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**DG Toto & Spouse Arlene
with D2820's Gov. Mamoru Sato
& Spouse Kyoko**

Environment concerns are both intensely local and completely global.

Lead the Way — William B. Boyd, President



Lets Go Green

Anyone who has seen former US Vice President Al Gore's "An Inconvenient Truth" will be jolted by the grave harm caused by the indiscriminate use of fossil fuel. The retreat of numerous glaciers is shown in before-and-after photographs.

- A study by researchers at the Physics Institute at the University of Bern and the European Project for Ice Coring in Antarctica presenting data from Antarctic ice cores showing carbon dioxide concentrations higher than at any time during the past 650,000 years.[8]
- A 2004 survey by Dr. Naomi Oreskes of 928 peer-reviewed scientific articles on global climate change published between 1993 and 2003. The survey, published as an editorial in the journal Science, claimed that every article either supported the human-caused global warming consensus or did not comment on it.[9]

Reports from United Nations agencies and the World Bank underscore the urgency of preserving our planet:

- Without changes in water management, a third of the world's people will likely suffer from chronic water shortages in 30 years.
- In a 25-year span of the late 20th century, the world's natural forest cover declined about 10 percent, an area equivalent in size to England and Wales.
- Loss of forests and global warming are among factors aggravating the impact of natural disasters, resulting in great loss of life and displacement of people.
- Global energy use is increasing more than 2 percent a year, most of it from nonrenewable fossil fuels.
- In developing countries, an estimated 400 to 700 million women and children are exposed to severe air pollution, mainly from cooking fires.
- As much as a third of all croplands worldwide have lost topsoil due to poor agricultural practices, and drylands are spreading in more than 100 countries.

At this stage when clubs are busy crafting plans for RY 2007-2008 a major focus should be made on our environment. Rotary International reports that more clubs are joining the cause to save our environment. We should too.

To quote an article in the RI website:

Through hands-on activities, educational programs, and innovative projects to reverse environmental deterioration, Rotary clubs and districts continue to make preserving the environment a service opportunity.

Demonstrate your commitment to preserving the environment by developing a project in your community. Below you'll find several ideas for community and international projects your club may want to consider.

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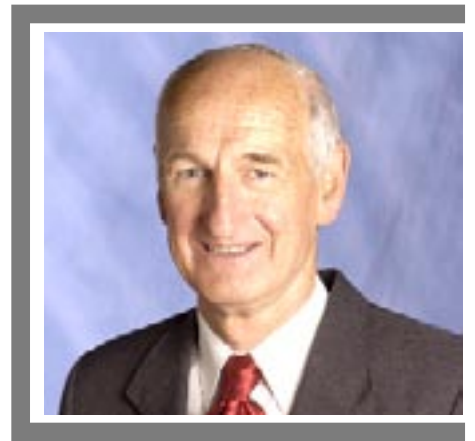
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2006-2007 RI President

William “Bill” Boyd

Environment concerns are both intensely local and completely global.



Dear fellow Rotarians,

The word environment conveys different things to each of us. One person might think of green forests, oceans, and mountains, another of grassy plains and wildlife. When we consider environmental challenges, we may think of recycling or energy conservation, industrial waste, or climate change. We tend to think of issues that are much larger than ourselves as individuals, and they can seem very abstract at times.

But for each of us, our environment is literally what surrounds us: the air we breathe, the water we drink, the land we walk on. Our environment is our house, our yard, our street. It is our community, our country, and our planet. The cleanliness of water hundreds of miles away can affect what comes out of our tap. The cleanliness of the air in a distant city can and does affect what goes into our lungs. And what comes out of our cars, chimneys, and power plants affects not just our own families, but families around the world for generations to come.

Environmental concerns are both intensely local and completely global. A garbage-filled stream has the most impact on those who rely on it for drinking water, but it also damages an entire ecosystem. A heavily polluted city hurts the health of its own inhabitants as well as those hundreds of miles downwind. As we learn and understand more about the course of climate change, we become more acutely aware that there are no local decisions. Everything we do touches others.

When we consider what we are willing to do and what we are willing to change to address an environmental problem, we must remember that our decisions never concern only us.



One of the lessons of Rotary is that one person can make a difference. We see this in our clubs and our districts, and particularly through PolioPlus. When we work on small projects that help only a few people, it can be hard to step back and see how we really are changing the world. It can be difficult to see how recycling a newspaper or a plastic container, walking instead of driving, or using less water can really bring a better and healthier tomorrow. But if many people make them together, those small changes will make an enormous difference to our children and grandchildren.

