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Meets every Thursday, 7:30 PM EMR Center, Morales, Koronadal City, South Cotabato, Philippines



PDG Benjamin M. Garcia

PAG Gerry S. Cruz

PP Antonio M. Vicente

PP Benjamin M. Pajaro











Our Mission

We provide service to others, promote integrity, and advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through our fellowship of business, professional, and community leaders.

Our Core Values

Our values are an increasingly important component in strategic planning because they drive the intent and direction of the organization's leadership.

CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDANCE

This document certifies that

(Name)

of the Rotary Club of _____

attended the club's General Membership Weekly Meeting and Fellowship on held at EMR Center, Morales, Koronadal City,

South Cotabato, Philippines.

RTN. RHEA E. SAVARIZ *Executive Secretary*





6th GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING AND FELLOWSHIP

P R O G R A M M E

I. Registration and Dinner

II. General Membership Meeting

Call to Order	Pres. Andy Atkins
Invocation & National Anthem	PAG Carlo Precioso
Rotary Hymn	AVP
Four-Way Test and Object of Rotary	PAG Gerry Cruz
Acknowledgement of Visiting Rotarians/Spo	ouses/Guests
Rotary Information	
Secretary's Report/Updates	Sec. Rhea Savariz
President's Time & Adjournment	Pres. Andy Atkins

III. Fellowship

AG Jay Garcia Moderator



Heavenly Father, As the whole world battles the effects of the Coronavirus pandemic, we need hope and encouragement more than ever before. Please continue to draw near to us to give us a greater understanding of your love so that we can have peace of mind and be joyful, even in difficult times. With this understanding give us the opportunity to show Your compassion and love to those in need. Finally, thank you for the opportunity that Rotary gives us to use our skills and gifts in serving others. Amen

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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.

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.

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

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ENJOY ROTARY! Rotary Club of Marbel Original Theme Song (Lyrics: PP Camilo Dajav, Composer: Ryan Gazo)

When life becomes short and complicated When all you see is poverty and misery When you are bored and discontented And your days seem cold and dreary It's time to get up, move on and make new friends The joy of serving others Is felt by each Rotarian Come take your place under the sun Join us and have so much fun

If you want to be happy Join Rotary If you want to be loved Embrace Rotary If you want peace and harmony Serve with Rotary

The Rotary Club of Marbel Our home Our passion Our family All for the service of humanity

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ROTARY OBSERVATION MONTHS

















IPITEL AVRS

Rotary Year Past President 1980-1981 – Gerardo "Gerry" Calaliman 1981-1982 - Benjamin "Bing" M. Garcia 1982-1983 - Pedro "Pete" Torres 1983-1984 – Tranquilino "Jun" Araral, Jr. 1984-1985 - Bernardo "Jun" Dignadice, Jr 1985-1986 – Gerardo "Gerry" S. Cruz 1986-1987 – Perfecto "Pitok" B. Sueno, Jr. 1987-1988 – Romulo "Romy" Rafael⁺ 1988-1989 – Jose "Peps" Barroso 1989-1990 – Benjamin "Ben" D. Pajaro 1990-1991 – Claro "Caloy" Precioso 1991-1992 – Pio "Pio" Mariñas 1992-1993 – Nazario "Boy" Grecia 1992-1993 – Antonio "Tony" M. Vicente 1993-1994 – Delfin "Bong" Riego de Dios 1994-1995 – Emmanuel "Manny" Reinoso 1995-1996 – Edgardo "Ed" Barrios 1996-1997 – Loreta "Loring" Sy 1997-1998 – Jose "Joe" Cagampang 1998-1999 - Arnold "Nonoy" G. Garcia 1999-2000 – Alfredo "Fred" E. dela Peña 2000-2001 – Suzanne "Zanne" Araguil 2001-2002 - Floro "Puyot" Calixton 2002-2003 - Rolan "Rolan" A. Alajar 2003-2004 – Roland "Roland" Asperga 2004-2005 - Noel "Noel" N. Dungca+ 2005-2006 - Camilo "Toto" L. Dajay 2006-2007 – Datu Tungko "Dats" Saikol 2007-2008 – Mark Marie "Mark" G. Bantug 2008-2009 - Jessie "Jessie" P. Cruz 2009-2010 – Marie Antonina "Junette" Hurtado "The Future of Rotary is in Your Hands" 2010-2011 – Juanito "Johnny" C. Cueva 2011-2012 – Leodegario "Leo" R. Santos, Jr. 2012-2013 - Antonio "Tony" M. Vicente 2013-2014 - Carlo "Carlo" S. Precioso 2014-2015 – Leandro Ador "Ador" A. Dizon 2015-2016 – Nolito "Lito" B. Prudencio 2016-2017 - Randy "Randy" S. Baldelovar 2017-2018 – Jason Anthony "Jay" Y. Garcia 2018-2019 – Leween Jan "Leween" P. Santos 2019-2020 – Philip Leonard "Philip" T. Escueta

