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THE 4-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?

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.

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 individual that report harassment.

THE HISTORY OF OUR CLUB

Our existence as a new club is rather swift but long in preparation, expeditious but not impulsive. We loosely met somewhere in June 2010 as old fellas trying to rekindle the flames of camaraderie and bonding. Like old shoes that fit easily, we jelled well and got serious in our intention of putting up a club in the months that followed.

We submitted our documents for application in Mid-October of 2010 and then paid our registration fees on the 5th of November 2010. While waiting, at least for of our prospective members were asked at random by the Rotary International just to gauge whether we are able, willing, and ready to be recognized as a club.

On the 4th of December 2010, we learned that our club got the resounding approval effective 26th day of November 2010 by the Rotary International which made us jubilant and awed. In six months, more or less, we were hatched as a new club ready to take the challenge.

Our existence likewise is sort of paradoxical. We are young but not neophytes. On the other hand, we are mature enough but not that old. We are simply as old a our fears before, and now we are young as our hopes.

Like the Phoenix, we have just risen from the ashes of our past and now we are born again. Like a seed that has fallen on the ground and died, we have now germinated and started to welcome the sun. Like the lyrics of the song rendered in a rephrased manner, we have just shed our leaves in winter only to make them grow back in spring. Like a ball, we have hit the bottom and now we are bouncing back again.

We may profound that just like a butterfly, we have metamorphosed and emerged from the cocoon as a new ROT RY CLUB OF creation and it dawned on us - as if during the 6th day of God's creation that we found ourselves complete in our complementation and it was very good.

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We come a long way and we intend to continue via a brand new start, believing that we have promises to keep and miles to go in order for us to continue fulfilling our mission to the lest of our brethren. And continue we shall, considering that "They profit who serve best."



RYAN C. PULLEROS President Editor-in-Chief



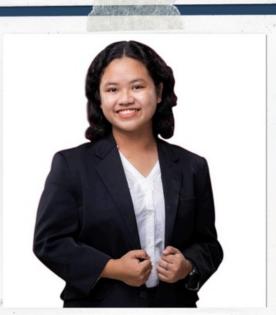
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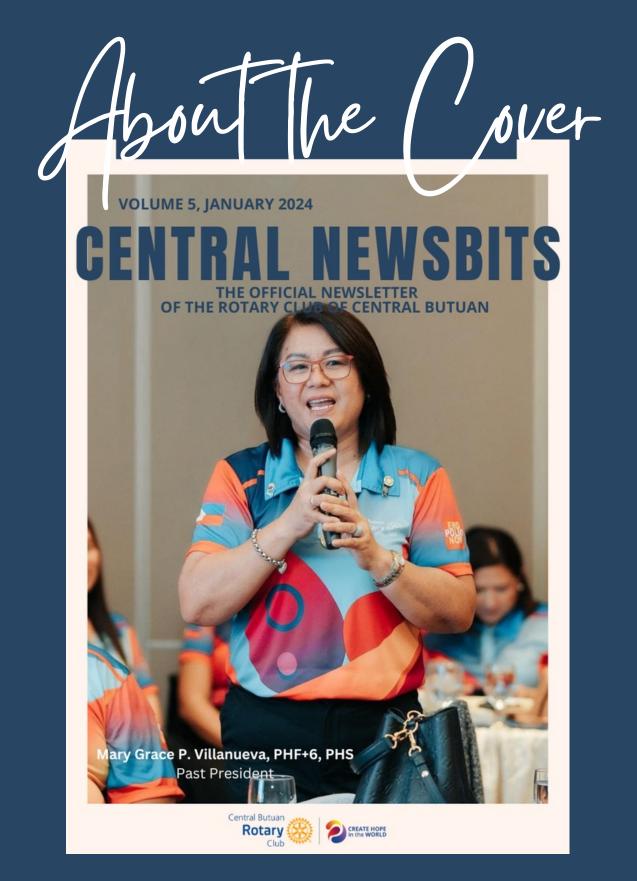
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PP Grace is best described as powerful beyond measure. A woman leader with strength in simplicity.

Past President Mary Grace P. Villanueva, PHF+6, PHS; Life-changing President; Club TRF Chair; member since RY 2016.

"By continuing what we do best, by remaining open and willing to change, and by keeping our focus on building peace in the world and within ourselves, Rotary helps create a more peaceful world — a more hopeful world."

R. Gordon R. McInally Rotary International President RY 2023-2024





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MESSAGE FROM THE CLUB PRESIDENT

Dear Rotary Club of Central Butuan Family,

As we bid farewell to another year and embark upon a new chapter, it is with great joy and gratitude that I address our beloved Rotary Club family. Throughout the years, we have grown not only as a service organization but also as a tight-knit community bonded by values and a shared vision for a better tomorrow.

The sense of family and camaraderie within our club has been the cornerstone of our success. We have stood by each other's side, supported one another's dreams, and celebrated countless achievements together. In times of triumph and tribulation, we have found solace in the unwavering solidarity of our Rotary family.

