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(active)



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A Friend*)



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1996-1997
(*Build the Future
with Action &
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1999-2000 (*Act
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Credibility,
Continuity*)



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2001-2002
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Hands*)



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Within to Embrace
Humanity*)



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(*Peace Through
Service*)



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2022 (*Serve to
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2016-2017
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Humanity*)



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the Inspiration*)



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2019-2020 (*Rotary
Connects the World*)



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Espiritu**
2020-2021
(*Rotary Opens
Opportunities*)



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(*Imagine Rotary*)



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(*Create Hope in
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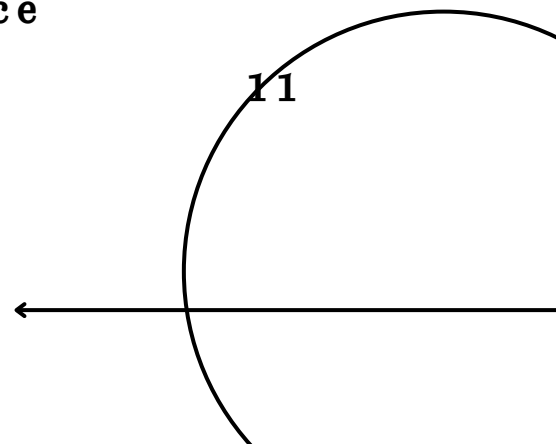
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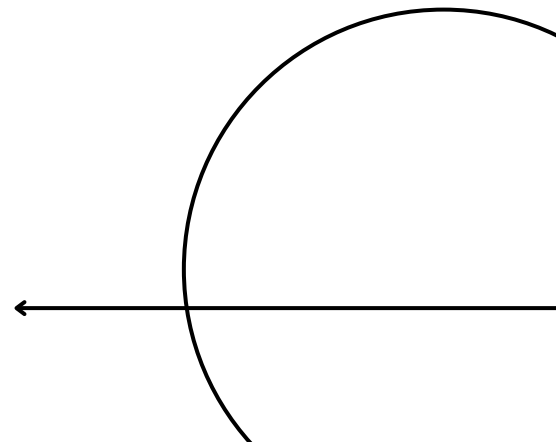




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EDITOR'S NOTE

Happy Valentine's Day, Rotarians!

This month is as exciting as it can be as Rotary's 120th anniversary draws near! We at the Rotary Club of Waling-Waling Davao are as excited as you are to celebrate this historical event.

Also, to recap our 33rd Charter Anniversary last January, we commemorate our active charter members who are still with the Club and still helping us younglings out by making them our cover photo. What a happy event it was.

Happy Reading!



Alessandra Könst

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PROGRAMME

FEBRUARY 6, 2025 • 17TH REGULAR MEETING

• VENUE: Sarung Banggi, F. Torres Street, Davao City

• ATTIRE: pink (Valentine's attire)

Call to Order

Pres Maria Vida Könst

Turnover of Proceedings to Program Moderator

Rtn Janice Lao-Oliva

Invocation

PP Remie Calaguas

Pambansang Awit

AVP

Acknowledgement of Visiting Rotarians, Zoom Attendees, & Guests

Rtn Niptalez Avena

Secretary's Time

DMC/Sec Armi GERALYN Espiritu

President's Time

Pres Maria Vida Könst

Other Announcements

RCWWD

Light-a-Cake!

AVP

Adjournment

Pres Maria Vida Könst

Fellowship



Heavenly Father,

We come before You today with hearts full of gratitude. We thank You for the opportunity to serve our community and to support one another through our combined efforts. As we gather, we are reminded of Your words in Matthew 20:28, where Jesus said: "The Son of Man came not to be served, but to serve." Help us to embody this spirit of service in all that we do. May we be united in purpose, striving to uplift those around us, as instructed in Philippians 2:3-4: "To do nothing from selfish ambition but in humility count others more significant than ourselves." Lord, fill our hearts with compassion and our minds with creativity as we seek to make a positive impact in our community. Help us to be instruments of Your peace and agents of change..

