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BASIC EDUCATION AND LITERACY MONTH



"To read is to empower, to empower is to write, to write is to influence, to influence is to change, to change is to live."

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Your Gift of Reading, My Learning

"Reading is a gateway skill that makes all other learning possible." - Barack Obama



The educational landscape in the country experiences a 360-degree change because of the COVID-19 pandemic. From the usual classes held in the four corners of the classroom, schools and learners adapt to new teaching and learning delivery modes. One of the concerns that Aupagan Elementary School administrator and faculty has is the children's development of reading skills. They need books and other reading resources to fill their reading kiosk. The idea is, parents as the partners of teachers in the learning process of their children, could always borrow books as learning resource materials to aid the modules that they receive every quarter. For the school and teachers part, they would also have available reading materials for their Brigada Pagbasa. DepEd Memo No.48, s. 2021 states that Brigada Pagbasa is a part of Brigada Eskwela. It is an after-school program that envisions bringing together education partners and experts to help all learners read and become functionally literate. The Brigada Pagbasa will serve as a platform to synergize efforts and resources to address education-related challenges especially on literacy and numeracy. It will also create opportunities for all stakeholders to contribute possible solutions to the current gaps in the country's education system, especially in equipping the learners with 21st century skills.

Rotary Club of Midtown Butuan saw this need and is happy to address it. It is the goal of the club to help far-flung public schools on its reading campaign by donating educational books and magazines. The club also supports DepEds 3Bs Initiatives which is "Bawat Bata Bumabasa." Aupagan Elementary School, as the first school recipient of RCMB, received textbooks, general knowledge books, story books, and magazines. They were received by School Head, Mr. Louie Jim A. Payda, together with the faculty, staff, GPTA officers, and students of the school. On the day of turnover, they were also given health essentials such as three gallons of alcohol, ten boxes of face masks, and fifty pieces of face shields to help them on their Health and Safety Program Against COVID-19. This is to ensure prevention against the COVID-19 disease. In addition, various seeds were also given to help the GPTA of the school for their livelihood project which is dubbed as "Gulayan sa Paaralan." RCMB Life Changing President Rosalyn N. Cortel signed the Deed of Donation papers and Aupagan Elementary School through its School Head signed the Certificate of Acceptance.



"Books are the plane and the train, and the road. They are the destination and the journey. They are home."

- Anna Quindlen -

The day was wrapped with a fellowship. The turnover activity was attended by 11 Midtowners, 2 Rotarian spouses, 1 incoming Midtowner, 6 Rotaractors, Principal Louie Jim A. Payda, and other stakeholders of Aupagan Elementary School.

"Your Gift of Reading, My Learning," service project inspired individuals, schools, and companies to be part of this wonderful education and literacy program. They voluntarily sent a message to the members and/or to the club that they would like to take part by donating books. This is like a Bayanihan project which promotes volunteerism, concern, unity, and love not only for children but to the community as well. It is a project that starts with a small school and somehow the effects would radiate in the community, the region, and the country as well.

To date, there are already two schools who benefited from RCMB basic education and literacy project. This is a continuing project of the club for the Rotary year. If ever there are other rotary clubs, companies, or individuals in the country who would like to partner with RCMB, the club will be very happy about it. Midtowners believe that together, we can do so much to change the lives of school children. We can all do it – one school at a time!

For partnership or book donation, please contact any of the following:

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ROTARY DAY OF SERVICE



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Simultaneous Mangrove Tree Planting, Coastal clean up and Tree Caring Activities

| 18 September, 2021
| Punta, San Roque, Nasipit Agusan del Norte
| Partner PO: Punta Fisherfolks & Seaside Dwellers Association
| A Joint activity by Rotary Club of Area 3i & 3j
| In coordination with:

Butuan East Central
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JOINT SERVICE PROJECT: Mangrove Tree Planting and Coastal Clean Up
Brgy. Punta, San Roque, Nasipit, Agusan del Norte
September 18, 2021

"It is our collective and individual responsibility ...to preserve and tend to the world in which we live." - Dalai Lama

RC Midtown Butuan joined the other seven clubs of Area 3i and Area 3j on their joint service project: Mangrove Tree Planting and Coastal Clean Up. Rotarians, Rotarian spouses, and Rotaractors were able to plant 100 mangrove seedlings on that day.

Coastal clean up followed where everyone took the non-biodegradable trashes such as plastic bottles, sacks, cellophanes, and others.

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Area 3I and 3J Area Joint Project





The Midtowners took part in Area 3I and 3J Coastal Clean-up and Mangrove Planting joint project in Barangay Punta, Nasipit, Agusan del Norte last September 18, 2021.

It's a sight to behold that every Rotarian plant one or two mangrove seedlings. They were able to collect also sacks of nonbiodegradable garbages.

