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







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PAG Gerry S. Cruz



PP Antonio M. Vicente



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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.

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attended the club's General Membership Weekly Meetin	g and Fellowship on
held at EMR Center, Mor	ales, Koronadal City,
South Cotabato, Philippines.	

RTN. RHEA E. SAVARIZ

Executive Secretary





14th GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

PROGRAMME

- I. Registration and Dinner
- **II. General Membership Meeting**

C	Call to Order	Pres. Andy Atkins
Ir	nvocation & National Anthem	VP Evelyn Tampus
F	Rotary Hymn	AVP
F	our-Way Test and Object of Rotary	PAG Gerry Cruz
Α	acknowledgement of Visiting Rotarians/Spo	ouses/Guests
S	Secretary's Report/Updates	Sec. Rhea Savariz
Ρ	President's Time & Adjournment	Pres. Andy Atkins

III. Fellowship

Rtn. Ian Fedoc *Moderator*



Dear heavenly Father we surrender ourselves to your love, in which Christ comes to us and set us the perfect example. We pray for His wisdom, nature and goodness in our hearts to reflect His love in the community. In particular, we pray for opportunities for our Rotary club to serve others during these frequently changing and challenging times through Christ Jesus. Amen.







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.



ENJOY ROTARY!

Rotary Club of Marbel Original Theme Song (Lyrics: PP Camilo Dajay, 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



























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CLUB PILLARS

Rotary Year Past President	RI Theme
1980-1981 – Gerardo "Gerry" Calaliman	"Take Time to Serve"
1981-1982 – Benjamin "Bing" M. Garcia	"World Understanding and Peace Through Rotary"
1982-1983 – Pedro "Pete" Torres	"Mankind is One-Build Bridges of Friendship Throughout the World
1983-1984 – Tranquilino "Jun" Araral, Jr.	"Share Rotary - Serve People"
1984-1985 – Bernardo "Jun" Dignadice, Jr	"Discover a New World of Service"
1985-1986 – Gerardo "Gerry" S. Cruz	"You are the Key"
1986-1987 – Perfecto "Pitok" B. Sueno, Jr.	"Rotary Brings Hope"
1987-1988 – Romulo "Romy" Rafael ⁺	"United in Service Dedicated to Peace"
1988-1989 – Jose "Peps" Barroso	"Put Life in Rotary - Your Life"
1989-1990 – Benjamin "Ben" D. Pajaro	"Enjoy Rotary"
1990-1991 – Claro "Caloy" Precioso	"Honor Rotary with Faith and Enthusiasm"
1991-1992 – Pio "Pio" Mariñas	"Look Beyond Yourself"
1992-1993 – Nazario "Boy" Grecia	"Real Happiness is Helping Others"
1992-1993 – Antonio "Tony" M. Vicente	"Real Happiness is Helping Others"
1993-1994 – Delfin "Bong" Riego de Dios	"Believe In what You Can Do - Do what You Believe In"
1994-1995 – Emmanuel "Manny" Reinoso	"Be A Friend"
1995-1996 – Edgardo "Ed" Barrios	"Act with Integrity - Serve with Love - Work for Peace"
1996-1997 – Loreta "Loring" Sy	"Build the Future with Action and Vision"
1997-1998 – Jose "Joe" Cagampang	"Show Rotary Cares"
1998-1999 – Arnold "Nonoy" G. Garcia	"Follow Your Rotary Dream"
1999-2000 – Alfredo "Fred" E. dela Peña	"Act with Consistency, Credibility, Continuity"
2000-2001 – Suzanne "Zanne" Araquil	"Create AwarenessTake Action"
2001-2002 – Floro "Puyot" Calixton	"Mankind is Our Business"
2002-2003 – Rolan "Rolan" A. Alajar	Sow the Seeds of Love"
2003-2004 – Roland "Roland" Asperga	"Lend a Hand"
2004-2005 – Noel "Noel" N. Dungca+	"Celebrate Rotary"
2005-2006 – Camilo "Toto" L. Dajay	"Service Above Self"
2006-2007 – Datu Tungko "Dats" Saikol	"Lead the Way"
2007-2008 – Mark Marie "Mark" G. Bantug	"Rotary Shares"
2008-2009 – Jessie "Jessie" P. Cruz	"Make Dreams Real"
2009-2010 – Marie Antonina "Junette" Hurtado	"The Future of Rotary is in Your Hands"
2010-2011 – Juanito "Johnny" C. Cueva	"Building Communities, Bridging Continents"
2011-2012 – Leodegario "Leo" R. Santos, Jr.	"Reach Within to Embrace Humanity"
2012-2013 – Antonio "Tony" M. Vicente	"Peace Through Service"
2013-2014 - Carlo "Carlo" S. Precioso	"Engage Rotary Change Lives"
2014-2015 – Leandro Ador "Ador" A. Dizon	"Light Up Rotary"
2015-2016 - Nolito "Lito" B. Prudencio	"Be A Gift to the World"
2016-2017 – Randy "Randy" S. Baldelovar	"Rotary Serving Humanity"
2017-2018 – Jason Anthony "Jay" Y. Garcia	"Rotary: Making a Difference"
2018-2019 – Leween Jan "Leween" P. Santos	"Be the Inspiration"
2019-2020 – Philip Leonard "Philip" T. Escueta	"Rotary Connects the World"





