

Program Coordinator  
**Rtn. Noel "NOEL" Ibañez**

**- D I N N E R -**

Call to Order **Pres. Reynald "REY" Ariño, MPHF**

Prayer **Rtn. Ramon "MON" Azuelo, PHF**

Philippine  
National Anthem **Audio-visual Presentation**

Recitation of the 4 Way Test **Rtn. Areston Limos, PHF**

Introduction of Visiting  
Rotarian/s & Guest/s **PP Bernardo "Bernie" Cruz, MPHF**

Secretary's Report **PP Fernando "NANDING" Yu, RFMD**

President's Time **Pres. Reynald "REY" Ariño, MPHF**

Sunshine Announcement **Rtn. Christopher "CHRIS" Casimiro**

Adjournment **Pres. Reynald "REY" Ariño, MPHF**

**- F E L L O W S H I P -**

**Rotary Grace**

Dear Lord, we offer this gathering to You, and ask You to bless it with Your wisdom and grace. We thank You for this opportunity to be together to grow in our love and service to You and to each other.

We ask You to enlighten our minds, to know what is true and just, and strengthen our wills to carry out faithfully what we come to see as our duty.

May all our thoughts, words, and action be directed to making Your name and Your love better known among men, for their sanctification and their happiness here and in eternity, AMEN.

# ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT FOR ROTARY YEAR 2025-2026



**FRANCESCO AREZZO**  
President, Rotary Year 2025-2026  
Rotary International



## August 2025

August is Membership Month, but our commitment to growth and connection is year-round. When we focus on growing Rotary, we grow our ability to serve, to lead, and to bring lasting change.

Membership growth isn't just about numbers. It's about opening doors. It's about inviting more people who are ready to give their time, talents, and hearts to a cause greater than themselves. When we welcome new members, we bring in fresh ideas and new energy. We expand our impact, strengthen our clubs, and ensure that Rotary continues to evolve with the world around us.

Remember, there is now great flexibility in fashioning nontraditional club models. I'm inspired when I see these innovative clubs thrive by offering new and prospective members more ways to connect and serve.

In Korea, the growth of satellite clubs has created opportunities for nearly 1,000 new members to find their place in Rotary. In Romania, the close collaboration between Rotarians, Rotaractors, and Interactors has built a pipeline of future leaders. In India, some Rotarians gather around a shared interest — whether it's professional development or a passion for service — and those connections deepen their commitment and their joy in being part of Rotary. And we've seen cause-based clubs thrive in regions as diverse as Southeast Asia, Africa, and Europe.

There's a common thread: Where clubs are growing, membership is a priority and there is a willingness to try something new. Rotary is not limited to one structure or tradition. We are a global network of people of action, and that means there is room for many kinds of clubs, many ways to serve, and many paths into our organization.

This spirit of innovation is also guiding our efforts to reach new communities. In places where there has never been a Rotary club — or where a club once existed and faded — Rotarians are finding ways to grow Rotary. They are identifying areas of potential and building clubs that reflect the character and needs of their communities.

Every member plays a part in this journey. Whether you introduce a friend to your club, support a new meeting format, reconnect with program alumni, or simply share your Rotary story, you are helping our organization grow stronger and more vibrant.

No one owns a Rotary club. It is a gift we pass on to the next generation. When we nurture that gift, when we invite others to share in it, we ensure that Rotary continues to be a force for good.

Let's prioritize membership growth — not just in August but every month of the year. Together, through friendship, creativity, and shared purpose, we will grow Rotary and Unite for Good.

# ROTARY CLUB OF ZAMBOANGA CITY WEST PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE



**REYNALD "Rey" ARIÑO, MPHF**  
President, Rotary Year 2025-2026  
Rotary Club of Zamboanga City West

## July 2025

Fellow Rotarians of the Great West,

As we welcome **July—New Leadership Month**, we mark the beginning of a new Rotary year, a new chapter, and a renewed commitment to our shared purpose. It is with great humility and deep gratitude that I step once again into the role of Club President, following our recent **Induction Ceremony of Officers** for Rotary Year 2025–2026.

During that memorable evening, I shared these words:

*"I accept this calling once again—not because it is easy, but because I believe in you. I believe in us. I know that I do not walk this path alone. I trust that each of you will walk with me again—hand in hand, heart to heart—as we step into another year of service and significance."*

This is not just a personal statement—it is a collective truth. Our strength as a club has always come from **our unity, our commitment, and our spirit of service**. We have stood side by side through challenges and triumphs, and I am confident that this year will be no different.

The theme for RY 2025–2026, **"Unite for Good,"** is more than a call—it is a conviction. It challenges us to come together not only for projects, but in principle: to live out our Rotary values—**Service Above Self, integrity, fellowship, diversity, and leadership**—in everything we do.

Here in Rotary, everyone is **seen, heard, and valued**. That is our strength. That is our promise to each other and to the communities we serve. Let us embrace this new Rotary year with **renewed energy, greater purpose, and unwavering dedication**.

Let us be the hands that help, the voices that uplift, and the hearts that care. Let us serve with humility, with courage, and with joy. Let us be **Rotarians not just in name—but in action, compassion, and commitment**.

