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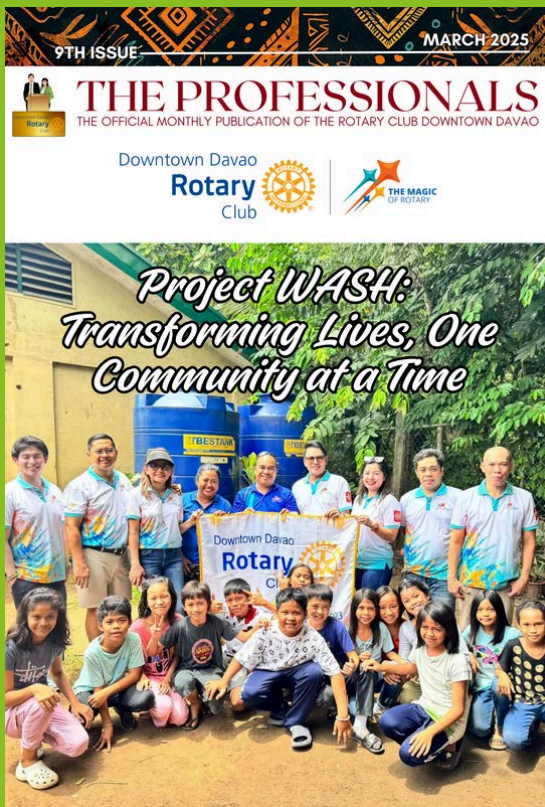
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QUOTE OF THE MONTH

Safe drinking-water, sanitation and hygiene are crucial to human health and well-being

- World Health Organization

ABOUT THE COVER



RCDD conducts ocular visit at Toril Elementary School, Samal, to assess and improve the community's WASH conditions.

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WASH: Improving Lives, One Step at a Time

When it comes to building healthier communities, access to clean water and proper sanitation is key. Rotary has always believed that everyone deserves this basic right, and our WASH (Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene) projects are helping make that a reality.

WASH isn't just about installing water pipes or sanitation facilities—it's about creating lasting habits that make a real difference. Simple practices, like handwashing, can help reduce the spread of diseases and keep people healthier. For kids, it means fewer sick days and more time in school. For families, it means healthier lives and stronger communities.

Rotary clubs, including our very own Rotary Satellite Club of Downtown Davao in partnership with Rotary Club of Chilliwack Fraser, are doing amazing work to bring clean water and better hygiene to those who need it most. Whether it's setting up handwashing stations in schools or providing clean water to remote villages, the impact is real and far-reaching.

These projects empower communities, helping them take charge of their health and future. By working together, we can make sure that more people have access to the clean water and sanitation they deserve—and that means healthier, happier communities for everyone.

The Mission of Rotary International

We provide service to others, promote integrity and advance world understanding, goodwill and peace through our fellowship of business, professionals and community leaders.

The 4-Way Test

of the things we think, say or do

1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **GOODWILL & BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

Core Values

Fellowship, Integrity, Diversity,
Service, Integrity and Leadership

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, business, and community life;

Fourth: The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

President's Message



Anthony John D. Modiquello

President, 2024-2025

It is my great pleasure to welcome you all to our 8th regular meeting, celebration of life and araw ng davao in our fabulous hats! Today, we come together not only to conduct our club business but also to celebrate life and the vibrant spirit of our community.

We are especially honored to have with us the irresistible Governor Caroline Lee Andrade. Thank you for sharing your time with us.. Your presence indeed adds immense value to our gathering today.

As we celebrate this gathering, we also take a moment to recognize the birthdays of our members born in February and March. Let's extend our warmest wishes to them and celebrate the joy they bring to our club!

This month is significant as we observe Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) Month. It serves as a crucial reminder of the importance of ensuring access to clean water and proper sanitation for all. Together, let's reaffirm our commitment to this vital cause and work towards a healthier and more sustainable future for our communities.

In addition to these important themes, we are excited to commemorate Araw ng Davao. To keep the celebration lively, we have prepared some exciting games and trivia revolving around our beloved city. I encourage everyone to participate and enjoy this opportunity to learn more about our rich culture and heritage.

