

ROTARY HYMN

I want to be a Rotarian for the world,
Make the Rotary flag be a flag of peace unfurled;
I will serve my community,
Help to seek international unity.
Through Rotary, I will dedicate my all,
World understanding shall be my cherished goal.

Refrain: With the Four Way Test
I will pursue my quest
And if I, in a way help obtain
Peace in the world
Then I won't have lived in vain.


I'll observe service above self,
Lend a hand to all who need my help;
I'll get my spouse to involve in Rotary
And in Rotary ways I will train my family.

Refrain: With the Four Way Test
We'll pursue our quest
And if we, in a way help obtain
Peace in the world
Then we won't have lived in vain.

Build a bridge for tomorrow's youth,
Strengthened by nothing but the truth;
Let's join our hands, there's no reason to divide.
We shall all understand, while the good Lord is our guide.

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And if we, in a way help obtain
Peace in the world
Then we won't have lived in vain.

Peace be achieved,
So we won't have lived in vain.




The Central Connection

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IMAGINE ROTARY

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The FOUR-WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say or do:

Is it the TRUTH?

Is it FAIR to ALL CONCERNED?

Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?

Will it be BENEFICIAL TO ALL CONCERNED?

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, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

ROTARY CODE OF CONDUCT

- Act with integrity and high ethical standards in my personal and professional life;
- Deal fairly with others and treat them and their occupations with respect;
- Use my professional skills through Rotary to: mentor young people, help those with special needs, and improve people's quality of life in my community and in the world;
- Avoid behavior that reflects adversely on Rotary or other Rotarians;
- Help maintain a harassment-free environment in Rotary meetings, events, and activities, report any suspected harassment, and help ensure non-retaliation to those individuals that report harassment.

ROTARY OBSERVATION MONTHS



October "Celebrities"

Birthday



October 14 - Rtn. Junnette Hurtado



PROGRAMME

PART I. REGISTRATION	
PART II. MEETING PROPER	
Call to Order	Pres. Benjie V. Hoksuan
Invocation	Rtn. Allan C. De Lima
Philippine National Anthem	Overture
Rotary Hymn	Overture
Welcome Remarks	PP Leo R. Santos
Introduction of the Dignitaries/Guests and Club Members Present	Rtn. Donnah Marie L. Lorenzo
Charging of New Member	PP Johnny C. Cueva
Induction of New Member	DG Lilu I. Aliño
• Mary Cris E. Vargas, MD	
Presentation of Club Plans and Programs	Pres. Benjie V. Hoksuan
Introduction of the District Governor	AG Randy S. Baldeovar
District Governor's Time and Message	DG Lilu I. Aliño
Open Forum	
Closing Message	IPP Marybelle Agreda
Adjournment	Pres. Benjie V. Hoksuan
PART III. FELLOWSHIP	
Moderator: PP Ryan Dela Cruz	

Invocation



Almighty and Loving Father, we are thankful for this day that you have given us, for its blessings, its opportunities, its challenges. May we appreciate and use each day that comes to us. We pray for strength and guidance for each day as it comes. May we be challenged to give our best always, and may we be assured of your presence with us during this Governor's Visit. This we ask in your most Holy Name, Amen.



Club President's Message

Rtn. Benjie V. Hoksuan

Foremost, we warmly welcome District Governor Lilo Aliño on her official visit to the club together with District Secretary Jong Fernandez and Chief of Staff Dr. Jet Bernardo!

We are delighted to present our club projects for the past three months and it is a great pleasure that our invitation to DG Lilo to visit our ongoing project was granted. Today, we will be presenting our commitment based on the district goals, plans for the Rotary Year as well as accomplishments from July-September 2022 and portion of October 2022. We will also hear the inspiring words from our District Governor during her time.

After this activity, we will be moving on with our next projects and fundraising events. Please anticipate that there were members that will be appointed as chairperson to specific project committee and also our new members. Additionally, I encourage you all to create or register an account in My Rotary and we are happy to assist you on the registration process.

Hence, for now, let us enjoy the moment with Gov. Lilo and team. This is a rare opportunity.

Thank you everyone for attending today. And tonight, fellowship will continue for the Governor's Night at Venue 88, General Santos City.

Maraming salamat po!

CLUB PAST PRESIDENTS



LORETA C. SY, PHF+4
Rotary Year 2013-2014
"Engage Rotary, Change Lives"



ORLANDO N. DELA CRUZ⁺
Rotary Year 2014-2015
"Light Up Rotary"



OSCAR PAGUNSAN
Rotary Year 2015-2016
"Be a Gift to the World"



FREDERICK D. CAYABYAB, PHF
Rotary Year 2016-2017
"Rotary Serving Humanity"



JUANITO C. CUEVA, PHF+2
Rotary Year 2017-2018
"Rotary: Making a Difference"



LEODEGARIO R. SANTOS, PHF+1
Rotary Year 2018-2019
"Be the Inspiration"



DAPHNY DORRIS P. DOMINGO, PHF+1
Rotary Year 2019-2020
"Rotary Connects the World"



RYAN G. DELA CRUZ, PHF
Rotary Year 2020-2021
"Rotary Opens Opportunities"



MARYBELLE S. AGREDA, PHF+1
Rotary Year 2021-2022
"Serve to Change Lives"

PHOTO DOCUMENTATION

General Membership Meeting held last October 4, 2022 at Cinco Niñas, City of Koronadal



