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The Club 101 September 2024

RI PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Stephanie A. Urchick

(September 2024)

The Magic of Rotary is belonging, and it's a feeling that can appear when you least expect it.

Earlier this year, I was in Slovakia serving as a president's representative during a six-week trip through Europe. When I wrote to Katarina Cechova, governor of District 2240 at the time, I mentioned that my grandmother Veronica Zilka grew up in a small village in the area before settling in the U.S.

It wasn't long before Cechova tracked down my grandmother's village, Jakubova Vol'a. She even organized a visit for me, where I received an unforgettable Slovakian welcome.

When I entered the community center of Jakubova Vol'a, a small crowd of people dressed in traditional Slovakian clothing greeted me. They sang with beautiful and powerful Central European voices that reminded me of my grandmother.

A lot of families play cards or games when they get together. When I was young, my father would pick up his accordion and lead my family in song. My

grandmother would sing along with her impressive voice.

When I walked into the community center and heard traditional music from my childhood — when I saw a woman play the accordion the way my dad played — I suddenly felt like a little girl sitting at my grandmother's house in Monessen, Pennsylvania. I burst into tears of joy at the memories.

But the magic didn't stop there. District Governor Cechova really outdid herself. A local genealogist worked with a videographer to make a short film about my grandmother. We watched the video together in the community center.

When the video ended, I turned around and saw a man standing in the back of the room. I quickly learned that this stranger, Frantisek Zilka, was my second cousin. His grandmother and mine had been sisters. I felt like I had been struck by lightning.

I visited my newfound cousin's home, which happens to be the home where my grandmother was born. There, he shared old photographs I had never seen of

my dad, my uncle, and my grandmother.

Since then, I can't stop thinking about my family of Rotary. When I refer to you as my family, I'm not just being kind. I really think of everyone in Rotary as my family. But I never would have imagined that my Rotary family would introduce me to long-lost personal family.

Sitting in that community center listening to traditional Slovakian music from my childhood filled me with joy and a profound sense of belonging. I am so grateful to District Governor Cechova and everyone who helped create that

magical experience.

As members of Rotary, we have a unique opportunity to share the same magic with each other and with the world. I encourage you to consider how you can help spread that magic and ensure other members of your club — other members of our Rotary family — feel like they truly belong.

Stephanie A. Urchick President 2024-25

PRESIDENTS PAGE



As we turn the page to September, Rotary International shines a spotlight on one of the most fundamental building blocks of human progress: education and literacy. Rotarians worldwide unite to champion the cause of Basic Education and Literacy, recognizing that knowledge truly is power.

The Rotary Club of Polomolok 101 responded to the Brigada Eskwela initiative- an advocacy program that aims to encourage more LGU, communities, parents, businesses, and NGOs to support and contribute in adequately preparing public schools for the opening of classes. Our club donated cleaning materials as requested by the school teachers. We also share our time in helping clean some classrooms and their gardens. This activity was done last month before the classes started at Silway 8 Elementary School.

Education is a right, not a privilege. This September, we enjoin Rotary International in our mission to light up minds and brighten futures. Whether we are a Rotarian or a community member, our contribution matters.

Together, we can turn the page to a brighter, more literate world.



President-Elect's Message

By: PE Gina de Guzman



As an educator for more than twenty-seven years, it has always been my advocacy to promote the positive impact of education to one's life. It will not guarantee us wealth and power, but it will surely enrich our consciousness and mindfulness. Real education is beyond any degree because it is basically learning how to learn.

Inspired by Rotary's action in creating lasting change in people's lives, Rotary Club of Polomolok 101 commits to continuously provide opportunities for learning. It is good that we shine as individuals, but it is best if we flourish together as a community. After all, we are each other's keeper. This for me, is "Service above Self".

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Basic Education & Literacy

The Magic of Rotary









EDITOR'S NOTE

SEPTEMBER IS BASIC EDUCATION & LITERACY MONTH



PAG May Urbano

Editor-in-Chief

September is Basic Education and Literacy Month for Rotary. This is one of Rotary's seven areas of focus. We all know how critical reading and writing are for success in life – for gaining information, communicating, making agreements, and so forth.

