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Together, we fight hunger.**



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# MESSAGE OF THE EDITOR

**MARIA JESSICA N. REYES, PHF+2**  
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**AUGUST - A CELEBRATION OF MEMBERSHIP AND NEW  
CLUB DEVELOPMENT**

August in the Rotary calendar is dedicated to Membership and New Club Development, a timely reminder that the lifeblood of Rotary lies in its people. Our projects, our impact, and our enduring presence in the community are all fueled by members who bring their time, talent, and passion for service.

For the Rotary Club of Greater General Santos, an all-women club proudly celebrating its 30th Emerald Year, this month is a call to action. To remain vibrant and strong, it is important to add new members from diverse backgrounds who will bring fresh ideas, varied professional skills, and unique perspectives that will help us respond to the needs of our community. To attract new members, we need to share our Rotary story by showcasing our service projects with enthusiasm and pride. Equally vital is retaining current members through fellowship, whether through service projects, club socials, or simple moments of camaraderie- nurturing friendships and a sense of belonging that inspire lasting commitment.

As we embrace this month's theme, let us unite as "Game Changers," to grow our club with people who share our commitment for service above self. Together, through diversity, fellowship, and an unwavering spirit of welcome, we ensure that our next 30 years will shine even brighter.





# THE GAME CHANGER LEADERS

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# AREAS OF FOCUS

## ROTARY INTERNATIONAL FOCUSES ON SEVEN KEY AREAS TO ADDRESS GLOBAL CHALLENGES:

### 1. Peacebuilding and Conflict Prevention:

- Promotes peace and conflict resolution through education and community efforts.

### 2. Disease Prevention and Treatment:

- Works to reduce the impact of diseases by improving access to healthcare and conducting vaccination campaigns.

### 3. Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH):

- Ensures clean water and sanitation, vital for public health and community development.

### 4. Maternal and Child Health:

- Enhances the health and well-being of mothers and children through quality healthcare and nutrition.

### 5. Basic Education and Literacy:

- Improves education and literacy to break the cycle of poverty and empower communities.

### 6. Community Economic Development:

- Supports sustainable economic growth and job creation, improving living standards.

### 7. Supporting the Environment:

- Focuses on environmental sustainability, conservation, and combating climate change.

## IMPORTANCE OF Committees and Members

- Rotary club committees organize and execute projects, while members drive success through active participation, expertise, and commitment. Together, they create lasting, positive change in communities worldwide.

# 7 AREAS OF FOCUS

## BASIC EDUCATION and LITERACY

**CHAIR PERSON:** Rosalinda C. Veloria, PHF

**Co-Chair:** Anita Almoite

1

## COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

**CHAIR PERSON:** Chriselda "Kring" Macion, PHF

**Co-Chair:** Theresa Napala, PHF + 4

2

## PEACE BUILDING & CONFLICT PREVENTION

**CHAIR PERSON:** Elvie Albano, PHF + 5

**Co-Chair:** Naravy "Bing" Duquiatan

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## ENVIRONMENT CARE COMMITTEE

**CHAIR PERSON:** Ginalyn Cachuela

**Co-Chair:** Esther Marian Balolot, PHF

4

## DISEASE PREVENTION and TREATMENT

**CHAIR PERSON:** Roselle Layug, PHF

**Co-Chair:** Ginalyn Cachuela

5

## MATERNAL CARE and CHILD HEALTH

**CHAIR PERSON:** Maria Jessica "Jet" Reyes

**Co-Chair:** Agnes Trabado

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## WATER SANITATION HYGIENE

**CHAIR PERSON:** Lindalee Anos

**Co-Chair:** Mariel Diel Dinopol

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# SERVICE ABOVE SELF

The Greater Ladies embody a spirit of warmth, emphasizing the importance of relationships and service in their lives. To be counted among them means overcoming obstacles, carving out one's own journey, and facing life's challenges with courage. United, the Greater Ladies possess the collective power to turn dreams into tangible realities, showcasing the transformative impact of their shared vision and determination.

The Rotary Club of Greater General Santos proudly celebrates another milestone as it receives the 2024-2025 Club Excellence Award from Rotary International. This recognition honors the club's dedication to fostering a positive experience for its members while staying true to the values of Rotary. This achievement reflects the passion, unity, and unwavering commitment of every member to live out Service Above Self. With hearts aligned to serve, the club continues to shine as a beacon of hope, building stronger communities and inspiring others to do good in the world.