As Rotarians, we know very well that these small changes – these private, individual choices – can add up to something tremendous. The decisions we make may seem small, but they are nothing of the kind. I ask all of you to remember that, because you are leaders in your communities, and you have chosen to help Lead the Way to a better future. In the matter of environmental responsibility, as in all others, we must first lead by example by making the choices that will bring us a healthier tomorrow.

W.B. (Bill) Boyd
President, Rotary International





Governor's Message

Ramon "Toto" Cua Locsin
District 3850 Governor, RY 2006-2007



Dear Fellow Rotarians,

The reports that the clubs submitted for the District Awards showed a well balanced implementation of plans and programs geared towards achieving the goals set by the District and by Rotary International. I was impressed by the performance that you have shown and I am confident that the projects you have accomplished have surely helped the cause of Rotary.

Thus, I was honored to have submitted your nominations for Presidential Citations earlier this April.

The purpose of the Presidential Citation is to increase Rotary club involvement in service activities, while at the same time encouraging Rotarians' personal involvement in serving others and promoting a high standard of Rotary service in the community. The award is revised on an annual basis by the RI president and traditionally highlights the president's theme. To qualify for the 2006-07 citation, clubs were urged to achieve a net increase of at least one member by 1 April 2007 and complete four of the activities listed on the Presidential Citation brochure. The activities listed fall under the categories of membership, club service, vocational service, community service, and international service.

A good number of Clubs in the District completed the Presidential Citation certification form which I endorsed to Rotary International. The list of qualifying clubs was substantial and for that reason, I take pride in reporting that 53% of the clubs in the District were conferred with the Presidential Citation. I congratulate these qualifying clubs with the hope that they will serve as an inspiration for greater service. I also urge the other clubs to strive to provide more support to the RI and District leadership by setting up action plans in line with the presidential citation.

Last April 14, 2007, I was invited to the District Conference of District 2820 in Mito City, Japan. I was given the privilege to speak before Japanese Rotarians who have consistently provided us with assistance in our club level and district wide projects. If you recall, we also hosted Japanese Rotarians representing District 2820 in our District Conference in Boracay Island last March 1 to 3, 2007. We were happy to have shared our culture with them and we are thankful for the opportunity for us to have worked hand in hand with our Japanese partners in various service projects.

In behalf of the 53 clubs from our District 3850, I conveyed the gratitude of countless families who were touched by the medical and dental missions, books and school supplies and facilities to the day care centers in poor communities that they provided. It is through this kind of international cooperation that we can truly create a better world. District 2820 has one of the most number of 100% Paul Harris club contributions. It is no wonder then that we were able to secure some matching grants that have already been approved.

District 3850 and District 2820 are truly partners in service and I am happy that we are continuing to nurture this relationship in the name of Rotary.



DG Toto Locsin receives Presidential Citation from RI Pres. Bill Boyd

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April 2007

Ramon Cua Locsin
Governor, District 3850, RI

Dear Rotarian Locsin,

I am honored to recognize you for your outstanding leadership during the 2006-07 Rotary year. Under your guidance, more than fifty percent of the clubs in your district qualified for the Presidential Citation.

There is no doubt that your enthusiasm contributed to this success. You have done an extraordinary job of promoting club participation in the Four Avenues of Service, and I know that the work done in District 3850 this year has helped make our world a better place.

Please accept my sincere congratulations and gratitude for your efforts. You have truly demonstrated the ideals of Rotary, and I encourage you to continue to **Lead the Way**.

Sincerely,

W.B. (Bill) Boyd
President, Rotary International, 2006-07

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For inspiring clubs to *Lead the Way* to a better future by
demonstrating that fellowship and service
truly can change the world.

W.B. (Bill) Boyd
President, Rotary International



Meet our 2009-2010 District Governor Nominee Edgart Sy



A husband, a father, a brother, a son, a businessman, a friend and a Rotarian...that's Edgar T. Sy, a newly elected District Governor Nominee for RY 2009-2010.

To be in his feet is not easy. He carries myriads of big responsibilities with great leadership, dedication and humor. But who really is Edgar? Is it just enough to say that he is known as "Diotay" to his family and friends? Read on.

Edgar is 50 years old and is happily married to Naty Ong Sy. His classification is Sugar Trader. Their marriage is blessed with 3 children namely John Oliver, a graduate of De La Salle University with a degree of Bachelor of Science in Finance; Master Matthew, studying at De Paul University in Chicago, USA; and Natalia Joy who is now an Inter-Disciplinary student at De La Salle University. Edgar is a PHF+5 and all the members of his family including his parents except Natalia Joy are Paul Harris Fellow.

"I have always been an Entrepreneur. I worked for my father for a year, and after that, I have been running my own business and with the Lord's blessings I succeeded." That's a quote from Edgar who finished his primary and secondary education at St. John's Institute and got a degree of Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering at San Carlos University. He passed the 1980 Board Exams making him a licensed Electrical Engineer.

