

The CENTRO

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Rotary
Club of Sta. Rosa Centro



The Rotary Club of Sta. Rosa Centro meets at :

El Cielito Hotel, Sta. Rosa-Tagaytay Road, Sta. Rosa, Laguna every Friday at 7:00pm.

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**The Rotary Club of Sta. Rosa Centro
Regular Weekly Meeting
El Cielito Inn**

**P R O G R A M
July 19, 2019**

Call to Order	ChP Cecile Gabatan
Invocation	Rtn JayR Alcala
National Anthem	Rtn Roselle Animo
Four-way Test	Rtn Bel Barroga
Object of Rotary	Rtn Sheila Santillan
Acknowledgment	PP Jacqueline Victoria
Secretary's Report	PP Precy dela Cruz
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Adjournment	ChP Cecile Gabatan
Centro Hymn	

**Chairwoman of the Night
PP Carol Salvahan**

**If any person is unable to fulfill their positions as above please
make arrangements with another Rotarian to take your place.**

Invocation

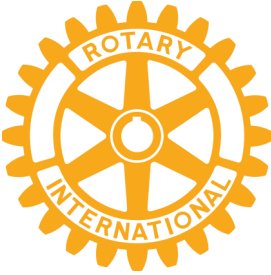
We invoke your blessings upon this meeting . May we prove ourselves worthy citizens of our country, devoted to truth, sincere in fellowship, given to service, and confident in steadfast faith. Preserve us to be faithful to these ideals. Let us stand firm when the fight is hard. Give us strength sufficient for this day. Make us as big as our problems and to stay bigger than our responsibilities. God help us to live up to our capabilities. 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 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



4WAY TEST

Of the things we think,
say or do

Is it the **TRUTH** ?

Is it **FAIR** to all concern?

Will it build **GOODWILL**
and
BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?

Will it be **BENEFICIAL**
to **All** concern?

♪♪•*Sweet Rotary♪♪• (The Centro Hymn)

When it began
I can't believe it happened
But then I know it's going strong
2001
That's when it came to being
Who'd have believed
we'll grow to be...

*Hands, touching hands
*Reaching out, touching me,
*touching you
*Sweet Rotary
*Sta. Rosa Centro's good
*I've been inclined
*To believe we're going strong
*And now, I...

Look all around
So many help is needed
C'mon, together I know we could
And when we hurt,
We can just smile and bear it
'Coz we were born
to serve and be...

Warm, touching warm
Reaching out, touching me,
touching you
*Sweet Rotary
*Sta. Rosa Centro's good
*We're going strong
*We are here for all of you
And now, I...
(Repeat *)

RC Centro's GREAT!



President's Message

Dear Centronians,

At the start of every schoolyear, Brigada Eskwela takes place. Brigada Eskwela or the National Schools Maintenance Week is a nationwide initiative by the Department of Education (DepEd) that mobilizes thousands of parents, alumni, civic groups, local businesses, non-government organizations, teachers, students, and individuals who volunteer their time and skills to do repairs, maintenance work, and clean-up of public elementary and secondary schools.

And every year, the club sees to it that it has participation with Brigada Eskwela and this year is no different. Thank you Centronians for the level-up participation in Brigada Eskwela as this year, we not only have one but four (4) projects in three (3) different schools:

1. Assistance to Caingin Elementary School for paints donation of Kansai;
2. Painting at Caingin Elementary School
3. Donation of school signages at Central II Elementary School
4. Operation Backpack—a school supplies donation.

A satisfying operation in schools and seeing the kids truly gives heart to being a rotarian.

Congratulations Centronians!

Yours in Rotary,

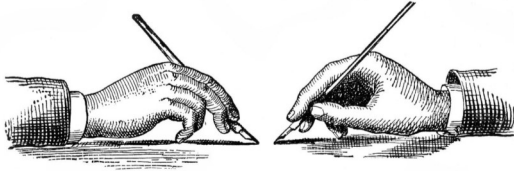
A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Cecile Gabatan".