The Four-Way Test

Of the things we think, say or do:

- 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 quality 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
19	ESPEJO, Cezario Joel	Gov. Service-Social Welfare & Dev.	-
20	FEDOC, Francis Ian A., PHF	Public Utilities-Electric	lvy
21	FRESCO, Baltazar Jr. A., PHF	Water Management	Arlene
22	GARCIA, Arnold G., PHF	Auto Parts & Services	Myrna
23	GARCIA, Affidid G., PHF GARCIA, Benjamin M., Major Donor Level 2	Telecommunication	Virginia, MD+2
23 24			Vilgilia, WD+2
	GARCIA, Ivy Joy V.	Lumber Distribution	Marienel
25	GARCIA, Jason Anthony Y., PHF+2	Transportation-Bus	
26	GARCIA, Josie J., PHF+1	Distribution – Veterinary Products	Gerry
27	GUANGA, Mary Grace	Government Banking-Legal	N/A
28 29	JAVELLANA, Lemuel LABRADOR, Ilah Marie L.	IT Services Government Banking	Kristine N/A
29 30	LAY, Eduardo C., PHF+1	Medicine, IM/Internist	Melba, PHF
31	LORICO, Michael Joseph J., PHF	Legal Services	Maria Janina
32	MARIÑAS, Lorenzo B., PHF	Farm Management	Elsa
33	PACLAR, Chris Paolo	Banking-Commercial	Lisa -
34	PAEZ, Jose Antonio C., PHF	Religion - Catholic	N/A
35	PAJARO, Benjamin D, PHF+1	Medicine - ENT	Amelia
36	PAR, Olimpio M., PHF	Transportation- Bus	Elsie
37	PRECIOSO, Carlo S., PHF+1	School Administration	Trixy, PHF
38	PRING, Janine C., PHF	BPO-Graphics Design	N/A
39	PRUDENCIO, Nolito B., PHF	Banking - Commercial	Elsa
40	RIVERA, Remegio, Jr. D., PHF	Medicine -General Surgery	Emily
41	ROMERO, Edren Ton Julius T.	Restaurant Management	N/A
42	SANTOS, Leween Jan P., PHF+1	Distribution - Paint	Amabelle Sharon
43	SAVARIZ, Rhea E.	Gov. Service-Technical Education	Jay
44	SINFOROSO, Edmundo B.	Farm Management	Josephine
45	SUPLAAG, Michael M. , PHF	Educational Services	N/A
46	TAMPUS, Evelyn P., PHF	Banking-Universal	Frederick
47	TAN, Maria Victoria C., PHF	Distribution - Motorcycle	Reynaldo
48	TAN, Mark Anthony C., PHF	Distribution - Motorcycle	-
49	VALERIO, Keith Alvin, PHF+1	Distribution – Agricultural Products	Gina
50	VICENTE, Antonio M., PHF+2	Distribution - Paint	Grace, PHF





TRUSTEE'S CHAIR MESSAGE

K.R. Ravindran



On a foggy Christmas Eve in Victorian London, the old miser sits at his desk.