In 1988, Rotarian Koch who was working at Negros Navigation (NN) invited him to join Rotary Club of Bacolod. At first, Edgar's reason for joining is merely because he ships most of his sugar to NN, but later on, he started to find meaning in his being a Rotarian. The Rotary's motto "Service Above Self" and its 4 Way Test, have been his guide both in his business and family life.

During his first years as a Rotarian, he was appointed as a Chairman of their club's flagship project "Search for Outstanding City Government Employees". From then on, he became very active in Rotary and started putting up projects for the club. One of these is the "Ilimnan sang Katawhan" that provides

free potable water to school children and teachers under the Rotary Community Corps. This project also gave extra income to the school by selling excess purified water to nearby communities.. The overwhelming success of this project inspired him to upgrade the facilities for even better service. He also headed in a project where he donated a two-classroom building with toilet, chairs, two computers, mimeographing machine and a deep well at Rafael Alunan Elementary School situated at Brgy. Alangilan. Furthermore, he also chaired in the Nutri-Bread Project in the same school as a response to malnutrition problem among school children with the cooperation of the Nutrition Center of the Philippines. The mentioned project aimed to help the school children have proper nutrition by introducing a Pandesal (bread) fortified with vitamin A and iron. In addition to these, Edgar also donated a two-storey-four-classroom building with toilets and equipped with chairs and computers to Don Felix Robles Elementary School, La Castellana Negros Occidental.

Despite his hectic schedules, he managed to chair with his club's District Affairs such as the Extemporaneous Speaking Contest, Rotary Youth Exchange Centennial Fellowship and in the Annual Gift-Giving. He was also the Assistant Governor of Zone 6, and a Coordinator of GSE team in Negros and of the Water Resource Program. He hosted Rotex thrice and GSE team six times.

Aside from his active membership in Rotary he is presently the director of the Philippines National Red Cross where he had been providing funds for the poor who needs blood transfusion and those who cannot afford to pay the processing fee. He is also the 1st Vice-President of the Bacolod Filipino-Chinese Chamber of Commerce and Industry Inc., a member of St. John's Institute Board of Trustees, Past Vice-President of Saint John's Institute Alumni Association and Past President of the Federation of Sugar Traders Philippines Inc.. When asked what Rotary has done to his life, he proudly said, "My involvement with Rotary has made me a better person."

Rotary Club of Pagadian Lead the Way In Promoting Literacy Through CLE

March 30, 2007 was a very special and memorable day for the Concentrated Language Encounter Pilot Project in the Philippines that has been implemented by the Rotary Club of Pagadian through successive matching grants (MG#11847, MG#23845 & MG#55702). It was able to produce the first batch of CLE graduates with 590 students from the three Pilot Schools (Pagadian City Pilot School, San Jose Elementary School & Tomas Sagun Elementary School) after seven long years.

The perseverance and faith on the project makes it worthwhile and lead the way for other clubs and districts in the Philippines to adopt and implement the project in their respective localities. The number of graduates will increase next year when the stage 3 of the project will officially end in 2008. The Club is thankful to the Rotary Foundation and the different districts (D9800, D3800, D9690, D2840, D9700 and D3850) that gave their trust in order to make this project possible and very fulfilling.

The project gave the Club the opportunity to prove that indeed education is an investment and a great equalizer as substantial number of the first batch will be enrolling in prestigious high school both private and public in nearby cities as well as in big cities such as Manila, Cebu, Ilo-ilo and Cagayan de Oro.



The graduates wait for their turn to receive their Diploma



The graduation was held on the covered ground of the Pagadian City Pilot School for the memorable event.



Supt. Erlinda C. Salera (in off white dress), over all technical coordinator presided in giving out the Diploma while PP Jesus "Jun" Bajamunde Jr. (in white short sleeve shirt) represented the Club in the said closing exercise while other Department of Education and School officials looks on.

Governor's Japan Visit

Upon the invitation of DG Mamoru Sato of D2820 Japan, Gov. Toto and Spouse Arlene visited Japan last April 14-20, 2007. The visit coincided with their District Conference where DG Toto was given the privilege to address the Rotarian delegates. DG Toto was so elated and proud to see the Philippine flag displayed in the center of the other four countries: USA, Thailand, Japan and New Zealand.

The couple also took time to attend the regular club meeting and the tree planting project of RC Itako. He also attended the membership meeting of RC Tokyo Chuo, the second biggest Rotary Club in Tokyo.

Both clubs are international co-sponsors of our Day Care Literacy Centers Matching Grant Projects.



