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President's Moment

Pres Sylvia Austria reminds us about the opportunity for us to lead with purpose, collaborate with greater unity, and create projects that truly respond to the needs of the people we serve

Rotary Points

In 1931, 44 years before Rotary Youth Exchange became an official program, a group of young men from Newcastle-Upon-Tyne, England, traveled to Hamburg, Germany

RiCon 2026

Connections, inspiration, and new friendships are waiting for you. Register through the link found on the RiCon page!



The Past Presidents (active)



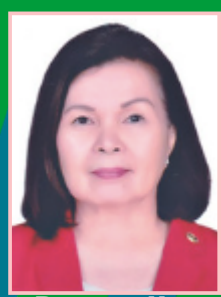
Lorna Llamas

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)



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)



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)



Maria Vida Könst

2024-2025 (The Magic of Rotary)



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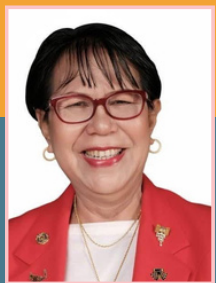


Members of the Club



**Maria Luisa
Aportadera**

*Physical
Medicine &
Rehabilitation*
ID#1932406



**Sylvia
Austria**

*Real Estate:
Sales &
Marketing*
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Niptalez Avena

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Heavy Equipment
Rentals*
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**Marilou
Baarde**

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Boiser**

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Retailing*
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Construction*
ID#5134392



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Psychometrician
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Governance*
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Therapist*
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Education*
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Developer*
ID#10139535



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Architecture
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*Education:
Foreign Language*
ID#5660754



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*Grains
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Administration*
ID#11539211



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ID#3269847



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*Veterinary
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Elsa Villagomez

Anaesthesiology
ID#5872956



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Lawyer
ID#5164777



Emmanouelle Zhang

Optometrist
ID#9812443

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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.

Weekly Column.

Sylvia Austria

President - RC Waling-Waling Davao

Herminia Polintan

*District Community Service Subcommittee
Area 2 - D3860; Secretary - RC Waling-Waling
Davao*

Ma. Alessandra Elisabeth Könst

*Editor-in-Chief, Bloomscoop - RC Waling-
Waling Davao*

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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



DISCON 2026 brings Rotarians together in the spirit of fellowship, leadership, and service. More than a district gathering, it is a celebration of shared purpose, where ideas are exchanged, connections are strengthened, and inspiration is renewed.

**Ma. Alessandra
Elisabeth Könst**
Editor-in-Chief

As we come together this year, DISCON reminds us that Rotary's greatest strength lies in unity. With fresh perspectives and collective passion, we continue creating meaningful impact. Together.

Happy Reading!

Editorial Board.



**Rtn Ma.
Alessandra
Elisabeth
Könst**
*Editor-in-
Chief*



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Könst**
*Managing
Editor*



**DMC/PAG
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Geralyn
Espiritu**
*Copy
Editor*



**DCSC/PAG
Estela
Maribel
Vilela**
*Contributing
Editor*



**PP
Evangeline
Schwendener**
*Bloomscoop
Adviser*

Programme.

RCWWD 24th Regular Meeting

May 21, 2026, 12-2pm | Sarung Banggi, Torres St., Davao City

ATTIRE: sweater weather

Call to Order	<i>Pres Sylvia Austria</i>
Turnover of Proceedings to Program Moderator	<i>Dir Jenah Kassandra De los Santos</i>
Invocation	<i>Dir Luna Gaviola</i>
Pambansang Awit	<i>AVP</i>
Rotary Hymn	<i>AVP</i>
Acknowledgement of Visiting Rotarians, Guests, and Zoom Attendees	<i>Dir Maria Luisa Aportadera</i>
Presentation of District Goals, RI Citation, & Presidential Citation for RY 2026-2027	<i>PE Niptalez Avena</i>
Secretary's Time	<i>DCSSC/Sec Herminia Polintan</i>
President's Time & Adjournment	<i>Pres Sylvia Austria</i>

Fellowship



Heavenly Father,

Thank You for gathering us together today in fellowship, service, and purpose. As we begin this Rotary meeting, we ask for Your presence to guide every discussion, decision, and plan we make.

As we prepare for the goals of the coming Rotary year, bless us with wisdom to take the right steps, discernment to make meaningful decisions, and hearts that remain committed to serving others with sincerity and compassion. Lead us to the right people, the right opportunities, and the right partnerships that will allow us to create a greater impact in our community.

May we work together in unity, humility, and excellence, always remembering that true leadership is rooted in service. Grant us strength, creativity, and perseverance as we pursue the mission entrusted to us.

We pray that everything we do may bring hope, encouragement, and positive change to those around us.