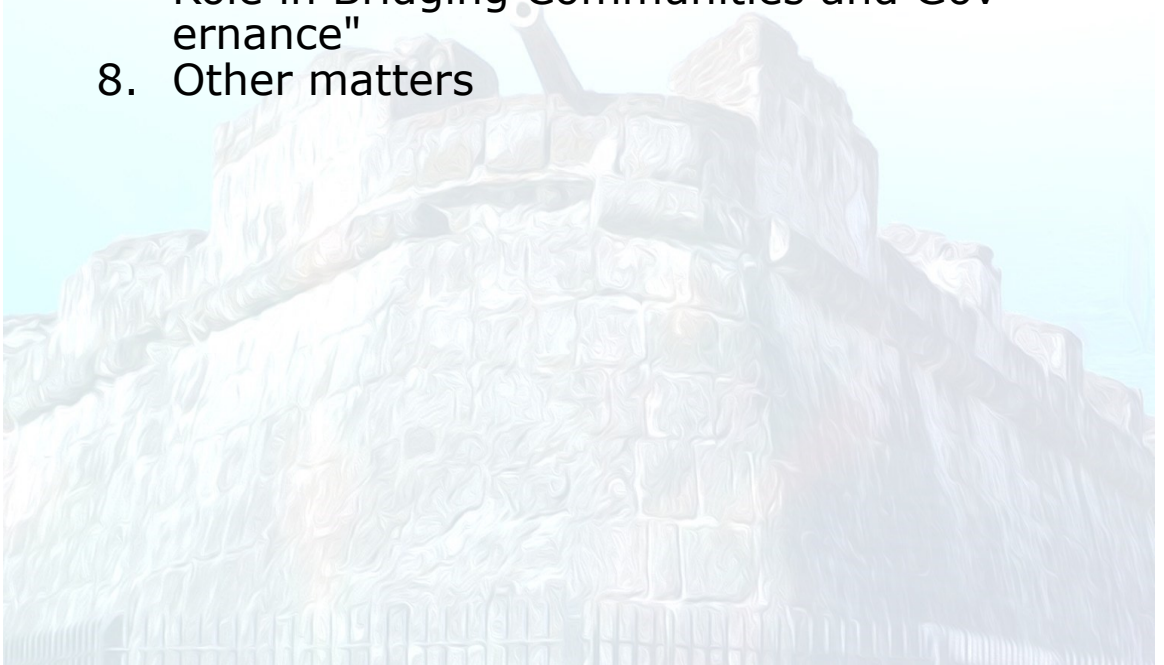
To my fellow officers, committee chairs, and every dedicated member of this great club:  
I do not ask for perfection—I ask for **partnership**.  
I do not ask for applause—I ask for **action**.

And most of all, I ask that we **Unite—not just for a cause, but for the good we can do together**.  
Thank you for your trust. Thank you for your commitment. Thank you for walking this journey with me once more.

Together, **let us Unite for Good** and make this Rotary year one of purpose, impact, and pride for the Rotary Club of Zamboanga City West.

## **PRESIDENTS' REPORT AGENDA**

1. Calendar of Activities for August and September
2. Great West Shootfest Year 2
3. MEDCAP at WesMinCom
4. Great West Fireside
5. Tree Planting Activity
6. Treasurer's Report
7. Speaker: Rtn. Rey Bayona Bayoging -  
"Solid Waste, Solid Partnerships: Rotary's  
Role in Bridging Communities and Governance"
8. Other matters





**CLUB OFFICERS**  
RY 2025-2026  
**ROTARY CLUB OF ZAMBOANGA CITY WEST**

**PRESIDENT:** Reynald "Rey" Ariño, MPH  
**VICE PRESIDENT:** PE Eliseo "Totoh" Hablo, MPH  
**SECRETARY:** PP Fernando "Nanding" Yu, RFMD  
**EXECUTIVE SECRETARY:** PN Charliemagne "Charles" Tilos, PHF  
**TREASURER:** Rtn. Ramon "Mon" Azuelo, PHF  
**AUDITOR:** Rtn. Jonathan "Nathan" Lim, PHF

**DIRECTORS**

**CLUB ADMINISTRATION CHAIR:** PP Bernardo "Bernie" Cruz, MPH  
**CLUB ADMINISTRATION CO-CHAIR:** Rtn. Miecher Ian "Mich" Miranda  
**CLUB LEARNING FACILITATOR:** PP Jose Rizalino Ortega, MPH  
**CLUB MEMBERSHIP CHAIR:** PP Patrick "Pat" Lee, RFMD  
**CLUB MEMBERSHIP CO-CHAIR:** Rtn. Richard John "RJ" Barredo, PHF  
**CLUB SERVICE PROJECTS CHAIR:** PP John Hernani "Doc John" Anacan, MPH  
**CLUB SERVICE PROJECTS CO-CHAIR:** Rtn. Mark Anthony "DOC MAC" Sta. Elena  
**CLUB PUBLIC IMAGE CHAIR:** Rtn. Charlie Jose "Charlie" Villanueva, PHF  
**CLUB PUBLIC IMAGE CO-CHAIR:** Rtn. Ryan "Kit" Quilaton  
**THE ROTARY FOUNDATION CHAIR:** PP Gil "Gil" Lim, RFMD  
**THE ROTARY FOUNDATION CO-CHAIR:** Rtn. Seanar "Seanar" Sy, PHF  
**CLUB YOUNG LEADERS CHAIR:** Rtn. Jason Justin "JJ" Lim, PHF  
**PROTOCOL OFFICER:** Rtn. Harradier "Radz" Isnani  
**CLUB ADVISERS:** PP Raoul "Raul" Quijano, PHF  
PP Erwin "Win" Bernardo, PHF  
PP Santiago "Santi" Araneta, PHF