Bitter and disillusioned with the world, Ebenezer Scrooge has only one interest: his bottom line. He declines his nephew's invitation to Christmas dinner, refuses to support the poor and deprived, and reluctantly grants his underpaid clerk, Bob Cratchit, time off for Christmas Day.

After he arrives home, strange things begin to happen. Jacob Marley, his deceased business partner, appears as a ghost tethered to a chain, telling Scrooge to change his self-centered ways, lest he meet the same fate.

That is the premise of *A Christmas Carol*, Charles Dickens' classic tale of a man's transformation from hardened recluse to generous humanitarian. To me, it offers valuable lessons for all, regardless of belief or time of year.

In one of my favorite passages, a spirit magically transports Scrooge to the Cratchit household. There, he sees his clerk from a new vantage point, observing a humble but heartfelt holiday gathering. Scrooge then understands that gifts like friendship, family, and gratitude can't be recorded into any ledger. By the end of the story, Scrooge has learned the most important lesson of all: that as long as we are still alive, it's not too late to devote ourselves to serving humankind.

The year-end holidays are upon us. It is a time of giving and sharing, but it is not limited to our loved ones. It is also for the people we have never met and will never see, for those who are not so fortunate as we and could use a helping hand. The miracle of giving that Scrooge discovered on Christmas Eve is exactly what The Rotary Foundation does 365 days a year.

Our Foundation serves simultaneously as charity and performer in the field; Rotarians are on the ground, volunteering their skills and business expertise in support of grants that are funded by you. In this way, we carry out some of Rotary's most important work, such as protecting mothers and their babies and helping communities recover from the shocks of COVID-19.

Please remember The Rotary Foundation during this season of generosity. Remember that your gifts to the Foundation amplify our work in all areas of focus. They are perpetuated, not just today but long after we are gone. And the Foundation will continue to work its miracles in service to others tomorrow as long as we keep supporting it today. On behalf of The Rotary Foundation Trustees, I thank you for sending your generous contribution before 31 December. (DECEMBER 2020)







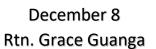


MONTH: December



Spouse Neneng Cruz

December 18 PP Jessie Cruz





December 10 Rtn. Jun Fresco



December 18 Rtn. Boy Par





December 27

Rtn. Ian Chiu



December 18 PAG Gerry & Spouse Neneng Cruz

December 21 PP Ben & Spouse Babes Pajaro



December 21 Rtn. Ev & Spouse Fred Tampus

December 29 Rtn. Vicky & Spouse Rev Tan





RI PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Holger Knaack



As I look back on 2020, I reflect on how our lives have changed. The global COVID-19 pandemic brought pain and loss to many of us. And for almost all of us, our daily lives, family time, and work also changed this year. But we've made it to the end of this difficult year, not on our own but by reaching out to one another, as we always do in Rotary. With each passing year, I become prouder of our organization. I will choose to remember 2020 as a year of great change and strength for us. Rotary didn't stop, despite the pandemic. We removed obstacles, found new ways to connect, and embraced new approaches to service, such as online projects and virtual fundraising. I have invited two Rotarians to share their stories about how Rotary grew stronger this year.

When the pandemic shut everything down, our emerging e-club was already providing digital service, including internationally. Fourteen U.S. women and I, members of multiple Rotary clubs, were using WhatsApp to mentor women entrepreneurs in rural Costa Rica, helping them to grow their ecotourism business, RETUS Tours [the subject of the magazine's May cover story, "Nature & Nurture"]. The project has grown, with 30 Rotarians now providing consulting and help with the RETUS website and social media. Most importantly, we continue building relationships and empowering these women to transform their own lives, and we are doing it online. I've even helped one of the women, Rosa, prepare a presentation in English for an online international conference. While our engagement with the Costa Rican women still requires some hands-on activity, the most transformative impacts haven't had to be in person.