# ROSTER OF MEMBERS

## PAUL HARRIS SOCIETY

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ANOS, LINDALEE, PHS  
SPOUSE ANOS, FAUSTINO

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ALBANO, ELVIE EULLARAN, PHS

### PAUL HARRIS FELLOW +4

ALBANO, ELVIE EULLARAN, PHS  
EULLARAN, FIDELINA NAVAJA  
NAPALA, THERESA MIRANDA  
SALAZAR, PAZ BENEDICTA LASMARIAS

### PAUL HARRIS FELLOW +3

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ANOS, LINDALEE LAROZA  
TRABADO, AGNES GAYTA

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VIRTUDAZO, IRISH CHRISTINE YU

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MACION, CHRISelda CLARISA  
REYES, JEANNE MARIE CAMILLE NUNEZ  
VALENCIA, CECILLE SUBANG

### PAUL HARRIS FELLOW

DUQUIATAN, NARAVY DEFENSOR  
HECHANOVA-MEJIAS, HONEY HENRIETH  
VENERACION, GRIZELDA

## SUSTAINING MEMBERS

ALMOITE, ANITA  
CACHUELA, GINALYN FE CAINGLET  
DINOPOL-DIEL, MARIELLE OLAER  
LOVITOS, AILEEN TAN

# ABOUT THE COVER



## TOGETHER, WE FIGHT HUNGER

**The Rotary Club of Greater General Santos** continues to live out its mission of Service Above Self through a heartfelt feeding program for children in the community. With warm smiles and willing hands, Rotarians served plates of nutritious meals—reminding us that the fight against hunger begins with simple yet powerful acts of kindness.

This initiative goes beyond filling empty stomachs. It is about nurturing hope, restoring dignity, and empowering young learners to dream bigger and reach higher. Every serving given is more than food—it is love, care, and encouragement served on a plate.

In unity and compassion, Rotarians prove that small actions, when multiplied, create ripples of change. With each shared meal, we come closer to a world where no child is left hungry, and every child is given the strength to thrive.

Together, we nourish....

Together, we care....

Together, we fight hunger.



# THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

**NARAVY D. DUQUIATAN, PHF**  
CLUB PRESIDENT



Our club has been a symbol of what happens when women come together not for recognition, but for transformation. For 30 years, we have stood side by side to bring hope where there was despair, light where there was darkness, and dignity where there was need. We are not just members of Rotary, but we are women on a mission to help people, uplift lives, and build stronger communities.

This August, as we celebrate Membership and New Club Development Month, we are reminded that the heart of Rotary is its people. Every member brings new energy, ideas, and compassion to our mission. It is through our diverse talents and united hearts that we make our greatest impact.

We will go where the need is greatest and act where others hesitate. We will feed the hungry, educate the youth, care for the sick, and support those left behind because that is what it means to be a Rotarian. We don't just do projects, we touch hearts. We don't just count activities, we change lives.

Let us continue to welcome, inspire, and empower new members who share our vision of service. Together, we help not because we must, but because we can and because we believe that even the smallest act of kindness can ripple into something extraordinary.

# THE SECRETARY'S REPORT

**IRISH CHRISTINE Y. VIRTUDAZO**  
SECRETARY



The month of **August** was filled with meaningful service and fellowship for the Rotary Club of Greater General Santos, guided with dedication and heart by PP Lindalee Anos. Under her leadership, the club carried out projects that truly reflected Rotary's spirit of Service Above Self.

- At Bula Central Elementary School, the club advanced **Water and Sanitation** by repairing and restoring handwashing facilities—giving children safe access to proper hygiene.
- In the same school, a **Feeding Program** was held, providing young learners with nourishment that fuels both body and mind, reminding them that Rotary's care extends beyond the classroom.
- To close the month, members came together at the Albano Residence for a lively Zumba Fellowship, celebrating wellness, camaraderie, and the joy of serving together, as we also commemorated **August as Membership Development Month**.

August stands as proof that when service, fellowship, and leadership unite, we create ripples of hope and build stronger communities. Truly, Rotary shines brighter when we serve together.



# FROM THE TREASURY

**CHRISELDA “KRING” MACION**  
**TREASURY**



The Rotary Club of Greater General Santos extends its sincere gratitude to the following members who have already supported the club by paying their annual dues:

1. PDDG Fidelina Eullaran,
2. PDS Elvie Albano,
3. IPP Ginalyn Cachuela,
4. PP Cille Valencia,
5. PP Pinky Virtudazo,
6. PP Jessica Reyes
7. PP Carl de Liz Acosta

whether in full or in partial payments. Your commitment ensures that our club remains financially sound and capable of carrying out our projects and obligations.