Rotary's goal is to empower communities to support basic education and Literacy, reduce gender disparity in education and increase adult literacy.

Enhancing Basic Education skills and Literacy are essential in reducing poverty, improving health, encouraging community and economic development, and promoting peace. Improvements can reduce maternal death, improve childhood survivability, and reduce poverty. They can also enable success in business or a profession.





HALL OF PAST PRESIDENTS



CP OMAR GALLINERO

PHF+1

RY 2005-2006



PP ESPIE MALIWAT

RFSM+2

RY 2006-2007



PAG ALAN INES

PHF+1

RY 2007-2008



PP ROGELIO RALLOS, JR

PHF+7

RY 2008-2009



PP MARIBEL ACUESTA

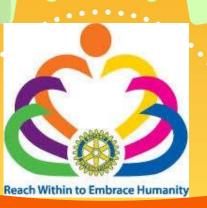
PHF RY 2009-2010



PP XAVIER BAYAN

PHF+3

RY 2010-2011



GRACE SALAZAR

RFSM

RY 2011-2012



REY TRASPORTO

RFSM

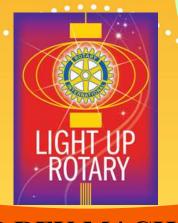
2012-2013



BENHUR DAPANAS

PHF

2013-2014



PP REX MACHAN

RFSM RY 2014-2015



PP CELEMA GRIÑO

PHF RY 2015-2016



PAG MAYVELYN URBANO

PHF+2

RY 2016-2017



PP GLADYS BALANO

PHF / RY 2017-2018



PP MELANI DEYPALAN

PHF RY 2018-2019



PP FANNY FERNANDEZ

PHF RY 2019-2020

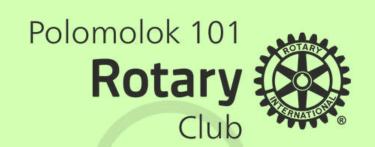


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PHF RY 2020-2021

The Club 101

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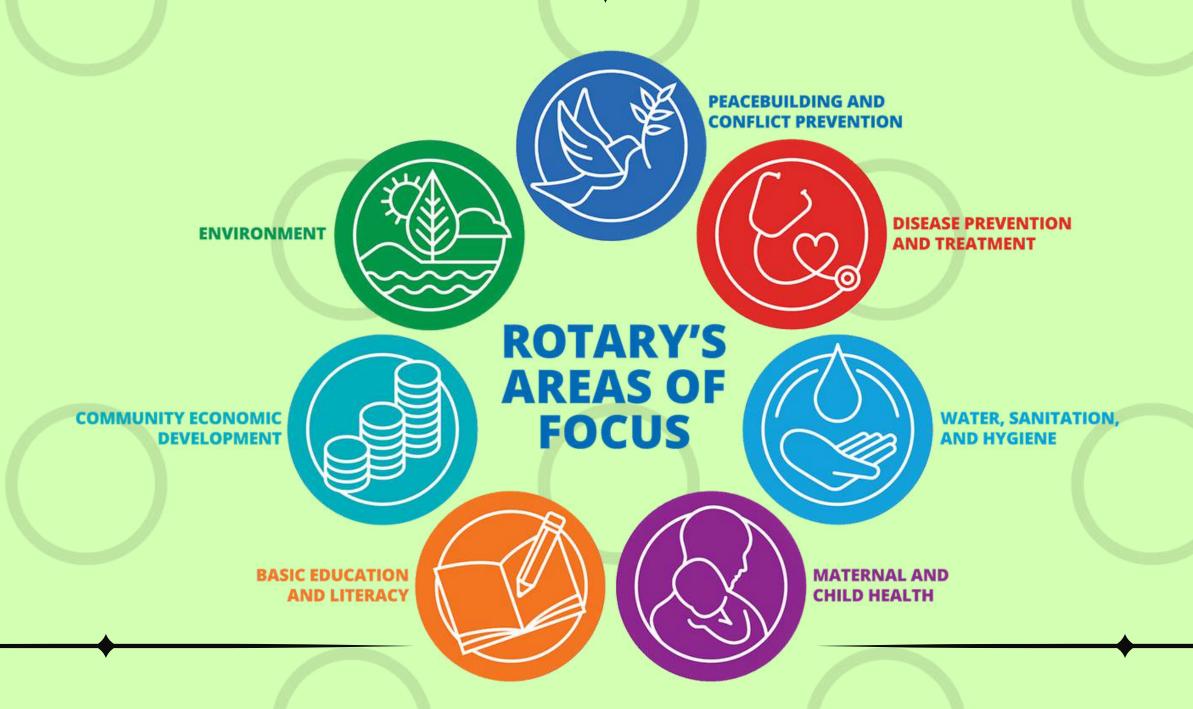


