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Awareness Month"



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Dear Greater Ladies,

As we gracefully transitioned from September to October, we collectively rallied around two noteworthy causes - Breast Cancer Awareness and the global initiative to End Polio.

In honoring Breast Cancer Awareness Month, we proudly transformed October into Pink October, a period dedicated to unity, awareness, and unwavering support for those impacted by breast cancer. Our club played a pivotal role in leading the charge for Breast Cancer Awareness within the 3FGH area.

Our commitment extended to the global effort to End Polio, observed throughout October. To commemorate this initiative, we organized a spirited walking activity. It was not merely a walk but a collective stride toward a polio-free world.

As we reflect on these impactful activities, let's acknowledge the strength that emanates from unity and the significant impact we can achieve when working together. Your passion for these causes was evident, and collectively, we became agents of positive change within our community and beyond.

Happy reading!



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THE GREATER LADIES

Service Above Self.

THE GREATER LADIES are warmhearted ladies who place high value on relationships and service. To be a greater lady, you must have surmounted obstacles, forged your own path, and continue to confront life head-on. Together, the Greater Ladies can and will make dreams become reality.

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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

LINDALEE ANOS
PRESIDENT

Dear Greater Ladies,

As a lead club I wanted to take a moment to extend my heartfelt congratulations to each and every one of you for the outstanding job you did in organizing and executing the activities during the month of October: A Pink October which is a Cancer Awareness and October 24 a World Polio Day.

I would like to express my gratitude to everyone who contributed their time, expertise, and resources to make these activities possible.

I am also very proud to share with you that we have accomplished 29 projects from July to October. This is a great feat for our club.

Your support and collaboration were instrumental in achieving such remarkable results.

As we move forward, let us carry this momentum and continue to strive for excellence in all our endeavors. Your hard work and commitment are invaluable assets to our club, and I am confident that together, we will achieve even greater heights in the future.

Once again, congratulations on a job well done! Your dedication and passion are truly inspiring, and I am grateful to all of you Greater Ladies. Thank you for your continued efforts and for making October a month to remember.

With warm regards, Prexy Lindalee

THE SECRETARY'S REPORT



IRISH CHRISTINE Y. VIRTUDAZO
SECRETARY

Dear Greater Ladies,

I'm thrilled to share the incredible achievements of our group during the month of October. Your hard work, dedication, and enthusiasm have truly shown through, and I couldn't be prouder of what we've accomplished together. Here's a quick rundown of our October successes:

DATE	SERVICE PROJECT	AREA OF FOCUS COVERED
OCTOBER 14, 202	LAUNCHING OF PINK OCTOBER 23 Pink Festival: "An October to Remember"	1. MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH; 2. BASIC EDUCATION AND LITERACY; AND 3. COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. 4. DISEASE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT;
OCTOBER 20, 202	DISTRIBUTION OF OLD BOOKS, SCHOOL SUPPLIES, PAINTS AND PAINTING ACCESSORIES TO MARIA RITAL MEDEL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, BRGY BUTUAN, JOSE ABAD SANTOS, DAVAO	BASIC EDUCATION AND LITERACY; COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.
OCTOBER 21, 202	"NOURISHING YOUNG LIVES, ONE MEAL AT A TIME."	DISEASE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH BASIC EDUCATION AND LITERACY
OCTOBER 24, 202	WALK TO END POLIO	PUBLIC IMAGE CAMPAIGN
OCTOBER 25, 202	23 BRIGHT SMILE BRIGHT FUTURE	DISEASE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT; MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH; BASIC EDUCATION AND LITERACY
OCTOBER 25, 202	23 GEN Z PARENTING SEMINAR	1. MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH; 2. BASIC EDUCATION AND LITERACY; AND 3. DISEASE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT;

THE SECRETARY'S REPORT



DATE	MEETINGS / FELLOWSHIP	VENUE
October 4, 2023	Zoom meeting for Pink October Activities	ZOOM
October 6, 2023	4th Regular Meeting	NUÑEZ RESIDENCE
October 8, 2023	Special Meeting of 3FGH for Pink October Fest Preparation.	ALTORI BISTRO
October 11, 2023	Meeting with the PIA for landmark design	Q CITI PARK
October 13, 2023	BOD Meeting	Q CITI PARK
October 22, 2023	5th ACOM	ALTORI BISTRO



PINK OCTOBER: BREAST CANCER AWARENESS

Rotary Club of Greater General Santos lead all the clubs in area 3FGH in a powerful Pink October event, uniting the community in a motorcade, energetic Zumba sessions, a insightful forum led by an oncologist, and heartwarming moments of self-care and food sharing to raise awareness for breast cancer prevention and support.







In a comprehensive initiative, the Pink October event adopts a holistic strategy to amplify awareness about breast cancer. The event strategically integrates elements of physical activity, medical insights, self-care practices, and community engagement, aiming to address the multifaceted dimensions of breast cancer awareness, both physical and emotional. Recognizing the universal significance of the color pink as a symbol of breast cancer awareness, events like Pink October play a vital role in the worldwide campaign to encourage early detection, prevention, and support for individuals impacted by breast cancer.



"Nourishing young lives, one meal at a time."

