Image Director - RC Waling-Waling Davao

#### MARIA LUISA APORTADERA

Membership Director - RC Waling-Waling Davao

#### DIANE SCHOBERG

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
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Rotary
International
Rresident



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
  - o DisCon 1996

#### FUNDED PROJECTS:

- Rotary Foundation Matching Grants: 10
- Global Grants
  - o 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



**Maria Vida Könst** *President* 

A truly Magical November , dear Irresistible Waling - Waling Ladies!

We may have had only 2 - major events but we surpassed expectations and intended goals:

- 19NOV/ TUE: Master Artist Lito Pepito's One Man Show Art Exhibit "Sugod sa Ika-Duhang Gutlo":
- Our heartfelt thanks to our Buyers, most especially to Master Lito for selflessly sharing his talent and passion! Proceeds of Art Exhibit will benefit our Club's community & service projects.
- 23NOV/ SAT: D3860: TRF's (The Rotary Foundation) Awarding and Recognition Nite | RY 2024 2025:
- Joined by 9 Waling Waling Ladies & 2 Rotakids this event saw us happily donning our cocktail dresses in lieu of our usual Club workshirts. Held at the Parklane Hotel, Cebu City, it highlighted the AWARDING and RECOGNITION of ROTARIANS & CLUBS beginning July 1, 2024 to October 30, 2024.

Sharing with one & all the Awards & Citations received:

- ♥ 3 MAJOR DONOR LEVEL 1 (MD1):
- Dir Myriam Tan (Major Gift)
- DPPSC / DPC Estela Maribel Vilela & Spouse Dave
- Rtn Marydict Rosales & Spouse Emer
- 10 CONTINUING, NEW & ELIGIBLE PAUL HARRIS SOCIETY (PHS):
- BOISER, Divina Fe PP
- DOLENDO, Mae Concepcion PP
- KÖNST, Maria Vida Pres
- POLINTAN, Herminia PP/ Dir
- ROSALES, Marydict Rtn
- SANTOS, Leonida PP
- VALDEROSA, Jannette AG/PP
- VILELA, Estela Maribel DPPSC/DPC
- VILLAGOMEZA, Elsa Rtn
- YÑIGUEZ, Teresita PP
- ♥ CLUB AWARDS:
- US\$100 per Capita Club Achiever
- ●100% EREY Club Achiever

- 100% TRF Club
- END POLIO NOW: Countdown to History Campaign US\$1,500 Club Giving to Polio Plus Fund
- ♡ 16 PAUL HARRIS FELLOW (PHF) & MULTIPLE PHF:
- ROSALES, Erica Angela- PHF
- ROSALES, Enrico Angelo Dominic-PHF
- ROSALES, Emily Maxine-PHF
- ROSALES, Elisabeth Meredith-PHF
- AVENA, Niptalez Rtn-PHF
- RETALES, Leamie Dir-PHF
- KÖNST, Maria Vida Pres- PHF+2
- VILLAGOMEZA, Elsa Rtn-PHF+2
- BAARDE, Marilou PP- PHF+3
- ROSALES, Marydict Rtn-PHF+3
- SANTOS, Leonida PP- PHF+5
- VALDEROSA, Jannette AG/PP- PHF+5
- GAVIOLA, Luna Dir- PHF+5
- DOLENDO, Mae Concepcion PP- PHF+6
- YÑIGUEZ, Teresita PP- PHF+6
- POLINTAN, Herminia PP/ Dir- PHF+8

- ♥ 7 ROTARY FOUNDATION SUSTAINING MEMBERS:
- APORTADERA, Ma. Luisa Dir
- BAARDE, Marilou PP
- CHUA, Maribel Treas
- GUIDING, Faustell Myenri Rtn
- JACINTO, Maria Luisa PP/ PDT (MD1)
- TAI, Lolita Letecia Dir
- ZHANG, Emmanouelle IPP
- APORTADERA, Ma. Luisa Dir
- AUSTRIA, Sylvia PE
- AVENA, Niptalez Rtn
- BAARDE, Marilou PP
- BOISER, Divina Fe PP
- DELA ROSA, Eva May (Proposed Member)
- DOLENDO, Mae Concepcion PP
- ESPIRITU, Armi Geralyn DMC/Sec
- FITZBACK, Teresita Rtn
- GAVIOLA, Luna Dir
- JACINTO, Maria Luisa PP/ PDT