HALL OF PAST PRESIDENTS









SEVEN AREAS OF FOCUS COMMITTEE CHAIR

BASIC EDUCATION & LITERACY- PE GINA DE GUZMAN/RTN. NANCY GADIAN
DISEASE PREVENTION & TREATMENT- PP MEL DEYPALAN/PP BEL ACUESTA
COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT- RTN RYNELL ILETO/PP FANNY FERNANDEZ
WATER & SANITATION- RTN KLINCH BALCITA/VP TOMMY TONGUIA, JR
MATERNAL & CHILD- RTN DOLORES LABAJO/RTN HANNAH LABAJO
PEACE & CONFLICT RESOLUTION- PP XAVIER BAYAN/PAG ALAN INES
ENVIRONMENT- RTN RUTCIE TITO/ RTN MARK MULA

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BENEFITS OF HIGHER EDUCATION



Higher education offers numerous benefits for both personal and societal growth. It equips you with specialized knowledge and skills tailored to your chosen field, enhancing your career prospects and earning potential. You'll develop critical thinking, problem-solving abilities, and a habit of lifelong learning.

It also promotes economic development, reduces poverty, and encourages civic participation, leading to more informed and engaged communities. By pursuing higher education, you can make a positive impact on both your life and society as a whole.

PAG ALAN M. INES

1. Career Preparation

Some people know exactly what they want to do once they enter the workforce, and some people may need higher education to get to where they need to be. A college degree is a required prerequisite for a growing number of jobs. Even if you aren't sure what you want to do after graduation, it is a great benefit to go to college. Higher education will help narrow your interest and refine your skill set, showing you exactly what you are good at and what field you may want to enter.

2. Broader Practical Benefits

Higher education provides several practical benefits. College graduates tend to have higher incomes and lower unemployment rates.

Higher education also promotes healthier lifestyles. College graduates are less likely to smoke and more likely to engage in regular physical activity. Additionally, they are more likely to participate in community and political activities, leading to stronger civic engagement and a more informed society.

3. Personal Development

Students go through a lot of personal development in college. Things such as critical thinking skills, time management, perseverance, communication, and presentation skills are all great assets not only for future work but for personal life as well. College grads get further in life, not just because of the degree they've earned, but the experiences they went through.

4. Pursuing a Passion and Desired Field

Pursuing your passion in the form of a college degree is the path that some people take and there is nothing wrong with that. If you really love music, studying music, then find a way to make a career out of it. College will help you get a deeper and more theoretical understanding of your passion and will also open your eyes to possible career paths and mentors.

5. Cognitive and Communication Skills

College students study hard and they study often. They are taught to think alternatively and creatively to solve a problem. As a result, college students have the high cognitive ability. Courses often require group work and presentations, resulting in better interpersonal communication skills for grads.

6. Social Experiences

Don't forget that college isn't all studying. The friends you make during college will be the friends you have for life. They can also act as a social net, lifting you up when you are down and encouraging you to do your best in your studies, your profession, and in your life. Learning to live with others and work well with others enhances your social skills as well.