All these we ask in Your holy name. Amen.

AMEN.

*Shared by Dir Jenah Kassandra De los Santos
Team Turquoise*



Rotary International & District Leaders



**Francesco
Arezzo**
Rotary
International
President



**Angel "Jong"
Fernandez**
District Governor
for RID 3860



Philip Dumlao
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.**



Waling-Waling Ladies in Rotary International District 3860



Armi Geralyn

Espiritu

District Membership
Chair



Estela Maribel Vilela

District Community
Service Chair



Maria Vida Könst

District Membership
Engagement Chair



Herminia Polintan

District Community
Service Subcommittee
Chair for Area 2



Jannette Valderosa

District Rotary Action
Group & Fellowship
Chair



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:
40

MULTIPLE PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS:
30

PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS: 2

TRF SUSTAINING MEMBERS: 6

MAJOR DONORS:

- *Active Members: 5*
- *Honorary Members: 3*

BENEFACTORS: 1

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 Moment.

Dear Beautiful Ladies in Red,

In a few weeks, we will begin a new Rotary year, and, we are called once again to transform vision into action and service into lasting impact. Our District goals challenge every club to grow stronger in membership, deepen engagement, expand our humanitarian projects, strengthen support for The Rotary Foundation, and elevate Rotary's public image in our communities.

This year is an opportunity for us to lead with purpose, collaborate with greater unity, and create projects that truly respond to the needs of the people we serve. Beyond achieving targets, our mission is to inspire hope, empower communities, and develop future leaders through meaningful Rotary service.

Let us embrace the incoming Rotary year with renewed energy, commitment, and fellowship. Together, we can help our District achieve its goals while continuing to make a positive and lasting difference in the lives of others through the spirit of Rotary.

Always with you in Rotary service,

Sylvia Bermejo Austria



**Sylvia
Bermejo
Austria**
President

Secretary's Matter.



Herminia Polintan

District Community Subcommittee Chair - Area 2 | Secretary

A lovely day everyone! During the regular meeting last May 07, the atmosphere was made even more delightful by the soft and elegant motif of soft pink, cream, sage green and light blue worn beautifully by the ladies, adding warmth and grace to the gathering. Highlighting the meeting was the meaningful turnover of donated funds from the Zumbathon 2026 proceeds to the House of Hope, Field of Dreams and End Polio initiatives, with their respective representatives present to formally receive the check donations. The occasion reflected the club's unwavering commitment to service and community outreach, as members celebrated another successful endeavor made possible through collective support and participation.



Following the regular meeting, the 12th ACOM Meeting was held at the Rotary Club of North Davao Clubhouse, attended by five ladies in red, including yours truly who had the privilege of serving as the emcee for the event. The meeting was filled with discussions, updates and fellowship, which strengthen the bond between the leaders and rotarians of Area 2.



Secretary's Matter.

PP Remie once again shared significant developments regarding the ongoing renovation and improvement works of the Rotary Club of Waling-Waling Davao's 4th Child Development Center located in San Jose, Tibungco, Davao City, which also marks

our third Child Development Center project in Tibungco. Furthermore, on May 08, the ladies of RCWWD visited our District Grant Project site in San Jose, Tibungco, Davao City to personally witness the progress and continuing efforts dedicated to providing a better learning environment for the children and the community.



Rotary Points.



In 1931, 44 years before Rotary Youth Exchange became an official program, a group of young men from Newcastle-Upon-Tyne, England, traveled to Hamburg, Germany

They toured the city, visited local institutions, and connected with Rotary members abroad. Experiences like these — documented in programs like this one from Rotary's archives — laid the groundwork for the cultural exchange, global friendships, and international understanding that continue to define Rotary Youth Exchange today 🍷

Learn more about the history of Rotary Youth Exchange:
<https://on.rotary.org/4dpc7xf>

Still haven't registered for #Rotary26 in Taipei? This is your sign ✨

Connections, inspiration, and new friendships are waiting for you.

Register now: <https://on.rotary.org/4dFqxNp>



Register For
#Rotary26
♥



May Celebrations.

Birthdays



**Dir Bec
Evangelista**
May 26

May Celebrations.

Membership Milestones



DCSC/PP Baby

Vilela

May 2, 2002

May Celebrations.