As we step into the New Year, let us remain steadfast in upholding the core values that define who we are as Rotarians. Our commitment to service, integrity, and collaboration has been the driving force behind the transformative initiatives we have undertaken. It is this unwavering dedication that has positioned our club as a beacon of hope in the hearts of the community we serve.

Despite the challenges that have befallen us, we have never faltered in our duty to make a positive impact. From supporting education in underserved areas to providing vital healthcare assistance, our club has been a true embodiment of selfless service and compassion. Let us continue to be at the forefront of change, reaching out to those in need and constantly seeking new avenues to better the lives of the less fortunate.

In the coming year, let our unity grow stronger, our service expand further, and our impact resound louder. Together, we have the power to create a ripple effect that can uplift and transform countless lives. With every smile we bring, every child we educate, and every person we empower, we reaffirm the relevance and purpose of Rotary in our community.

As we celebrate the dawning of a new year, let us embrace it with renewed vigor, enthusiasm, and an unwavering commitment to our shared goals. Together, we can make a difference, not only in our community but also in the lives of those who depend on us.

Thank you for being a part of this incredible journey and for your unyielding dedication to our Rotary family. Here's to a year filled with boundless opportunities, memorable experiences, and the fulfillment that comes with serving others. Together, let us continue to be the heart and soul of Rotary Club of Central Butuan, shaping a brighter future for all.

Yours in service,

Pres. Ryan C. Pulleros, PHF+1, PHS Club President Rotary Club of Central Butuan



The happiest people don't have the best of everything, they just make the best of everything.



Rotary International President-elect Stephanie Urchick announced that the 2024-25 presidential theme is The Magic of Rotary and called on members to recognize and amplify the organization's power to save lives.

"Don't misunderstand me – we are not going to end polio or bring peace to the world by waving a wand and saying some funny words," Urchick told incoming district governors at the Rotary International Assembly on 8 January. "It's up to you. You create the magic with every project completed, every dollar donated, and every new member."





How can you support mental health and well-being? Here are some tips.

STRIVE TO

Invest in intentional, meaningful relationships that build a sense of belonging.

Learn the signs and symptoms of mental illness to increase your own knowledge and help you raise awareness.

Discuss the importance of self-care and share examples that may resonate with others. Use wording that challenges stereotypes or myths and makes it clear that mental health issues are only one part of who someone is.

Learn what professional mental health resources are available in your area or nation and share them as appropriate.

Be an active listener. Give people your full attention and be aware of your body language. For example, try to sit up straight and make eye contact. Acknowledge what the person is telling you.

Validate what people say and be empathetic. This could mean saying, "I appreciate that you are sharing this with me" or "It must have been difficult to talk about this."

Ask open-ended questions, such as, "What was that like for you?" or "How did that make you feel?" Doing so gives people an opportunity to share without judgment.

Use appropriate language that focuses on the person, not the mental health issue. For example, say, "She has depression" rather than "She's depressed." Use evidence-based wording in line with professional practice.

Be a mental health ally. In this role, you can support someone and offer resources or direct the person to professionals as appropriate.

Find out more in the Prioritizing Mental Health brochure, which has information about Rotary International President Gordon McInally's mental health initiative and ideas for how your club and district can get involved. Download it at **rotary.org/initiatives23-24.**

AVOID

Trying to have a conversation about a difficult topic in a space that doesn't offer privacy.

Dismissing mentions of uneasiness or sadness. Instead, use them as opportunities to engage in further discussion.

Advising a specific intervention or solution when you discuss a mental health issue. Leave this to professionals with expertise.

Offering unsolicited advice, no matter how well-intended. Someone might want to share without seeking solutions.

Engaging in comparisons. Sharing personal experiences can be a powerful way to connect, but everyone's situation is different. Make sure to recognize the other person's experience.

Minimizing what someone is experiencing by using language such as, "It could always be worse" or something similar.

Invalidating the feelings that someone shares with you, such as by saying, "You're overreacting" or "You'll be fine."

Using language that labels or stigmatizes someone, such as describing people or situations as "crazy" or "insane."

Trying to fix everything for someone who confides in you or asks for support. Seek out resources and be an ally for the person.





WE CELEBRATE DIVERSITY



DEPED BUTUAN CITY DIVISION'S STAKEHOLDERS RECOGNITION

Congratulations to <u>Rotary Club of Central Butuan</u> headed by Hope-creating President Ryan Pulleros for being awarded by the Department of Education-Butuan City Division's Sustained Partner Award last January 19, 2024 at LMX Convention Center, Butuan City.

Together with Pres. Ryan in receiving the prestigious award were PAG Ricky Andres, AG Ryan Yap, Rtn. Ande Baulete with spouse Faith, and Rac. Jefferson Andres. Mabuhay ang <u>Rotary Club of Central Butuan</u>!



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