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# 8th General Membership Meeting

Virtual Meeting | September 20, 2021

Area of Focus: Basic Education and Literacy Month

### **Programme**

#### PART 1

Invocation Audio Visual Presentation Philippine Anthem......Audio Visual Presentation

The Rotary Hymn......Audio Visual Presentation Four Way Test and Objects of Rotary.....Audio Visual Presentation

Introduction of Rotarians / Spouses

Visiting Rotarians/Rotaractors/Guest

#### PART 2

Introduction of Guest Speaker......Pres. Bernardino Amago IV Topic: Education in the Digital Age

## Open Forum

PART 3

Secretary's Report.....Sec. Jomar Ponce Treasurer's Report.....Treas. Jun Torres

Director's Report

President's Time......Pres. Bernardino Amago IV

Other matters

## ...Fellowship Continues...





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#### INVOCATION

Help us, dear Father, to be cheerful givers of our time, means, talents, and self to you, and use us in the up-building of your kingdom. We give thanks, O Father, that through our tithes and offerings you give us an opportunity to illuminate the dimness of the future and to glorify our present life with the Word of him who is the light of the world. Amen.



#### **Quote for the Week**

"Happiness is not something you postpone for the future; it is something you design for the present." - Jim Rohn





# President's Message















Dear RCCF Family,

I hope this finds you in the best of health!

The month of September always reminds us on the difference that education can bring into our lives. As we wave the banner of Basic Education and Literacy, let us look into thechanges enforced by the digital age in our system of education.

It is now beyond dispute that the COVID-19 pandemic has brought on the new normal, but varied approaches in pedagogy and facilitation were long innovated with the advancement in technology. So let us once again experience the joy of learning and relearning about education and how it can change lives.

Thanks and best regards,







# From Secretary's Desk

JOSE MARIE PONCE Secretary, RY 2021 - 2022

## Attendance

ROTARY ID#	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	5th 08/23	6th 08/30	7th 09/06	8th 09/20	Perfect Attendance
6726464	Abad	Jose Alfonso			✓		
6581939	Abarintos	Conrado	✓		✓		
8794289	Abay-Abay	Emman Reyan	✓	✓	✓		
9330462	Amago IV	Atty. Bernardino	✓	✓	✓		
6218949	Amores	Maricel	<b>√</b>	✓	<b>√</b>		
	Amores	Atty. Ernesto Miguel			<b>√</b>		
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#### **BIRTHDAYS**

September 10 Gingging Lomanta September 20 PP Sol Pasion September 25 Inday Rimaz

#### WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

September 01 September 08

PP Rogelio & Rosa Filipino September 08 PP Julio & Alicia Gonzalez

Sec. Jomar & Daryl Ponce

Atty. Sydrick & Yeni Deiparine September 20







GREETINGS, MY DEAR CHANGEMAKERS,

am sure you are having an enriching experience as you Serve to Change Lives. One of the ways you can make the greatest change in a person's life is to help them learn to read. Literacy opens up the world to us. It makes us better informed about life in our own communities and opens vistas to other cultures. Reading and writing connects people and gives us another way to express our love for one another.

September is Basic Education and Literacy Month in Rotary. Enhancing literacy skills is critical in our pursuit of reducing poverty, improving health, and promoting peace. In fact, if all students in low-income countries left school with basic reading skills, it would result in a significant cut in global poverty rates.

Without education, illiterate children become illiterate adults. Today, 14 percent of the world's adult population — 762 million people — lack basic reading and writing skills. Two-thirds of that group are women. Literacy and numeracy skills are essential to obtaining better housing, health care, and jobs over a lifetime.

Especially for girls and women, literacy can be a lifeor-death issue. If all girls completed their primary education, there would be far fewer maternal deaths. And a child is more likely to survive past age 5 if he or she is born to a mother who can read. Improving outcomes for more people worldwide is possible only if countries remove barriers to education for girls. The economic argument for doing so is clear: In some countries where schooling is geared toward boys, the cost of missed economic opportunity is more than \$1 billion per year.

Empowering people through education is among the boldest goals we have as Rotarians. We don't have to travel far from our homes to encounter those whose lives are being curtailed because they struggle with reading, rely on others to read for them, or cannot write anything more than their own name.