AMEN.

Shared by Dir Maria Victoria Evangelista

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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.

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



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RC Narashino,
District 2790 -
Chiba, Japan



**Mario Luis
Jacinto**



**Francisco
Vilela, Jr.**



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: 46

MULTIPLE PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS:
30

PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS: 2

TRF SUSTAINING MEMBERS: 6

MAJOR DONORS:

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

BENEFACTORS: 4

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 Pangil, 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 PASSPORT



Maria Vida Könst

President

Greetings of Love & Peace!

We all know February is celebrated worldwide for Valentine's Day on the 14th of February as the day of Hearts ❤️

February is Rotary's 🌸 "Peace and Conflict Prevention / Resolution Month." During this month, Rotarians around the world work to promote peace, resolve conflicts, and address the underlying causes of conflict.

What Rotary does:

- Train leaders: Rotary trains adults and young leaders to prevent and mediate conflict.
- Help refugees: Rotary provides aid to refugees who have fled dangerous areas.
- Address root causes: Rotary works to address the root causes of conflict, such as poverty, lack of education, and unequal distribution of resources.
- Support initiatives: The Rotary Foundation (TRF) supports initiatives that help transform conflict in communities and around the world.

Why February?

- February is the month of the first Rotary meeting, which took place on February 23, 1905 in Chicago, Illinois, USA. This day is now known as "World Understanding and Peace Day."

As Rotary continues its peace initiatives let us in our own little way spread love & peace , one footprint at a time. Sprinkling the MAGIC OF ROTARY through the lives we touch ...

Cheers ❤️

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Maria Vida Könst', written in a cursive style.

SECRETARY'S

IMPRESSION



**Armi Geralyn
Espiritu**
Secretary

DECEMBER	7	13	JANUARY	7	18
Members Present	26	35		30	35
Members Absent	4	6		3	4
Members w/ makeup	16	6		11	8
Average	81%	87%		91%	88%
Adjusted Average	89%	87%		91%	95%

INTERNATIONAL CHILDHOOD CANCER WITH HOUSE OF HOPE

- DATE: 15February, 2025/Saturday
- VENUE: TBA
- TIME: 10-11am
- ATTIRE: TBA

ROTARY WEEK

- DATE: 16 to 23February, 2025
- VENUE: TBA
- TIME: 8am to 5pm (each day)
- ATTIRE: TBA

18TH REGULAR MEETING

- DATE: 20February, 2025
- VENUE: Sarung Banggi, Davao City
- TIME: 12 to 2pm
- ATTIRE: TBA

**THAT'S ALL FOR NOW! KEEP
YOURSELF UP TO DATE WITH
OUR ACTIVITIES, EVENTS, AND
PROJECTS BY REFERRING TO
RCWWD'S GCALENDAR OF
EVENTS. THANK YOU!**



**Ma. Alessandra Elisabeth
Könst**

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CLUB EXCELLENCE AWARDS

The **Club Excellence Awards**, formerly the Rotary Citation awards recognize the hard work clubs do throughout the Rotary year. Working to achieve the Club Excellence goals helps clubs engage their members, increase their impact, stay relevant in their communities, and run more efficiently. A welcoming and engaging club not only fosters a positive experience for its members, but also reflects the values of Rotary. When clubs achieve these goals, they contribute to the overall health and culture of Rotary for generations to come.

To qualify for the Club Excellence Awards, a club must:

- ✓ Pay the club invoices in full within 60 days from issuance
- ✓ Achieve at least 13 out of 26 goals in Rotary Club Central

CONGRATULATIONS to the following clubs who have already achieved the Club Excellence Awards as of January 31, 2025!