The Biggest Pitfalls of Not Investing in Your Education

Neglecting to invest in your education can have significant drawbacks. Without education, you may face limited career opportunities, lower earning potential, and job insecurity in a rapidly evolving job market.

Personal development also suffers, with reduced critical thinking skills, limited access to information, and a diminished ability to adapt to change.

In the long run, this can lead to a lack of fulfillment and hinder your ability to contribute meaningfully to society. Investing in education is crucial for personal and professional growth.





Tito, Rutcie

ROSTER OF MEMBERS

Rotary Year 2024-2025

NAME

CLASSIFICATION

Acuesta, Maribel D. "Bel"	PHF	Dental Services: Pediatrics
Alfeche, Nieven May V. "Twinkle"	PHF	Hospital Services; CEO Secretary

Balano, Gladys D. "Glad" PHF Registrar; Private

Bayan, Xavier J. "Bobet" PHF+3 Law; General Practice

Castaniaga, Lani A. "Lan" PHF Management: Government Bank

Cruz, Rizaldy R. "Zaldy" PHF Architecture: Building

Deypalan, Melani G. "Mel" PHF Dental Services: Orthodontics

Gallinero, Omar S. "Mar" PHF+1 Management; Photography & Events

Gallinero, Charo Lyka B."Sweet" PHF Management; Nail Spa Grino, Celema I. "Cel" PHF Dental Services; Hospital

Ines, Alan M. Lan" PHF+1 Administration; Private School

Jandic, Darnie F. "Bing" PHF+1 Management; Spa

Pineda, Rona F. "Ron" PHF Management; Farm Resort& Restaurant

Publico, Krispian Troy M. "Troy" PHF Financial Advisor Rallos, Jade N. "Jade" PHF+3 Medical Technologist

Rallos, Rogelio Jr. "Wang" PHF+7 Medical Supplies Distribution Sabellano, Ivie L. "Ivie" PHF Management; Government Bank Teoxon, Malou A. "Lou" PHF Management: Travel & Tours

Tonguia, Tomas, Jr "Tommy" PHF Management; Rice Retail

Urbano, Mayvelyn G. "May" PHF+2 Management: Restaurant Fast Food

NEW MEMBERS

"Klinch" Balcita, Klinch Alfred Banking Services de Guzman, Gina "Gin" Education; Tertiaty Maritime Consultant Gadian, Mary Nancy P. "Nancy" Ileto, Rynel J. "Rynz" Management; Beauty Products "Hannah" Labajo, Darlene Hannah C. Junior Executive; Advertising "Dolly" Labajo, Dolores, C. Management; Farm Resort

HONORARY MEMBERS

Business Services

Ambat, Milbert C.

"Rutc"

Rogers, Liza M.

Pub Dues Details



OPTION 1





2,375.00———RI DUES(\$40.25) 1ST SEM		
2,315.00———RI DUES (\$39.25) 2ND SEM)		
850.00——DISTRICT LEVY		
100.00———-DISASTER FUND		
300.00		
320.00 ———-CLUB LISTINGDISCON&DISTAS)		
500.00—RI CONVENTION		
1,475.00		
1,350.00———-END POLIO		
1,000.00———-PROJECT FUND		
10,585.00 ——-TOTAL		
/12 MONTHS= 882.00		
MONTHLY DUES1000/MONTH		