Wedding Anniversaries



**PP Nen Santos &
Spouse Pacquing**

May 14



**DCSC/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

RUBY

July, October,
January, April

1. *TEAM LEADER:*
Avena, Jeejee
2. *ASST. TEAM LEADER:*
JIMENEZ,
Marivic
3. BAARDE, Melot
4. CATAGUE,
Cham
5. DELA ROSA,
Evamay
6. ESPIRITU, Gigi
7. FITZBACK, Tere
8. JACINTO,
Malou
9. KÖNST, Alex
10. KÖNST, Vida
11. LIBRON, Elsie
12. VALDEROSA,
Jaja
13. VILELA, Baby
14. YÑIGUEZ, Tess

TURQUOISE

August,
November,
February, May

1. *TEAM LEADER:*
DE LOS
SANTOS, Jenah
2. *ASST. TEAM LEADER:*
ABELERA-TE,
Creng
3. APORTADERA,
Luchi
4. AUSTRIA, Sylvia
5. DOLENDO,
Mae
6. GAVIOLA, Luna
7. LAMPARAS,
Chona
8. LIAMZON, Jo
9. LLAMAS, Lorna
10. ROSALES,
Happy
11. SANTOS, Nen

SAPPHIRE

September,
December, March,
June

1. *TEAM LEADER:*
Lao-Oliva,
Janice
2. *ASST. TEAM LEADER:*
GUIDING, Pao
3. BOISER, FE
4. CALAGUAS,
Remie
5. DIAZ, Ces
6. EVANGELISTA,
Bec
7. MADAYAG,
Vanessa
8. POLINTAN,
Hermie
9. RETALES, Mimi
10. SCHWENDENER,
Vangi
11. TAI, Letty
12. TAN, Myriam
13. VILLAGOMEZA,
Elsa
14. ZHANG, Ma-em

Monthly Host Teams.

RCWWD CLUB RECOGNITION SUMMARY (CRS)

AS OF JANUARY 2026

TOTAL ALL TIME GIVING: USD 233,329.00

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

ACTIVE MEMBERS

Major Donor		FRP
Myriam Tan *	+8	15000
Maria Luisa Jacinto	+8	6900
Marydict Rosales	+8	3900
Estela Maribel Vilela	+8	3000
Divina Fe Boiser	+8	4900
Lorna Llamas	+8	2900
Herminia Polintan	+8	1800
Sylvia Austria	+8	3000
*Major Gift 2, Benefactor		

Multiple Paul Harris Fellows

Remedios Calaguas	USD 9,000.00	1200
Jannette Valderosa	USD 9,000.00	4900
Mae Dolendo	USD 8,650.93	5400
Teresita Yñiguez	USD 8,177.92	2400
Armi Geralyn Espiritu	USD 7,109.08	1600
Maria Victoria Jimenez	USD 7,015.38	200
Luna Gaviola	USD 6,073.38	900
Leonida Santos	USD 6,004.56	1300
Evangeline Schwendener	USD 5,119.08	500
Maria Luisa Aportadera	USD 5,063.38	1000
Lolita Leticia Tai	USD 5,001.96	1500
Maria Vida Könst	USD 4,723.41	2100
Marilou Baarde	USD 4,303.38	2200
Gina Marie Espejo	USD 4,311.38	1600
Elsa Villagomez	USD 4,006.29	1800
Vanessa Madayag	USD 3,637.40	2600
Cecile Diaz	USD 3,292.46	300
Emmanouelle Zhang	USD 3,238.14	2300
Teresita Fitzback	USD 2,513.38	1200
Josephine Liamzon	USD 2,281.38	500
Ma. Alessandra Elisabeth Könst	USD 2,252.91	700

Paul Harris Fellows

Elsie Libron	USD 1,385.38	100
Niptalez Avena	USD 1,100.00	600
Leamie Retales	USD 1005.00	500
Chona Lamparas	USD 1,003.38	800
Evamay Dela Rosa	USD 1,001.00	400

Sustaining Members		FRP
Carina Abellera-Te	USD 329.00	-
Jenah Cassandra De los Santos	USD 229.00	-
Janice Lao-Oliva	USD 200.00	-
Faustell Myenri Guiding	USD 100.00	-

Honorary Members

Nonoy Aquino	Major Donor +8	1500
Mario Luis Jacinto	Major Donor	-
Francisco Vilela	Major Donor	-
Antonio Llamas	Major Donor	-

Family of Rotary

Kayden Mathew Panuncio	PHF	-
Kaylel Franciano Panuncio	PHF	-
Prince Khriel Panuncio	PHF	-
Princess Kainiel Panuncio	PHF	-
Raizo Hanz Panuncio	PHF	-
Ellisabeth Meredith Rosales	PHF	-
Emerson Rosales	PHF	-
Emily Maxine Rosales	PHF	-
Enrico Angelo Dominic Rosales	PHF	-
Erica Angel Rosales	PHF	-
Ana Alexia Medina Vilela	PHF	-
Katrina Mae Tan Vilela	PHF	-
Miguel Francisco Tan Vilela III	PHF	-

***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 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

