

# Sarangani NEWSWAVES

Club Bulletin of the Rotary Club of General Santos City Club No. 17116, Area 3F Chartered to RI March 3, 1958









## **AREA 3F GENERAL SANTOS CITY** Club No. 17116 Date Chartered: March 3, 1958



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#### **NEW MEMBERS FOR RY 2020-2021**



FREDERICK YAP



**JOE ALFONSO LIM** 



RAIN RAMAS

#### **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, good will, 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?









First of all, please allow me to greet you Happy New Year!

It has been 6 months since the start of this rotary year, and Covid-19 has changed a lot of things in the way we live. The term "New Normal" was conceived. In the interest of safety, face-to-face fellowships were changed to virtual meetings. There is an atmosphere of hesitancy in moving forward.

It is often said that this pandemic made us realize that happiness is being CONTENTED with what we have, and NOT by what we ASPIRE TO HAVE. But then again, the Rotary Club of General Santos City remains undaunted. We still continue to ASPIRE; TO HAVE our goals in delivering services to our community attained. Instead of postponing or limiting our activities this Rotary Year 2020-21, we responded by doing what we are known for - Service Above Self.



#### **RC Gensan Saves Lives**

As soon as we started this year's governance, the Club distributed reusable facemasks with Rotary logo to around 400 tricycle drivers and commuters, and children housed at Montepulciano Orphanage. Our Club also distributed 528 pieces of 1.5 Liter of bottled water to Locally Stranded Individuals (LSIs) who were quarantined at the Acharon Sports Complex, and Cahilsot Elementary School in General Santos City.

Moreover, the Club held an awareness lecture on Covid-19, as we invited one of the topmost authorities in fighting this pandemic as resource speaker. Various guests from different Rotary Clubs attended this symposium.

In addition, we conducted free surgeries with free medicines to 13 dialysis patients. Rotarian Gem Sinoy donated the medicines for the patients. We could have done more free surgeries had it not for the IATF restrictions during that time.

Furthermore, RC Gensan conducted two bloodletting activities last year (August and December 2020). We collected around 60 bags of blood which are in scarcity during this pandemic. Despite the limited movement during this time, we were able to assist the Philippine National Red Cross in procuring precious blood as there is a big shortage during the Dengue season.









Still, the club also supported the District-Wide project "I Run to END POLIO" by providing the venue for its launching in Area 3F and 3G. The event was held at the Palmwoods Residences, which is owned by Past President Junnet Baladiang. It was well attended by Rotarians from various clubs in our area.

All of these projects are part of the Club's commitment for Disease Prevention and Treatment, as one of its areas of focus of service.

#### RC Gensan is for Education and Literacy

In August 2020, and in line with the Department of Education's Brigada Eskwela, the Rotarians of RC Gensan donated Personal Protective Equipments (PPEs) to teachers, and reams of bond papers and office supplies to various public schools, namely: H. Bayan, Sr. Elementary School, New Society National High School, and Pulatana Integrated School. These public schools benefitted from the Club's Basic

Education and Literacy project as the DepEd was about to start implementing modular-type of education by October of 2020.

#### **RC Gensan Supports Anti-Cybercrime Initiatives**

Peace and Conflict projects were the theme of our activities in September of 2020 as we held online lectures on cybercrimes and cyberbullying awareness. These are now the current challenges that we encounter in our daily activities at home and in our offices since majority of our engagements are based online. RC Gensan also visited the Office of the Regional Anti-Cybercrime Unit 12 of the Philippine National Police and donated a brand new printer, and reams of bond papers. We support the authorities in fighting cybercrime in our locality. Cybercrime prevention, through massive information dissemination, has been a project of our Club for several years already.









#### **RC Gensan Supports the Environment**

The Rotary Club of General Santos City, together with the different Rotary Clubs in our area, participated in a One District, One Mangrove Planting Activity in October 2020. Our Club co\_x0002\_spearheaded this event by providing for the venue, and coordinated with the LGU of Maasim for the needed permits since the IATF rules must be strictly observed. The event was successfully participated by 6 Rotary Clubs in the area.

By November of 2020, the first Scubasurero was done by the Club's members, and their ever supportive spouses. Together with the members of the Kiwanis International, the scuba divers of our Club (PAG Paul Partridge and Rtn. Terence Garcia) cleaned our ocean. This was held in Lemlunay Resort, owned by our fellow club member and Instructor Diver, PAG Paul Partridge. We named this activity, "Save the Ocean, One day at a Time."

As our commitment for the environment is of utmost importance, these noble projects shall continue in the years to come.