**ROTARY ANNS CLUB OF ZAMBOANGA CITY WEST**

**PRESIDENT:** Girlie Ann Chavez- Barredo  
**VICE PRESIDENT:** Fatima Shaneen Bara-Isnani  
**SECRETARY:** PP Ma. Theresa "Tess" Makasiar  
**TREASURER:** PP Rosalyn "Lyn" Tan-Wee  
**AUDITOR:** PP Alicia "Alice" Dela Cruz  
**PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER:** Chyрил Ann Muin  
**ASSISTANT PUBLIC INFOR. OFFICER:** Chastine Cyndelle Ong  
**BUSINESS MANAGER:** Ella Mae "Ella" Cruz-Lim

**DIRECTORS**

PP Marilyn "Marlyn" Wee-Lim  
PP Merlyn "Merlie" Hablo  
PP Mary Beth "Beth" Lee  
PP Bethzaida "Beth" Tam  
PP Ivy Emerald "Ivy" Blanco  
IPP Fairouz "Fai" Gharib-Depositaro  
PP Sheila "Sheila" Zaragoza  
PP Brendalyn "Brenda" Aquino  
PP Maria Teresa "Tess" Camba  
PP Rufina "Neneng" Cruz

# CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES 2025

YEAR	MONTH	DAY	PROJECT / ACTIVITY	VENUE
2025	AUGUST	MEMBERSHIP AND NEW CLUB DEVELOPMENT		
		5	3rd Regular Club Meeting	Jade Room, Grand Astoria Hotel
		8-9	Rotary ShootFest 2025	ZAPSA Firing Range, Lumbangan, ZC
		23	Rotary Fireside	Southern Heights (Cali Farms)
		23	Partnership: MEDCAP project	Western Mindanao Command
		30	Tree Planting Initiative	
	SEPTEMBER	SUPPORTING EDUCATION		
		2	4th Regular Club Meeting	Jade Room, Grand Astoria Hotel
		26	Club visit of Rotary Club of Incheon Kumdan	
		28	Zumba for a Cause	
	OCTOBER	GROWING LOCAL ECONOMIES		
		6	5th Regular Club Meeting	Jade Room, Grand Astoria Hotel
		24	World Polio Day	
	NOVEMBER	THE ROTARY FOUNDATION MONTH		
		4	6th Regular Club Meeting and Election of Next Set of Officers	Jade Room, Grand Astoria Hotel
	DECEMBER	FIGHTING DISEASE		
		2	7th Regular Club Meeting and Preparatory meeting for GGOA	Jade Room, Grand Astoria Hotel
		10	Greatest Gift of All project Year 32	Hall 1 & 2, Astoria Regency and Convention Center
		13	Rotary West Year-End Party	

*The Calendar of Activities is being updated on a monthly basis.*

## 2023-24 Grant Summary

485

district grants

106

disaster response grants

1,287

global grants

1

programs of scale grants

\$30m

program awards

\$4m

program awards

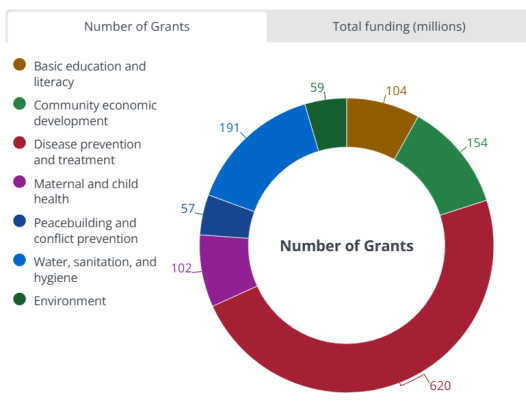
\$72m

program awards

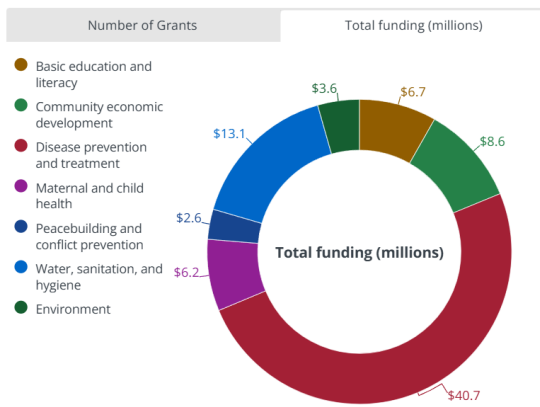
\$2m

program awards

2023-24 Global Grants by Areas of Focus



2023-24 Global Grants by Areas of Focus



4  
star charity - Charity  
Navigator's highest level



88%

of funds are spent on  
program awards and operations

## Rotary Club of Zamboanga City West Holds 54th Inaugural and Induction Ceremonies with a Godfather-Inspired Flair

Zamboanga City, July 12, 2025 — In a grand evening marked by elegance, tradition, and commitment to service, the Rotary Club of Zamboanga City West and the Rotary Anns Club of Zamboanga City West, District 3850, celebrated their 54th Inaugural and Induction Ceremonies at The Glass House, Astoria Regency, Grand Astoria, Pasonanca.

Inspired by the iconic Godfather theme, the event—titled “The Great West”—brought together approximately 150 distinguished guests, including Past District Governors, visiting Rotarians, and Rotary Anns from across the region. The atmosphere exuded elegance and unity, a perfect match to Rotary International's 2025 theme: “Unite for Good.”