ZONE	No.	Club Name	Club No.	Charter Year	Members-to Date	No. of Mtgs.	March Attendance %	Ranking
ZONE I	1	Iloilo	17045	1933	48	4	61.05	24
	2	Iloilo South	17047	1971	26	4	100.00	1
	3	Antique	17015	1975	18	3	91.00	4 (tie)
	4	Iloilo West	28828	1992	19	4	46.05	27
	5	Miagao	58693	2002	14	5	67.06	22
ZONE II	1	Iloilo City	17046	1975	20	4	78.25	17
	2	Jaro Iloilo City	25131	1988	24	4	74.67	20
	3	Central Iloilo City	27338	1990	12	4	89.25	6
	4	Jaro North	28741	1992	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR
	5	Jaro Centraline	29746	1993	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR
	6	Jaro South	31664	1996	10	4	79.00	16
ZONE III	1	Metro Iloilo	17066	1979	71	4	65.53	23
	2	Midtown Iloilo	24342	1987	26	4	84.35	13
	3	Guimaras	27277	1990	14	4	54.00	25
	4	Molo	27939	1991	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR
	5	Lapaz	30821	1995	14	4	71.00	21
	6	Dumangas	31821	1996	15	4	83.04	15
ZONE IV	1	Roxas	17080	1964	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR
	2	Kalibo	17053	1967	52	3	91.90	3
	3	Metro Roxas	22518	1982	60	4	89.00	7
	4	Boracay	50661	1997	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR
	5	Metro Kalibo	54828	2001	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR
	6	Metro Roxas Central		2006	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR
ZONE V	1	Bacolod North	17091	1966	60	4	76.63	18
	2	Silay	17084	1973	14	4	90.89	5
	3	Escalante	17037	1976	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR
	4	Victorias	51747	1966	11	4	84.08	14
	5	Metro San Carlos	51747	1999	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR
ZONE VI	1	Bacolod	17016	1937	43	5	87.00	9
	2	Bacolod East	17017	1983	24	5	71.00	21
	3	Bacolod West	27374	1990	21	4	95.00	2
	4	Bacolod Marapara	29076	1992	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR
	5	Bacolod Central	31518	1996	14	3	71.00	21
ZONE VII	1	Bacolod South	17019	1969	27	3	88.00	8
	2	Kabankalan City	17052	1974	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR
	3	Metro Bacolod	25280	1988	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR
	4	Cauayan Centennial	69720	2005	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR
ZONE VIII	1	Dipolog	21409	1950	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR
	2	Jimenez	17050	1975	22	4	91.00	4 (tie)
	3	Dapitan City	25485	1986	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR
	4	Oroquieta Centennial	69314	2005	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR
ZONE IX	1	Ozamiz North	17073	1974	26	4	71.00	21
	2	Pagadian	17074	1975	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR
	3	Pagadian West	17075	1977	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR
	4	Ozamiz	17072	1995	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR
ZONE X	1	Zamboanga City	17094	1948	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR
	2	Basilan City	17022	1960	20	4	75.00	19
	3	Zamboanga City East	17095	1974	25	4	86.00	11
	4	Zamboanga City North	17096	1980	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR
	5	Zamboanga City Central	26956	1990	33	4	85.00	12
ZONE XI	1	Zamboanga City West	17097	1971	48	4	86.02	10
	2	Metro Zamboanga	22275	1984	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR
	3	Ipil Sibugay	59175	2002	DNR	DNR	DNR	DNR
	4	Bongao Tawi-Tawi	69302	2005	15	4	51.42	26



ZONE 7B, PHILIPPINES RRIMC MESSAGE – APRIL 2007



Greetings and Happy Easter! April is the busy period for our District Governors-Elect as they conduct their Presidents-Elect Training Seminars (PETS) and District Assemblies (Distas), preparing their Club leaders for their roles and responsibilities in promoting "Rotary Shares" in RY 2007-2008. RIMZC / PDG Bobby Viray and I express our thanks to our District Governors-Elect who invited us to handle the sessions on Membership during these two (2) vital training programs. It should be stressed that Membership is one of the major emphases of RI Pres.-Elect Wilf Wilkinson, where he challenges every Club to have a net increase of one (1) member by 31 March 2008 and every Club President to bring in a new member by 31 March 2008, with a new recognition program established to honor every Rotarian who brings in a new member during the year. Also, the accomplishment of the membership goal is required in order for a Club to qualify for the RY 2007-2008 Presidential Citation. Thus, we still welcome your invitation to attend your PETS and/or Distas. However, if our attendance is not possible, we will definitely ensure our presence and active involvement in your District Membership Development Seminars to be held starting in August 2008.



