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MESSAGE OF THE EDITOR

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THE MONTH OF GROWTH AND RENEWAL

March marks a season of transition, it is a time when the seeds we have planted begin to take root and the energy of our club reaches new heights. As we flip the page from the "Month of Hearts" to this new chapter, we find ourselves focusing on the themes of environmental stewardship and the vibrant fellowship that sustains our mission. In Rotary, March reminds us that our commitment to Service Above Self is a living, breathing effort that requires constant nurturing and collective action.

The stories captured in this month's bulletin reflect a club that is truly in motion. From the quiet, hands-on dedication of our "Greater Ladies" during the Tree Growing Activity at Marist Avenue to the high-spirited camaraderie displayed at the District 3860 Sportsfest, our members continue to prove that service takes many forms. Whether we are protecting our planet or strengthening the bonds of our sisterhood through friendly competition, every action is a deliberate step toward a more sustainable and united community.

As we document these milestones, we are reminded that our impact is not measured just by the projects we complete, but by the unity we foster along the way. By working in harmony with partners like CENRO and our fellow Rotarians, we amplify our reach and ensure that our legacy of service remains strong. This month, we celebrate the growth we have achieved and the "Unite for Good" spirit that continues to guide our path.

We remain steadfast in our dedication to the communities we serve, inspired by the progress we see all around us. Here's to a month of blooming possibilities—roots deep, spirit high, and service-driven.

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

1

CHAIR PERSON: Rosalinda C. Veloria, PHF

Co-Chair: Anita Almoite

COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

2

CHAIR PERSON: Chriselda "Kring" Macion, PHF

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PEACE BUILDING & CONFLICT PREVENTION

3

CHAIR PERSON: Elvie Albano, PHF + 5

Co-Chair: Naravy "Bing" Duquiatan

ENVIRONMENT CARE COMMITTEE

4

CHAIR PERSON: Ginalyn Cachuela

Co-Chair: Esther Marian Balolot, PHF

DISEASE PREVENTION and TREATMENT

5

CHAIR PERSON: Roselle Layug, PHF

Co-Chair: Ginalyn Cachuela

MATERNAL CARE and CHILD HEALTH

6

CHAIR PERSON: Maria Jessica "Jet" Reyes

Co-Chair: Agnes Trabado

WATER SANITATION HYGIENE

7

CHAIR PERSON: Lindalee Anos

Co-Chair: Mariel Diel Dinopol



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

SUSTAINING MEMBERS

ALMOITE, ANITA
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ABOUT THE COVER



TOGETHER, WE CULTIVATE KINDNESS AND BRIDGE THE PATH TO A BRIGHTER FUTURE.

This month's cover features a distinguished group from the Rotary Club of Greater General Santos, capturing a powerful moment of leadership, dedication, and unity during a recent special event. The photo showcases five individuals, including Assistant Governor Mark Jerome Tiongson and Club President Naravy D. Duquiatan, standing proudly as they represent the club's ongoing commitment to service and collaboration. Notably, the occasion also marked the induction of two new members, symbolizing growth and the continuous strengthening of the club's mission.

Central to the image is a sense of professional grace and shared purpose. With a backdrop featuring an informational screen and a prominent blue banner that reads "UNITE FOR GOOD," the members embody the core values that drive the club. The banner itself is more than just a backdrop; it is a clear statement of intent, reminding us that when we align our efforts, we can achieve remarkable outcomes and make a lasting difference in the lives of others. The elegant attire and genuine smiles of the members reflect the pride and joy found in service.

This cover is not only a celebration of this specific event but also a tribute to the leadership that guides the Rotary Club of Greater General Santos. It highlights the importance of teamwork and the impact of dedicated individuals coming together to lead and inspire. It serves as a visual reminder of the club's mission to foster goodwill and peace, to improve health and education, and to make the world a better place.

Through moments like these, the Rotary Club of Greater General Santos reaffirms its dedication to the community and to the wider Rotary International mission. This image stands as a testament to the club's strength and its unwavering spirit of "Service Above Self," showing that by uniting for good, they continue to pave the way for a brighter, more compassionate future.

30TH CHARTER ANNIVERSARY



THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



NARAVY D. DUQUIATAN, PHF
CLUB PRESIDENT

March has been a remarkable month of momentum and high energy for the Rotary Club of Greater General Santos. As your President, it has been a privilege to witness our members step out of their comfort zones—whether it was swapping our business attire for gardening gloves at Marist Avenue or trading our pens for sports gear at the District Sportsfest. This month, we didn't just talk about "Unity in Action"; we lived it on the field and in the soil.

Our Tree Growing Activity in partnership with CENRO was a powerful reminder of our responsibility as stewards of the environment. By planting those seedlings, we made a literal investment in the future of General Santos City, ensuring that the legacy of the "Greater Ladies" is one that breathes life into our community for generations to come. It was heartening to see our members work hand-in-hand, proving that "Linis, Ganda at Pagkakaisa" is more than a slogan—it is a promise we keep to our city.