- KÖNST, Maria Vida Pres
- KÖNST, Ma. Alessandra Elisabeth VP
- LAMPARAS, Chona Rtn
- LLAMAS, Lorna PP
- POLINTAN, Herminia PP/ Dir
- RETALES, Leamie Dir
- ROSALES, Marydict Rtn
- SANTOS, Leonida PP
- SCHWENDENER, Evangeline PP
- TAI, Lolita Letecia Dir
- TAN, Myriam Dir
- Te, Carina Abellera Rtn
- VALDEROSA, Jannette AG/PP
- VILELA, Estela Maribel DPPSC/DPC
- VILLAGOMEZA, Elsa Rtn
- YÑIGUEZ, Teresita PP
- ZHANG, Emmanouelle IPP

We could not have achieved these without the mentorship & support of ARRFC / PDG Riz Reyes, DRFC Jensen Racho, DG Caycay Andrade, our awesome TRF Comité, and super supportive Waling Waling red Ladies!!!

" On to DisCon Tacloban" 30 - 31May, 2025 ...

Cheers, everyone 😉

# SECRETARY'S

IMPRESSION







Armi Geralyn Espiritu Secretary

OCTOBER	3	17	NOVEMBER	7	21
Members Present	22	19		32	14
Members Absent	8	7		9	10
Members w/ makeup	17	19		6	16
ОВ	83%	75%		80%	85%
Adjusted Average	83%	84%		81%	

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# SECRETARY'S

**IMPRESSION** 



# 100% Attendance

#### **OCTOBER**

**DIR LUCHIE APORTADERA** 

PP REMIE CALAGUAS

PP ARMI GERALYN ESPIRITU

DIR MA VICTOARIA EVANGELISTA

PP. MA VICTORIA JIMENEZ

VP ALESSANDRA KONST

PRES VIDA KONST

RTN ELSIE LIBRON

RTN JANICE LAO

PP MA CORAZON REYES

PP EVANGELINE SCHWENDENER

AG JANETTE VALDEROSA

PP TERESITA YNIGUEZ

#### **NOVEMBER**

DIR MA LUISA APORTADERA

RTN JEEJEE AVENA

PP MELOT BAARDE

PP REMIE CALAGUAS

TREAS MARIBEL CHUA

PDIR JENAH DE LOS SANTOS

PP ARMI GERALYN ESPIRITU

DIR MA VICTORIA EVANGELISTA

**VP ALEX KONST** 

PRES VIDA KONST

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PP LORNA LLAMAS

RTN JANICE LAO

PP ZONY REYES

PP EVANGELINE SCHWENDENER

**DIR LETI TAI** 

AG JANETTE VALDEROSA

PP TERESITA YNIGUEZ

RTN CARINA ABELLERA TE

RTN TERESITA FITZBACK

PP MARIBEL VILELA

IPP MAEM ZHANG

#### **ELDERLYMPICS**

• DATE: 07December, 2024/Saturday

• VENUE: Davao Chrisian High School V. Mapa

Campus

• TIME: I to 4pm

• ATTIRE: TBA

#### HOUSE OF HOPE: SURVIVOR'S DAY

• DATE: 08December, 2024/Sunday

• VENUE: Waterfront Insular Hotel Davao

• TIME: 6 to 9pm

• ATTIRE: Smart Casual

#### ELDERLYMPICS (PT. II)

• DATE: 09December, 2024/Monday

• VENUE: SM Ecoland, Davao City

• TIME: I to 4pm

• ATTIRE: TBA



Ma. Alessandra Elisabeth
Könst

GML Area 2B Editor · VicePresident · Programs for

Young Leaders Contact • Editor-in-Chief

#### RCWWD CHRISTMAS PARTY

- DATE: 13December, 2024/Friday
- VENUE: The Compound, Tulip Drive, Davao City
- TIME: 5 to 10pm
- ATTIRE: Depends per host group

#### MAKE ONE CHILD SMILE

- DATE: 14December, 2024/Saturday
- VENUE: Sto. Tomas Municipal Hall
- TIME: 8am to Ipm
- 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