PDG DAVE M. VILLANUEVA
Regional Rotary International
Membership Coordinator (RRIMC)
Zone 7B, RY 2006-2008

A CLARIFICATION ON THE MEMBERSHIP FIGURES

While we await the latest membership figures as of 31 March 2007 to be released by the middle of this month, I would like to address the concern of our District Governors and District Membership Chairs on the perceived "discrepancy" in the membership figures being printed in our RRIMC Monthly Message, where the total monthly membership figures as collated from their Clubs do not coincide with the figures coming from the RI Membership Development Systems & Research Department. In order to resolve this issue in its proper perspective, please note the following important data timelines:

- 1) **1 July Club and District Membership Start Figures:** The Start Figures are the confirmed report of the number of Clubs and the members in every Rotary Club for each District at 1 July and are based on the 1 July Semi-annual Reports (SARs) submitted by the Clubs to RI by 30 September. The "Start Figures" are calculated and made available by the Systems & Research staff in the middle of October after they have made all the membership changes in the Club rosters received by RI by 30 September.

The 1 July Start Figures include all Clubs chartered between 15 May to 30 June and all Clubs reinstated between 3 June to 30 June, although these Clubs do not receive an SAR from RI to be completed. For a Club that fails to submit its SAR by 30 September, the number of members used is based on its most recent induction history. *This number will not change even if RI receives the SAR for this Club after the calculation of the Start Figures.* It is important for our District Governors and District Membership Chairs to

ensure that RI receives all SARs from your Clubs by 30 September so that the correct Start Figures are reported.

Thus, 1 July Start Figures are a useful starting position from which to evaluate membership activity **within one year** for your District or zone, because the 1 July numbers are calculated based on Semi-annual Reports (SARs) submitted by the Clubs.

- 2) **1 January Membership Figures:** These figures are the confirmed report of the number of Clubs and the numbers of members in every Club for each District based on the 1 January Semiannual Reports (SARs) submitted by the Clubs to RI by 31 March.
- 3) **End-of-Month Membership Figures:** These figures are based on the updated reports on membership changes submitted by Clubs to RI either through the Members Access on the RI website (www.rotary.org) or through the Membership Data Form (that could be found in the Club Secretary's Manual). Changes in the Club roster indicated in the 1 July and/or 1 January SAR submitted by a Club are also reflected during the period when such SAR is received by RI. Thus, it is strongly recommended that our Club Secretaries should update their Club rosters every month through the Members Access to ensure accuracy in the reporting of membership figures.
- 4) **30 June End-Year Membership Figures:** The 30 June figures are simply where we ended at the close of any given Rotary year, before membership changes were made on 1 July semi-annual reports. Since RI did not calculate 1 July numbers until recently, 30 June numbers are used to review historical membership trends within our organization dating back to 1905 and are the only consistent criteria upon which membership can be evaluated for the lifetime of RI. The end-year membership figures of Clubs will be usually based on their 1 January SARs unless their membership records are updated after the submission of these SARs and done on or before 30 June.

I hope that this explanation resolves this issue on the perceived "discrepancies" between the District membership figures and the monthly figures released by the RI Membership Development Systems & Research Department.

MEMBERSHIP FIGURES AS OF 1 JANUARY 2007
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I have received the membership figures of our region, Zone 7B, as of 1 January 2007 based on the Semi-annual reports (SARs) submitted by our Clubs to RI for the said period as of 5 April 2007. The figures indicate that the ten (10) Districts in our region has a total of 18,819 Rotarians and 750 Rotary Clubs, an increase of 903 Rotarians (4.80%) and 32 Clubs (4.27%) over our 1 July 2006 figures. However, these figures represent only one-half of the real membership situation, as only 377 Clubs (50%) submitted their 1 January 2007 SARs to RI as of 5 April 2007. It is, therefore, imperative for our District Governors and/or District Secretaries to secure the 1 January 2007 SARs, together with the proof of payment, from their Clubs and forward these documents to the Philippine Consulting Center office for transmittal to the RI South Pacific & Philippines Office in Parramatta, Australia.

As part of our efforts to provide updated membership figures, I am enclosing the updated 5-year membership history of the Clubs in your respective Districts, including the list of Clubs that have not submitted their 1 January 2007 SARs to RI to-date.

PHILIPPINES (ZONE 7B) ROTARY MEMBERSHIP AS OF 1 JANUARY 2007									
District	As of 1 January 2007			As of 1 July 2006		Net Change		% Net Change	
	Members	Clubs	% SAR Received	Members	Clubs	Members	Clubs	Members	Clubs
3770	1,374	56	48%	1,469	59	95	3	6.91%	-5.36%
3780	2,044	89	37%	1,959	81	85	8	4.16%	8.99%
3790	2,247	83	57%	2,208	80	39	3	1.74%	3.61%
3800	1,827	77	26%	1,728	75	99	2	5.42%	2.60%
3810	2,115	79	47%	2,166	83	51	4	2.41%	-5.06%
3820	2,581	104	62%	2,405	99	176	5	6.82%	4.91%
3830	2,106	76	55%	1,997	75	109	1	5.18%	1.32%
3850	1,291	53	49%	1,250	52	41	1	3.18%	1.89%
3860	2,319	95	62%	2,066	84	253	11	10.91%	11.58%
3870	915	38	58%	668	30	247	8	26.99%	21.05%
Total	18,819	750	50%	17,916	718	903	32	4.80%	4.27%
Note: Above Membership Figures are based on SARs received by RI as of 5 April 2007.									

