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Within to Embrace  
Humanity*)



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Humanity*)



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2018-2019 (*Be  
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Connects the World*)



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2020-2021  
(*Rotary Opens  
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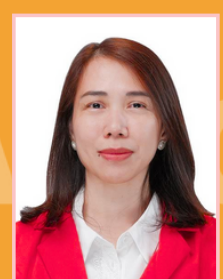
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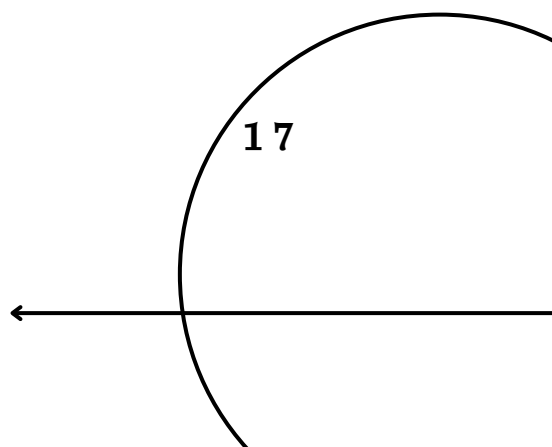


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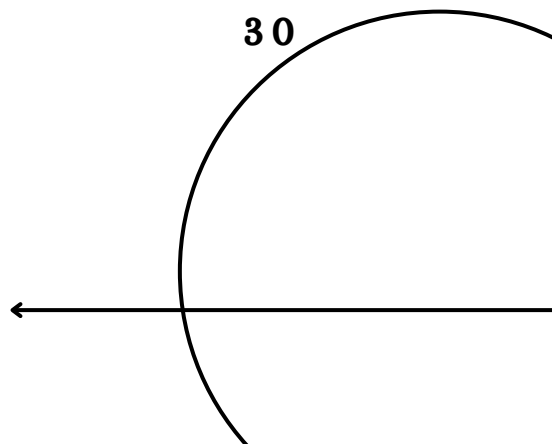
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# EDITOR'S NOTE

Being in a Rotary Club that's filled with women empowers me. All older than me, they've taught me resilience, compassion, wisdom, and strength. Without them, I wouldn't have learned all that I needed to know for my age.

Take a look at our cover photo, in which a Past President, a President-Elect, and a Member (all in one photo!), who are all women, show us "Service Above Self" within their communities, interacting and connecting with them.

Happy Mother's Day to my Rotary mothers, and to all the mothers and would-be mothers out there.

Happy Reading!



**Alessandra Könst**  
*GML Area 2B Editor •  
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# PROGRAMME

MAY 8, 2025 • 23RD REGULAR MEETING  
• VENUE: Roadway Inn, Bajada, Davao City

• ATTIRE: *earth color outfit*

**Call to Order**

*Pres Maria Vida Könst*

**Turnover of Proceedings to Program  
Moderator**

*IPP Emmanouelle Zhang*

**Invocation**

*PE Sylvia Austria*

**Pambansang Awit**

*AVP*

**Acknowledgement of Visiting  
Rotarians, Zoom Attendees, & Guests**

*IPP Emmanouelle Zhang*

**Introduction of Classification Talk  
Speaker**

*Dir Luna Gaviola*

**Classification Talk**

*Rtn Evamay Dela Rosa*

**Awarding of Certificate of  
Appreciation**

*DMC/Sec Armi Geralyn Espiritu &  
Pres Maria Vida Könst*

**Secretary's Time**

*DMC/Sec Armi Geralyn Espiritu*

**Light-a-Cake!**

*AVP*

**Other Announcements**

*RCWWD*

**President's Time & Adjournment**

*Pres Maria Vida Könst*



Heavenly Father, we gather here today as a community bound by our commitment to service and compassion. We thank You for the opportunity to come together and make a positive impact in our world.

"Let each of you look not only to his own interests but also to the interests of others." May this verse inspire us to put others first as we engage in our discussions and initiatives today.

Guide our hearts and minds, instilling in us a spirit of collaboration and generosity. May our efforts reflect Your love and lead to meaningful change in our community and beyond. Thank you for the blessings of friendship and service. In His name we pray.

AMEN.