Starting this month, consider how your club can Serve to Change Lives through literacy: Support local organizations that offer free programs to support adult literacy or local language learning, or that provide teachers with professional development centered around reading and writing. Become literacy mentors, or work with an organization like the Global Partnership for Education to increase learning opportunities for children around the world. Have conversations with local schools and libraries to see how your club can support their existing programs or help create needed ones in your community.

In India, the TEACH program, a successful collaboration between the country's Rotary clubs and its government, has demonstrated how to scale up literacy efforts to reach millions of children. And at a time when schools across India were closed due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the program's e-learning component reached more than 100 million children through national television.

Literacy is the first step out of poverty. As Nobel laureate Malala Yousafzai has noted, "One child, one teacher, one book, and one pen can change the world."

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## TRUSTEE CHAIR'S MESSAGE

## If you can dream it, you can do it

Malala Yousafzai is a young Pakistani activist for the education of girls and women. As a teenager, Malala, whom the world knows by her first name, courageously spoke out for the rights of girls to learn. Extremists in her country disagreed with

Malala, and she was shot by a Taliban gun-

man on her way home from school.

But the attack didn't dissuade her: it made her more determined. As soon as she recuperated, she resumed her mission of education activism. Today the Malala Fund supports education through projects around the world.

Not only is Malala an inspiration for Rotary members, we also have some commonalities: a drive to do what is right, a passion for literacy, and the power to transform dreams into reality.

One of my life mottos is: If you can dream it, you can do it. This applies to everything Rotarians do, particularly with The Rotary Foundation. We literally make our dreams happen.

Like Malala, we know that literacy is, for many, the first step out of poverty. To put our vision into action, we first understand a community and the unique problems of its members, and then form a partnership with them. Next we join forces with others - exchanging ideas with clubs in other districts, and working with people and organizations outside of Rotary.

Our solution, in the form of a district grant or global grant, will be tailored for that community. And if it's a Rotary grant, you can bet it will be well-planned, strategic, and most of all, sustainable. We want that gift of literacy to not be a one-time book donation but a plan to transform a community over time.

Over the years, I have seen countless literacy efforts in Rotary, from national programs to local projects. When the global COVID-19 pandemic hit last year, many clubs took action to help communities adjust to online schooling, including providing laptop computers. Rotary's solutions are endless, our volunteers tireless. And if I know Rotarians. I know that more solutions are being created as I write these words.

Rotary's passion for literacy and education projects is well-known. So is our commitment to make them happen. You, through Rotary, are a big part of helping people take their first step out of illiteracy, out of poverty, and into something much better. Remember, if you can dream it, you can do it - just like Malala.

JOHN F. GERN

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# **SERVICE ABOVE SELF**

### 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, business, and community life:

Fourth The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

## THE FOUR-WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say, or do:

- 1. Is it the truth?
- 2. Is it fair to all concerned?
- 3. Will it build goodwill and better friendships?
- 4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

## ROTARIAN CODE OF CONDUCT

The following code of conduct has been adopted for the use of Rotarians: 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
- 5. Help maintain a harassment-free environment in Rotary meetings, events, and activities, report any suspected harassment, and help ensure non-retaliation to those individuals that report harassment.



# Speaker's Profile



#### JOAN J. SARAUSOS-LARGO

Ms. Largo is a graduate of Bachelor of Arts Major in Political Science under full State scholarship and as Class Valedictorian and Magna Cum Laude of Batch 1995 from University of San Carlos (USC), Asia's oldest educational institution in the heart of Central Philippines. During her college days, she was awarded Best Debater and Best Speaker in various debates in and out of Cebu City. She was likewise named one of the Outstanding Graduates of the said university and the Most Outstanding Political Science Major in 1995.

After college, Ms. Largo took up her law studies in the same university under full scholarship from R. H. Goipeng Foundation. While a law student, she worked full-time as legal researcher of Florido & Associates Law Offices (later renamed Florido & Largo Law Office). She graduated Cum Laude and Valedictorian of her Law Class in 1999. She passed the Bar Examinations given in the same year with a general weighted average grade of 84.95% where the national passing percentage was only sixteen (16%), the lowest in the history of Bar Examinations.

At age 28, she was appointed Assistant to the Dean of her Alma Mater's College of Law. In 2006, she was sent to Sweden as an exchange professor at the Department of Law of Stockholm University where she lectured on Powers and Structure of Philippine Government.