Figure 1: Zone 7B Membership Figures as of 1 January 2007

PHILIPPINES (ZONE 7B): MOVEMENT OF CLUBS & MEMBERS AS OF 1 JANUARY 2007										
District	Rotary Clubs as of 1 Jan 07			Members as of 1 Jan 07			Net Change			
	New Clubs	Reinstated Clubs	Terminated Clubs	New Clubs	Reinstated Clubs	Terminated Clubs	Rotary Clubs	Members 1 Jan 07	Members 1 Jul 06	Members Total
3770	0	1	4	0	10	77	3	67	28	95
3780	0	8	0	0	119	0	8	119	34	85
3790	1	4	2	22	88	29	3	81	42	39
3800	1	1	0	39	27	0	2	66	33	99
3810	1	1	6	25	15	132	4	92	41	51
3820	0	7	2	0	123	24	5	99	77	176
3830	0	3	2	0	34	29	1	5	104	109
3850	1	1	1	27	17	20	1	24	17	41
3860	1	11	1	23	206	13	11	216	37	253
3870	1	7	0	43	146	0	8	189	58	247
Total	6	44	18	179	785	324	32	640	263	903

Figure 2: Movement of Clubs & Members as of 1 January 2007

The key indicators of our 1 January 2007 membership figures could be summarized as follows:

- 1) District 3820 remains as the biggest District in our region with 2,581 members and 104 Clubs, followed by District 3860 with 2,319 members and 95 Clubs. District 3790 is 3rd with 2,247 members and 83 Clubs, followed by District 3810 with 2,115 members and 79 Clubs.
- 2) District 3870 is our smallest District with 915 members and 38 Clubs, followed by District 3850 with 1,291 members and 53 Clubs.
- 3) The increase of 903 members is accounted as follows: 640 members coming from new and reinstated Clubs, after deducting those coming from terminated Clubs; and 263 from existing Clubs or Clubs active as of 1 July 2006 (start of RY 2006-2007).
- 4) Only six (6) new Clubs were organized since the start of this year, with 44 Clubs reinstated and 18 terminated as of 1 January 2007, amounting to a net gain of 32 Clubs for the period.
- 5) Districts 3770 (-95) and 3810 (-51) registered net loss of members, having lost 3 and 4 Clubs, respectively. D-3770 lost 67 members from terminated Clubs and 28 members from existing Clubs while D-3810's loss of 92 members from terminated Clubs was partially cushioned by a net gain of 41 members from existing Clubs.
- 6) District 3860 registered the highest gain in members (253), mainly due to the reinstatement of 11 Clubs and formation of 1 new Club (negated by termination of 1 Club). District 3870 had the 2nd highest membership gain (247) due to a net gain of 7 reinstated Clubs and 1 new Club (189) and a gain of 2 new members per existing Club.
- 7) District 3830 has the highest gain from existing Clubs (104 members), followed by District 3820 (77). Aside from D-3770, District 3790 (-42) and 3780 (-34) experienced loss from existing Clubs but were cushioned by gains from new and/or reinstated Clubs.

The above indicators show positive membership growth for our region. However, it is important that the 373 Clubs should submit their 1 January 2007 SARs to RI at the earliest time possible so that we can be assured of the correctness of these indicators. Please remind our Club Presidents and/or Club Secretaries to pay their 2nd Semester per capita dues now and submit the updated SAR and bank deposit copy to the Philippine Consulting Center office for proper receipting and transmittal to RI.

Through Rotary membership, we can discover dozens of opportunities:

- * Opportunities to establish close friendships with individuals around the world whom we would never have met, except through the magic of Rotary
- * Opportunities to enhance our lives and the lives of our families and friendships
- * Opportunities to share a common belief and philosophy of service without any thought of personal return.

MEMBERSHIP MOMENTS – APRIL 2007

Through the courtesy of:

PP HELAINE CAMPBELL

District 5130 Membership Chair, RY 2004-2006.