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Editor-in-Chief

# Exhibit



**Louis Palma Gil**Public Image Director





12th Regular Meeting
Sarung Banggi, Davao City
November 21, 2024

# Exhibit





Final Elderlympics Meeting

Department of Education, Davao City

November 22, 2024

# Exhibit











TRF Awarding & Recognition Night

Parklane International Hotel, Cebu City

November 23, 2024

# Exhibit





Inspection for the District Grant: Duha Day Care Center

Duha, Davao City

November 24, 2024

# Exhibit









Birthday Celebration of Master Artist, Lito Pepito
The Foyer, La Herencia, Davao City
November 27, 2024

# The Magic 24 DEI pt. 12



Wrapping up an incredible #RotaractUNDays in Geneva! Young leaders from over 50 countries came together to dive deep into global issues like migration, human rights, and peacebuilding at the UN, WIPO, and CERN.

From thought-provoking panels to building connections across borders, this event captured the essence of Rotaract: action, unity, and a vision for a brighter, more peaceful future. Thank you to everyone who made these days unforgettable!

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

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Leamie Retales
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DEI Officer •
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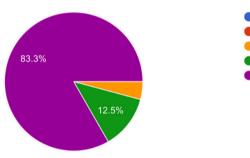




# MEMBERSHIP

# **Member Satisfaction Survey Results**

Overall, how satisfied are you with being a member of our club? <sup>24 responses</sup>



Not at all satisfied

Not satisfied

Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied

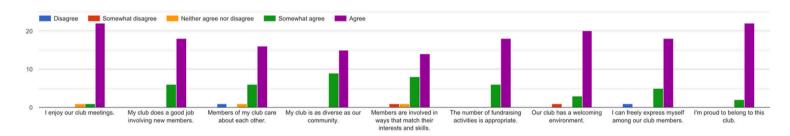
Somewhat satisfied

Very satisfied

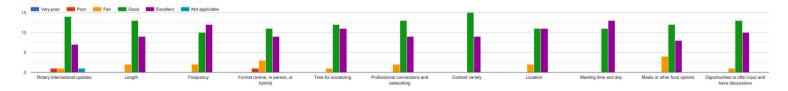


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Maria Luisa
Aportadera
Membership Director

Thinking about our club's culture, members, and meetings, indicate how much you agree with the following statements.

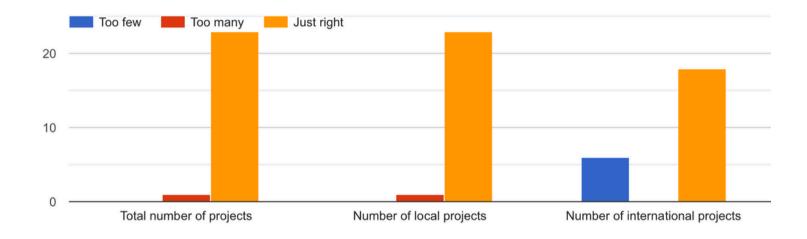


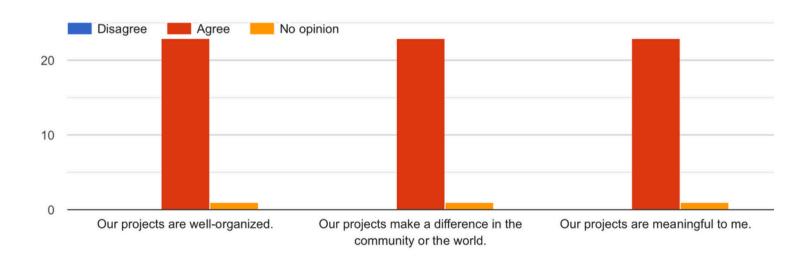
How do you rate the following aspects of club meetings?



# Rotary Rotary MEMBERSHIP

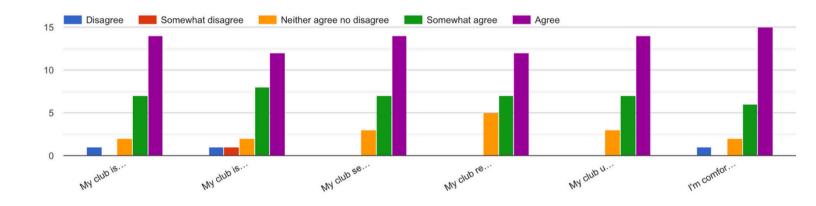
What do you think about these aspects of our club's service projects?