EARLY BIRD (FULL PAYMENT)--- 10,600.00

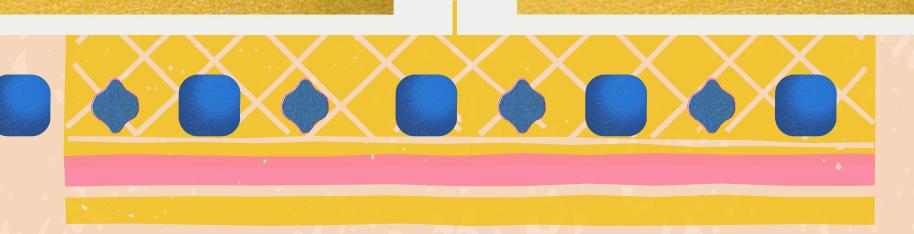


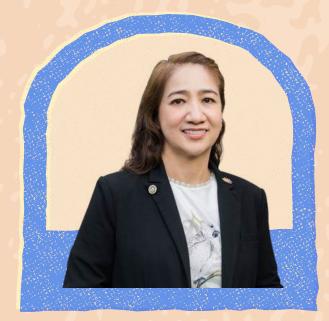
OPTION 2





MONTHLY DUES- 1,300/MONTH EARLY BIRD (FULL PAYMENT)- 15,020.00





by Jade Rallos treasurer







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THE CLUB 101 CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES



by: PP Cel Grino

JULY- MATERNAL & CHILD HEALTH AUGUST-MEMBERSHIP & NEW CLUB DEVELOPMENT SEPTEMBER-BASIC EDUCATION & LITERACY OCTOBER- COMMUNITY ECONOMIC & DEVELOPMENT MONTH NOVEMBER- ROTARY FOUNDATION DECEMBER- DISEASE PREVENTION & TREATMENT

JANUARY- VOCATIONAL SERVICE

FEBRUARY- PEACEBUILDING & CONFLICT RESOLUTION

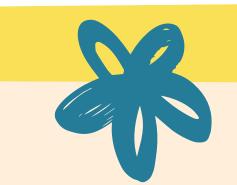
MARCH- WATER, SANITATION & HYGIENE

APRIL- ENVIRONMENTAL MONTH

MAY- YOUTH SERVICE

JUNE- ROTARY FELLOWSHIP







LET'S REVIVE OUR RIVER!



This project aims to revive our rivers to their former glory and strengthen its resilience for people and nature.

RCP 101 together with our GSA School-based Rotaracts, Interacts, Rotary Community Corps Twincirca & MENRO Polomolok gathered together and tirelessly planted more than two hundred(200) Red Lawaan seedlings on the river banks and on the river hillside.

The event began with a short program with brief orientation from MENRO representative headed by Eng'r. Agustin Valencia, emphasizing the importance of river restoration to protect water resources. He also mentioned that trees planted near the river can prevent the entry of various types of pollutants into the river water. Proper tree planting and growing were also discussed during the program. Meanwhile, PAG Alan Ines stressed that the trees planted near the river can be the source of food and shelter for many birds and animals.

The activity was joyfully done with a blissful atmosphere highlighting our club's commitment to preserving natural resources and promoting go green practices.

By planting more trees, we can create corridors and connected habitats that support wildlife populations and promote ecosystem health and resilience.













8th General Membership Meeting & Fellowship Night DownTown Blvd 23rd September 2024/6pm

PROGRAMME

Invocation
Rotary Code of Conduct
& the 4 Way Test
Re echo Vibrant Seminar
President's Time
Open Forum
Adjournment

Pres. Troy Publico
PP Mel Deypalan
PP Bel Acuesta

PE Gina de Guzman Pres. Troy Publico

Pres. Troy Publico

Moderator- PP Gladys Balano

Invocation

Almighty Father, we invite You into our midst during this weekly gathering. We come to this meeting inbued with satisfaction in our jobs, eager to share our experiences, happy to see our fellow Rotarians, and raring to work for the welfare of our fellowmen.

Our enjoyment of the Rotary is made fuller and more meaningful because you have given us, Oh Lord, the gift of generosity and love for the needy and the downtrodden. Through the different projects and services of our club, we have achieved greater fulfillment as persons.

We thank You, Almighty Father, for making us the instruments of Your Love. We love You for giving us the happiness in and through Rotary, AMEN...