We will also be awarding the Most Creative Hats and recognizing our "Barkadahan of the Month." These awards celebrate creativity, camaraderie, and the wonderful bonds we share within our Rotary family.

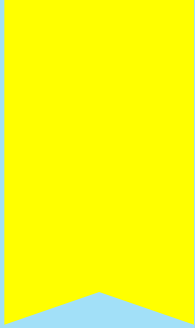
Thank you for being here today. Let's make this meeting a memorable one, brimming with joy, motivation and a renewed commitment to our service.





Secretary's Page

By: Princess Joann V. Deño
Secretary



Attendance Report

	Regular Meeting	Service Projects	FELLOWSHIP
Members Actual Present	17	5	17
Members with Valid Make-up	0	0	0
Total Attendance	16	0	17
Membership Size	47	46	47
Excused due to health reasons	2	2	2
Net Membership Base	45	45	45
Total Attendance Divided by Net Membership Rate	38%	1%	38%

EARLY BIRDS:

1. Marina "Maring" B. Ruivivar
2. Patricia Melizza "Patmei" B. Ruivivar
3. Angelita "Litlit" M. Ang
4. Sylvia "Binggot" C. Navarro
5. Marife "Marife" C. Salcedo

GUEST:

1. Gov Cacay Andrade
2. AG May Divino- RC Davao
3. AG Janette Valderosa- RC WWD

ROTARACTORS:

1. ADRR Kenneth Nomar Melliza
2. Pres. Princess Jenina Estrellanes

Activities for the Month

March 15

8th Regular Meeting
Paramount Hall, Crocodile Park, Davao City

March 27

WASH Project Site Ocular Inspection
Toril Elementary School, Samal

March 29

Interact Club of Downtown Davao - Tanglad Elementary School Induction
Tanglad, Sta. Maria, Davao Occidental



Sunshine and Fellowship

By: Enerie B. Aquino
Sunshine & Fellowship Chair



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MARCH 13



JOHN RICH
MARCH 27

ROTARY INFORMATION

PROVIDING CLEAN WATER



Clean water, sanitation, and hygiene education are basic necessities for a healthy environment and a productive life.

How Rotary makes help happen

Through water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) programs, Rotary's people of action mobilize resources, form partnerships, and invest in infrastructure and training that yield long-term change.

Our impact on water, sanitation and hygiene

*The **Rotary Foundation** is changing the world by providing grants for projects and activities around the globe and in your own backyard:*

WASH Global Grant Projects: Since 2013, The Rotary Foundation has invested in more than \$130 million in over 2000 projects worldwide. Through this investment, our volunteers of action have improved access to safely managed and basic WASH services to communities, schools and healthcare facilities, while protecting and conserving water resources.

Rotary-USAID WASH Partnership: Rotary and the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) assist communities and governments to plan, finance and deliver safe water, sanitation and hygiene services, while sustainably managing water resources.

WASH in Schools Target Challenge: Rotary challenges our members to develop sustainable projects that comprehensively address the most pressing water, sanitation, hygiene and education needs in Belize, Guatemala, Honduras, India, and Kenya.

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schools in Ghana have gained access to basic sanitation and hygiene services due to the Rotary-USAID partnership

\$24

is all it takes to provide one person with safe water

\$148 million

The Rotary Foundation has invested in water, sanitation, hygiene and water resource management interventions globally

DOWNTOWNERS IN ACTION

A new chapter of service begins! The Interact Club of Downtown Davao – Tanglad Elementary School has been officially inducted, welcoming 22 aspiring Interactors who are ready to embrace leadership, service, and community engagement.

Held on March 29, 2025, at the Library & Multimedia Learning Center, Tanglad Elementary School, Sta. Maria, Davao Occidental, this milestone event was a celebration of young individuals stepping up to make a difference. With the guidance of their mentors and the support of Rotarians and fellow leaders, these aspiring Interactors are set to embark on a journey of meaningful service and personal growth.



DOWNTOWNERS IN ACTION

Ocular Visit of the WASH Project in Toril Elementary School, Samal.