*Shared by Dir Maria Victoria Evangelista*

## MARIA VIDA KÖNST

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

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Waling-Waling Davao; District  
Membership Chair - District 3860*

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*Membership Director - RC Waling-  
Waling Davao*

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*TRF Director*

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*International Service Director*

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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:** 46

**MULTIPLE PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS:**

30

**PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS:** 2

**TRF SUSTAINING MEMBERS:** 6

**MAJOR DONORS:**

- *Active Members:* 3
- *Honorary Members:* 3

**BENEFACTORS:** 4

**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*
  - VIBRANT CLUB SEMINAR - Mindanao Rotary Clubs: September 7, 2024
  - 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*

Warmest greetings, dear Mothers!

Mother's Day is a day dedicated to appreciating and celebrating the love, dedication, and profound impact MOTHERS and MOTHER FIGURES have on our lives and recognize the vast importance of “mothering” to the overall well-being of society.

History of Mother's Day?

Dates to ancient times and is rooted with Anna Jarvis, a woman from Philadelphia, who worked hard to establish it as a national holiday in 1914, honouring her mother and all motherly figures. After putting all her continuous efforts, the president of the United States, Woodrow Wilson, declared it a national holiday in the year 1914.

International Mother's Day is celebrated in more than 50 countries throughout the world but on different dates. This auspicious day doesn't have any fixed day and is usually marked on the 2nd Sunday of May every year in most countries. In fact, it is beyond a date on a calendar.

In the Philippines, Mother's Day 2025 will be celebrated on 11 May, but not a public holiday. Believe me, it is a huge celebration right next to Christmas or Valentine's Day.

# PRESIDENT'S PASSPORT

Restaurants offering buffet meals, flower shops empty, gift shops & delivery services full, even resorts & spas holding weekend trips and promos! These simple gestures show the deep respect Filipinos have for Mothers and reciprocate in all ways possible, simple or extravagant. After all, "It is the thought that counts noh" !

We, the 🌹 Rotary Cub of Waling Waling Davao dedicate this Issue to all you Mothers out there: "Thank you for all your hard work, sacrifices, and dedication that you make 24/7. Enjoy your "ME" day! "

Cheers 🌹

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. M. M. M. M.", with a small heart symbol above the first letter.



# SECRETARY'S

IMPRESSION



**Armi Geralyn  
Espiritu**  
*Secretary*

APRIL	10	24	MARCH	6	20
Members Present	22	21		24	24
Members Absent	7	6		6	6
Members w/ makeup	17	16		17	16
Average	78%	81%		87%	87%
Adjusted Average	85%			93%	87%

## 24TH REGULAR MEETING

- DATE: 22May, 2025
- VENUE: Roadway Inn, Davao City
- TIME: 12-2pm
- ATTIRE: TBA

## DisCON 2025

- DATE: 30-31May, 2025
- VENUE: Tacloban City
- 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  
Könst**

