



## Spreading Joy and Service: The First Area Project of Area 3I and 3J – Rotary New Year Children's Party

On July 1, 2024, the Rotary Club of Butuan North, in collaboration with the Rotary Club of Midtown Butuan, successfully hosted the 1st Area Project of Rotary Year 2024-2025—the Rotary New Year Children's Party. This heartwarming event, spearheaded by the Irresistible Assistant Governors of Area 3I, Maricel Cosme, and Area 3J, Jeffrey I. Honculada, brought smiles and laughter to children in the community.

Held at the Covered Court of Barangay Hall, Lower Doongan, Butuan City, this celebration was made possible through a strong partnership with the Barangay Council of Doongan and the Susimpit Child Development Center. The event embodied the true essence of The Magic of Rotary, uniting Rotarians and community leaders in a shared mission of service and kindness.

The day was filled with fun activities, games, and treats, giving children a memorable experience of joy and care. Through this initiative, the Rotary family reaffirmed its dedication to uplifting communities, fostering hope, and making a lasting impact—one smile at a time.

As Co-Host of this meaningful event, President Ma. Theresa M. Salise of the Rotary Club of Midtown Butuan played a key role in the Rotary New Year Children's Party. With her unwavering dedication to "Service Above Self," she worked hand in hand with fellow Rotarians and community partners. Her dedication and leadership brought joy to the children, highlighting the Magic of Rotary through service, unity, and compassion.





One of the heartwarming highlights of the Rotary New Year Children's Party was the distribution of school supplies, a small yet meaningful act that ensures children are equipped for a brighter academic future. This initiative symbolizes Rotary's dedication to education and service, reinforcing the belief that every child deserves access to learning tools that empower them to succeed.

Members of the Rotary Club of Midtown Butuan, including JV Cabuga, Rosalyn Cortel and Taktak Corvera, personally handed out the school supplies, sharing smiles and words of encouragement with the young recipients. Their presence not only provided much-needed materials but also demonstrated Rotary's spirit of generosity and care for the community.

Through this simple yet impactful gesture, Rotary continues to inspire and uplift, proving that small acts of



kindness can create lasting changes. The joy in the children's eyes was a testament to the power of collective action and the Magic of Rotary, which continues to touch lives in the most meaningful ways.

As the children eagerly received their school supplies, their smiles and excitement served as a reminder of the profound impact that even the simplest acts of kindness can bring. Through initiatives like this, the Rotary Club of Midtown Butuan reaffirms its commitment to service, proving that together, we can build a brighter future—one child at a time.



## Rotary Club of Midtown Butuan Supports Life-Saving Bloodletting Activity!

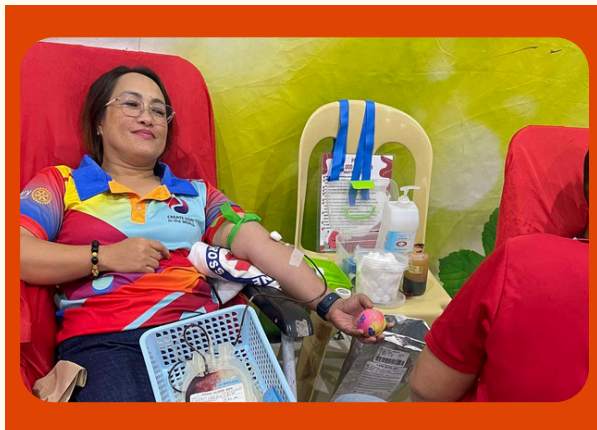
Rotary Club of Midtown Butuan is proud to have supported the recent Bloodletting Activity, a collaborative effort that brought together by 9 Rotary clubs from Butuan. This vital event, hosted by the Rotary Club of Uptown Butuan and co-hosted by the Rotary Club of Central Cabadbaran, was led by the inspiring Irresistible Presidents Paulo Santos and Jude Milan and in partnership with Phil Red Cross, Phil. Army, Phil National Police and Robinsons Mall, Butuan.



Held on July 20, 2024, from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM at the 2nd Floor of Robinsons Mall in Butuan City, the event saw the participation and support of the dedicated Area 3I and 3J Assistant Governors, Maricel Cosme and Jeffrey Honculada with the Irresistible Presidents of 9 Clubs.



A special thank you goes out to the RCMB Rotarians who made this event possible: Rhodora Radaza, Marissa Yee, Mikhail Paloma, and 3 Rotaracts: IPP Julius Santa Ana, Mark Nerosa, and Jouard Karl Queroda. We also extend our gratitude to the Rotarian spouses of Grace Gaborno, Nicholas Gaborno, and Rtn Spouse of Evangeline Alegado, Johan Gomez for their support.



Together, we created a ripple effect of kindness and hope, showcasing the magic of Rotary by saving lives and making our community stronger. We made a significant impact in our community.



To all the members of Rotary Club of Midtown Butuan, thank you for your support, and let's continue to embrace the Magic of Rotary in all our future endeavors!