In May, 2007, Ms. Largo obtained her second Master of Laws degree from San Beda College Graduate School of Law, and graduated Cum Laude. For the said course, she wrote her first law book, Laws and Jurisprudence on Torts and Damages, now published by Rex Bookstore, Inc. In October 2007, she obtained training at Georgetown Law Center in Washington, DC with her attendance at its Academy of WTO Law and Policy. She is currently pursuing her Doctor of the Science of Jurisprudence (SJD) degree. In June 2008, Ms. Largo joined the U.S. Department of State- sponsored training on Civic Participation in Northern Illinois University in DeKalb, Illinois.

In June 2012, she was named the 8th Dean of USC College of Law, now known as USC School of Law and Governance. She became the first lady Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs of the University of San Carlos, a position she holds at present. She is the likewise the Managing Partner of the Cebu Office of Romulo Mabanta Buenventure Sayoc & de los Angeles Law Firm.

Ms. Largo was born on November 24, 1974 to a public school teacher and a farmer in Hinatuan, Surigao del Sur. She is happily married to Atty. Daryl Bretch M. Largo. They have a ten-year-old daughter, Marie Adrienne.

# **Rotary Info**

**FOUR QUESTIONS** 

## **Alumni** committees

### A district alumni committee chair gives advice on engaging past program participants



I went to France on a Group Study Exchange and became a Rotarian after I returned. Rotary alumni - who include past participants in Rotaract, vocational training teams (VTTs), Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA), Youth Exchange, peace fellowships, and other programs — have the potential to do something fantastic, but only a small percentage of them become Rotarians. Losing so many of our alums is a tragedy; consider everything that Rotary has invested in these people, myself included, and everything they've gained from their experience leadership training, cultural competence, language ability, vocational skills. I want to change that attrition; it's one of the reasons I wanted to serve as alumni committee chair.

The Rotary Alumni Global Service Award honors one exemplary alumnus every year. You nominated Elaine Hernandez, who won the award in 2019-20. How did that come about?

I was on Rotary's website looking for some information related to my committee work and I came across a description of the award. I learned that any Rotarian could nominate someone. It's not necessary to be an alum or a member of a committee. It said the recipient should be someone who has distinguished themselves in their profession and performed great amounts of service locally and internationally. I immediately thought of Elaine - she met all the criteria. She had studied in Mexico with the Youth Exchange program in 1970-71. (Read more about Hernandez's career and service in Rotary in the December 2020 issue of this magazine.) When we submitted Elaine's nomination and she won, we were so proud, we were busting buttons.



The award brings so much satisfaction to your club and district, and it highlights the value that alumni bring to the organization. Elaine truly exemplifies the tenets of Rotary, and she's a great example to the rest of us.

What kind of work do district alumni committees do?

We go out and find alumni and try to get them plugged into where they may belong in Rotary. Maybe they were not ready to become a club member back then, but they could be ready now. It can be a challenge because many of the email addresses we have for alumni are old. We're trying to get clubs involved in updating their contact information, and we're also working on building a larger database so we have a centralized location where clubs can input information on their alumni. I have a lot of support from our district governor, the membership chair, and the Rotary Foundation team in our district. Everybody is on the lookout for alumni now.

What's your advice for clubs and districts that want to engage local alumni?

We have found success in holding what Rotary calls "reconnects." These gatherings involve inviting all of your known alumni to a reunion at which they can share their stories. We hold one in the fall and one in the spring at different locations in our district. During the pandemic, we're doing it online through Zoom. We're finding that more people will attend the virtual events than the in-person ones. We would have maybe four people show up at a restaurant, but that's how we found our core alumni group, who are now reaching out to others. For the online event, we livestreamed it on Facebook and we had a whole bunch of people. We also have an alumni page on Facebook. - PAUL ENGLEMAN



# September 2021 Events

## September events



#### **Event:**

Cruising Downtown

Rotary Club of Manchester, New Hampshire

#### What it benefits:

Local youth programs

#### What it is:

This car show features everything from lovingly maintained vintage automobiles to customized hot rods. Awards are given in a variety of categories; enjoy live entertainment and browse food and other vendors while rooting for your favorite cars.



