



ROTARY CLUB OF CALBAYOG

District 3860

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PADG Mel Senen S. Sarmiento Incoming District Livelihood and Community Development Chair RY 2021-2022

DISTAS is primarily a preparatory event for new officers. Rotary is a voluntary organization, and leadership is a major challenge. Therefore, Leadership Training is critical. Having people who share the "how's" and the importance of starting with the "why's", and a sharing on life as a Rotarian is an excellent way to motivate new officers. It is also the place where the Incoming Governor can share her priorities when it comes to focus of service and targets. For this to happen, a Club Administration Training is provided as well.

Other than training, DISTAS is also a self-assessment mechanism on a club performance. By hearing best practices from our speakers, we are able to determine what a club does well and what needs to be improved. Given the need to adapt to the rapidly changing world we live in, our speakers were able to share new and innovative ways of making Rotary relevant in the 21st Century. Topics on Image Building, Foundation Funding Support and how to get a matching grant was very helpful. Rotary International's advice on reinventing the club is likewise very encouraging.

Indeed, Distas 2021 delivered the goods in order to ensure the success of RY 2021-2022.

# IAG Roni Obong Area 3A

The Virtual DISTAS 2021 became an avenue for all Rotarians to meet and share ideas, best practices and exemplary community works. It was well attended, thanks to modern technology.

The speakers were well-selected and well experienced. Their commitment and service to Rotary and the community inspire us all to continue to be of service to those who greatly need our support and help.

The best of luck to us all in the coming Rotary Year 2021-2022. With the leadership of IDG Anna Bumagat, I am sure it will be equally fulfilling and rewarding.

The Incoming Officers of the Rotary Club of Calbayog for Rotary Year 2021-2022 led by President-Elect Sandro Daguman attended the 4-day virtual DISTAS 2021 last April 23-24, 2021 and April 29-30,2021 via Zoom.

With PE Sandro were his officers who had a Hands on Training on what to expect in the coming RY including the Rotary Citation and District Goals. In addition, inspiring stories and commendable accomplishments were shared to inspire and motivate incoming officers. Hats off to the speakers for their genuine service and wholehearted commitment as Rotarians. Service Above Self is truly alive.

Also in attendance were District Economic and Community Development Chair PADG Mel Senen Sarmiento, Incoming Assistant Governor for Area 3A Ronaldo Obong and Samar and Leyte Area Editor for Governor's Monthly Letter Irene Pastrana-Obong.

Congratulations and the best of luck to all.

Thank you very much to DGE Anna Louisa Bumagat and her team for a well-planned and well-prepared Virtual DISTAS 2021.

# PE Sandro Daguman and IAS Ellery Daguman

One of the speakers, Dr. Tunji Funsho who is a Nigerian National Polio Plus Committee Chair and Past District Governor of Rotary District 9110 of the Rotary Club of Liki, Nigeria, talked about "Lets Go for Zero Polio". He is an activist and a leader for making Nigeria and Africa, Polio-Free.

I am amazed by his passion, dedication, innovation, and commitment that despite the challenges and obstacles he has had, he was able to lead the eradication of polio in his country; and it was officially announced last February 2020.

Getting funds was not easy, and getting the trust and support of the people was equally difficult. But his proven integrity and love for his countrymen earned him the love and admiration of all.

He is a leader by example worth emulating. A true inspiration to us Rotarians.

### PAG Isagani Togonon TRF Chair

Since I became a Rotarian in the 1990's, I have attended quite a number of DISTAS. And every time I do, I find that no matter how long you've been a Rotarian, there is always something new to learn. This year of course is no exception. Congratulations to the District Officers headed by DGE Anna Bumagat for a successful DISTAS 2021.





# Congratulations Rotary Club of Calbayog for successfully organizing the Rotary Community Corps of Manguinoo

and the Interact Club of Calbayog City High











The Rotary Club of Calbayog assisted in the Medical and Dental services conducted by the Local Government of Calbayog through the City Health Office. Thirty-three (33) patients had their teeth extracted; while eighteen (18) had availed the medical services provided by the team of Dr Richard Alovera who is a medical practitioner by profession, and is an active officer of the Rotary Club of Calbayog.

The activity held at Migara Health Center last April 28,2021 is in line with Rotary International's Area of Focus: Disease Prevention and Treatment.













Five (5) students from Calbayog City National High School (CCNHS) joined almost a hundred participants from all over Rotary District 3860 in the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) Virtual Leadership Training last April 09,2021. Dr. Calick D. Arieta, CCNHS Principal, handpicked Student Supreme Government (SSG) President Francis Ivan Panimdim, SSG Vice-President Clintwest Autida, SSG Secretary Patricia Labian, SSG Treasurer Madiosa Saquing and YES-O President Claire Baculpo to attend the District-Wide Leadership Training. The Rotary Club of Calbayog then endorsed the five student leaders to Rotary District 3860 after they had submitted their requirements.

The first ever virtual RYLA was a new experience for the five participants as they were able to actively participate in a series of activities including the Virtual Meet and Greet, Virtual RYLArians Got Talent, Tree Planting Activity, and the Leadership Training itself, where all participants learned to develop and advance their skills in Leadership. The participants were also given the opportunity to connect to other young leaders and share values and experiences. Rotary Club of Calbayog Youth Committee Chair Marilyn Quiambao was also in attendance.

Thank you Dr Calick Arieta for the trust. Congratulations to our RYLArians. The Rotary Club of Calbayog is proud of you.







# **Regular Meeting:**

Transforming President Vivian Jumagdao called a meeting via Zoom last April 17,2021 to discuss programs and activities which have not yet been implemented due to restrictions imposed by the local IATF brought about by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Also discussed in the meeting were new proposals to be forwarded to the BOD for approval.

The RYLAnians from Calbayog City National High School were also invited to thank them for their active participation in RYLA 2021 Leadership Training.

President Vivian Jumagdao announced the Rotary Club of Calbayog's plan to organize an Interact Club in CCNHS with the help and support of Dr Calick Arieta and the RYLAnians.

PE Sandro Daguman and Youth Committee Chair, Rotarian Marilyn Quiambao will facilitate the organizing. Thank you fellow Rotarians for your untiring service to the club and to the community.







# ORGANIZING A SCHOOL-BASED INTERACT CLUB

Rotary Club of Calbayog Youth Committee Chair Marilyn Quiambao and Club Secretary Irene Pastrana-Obong, together with Rotaract Club of Ibatan-Calbayog President Warren Yabao, met with Calbayog City National High School (CCNHS) School Principal Dr. Calick Arieta and RYLA 2021 participants today, April 28,2021, to discuss details of the proposed plan of the Rotary Club of Calbayog to organize a school-based Interact Club in CCNHS.

It was also discussed that while the application is on process, the members shall get the ball rolling by planning activities to include orientation and installation of members, and induction of officers. In addition, activities in line with the Youth Service Month observed by Rotary International every May of the Rotary Year, will also be considered.









