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Volume 53 Southern Kris Number 06 6<sup>th</sup> Regular Weekly Meeting Via Zoom August 25, 2021 \* 7:00 PM Program I. Opening: Call to Order.....Pres. Michael Chellathurai Invocation, Singing of National Anthem & Rotary Hymn & Recitation of the 4-Way Test & Object of Rotary.....Dir. Miracel Shimizutani Introduction of Guests & Visiting Rotarians II. Programme Proper **Rotary Information &** Secretary's Report.....Sec. Ester Gahol President's Time ...... Pres. Michael Chellathurai III. Club Assembly **IV.** Closing Announcements / Adjournment

VP Apple Adora Master of Ceremonies

# Invocation

Almighty Father, we Your children, are proud to invite You into our midst during this weekly zoom meeting. We are certain You will like our company because we enjoy each other's company, we enjoy Rotary.

We come to this meeting imbued with satisfaction in our jobs, eager to share our experiences, happy to see new faces, 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, O 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 are happy and contented. We have true and great friends. Others are happy too and have benefited from our good deeds. We thank You, therefore, Almighty Father, for making us the instruments of Your love. We love You for giving us the happiness in and through Rotary. Amen.

## **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 to 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.

### FOUR WAY TEST

OF THE THINGS WE THINK, SAY OR DO

- 1<sup>st</sup> Is it the TRUTH?
  2<sup>nd</sup> Is it FAIR to all concerned?
  3<sup>rd</sup> Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
  4<sup>th</sup> Will it be BENEFICIAL to all
- concerned?

## Declaration of Rotarians in Business and Professions

As a Rotarian engaged in a business of profession, I am expected to:

- 1. Consider my vocation to be another opportunity of service;
- 2. Be faithful to the letter and to the spirit of the ethical codes of my vocation, to the laws of my country, and to the moral standards of community.
- Do all in my power to dignity my vocation and to promote the highest ethical standards in my chosen vocation;
- Be fair to my employer, employees, associates, competitors, customers, the public and all those with whom I have a business or professional relationship;
- Recognize the honor and respect due to all occupations which are useful to the society;
- Offer my vocational talents to provide opportunities for the relief of the special needs of others, and to improve the quality of life in my community;
- Adhere to honesty in advertising and in all representations to the public concerning my business or profession;
- Neither seek from nor grant to a fellow Rotarian a privilege or advantage not normally accorded to others in a business or professional relationship.

# Rotary Information...

Members and government health officials use boats to reach villages deep in the rainforest by Ryan Hyland



Members of the Rotary Club of Demerara, Guyana, are using their decades of experience in fighting disease while delivering COVID-19 vaccines and aid to a remote region of the South American country. The Indigenous communities there would not otherwise have access to the vaccine and would remain vulnerable to the virus.

The club's members have conducted crucial medical expeditions that penetrate the densely forested interior of Guyana for nearly 30 years. In doing so, they've developed detailed knowledge of the area and the particular needs of the villages in it. The treks have earned the Demerara club a nickname among nearby Rotary clubs: "the bush club."

When COVID-19 vaccines became available early this year, the club quickly took action, relying on members' familiarity with the region to plan logistics and coordinate delivery efforts. Focusing on the primarily Indigenous villages of Muritaro and Malali, the club collaborated with the local Ministry of Health and the Civil Defence Commission to immunize villagers. The vaccination teams — made up of club members, doctors, and local nurses — reached the villages by boat, tracing an 8 km (5-mile) stretch of the Demerara River.

Bhageshwar Murli, 2020-21 president of the Demerara club, says that supporting the equitable distribution of COVID-19 vaccines to underserved communities was a natural fit for the club.

"Our club was highly motivated and excited to be involved in the particular effort, since it coincided with what we frequently do as a club," Murli says.

Members of the Rotary Club of Demerara, Guyana, and government health officials use boats to vaccinate villagers deep in the country's rainforests.