Beyond our service projects, our participation in the District 3860 Area 2FGH Sportsfest 2026 brought a different kind of growth. Seeing our club Unite for Good through friendly competition reminded me that the strength of our service is fueled by the strength of our fellowship. When we cheer for one another on the court, we build the trust and teamwork necessary to tackle the challenges of our community projects.

As we move into the next quarter of our Rotary year, let us carry this March momentum with us. I am deeply grateful for your unwavering energy and your commitment to Service Above Self. Together, we aren't just a club; we are a force for positive change, growing stronger and more united with every step we take.

THE SECRETARY'S REPORT

IRISH CHRISTINE Y. VIRTUDAZO
SECRETARY



The month of March has been a vibrant testament to the spirit of action and fellowship within the Rotary Club of Greater General Santos. As the season shifted toward renewal, our members embraced the opportunity to expand our reach through initiatives that nourish both our local environment and our internal bonds. Guided by the Rotary theme of the month, we focused on sustainability and collaboration, proving that our impact is most profound when we work hand-in-hand with our community partners and one another.

A significant highlight of the month was our Tree Growing Activity near Marist Avenue, held in partnership with CENRO. By planting seedlings for the "Linis, Ganda at Pagkakaisa" program, we moved beyond words to take tangible action for environmental stewardship. Simultaneously, our participation in the District 3860 Area 2FGH Sportsfest 2026 reminded us that a club that plays together, stays together. These events showcased the dual nature of our mission: while we labor to build a greener and better tomorrow for General Santos City, we also take the time to strengthen the friendships and teamwork that serve as the foundation of all our service efforts.

These milestones reflect the diverse ways we continue to live out Service Above Self. Whether we are protecting our natural resources or fostering Rotary pride through friendly competition, every action taken this month was fueled by a shared sense of purpose. As we conclude March, we carry this momentum forward with grateful hearts and energized spirits. We remain committed to our mission of creating lasting change, knowing that through our unity and dedication, we are building a more sustainable, inclusive, and hopeful future for all.

FROM THE TREASURY



HELEN GRACE L. FERNANDEZ
TREASURER

As we move through the month of March, I would like to gently remind all members to review their current account balances and settle any outstanding dues by depositing them into our China Bank account. Your timely cooperation is essential in keeping our club's financial operations organized, sustainable, and ready to fund our various community projects.

To ensure transparency and help everyone stay informed, we will be posting a summary of member balances next month. This will serve as a helpful reference for you to review your records and settle any remaining dues promptly. By keeping our accounts updated, we ensure that our club remains financially healthy and prepared to meet our commitments.

Your continued support is a vital part of our shared success. Every contribution reinforces our mission of Service Above Self, allowing us to extend our reach and deepen our impact in the community. Thank you for your integrity, responsibility, and unwavering dedication to the Rotary Club of Greater General Santos. Together, we stay strong, united, and ready to serve.

SERVICE PROJECTS





SPORTSFEST 2026

The **Rotary Club of Greater General Santos** recently brought its vibrant energy and communal spirit to the **District 3860 Area 2FGH Sportsfest 2026**. This event was far more than a day of games; it was a profound celebration of fellowship and the unbreakable bonds that define us as Rotarians. By engaging in friendly competition, we found a unique way to strengthen our physical well-being while reinforcing our collective resolve to uphold the ideal of Service Above Self.

Through every match and shared moment, we proved that when we play together, we grow stronger together. The Sportsfest allowed us to build deeper friendships and uplift one another, fueling a renewed passion to serve our community. As we carry this team spirit forward, we remain dedicated to our mission—reminded that by uniting for good on and off the field, we can create a more compassionate and lasting impact.

LINIS, GANDA, AT PAGKAKAISA

The **Greater Ladies of the Rotary Club of Greater General Santos** took a proactive step toward environmental stewardship by conducting a **Tree Growing Activity** near Marist Avenue. In a productive **partnership with CENRO**, our members worked hand-in-hand to plant the seeds of a more sustainable future. This initiative serves as a living example of our commitment to the **"Linis, Ganda at Pagkakaisa" program**, emphasizing that a clean and beautiful city begins with the dedication and unity of its citizens.

The activity was more than just a beautification effort; it was an investment in the health of our community and the planet. By nurturing these young trees, we are fostering a spirit of cooperation that extends beyond our club and into the heart of General Santos City. We believe that every seedling planted is a promise of cleaner air and a cooler environment for the next generation. Together, we continue to plant the roots of change for a greener, more vibrant, and better tomorrow.



MEETINGS/FELLOWSHIP

FELLOWSHIP. SERVICE. IMPACT.
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A Meeting of Minds and Hearts at BigBens Microtel

Joined the Lady Lawyers of IBP for an inspiring and empowering session on Power Dressing, featuring Rain Ramas, held at Altori Bistro.



BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES



March 9
PP ESTER BALOLOT



March 24
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