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R.I President's Message



JENNIFER JONES

Rotary International President

RY 2022-2023

We've all taken our own path to become a member of Rotary. Some of you joined because your father was a Rotarian. Some of us signed up because an employer tapped us on the shoulder and asked us to attend a meeting. Others became members only after a U.S. Supreme Court ruling made it possible. Yet each of us entered through one mechanism — an invitation.

An invitation that unlocks our imaginations and allows us to know that everything and anything is possible. Each one of us has that same opportunity — the honor to extend

an invitation.

It is awe-inspiring to imagine how we can look out across our communities and identify our future leaders. It's often tempting to attract people who are exactly like us. It's a special form of ingenuity to consider how people who are seemingly very different can, in fact, share our values and have some of those same talents, just waiting to be unleashed.

It's time for Rotary to take our next step in advancing Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) across our organization.

Embracing an experience where people feel included is more than just making our membership numbers more diverse. It's about making our meetings and events places where we can speak openly and honestly with each other, where our members feel welcome and safe. This means removing barriers for entry and opening doors for inclusion.

Our values remain our strength — and our commitment to excellence requires us to maintain high standards for our members as well. I believe we are all committed and determined to advancing DEI across Rotary. This is rooted in the deepest traditions of our organization, and it will ensure that we remain vibrant and relevant for decades to come.

A few years ago, our Rotary Board set the ambitious goal of increasing the share of female members to 30 percent by 2023. We have less than a year to go, but I believe we can meet and exceed this target.

We need Rotary leaders to rise from every continent, culture, and creed. We need young members and young thinkers to take on larger roles and responsibilities. We need to listen to new Rotary members just as keenly, and with as much respect, as those with many years of membership.

During our recent convention in Houston, we heard from astronauts about their journeys into space. We reflected upon a time in the 1960s when U.S. President John F. Kennedy urged the world to dream, with his declaration that we would "go to the moon [and do] other things, not because they are easy, but because they are hard."

Fully committing Rotary to DEI and meeting our ambitious membership targets may seem as unlikely as a moon shot. But I know that when people of action are committed to a big goal, we make it worth every ounce of our energy.

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Club President's Mes-



MARK JEROME TIONGSON

President Rotary Club of Metro Dadiangas RY 2022-2023

Good evening fellow Rotarians, Rotaractors, and Guests!

I hope that our spouses enjoyed the Ladies Night we had last

Wednesday at Lex Forum.

Days ago we had several projects and activities. There are activities that I was not able to attend to since I had a prior commitment with other organization. But, despite of my absence, I would like to thank and congratulate everyone for another successful week of Service Above Self.

Last August 25, we had our 1st BalikEskwela Project at Lagao National High School Annex. Together with Philippine Air Force Reservist, we turnover paints for the beatification of the school, some hygiene materials, and school supplies.

Last August 27, three activities took place on the same date . First, is the Basic Orientation Seminar of our Rotaractor. Thanks to PP Rey, PAG Mon, our New generation Dir. Bong, and other Metronians who represented our club and showed our support to the Rotaract Club as part of our Membership Development & New Generation Project. Second, is another Project BALIK ESKWELA at LHE Construction. Thanks to PP rene for initiating this activity. And third, was our area coordination meeting with other Rotary Club in Areas 3FGH. Thanks to Sec Ralph for representing our club and discussed the upcoming District-wide activity.

That's all for tonight's club meeting. Thank you and God bless everyone.

PROGRAMME

Opening Ceremony

Call to Order Reading of Tonight's Prayer National Anthem Rotary Hymn Object of the Rotary/ 4-Way Test Intro. of Visiting Rotarians & Guests

Fellowship

Community Singing Celebrity Greetings

Club Matters

Treasurer's Time Secretary's Time President's Time & Adjournment PRES. BONG TIONGSON PO NOEL PIDO RTN. RYAN PAÑARES RTN. DIOSDADO ORDANZA RTN. GWENN OLARTE PAG KIKO LORENZO

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Moderator



Brayer

Lord, tonight, we are men and women gathered in the spirit and support of Rotary International.

As we enjoy our fellowship, help us to remember how fortunate we are to be able to serve our brothers and sisters in the community through our great organization.

That we are prosperous, enables us to give of our material wealth. That we are free, enables us to work together on projects. That we are generous, enables us to work together to achieve amazing successes. And that we are dedicated, brings us together as our Club leaders and workers so that we may continue with these efforts.