Week 40 April 1 – 7: April is Rotary Magazine Month. Do you know when the first issue of *The Rotarian* was printed? Calling itself *The National Rotarian*, the first issue was published in January 1911. It was to be a one-time publication but was so popular that it was unanimously endorsed during the Convention in August of that year. In September 1912, when Rotary went international, the name was changed to *The Rotarian*. Why not order a subscription for your local library? It is great public relations and gets the word out on what a great organization Rotary is. **Share the story of Rotary and you'll find new members!**

Week 41 April 8 – 14: Do you have a favorite picture taken at a Rotary event? Why not send it along to *The Rotarian* or the *Philippine Rotary Magazine*? Be proud to share your Rotary story with the Rotary world. *The Rotarian* and the *Philippine Rotary Magazine* have an array of articles that are club and business related and is a good place to pick up ideas that may work for your Club. **Share the story of your Club and your members!**

Week 42 April 15 – 21: What should we do with those interesting articles in *The Rotarian*? Pass them along to your fellow workers and family members. Consider giving them to your older children and grandchildren. It is good reading and comes from reliable and interesting sources. **Make *The Rotarian* available to many!**

Week 43 April 22 – 28: Have you hosted a new member education program? You can call it a fireside or barside chat or a new member assembly; make it a part of the induction process into your Club. Invite new and old members and their partners to an evening of Rotary education: highlight one or two Avenues of Service. Give them the in-depth knowledge that will make them want to stay in Rotary. **Educate and retain members!**

Week 44 April 29 – May 5: Do you know that members are required to attend at least 60% of Rotary meetings in each half of the year? 30% of those meetings are to be at the home Club. So if you miss a meeting, seek out and make up at another Rotary Club. You'll find new friends and interesting speakers. You may even get new ideas you can bring back to your Club. **Make ups can be fun and informational!**



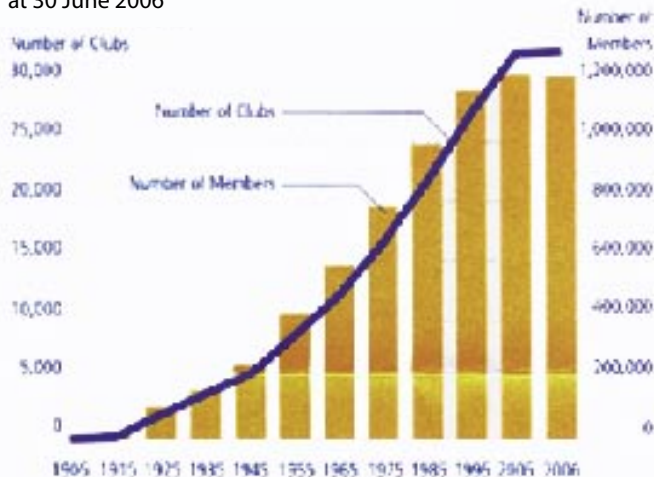
"I am also counting on all 2007-08 Rotary leaders to do their part in strengthening Rotary's membership. Along with the Directors, District Governors and other leaders, I am asking each of you to bring in at least one new member into Rotary and to encourage your members to do the same."

2007-08 RI Pres. Wilf Wilkinson, in his letter addressed to Club Presidents on the 2007-08 Presidential Citation.

Rotary FACTS

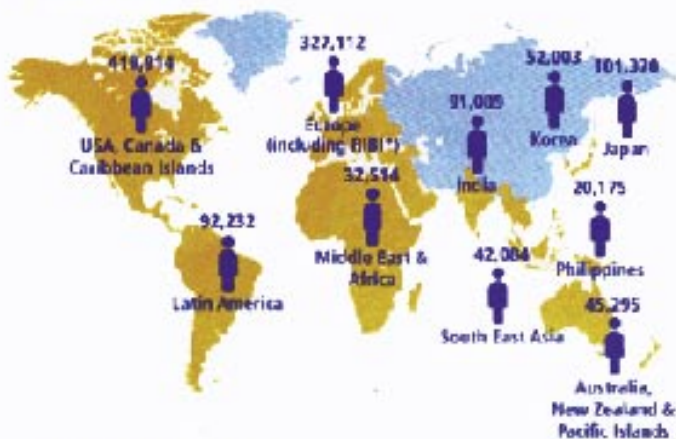
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP

at 30 June 2006



NUMBER OF MEMBERS IN REGIONAL VIEW

At 30 June 2006



AVERAGE CLUB SIZE

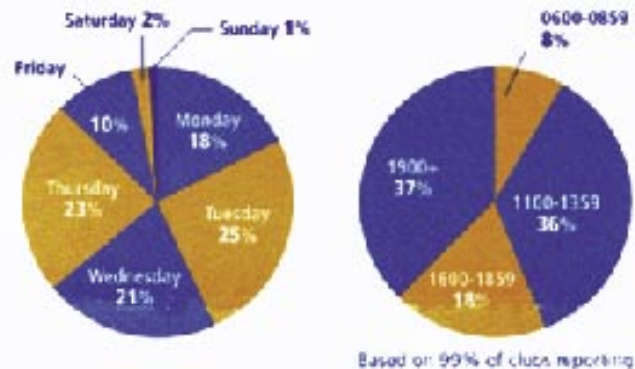
Based on the RI database in July 2006, the average Rotary club has 38 members (90.5% of clubs reporting).