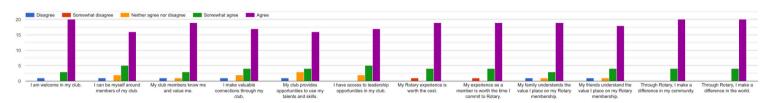




Thinking about communication and responsiveness in our club, indicate how much you agree with the following statements.

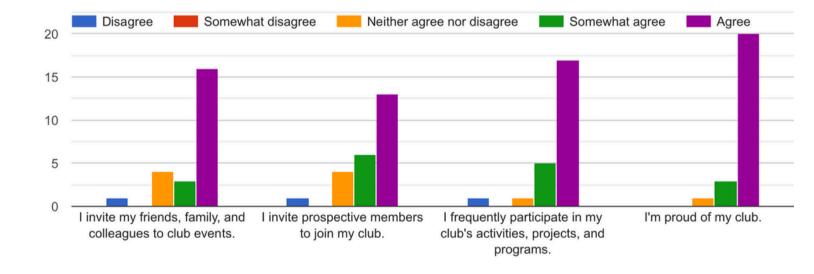


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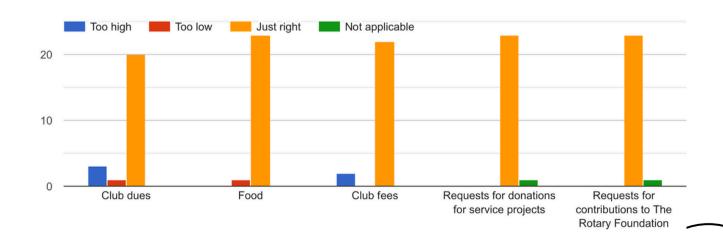




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Think about the costs associated with being a club member and rate these factors.



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# A ROTARIAN ASTRONAUT LIVES HER OUT-OF-THIS WORLD DREAMS

# BY DIANE SCHOBERG

Samantha Cristoforetti longed for space travel since she was a kid. Now, she's sharing the cosmic awe with her fellow earthlings.

In some ways it's just like any other Rotary meeting.

Dozens of members of the Rotary Club of Köln am Rhein gather on a pleasant Monday evening at one of the famous Kranhäus office buildings, architectural gems shaped like upside down L's over the Rhine River with the towers of Cologne Cathedral visible in the distance. The night's speaker, an out-of-this-world member of the club, is scheduled to give the Rotarians a virtual tour of her workplace. The Wi-Fi connection on her end is finicky, and they wait eagerly.

At last, she appears, and that's when this meeting takes a decidedly different turn. Because Samantha Cristoforetti, an astronaut aboard the <u>International Space Station</u>, is floating.

Cristoforetti is four months into her second stint on the space station, a research vessel about the size of a six-bedroom house that orbits the Earth every 90 minutes. Her hair set loose from the confines of gravity in a way that would make an '80s metal rocker jealous, she takes questions and wows club members with the cosmic views. "Most of the time I try to take meetings from the cupola, because then you can show people the Earth from the windows," she says in an interview with *Rotary* magazine.

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Astronauts' personal items are rigorously monitored; they must meet a strict weight limit of only 3.3 pounds total. Among her select few items, Cristoforetti has included the red-and-white banner of the Köln am Rhein Rotary club. As the meeting closes, her fellow club members thank her with thunderous applause.

She rolls backward away from the camera, leaving the club banner on screen floating behind her.

Cristoforetti's journey to space began during her childhood in a tiny village in the Italian Alps, her taste for adventure whetted by summers spent roaming the woods with cousins and winters skiing. But it was her voyages in books, read in secret under the covers at bedtime, that primed her imagination for her meteoric rise. "I doubt I'd be an astronaut today if I hadn't climbed a ladder to the Moon many years ago, … if I hadn't traveled all the way to China with Marco Polo or fought epic battles beside Sandokan" the pirate, she recalls in her 2018 book, Diary of an Apprentice Astronaut.