RI Theme

"Take Time to Serve" "World Understanding and Peace Through Rotary" "Mankind is One-Build Bridges of Friendship Throughout the World" "Share Rotary - Serve People" "Discover a New World of Service" "You are the Key" "Rotary Brings Hope" "United in Service Dedicated to Peace" "Put Life in Rotary - Your Life" "Eniov Rotarv" "Honor Rotary with Faith and Enthusiasm" "Look Beyond Yourself" "Real Happiness is Helping Others" "Real Happiness is Helping Others" "Believe In what You Can Do - Do what You Believe In" "Be A Friend" "Act with Integrity - Serve with Love - Work for Peace" "Build the Future with Action and Vision" "Show Rotary Cares" "Follow Your Rotary Dream" "Act with Consistency, Credibility, Continuity" "Create Awareness...Take Action" "Mankind is Our Business" Sow the Seeds of Love" "I end a Hand" "Celebrate Rotary" "Service Above Self" "Lead the Wav" "Rotary Shares" "Make Dreams Real" "Building Communities, Bridging Continents" "Reach Within to Embrace Humanity" "Peace Through Service" "Engage Rotary Change Lives" "Light Up Rotary" "Be A Gift to the World" "Rotary Serving Humanity" "Rotary: Making a Difference" "Be the Inspiration" "Rotary Connects the World"



Of the things we think, say or do:

Rotary Opens

Opportunities

- 1. Is it the TRUTH?
- 2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- 3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- 4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

ROTARIAN CODE OF CONDUCT

As a Rotarian. I will:

- 1. Act with integrity and high ethical standards in my personal and professional life
- 2. Deal fairly with other and treat them and their occupations with respect
- 3. Use my professional skills through Rotary to mentor young people, help those with special needs, and improve people's guality of life in my community and in the world
- 4. Avoid behavior that reflects adversely on Rotary or other Rotarians
- 5. 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

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.