## RCMB supports: Brigada Eskwela'24 July 26,2024, LNHS, Libertad, Butuan City



The Rotary Club of Midtown Butuan head ed by Irresistible President Maria Thersa M. Salise proudly supports Brigada Eskwela 2024 with the theme "Bayanihan para sa Matatag na Paaralan." In partnership with theDepartment of Education and Libertad National High School, led by

Principal Ruel T. Gabor, PHD, Principal IV this initiative reflects Rotary's commitment to community service and education. The event was also supported by the LGU of Brgy. Libertad, headed by Brgy. Captain Vincent del Rosario, Sangguniang Kabataan Chairman and President of the Rotaract Club of Midtown Butuan Community Based, Carlos Marfori Alegado, the Libertad National High School General PTA, SLG ( Student Leadership Government ) headed by adviser Mike Patrona, EastWest Bank and other stakeholders.

As part of this collaborative effort, the Rotary Club of Midtown Butuan donated 10 gallons of paint and hygiene kits to the SLG (Student Leadership Government), specifically for girls aged 12-16. This contribution aligns with Rotary's mission to support education, promote health and well-being among students, and empower girls by providing essential hygiene kits for disease prevention RCMB members also joined in the Zumba and participated their free health check-ups, including CBC, urine, and sugar tests, emphasizing the importance of holistic well-being. The event was a great success, As part of the active participation of the Rotaract School Based-CSU Chapter, led by President Novem Gatela and its members, as well as the support of Rotarian spouse Alvin Si, thank you for you presence. Together, we embody the "Magic of Rotary," transforming lives and strengthening our community through service, partnership, and dedication to making a lasting impact. As we continue to embrace the magic of Rotary, we remain committed to fostering a brighter future through education, health initiatives, and community involvement, staying true to Rotary's enduring mission to create hope in the world.



*"Brigada Eskwela is more than just preparing classrooms; it's about building a future where every child learns in a safe, clean, and inspiring environment. Together, we create a foundation for education, hope, and success."*

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## Rotary Club of Midtown Butuan's 3-Day Garage Sale: Turning Generosity into Service

From July 29 to August 3, 2024, the Rotary Club of Midtown Butuan (RCMB) successfully hosted a 3-day Garage Sale, a fundraising initiative aimed at supporting meaningful community projects. This event, held in front of PNB Montilla Branch, was more than just an opportunity to give pre-loved items a new home—it was a mission-driven effort to generate funds for impactful service projects that uplift the lives of those in need.



The event was a resounding success, thanks to the generosity of Rotarians, friends of Rotary, and community donors who contributed items such as clothes, household goods, books, and accessories. Volunteers worked tirelessly to set up, assist buyers, and ensure smooth transactions, reflecting the Rotary value of "Service Above Self."



The 3-day Garage Sale was a testament to the power of collective effort in creating positive change. More than just a fundraiser, it was an inspiring display of compassion, generosity, and commitment to service. The Rotary Club of Midtown Butuan extends its heartfelt gratitude to everyone who contributed, participated, and made this initiative a success.



## Club Meetings...

### Rotary Club of Midtown Butuan's July Club Meetings: A Month of Purpose and Planning

The Rotary Club of Midtown Butuan (RCMB) began the Rotary Year with a series of impactful and purposeful club meetings in July, setting the tone for a year of service, collaboration, and leadership. Each meeting served as a platform to discuss projects, strengthen fellowship, and reinforce the club's commitment to "The Magic of Rotary."

The first club meeting of the month focused on welcoming the new leadership under President Ma. Theresa M. Salise, outlining her vision, and discussing the club's goals. Members enthusiastically participated in planning sessions, aligning their efforts with Rotary's core values of service, fellowship, integrity, diversity, and leadership.



One of the highlights was the discussion on upcoming projects, particularly the highly anticipated 3-Day Garage Sale, which aimed to raise funds for community service initiatives such as Oplan Kalinaw. The members also deliberated on Brigada Eskwela, a flagship project aimed at supporting local schools in preparation for the new academic year.

Beyond planning, the meetings were also an opportunity for Rotarians to build stronger bonds. The July meetings also highlighted the club's involvement in Area 3I & 3J's first area-wide project. Rotarians actively discussed strategies to make the event memorable, ensuring that the club's contributions would bring joy and hope to underprivileged children.



Members were also reminded about their responsibilities, including Rotary training, conventions, and annual dues such as Paul Harris Fellow (PHF) contributions, EREY (Every Rotarian, Every Year), and sustaining membership upgrades. This discussion underscored the importance of continuous learning and support in keeping the spirit of Rotary alive.

As the month ended, RCMB members reflected on their collective efforts and looked ahead with enthusiasm. July's club meetings laid the foundation for a year filled with purpose, service, and meaningful impact. With strong leadership, dedicated members, and a clear vision, the Rotary Club of Midtown Butuan is set to make a lasting difference in the community, embracing the magic of Rotary in every endeavor.