#### HATS OFF TO HEROES

#### Event:

Field of Honor

#### Host:

Rotary Club of Forest, Virginia

#### What it benefits:

Community projects

#### What it is:

A thousand U.S. flags will flutter in a grassy field to honor members of the military as well as first responders and health care workers who have served on the front lines of the COVID-19 pandemic. The event kicks off with an opening ceremony on 5 September. "Taps" will be played nightly, and a special memorial service will take place on 11 September.



#### **CONCERT FOR A CAUSE**

#### Event:

Rivertown Live

#### Host:

Rotary Club of Hastings Area, Minnesota

#### What it benefits:

Local projects

#### What it is:

Lovers of live music will be in heaven during a day of tunes from a variety of artists. The two stages overlook the Mississippi River, and a variety of food and beverage trucks will be on hand, so bring your appetite.

#### Event:

Loop de Loop 5K/10K/half marathon run/walk

#### Host:

Rotary Club of Decorah, Iowa

#### What it benefits:

Local projects and charities

#### What it is:

The half-marathon route will take participants along the upper Iowa River; through wooded areas; past cornfields, a dairy farm, and a trout hatchery; and close to the nesting site of the famous Decorah bald eagles. The 5K and 10K routes will treat runners to a variety of Decorah sights as well.



#### **WOOHOO! LET'S RIDE!**

#### Event:

Woohoomanity Challenge at the Denver Century Ride

#### Host:

Rotary clubs of District 5450 (Colorado)

#### What it benefits:

Local projects

#### What it is:

Taking advantage of the Charitable Affiliate program of the Denver Century Ride, bicyclists who choose to take the Woohoomanity Challenge use their ride to fundraise for their club. Then they just have to tackle 100 miles with a hardcore climb up Lookout Mountain (riders can also choose 25-, 50-, and 85-mile options). Woohoo, time to climb!





# **Polio Citations & Awards** RY 2021 - 2022

- a.) 20% DDF to Polio \$1500 per club
- b.) Regional Awards for individuals
  - > \$1000 up \$9999 recognition Pin
  - > \$10000 up \$49999 recognition Pin and Plaque
  - > \$50000 up recognition pin and plague
- c.) District Awards (District Governors Discretion)
  - Polio Plus **Society Pin**



The PolioPlus Society is a District program to promote individual giving to PolioPlus. Members of the Society agree to give \$100 per year toward polio eradication until polio is wiped out of the world.

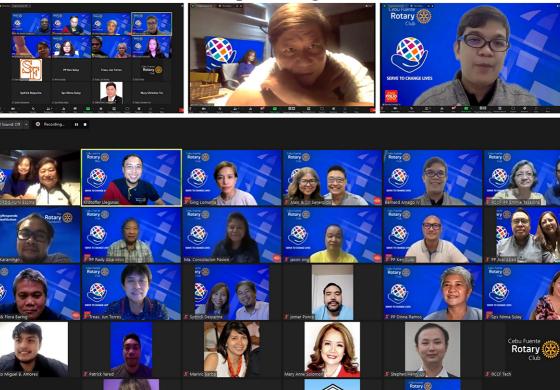


- > 100% All members giving at least \$10 to polio giving club (Like EREY)
- Minimum Donation Club amount required by district
- > Early Birds (July)
- Special Events Donation of at least \$10
  - RI Pres. Shekhar Mehtah's Birthday on October 2021
  - Trustee Chair PRIP John Germ's Birthday on November 2021
  - District Governor's Birthday
  - Rotary's 117th Birthday (February 23, 2022)



## From RCCF Album

### 09-06-2021 7th RCCF GMM (Virtual) RY 2021 - 2022 **Spouse Night**



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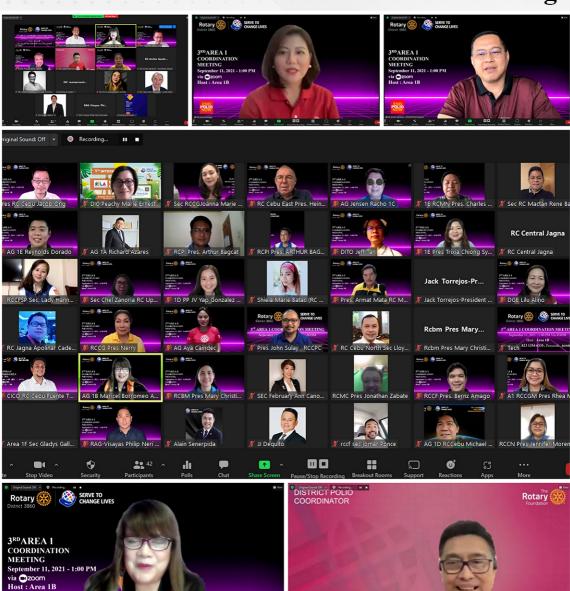