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ROSTER OF MEMBERS

	NAMES	CLASSIFICATION	SPOUSES
1	ADALIN, Virgilio H., PHF	Dentistry	Nancy
2	ALAJAR, Rolan A., PHF+3	Optometry	Celestina, PHF+1
3	ATKINS, Andrew, PHF	Social Work	Sherill
4	BALDELOVAR, Randy S., PHF	Life Insurance	Theresa
5	BANTUG, Mark Marie G., PHF+4	Chemical Sales & Distribution	Elizabeth, PHF
6	CABUCOS, Rhizel Mae P.	Life Insurance	Gerald
7	CEREZO, Ma. Cyrille U., PHF+2	Medicine - Nephrology	N/A
8	CHIU, Christian Valeen R., PHF	Distribution - IT	N/A
9	CRUZ, Gerardo S., PHF+2	Management Services	Tessie, PHF
10	CRUZ, Jessie, PHF+3	Pawnshop Management	Nemia
11	DAJAY, Camilo L., PHF	Medicine- General Surgery	Gertrudes
12	DAJAY, Noel	Farm Management	Joy
13	DARAUG, John Michael D, PHF	Hotel Management	N/A
14	DE JESUS, Nida, PHF	Fuel Sales & Distribution	-
15	DE JESUS, Jose Mari B., PHF	Printing Services	Arianne Pauline
16	DELA PEÑA, Alfredo E., PHF+4	Real Estate Development	Maria Henrietta, PHF
17	DIZON, Leandro Ador A., PHF+1	School Administration	Farideh
18	ESCUETA, Philip Leonard T., PHF	Human Resource	N/A
10	ESCETA, Philip Leonard T., PHP ESPEJO, Cezario Joel	Gov. Service-Social Welfare & Dev.	N/A
20	FEDOC, Francis Ian A., PHF	Public Utilities-Electric	- Ivy
20			Arlene
21	FRESCO, Baltazar Jr. A., PHF	Water Management	
	GARCIA, Arnold G., PHF	Auto Parts & Services	Myrna
23	GARCIA, Benjamin M., Major Donor Level 2	Telecommunication	Virginia, MD+2
24	GARCIA, Ivy Joy V.	Lumber Distribution	
25	GARCIA, Jason Anthony Y., PHF+2	Transportation-Bus	Marienel
26	GARCIA, Josie J., PHF+1	Distribution – Veterinary Products	Gerry
27	Javellana, Lemuel	IT Services	Kristine
28	LABRADOR, Ilah Marie L.	Government Banking	N/A
29	LAY, Eduardo C., PHF+1	Medicine, IM/Internist	Melba, PHF
30	LORICO, Michael Joseph J., PHF	Legal Services	Maria Janina
31	MARIÑAS, Lorenzo B., PHF	Farm Management	Elsa
32	PACLAR, Chris Paolo	Banking-Commercial	-
33	PAEZ, Jose Antonio C., PHF	Religion - Catholic	N/A
34	PAJARO, Benjamin D, PHF+1	Medicine - ENT	Amelia
35	PAR, Olimpio M., PHF	Transportation- Bus	Elsie
36	PRECIOSO, Carlo S., PHF+1	School Administration	Trixy, PHF
37	PRING, Janine C., PHF	BPO-Graphics Design	N/A
38	PRUDENCIO, Nolito B., PHF	Banking - Commercial	Elsa
39	RIVERA, Remegio, Jr. D., PHF	Medicine -General Surgery	Emily
40	ROMERO, Edren Ton Julius T.	Restaurant Management	N/A
41	SANTOS, Leween Jan P., PHF+1	Distribution - Paint	Amabelle Sharon
42	SAVARIZ, Rhea E.	Gov. Service-Technical Education	Jay
43	SINFOROSO, Edmundo B.	Farm Management	Josephine
44	SUPLAAG, Michael M. , PHF	Educational Services	N/A
45	TAMPUS, Evelyn P., PHF	Banking-Universal	Frederick
46	TAN, Maria Victoria C., PHF	Distribution - Motorcycle	Reynaldo
47	TAN, Mark Anthony C., PHF	Distribution - Motorcycle	-
48	VALERIO, Keith Alvin, PHF+1	Distribution – Agricultural Products	Gina
40			Oraca DUE
49	VICENTE, Antonio M., PHF+2	Distribution - Paint	Grace, PHF





ROTARY INFORMATION

What it's like to survive through two pandemics

Sixty-five years ago, in 1955, I was diagnosed with **polio**. I was two years old, so I was unaware of what it meant to have been infected with the poliovirus, but I became more aware of it in subtle ways as I got older. And at some point, I understood what my mother meant when she said I was "one of the lucky ones."

My mother came from Jersey City, New Jersey, and she sounded like it all her life, aided and abetted by a daily regimen of unfiltered Kool cigarettes. She drove a supply truck as a civilian during World War II and delighted in telling a tale about a GI who tried to "get fresh" with her when she gave him a lift back to the base. When she told him she was married and her husband was deployed overseas, he said, "Baby, what're you saving it for — the worms?"

She stopped the truck and told him, "Ride in back, buster!" I have no doubt that she used an expletive, although she never employed one in the retelling, Jersey accent notwithstanding. But she still thought "saving it for the worms" was the funniest line she had ever heard. She was a woman who could take things in stride, the quintessential "tough cookie."