Guide us in our service. Keep us well so we can serve. And bless those peoples around the world who our touched by our works, so that they, too, can have the joy of a fulfilling life, full of good health and companionship, in surroundings that are beneficial to all.

Amen.

ROTARY HYMN

Composed by: George Canseco

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

Refrain: With the Four Way Test I'll pursue my quest And if I, in a way help obtain Peace in the world I shall not have lived in vain.

l'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

We shall not 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 we'll divide. We shall all understand

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 We shall not have lived in vain.

Peace be achieved, We shall not have lived in vain.

THE OBJECT OF ROTARY

THE 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:

- 1. THE DEVELOPMENT OF ACQUAINTANCE AS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR SERVICE;
- 2. 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;
- 3. THE APPLICATION OF THE IDEAL OF SERVICE IN EACH ROTARIAN'S PERSONAL, BUSINESS, AND COMMUNITY LIFE;
- 4. THE ADVANCEMENT OF INTERNATIONAL UNDERSTANDING, GOODWILL, AND PEACE THROUGH A WORLD FELLOWSHIP OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL PERSONS UNITED IN THE IDEAL OF SERVICE.



Is it the TRUTH?

Is it FAIR to all concerned?

Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?

Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

Celebrity Greetings



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JOHN ARCAMO

Treasurer Rotary Club of Metro Dadiangas RY 2022-2023

AUGUST 31, 2022

Club's Fund as of AUGUST 23, 2022	300, 097.74
Add: Club Collection (AUGUST 24, 2022)	20, 250.00
Add: TRF Collection (AUGUST 24, 2022)	28, 875.00
TOTAL Club's Fund ————	349, 222.74
Meals (June 30, 2022)	17, 500.00
Meals (August 17, 2022)	19, 341.00
Secretariat Reimbursement for Office Supplies, Load, and Transpo	1,000.00
TOTAL EXPENSES:	37, 841.00

TOTAL BANK BALANCE AS OF August 30, 2022

PHP 311, 381.74



Secretary's Report



RALPH WALDY SOGUILON Secretary

Rotary Club of Metro Dadiangas RY 2022-2023

Date of Meeting	Total Membership	# of Members Used in Calculating the Attendance	# of Members Present	# of Members Made-Up	%
Aug. 24, 2022	63	63	55	4	94 %
	AVER	AGE ATTENDA	NCE		94%



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Rotary International Features

The workshop, by all accounts, yielded astonishing results. But Scott and the other facilitators first had to learn a crucial lesson. "On the first day of the fathers' training, I invited many female social workers to observe," recalls Enkhtuva Sukhbaatar, a member of the Rotary Club of Ulaanbaatar who helped organize the project. "We wanted to learn from the Australian pro-fessionals how to work with these fathers. We didn't realize that fathers in trouble need male trainers."

Only after all the women were asked to leave the room were the fathers willing to discuss the hardships they faced. "That made all the difference," Scott recalls. "The men were finally able to open up about the complexity of parenting, the risk of losing their children while mourning the loss of a wife, and the fact that there was nothing there to support them in the system."

For men such as Davaanvam, the workshop was life-changing. "I feel very lucky to be part of this project," the 31-year-old says. "I cannot imagine how I would have managed my life as a father without it."

Not only did Davaanvam gain confidence in his role as a father but he became a member of a local fathers association. Another dad hired him as a security guard at a vocational school. He's also been able to secure child care and counseling from local agencies.

"The men were finally able to open up about the complexity of parenting ... and the fact that there was nothing there to support them in the system."

"It was one of those perfect Rotary projects where you go somewhere and are able to truly enable people," reports Ian Scott, Jennifer's husband and also a Central Blue Mountains club member, who helped handle administration for the workshop. "Jennifer and her colleagues provided professional and academic support. But it was the locals who really picked it up and ran with it." The result isn't just personal empowerment, but systemic change, in the form of greater social and legal support for single fathers in Mongolia.

For Jennifer Scott, the project underscored that while the importance of mothers is universally recognized and support-

mothers is universally recognized and supported, the role of fathers is too often overlooked and underserved.