Early payments not only ease the club's financial flow but also strengthen our ability to respond quickly to the needs of the community. Every contribution is a reflection of our shared dedication to Rotary's mission of Service Above Self.

We warmly encourage our other members to settle their dues at the soonest possible time. By doing so, you are directly fueling our initiatives, sustaining our operations, and empowering our service to reach farther and touch more lives. Together, let us keep our club strong, united, and ready to serve with excellence.

# SERVICE PROJECTS

## WATER AND SANITATION

The **Rotary Club of Greater General Santos** once again lives out Rotary's call to service by bringing clean water and proper sanitation closer to our youth. This month, the club proudly repaired and restored the handwashing facilities at **Bula Central Elementary School**, ensuring that students can practice proper hygiene in a safe and healthy environment. This simple yet impactful initiative reflects our commitment to creating lasting change because every drop of clean water and every act of sanitation leads to healthier, happier communities. A heartfelt thank you to **PP Lindalee Anos**, whose leadership and dedication made this project possible.



## FEEDING PROGRAM

The **Rotary Club of Greater General Santos** believes that no child should go to school hungry. By supporting the **Feeding Program of Bula Central Elementary School**, we help provide not just nutritious meals but also hope, energy, and the opportunity for children to dream bigger. Proper nutrition fuels learning when children are healthy and strong, they can focus better, achieve more, and build brighter futures. With hearts to serve, we continue to stand alongside our schools and communities, ensuring that every child is given the care and nourishment they deserve. Together, we are shaping a generation ready to thrive.







In celebration of **Rotary Membership Month**, the Rotary Club of Greater General Santos transformed Zumba into more than just dance. It became a celebration of fellowship, wellness, and service. With every move and every beat, members and guests alike were reminded that Rotary is about coming together, lifting each other up, and making a difference in the most joyful ways.

This vibrant fellowship also sets the stage for the creation of a Satellite Club with Fitness as its advocacy, proving that health and service can move hand in hand toward building stronger communities.

Through energy, unity, and purpose, we continue to inspire others to live healthier, serve better, and shine brighter as proud Rotarians. Because when hearts beat in rhythm with service, every step becomes a stride toward change, and every smile becomes a spark of hope.

Together, we dance not only for wellness, but for a future where fellowship fuels transformation, and service creates lasting impact.



# MEETINGS / FELLOWSHIP

♥ FELLOWSHIP. 🍷 SERVICE. ⭐ IMPACT.

THIS IS WHAT RC GREATER GENSAN IS ALL ABOUT! #SERVICEABOVESELF #UNITEFORGOOD

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

The Rotary Club of Greater General Santos successfully held its Board of Directors Meeting at Q Citi Park, General Santos City.



65th Induction and Handover Ceremonies of the Rotary Club of Koronadal held at The Farm @ Carpenter Hill.



46th Induction & Handover Ceremonies of the Rotary Club of Marbel, held last August 8, 2025, at the EMR Convention Center, City of Koronadal, South Cotabato.



11th Induction and 10th Handover Ceremonies of the Rotary Club of Central Polomolok



The Rotary Club of Greater Gensan joined the Rotary Club of Koronadal Central in their 13th Induction and Handover Ceremonies held on August 30, 2025 at Maya Hall, Cinco Niñas, Koronadal City.



The Rotary Club of Greater General Santos proudly hosted a fruitful Area 2FGH Coordination Meeting on August 23, 2025 at Altari Hotel



# BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES



AUGUST 22  
**GINALYN CACHUELA**



## But just what is Rotary? **AND WHY DOES ROTARY CARE?**

*We work hard to give back.*

We want to create a better future and make a difference. We know we can't do it alone, so we get our support and strength from other Rotarians both in our community and across the world.



# UPCOMING SCHEDULE 2025

## SEPTEMBER

**05**

### **GOVERNOR'S CLUB VISIT**

BIG BEN'S @ 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Valley High, GSC

**06**

### **VIBRANT CLUB SEMINAR**

Acacia Hotel, Lanang, Davao City

**27**

### **PROTECTING THE ENVIRONMENT: TREE GROWING AND COASTAL CLEAN - UP**

## OCTOBER

**18**

### **PINK OCTOBER 2025: BREAST CANCER AWARENESS** ROBINSON'S PLACE OF GENSAN

**18**

### **RUN & RAVE FOR A CAUSE 2025**

**24**

### **GOVERNOR'S NIGHT** KORONADAL CITY

## NOVEMBER

**08**

### **THE ROTARY FOUNDATION RECOGNITION NIGHT**

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