	CLUB NAME	JULY INVOICE	JANUARY INVOICE	GOALS COMPLETED	CITATION EARNED
01	Butuan North	Yes	Yes	14	Yes
02	Cebu Gloria Maris	Yes	Yes	14	Yes
03	Cebu Port Centre	Yes	Yes	15	Yes
04	Cebu West	Yes	Yes	16	Yes
05	Central Butuan	Yes	Yes	20	Yes
06	Dadiangas-General Santos City	Yes	Yes	13	Yes
07	Downtown Davao	Yes	Yes	22	Yes
08	Kandaya	Yes	Yes	17	Yes
09	Ilaasin City	Yes	Yes	15	Yes
10	Ilarbel (Koronadal)	Yes	Yes	14	Yes
11	IlMetro Mandaue 2006	Yes	Yes	17	Yes
12	San Juanico-Tacloban	Yes	Yes	22	Yes
13	South Davao	Yes	Yes	21	Yes
14	Tagum Golden Laces	Yes	Yes	20	Yes
15	Waling-Waling (Davao)	Yes	Yes	21	Yes

PUBLIC IMAGE'S Exhibit



Louis Palma Gil
Public Image Director



15th Regular Meeting
Sarung Banggi, Davao City
January 9, 2025

PUBLIC IMAGE'S Exhibit



Committee Meeting
Sarung Banggi, Davao City
January 9, 2025

PUBLIC IMAGE'S Exhibit



8th ACOM

Roadway Inn, Davao City

January 9, 2025

PUBLIC IMAGE'S Exhibit



Area 2 RCs Mid-Year Evaluation

Roadway Inn, Davao City

January 17, 2025

PUBLIC IMAGE'S Exhibit



33rd Charter Anniversary
PP Lorna Llamas' Home, Davao City
January 18, 2025

PUBLIC IMAGE'S Exhibit



Child Minding Center Ocular Inspection
Department of Education, Quirino Avenue, Davao City
January 31, 2025

The Magic of **DEI** pt. 15



As winter winds grow harsher in Jeju Island, the Rotary Club of Jeju Hana is stepping up to help the island's stray dogs stay safe and warm 🥺

Since October, volunteers have spent their weekends at the Hanlim Animal Shelter - cleaning kennels, providing

meals, and installing winterproofing to protect these dogs from the freezing temperatures. Jeju has the highest stray animal population in Korea, making these efforts even more critical. Every small act of kindness adds up, and together, we can make a big difference. We hope these efforts will inspire others to join in and create lasting change for our furry friends 🐶

Taken from *Rotary International's*
Instagram account

Shared by:
Leamie Retales
Assistant Treasurer •
DEI Officer •
Managing Editor





MEMBERSHIP

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1' to discover an aspect of Rotary

10 criteria for recruitment

When recruiting new Rotary members, it's essential to identify individuals who embody the values of service and integrity.

Here are 10 key qualities:

1. **Community Engagement:** A strong desire to contribute positively to society.
2. **Unwavering Ethics:** Commitment to strong moral principles.
3. **Service Mindset:** Genuine willingness to help others.
4. **Leadership:** Ability to inspire and organize effectively.
5. **Collaboration:** Strong team-working skills.
6. **Open-Mindedness:** Acceptance of cultural and ideological differences.
7. **Communication Skills:** Ability to share ideas clearly and respectfully.
8. **Reliability:** Dedication to participating in club activities.
9. **Creativity:** Offering innovative ideas for projects.
10. **Local Connections:** Networks that enhance the club's reach.

These qualities ensure committed, impactful members who can strengthen Rotary's mission through meaningful local and international initiatives.



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Aportadera**

Membership Director

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Jacinto*

TRF BLUEPRINT

Your continued generosity makes a world of difference.

Thank you for your Rotary service and your support of The Rotary Foundation. Donors like you help members implement projects that strengthen communities across the globe. We hope that you'll consider making an additional gift to continue to fund these sustainable and life-changing projects.

When donors like you give the gift of Rotary, we can make a big impact. Your gifts can protect children from diseases like polio, supply filters that clean people's drinking water, help families replace livestock after disasters, or supply medical equipment that gives newborns a healthy start.