But there was one recollection that could unravel my mother like no other — the one that involved her youngest son being diagnosed with polio and the palpable fear that stalked parents across the country during the summers of the early 1950s. She could not stop her voice from cracking when she spoke about that time. That, along with her warnings about staying out of "**polio puddles**" after it rained, shaped my awareness of how frightening the epidemic had been.

Among my childhood memories, getting the oral polio vaccine is as vivid as the **classroom drills** that taught us to seek safety under our desks in case of a nuclear attack. While I can now joke about how sturdy school desks must have been back then, there's no amusement in my recollection of lining up outside the local firehouse for the **Sabin sugar cube** — that was serious, important business. I knew it then, and I know it now.

My appreciation for having survived polio faded away over time, but returned in force about 12 years ago when I began writing for **Rotary magazine**. I had assumed polio had been **eradicated** — or, more accurately, I didn't think about it. I have since had the opportunity to get to know, and be awed by, some of the Rotarian volunteers who are working to achieve that goal.





MONTH: SEPTEMBER





Lady Nene Garcia



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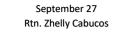




September 16 Rtn. Neneng de Jesus



9 September 25 te PP Lito Prudencio



WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

September 17 PDG Bing & Lady Nene Garcia





RI PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Rotary youth exchange — one of the many programs for youths and young adults that we celebrate this month — was my path into true engagement in Rotary. My wife, Susanne, and I began hosting exchange students soon after I joined, and the experience helped me go from simply being a member of my Rotary club to being a true Rotarian. Now Rotary Youth Exchange is a family tradition, and a strong one: Over the past 24 years, we have hosted 43 students! From the start, we loved it so much that, in addition to hosting students in our home, we became involved with the program by helping to organize student summer camps. During one such camp, I met Christine Lichtin, who was a

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German high school student at the time and whose father is a past president of my Rotary club. To try something new during this year of embracing change, I am turning this space, normally reserved for the president of Rotary, over to Christine so she can share her story.

My first contact with Rotaract was about 13 years ago, when I was with Susanne and Holger at a barbecue for the summer youth camp. Holger turned to me and said: "Why don't you visit a Rotaract club? You'll meet a lot of great young people who come together to have fun and to make a difference."

A few years later, when I was at Trier University, his words came back to me and I decided to give it a try. That was more than eight years ago, and I'm still at it. Once you are in Rotaract, you just don't want to get out. Rotaract has accompanied me everywhere, starting with the Trier club and then on to a club in Bologna, Italy, during the year I studied there. When I was in Kiel for my master's degree, I got involved with Rotaract there before landing at the Rotaract Club of Hamburg-Alstertal as I began my career. Each of those clubs has its own identity and focus, but all have the same intrinsic motivation.

I am now taking on a senior advisory role in my Rotaract club, which I really enjoy. I carry Rotaract in my heart, and it shapes my values, even as my interests evolve. One day, as if she had sensed this evolution, Susanne knocked on my door, wanting to introduce me to a young, modern Rotary club located between Hamburg and Mölln, my hometown. The E-Club of Hamburg-Connect, which Susanne helped charter, holds e-meetings, all of them very relaxed and personal. With members of different ages, everything just seemed to fit, so I thought, why not try it out? After all, time is precious and should be filled with fun whenever possible; the rest happens by itself.

Now I am in both worlds — a proud member of Rotaract and a Rotarian. And my small personal goal is to build a bridge between these two parallel worlds. All of us have very similar reasons for being part of the Rotary family.

It took some persistence to persuade Christine to become a member of Rotary, but it was well worth the effort. It is our duty to put in this kind of effort with youth program participants and Rotaractors so we can keep them in the family of Rotary. I hope you were inspired by her story. It's up to each of us to ensure that more young people like Christine can experience the many ways Rotary Opens Opportunities for us and for the people we serve. (SEPTEMBER 2020)



TRUSTEE'S CHAIR MESSAGE

K.R. Ravindran



In late 1914, Europe was divided by hundreds of miles of trenches. British and French forces on one side were within shouting distance of German troops on the other. The pope made a plea for a Christmas truce, but the shooting continued.