Gracing the occasion as Guest of Honor and Speaker was District Governor Victor Federico “Pip” Aception, RFMD, who delivered an inspiring message emphasizing the power of collective compassion and purposeful leadership. “When we come together with intention and compassion,” Governor Pip said, “we create transformative change. Our collective impact is powerful and enduring. Let us continue to serve with love, lead with purpose. Let us unite for good. The Great West!”

A key highlight of the evening was the reaffirmation of President Reynald “Rey” Arino, MPH, for a second term as Club President. His induction was officiated by District Governor Nominee Patrick “Pat” Lee. In his heartfelt inaugural address, President Rey shared: “Tonight, I accept this calling once again—not because it is easy, but because I believe in you. I believe in us. I know that I do not walk this path alone. I trust that each of you will walk with me again—hand in hand, heart to heart—as we step into another year of service and significance.”

The Rotary Anns Club also celebrated a meaningful leadership transition. Outgoing President Fairouz Gharib Depositario expressed deep gratitude to her fellow Anns and the Rotary Club for their unwavering support during her term. Incoming Anns President Girlie Chavez Barredo graciously accepted her new role, stating: “I may not have all the answers, but I promise to give my best. With the support of the incredible Anns beside me, I know we can achieve far more than we imagine.”

The program also featured a captivating performance from The Great West Movers, who showcased a mix of elegant tango and upbeat modern dance, symbolizing the club's spirit of working hard and celebrating together. The night culminated in a lively fellowship, where camaraderie was rekindled and new bonds were formed.

As the music faded and the evening drew to a close, one thing was clear—when The Great West comes together, it is a powerful force of compassion, commitment, and love in service.







## ROTARY CLUB OF ZAMBOANGA CITY WEST STRENGTHENS TIES THROUGH BROTHERHOOD AND SISTERHOOD AGREEMENTS

---

*MAKATI CITY / ILOILO CITY — July 2025*

The spirit of Rotary fellowship and collaboration was once again celebrated as the **Rotary Club of Zamboanga City West (RCZCW)** renewed its **Brotherhood Agreement** with the **Rotary Club of Makati (RCM)** on **July 10, 2025**, in a simple yet meaningful ceremony held at the Rotary Club of Makati Building.

Representing RCZCW was **Past District Governor (PDG) James Makasiar**, while RCM was represented by **Past President Bimbo Mills**, **Director Derrick Tan**, and **President Eddie Galvez**. The renewal marks a continued commitment between the two clubs to pursue shared service goals and meaningful community initiatives together.

The following day, **July 11, 2025**, members of RCZCW were honored to attend the **60th Induction and Handover Ceremonies of the Rotary Club of Makati**, held at the iconic **Manila Peninsula Hotel** on Ayala Avenue, Makati City. The RCZCW delegation included **PDG James Makasiar**, **Past President (PP) Emil Aquino**, and **Ann PP Brenda Aquino**. The event showcased the rich legacy of service of RC Makati and reaffirmed the value of enduring partnerships between clubs.

These fraternal activities not only rekindle the bonds between Rotary clubs but also pave the way for future joint service projects, resource sharing, and mutual support — truly reflecting Rotary's motto of *Service Above Self*.

In a separate but equally significant development, RCZCW also forged a new **Sisterhood Agreement** with the **Rotary Club of Metro Iloilo**, held recently in Iloilo City. Representing RCZCW were **PDG James Makasiar**, **District Governor Nominee (DGN) Patrick Lee**, and **Past President Gil Lim**. The Rotary Club of Metro Iloilo was represented by its president, **Patrick Locsin**.

This new alliance is expected to bring about stronger inter-club cooperation and the expansion of RCZCW's reach in delivering impactful community services across the country.

These milestones in fellowship affirm the Rotary Club of Zamboanga City West's unwavering commitment to building bridges and forming partnerships that enhance service delivery and uplift more lives through collective action.





# TURNOVER REPORT

## Muti Elementary School and Communal Water Project

Barangay Muti, Zamboanga City, Philippines

Date: July 23, 2025

On **July 23, 2025**, the official turnover ceremony for the **Muti Elementary School and Communal Water Project** was held in **Barangay Muti, Zamboanga City**. The event was attended by approximately **100 participants**, including members of the **Rotary Club of Zamboanga City West**, **barangay officials**, **faculty members of Muti Elementary School**, **parents and students**, and notably, **Rotary District 3850 Governor Federico “Pip” Acepcion**.

This project represents another successful initiative in our mission to provide clean and sustainable water access to underserved public schools, following our earlier installations at **Simanta** and **Niyog-Niyog Elementary Schools**.

### Project Overview

The centerpiece of the project is a **solar-powered deepwell water system**, designed and built using a solution we have effectively refined through past implementations. The system includes:

- A **4-inch diameter borehole**, drilled to a depth of **100 feet**, reinforced with a durable casing.
- A **2HP, 1500-watt high-head submersible pump** installed to draw water from the aquifer.

A **3,000-watt direct current solar power system**, composed of **six solar panels** and a controller, ensuring reliable, off-grid power for the pump.

Water drawn from the deepwell is delivered to a **newly rehabilitated elevated water tank**, which now serves as the **main source of clean water** for the entire school. Since the system is powered by solar energy, any **excess water** produced is made available to **nearby residents**, thereby benefiting the broader **Barangay Muti community**.

### Background and Rationale

For many years, **Muti Elementary School** struggled with a **lack of access to clean water**. The only existing source was a **rainwater collection system**, which had fallen into disrepair. During our **needs assessment visit**, we discovered the system was non-functional—**gutters were broken**, **tank bases had collapsed**, and **rainfall was infrequent**, rendering it ineffective.