Thank you for making these kinds of Rotary Foundation projects possible. Your continued generosity supports our ongoing work with communities to improve people's lives close to home and far away.

Please consider donating again and give the gift of Rotary today.

Sincerely,
The Rotary Foundation



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Luna Gaviola
TRF Director

Rotary



INTERNATIONAL SERVICE STATION

MAGIC ALL AROUND
21-25 JUNE 2025 • CALGARY, CANADA



REGISTRATION CATEGORY	25-29 MAY 2024	30 MAY 2024 TO 15 DECEMBER 2024	16 DECEMBER 2024 TO 31 MARCH 2025	1 APRIL 2025 TO 25 JUNE 2025
Club member, nonmember, or guest, age 31 or over	\$475	\$525	\$625	\$695
Club member, nonmember, or guest, age 30 or under	\$150	\$175	\$225	\$275
Guest age 5-18	\$20	\$20	\$30	\$40
Guest under age 5	Free	Free	Free	Free
Saturday, House of Friendship only	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$100

All amounts are in U.S. dollars.



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#Rotary25



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Lolita Leticia Tai
*International
Service Director*

THE DISASTER RECOVERY PLABOOK

BY ARNOLD R. GRAHL

Pam Akins and her husband, Barry Levinson, were on the final days of a trip visiting Rotary friends in Sicily when Hurricane Helene sent 14 inches of water through their home near Sarasota, Florida, destroying major appliances, furniture, and their cars. But before they even got home, their Rotary network had leaped in to help.

“Rotarians from Barry’s club were already packing valuables from the house,” Akins recalls. “Rotary friends did several loads of laundry for us, and another Rotary friend took serving dishes, pots, and pans, and ran them through her dishwasher.”

The rapid response is part of a well-rehearsed script for Rotary clubs in Florida’s hurricane hot spots. Rotary members there have spent several years refining a recovery template that includes an online volunteer hub, logistical support, and more — all of it ready to go when disaster strikes.

That system was especially put to the test when a second powerful hurricane, Milton, wreaked havoc less than two weeks later, forcing Akins and Levinson to abandon their recovery work and join thousands evacuating.

As bad as it was in Florida, hundreds of miles to the north Helene punched far inland and stalled over the Appalachian Mountain hamlets of western North Carolina and eastern Tennessee — areas with little of Florida’s hurricane wisdom and response networks.



There, the storm dumped nearly 2 feet of rain in areas, causing mudslides and flooding that sent homes floating downriver and killing more than 120 people (across all states, more than 250 people were killed in the two storms). The devastation left thousands homeless and isolated or wiped out entire towns.

Patrick Eakes, an RI director from North Carolina whose zones cover much of the eastern U.S. and parts of the Caribbean, knew just where to turn for expert advice. “My first call was to Kelsey Mitchell,” he says. “I was like, ‘Look, I’m the director, but you’re the expert; tell me where we need to focus.’” Mitchell was a district governor-nominee in Florida when Hurricane Ian hit the state in 2022. In the aftermath of that storm, Mitchell helped bring Florida’s eight districts together to create detailed statewide recovery plans.

Their playbook includes how to set up bank accounts and websites to accept donations, mobilize volunteers, coordinate with partner organizations, and track essential equipment like debris trailers and water purification rigs. “They know how many chain saws they have in each district and where they are. It’s to that level,” Eakes says.

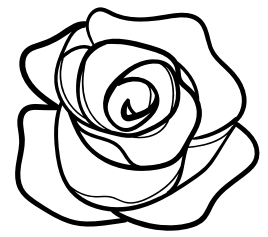
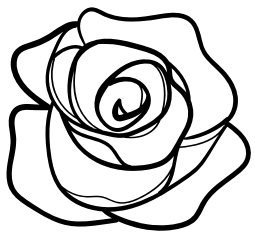
Now this recovery playbook is becoming a model for clubs and districts throughout the Southeastern United States. “What they have developed has really become a template for the rest of the zone,” says Eakes. “They have a lot of know-how and knowledge of what’s important and what to tackle first.”

