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23RD REGULAR MEETING
January 23, 2025 @ RC Tacloban Clubhouse, Tacloban City

PROGRAMME



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Call to Order *President Joey Reyna*

Invocation *Rtn. Bryan Vermug*

Philippine National Anthem *AVP*

Rotary Hymn *AVP*

Recitation of Object of Rotary and Four Way Test *Dir. Romer Serna*

Introduction of Guests and Visiting Rotarians *PP Ed Esperancilla*

Welcome Song *PP Ed Esperancilla*

Lunch Jokes *Rtn. Peter Chua*

Recognition Time *Dir. Millan Estorninos*

President's Time *President Joey Reyna*

Adjournment *President Joey Reyna*

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President's Message

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

Warm Rotary greetings!

As we embark on another meaningful year of Service Above Self, I'm thrilled to share some exciting events and activities lined up for our club. These will surely offer us a chance to deepen our bonds while driving meaningful change in the community we serve.

First, let's set the stage for an unforgettable Valentine's evening! On February 14, 2025, Martin Nievera will serenade us at the Leyte Convention Complex during a special Valentine's Concert. Rotary Club of Tacloban is honored to be one of the sponsors of this event, and 20% of the ticket sales generated through our club will directly support our community service initiatives.

Adding to our February highlights, we will be hosting our esteemed friends from the Rotary Club of Fukushima Minami, Japan, on February 8 and 9. Their visit will include meaningful activities such as trips to schools, hospitals, and the mass grave of the Yolanda victims. This is a wonderful opportunity to showcase our community's progress and Rotary's unwavering commitment to rebuilding lives. Let us come together to extend our warmest hospitality and make their visit truly unforgettable.

Looking ahead, mark your calendars for DISCON 2025, happening on May 30-31, 2025. This much-anticipated event will celebrate the achievements of our district and provide us with insights to inspire our future endeavors. Our club plays a key role, with PP Eugene Tan leading the Ways and Means, Justin Malcom and Joey Reyna overseeing Protocol and Gaspay and Ladera focusing on Tourism. Let us rally behind them and ensure this event's success.

As a prelude to DISCON 2025, a Golf Tournament will tee off on May 29, 2025. This promises to be a day of fellowship and friendly competition while supporting Rotary's causes. Stay tuned for more details.

Your involvement is the key to making these initiatives flourish. Thank you for your continued dedication to Rotary's mission. Let us look forward to these opportunities to serve, connect, and celebrate as one Rotary family.

Yours in Rotary Service,
Jose Antonio "Joey" Reyna
President, RY 2024-2025



Secretary's Message

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

Warm greetings to all!

It brings me immense joy to share the resounding success of our Autism Awareness Initiative, held on January 19, 2025, at the Burayan Gym, San Jose, Tacloban City. This remarkable event, organized in observance of Autism Awareness and Consciousness Month, was made possible through the collaborative efforts of the Rotary Club of Tacloban, the J.E.S.U.S. Kids Therapy Center Foundation, Inc., District 3860 (Areas 3B1 and 3B2), the Rotaract City Council, and all other groups who contributed their time and resources.

The day was filled with impactful activities and heartfelt moments that truly embodied this year's theme, "Painting Smiles with Colors of Diversity." We were honored by the presence of Dr. Sheryl Báñez-Palami, a Developmental Pediatrician, and Mr. Hentze Maxilom Loseñara, an Occupational Therapist from VMSC, Cebu. Their enlightening discussions provided invaluable insights into autism and practical ways to support individuals and families within our community.

The event's highlights included a captivating performance by the JKTC Teachers and a vibrant Circus Show that brought joy and excitement to everyone present. Beyond the entertainment, the initiative offered a free Occupational Therapy Evaluation and Behavioral Skills Screening which are essential services that enabled families to access early detection and intervention for their children. During his welcome message, President Joey Reyna highlighted the inspiring words of Temple Grandin, a remarkable woman with autism, who once said, "Different, not less." These three words encourage us to shift our perspectives, to see ability where others might see limitations, and to acknowledge the strength that lies in diversity.