This urgent need prompted action and collaboration, resulting in the implementation of a **long-term, sustainable water solution** for the school and surrounding community.

### Collaborative Effort

The success of the Muti project is a testament to the **power of collaboration**, particularly between two great Rotary Clubs—**Rotary Club of Calgary, Canada (District 5360)** and the **Rotary Club of Zamboanga City West**. Their shared commitment, along with the support of dedicated local partners, made this vision a reality.

### Project Cost and Sponsorship

The total cost of the project is approximately **PHP 270,000**. This endeavor was made possible through the generous support of the following sponsors:

- **Rotary Club of Calgary, Canada – District 5360**
- **Rotary Club of Zamboanga City West**
- **Myler Agri Business Inc.**
- **Southern City Colleges**
- **Sanson Benito Farm OPC**
- **Dr. Afdal Kuniting**

### Past President Ding Camba

Your contributions enabled us to follow through with this mission, and the **impact is profound**. Not only does this project provide **clean and safe water** for students and teachers, but it also uplifts the surrounding community with a new source of **hope, health, and dignity**.

### Conclusion

The **Muti Elementary School and Communal Water Project** is a **small-scale initiative** with **large-scale impact**. It stands as a symbol of what **compassionate collaboration** and **purpose-driven action** can achieve. We thank all our partners and supporters for their generosity, commitment, and belief in this cause.

Together, we have turned water into a tool for **education, empowerment, and lasting change**.





## MUTI ELEMENTARY SCHOOL WATER SUPPLY

A water supply project for Muti Elementary School in Barangay Muti, Zamboanga City.  
This is made possible by a collaboration project from:



Rotary Club of Calgary, Canada, District 5360  
Rotary Club of Zamboanga City West, Philippines, District 3850  
Myler Agribusiness, Inc.  
Southern City Colleges  
Sanson Benito Farm OPC  
Rotarian Dr. Afdal Kunting  
Past President Fernando Camba



## MUTI COMMUNAL WATER SUPPLY

A water supply project for Muti Elementary School and the community in Barangay Muti, Zamboanga City. This is made possible by a collaboration project from:



Rotary Club of Calgary, Canada, District 5360  
Rotary Club of Zamboanga City West, Philippines, District 3850  
Myler Agribusiness, Inc.  
Southern City Colleges  
Sanson Benito Farm OPC  
Rotarian Dr. Afdal Kunting  
Past President Fernando Camba





## Memorandum of Agreement and Fundraising Project Meetings



On July 31, 2025, a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) was formally signed between the Rotary Club of Zamboanga City West and the Ateneo de Zamboanga University Alumni Association. The signing took place at Alavar Seafood Restaurant. The agreement marks the beginning of a joint fundraising initiative in support of the Rotary Foundation. Proceeds from this collaboration will be used to support future community projects of both organizations, reinforcing their shared commitment to service and development in the region.

Following the MOA signing, an initial planning meeting for another fundraising effort was held at Taza Coffee Shop. This meeting involved representatives from the ZIN Silyos Zumba Organization of Zamboanga, marking the start of a collaborative effort between the Rotary Club and the Zumba community. Like the earlier project, this initiative will also raise funds in support of the Rotary Foundation.

Both fundraising projects aim to enhance the impact of the Rotary Foundation in delivering sustainable, community-focused programs across Zamboanga City.

## Rotary Club of Zamboanga City West and Anns Celebrate Fellowship with Dance, Fiesta, and Laughter



In a spirited display of camaraderie, joy, and true Rotary fellowship, the Rotary Club of Zamboanga City West and the Rotary Anns came together for a lively evening of dance and barrio-style fiesta. The event, filled with laughter, upbeat music, and community spirit, was held to strengthen bonds among members while getting some light exercise—proving that fun and fitness do go hand in hand!

With colorful decorations reminiscent of traditional Filipino fiestas, the venue came alive as Rotarians and Anns danced the night away, shared jokes, and enjoyed local delicacies. The event wasn't just about celebration—it was about reconnecting with one another beyond service projects, meetings, and busy schedules.

"Time is always an issue," one member remarked. "But events like this remind us why we must make time—for friendship, for laughter, and for the kind of bonding that makes our service even stronger."