October 21, 2023

Our feeding program in coordination with St. Gemma's Kitchen continues to make a difference in the lives of 40 malnourished children.

Together, we can give them a brighter and healthier future.

We at Rotary Club of Greater General believes that Santos feeding programs are more than just immediate solutions to hunger; they are catalysts for broader community development. **Through** impact on multifaceted health, education, community engagement, and sustainable development, feeding programs play a pivotal role in breaking the cycle of poverty and self-sufficient resilient, creating communities. As we navigate the complexities of global challenges, continued the support expansion of feeding programs remain essential for building a better and more equitable world.



A heartwarming occasion marked by the generosity of our community: The grand turnover of our precious donations, including books, school supplies, paints and various essentials, to the eager students of Maria Rita Medel Elementary School in Brgy Butuan, Jose Abad Santos, Davao Occidental.

The event was graced by the presence of not one but two remarkable principals of different schools, each a beacon of inspiration for their students. Their dedication to education and tireless efforts to make a difference in the lives of these young learners added an extra layer of significance to the event.

It became evident that our collective support will go a long way in shaping their futures. This remarkable day will be cherished as a beautiful memory of unity and compassion, as our community comes together to uplift those in need.







WALK TO END POLIO

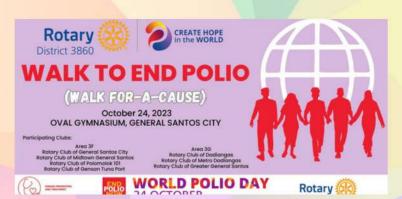
The Rotary Club of Greater General Santos as well as the AREA 3 F and G, OF District 3860 committed to improving the world through humanitarian service. One of its biggest efforts is the eradication of polio, a disease that can cause paralysis and even death.

To support this cause, Rotary clubs of District 3860 organize walks and runs to raise awareness and funds for the cause. These events are known as "WALK TO END POLIO" held at Robinson, General Santos City, Oct. 24, 2023 at 5:30 am.

During a Walk to End Polio, participants gather together to walk a designated route wearing the END POLIO t-shirts to show our support for the cause. The atmosphere is infectious as participants share their stories and experiences, all while raising awareness and funds to help eradicate polio once and for all.

Not only do these events raise funds to immunize children against polio, but also provide opportunities for Rotarians to work together, strengthen our relationships, and build new ones.

The Walk to End Polio is a perfect example of how a local community can come together to make a positive impact on the world.









The Rotary Club of Greater General Santos took part in this very commendable project by providing snacks (Arrozcaldo and water) to 300 daycare students from 6 Day Care of Barangay Bula during the citywide launch on October 25, 2023, at the Robinsons Atrium. With the RC Greater General Santos' support, together with the other stakeholders, we aim to make the children of General Santos City orally fit and healthy.

BRIGHT SMILES, BRIGHT FUTURES.

The Bright Smiles, Bright Futures Community Program is an initiative by Colgate Palmolive Philippines (CPPI) to promote oral health and hygiene among children.

General Santos has been fortunate enough to be selected as an implementer of the said project.

The main objective is to reduce the occurrence of dental caries through the "Preventive First Approach," which encapsulates health awareness, education, and habit development.

It aims to:

- 1. raise awareness through education of children, parents, and educators about the significance of oral health;
- 2. promote health habits by encouraging children to brush their teeth twice a day and maintain proper oral hygiene; and
- 3. extend the program to disadvantageous areas to ensure equal access to oral health education.





PARENTING THE GEN-Z

A Family Welfare Program on Mental Health Our club has joined forces with LGU and STI College in conducting a seminar on Parenting the Gen Z.

Lead by PAG Dr. Rochelle Gajete Oco, the program helps the parents of the new generation understand their behaviour and gave tips on how to support their children's mental health.

The event was held simultaneously via zoom with the speaker Psychiatrist Vanessa Kathleen B. Cainghug, MD from Manila and face to face classroom set up at STI College, Gen. Santos City.







MEETINGS





In a strategic meeting held at Q Citipark Hotel, the Rotary Club of Greater General Santos' Board of Directors concluded discussions on October 13, 2023, setting the stage for the club's future endeavors.

Key Highlights:

- Forward-Looking Focus: Directors engaged in forward-looking discussions, emphasizing on high impact public image projects.
- Strategic Alignment and Financial Prudence: Directors stressed the importance of aligning endeavors with overarching goals and maintaining fiscal health.

In summary, the meeting signals Rotary Club of Greater General Santos' proactive stance in navigating challenges, embracing opportunities, and steering the club towards a future marked by strategic direction and unwavering excellence.

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IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

NOVEMBER 4

MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS TRAINING/SEMINAR

NOVEMBER 4

Continuing Feeding
with the
malnourished
children in
coordination with St.
Gemma's Kitchen.

NOVEMBER 9

Oplan Palit Gripo! Improving water access one school at a time.

NOVEMBER 10

5th Regular Meeting

NOVEMBER 11

Continuing our
Feeding Program
today in
collaboration with
St. Gemma's
Kitchen.

NOVEMBER 14

Oplan Palit Gripo! Improving water access one school at a time. (HABITAT ELEM. SCHOOL)

NOVEMBER 18

TRF AWARDING

NOVEMBER 29

CHRISTMAS PARTY