The area was left spotless of garbages which would be a threat to marine animals.heading

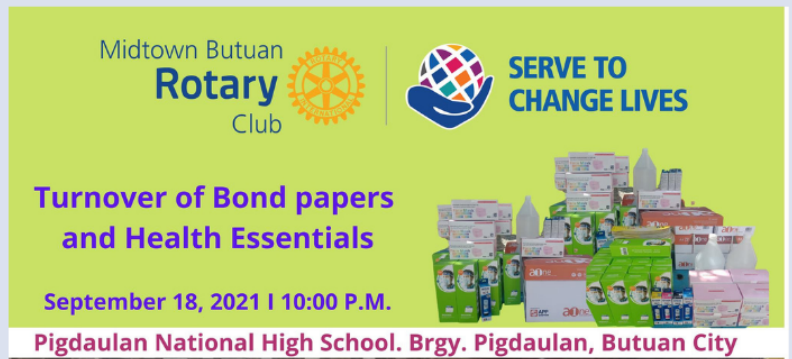


SERVICE PROJECT: Turnover of School Supplies and Health Essentials
Pigdaulan National High School
Brgy. Pigdaulan , Butuan City
September 18, 2021

In support with DepEd's Brigada Eskwela, Rotary Club of Midtown Butuan continues to help as much as it can by giving school supplies and/or health essentials to the recipient public school.

Pigdaulan National High School is the third public school recipient of RCMB. The club gave 30 reams of bondpapers, 1 set of ink, 2 gallons of alcohol, 32 face shields, and 8 boxes of face masks. These were received by the school principal, Mr. Reylan R. Alas. Due to MECQ status of Butuan City, the club saw to it that only limited number of Midtowners will go to Pigdaulan. Health and safety protocols were observed during the turnover.

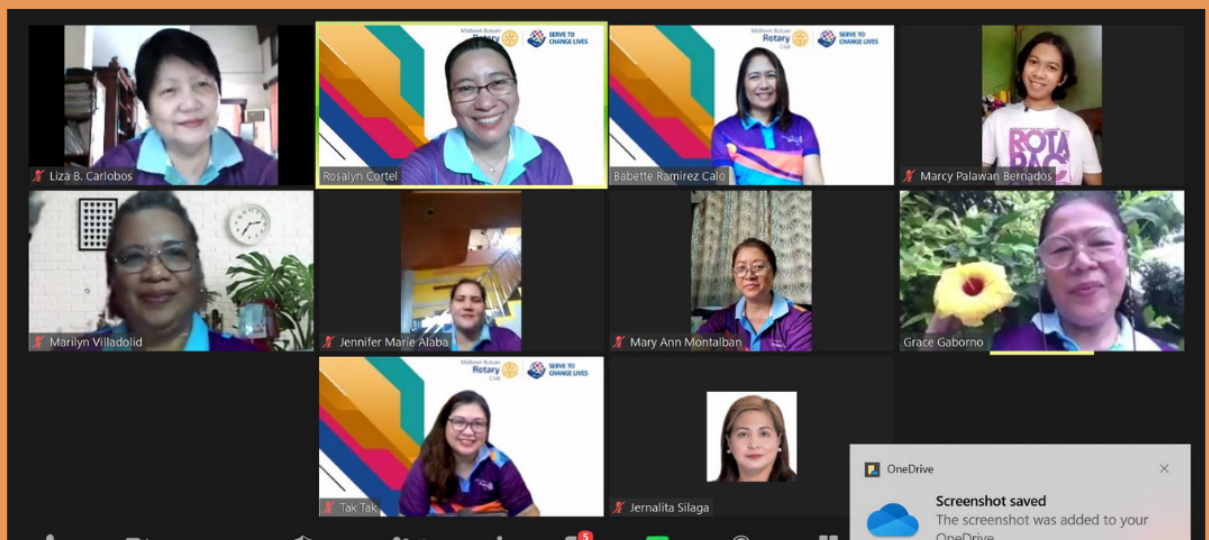
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6th Regular Meeting and Classification Talk of New Member

September 25, 2021 | VIA Zoom



CLUB REGULAR MEETING: 6th Regular Meeting & Classification Talk of New Member
Sept. 25, 2021@10:00 am via Zoom

The 6th regular meeting of RCMB was held via Zoom. It was presided by Life Changing President Rosalyn N. Cortel and attended by nine Midtowners and one Rotaractor. The following agenda were discussed during the meeting:

1. Updates of Service Projects for the Month of September;
2. Service Projects for the Month of October
3. New Guidelines of PRM;
4. Assignment of Two Digital Transformation Officers from the Club; and
5. Other Matters

Rtn. Jennifer Marie O. Alaba gave a classification talk. She shared her journey to joining the Rotary and what contributions could she impart to the club. This was facilitated by Membership Chair Grace Y. Gaborno.

The meeting was adjourned at exactly 11:45 in the morning.

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3RD AREA COORDINATION MEETING OF AREA 3I AND 3J

Plated Café and Bistro
September 25, 2021 @ 1:30 pm

3RD AREA 3I and 3J COORDINATION MEETING

Plated Cafe and Bistro
September 25, 2021
@ 1:30 pm

The Area 3I and 3J had an area coordination meeting to discuss the following agenda:

1. Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution Project;
2. Pink October - Breast Cancer Awareness Month;
3. World Polio Day; and
4. Other Matters



The meeting was presided by Area 3J Asst. Governor Rohdora J. Canlas. Present during the meeting were RIFEC Enrique G. Andres, Area 3I Asst. Governor Marivic Torrefranca, IPP Ryan Jae G. Yap, and Life Changing Presidents Jasswinder Singh of RC Butuan North, Maricel Cosme of RC Downtown Butuan, Mary Grace P. Villanueva of RC Central Butuan, Rosalyn N. Cortel of RC Midtown Butuan, and Jeffrey I. Honculada of RC Uptown Butuan.

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