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



***RCWWD DCC 2 Moving-Up and Recognition Day***

*Tibungco, Davao City*

*April 22, 2025*



# PUBLIC IMAGE'S Exhibit



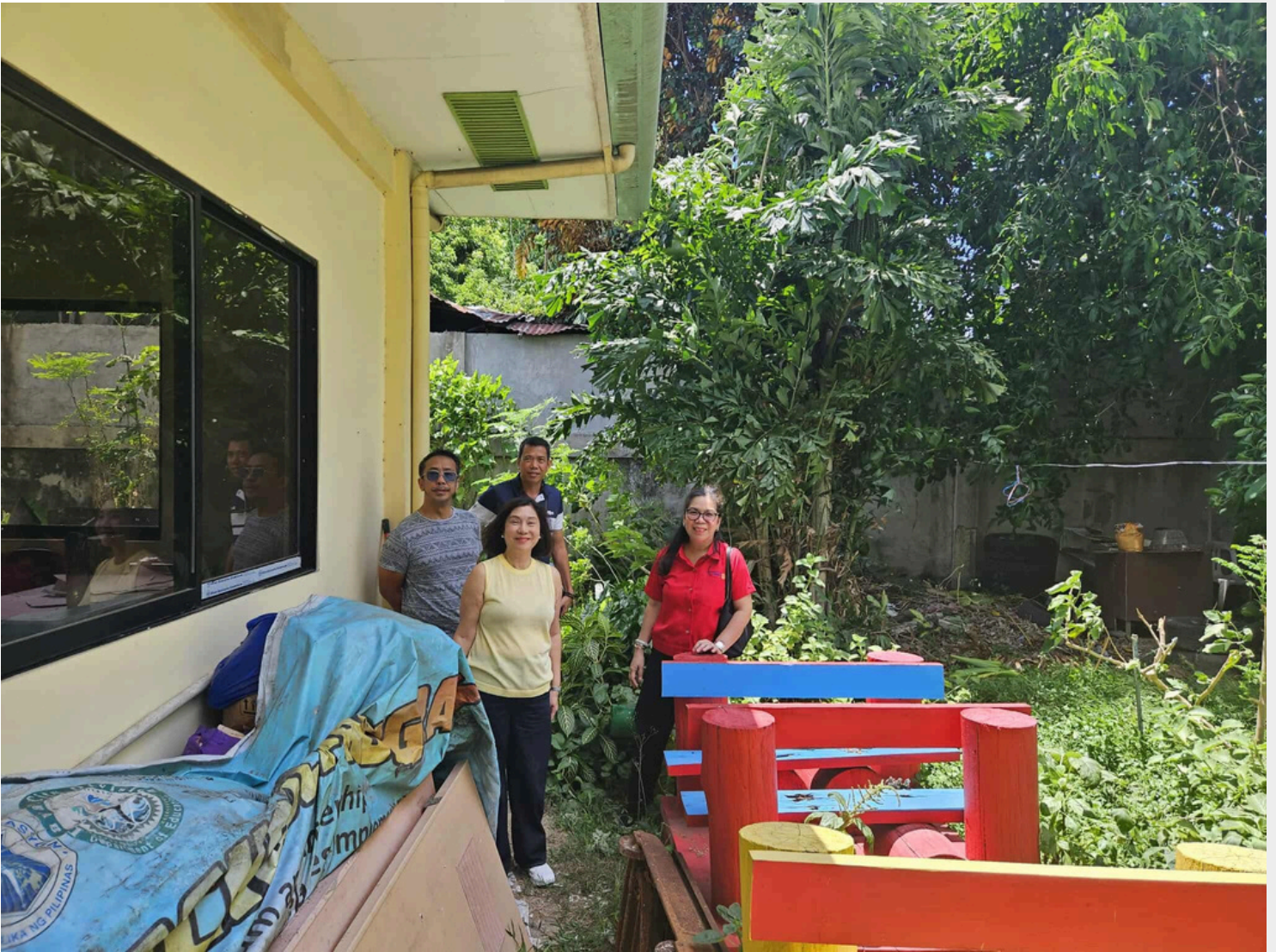
## ***22nd Regular Meeting***

Roadway Inn, Bajada, Davao City

*April 24, 2025*



# PUBLIC IMAGE'S Exhibit



## *Child Minding Center: Inspection*

Department of Education, Quirino Avenue, Davao City

*April 24, 2025*



# PUBLIC IMAGE'S Exhibit



***DUHA DCC Moving-Up Day***

*DUHA, Davao City*

*April 25, 2025*



# PUBLIC IMAGE'S Exhibit



***11th ACOM***

Roadway Inn, Bajada, Davao City

*April 30, 2025*

# The Magic of **DEI** pt. 21

Clean water, local jobs, lasting impact 💧



In the Dominican Republic, a water purification project is transforming lives. Despite challenges, Rotary members came together to fund and build a safe water source for their community. Now, five local residents are employed to run the plant, ensuring sustainable access to clean water for years to come.