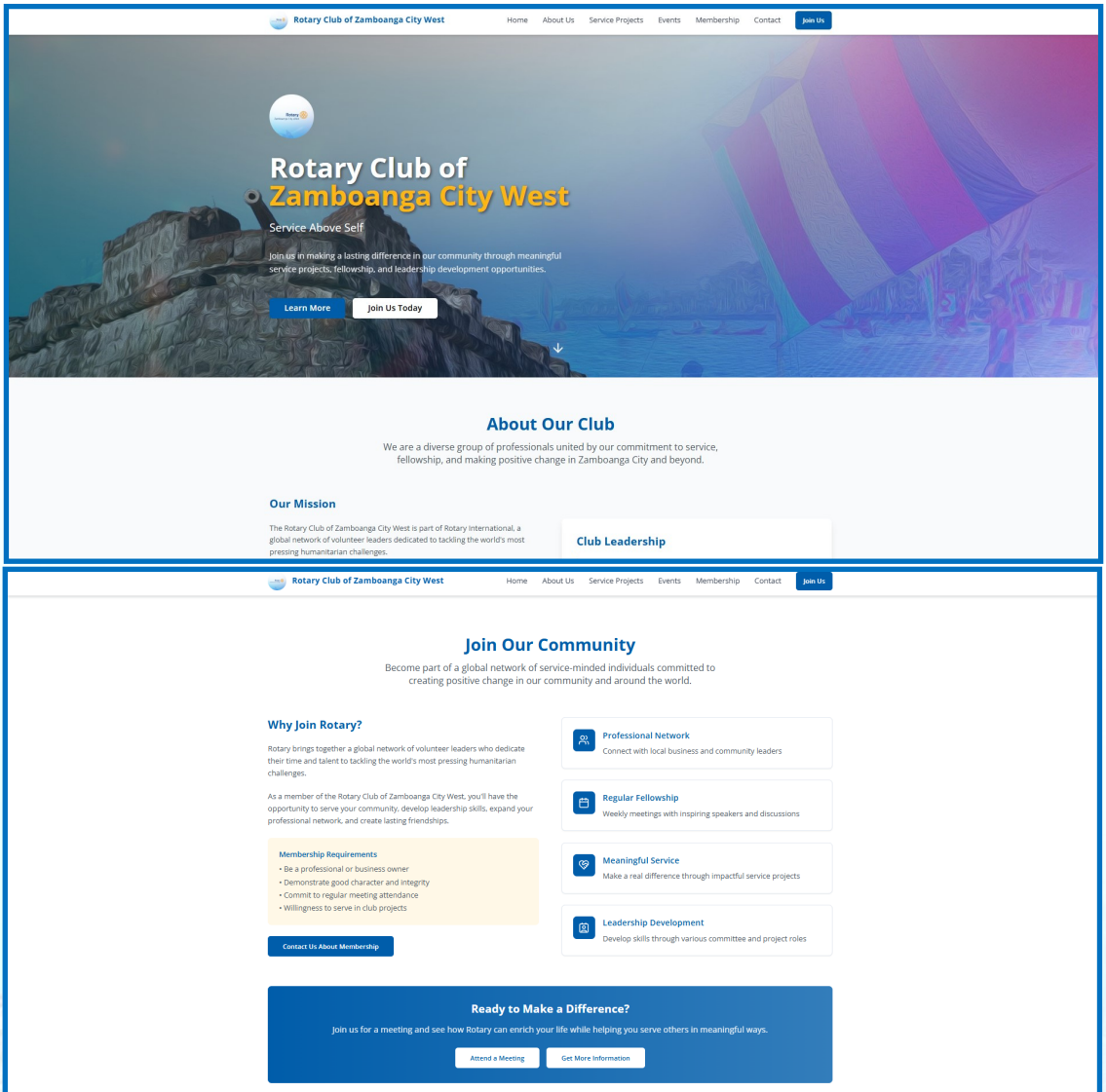
Light-hearted jokes and spontaneous dance-offs kept everyone on their feet, with one Rotarian joking, *"I joined Rotary to serve—but now I think I've accidentally joined Tango class too!"* The joy was contagious, and the laughter even more so.

Members were encouraged to invite others to future fellowships, with the hope of making these gatherings even bigger and more meaningful. "We're all busy—but moments like these are priceless," said another participant. "Fellowship isn't just a Rotary value—it's the heart that keeps us going."

The Rotary Club of Zamboanga City West continues to lead not just in service but in fostering genuine connections, proving once again that the best way to build a stronger community is through shared joy and togetherness.



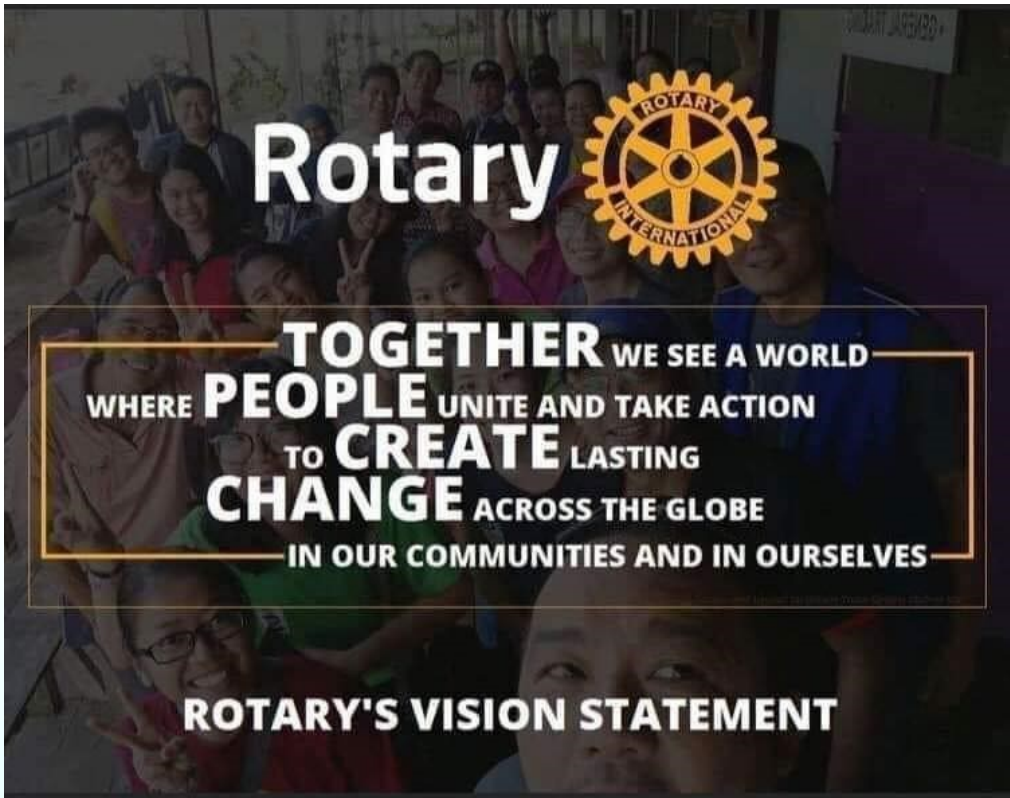
# Rotary Club of Zamboanga City West WEBSITE Launching Soon.....