— Liza Larson, Rotary E-Club Engage and Rotary Club of Plano East, Texas

I was president of my club when COVID-19 hit, and many members didn't yet have Zoom. Only 10 of our 53 members participated in the first Zoom meeting during the pandemic. I thought that reaching out and getting guest speakers from around the world to engage our members would help. Many Rotary leaders, a Rotary Peace Fellow, and even RI President Holger Knaack visited virtually and spoke to our club. Meeting attendance improved, while we reduced running costs by cutting out meals. Some members who worked outside our city and had missed our meetings even rejoined us. Registering our online meetings on My Rotary enhanced contacts with clubs across the world, and the joint meeting addressed by Holger attracted more than 300 visitors. We also raised more funds as members and visitors contributed to our projects. To continue being flexible for all, we are now offering hybrid meetings. For me, 2020 has been the best year in Rotary as I've made many new friends. — Blessing Michael, Rotary Club of Port Harcourt North, Nigeria

These stories should give us all reasons to be optimistic about Rotary in the year ahead. We are not just surviving; we are gaining strength. We are discovering how resilient our organization truly is. We are seeing for ourselves how Rotary Opens Opportunities — even during pandemics — to grow, connect, and engage our members and the communities we serve.

From our home in Ratzeburg to yours, Susanne and I would like to bid you and your family the warmest of season's greetings. We can't wait to see the good things that 2021 will bring. (DECEMBER 2020)

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SECRETARY'S CORNER & REPORT

Rtn. Rhea Savariz

- 1. November 2020 District Reports already submitted on December 10, 2020 via District 3860 website and Service Projects were likewise reported on the Rotary Club Central (www.rotary.org)
- 2. Congratulations to the Champion Club President Philip Escueta for a very successful Rotary Year! The virtual Awarding Ceremony was held last December 5, 2020. RC Marbel was one of the clubs who received various recognitions, thank you to all the energetic and very supportive members.
- 3. Special thanks to PP Randy and Spouse Tell Baldelovar for initiating and coordinating with DSWD XII on the projects at Home for Girls & Women (HFGW). Thank you also to the members who attended the following activities:
 - a. December 1, 2020 Basic Skills Training on Beauty Care and Hairdressing in partnership with Meynardized Salon and Barber at Home for Girls and Women, Tangangan
 - b. December 3, 2020 MOU signing with DSWD XII RD Cezario Joel Espejo on the club's various assistance to the HFGW and Adopt-a-Farm.
 - December 3, 2020 Skillsharing in Graphic Designing conducted by the Public Image Chair Janine Pring and Dreametry
 - d. December 3, 2020 Learn and Earn: The handover/donation of embossing and cutting system machine for various invitations by Pres. Andy and Spouse Sherill

e. December 3, 2020 – Tree Planting led by PDG Bing Garcia and Pres. Andy Atkins and a kicked-off of Adopt-a-Farm Project







MESSAGE FROM THE CLUB PRESIDENT

Andrew Robert W. Atkins



Following our period of travel quarantine Sherill and I were pleased of the opportunity to attend the two projects with the Home for Girls and Women and as a way of restoring the involvement of Rotary in the Community.

Thank you to all those who attended on either or both days. The first session was on Tuesday 1st December with basic skills training on beauty care. Thank you to those who provided some make up kits for the session. This first session served as a useful preparation for the next

session 2 days later. Many of the girls and women dressed up for their presentation singing and dancing for the event of the MOU signing confirming the Adopt-a-Farm Project. Representatives of the HFGW, and Rotary together with fellow Rotarian director of DSWD Mr. Cezario Joel Espejo formally agreed the project. Later, Sherill gave instruction on the use of our donated card press for embossing and cutting invitation and greeting cards. A special thanks goes to Rotarian Janine Pring who gave useful training on media presentations in the afternoon.

Janine Pring has now prepared a design for the club uniform for year 2020-2021 'Rotary Opens Opportunities'. I request that we all give towards this new club uniform so we can know how many we should order. However, the order must be more than 30 pieces. I think the cost for each item is P750 pesos. To avoid further delay we should all confirm our commitment to purchase the uniform. Maybe putting our agreement on RC Marbel Messenger would be helpful.

With the current situation of the pandemic I would like the club to discuss any opportunity for Christmas gift giving this year. In addition, I would like us to discuss if the club should have any Club Christmas fellowship celebration and dates for recess over the holiday period.