Access to clean water changes everything. How can we work together to make it a reality for more communities? 💧

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

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



# Rtn Evamay Dela Rosa



- Mother of two, a wife
- Graduated Computer Science at AMA Computer College Davao, graduated Master of Science in Information Technology at Carnegie Mellon University, Adelaide Australia
- Currently pursuing a certification in Cybersecurity while busy implementing different ICT programs and projects in region II aimed to bridge the digital divide and bring the benefits of ICT, especially to the countryside
- More than 10 years experience as an IT Manager of Citihardware and for East Asia of Jardine Direct, the IT shared service of a multinational pan Asian retailer before entering the government sector
- Regional Director of the Department of Information and Communications Technology
  - 2015: 1<sup>st</sup> assignment in Region 10 and Caraga region
  - 2022: Assigned in Region II
- Designated as OIC Assistant Secretary during the pandemic
  - Handled the nation's Vaccine Information Management System used by the Department of Health on a national level
  - Concurrently designated to manage the Management Information Systems Service (MISS) and the Infrastructure Management Bureau of the DICT.
  - Received a certificate of appreciation from the four Department Secretaries for saving millions of Filipino lives relating to vaccination
- Taught in undergraduate and graduate schools of the University of Mindanao and at the University of Science and Technology of Southern Philippines Cagayan de Oro's Master of Public Sector Innovations
- Faculty Member of the Development Academy of the Philippines teaching government middle managers
- Member of the Order of the Eastern Star
- Former member of the Rotary Club of Cagayan de Oro East Urban, District 3870



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# MEMBERSHIP

*Check*

*Club Experience*

Rotary research identified confidence in club leadership as a key element in creating a positive club experience for members.

One way club leaders can build confidence among members is by setting multi-year goals (including goals to improve club culture) with member input and providing regular updates on progress. Find out how clubs in Ghana and the U.S. used goal setting to inspire member engagement and build excitement about the future.



**Shared by:**

**Maria Luisa**

**Aportadera**

*Membership Director*

# WORLD WATER SUMMIT

# WWS17

## WASH AWAY POLIO

### + OTHER INFECTIOUS DISEASES



**SATURDAY,  
JUNE 21ST**

**Calgary, Canada**

Marriott Downtown  
110 9th Ave SE

**8:00 - Noon**

Full breakfast at 7:45 am

#### Featuring

**Mike McGovern**  
Chair, International  
Polio Plus Committee

**Dr Olha Paliychuk**  
DGE-D2232 Ukraine

**Aziz Memon**  
National Chairman  
Pakistan Polio Plus

**Dr. Ann Marie Kimball**  
Dept of Epidemiology  
Univ of Washington

## From Source, System, Storage, Sip to Sanitation

The WASH Rotary Action Group's World Water Summit unites global leaders to explore how WASH prevents polio and other diseases. This year's event spotlights proven tools, emerging trends, and scalable solutions for lasting impact. Experts will share insights on WASH in healthcare, schools, and communities, ensuring safe water access and stronger public health systems. Through discussions, case studies, and interactive sessions, participants will gain actionable strategies for sustainable disease prevention.

**Rotary**



**WASH**

Rotary Action Group

WATER - SANITATION - HYGIENE

# TRF BLUEPRINT

Rotary year-end is fast approaching! As we approach the end of this Rotary year, I want to take a moment to thank you for your leadership in Club of Waling-Waling (Davao). Your dedication has made a meaningful impact, and we appreciate all you've done to support The Rotary Foundation.

While you've likely accomplished many of your goals, the final months of the Rotary year are often the busiest—and the most crucial—for Foundation giving. Throughout the year, Mark's Magical Markers have provided a way to prioritize fundraising, and today, we highlight one of the most urgent: giving to the PolioPlus Fund.

There are moments in our journey to end polio when doubt and uncertainty may take hold, yet we must remain steadfast and, above all, hopeful as we keep our eyes on the goal. Since 1988 when we partnered with organizations around the world to form the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI), we have reduced wild poliovirus cases by 99.9%.

Our progress has been remarkable, but the journey has not been without challenges. In Rotary, we always rise to meet the moment—no challenge is too great, no barrier too strong. And until polio is eradicated everywhere, it is a threat anywhere.

Today in Afghanistan, house-to-house immunization campaigns are prohibited, while in Pakistan, conflict, insecurity, and migration limit access to children. Yet, we rise to the challenge—just as we did in India, before the country was declared wild polio-free in 2014. In Nigeria, we faced similar obstacles, but in 2020 all of Africa was certified wild poliovirus-free.