ROTARY CODE OF CONDUCT

As a Rotarian, I will

- 1. Exemplify the core value of integrity in all behaviors and activities
- 2. Use my vocational experience and talents to serve in Rotary
- 3. Conduct all of my personal, business, and professional affairs ethically, encouraging and fostering high ethical standards as an example to others
- 4. Be fair in all dealings with others and treat them with the respect due to them as fellow human beings
- 5. Promote recognition and respect for all occupations which are useful to society
- 6. Offer my vocational talents: to provide opportunities for young people, to work for the relief of the special needs of others, and to improve the quality of life in my community
- 7. Honor the trust that Rotary and fellow Rotarians provide and not do anything that will bring disfavor or reflect adversely on Rotary or fellow Rotarians
- 8. Neither seek from a fellow Rotarian a privilege or advantage not normally accorded others in a business or professional relationship



ROTARY HYMN

I want to be, A Rotarian for the world Make the Rotary flag, be the flag of peace unfurled

I will serve my community
Help to seek international unity
Thru Rotary, I will dedicate my all
World understanding shall be my
cherished goal

Refrain: With the Four Way Test
I'll pursue my quest
And 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'll need my help
I'll get my spouse to involve in Rotary
And in Rotary ways, I will train my family
(Repeat Refrain - substitute "I" with "We")

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
(Repeat Refrain - substitute "I" with "We")

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





PP XAVIER- SEPTEMBER 22
ROTAKID ANYA- SEPTEMBER 24
ROTAKID NIKKI- SEPTEMBER 26





The Rotarian Pledge

I will always uphold the truth.

I am a Rotarian.

I will always strive to be fair in all my dealings with fellow human beings.

I am a Rotarian.

Will always endeavor to build goodwill and understanding in my community, among my countrymen, and among people of all nations.

I will always seek to promote the greatest good for the greatest number of people in the spirit of Rotary service.

I am a Rotarian.

I am a Rotarian.

I will always observe the Rotary International motto:

Service Above Self.

The National Rotarians World

Rotary

Polomolok 101

Rotary

Club

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:

FIRST:

The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;

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

THIRD:

The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;

FOURTH:

opportunity to serve society;

SECOND:

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

Rotary



THE FOUR-WAY TEST

of the things we think, say or do

- 1 Is it the TRUTH?
- Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- Will it build GOODWILL & BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

The Club 101

September 2024

VIBRANT CLUB SEMINAR

Acacia Hotel, Davao City/ Sept. 7, 2024



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TREE PLANTING & TREE GROWING ACTIVITY

The Rotary Club of Polomolok 101 together with other Rotary Clubs in GenSan-Area 3 F&G (in coordination with CENRO) had a successful joint tree planting/tree growing activity along the riverbank of Silway river at Brgy Mabuhay on September 21, 2024. A total of 300 Akle seedings were planted in the area. The clubs agreed to alternately monitor the planted seedlings every month to ensure its growth. Protecting the Environment is one of the Area of Focus in Rotary. As Rotarians, we are committed to supporting activities that strengthen the conservation and protection of Natural resources, ecological sustainability, and foster harmony between communities and the environment.