Statewide planning in Florida began with monthly meetings between Mitchell’s class of governor-nominees, who were motivated by the support that poured in after Hurricane Ian. They talked about lessons learned and how they could better support each other in the future. They pooled information and emergency contact lists into a single online file sharing site and agreed to meet daily when new storms approached.

The biggest leap forward came when a Rotarian from the district turned what had been a membership website into an online disaster relief hub. Visitors to the website, rotaryfl.org, can donate, request help, or volunteer all in one place. Volunteers can submit detailed information about what skills and resources they can offer, from physical labor and building materials to food delivery and organizing support. The data feeds into a master spreadsheet monitored by volunteers. Mitchell says the website will soon be able to automatically match volunteers with those requesting help and send the information to the appropriate district.

The Florida districts have also been working with [Disaster Aid USA](http://DisasterAidUSA.org), an organization launched in 2010 by Rotarians to provide early disaster relief. Disaster Aid trains teams to “muck and gut,” tarp roofs, operate chain saws, remove debris, and prep meals. In advance of each hurricane season, the organization works with Florida districts to prepare the team leads.

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FEBRUARY CELEBRATIONS

Birthdays



Dir Luna Gaviola
February 5



Rtn Cha Lim
February 9



Dir Myriam Tan
February 13



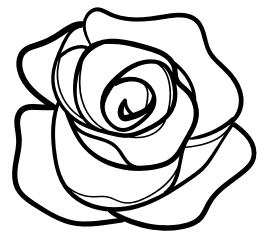
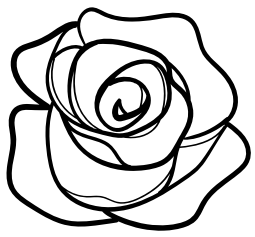
PP Fe Boiser
February 15



**AG/PP Jaja
Valderosa**
February 22



**Rtn Evamay Dela
Rosa**
February 26



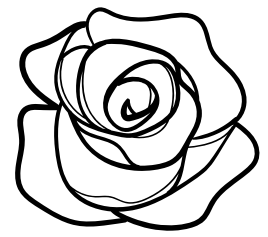
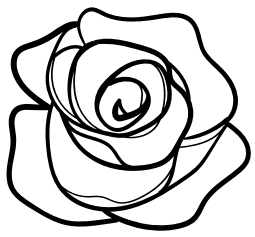
FEBRUARY CELEBRATIONS

Wedding Anniversary



**PP Melot Baarde &
Spouse Larry**

February 1



FEBRUARY CELEBRATIONS

Membership Milestones



**PP Vangi
Schwendener**
February 1, 2002



Pres Vida Könst
February 1, 2002



Treas Bel Chua
February 1, 2007



**Rtn Chona
Lamparas**
February 6, 2020

HERMES

(July, October,
January, April)

1. **TEAM LEADER:**
POLINTAN, Mynne
2. **APORTADERA,**
Luchi
3. **BOISER, Fe**
4. **CHUA, Bel**
5. **DELA ROSA,**
Evamay
6. **GAVIOLA, Luna**
7. **GUIDING, Pao**
8. **KÖNST, Vida**
9. **LIAMZON, Jo**
10. **LLAMAS, Lorna**
11. **PALMA GIL, Loi**
12. **ROSALES, Happy**
13. **SANTOS, Nen**
14. **SCHWENDENER,**
Vangi
15. **YÑIGUEZ, Tess**

DIOR

(August, November,
February, May)

1. **TEAM LEADER:**
EVANGELISTA, Bec
2. **AUSTRIA, Sylvia**
3. **AVENA, Jeejee**
4. **CALAGUAS, Remie**
5. **DE LOS SANTOS,**
Lara
6. **ESPEJO, Gina**
7. **GOMEZ, Che**
8. **JIMENEZ, Vicky**
9. **LAMPARAS, Chona**
10. **LIBRON, Elsie**
11. **MADAYAG, Vanessa**
12. **LAO-OLIVA, Janice**
13. **REYES, Zony**
14. **TAN, Irish**
15. **VALDEROSA, Jaja**
16. **ZHANG, Ma-em**