Now, in 2025, we press forward with unwavering resolve. We have come too far to turn back. This week is World Immunization Week, a reminder of how close we are to eradicating polio—but we're not there yet.



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



# TRF BLUEPRINT

With your support, we can finish the job. Every donation to the PolioPlus Fund is matched 2-to-1 by the Gates Foundation, tripling your impact in the fight against this disease.

To do his part, our Rotary Foundation Chair Mark Maloney has started a [Raise for Rotary fundraiser](#) for the PolioPlus Fund, and we'd love for you to join him. You can also make a donation to our Foundation by [mail](#) or [online](#) to our PolioPlus Fund.

It has been a pleasure working alongside you to promote giving to The Rotary Foundation this year. Your efforts make a real difference, and we look forward to celebrating a record year of giving together.

Sincerely,

Stephanie A. Urchick  
Rotary International President, 2024-25

Mark Daniel Maloney  
Rotary Foundation Trustee Chair, 2024-25

# INTERNATIONAL SERVICE STATION

## Get to know 2025-26 Rotary International President, Mário César Martins de Camargo

From his early days as a Rotary Youth Exchange officer to leading as a Rotary Foundation trustee and director, Mário has dedicated decades to service.

His passion? Growing Rotary's membership, inspiring leadership, and uniting people for good 🤝 Did we mention he's also been dubbed Membership Mário and once dressed as Super Mario for a fundraiser? 🍄

Meet Mário: [on.rotary.org/41zxpq1](https://on.rotary.org/41zxpq1)



**Shared by:**  
**Lolita Leticia Tai**  
*International  
Service Director*

## **WORLD IMMUNIZATION WEEK: VACCINES KEEP COMMUNITIES HEALTHY**

### **OUR PROGRESS IN THE FIGHT AGAINST POLIO SHOWS WHY VACCINATION IS IMPORTANT**

Increasing awareness about the power of vaccines and closing immunization gaps could protect millions of people worldwide from vaccine-preventable diseases, including polio, according to the World Health Organization. World Immunization Week, 24–30 April, is an opportunity to focus on that work, and the robust polio eradication infrastructure built by Rotary and our partners in the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI) provides a model for it.

The GPEI estimates that polio vaccines have saved an estimated 20 million children around the world from paralysis. When Rotary helped launch the GPEI in 1988, the disease paralyzed more than 1,000 people worldwide every day, most of them young children. Since then, Rotary and its partners have reduced the number of polio cases by 99%, and so far in 2025, there are just eight cases of polio caused by the wild poliovirus. Afghanistan and Pakistan are the only two countries where the wild poliovirus remains endemic.

The progress against polio is the result of the efforts of countless volunteers and health workers who immunize children in hard-to-reach communities and establish real-time global surveillance and outbreak response mechanisms. The polio eradication infrastructure has been used to fight other infectious diseases and undertake crucial health interventions, including supporting COVID-19 prevention and vaccination efforts.