Secretary's Report

Rtn. Sarah M. Gapas



1. The club's attendance and activity report with e-bulletin were submitted to the district last September 8, 2022. Also, Service Projects were reported in the rotary.org as well as updated the club goals and accomplishments.
2. Last October 5, 2022, Patak to end Polio was conducted at Bo. 1 Health Center, Brgy. GPS City of Koronadal. Thank you to those who attended:
 - Pres. Benjie Hoksuan and Spouse Mary Jane
 - PP Johnny Cueva and Spouse Yollie
 - Rtn. Donnah Marie Lorenzo
 - IPP Marybelle Agreda
 - Sec. Sarah Gapas
 - Rotaractors
3. The literacy and livelihood project at El-Ulit, Brgy. Bukay Pait, Tantangan started last October 7, 2022 with a program held at the school. The activity was attended by the school officials and personnel as well as from the club, to wit:
 - Pres. Benjie Hoksuan
 - Past President Marybelle Agreda
 - Past President Ryan Dela Cruz
 - Rtn Marlon Taghap and Spouse Aryahn
 - Rotarian Sarah Gapas
 - Rotarian Jibril Labiao
 - Spouse Jennifer Velasco
 - Spouse Yolanda Cueva

Presidential Message

Jennifer Jones

RI President 2022-2023



In August, I was proud to visit Pakistan and highlight Rotary's top goal, eradicating polio. It was also a tremendous opportunity to spotlight female health workers who are playing a critical role in protecting children from this vaccine-preventable disease.

This month, as we celebrate World Polio Day, we are shining a spotlight on our more than 30-year effort to lead the first global polio eradication campaign and our success in forming partnerships capable of completing this massive goal. We all know that this is one of the most ambitious global health initiatives in history and that we've reduced polio cases by more than 99.9 percent worldwide.

Pakistan is one of only two countries in the world where wild poliovirus remains endemic. (The other is neighboring Afghanistan.) I was able to witness and take part in vaccination campaigns in Pakistan, and soon after I left, a monumental nationwide immunization campaign took place, focused on 43 million children under the age of 5. I saw the incredible work of Rotary members on the ground. More than 60 percent of vaccinators in Pakistan are women, and they are doing a remarkable job building trust and convincing mothers to vaccinate their children.

Seeing it all firsthand, I know that the will exists across the Rotary world to end polio, and I'm confident that we have the strategy. The Pakistani media has been very supportive of our efforts as well, and this is making a difference. This month, a new global pledging moment at the World Health Summit in Berlin promises to pull together more resources to fund these time-sensitive eradication efforts. Now it is up to us to do our part and raise \$50 million this year to earn the full 2-to-1 match from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

There's great cause for optimism on the polio front — but also some staggering new events that have further raised the stakes. Over the past few months, new polio outbreaks have occurred in Israel, the United Kingdom and, most recently, in the New York City area. These stories are frightening, but in every case, the response is clear — vaccines work, and if polio is spreading, we need to make sure the most at-risk people have kept their vaccinations up to date.

Most importantly, we need to eradicate this virus now. If polio exists anywhere, it can spread everywhere. What I saw in Pakistan convinced me that we can and must finish the job, but it will only happen if we remain committed to a strategy that's working and back it with all necessary resources.

Through our commitment, generosity, and sheer determination, we will #EndPolio.

PHOTO DOCUMENTATION

October 7, 2022: "Pagbasa at Pagkakakitaan Tungo sa Magandang Kinabukasan", a literacy and livelihood project started in partnership with El-Ulit Elementary School, Brgy. Bukay Pait, Tantangan.



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Trustee's Chair Message

Ian H.S. Risely



Who are your Rotary heroes? One of mine was Clem Renouf, 1978-79 RI president. I related to Sir Clem, who died in 2020, in many ways. We shared the same profession and Australian nationality and a passion for polio eradication. It was Clem's leadership that first put us on track to embrace the cause, mobilizing what is today a global partnership that has led us to the cusp of eradicating a human disease for only the second time in history.

What Rotary and its partners have achieved is nothing short of remarkable. We have helped reduce polio cases by 99.9 percent worldwide, immunizing more than 2 billion children across 122 countries. Last year alone, more than 370 million children were vaccinated across 30 countries, using more than 1 billion doses of oral polio vaccine. As a result, we are seeing near historic lows in the number of cases. In August 2020, the World Health Organization African region was certified free of wild poliovirus, an incredible achievement for Rotary members and a huge step on the road to eradication.

But remember that as long as polio exists anywhere, it is a threat to people everywhere, especially to young children. You may have heard about importations of the disease to Malawi and Mozambique, detection of poliovirus in sewage in the UK, and a recent case in the U.S.

To stay agile, Rotary and its partners are deploying a new polio vaccine, novel oral polio vaccine type 2 (nOPV2), to fight outbreaks of circulating vaccine-derived poliovirus, also known as variant poliovirus, which continues to threaten children in Africa, as well as several countries in Asia and the Middle East, including Afghanistan and Pakistan.

Rotary is as active as ever. We are calling on every member to take action and be part of this historic fight. Take the fight to your clubs and communities on World Polio Day, 24 October. Keep raising awareness of the importance of polio eradication and Rotary's critical role in that effort by holding events and fundraisers. Don't forget that contributions toward the goal of \$50 million per year for polio eradication will be matched 2-to-1 by our generous partner, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

Like Sir Clem, we can all be Rotary heroes, each playing a part in our organization's great legacy. Through giving, raising awareness and funds, and providing hands-on service, each of us brings Rotary a step closer to fulfilling our promise to the children of the world by eradicating polio for good.

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