Cecile Gabatan
Champion President
RY 2019-2020

"The mark of a great player is in his ability to come back. The great champions have all come back from defeat."

Sam Snead

Editorial



The Beauty of Bora

We went to Bora out of curiosity. Had President Duterte not closed the island down, it would not have been in our family's travel radar for years.

I am not a beach person. Though I do not hate the idea of going to the beach, I do not see myself enjoying basking in the sun. I have no expectations at all. It would just be another summer outing similar to going to Batangas.

We went there on holy week. Expecting throngs of people on Caticlan Ferry Port, we made advance arrangements so we do not have to queue. Indeed, it was a good idea as we literally skipped the line and arrived at the hotel in a nice mood.

Left our bags at the concierge as it was too early to check-in, then went strolling in the beach front. Our hotel was on station 2 but we got to station 1 after an hour or so of walking around. And this is where I started to get amazed. The sand in station 2, though white was very much similar to the sand I know. But the sand in station 1 was totally different. It was like "polveron". Very white and very fine. You just had to touch it with your hands.

Looking at the stretch of our walking route, the beach front was so beautiful. Though there were lots of people, since the beachfront stretches for miles, you won't feel the crowd. Lots of swimming room for everyone.

The new rules were in place. There was no loud music. No eating, no drinking at the beachfront. No fire dancers. No partying. No sand castles. But amidst all the Nos, the sunset more than made up for it. It was beautiful. One cannot describe its beauty. With water rippling and the sunset in the background, it was breathtaking and truly indescribable.

Sadly, all the hype on where to get good food turned out to be disappointing. We truly enjoyed our stay but we'd probably not go back to Bora, not for anything else but because we usually do not go to the same place twice. For all we know, we just might break this rule and come back to Bora.

The Editor



ROTARY INTERNATIONAL
News & Updates

PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE
July 2019



Mark Daniel Maloney
President 2019-20

I love to travel! I even enjoy the mundane process of getting from here to there. But last year, my wife, Gay, and I had one of those experiences that would strain the optimism of even the most cheerful traveler. We found ourselves with six hours to wait, at an airport where we were not scheduled to be, on a day we had not planned still to be traveling, having woken up that morning at a hotel unknown to us the night before. It was one of those days.

As we waited at John F. Kennedy International Airport in New York City, Gay and I took a walk to people watch. We went from one end of the terminal to the other and back, looking at every gate, every destination, every group of people waiting for their flights.

Each gate was its own island of humanity. When we walked down the center of the concourse, we were in New York, moving along with everyone in one river. But when you veered off into those seats, you left that current and landed on an island. You were already in Delhi or Paris or Tel Aviv.

As we started our walk, I thought: "All these different people, all these different countries, all in one place. This is like Rotary!" But as we walked past gate after gate, I realized something. It was not like Rotary at all. Because everyone in that river was heading for an island. And every island stayed an island. The people heading to Taipei might be talking to one another, but they were not talking to the people heading to Cairo or Lagos.

Rotary

**ROTARY INTERNATIONAL**
News & Updates

Contrast that with Rotary. Rotary allows us to connect with one another, in deep and meaningful ways, across our differences. It connects us with people we would never otherwise have met, who are more like us than we ever could have known. It connects us with our communities, to professional opportunities, and to the people who need our help.

Connection is what makes the experience of Rotary so very different from walking along that concourse at JFK Airport. In Rotary, none of us is an island. All of us are in Rotary together, whoever we are, wherever we are from, whatever language we speak or traditions we follow. We are all connected to one another — part of our communities and members not only of our clubs, but also of the global community to which we all belong.

This connection is what lies at the heart of the Rotary experience. It is what brings us to Rotary. It is why we stay. Please join your fellow Rotarians on this journey as Rotary Connects the World.



