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The Rotary Club of Metro Cebu (RCMC) meets every 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month 12Noon at the Casino Español de Cebu, Ranudo St., Cebu City, Philippines







### The Four-Way Test

of the things we think, say or do.

- Is it the truth?
- 2 Is it fair to all concerned?
- Will it build goodwill and better friendships?
- Will it be beneficial to all concerned?



### **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:

- The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;
- 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;
- The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;
- O The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

#### ROTARIAN'S PLEDGE:

I am a Rotarian
I will always uphold the **TRUTH**.

I am a Rotarian I will always strive to be **FAIR** in all my dealings with my Fellowmen.

I am a Rotarian
I will always endeavor to build
GOODWILL and UNDERSTANDING
in my community, among my
countrymen and people of all nations.

I am a Rotarian
I will always seek to promote the greatest good for the greatest number of people in the spirit of ROTARY SERVICE.

I am a Rotarian
I will always uphold the Rotary
International Motto, SERVICE ABOVE
SELF.















ENVIRONMENT





### **ROTARY CLUB OF METRO CEBU RI DISTRICT 3860, CLUB NO. 17123**

Casino Español de Cebu Ranudo St., Cebu City

Meets every 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the Month, 12 NN

#### WELCOME TO OUR BI-MONTHLY REGULAR MEETING

January 08, 2025

- Call To Order by Pres. Ma.
   Guest Speaker: Emma A. Ramas
  - Armi Garcia Honorary Consul of Russia
- 2. Invocation, Philippine National 8. Secretary's Report Anthem and Rotary Hymn

3. Four Way Test

- 9. President's Report
- 4. The Rotarian's Pledge
- 10. Other Matters
- 5. Introduction of Guest and **Visiting Rotarians**
- 11. Adjournment

6. Fellowship Singing



















#### **ROTARY HYMN**

I want to be a Rotarian for the world

Make the Rotary flag as the flag of peace unfurled
I shall serve, my community, help achieve universal unity.

Through Rotary, I shall dedicate my all World understanding shall be my cherished goal

With the 4-way test, ill pursue my quest And if I, in a way help obtain Peace in the world, I shall not have lived in vain

I observe service above self
Lend a hand to all who need my help
I'll get my spouse to involve in Rotary
And in Rotary ways, I will train my family

With the four way test, we'll pursue our quest
And if we, in a way help obtain
Peace in the world, we shall not have lived in vain.

Build a bridge for tomorrow's youth Strengthened by nothing but the truth

Let's join our hands, there's no reason we'll divide We shall all understand why the good Lord is our guide

With the four way test, ill pursue my quest
And if I, in a way help obtain
Peace in the world I shall not have lived in vain

Peace be achieved, we shall have not lived .... in vain.



















## WELCOME

### **OUR GUEST SPEAKER:**

Armi Garcia
Honorary Consul of Russia



Philippines-Russia International Relations



















### RI President's Message



Stephanie A. Urchick President 2024-25

#### January 2025

I always walk into meetings at my home club of McMurray, Pennsylvania, with a smile on my face.

A few years ago, someone arrived late. Instead of scolding the person, we cheered. Since then, we've made it a tradition to applaud all members when they arrive for meetings. It's tough not to smile with a greeting like that.

There's nothing more powerful for engaging and retaining members than a club that's vibrant, welcoming, and — yes — fun.

Think back to what drew you to Rotary. Chances are, it wasn't just the service projects or professional networking. It was the people — the friendships, the shared laughter, and the joy of working toward a common purpose. That's what keeps us coming back.

f you're looking for that sense of joy in your meetings, don't be afraid to ask yourself and your fellow members some tough questions. If you were a prospective member, would you join your current club? It's a powerful question but don't stop there.

Do members of your club feel that they belong? Are your meetings fun? If not, what can you do about it together?

At your next meeting or event, try something new to bring out a few extra smiles. It's the simple things that create lasting bonds and make clubs simply irresistible.

















### RI President's Message (continued)

Here's one example of a club moving in the right direction. The Rotary Club of Fukushima, Japan, has been combining environmental responsibility with community fun since 2021. In Japan, people have made picking up trash into a sport known as SpoGomi, and every year the club hosts a game. This year, more than 400 participants cheered each other on while they came together to improve their community.

This event is an excellent example of how Rotary clubs can have fun, make a difference, and raise awareness for broader global challenges all at the same time. And the inclusive, family-friendly format allows people of all ages to participate.

When we enjoy what we do, that energy becomes contagious. It's what attracts new members and keeps our clubs strong and engaged. It helps people feel that they belong.

Retention and culture go hand in hand. The healthier our club culture, the more likely members are to stay. Rotary magazine is an outstanding resource for inspiration on how to enhance our club culture and deepen member engagement. I encourage you to explore the stories and strategies in these pages, drawing from other clubs' successes to find ideas that work for you.