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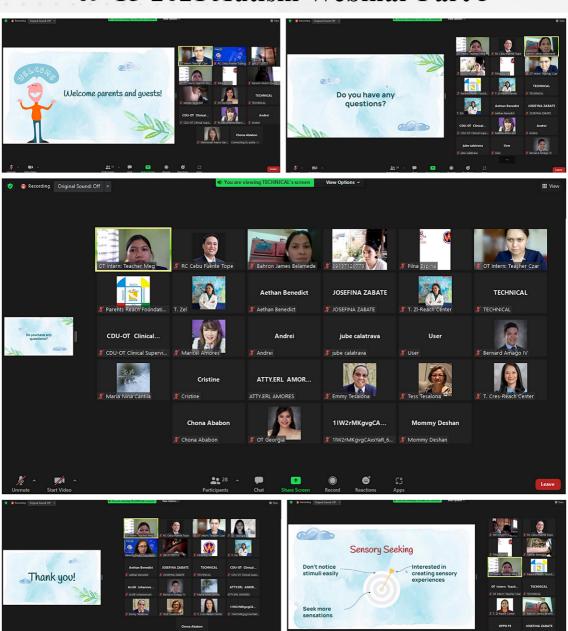
## 09-11-2021 3rd Area 1 Coordination Meeting





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## 09-15-2021 Autism Webinar Part 3

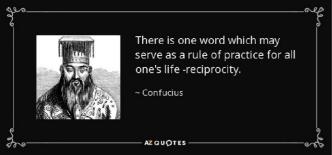




## A Dose of Positive Thoughts



eciprocity is a principle with human beings: if you give something valued by the other person, you can expect to receive something of value in return. Harmony is not just the absence of conflict, it is the effective charisma of the competence for love and benevolence, and reciprocity.



It is a cognizance that our existences are not to be dwelt simply for ourselves through articulating our individualism, but we authenticate the commitment of our lives. It is the resolution of self-expression of our shared sense of kinship in order to sustain our lives and the lives of others.

In the throes of this pandemic, a new mental model of how to process your agenda in life is through a boundary-less, or at least, a less hierarchical structure because by then it requires minimal control but more influential value which is the byproduct of reciprocity.



There is truth with what David Blunkett said, "Reciprocity helps us balance the need for self-determination and creative individuality with mutual hope and, therefore, what might be described as 'solidarity".



## **Health News**



# World Health Organization Representative Office the Philippines ### AHHA9 michan ### AHHA9 michan ### BAHHA9 michan ### BAHA9 mi

Guide for Home Care and Referral of COVID-19 Patients

"How can I safely care for people with COVID-19 at home?"



Choose a well ventilated room in your house that can be used to separate sick household members from others. No separate room? Use sheets to divide off an area for the sick person



Decide which bathroom the sick person will use - if possible, a separate one from others. If you only have one bathroom, carefully clean it right after the sick person uses it



Remember to monitor their symptoms Those who are sick should stay hydrated and should eat healthy foods.



Warning signs include trouble breathing, persistent pain in the chest, confusion, and an inability to stay awake.



Identify family members who will care for the sick person they should be under 50 years old, healthy with no underlying medical conditions.



It is important that their room be well ventilated. Open the window to let in fresh clean air.



Caregivers should stay home, track their own health and stay vigilant about warning in from the sick person. Take the sick person to to the hospital straight away if they show any warning signs.



If they show these warning signs contact the BHERT or OHCC hotline at 0919 977 3333 or 0915 777 7777 or (02) 886 505 00







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# ORATIO IMPERATA: PRAYER AGAINST COVID-19 or 2019 CORONA VIRUS DISEASE

Merciful and compassionate Father, we come to you in our need to seek your protection against the COVID 19 virus that has disturbed and even claimed lives.