#### RC Gensan Supports Child and Maternal Health

In December of 2020, the Club, together with the Philippine Navy and the Philippine Marines, reached out to one of the most marginalized communities in the country. A military reservist myself, I represented the Club as we travelled to the southernmost tip of the country, bordering Indonesia, in a place called Sarangani Island, Balut, Davao Occidental. The people there have no potable water and proper electricity as they live far from the main island. The community seldom sees doctors as medical services only reach them by way of medical missions, which had become so scarce during this pandemic. RC Gensan conducted a Medical Mission, serving 300 patients in one day. The members of the Club gave 75 boxes of medicines needed by the women during their pregnancy like Folic Acid, and other supplements.

Through the generosity of Past President Quin Du, the Club was able to donate 10 large boxes containing books and other reading materials for children, as the semblance of education in the area is a small building, which I can barely describe as a Day Care Center. They have to cross to the other island to get books!









Lastly, as part of our Christmas celebration, RC Gensan provided food and entertainment to the children in one of the slum areas in General Santos City. This was a joint project with the Purple Hearts Club of Metrobank led by our Secretary/President-Elect Roland Aquino. By giving pamaskong handog during this time, we received smiles, happiness and gratitude during this season of giving.

We have come a long way as we reminisce the year that was. Truly, the pandemic has TRANSFORMED us. The Rotary Club of General Santos City has become more resilient, more cohesive, and stronger. We draw strength from each other in these most trying times. We learn to utilize and develop our individual potential. And most of all, we have grown.

I am proud of what we have achieved so far as a Club, and I thank you all for being active and faithful to your commitment as true Rotarians.

I am honored to have served with you as your "Pandemic" President!

For the Rotary Club of General Santos City:

Edwin M. Valencia

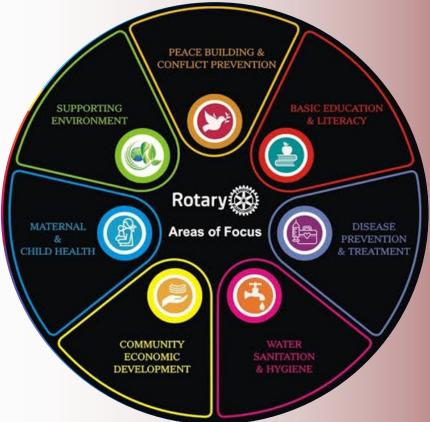
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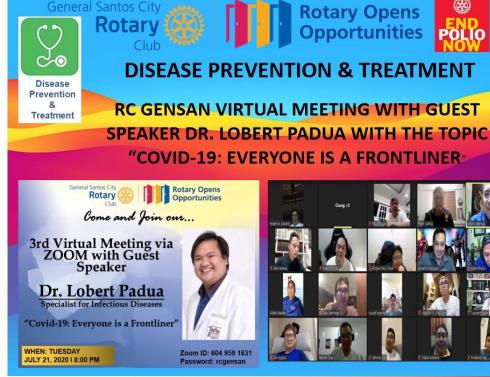


## **DISEASE PREVENTION & TREATMENT**





GIVING OUT OG REUSABLE FACE MASK WITH ST. AGNES OF MONTEPULCIANO CHILDREN'S ORPHANAGE INC.















































ONE DISTRICT, ONE ROTARY
MANGROVE PLANTING AT BRGY. TINOTO,
MAASIM, SARANGANI PROVINCE- LAST OCT.
17, 2020



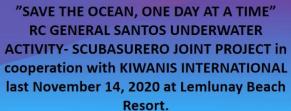






## SUPPORTING ENVIRONMENT



















**Rotary Opens Opportunities** 













RC GENERAL SANTOS together with the 94th MARINE BATALLION RESERVE and PHIL. NAVY- BOOK DONATION, MEDICINE DONATION AND MEDICAL MISSION at BALUT ISLAND SARANGANI last December 10, 2020.







Rotary Opens Opportunities



### **MATERNAL & CHILD HEALTH**





"PAMASKONG HANDOG PARA SA KABATAAN" in partnership with Metrobank Purple Heart Club last December 18, 2020 at Brgy. Labangal, General Santos City.















#### **DISEASE PREVENTION & TREATMENT**



Disease





RC GENERAL SANTOS SECOND ROUND OF **BLOODLETTING ACTIVITY last December 5,** 2020 at ROBINSONS PLACE GENSAN together with ALPHA SIGMA PHI







### **DISEASE PREVENTION & TREATMENT**





"I RUN TO HELP END POLIO" **CO-HOST CLUB WITH 3G CLUBS AT PALMWOODS RESIDENCES, BARANGAY** SAN ISIDRO, GENERAL SANTOS CITY. LAST OCTOBER 24, 2020.