Together, we can create a more engaged, enjoyable, and inclusive Rotary that every member can feel proud to be part of. Let's continue with renewed commitment and enthusiasm, living The Magic of Rotary.



















### **President's Time**



**President's Report** 

Rotary Club of Metro Cebu January 2025

**Happy New Year, Fellow Rotarians!** 

As we usher in the second half of the Magic of Rotary term, I would like to take this opportunity to reflect on the incredible journey we've shared so far

and to express my heartfelt gratitude to each of you for your unwavering dedication and support.

#### · Gratitude for the First Half of the Magic of Rotary Term

The first half of this Rotary year has been filled with meaningful projects, collaborative efforts, and impactful activities. From our successful medical missions to fellowship gatherings and fundraisers, your commitment has been the driving force behind our accomplishments. Thank you for your generosity, time, and spirit of service.

#### President Nominee

Congratulations President Nominee Engr. Elcasmer Acedo for having been elected President to serve during Rotary Year 2026-2027. We wish you all the best as you lead the club in our journey of service.

#### 2024 Christmas Party

Everyone present enjoyed our simple impromptu Christmas party held on December 18, 2024 after our regular meeting and election. Everyone left with their clothes soaked in perspiration after great moments of dancing and signing. The pictures posted showed the smiles on everyone's faces.



















### **President's Time**

#### · Christmas Party with the Kids at Balay Samaritano

In keeping with the tradition, we prepared lunch for 100 children under the supervision of Balay Samaritano on December 20, 2024. The kids had fun with the games and prizes provided by our generous members bringing the Christmas spirit to everyone who participated. Thank you everyone who donated cash, food, prizes and their time to this Christmas party.

#### Canlaon Medical and Humanitarian Mission

I would like to extend my sincerest congratulations and appreciation to the members who participated in the Canlaon medical and humanitarian mission, spearheaded by AMRO, from December 27 to 29, 2024. Your efforts brought much-needed medical care and hope to the community in Canlaon. To those who donated their resources, time, and expertise, you exemplify the Rotary motto, "Service Above Self."

#### Honoring Past President Gema Luisa Pido

In the spirit of Rotary's commitment to service even unto death, we also recognize and deeply appreciate the selfless dedication and financial contributions of our members who attended to the wake and funeral of our beloved Past President Gema Luisa Pido. From January 1 to January 5, 2025, at St. Peter Chapel, your compassion and support were a source of comfort to her family and a testament to the bonds we share in Rotary. Thank you for being there for one another during this solemn time.

#### Upcoming Fundraising Events

As we move forward, I urge everyone to rally behind the last fundraising efforts of this term. The tasks ahead are indeed overwhelming, but together, we can make them manageable and successful.



















### **President's Time**

Let's work hand-in-hand to ensure the success of our much-anticipated events:

- 1. Generation X Disco Inferno (Encore) on January 22, 2025
- 2. **Rocking 60s Goes Ballroom** on January 23, 2025, at the Tent of Mandani Bay

Your active participation by selling tickets and soliciting sponsorships will make a significant difference. These events are not just fundraisers; they are opportunities to come together, celebrate, and showcase the power of Rotary. Let's make them memorable and enjoyable for everyone.

#### A Call to Action

Together, we have proven that when everyone pitches in, great things happen. Let's continue to embody the Magic of Rotary by sharing the load and supporting one another. I look forward to seeing each of you at our upcoming events and witnessing the continued success of our beloved club.

Thank you for your service, your generosity, and your steadfast commitment to making a difference. Here's to a fruitful and inspiring second half of our Rotary year!

Yours in Rotary Service,

Ma. Emma A. Ramas

President



















## Secretary's Time



Dear Fellow Rotarians,

Warm Greetings!

Thank you for your attendance in today's meeting!

The following are the things discussed during the meeting last December 18, 2024:

- 1. Updates on the activities on Dec 20 Christmas party at Balay Samaritano with the request to bring extra items for game prizes and other handouts.
- 2. Updates of the Jan 22 and 23 fundraising activities with the continuing appeal to assist in the ticket sales.
- 3. Reminders for the payment of the second sem dues and the first sem dues for those who have not paid it yet. Finalization of the list to be done before Dec 30; appreciated the remittances of some old and new members today of the semestral dues.
- 4. Election of Elcasmer Acedo as the Pres Elect for 2026. Upon the nominated and unanimous election by the members who were present constituting a quorum of the total members in good standing.
- 5. Talk of Ms Eva Santos on the benefits of the health products/supplements distributed by their company.
- 6. Christmas "party".. with singing and dancing, some drinking. With the Guest performer and Allen, it was a blast!