That's a sentiment that Brian Anderson, half a world away in the United States, will second. About a decade ago, when his first daughter was born, Anderson saw his wife quickly join a slew of support groups for mothers, both in person and online. But when he began looking for fathers groups, he found virtually nothing.

https://www.rotary.org/en/lessons-fatherhood



Rotary International



LESSONS IN FATHERHOOD

From Erdenet, Mongolia, to Evanston, Illinois, support for dads can be life-changing —By Steve Almond

Three years ago, Davaanyam Gongorjav, a young father living in Erdenet, Mongolia, found himself in dire straits. His wife had recently died of cancer. He had no job and no child care for his daughters, who were 4 and 7 years old. More fundamentally, he was facing a crisis of confidence as a father.

Davaanyam, it turns out, was not alone. There were dozens of single fathers in Erdenet facing similar challenges in a culture where the notion of

a father raising children without a partner was alien, and where community support for those fathers was virtually nonexistent.

Word of these fathers had passed from a professor at the International University of Ulaanbaatar to Jennifer Scott, an Australian Rotarian working in law and mediation. Before long, Scott and a group of colleagues had conducted a community needs assessment and organized a workshop for nearly two dozen single fathers, supported by a global grant from The Rotary Foundation.

"These were men in tragic circumstances, who had lost wives in childbirth or to cancer," says Scott, a member of the Rotary Club of Central Blue Mountains, who traveled to Mongolia as part of a vocational training team. "They loved their children and wanted to raise them. But they were living in a society where the mother-in-law viewed child rearing as her role and would try to remove them."

The recent history of Mongolia only compounded their plight. Under Soviet influence, Mongolian men were tasked with herding and farming, Scott notes, while young women were educated. A subsequent mining boom claimed much of the country's agricultural land, leaving many men without any education or sense of identity. "These men felt, therefore, terribly disempowered," she says.

Metro Activity

Area Coordination Meeting | August 27, 2022



Metro Activity

Membership Development | August 27, 2022 Joint Rotaract Basic Orientation Seminar





Rotary Club of Metro Dadianaas sponsored the joint basic orientation seminar of the Rotaract Club of Metro Dadianaas and Rotaract Club of General Santos City—MSU Chapter. The Club's Membership Chair, PP Rey, talks about some Rotary Basics and most specially Membership to Rotary. While the club's Foundation Chair, PAG Mon, discusses about The Rotary Foundation, just for the preparation for the Elevate Rotaract.

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Basic Education & Literacy | August 27, 2022 Project BALIK ESKWELA | LHE Construction & Industrial Services



Metro Activity

Basic Education & Literacy | August 25, 2022 Project BALIK ESKWELA | Lagao National High School Annex



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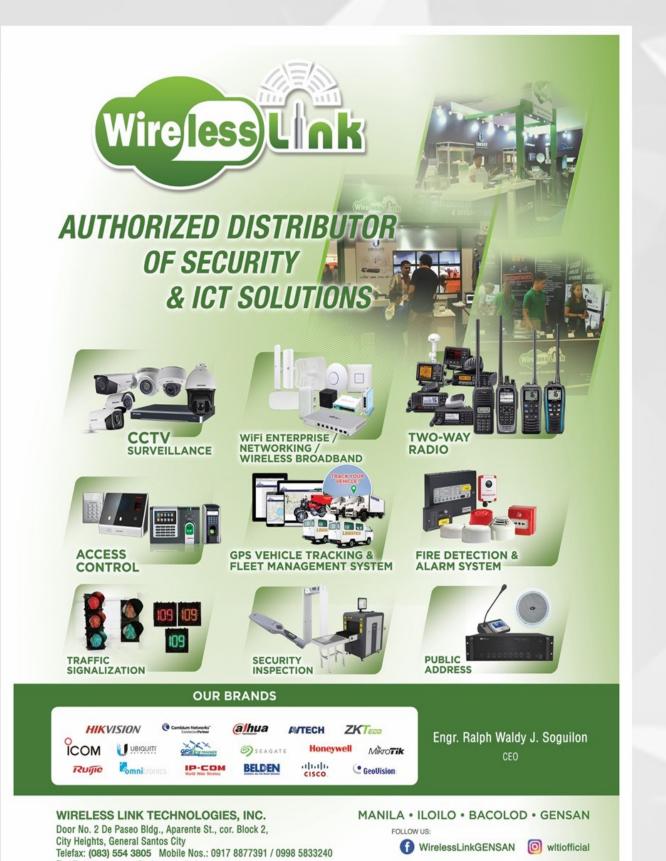
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