Mark Daniel Maloney during the Centennial Celebration of RC Manila

Centro

F O C U S

Brigada Eskwela 2019

OPERATION BACKPACK

Sampaloc Elementary School, Pagsanjan, Laguna, June 10, 2019

Operation Backpack is a Back to School Supplies Distribution drive. The targeted school is Sampaloc Elementary School, a public elementary school in Pagsanjan, Laguna. The husband of Champion President Cecile Gabatan hails from Pagsanjan and is an alumna of Sampalocan Elementary. He remembers clearly how the students of that school have nothing and students had to go to school without any school supplies, him included. He is now a Civil Engineer and the company where he works, CCT Constructors Corp, funded the project. Eighty sets of backpacks were distributed to incoming Grade-1 students of the school.



A short message from Pres Cecile and giving out of instructions on how the school supplies distribution will proceed.



The school supplies are placed in backpacks so the kids can carry them easily.

Centro In-Focus

OPERATION BACKPACK

Sampaloc Elementary School, Pagsanjan, Laguna, June 10, 2019



The faculty of Sampaloc Elementary School together with Centronians.

The kids of Sampalocan Elementary prepared a special number for Centronians.



Certificates of Appreciation were handed to the club. Pres Ryan of the Rotaract Club of Santa Rosa Centro also joined the activity



Centro In-Focus

**Facilitation of Paint Donation from Kansai
Paints for Caingin Elementary School**

May 20, 2019



Painting at Caingin Elementary School

May 21, 2019



Centro In-Focus

Donation of School Supplies to Mission Possible Kids - Soleil and CJ Tampos

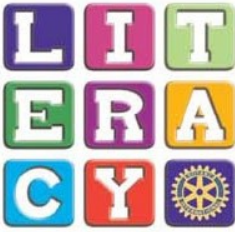
June 1, 2019



Donation of Signages at Central II Elementary School

May 31, 2019





ROTARY CORNER

The HISTORY OF ROTARY



Paul P. Harris, an attorney, wanted to create a professional group with the same friendly spirit he felt in the small towns of his youth.

On 23 February 1905, Harris, Gustavus Loehr, Silvester Schiele, and Hiram Shorey gathered at Loehr's office in Room 711 of the Unity Building in downtown Chicago. This was the

first Rotary club meeting. They decided to call the new club "Rotary" after the practice of rotating meeting locations.

Within five years clubs had formed across the country, from San Francisco to New York.

In August 1910, Rotarians held their first convention in Chicago. The 16 clubs that existed at that time united to form the National Association of Rotary Clubs.

In 1912, the name changed to International Association of Rotary Clubs to reflect the addition of clubs in other countries. The name Rotary International was adopted in 1922.

By July 1925, Rotary had grown to more than 2,000 clubs and an estimated 108,000 members on six continents.

Rotary's reputation attracted presidents, prime ministers, and a host of other luminaries to its ranks — among them author Thomas Mann, diplomat Carlos P. Romulo, and composer Jean Sibelius.

As Rotary grew, members pooled their resources and used their talents to serve their communities. The organization's dedication to this ideal is best expressed in its motto: Service Above Self.

committee concurred, and at its April 1913 meeting, designated 30 June as the end of the fiscal year.



Reflections

We are here on earth and we are here to stay during our respectively allotted periods. How much of happiness and how much of misery shall be our share remains with us almost entirely to determine. If we possess a modicum of reason, it will be apparent to us that it is the part of wisdom to cheerfully make the best of the situation and to harmonize our own lives with nature's inexorable laws. We are entitled to the maximum of happiness; and may we be sane enough to observe that the route to a life full of happiness does not lie in intemperate indulgence..- The Distance Self" by Paul P Harris
– The Rotarian, February 1914



***“Friendship was the foundation rock on which
Rotary was built and tolerance is the element
which holds it together.”***