When she was 17 and a senior in high school, she traveled to St. Paul, Minnesota, as an exchange student. "I was fascinated by space flight already. I was a big Star Trek fan," she says. "All of that was centered in the United States." One day, while eating out with her host mother, the two saw an advertisement for Space Camp in Huntsville, Alabama. Cristoforetti was all in. At Space Camp, she studied the space shuttle and simulated a 24-hour mission. "I got to go and play astronaut for the week," she says. "It got me so much closer to the whole space thing."

# Step by step to outer space

When she returned home, she went on a second journey, that of acquiring the skills she'd need to apply to become an astronaut, should that rare opportunity present itself. She studied engineering and became one of the first female fighter pilots in the Italian Air Force. "I wouldn't say I was obsessed," she says. "I always took pleasure in learning and doing what I was doing at that time. But I always kept the dream in mind."

The <u>European Space Agency</u> had recruited astronaut candidates only twice before, most recently in the early 1990s, when Cristoforetti was a teenager. So when the agency announced it was accepting applications in 2008, she knew that was her once-in-a-lifetime opportunity.

Along with 8,412 other qualified applicants, she toiled through the astronaut recruitment process, which included aptitude tests, psychological evaluations, medical exams, and interviews. She brushed up on her Russian language skills using a Harry Potter audio- book. ("I still have a small but enviable vocabulary of Russian magical terms," she writes in her book.) Finally, she received the news she'd been waiting to hear — that she had fulfilled her childhood dream. "When you get that phone call that says you've been selected it's like, Wow, what are the chances of this really happening?" she says.

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In September 2009, she began training for missions to the International Space Station. For spacewalk training, she practiced underwater to simulate weightlessness. She was fitted for both Russian and American spacesuits; the American gloves alone required 26 measurements. And she prepared for emergencies that she hoped would never happen — just little workplace mishaps like becoming untethered from the space station and floating away.

It was during one of these trainings that Bernd Böttiger, a member of the Rotary Club of Köln am Rhein, first met Cristoforetti. Böttiger, an internationally renowned specialist in emergency medicine, teaches astronauts resuscitation procedures in case of an emergency on the space station. "She impressed me as being extremely positive, extremely tough, extremely straightforward, extremely focused," he says. "I can easily imagine how they found her among the thousands of applicants."

In November 2014, after what may have felt like light-years of training, Cristoforetti was ready to rocket to space.

\*Read more of the article by clicking on the Rotary logo in the upper right corner.



# DECEMBER CELEBRATIONS

# Birthdays



PP Vicky Jimenez

December 1



PP Mae Dolendo

December 8



**Dir Luchi Aportadera** *December* 16



PE Sylvia Austria

December 17



December 21



PP Vangi Schwendener

December 30



# DECEMBER (CELEBRATIONS



# Wedding Anniversaries



PP Vicky Jimenez & Spouse Eli

December 1



Asst Treas/Dir Mimi Retales & Spouse Roland

December 1



Dir Luna Gaviola & Spouse Odi

December 20



DMC/Sec Gigi Espiritu & Spouse Binot

PP Mae Dolendo &
Spouse Gabriel

December 27



Dir Bec Evangelista & Spouse Geri
December 29

December 21



# DECEMBER (CELEBRATIONS

# Membership Milestones



PP Tess Yñiguez
December 31, 1999



PDT/PP Malou Jacinto December 5, 2002



Villagomeza
December 5, 2002



Dir Luna Gaviola

December 5, 2002



December 15, 2016



Rtn Happy Rosales

December 7, 2017

# **HERMES**

# (July, October, January, April)

- 1. TEAM LEADER:
  POLINTAN, Mynne
- 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
- $12.\mathbf{SANTOS}$ , 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

Major Donor		FRP
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 Villagomeza	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		FRE
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	-
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# Other Contributors

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

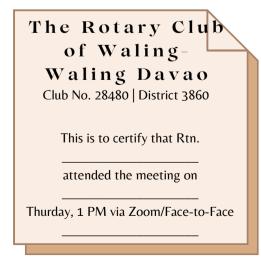
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- 3. Will it build GOOD WILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- 4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

## 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