SEPTEMBER WEEKLY MEETINGS











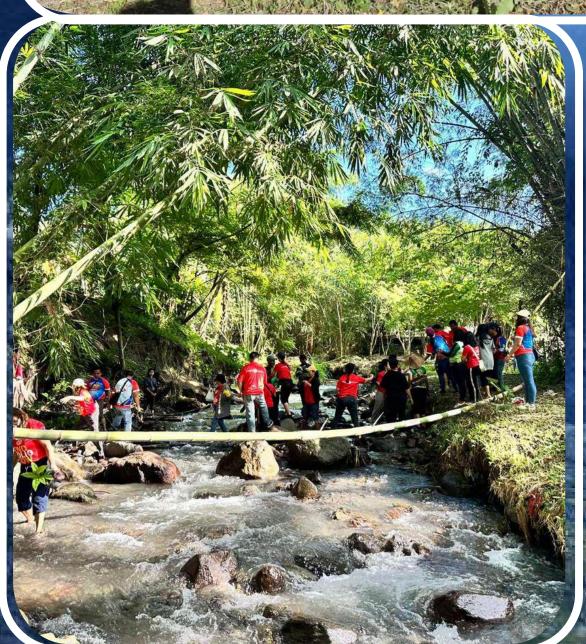








SEPTEMBER ACTIVITIES

















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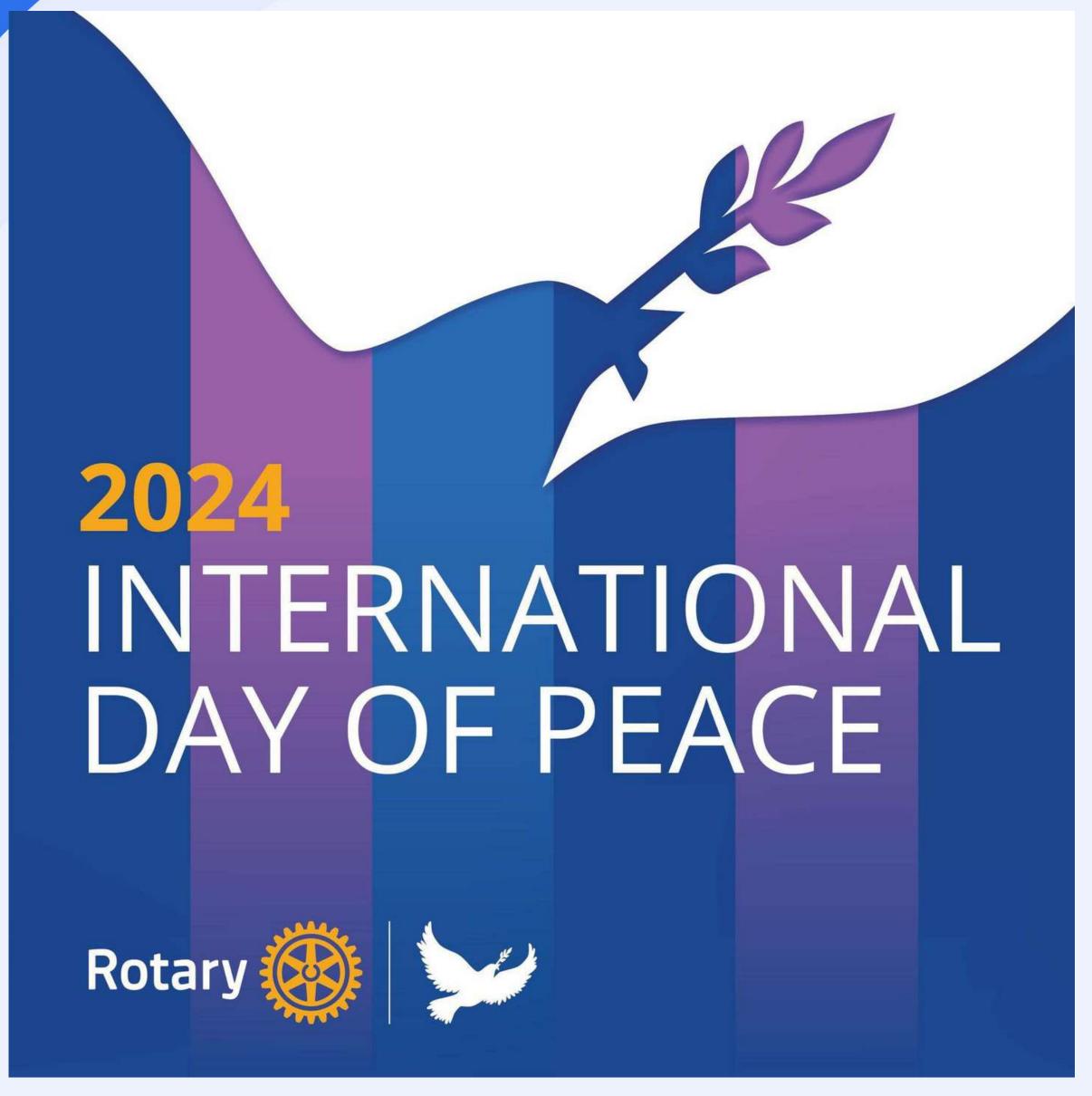












