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MESSAGE OF THE EDITOR

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**A MONTH OF SAFETY, COMPASSION, AND
SERVICE**

The Rotary Club of Greater General Santos embraced November as a meaningful month to strengthen community safety, promote public awareness, and extend compassionate service to Rotary's mission of Service Above Self. Our initiatives this month centered on protecting the most vulnerable and fostering understanding through education, partnership, and action.

One of the month's major highlights was Rotary Road Safety & Public Image in Action, where the club turned over Children Crossing signages to our DepEd partner schools. This initiative was a proactive step toward ensuring the safety of young learners as they navigate busy roads daily. By promoting road safety awareness and responsible driving, the project emphasized Rotary's commitment to preventive service and its role in creating safer school environments and more vigilant communities.

Another significant activity this November was the "Understanding Dementia" Forum, conducted in partnership with the Alzheimer's Disease Association of the Philippines (ADAP) and Area 2G Rotary Clubs. The forum provided participants like families, caregivers, and community members with essential knowledge about dementia, including its early signs, challenges, and the importance of empathy and proper care. Through open discussions and expert insights, the activity fostered awareness, compassion, and support for individuals and families affected by the condition.

These initiatives promoting road safety, enhancing public awareness, and advancing health education which reflect a shared vision of building a safer, more informed, and more compassionate community. They reaffirm Rotary's enduring belief that when service is guided by unity, purpose, and collaboration, positive and lasting change becomes possible.

As Rotarians, may we continue to serve with dedication and heart, always remaining United for Good.

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

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COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

CHAIR PERSON: Chriselda "Kring" Macion, PHF

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PEACE BUILDING & CONFLICT PREVENTION

CHAIR PERSON: Elvie Albano, PHF + 5

Co-Chair: Naravy "Bing" Duquiatan

3

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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THE GREATER LADIES

**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.



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VENERACION, GRIZELDA

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DINOPOL-DIEL, MARIELLE OLAER
LOVITOS, AILEEN TAN

ABOUT THE COVER



TOGETHER, WE SERVE WITH PURPOSE AND COMPASSION

This month's cover highlights a meaningful road-safety advocacy led by the Rotary Club of Greater General Santos. Proudly wearing their Rotary pink shirts, the Rotarians stand united behind a clear and powerful message: "Slow Down, Children Crossing." Their smiles reflect not just camaraderie, but a shared commitment to protecting lives.

This initiative goes beyond holding a sign. It represents Rotary's dedication to public safety, child protection, and responsible citizenship. By reminding motorists to slow down near school zones and pedestrian areas, the club actively promotes awareness, discipline, and care on the road. Every reminder is a step toward preventing accidents and ensuring that children can walk safely to and from school.

The presence of the "Unite for Good" banner and the End Polio Now message further reinforces Rotary's holistic mission of serving communities through action, advocacy, and compassion. This moment captures how Rotarians turn concern into concrete action, proving that service does not always require grand gestures; sometimes, it begins with a simple reminder that saves lives.

This cover is a testament to Rotary's enduring values: Service Above Self, unity in purpose, and leadership through action. Together, these Rotarians show that when we care enough to act, we help build safer, kinder, and more responsible communities.

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

NARAVY D. DUQUIATAN, PHF
CLUB PRESIDENT



In the month of November, the Rotary Club of Greater General Santos joined Rotary clubs worldwide in celebrating and strengthening the impact of Rotary's charitable arm. It is a time to reflect on how our collective service transforms lives and builds stronger, more compassionate communities.

As part of this commitment, the club successfully conducted a timely and meaningful Seminar on Cyberbullying Awareness and Digital Responsibility, empowering participants to navigate the digital world responsibly and compassionately.

In support of Disease Prevention and Treatment, the club also partnered for Dementia Awareness. The Rotary Club of Greater General Santos proudly collaborated with the Alzheimer's Disease Association of the Philippines (ADAP) and other partner organizations for the event "Understanding Dementia." This initiative helped raise awareness and deepen community understanding of dementia and its impact on individuals and families.

Capping off the month's activities, the Rotary Club of Greater General Santos turned over Children Crossing street signages to various DepEd partner schools, promoting road safety awareness and helping protect young learners.

This month reminds us that true service responds to the needs of the times—whether through promoting digital responsibility, advancing disease prevention and awareness, or protecting the safety and well-being of our children. Each initiative, big or small, reflects our shared commitment to Service Above Self.

As Rotarians, let us continue to collaborate, innovate, and serve with purpose. Together, we create lasting impact and bring hope where it is needed most.

THE SECRETARY'S REPORT

IRISH CHRISTINE Y. VIRTUDAZO
SECRETARY



November was a meaningful month for the Rotary Club of Greater General Santos, marked by purposeful service, community engagement, and the spirit of camaraderie among our members. The club successfully carried out initiatives that reflect Rotary's commitment to Service Above Self.

Highlights included the **Rotary Road Safety & Public Image in Action**, where Children Crossing signages were turned over to DepEd partner schools to protect young learners and the **"Understanding Dementia" forum in partnership with ADAP and Area 2G Rotary Clubs**, promoting health awareness and compassion.

These activities remind us that every small action can create meaningful change in the lives of others. They inspire us to continue reaching out, uplifting our community, and fostering hope where it is most needed.

As we close November, I extend my gratitude to all members and partners whose dedication made these activities possible. May we continue serving with unity, compassion, and purpose, ever committed to making a lasting difference in our community.

FROM THE TREASURY

HELEN GRACE L. FERNANDEZ
TREASURER



Breakdown for the dues for this rotary year.

R1 Dues (SAR/Club <u>Invoice</u>)	PHP 4,700
District Levy	PHP 850
District Fund	PHP100
Rotaract Levy	PHP 40
PRM Online	PHP 300
End Polio	PHP 1,300
Club Listing (<u>Distas</u>)	PHP 80
Club Listing (Discon)	PHP 160
Project Fund	PHP 2,000
Other Expenses	PHP 470
TOTAL	PHP 10,000

Budget:

Note: PHP 5000 per area of focus

Reminder for the members to pay the annual dues.

SERVICE PROJECTS

Rotary Road Safety & Public Image in Action

The **Rotary Club of Greater General Santos** continues to live out Rotary's spirit of service by promoting safety, responsibility, and care within the community. Through its **Rotary Road Safety & Public Image in Action** initiative, the club turned over Children Crossing street signages to various DepEd partner schools, helping raise road awareness and protect young learners. This meaningful effort reflects Rotary's commitment to Service Above Self, demonstrating how simple yet purposeful actions can create safer roads and nurture a more caring community through unity and collaboration.



Rotary Clubs Partner for Dementia Awareness

The **Rotary Club of Greater General Santos**, together with the **Rotary Clubs of Area 2G**, continues to live out Rotary's spirit of service by promoting health awareness, education, and compassion in the community. On **November 27, 2025**, the club partnered with the **Alzheimer's Disease Association of the Philippines (ADAP)** to support the forum "Understanding Dementia," held from 8:00 AM to 11:00 AM at **Trade Hall 1, 3rd Floor, SM City General Santos**. The event brought together senior citizens, families, caregivers, and advocates to gain a deeper understanding of dementia and the importance of proper care and support. This initiative reflects Rotary's commitment to Service Above Self, showing how education and collaboration can strengthen community health and foster a more compassionate and informed society.



MEETINGS/FELLOWSHIP

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The Rotary Club of Greater General Santos successfully held its Public Image Committee meeting at the Altori Bistro on November 19, 2025



BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES



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