— My Road to Rotary



Minutes of the Meeting

MINUTES OF THE CLUB ASSEMBLY

El Cielito Inn

July 5, 2019

1. Attendance:

ChamP Cecile Gabatan
IPP Michelle Baldemor
PP Hazel Ramos
Rtn. Bel Baroga
PP Doray Lucero
Rtn. Rico J. Robles
RAC PE Anthony Reyes

PP Precy dela Cruz
PP Liza Pineda
Rtn. Gloria Bedienes
PP Carol Salvahan
Rtn. Star Piccio
RAC ChamP Ryan Tuazon
RAC IPP Jhanrik Pabalan

2. PP Precy mentioned that the End Polio team will visit the club and set on July 19, the club decided to pay the per capita amount of End Polio donation which is ₱555.00 per member

3. ChamP Cecile proposed the July birthday celebration be held on July 19 as this is the last meeting in July. Birthday celebrants are; PP Hazel (Jul 1), PP Carol (July 4), PP Evs (Jul 25) and PP Mayor Arlene (July31)

4. Since there are 2 activities on July 13, the club divide its members to each activity; at Nurturing the Trees project headed by ChamP Cecile with PP Precy, Rtn Gloria, PN Shiela, PND Joseph and soon to be inducted Baby Rtn. Danilo Bendong. The club will share 3k for the food prepared by BMW.

The following will handle the Story Telling project, Rtn. Bel, Rtn. Roselle, Rtn Heylie and PP Cheryl as support to the group.

5. Regarding the Norwegian Training project, request from DepEd was already approve and it was already posted on the website for schools viewing. PND Joseph scheduled the distribution of letters to the school this coming week. Target venue of the exam is the Santa Rosa Educational Institute to be confirmed to Gov Chit. Rotary clubs of Cabuyao Circle, Metro San Pedro and San Pablo City South will be joining the Norwegian exams on September 7, 2019.

6. ChamP Cecile reported the club's application to Global Grant was deleted because of the huge amount involve, it was replaced by the blood bank, which unfortunately, RC Metro Santa Rosa was already approved by their partner club for funding. Centro's new application for Global Grant is a mobile library. Ms Angie will do the specification and details while ChamP Cecille will ask Isuzu for the quotation of the vehicle fitted for a mobile library.

Minutes of the Meeting

7. District fund also called Governor's fund was explained as follows:

Calamity fund – ₱100

RCSO fund - ₱100 and

DG fund - ₱250 to be pledged on Club's End polio

8. P Doray reported the ongoing livelihood, production of 10 kilos per item, finances was reported as ; Cash in hand – ₱6,141

Stocks - ₱1,680 +660

Collectibles - ₱3,445

It was agreed to give initial of ₱100 for each workers while still determining the net income of the livelihood program

9. The meeting was adjourned at 9:30pm

Minutes taken by : PP Precy dela Cruz



Treasurer's Report

SUMMARY OF DUES PAID

Centro Dues:

July 5, 2019 – Friday El Cielito

- Rico.....Ph 2,400.00

- Doray.....Ph 2,000.00

- Liza.....Ph 1,000.00

- Cecil.....Ph 9,600.00

- Hazel.....Ph 5,000.00

Total = Ph 20,000.00



What's coming up?