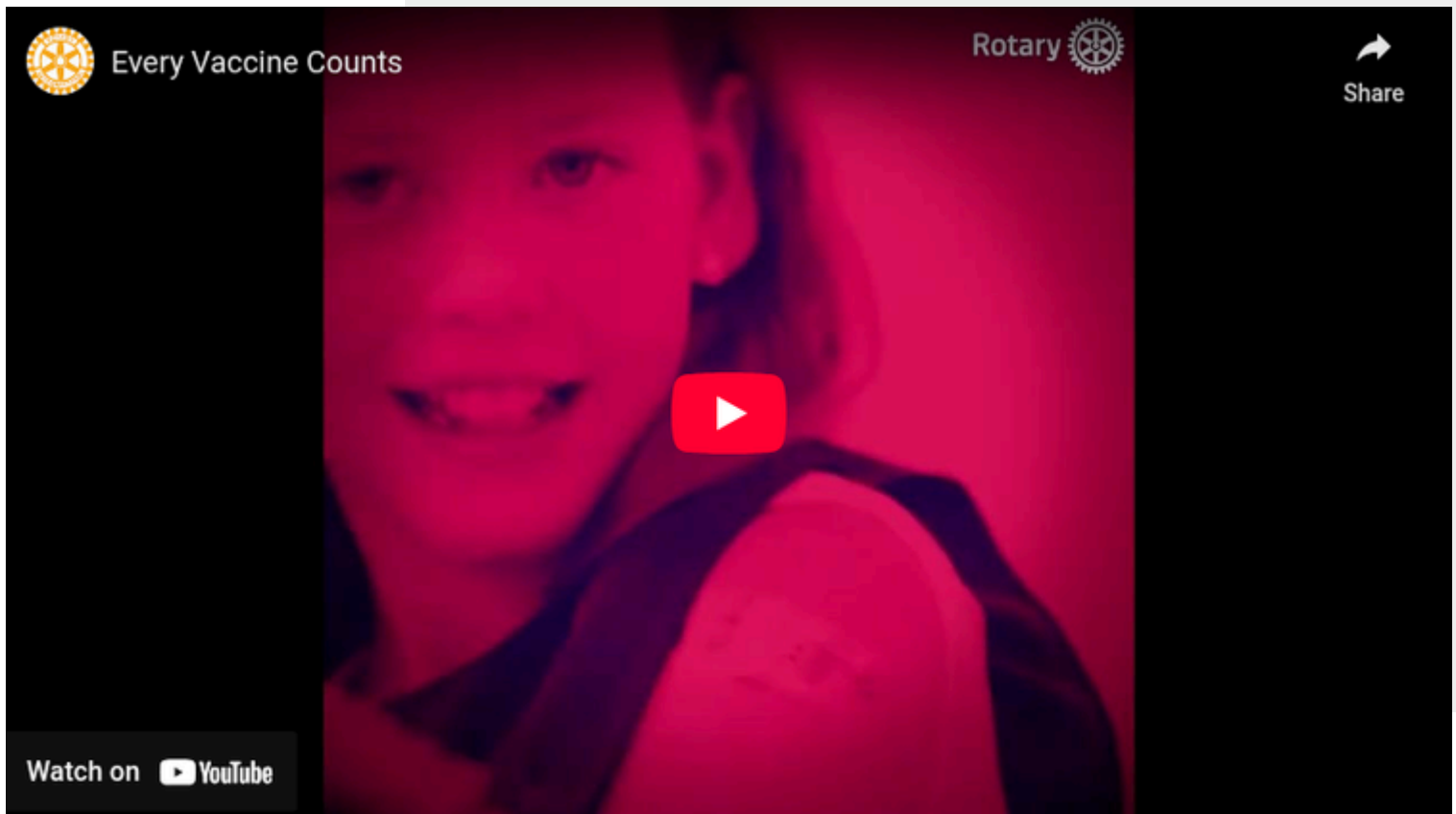


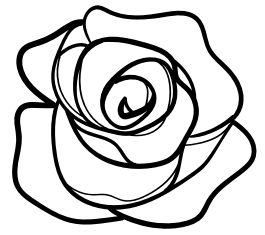
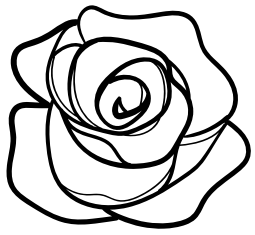
# Rotary Speaks



With our decades of experience in bringing polio to the brink of eradication, Rotary has been able to highlight the power and efficacy of COVID-19 vaccines. Since the pandemic began in 2020, Rotary members have helped health authorities communicate lifesaving information about COVID-19, dispel misinformation, and support fair and equal access to vaccines.

*\*Article taken from [rotary.org](https://rotary.org). Click the Rotary logo on the upper right corner to see the original article.*





# MAY CELEBRATIONS

*Birthdays*



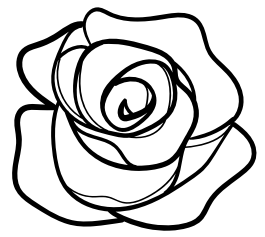
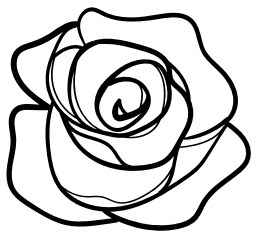
**Rtn Irish Tan**