Our heartfelt gratitude goes out to every Rotarian, partner organization, and volunteer who contributed to the success of this event. Your dedication and generosity have made a tangible difference in the lives of many, bringing hope and positivity to families and individuals with autism.

As we reflect on this achievement, let us continue to champion causes that celebrate diversity and promote inclusion. Together, we can create a world where every individual is valued and empowered to reach their full potential.

Thank you for your unwavering commitment to Service Above Self. I look forward to seeing all of you in our future endeavors as we strive to make an even greater impact.

Yours in Rotary Service,
Neil M. Sia
Secretary, RY 2024-2025





Rotary Information

*Jude A. Duarte
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22nd Regular Meeting

JANUARY 16, 2025 @ RC TACLOBAN CLUBHOUSE, TACLOBAN CITY

Rotary members jump into action to help Los Angeles wildfire victims

Massive wildfires in California, USA, have destroyed at least 12,000 buildings, razed neighborhoods, and displaced tens of thousands of people. Rotary members have raced to help.

Bill "Chilly" Chillingworth walked out the door of his home in the Pacific Palisades neighborhood on 7 January — a normal, bright California, USA, Tuesday morning — for a business appointment 60 miles south.

He would never see the house again.

In the early afternoon his adult daughter called to describe wildfire smoke blooming over canyons that descend sharply to the Pacific near where Chillingworth and his fiancé live.

He didn't initially worry, because his neighborhood isn't typical wildfire fuel: It's a flat neighborhood with green lawns and no dry wildland around it, he says. But he can vividly chart the crescendo of panic triggered when his phone alarm erupted with an evacuation order. As he raced northward to meet his fiancé, they talked on the phone and feverishly checked off the so-called "p's" she should grab as she fled: people, pets, pictures, paperwork.

When they met at a California Pizza Kitchen in a community a short distance south of their home, their cellphone alarms were going off.

Each new ping eroded hope, he explains: "There was smoke detected in our master bedroom. ... Five minutes later we got an alarm that was detecting excessive heat in the kitchen. ... Five minutes later we got another alarm detecting excessive heat in the fan in the laundry room, and then we got a notification our front door had been breached ... then we got a notification in two 15-minute increments that the front door was still open. ... After a half an hour those messages stopped altogether, and we knew that we likely had been facing a total loss of our house and all of our belongings."

Chillingworth is the kind of guy who relates this dark chapter with self-awareness and some humor. The fire, he chuckles, drove the couple to break their 30-year streak of going without alcohol after the holidays during "dry January." Even while hitting an outlet mall to buy shoes, socks, and underwear, he says he's hyperaware he's only one of thousands who have been displaced — and a privileged one, at that, financially able to start again.

But still, in a phone interview, his voice quavers twice: over the "profound distress" of seeing his neighborhood burning on TV news and in describing his heartwarming awe of being both giver and receiver in community service.

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Area 3B - National Autism & Consciousness Month - Theme: Painting Smiles with Colors of Diversity

JANUARY 19, 2025 @ BURAYAN GYM, SAN JOSE, TACLOBAN CITY





Committee Meeting - Re: Visit of RC Fukushima Minami

JANUARY 22, 2025 @ CAFE LUCIA, TACLOBAN CITY



Upcoming Events

- JANUARY 9, 2025 - 21ST REGULAR MEETING, 12NOON @ RC TACLOBAN CLUBHOUSE
- JANUARY 16, 2025 - 22ND REGULAR MEETING, 12NOON @ RC TACLOBAN CLUBHOUSE
- JANUARY 19, 2025 - AREA 3B NATIONAL AUTISM & CONSCIOUSNESS MONTH, 9AM @ BURAYAN GYM, SAN JOSE, TACLOBAN CITY
- JANUARY 23, 2025 - 23RD REGULAR MEETING, 12NOON @ RC TACLOBAN CLUBHOUSE
- JANUARY 30, 2025 - 24TH REGULAR MEETING, 12NOON @ RC TACLOBAN CLUBHOUSE

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- JANUARY 3 - RTN. PETER CHUA
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- 1 The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;
- 2 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;
- 3 The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;
- 4 The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

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



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