Each year on 21 September, the Rotary community joins with peace advocates around the world to recognize the United Nations International Day of Peace. This year's theme, <u>Cultivating a Culture of Peace</u>, underscores the global need to promote mutual understanding, goodwill, and peace within our communities — the cornerstone of Rotary's mission. Rotary clubs and districts carry out sustainable projects to bring positive, lasting change to communities locally and globally. Through our area of focus to <u>promote peace</u>, we take a holistic approach to address the underlying causes of conflict and build more peaceful societies. To support this goal, we provide education, training, and capacity building to professionals and young leaders to help them understand how to successfully prevent and resolve conflict through <u>Rotary Peace Fellowships</u>, and we train Rotary members and participants in <u>Positive Peace</u>.

IMPORTANT EVENTS TO REMEMBER









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MOVE TO END POLIO



PROCEEDS WILL BE USED FOR

PROCEEDS WILL BE USED FOR COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS AND ROTARY'S END POLIO CAMPAIGN



RUN CATEGORIES

3K

BIKE CATEGORIES

25K

40K



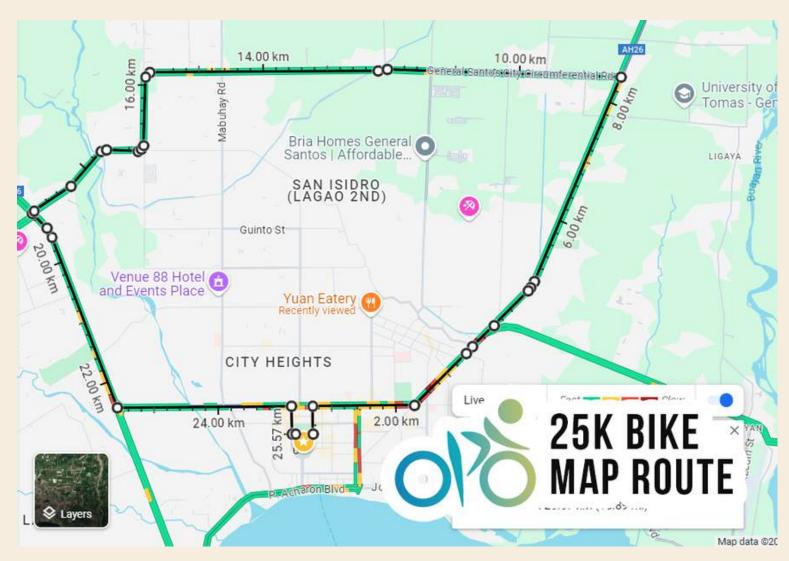
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RC GENERAL SANTOS
RC MIDTOWN GENSAN
RC POLOMOLOK 101
RC GENSAN TUNA PORT

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RC GENSAN TUNA PORT
RC GREATER GENERAL SANTOS
RC UPTOWN GENERAL SANTOS

RC CENTRAL POLOMOLOK RC KORONADAL RC KORONADAL CENTRAL RC MARBEL RC METRO KORONADAL











RCP 101 SUPPORTS COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER

September 26, 2024-The Rotary Club of Polomolok 101 revisited the Jamila Health Center sub station and fulfilled its promise to donate materials for fencing the facility. The Brgy. Health Workers were enthusiastic and appreciative of the donation because once the fence is built, wandering animals and unauthorized persons will be prevented from entering the premises giving the BHWs the feeling of relief, comfort, and security.

We also observed and assisted the pre-natal care where patients were being updated of the health condition of their babies as well as the mothers themselves. The expectant mothers were given advice and instructions to make sure of their healthy and safe pregnancy and delivery. Meanwhile, in preparation for our Club's Pink October activities, PP Dr Mel Deypalan discussed with the center our project (in partnership with the Breast Care Foundation)- the free availment of mammograms for patients who have suspected breast lumps. Pp Fanny Fernandez also delivered a lecture on how to earn extra income and techniques for planting vegetables in their backyards or in a limited space. She also tackled healthy eating habits for healthy living. Snacks were provided for everyone present during the said activity. This initiative aims to support our local health care center and the community as well.







Our Spoinsoirs