Friday, July 19

1:30pm Norwegian campaign

6:00pm Fellowship Meeting

Saturday, July 20

6:00pm BMW Induction

Thursday, July 25

Happy Birthday!! Evs Laranga



Friday, July 26

BLOOD LETTING at isuzu

Wednesday, July 31

Happy Birthday!! Mayor Arlene Arcillas



Friday, August 2

7:00pm Business Meeting with bring a friend

Saturday, August 10

Storytelling at Sta Rosa Library

Thursday, August 15

Deadline for application -VTT

Friday, August 16

7:00pm Fellowship Meeting

Saturday, August 24

Happy Birthday!! Precy dela Cruz



Monday, August 26

RC Mataas na Kahoy induction

Next Meeting : Order of Business

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Centro Hymn	

**Chairwoman of the Night :
PP Cheryl Lu**



**PROUD
MEMBER**

Roster of Members

	Name	RotaryID	Classification	Birthdate
1	Joseph Rey Alcala	10080295	Events Management	Jun 7
2	Roselle Animo	9418286	IT Professional/Web Developer	Jun 11
3	Arlene Arcillas	8275828	City Mayor	Jul 31
4	Michelle Baldemor	8879856	Retail	May 01
5	Belinda Barroga	10422881	Retail	Jun 3
6	Gloria Bedienes	8612318	Trading	Apr 13
7	Priscila De la Cruz	5333454	Leasing	Aug 24
8	Ma. Geralyn Dee	8574451	Interior Design	Dec 09
9	Zenaida Dictado	6416676	Pallet Manufacturing	Sep 14
10	Danilo Fernandez	9757207	City Representative	Jan 14
11	Ma. Cecilia Gabatan	8612321	Real Estate Broker	Oct 27
12	Mary Ann Gonzales	5333525	Cooperative	Mar 20
13	Paula Maria Gregg	9641847	Education	Sep 12
14	Evelyn Laranga	8465660	Education	Jul 25
15	Consuelo Lijauco	5333445	Magazine Editing	May 15
16	Cheryl Lu	5333496	Pest Control Services	Apr 17
17	Heylie Lu	9202750	Nurse	Mar 31
18	Teodora Lucero	8045358	Midwife	Sep 18
19	Elenita Ma	6261683	Dentist	Jan 10
20	May Grace Padiernos	5984127	Furniture Retail	May 06
21	Bituin Piccio	10601407	Businesswoman	Jan 21
22	Joel Liza Pineda	7019336	Human Resource Provider	Mar 30
23	Hazel Ramos	6165816	Money Lending	Jul 01
24	Enrico Robles	10226768	Banker	Nov 20
25	Aurelyn Salandanan	8773229	Obstetrics-Gynecologist	Mar 18
26	Carolina Salvahan	5333457	Window Fashion Contractor	Jul 04
27	Conchita Sanchez	10601412	Musician	Dec 24
28	Shiela Santillan	8574457	Restaurateur	Apr 02
29	Jacqueline Victoria	6556182	Watch Services	Nov 07



Attendance Report

Attendance

**Period : July 5 to July
18, 2019**

Total Membership	29
Members Present	11
Meetings Made-up	7
Leave/Senior	7
Total Attendance	18
Attendance Percentage	80%



Rotary Club of Sta. Rosa Centro

RID 3820 Club ID No. 55177
Make Up Card

We had the pleasure of having you as
our guest/visiting Rotarian

Name

Rotary Club

During our club meeting today

Date

Secretary Priscila dela Cruz

Special Observances

July 2019	Start of Rotary Year 2019-2020
August 2019	Membership and New Club Development Month
September 2019	Basic Education and Literacy Month
October 2019	Economic and Community Development Month
November 2019	The Rotary Foundation Month
December 2019	Disease Prevention and Treatment Month
January 2020	Vocational Service Month
February 2020	Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution
March 2020	Area of Focus: Water and Sanitation
April 2020	Area of Focus: Maternal and Child Health
May 2020	Youth Services Month
June 2020	Rotary Fellowships Month

Rotary

Club of
Sta. Rosa Centro

VISION

The Rotary Club of Sta. Rosa Centro is the place to be for **professionals** to nourish a culture of **service** while fostering lasting **friendships** and causing their own **development, growth, and empowerment.**

MISSION

The **Rotary Club of Sta. Rosa Centro** is committed to:

The care of **WOMEN and CHILDREN**, pioneering in programs that address their needs

The care and preservation of the **ENVIRONMENT**, providing clean and healthy surroundings for children to grow up in.

The spread of **LITERACY**, specifically for women and children.

Providing **LIVELIHOOD** training, specifically for the women members of the community.



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