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Then, on Christmas Eve, soldiers from behind British lines heard an unexpected sound — not gunfire, but singing. Next, they heard a single voice shout out, "English soldier, merry Christmas!" followed by "English soldier, come out to join us!"

Both sides cautiously emerged over the parapet into the no man's land between the trenches. Before long, the soldiers realized that it was a

real truce. They fraternized, singing Christmas carols, exchanging souvenirs and whiskey, and even taking up a friendly soccer match.

The cease-fire continued only two days before the troops returned to their trenches, resuming bloodshed for nearly four long years. But the story of the Christmas truce reminds us that peace is possible, if we choose to accept it. If peace can last a few days, could it not also last months or years? And how do we prevent conflict in the first place?

In his Nobel Peace Prize lecture in 1964, American civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr. said, "We must concentrate not merely on the negative expulsion of war, but on the positive affirmation of peace."

With Positive Peace, our society's structures, policies, and everyday attitudes and actions promote justice at all levels, sustaining a peaceful coexistence. It's an answer to the calls for justice and peace we have heard on the streets in protests from Minneapolis to Paris this year. Positive Peace, studied at our Rotary Peace Centers around the world, is not just an academic idea for the Rotary Peace Fellows. Through Rotary's partnership with the Institute for Economics and Peace, the Rotary Positive Peace Academy offers free training to every Rotary member on how to wage Positive Peace in every project we do at the grassroots level, including Foundation grants.

Positive Peace resonates at all levels of The Rotary Foundation. Our literacy projects help children gain equal access to literacy, so opposing sides on an issue can understand each other better. Through our Foundation grants that provide clean water, communities gain stability, as more children stay in school rather than fetching water for hours on end.

Our role as civil society leaders who wage Positive Peace will continue to expand, not only through partnerships and more grants, but also through our hearts, minds, and hands as we offer our gifts to make the world a better place. (SEPTEMBER 2020)



5th General Membership Meeting and Fellowship

August 20, 2020 at Fred Anns Main Hall, Koronadal City





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PEOPLE OF ACTION

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MESSAGE FROM THE CLUB PRESIDENT Andrew Robert W. Atkins



As most of you are aware, I will be travelling to the UK for 5 weeks beginning the 10th September 2020 returning on the 14th October 2020 God willing! We will have to travel early to Davao to obtain the necessary covid-19 test for our flights. At this present time, we will have to quarantine on our return which unfortunately adds to the time we will be away. We will discuss what arrangements can be made for the time we are away.

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While I am away, I will still be able to take part in Zoom meetings such as the district membership training webinar at 1pm on the 19th September. This will correspond to 6am in the UK so I will have to remember to dress ready out of my night wear! May I encourage other club members to take part in this webinar as it has been suggested that 5 club members take part in addition the president.

Sherill and I expect to be staying in the UK in a house with a couple we know quite well. They have confirmed a room for us. The town is Reading and about 60 kilometers from London. They have a Rotary club there and I hope to make myself known to them however, it appears that they continue to meet on Zoom at this present time.

While away we expect to maintain contact and will be praying for your health, safety and welfare.

Thank you for your understanding.





SECRETARY'S CORNER

Rtn. Rhea Savariz

 Everyone is enjoined to participate most especially the Club Officers with the Membership Chair-PP Randy Baldelovar to the District 3860 Membership Training Seminar via Zoom Meeting on September 19, 2020 at 1:00 PM. The link for the online registration was posted last August 31, 2020 at the club chat group. And please let me know on how can I assist you on the registration.



- 2. The viewing for the documented photos during the August 8 Induction and Hand-over Ceremonies was held last meeting. For those who are interested to have a soft copy of the said pictures, please provide USB so that I could copy the files for you.
- 3. The District Report for the month of August was submitted today. We also updated our reports in the Rotary Club Central at rotary.org to include various club activities, engagement and projects.
- 4. In our regular meeting schedules and in the availability of the IT equipment (projector, laptop, etc), we will spend 5-6 minutes for the basic exercise or Zumba following a recorded video from youtube. In this time of crisis, we will still live, enjoy, breath and laugh.







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