We ask you now to look upon us with love and by your healing hand, dispel the fear of sickness and death,

restore our hope, and strengthen our faith.

We pray that you guide the people tasked to find cures for this disease

and to stem its transmission. We thank you for the vaccines developed made possible by your guiding hands.

Bless our efforts to use these vaccines to end the pandemic in our country.

We pray for our health workers that they may minister to the sick with competence and compassion. strength in their commitment,

protection from the disease. We pray for those afflicted.

May they be restored to health.

Protect those who care for them.

Grant eternal rest to those who have died.

Give us the grace in these trying times to work for the good of all

and to help those in need.

May our concern and compassion for each other see us through this crisis

and lead us to conversion and holiness.

Grant all these through our Lord Jesus Christ your Son

who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. Amen.

We fly to Your protection, O Holy Mother of God. Do not despise our petition in our necessities,

but deliver us always from all dangers, O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.

Our Lady, health of the sick, pray for us.

Our Lady, health of the sick, pray for us. St. Joseph, pray for us.

St. Raphael the Archangel, pray for us.

San Roque, pray for us.

San Lorenzo Ruiz, pray for us San Pedro Calungsod, pray for us.





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# Rotaract (

# Rotaract Corner

#### AWARD WINNERS

### **Rotaract** projects take honors

The winners of the 2020-21 Rotaract Outstanding Project Awards were announced in April and celebrated during the virtual Rotaract Preconvention in June. Rotaract clubs and districts in 63 countries nominated a record 675 service projects, which were evaluated by RI staff and Rotaract Committee members on criteria including sustainability, community assessment, promotion, impact within Rotary's areas of focus, involvement of multiple Rotaract clubs, and collaboration with Rotarians and local experts. Two projects were chosen as international awardees and six as regional awardees.

For more than 25 years, the Rotaract Outstanding Project Awards program has been an opportunity for Rotaract clubs to share their success with the global Rotary community and to inspire other clubs to develop sustainable and innovative projects. Because the nomination form is modeled after The Rotary Foundation's global grant application, the process also helps prepare Rotaract clubs to apply for global grants, which they will be allowed to do starting 1 July. Learn more about Rotaract at rotary.org/rotaract.

#### INTERNATIONAL AWARD RECIPIENTS

Single club: Rotaract Club of University of Moratuwa, Sri Lanka, for creating and sustaining Sri Lanka's largest educational audiobook library, as well as designing audio-based vocational training lessons to benefit visually impaired students.

Multiclub: Rotaract clubs in Southeast Asia for their You Are Not Alone mental health initiative, which reached more than 50,000 people with an approach that included local outreach and virtual educational workshops on suicide, cyberbullying, trauma, and depression.





▲ Top: An association of women farmers in the Philippines received hands-on training in hydroponic gardening from members of the Rotaract Club of Zamboanga City West. Bottom: Rotaractors in Southeast Asia created digital posters to spread awareness of their multiclub mental health initiative.

#### REGIONAL AWARD RECIPIENTS

Africa: Rotaract Club of Kololo, Uganda, for empowering women from five communities by donating sewing machines, providing financial training, and creating an investment club to pool resources and savings.

Asia-Pacific: Rotaract Club of Zamboanga City West, Philippines, for a project that introduced hydroponic gardening to an association of women farmers to help them increase their food security and generate income.

Canada, Caribbean, and United States: Rotaract Club of Tortola, British Virgin Islands, for helping install in a local park an artificial tree that uses solar power to charge electronic devices, raising awareness of the benefits of alternative energy.

Central Asia, Europe, and Middle East: Rotaract Club of Tunis-Ennasr, Tunisia, for leading a nine-club project that collected donations of hair in order to provide customized wigs to children undergoing chemotherapy. In the process, the clubs highlighted the psychological impact of cancer and combated cultural myths about hair.

Latin America: Rotaract Club of Itabuna Universitários, Brazil, for supporting a neighborhood that had no access to drinking water or basic sanitation by distributing ceramic filters, educating residents about water treatment methods, and getting public health authorities involved.

South Asia: Rotaract Club of Islamabad, Bangladesh, for Project Beacon, in which members renovated a Rotary-sponsored school and provided tutoring, guidance, and educational materials to students facing challenges during the COVID-19 pandemic.

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