^{*}RI in Great Britain & Ireland

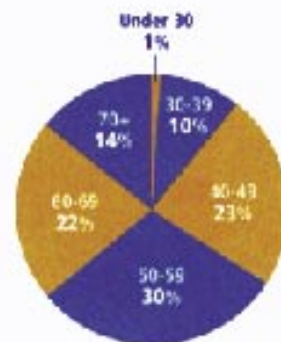
ROTARY CLUB MEETING DAYS AND TIMES

Based on data submitted by Rotary clubs for publication in the 2006-07 Official Directory.



MEMBER AGE

As reported by clubs in response to the 2006 RI Demographic Survey Worldwide, the largest age group of members is ages 50-59. 53% of members are 40-49 years of ages. Members 49 or younger make up 34% of membership worldwide.



- In summary, over the last 10 years, Rotary clubs have
 - * Undertaken approximately 1.8 million projects
 - * Worked approximately 253 million volunteer hours
 - * Spent between US\$5.7 and \$10 billion on service projects
 - * Results from service Project Survey conducted in the spring of 2005.
- Through Rotary's PolioPlus program, Rotarians have contributed more than \$650 million to the global polio eradication initiative, helping to reduce the incidence of polio by 99 percent.
- The Ambassadorial Scholarship program is the world's largest privately funded international scholarships program for university-level studies.
 - * Number of Scholarships awarded in 2005-06: 731
 - * Total scholarship dollars awarded in 2005-06: US\$14.9 million.

Congratulations!

LEAD THE WAY 2006-07 PRESIDENTIAL CITATION AWARDEES

Rotary Club of Antique
Rotary Club of Bacolod
Rotary Club of Bacolod Central
Rotary Club of Bacolod East
Rotary Club of Bacolod North
Rotary Club of Bacolod West
Rotary Club of Basilan City
Rotary Club of Boracay
Rotary Club of Central Iloilo City
Rotary Club of Dipolog
Rotary Club of Iloilo South
Rotary Club of Iloilo West
Rotary Club of Ipil Sibugay
Rotary Club of Jaro Centraline
Rotary Club of Kalibo
Rotary Club of Lapaz
Rotary Club of Metro Bacolod
Rotary Club of Metro Iloilo
Rotary Club of Metro Kalibo
Rotary Club of Metro Roxas
Rotary Club of Metro Zamboanga
Rotary Club of Midtown Iloilo
Rotary Club of Pagadian West
Rotary Club of Roxas
Rotary Club of Zamboanga City
Rotary Club of Zamboanga City Central
Rotary Club of Zamboanga City East
Rotary Club of Zamboanga City West

Search for 2007-2008 GSE Team

I am pleased to inform you that we are paired with RI D2710 (Yamaguchi and Hiroshima, Japan) for our Group Study Exchange Program for Rotary Year 2007-08. Our team will have a 35 days reception program from September 27 to October 31, 2007 in which they will participate and observe their vocation, have cultural experiences and share humanitarian projects.

RI D2710 has given a requirement outline for our outbound GSE Team. The Team Leader should be able to speak Japanese and preferably the four (4) members of the team.

I am inviting all qualified Rotarians in our district to apply as Team Leader. The screening will be on June 22, 2007 at 10:00 AM at the Business Inn, Bacolod City. The Team Leader application with an endorsement from his/her club should be sent directly to my office, 2F Rolis Arcade, La Salle Ave. Bacolod City, on or before June 20, 2007.

For the Team Members, clubs should send their nomination to their area GSE Coordinators for RY 2007-08 before June 16, 2007. Zone screening is scheduled simultaneously on June 16, 2007 in your own respective Zone. The District screening is scheduled on June 23, 2007 at 10:00 AM at Business Inn, Bacolod City. Each Zone is entitled to send one candidate.

The following are the area GSE Chairperson for RY 2007-08.

1. Northern Panay - PP Jun Oquendo
2. RC Metro Roxas Southern Panay
3. PP Ronnie Gabalda - RC Iloilo South
4. Negros Clubs - PP Rose Depra
5. RC Bacolod Central Northern Mindanao
6. PP Lindon Seediet - RC Dipolog
7. Southern Mindanao - PP JV Atilano III

PDG Ma. Victoria Nanette Garcia
Group Study Exchange Chairperson
RY 2007-08

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