CHANEL

(September, December,
March, June)

1. **TEAM LEADER: DE**
LOS SANTOS,
Jenah
2. **BAARDE, Melot**
3. **DIAZ, Ces**
4. **DOLENDO, Mae**
5. **ESPIRITU, Gigi**
6. **FITZBACK, Teri**
7. **JACINTO, Malou**
8. **KÖNST, Alex**
9. **LIM, Cha**
10. **RETALES, Mimi**
11. **TAI, Letti**
12. **TAN, Myriam**
13. **TE, Creng**
14. **VILELA, Baby**
15. **VILLAGOMEZA,**
Elsa

MONTHLY HOST TEAMS



RCWWD CLUB RECOGNITION SUMMARY (CRS)

AS OF JANUARY 2025

TOTAL ALL TIME GIVING: USD 201,609.00

ACTIVE MEMBERS

Major Donor		FRP
Ma. Luisa Jacinto	+8	6900
Myriam Tan	+8	10000
Estela Maribel Vilela	+8	8000

Benefactor

Myriam Tan

Multiple Paul Harris Fellows

Lorna Llamas	USD 9,000.00 +8	1400
Divina Fe Boiser	USD 9,000.00 +8	2000
Hermie Polintan	USD 9,000.00 +8	3300
Remie Calaguas	USD 8,476.88	1000
Mae Dolendo	USD 7,650.93	4400
Teresita Yñiguez	USD 7,177.92	2200
Jannette Valderosa	USD 6,904.29	2900
Marivic Jimenez	USD 6,715.38	200
Armi GERALYN Espiritu	USD 6,499.79	1400
Luna Gaviola	USD 6,173.38	1000
Leonida Santos	USD 6,004.56	1300
Marydict Rosales	USD 5,007.12	4400
Luchi Aportadera	USD 4,913.38	1000
Vangi Schwendener	USD 4,879.79	400
Gina Marie Espejo	USD 4,311.38	1600
Marilou Baarde	USD 4,003.38	1900
Letty Tai	USD 3,726.96	1500
Vanessa Madayag	USD 3,637.40	2600
Ma. Corazon Reyes	USD 3,618.38	600
Maribel Chua	USD 3,576.92	700
Vida Könst	USD 3,419.91	1400
Elsa Villagomez	USD 3,306.29	1100
Emmanouelle Zhang	USD 3,238.14	2300
Sylvia Austria	USD 3,354.29	400
Cecile Diaz	USD 3,192.46	200
Teresita Fitzback	USD 2,513.38	1200
Josephine Liamzon	USD 2,281.38	500
Alessandra Könst	USD 2,177.91	700
Leamie Retales	USD 1,005.00	500
Niptalez Avena	USD 1,000.00	500

Paul Harris Fellows

Cheryl Gomez	USD 1,490.42	FRP 400
Elsie Libron	USD 1,385.38	100

Sustaining Members

Chona Lamparas	USD 653.38	-
Carina Abellera-Te	USD 329.00	-
Jenah De los Santos	USD 229.00	-
Caryl Lim	USD 229.00	-
Irish Tan	USD 129.00	-
Faustell Guiding	USD 100.00	-

Other Contributors

Lara De los Santos	USD 35.00	-
Loi Palma Gil	USD 35.00	-

Honorary Members

Nonoy Aquino	Major Donor +8	1500
Mario Luis Jacinto	Major Donor	-
Francisco Vilela	Major Donor	-
Antonio Llamas	USD 2,000.00	100

**FRP - Foundation Recognition Points available for transfer*

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OF THE THINGS WE THINK, SAY, AND DO

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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