The Rotary Club of Zamboanga City West is set to launch its official website—a new digital home for club updates, service projects, and community initiatives. Stay tuned as we go live to connect, serve, and inspire more than ever before. This website will be created by our Rotaractors of ZC West.



# Adoption of Club's Vision Statement



## Rotary Club of Zamboanga City West's Vision Statement

**"Together, we empower communities through collaboration and service—uniting people for positive change, guided by integrity, leadership, and a shared commitment to inspire transformation within ourselves and beyond."**



RI DISTRICT 3850  
DISCON 2026



# ROTARY DISCON 2026

MAY 7 - 9, 2026

**₱ 5,500**

**EARLY BIRD**

**MAR 20-31, 2025**

**₱ 6,500**

**APR. 1 TO  
JUL. 31, 2025**

**₱ 7,500**

**AUG. 1, 2025 TO  
MAR. 31, 2026**

**₱ 8,000**

**WALK-IN/ONSITE  
MAY 2026**

# Register Now....

DISCON 2026 | May 7-9, 2026 | ROXAS CITY, CAPIZ

For those who haven't paid or registered yet, this is your last chance to take advantage of the discounted early bird rate!

Updated Registration Rates:

₱5,500 – Extended Early Bird (Until April 4, 2025)

₱6,000 – Special Rate (April 5 to April 16, 2025)

₱6,500 – Starting April 17, 2025

₱7,500 – August 1, 2025 to March 31, 2026

₱8,000 – Walk-In/Onsite (May 2026)

Lock in your slots and save!

## Payment Channels:

1. GCash:  
0917 852 5394  
Gregorio T.

2. Bank Transfer:  
BDO SM City Roxas  
Account Number: 013480002042  
Account Name: Gregorio L. Tan

Don't forget to register!

If you've already paid—thank you!



**PRE-REGISTER NOW!**



**SECURE YOUR SPOT BY SCANNING  
THE QR CODE!**

AVAILABLE FOR LIMITED TIME ONLY! SECURE EARLY BIRD DISCOUNTS!



# TRIPLE YOUR IMPACT

The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation will match every \$1 Rotary commits to polio eradication 2-to-1, up to \$50 million per year.

Your donation

**\$25**

The Bill & Melinda  
Gates Foundation

**+ \$50**

Total contribution  
to fight polio

**\$75**

THAT CAN PURCHASE:

**150**

high-visibility vests to help identify health workers so they can safely administer vaccines

**75**

vaccine carriers to keep the polio vaccine cool and effective

**600**

purple markers to mark children's pinkies to show they've been immunized



*"Rotary was the first organization to push for a polio-free world, and so many Rotarians have been part of fundraising, vaccination, and advocacy efforts. The final steps to a polio-free world are the hardest — and we'll need the help of every Rotarian to get there. But I'm confident that we will end polio together."*

Bill Gates,  
co-chair of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

Clubs are encouraged to give \$1,500 or more annually to support polio eradication, and districts are encouraged to allocate 20 percent or more of their District Designated Funds each Rotary year. Clubs and districts that meet these criteria will receive a certificate of appreciation.

## HOW TO HELP

**LEARN.**

**SHARE.**

**DONATE.**

[endpolio.org](http://endpolio.org)





# 5 REASONS WHY WE MUST ERADICATE POLIO

## 1 YOUR GIFT WILL IMPROVE LIVES.

Today, 20 million people who would otherwise be paralyzed by polio are walking, and 1.5 million people who would otherwise have died are alive.

## 2 YOUR GIFT WILL INVEST IN THE FUTURE.

If all eradication efforts stopped today, within 10 years, polio could paralyze as many as 200,000 children each year. A polio-free world will be a healthier world for children everywhere.

## 3 YOUR GIFT WILL IMPROVE CHILD HEALTH.

Polio surveillance networks and vaccination campaigns also monitor children for other health problems, like vitamin deficiency and measles, so we can address them sooner.

## 4 YOUR GIFT WILL LOWER HEALTH CARE COSTS.

The global effort to eradicate polio has already saved more than \$27 billion in health care costs since 1988, and expects to save \$14 billion more by 2050.

## 5 YOUR GIFT WILL MAKE HISTORY.

Polio eradication will be one of history's greatest public health achievements, with polio following smallpox to become only the second human disease eradicated from the world.



At the end of the 1980s, more than 350,000 children were paralyzed by polio every year. Today, Rotary and its partners have reduced the incidence of polio by 99.9%. However, until we see the last of the poliovirus, eradication efforts need additional funding to:

### IMMUNIZE

more than 400 million children against polio every year

### IMPROVE

disease surveillance systems to detect any poliovirus in a person or the environment

### HIRE

more than 150,000 health workers to go door to door to find every child

**Donate now at [endpolio.org](https://endpolio.org)**



**END  
POLIO  
NOW**

# NEW GENERATIONS CORNER



## INTERACT CLUB OF ZAMBOANGA CITY WEST

Project InterIsland: Edukalusugan Year 4 — Health Across Shores | July 27, 2025

Once again sailing with purpose, the Interact Club of Zamboanga City West brought the 4th wave of “Project InterIsland: Edukalusugan” to Barangay Busay, Sacol Island.