The Water Sanitation and Hygiene or WASH Project, a collaborative initiative between the Rotary Satellite Club of Downtown Davao - Samal and the Rotary Club of Chilliwack Fraser, Canada, embarked on an ocular visit to Samal Island with the empowering theme "Maghugas ng Kamay, Germs Goodbye!" This visit aimed to assess the community's current water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) conditions while promoting the vital practice of handwashing as a cornerstone of the students' and teachers' well being.



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RCDD'S PROFILE AND HISTORICAL HIGHLIGHTS: RY 2024-2025

by PDS/PP Marina Bello-Ruivivar, RCDD Club Historian

The commitment to the Rotary motto, SERVICE ABOVE SELF, is now a way of life for every Downtowner as they continue their programs and humanitarian services on the seven (7) Areas of Focus and to serve those who have less in life so they too can enjoy a world that Rotary dreams of.

RCDD prides itself on being consistent in its outstanding performance as a service club working towards excellence without counting the cost. There were challenges, especially regarding financial resources and personal relationships. But undaunted, RCDD survives as it moves on.

RCDD has been blazing the trail and raising the bar for Rotary clubs in District 3860 since its charter year, receiving awards and recognitions year after year. Its first landmark achievement was winning its first "Most Outstanding Club and President" awards in RY 1995-1996, topping all 83 clubs in the district. The most shining moment for the club was when its Centennial Dream Team in RY 1998-1999 won a grand slam in all four major district awards as Most Outstanding Club, President, Secretary, and Club Bulletin-The Professionals", besting 93 clubs in the district. It was recorded as the club's glorious historic feat. RCDD has been dubbed a multi-awarded club through its 31 years of service.

In RY 2011-2012, RCDD was recognized as a 100% Paul Harris Fellow Club, and in RY 2023-2024 as a "Promised Club" with all the members contributing to the Endowment Fund with (5) Major Donors. RCDD is consistently among the top contributors to the Rotary Foundation (TRF).

RCDD maintains its flagship projects at its Center for Hope, serving the marginal families of Barangays Agdao Centro and Vicente Duterte in Agdao District, Davao City. Through a daycare center, humanitarian service projects continue to address the community's needs for the welfare and development of children during their formative years. It also addresses their medical-dental, healthcare, and livelihood skills training needs. It has sponsored a Rotary Community Corps (RCC) as a partner-in-service with some non-government organizations, the Philippine National Police (PNP), other local and International Rotary Clubs, and the City Government.

RCDD was Chartered on February 23, 1993, as an all-women service club by RI President Robert R. Batch. The charter year was one grand celebration as the Rotary World celebrated the 88th Foundation Anniversary of the Rotary International. RCDD became the 29,258th Rotary club worldwide and the 79th club in District 3860 (Visayas and Mindanao). The Club started with twenty-eight (28) women executives with various professions of one classification each.

On its 26th year in RY 2018-2019, RCDD marked another historical milestone when it inducted two distinguished gentlemen to the club membership: Paulino B. Ko, a successful businessman, and Archie Francisco F. Gamboa, a high-ranking Police General, then became the Chief of the Philippine National Police and RCDD's first male club President (2022-2023). This turned RCDD into a mixed club from an all-women club, practicing Rotary's Diversity, Equity, and Inclusiveness (DEI) principle.

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RY 2023-2024 marked another milestone when another club's Past President, Rozanne "Twinkle" C. Gamboa, was the District Governor, the second from the club. The first woman District Governor came from the club, Charter President Evelyn "Len" A. Magno (RY 2005-2006).

There is no turning back for RCDD. It has to forge on and get better and better each year in its service to humanity, inspired and motivated by the happy smiles and grateful responses from the people it serves, much more worthy than the awards it receives.

This RY 2024-2025, RCDD starts its 32nd year of service and fellowship with 39 strong men and women of various professions and leaders of their fields of specialization. RCDD's Roster of Membership is a balance of a senior-aged group, middle-aged and young generation, five (5) male and 36 female, under the new young leadership of President Anthony John D. Modiquello.

The Rotary Club of Downtown Davao (RCDD) will continue to persevere in God's Grace and guidance, serving and touching other people's lives to make a difference, spreading the "MAGIC OF ROTARY".



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