Because of pandemic travel restrictions, villagers couldn't go to nearby towns to buy food, clothing, medicine, and other basic necessities. So the club collected and distributed these items as part of the initiative.

The vaccination teams administered COVID-19 shots to 24 residents of Malali and 16 residents of Muritaro. The results may seem modest, but they were hard-won: Lancelot Khan, the club's service projects chair and the coordinator of the project, says that vaccine hesitancy is an obstacle in these communities.

The club had visited the region in March 2020, when COVID-19 was beginning to spread in South America, to deliver masks and hand sanitizer, Khan says. But it was also Rotary's historical work in the global effort to eradicate polio that proved to the villagers that it is committed to fighting disease. "Our linkage to these communities and history with our polio efforts gave residents the confidence that Rotary wouldn't leave them behind when COVID-19 vaccines became available," he says. "Rotary's global standing on polio was a big plus."

During the most recent trip, team members appealed to the village captains (residents who are elected to represent the communities) to be vaccinated. "The captains taking the vaccine showed the confidence necessary to convince others to take it as well," Khan says.

The team members distributed educational materials about the vaccine, explained its side effects, and answered residents' questions. They also showed photos of club members getting the shot to demonstrate its safety.

Murli hopes his club's continued involvement in vaccination campaigns will boost the numbers of people who agree to get the shot.

"We believe that a compelling picture is painted when it is seen that Rotarians are involved with COVID-19 vaccination drives," Murli says. "We think our efforts can engender an increase in vaccinations and trust."



# Secretary's Report

Ester Gahol Club Secretary

# Comparative Weekly Attendance

Aug. 11 CLUB MEMBERSHIP 18 HONORARY MEMBER 05 PRESENT 07 ON LEAVE 00 ABSENT 11 MADE UP 09 18 **ATTENDANCE % BASE** WEEK AVERAGE 89.00%

## Thank you for making up:

PP Noel Villa-Abrille PP Rudy Abellana PP Maeng Tabije PE Virgie Albaera Dir. Miracel Shimizutani PP JL Solivio

Rtn. Glaiza Canada Dir. Annie Faye Singson VP Apple Adora

at Anniepie The Farm

Biao Escuela, Tugbok

Guest:

Mr. Harold Abellana

**Reminder:** 

Sept. 4 (Sat.) - Lunch Fellowship

# Happy Birthday!!!

Aug. 25 – PP Nonoy Aquino 26 – Dir. Miracel Shimizutani

# Happy Anniversary!!!

Aug. 25 – VP Apple & Sp. Sandro Adora



# **The President's Corner**

Michael Gerard Chellathurai Club President

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Happy Learning and Updating .









Turnover of 30 sacks of cement (donated by PE Virgie Albaera) to PNP Malagos for construction of new barracks . Aug. 16, 2021







# Thank You...

Donations for Mabini High School, Elpidio Quirino Elem. School & Samal Elem. School

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# **Donations for Rotary Vaccine Hub:**

PP Jacob Chua	- P 3,000
PP JL Solivio	- box of bottled water
Spouse's Circle	- Paracetamol tabs.
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- Pres. Michael Chellathurai lend 7 industrial fans
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PE Virgie Albaera – 30 sacks of cement & snacks to **PNP** Malagos

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# **ROTARY MONTHLY THEME**

JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER
New Leadership Month 26-30 – District bloodletting activity	Membership & New Club Development Month	AREAS OF FOCUS Basic Education & Literacy	AREAS OF FOCUS Economic & Community Development
NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	JANUARY	FEBRUARY
Rotary Foundation Month	AREAS OF FOCUS Disease Prevention & Treatment	Vocational Service	AREAS OF FOCUS Peace and Conflict Prevention Resolution
MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
AREAS OF FOCUS Water and Sanitation	<b>AREAS OF</b> <b>FOCUS</b> Maternal and Child Health	Youth Service	Rotary Fellowship

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