Led by Community Service Director Isaac Ali Olegario, the project provided free medical consultations, essential vitamins, health education, and distributed hygiene kits, school supplies, and nutrition materials to over 50 residents.

With the expertise of Dra. Ma. Gay M. Gonzales and the support of Barangay Busay officials and PS4 personnel, the mission ran smoothly and safely.

This grand project of the Unite-for-Good Year 2025–2026 was made possible by our generous sponsors, especially Pres. Rey Ariño of the Rotary Club of Zamboanga City West and Itr. Joshua Idlisan.

Island by island, life by life — we serve.



# NEW GENERATIONS CORNER



## INTERACT CLUB OF ZAMBOANGA CITY WEST

SIBOL 2025 — Mangrove Tree Growing for a Greener Tomorrow | July 20, 2025

In line with the Unite for Good Rotary Year, the Interact Club of Zamboanga City West, alongside Interact and Rotaract clubs across Zamboanga City, planted over 3,000 mangrove trees at Sitio Baktus, Talabaan, as part of SIBOL 2025. ☐☐

With each propagule, the clubs rooted not just trees, but a shared commitment to a greener, more sustainable future. ☐

Together, we grow. Together, we change.

# NEW GENERATIONS CORNER



## Bringing Smiles and Hope: Outreach Program at Layag-Layag Island Layag-Layag Island, Talon-Talon, Zamboanga City June 26, 2025

The **Rotaract Club of Southern City Colleges**, in collaboration with the National Service Training Program (NSTP-SCC), successfully held their first outreach program at the vibrant coastal community of Layag-Layag Island in Talon-Talon, Zamboanga City.

The program was filled with joy and meaningful impact as school supplies and snacks were distributed to the children of the island. Their genuine smiles and laughter upon receiving their kits were truly priceless and heartwarming—a beautiful reminder of the power of small acts of kindness.

The outreach was also made possible with the support of the Office of Akbayan Congresswoman Dadah Juachon-Ismula, a proud member of the Simariki Island Ancestral Domain, who extended assistance to ensure the success of this community effort.

This initiative marks a strong beginning for Rotaract SCC and NSTP-SCC's commitment to "Service Above Self"—reaching out to underserved communities, empowering young lives through education, and fostering unity and compassion.

Together, let us continue to serve, inspire, and uplift others—one island, one child, one act of kindness at a time.



# NEW GENERATIONS CORNER



Great West 16th Joint Induction and Turnover Ceremonies | July 26, 2025

The **Rotaract Club of Zamboanga City West** is all suit up this New Rotary Year for a year-round mission which commenced during the 16th Joint Induction and Turnover Ceremonies on July 26, 2025 at the Sapphire Ballroom, Grand Astoria Hotel.

The legacy of a magical service lives on with President Hazra Ibrahim— fully accepting the rites to continue the commitment in leading the club to a renewed direction.

Cheers to IPP Mark for lighting the path with courage and a heart full of optimism!

The crowd was inspired by Pres. Reynald Ariño of the Rotary Club of Zamboanga City West with his powerful message of encouragement to the young leaders to be the icons of the future of Rotary.

Adding to the roster of new breed of change-makers, the Great West inducted 7 new official members, along with acknowledging the 4 aspirants for the present Rotary Year.

Lastly, the celebration was graced by the humble presence of the visiting clubs:

- Rotaract Club of Dipolog
- Rotaract Club of Calumpit
- Rotaract Club of Makati
- Rotaract Club of Lucena South
- Rotaract Club of San Pedro East

Here's to no aborting missions, just awesome interventions— in Fellowship Through Service. Let's UNITE FOR GOOD as agents of change!

# NEW GENERATIONS CORNER



## ROTARACT CLUB OF ZAMBOANGA CITY WEST

**SOLIDARES 3.0** — Great West Strategic Planning 2025 and Revisiting of the 5-Year Action Plan | June 28, 2025

United with the goal to elevate with our purpose this new Rotary Year, the Rotaract Club of Zamboanga City West successfully finished the annual strategic planning with vision-driven spirits.

Headed by the Club Learning Facilitator— PDRR Nick Paira, the members comprehensively drafted potential sustainable projects that aim to cater the individual needs of Rotary's 7 Areas of Focus.

Onto the leap with the new Rotary calendar, the Great West takes confidence in succeeding another season of excellence, inspiration, and service.



**TAKE NOTES HERE:**





# Sunshine Announcements...

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!**

## **ROTARIAN'S**

### **AUGUST 2025**

5 - Rtn. Alfred Wee  
5 - Rtn. Dennis Bilang  
14 - PP Gil Lim  
20 - PP Bernie Cruz  
23 - Rtn. Rey Fortuna  
26 - Rtn. Brandon Chiong  
31 - Rtn. Emil Ngan

## **AUGUST 2025 HOLIDAYS**

August 25 (Mon) - National Heroes Day (Regular Holiday)  
August 21 (Thu) - Ninoy Aquino Day (Special Non-Working Day)

## **UPCOMING CLUB ACTIVITIES**

August 9-10— ( Great West Shootfest Year 2)  
August 23— (Medical and Dental Civic Action Program (MEDCAP))  
August 23— (Rotary West Fireside)  
August 30— (Tree planting Activity)