*May 21*



**Dir Bec Evangelista**

*May 26*



# MAY CELEBRATIONS

## *Wedding Anniversaries*



**PP Zony Reyes &  
Spouse Badjun**

*May 1*



**PP Nen Santos &  
Spouse Pacquing**

*May 14*



**DPC/PP Baby Vilela  
& HM/Spouse Dave**

*May 15*



**PDT/PP Malou Jacinto  
& HM/Spouse Louie**

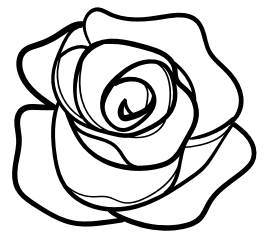
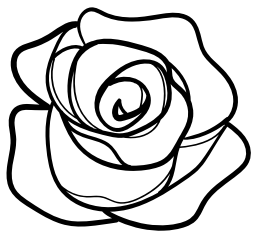
*May 16*



**PP Lorna Llamas &  
HM/Spouse Tonying**

*May 28*





# MAY CELEBRATIONS

*Membership Milestone*



**DPC/PP Baby Vilela**

*May 2, 2002*

## HERMES

(July, October,  
January, April)

1. **TEAM LEADER:**  
POLINTAN, Myne
2. **APORTADERA,**  
Luchi
3. **BOISER, Fe**
4. **CHUA, Bel**
5. **DELA ROSA,**  
Evamay
6. **GAVIOLA, Luna**
7. **GUIDING, Pao**
8. **KÖNST, Vida**
9. **LIAMZON, Jo**
10. **LLAMAS, Lorna**
11. **PALMA GIL, Loi**
12. **ROSALES, Happy**
13. **SANTOS, Nen**
14. **SCHWENDENER,**  
Vangi
15. **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 FEBRUARY 2025

TOTAL ALL TIME GIVING: USD 207,109.00

## ACTIVE MEMBERS

### Major Donor

<i>Ma. Luisa Jacinto</i>	<b>+8</b>	<b>6900</b>
<i>Myriam Tan</i>	<b>+8</b>	<b>10000</b>
<i>Estela Maribel Vilela</i>	<b>+8</b>	<b>8000</b>
<i>Divina Fe Boiser</i>	<b>+8</b>	<b>4900</b>
<i>Marydict Rosales</i>		<b>5400</b>

### Benefactor

*Myriam Tan*

### Multiple Paul Harris Fellows

Lorna Llamas	USD 9,000.00 +8	1400
Hermie Polintan	USD 9,000.00 +8	3300
Remie Calaguas	USD 8,476.88	1000
Mae Dolendo	USD 7,650.93	4400
Teresita Yñiguez	USD 7,177.92	2200
Jannette Valderosa	USD 6,904.29	2900
Marivic Jimenez	USD 6,715.38	200
Armi GERALYN Espiritu	USD 6,499.79	1400
Luna Gaviola	USD 6,173.38	1000
Leonida Santos	USD 6,004.56	1300
Luchi Aportadera	USD 4,913.38	1000
Vangi Schwendener	USD 4,879.79	400
Gina Marie Espejo	USD 4,311.38	1600
Marilou Baarde	USD 4,003.38	1900
Letty Tai	USD 3,726.96	1500
Vanessa Madayag	USD 3,637.40	2600
Ma. Corazon Reyes	USD 3,618.38	600
Elsa Villagomez	USD 3,606.29	1400
Maribel Chua	USD 3,576.92	700
Vida Könst	USD 3,419.91	1400
Sylvia Austria	USD 3,354.29	400
Emmanouelle Zhang	USD 3,238.14	2300
Cecile Diaz	USD 3,192.46	200
Teresita Fitzback	USD 2,513.38	1200
Josephine Liamzon	USD 2,281.38	500
Alessandra Könst	USD 2,177.91	700

### Paul Harris Fellows

Cheryl Gomez	USD 1,490.42	400
Elsie Libron	USD 1,385.38	100
Leamie Retales	USD 1005.00	500
Niptalez Avena	USD 1000.00	500

### Sustaining Members

Chona Lamparas	USD 653.38	-
Evamay Dela Rosa	USD 481.00	-
Carina Abellera-Te	USD 329.00	-
Jenah De los Santos	USD 229.00	-
Caryl Lim	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

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

**\*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

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



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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