Let us all support our post-Sinulog fundraising events this January: Generation X:Disco Inferno Part 2 on January 22 and Rockin' 60s goes Ballroom on January 23, 2025, at the Tent in Mandani Bay.

Together, let us start the new year with optimism, hope and faith, and let us work together for a successful 2025 in Rotary service!

Yours in Rotary,

Atty. Evelyn Trani Nuñez

Secretary

Rotary Club of Metro Cebu

















RCMC Regular Membership meeting, Election of RY 2026-2027
President and Christmas Party (18 Dec. 2024)

#### RCMC Regular meeting

The last regular meeting of the year was graced with the presence of Ms. Eva delos Santos, one of the performers during the highly successful Nov. 28 fundraising event, Generation X: Disco Inferno. Ms. Delos Santos, together with her husband, presented the product that they are distributing under the Xyngular Philippines product brand.

It was a very informative and festive meeting wherein Ms. Delos Santos indulged the members with a famous Christmas song.

Also during the meeting, we inducted a new member, Rtn. Emmanuel Rizon, who was sponsored by PP Booby Pacana.

Congratulations and welcome to the club, Rtn. Emmanuel Rizon!































RCMC Regular Membership meeting, Election of RY 2026-2027
President and Christmas Party (18 Dec. 2024) (cont.)

#### Election of RCMC President for RY 2026-2027

During the December 18 meeting, the members are in quorum to elect the President Nominee. RMCM's eletion chair, Atty. Eddie Barrita presided the election, wherein the members unanimously elected Rtn. Engineer Elcasmer Accedo as the RCMC President for Rotary Year 2026-2027.

President-Nominee El will be the first RCMC President who became President of both RCMC Rotaract



Clubs: RAC CIT-U and RAC Metro Cebu Community-based.

Congratulations and Godspeed, President-Nominee El!

#### RCMC Christmas Party



RCMC members also celebrated a simple Christmas party with food, drinks, songs and dance numbers, led by Pres. Emma's dance instructor friend.

All members indulged in the dancing and singing sessions which marked the end-year meeting in a festive mood.



















#### RCMC Pres.-elect Atty. Evelyn Nuñez VAWC talk @ Carcar City (19 Dec. 2024)

Last December 19, 2024, Pres.-Elect and Secretary Atty. Evelyn Nuñez, delivered a talk on the Violence Against Women and Children law to the PWD residents of Carcar City. The yearly event in Carcar City was made more meaningful with knowledge of VAWC law and other legal matters that was discussed during the Q&A.































#### RCMC Christmas Party with the Kids at Balay Samaritano (20 Dec. 2024)

RCMC continued its Christmas tradition to celebrate the season with the children at Balay Samaritano last December 20, 2024.

The RCMC members contributed food, gifts and prizes for games and contests, which made the afternoon with kids full of fun and happiness.

A short but memorable day for RCMC and the children of Balay Samaritano!































RCMC Christmas Party with the Kids at Balay Samaritano (20 Dec. 2024)(cont.)































## **Upcoming Projects**

### Clear your schedule on the following dates!

#### **December 4**

Wednesday

Regular Meeting/Election Time: 12:00PM - 2:00PM Venue: Casino Español de Cebu



#### **December 18**

Wednesday

Regular Meeting Time: 12:00PM - 2:00PM Venue: Casino Español

de Cebu



#### **December 20**

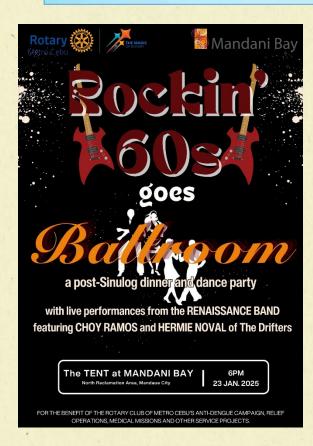
Friday

**Christmas Party** 

Time: 12:00PM - 2:00PM

Venue: Balay Samaritano



























#### Invocation



Lord, bless this gathering of fellow Rotarians today.

Please help us to see those in need and give us the strength and wisdom to serve our community as we should.

Help us to lift the burdens of others while we maintain the dignity of humankind.

Soften our hearts to be sensitive and loving as we serve together as Rotarians.

Amen.









#### RI DISTRICT 3860

#### **Certificate of Attendance**

This is to certify that \_\_\_\_\_\_of the Rotary Club of \_\_\_\_\_ has attended the regular weekly meeting of the club on \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_ at the Casino Espanol de Cebu, Ranudo St., Cebu City.

President / Secretary RY 2024 - 2025



















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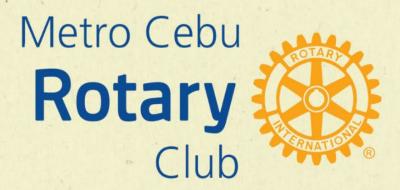


























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