



THE CENTRO

Official Bulletin of the

Rotary



Club of Sta. Rosa Centro

The Rotary Club of Sta. Rosa Centro meets virtually :
every 1st & 3rd Friday of the month at 7:00pm.

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**The Rotary Club of Sta. Rosa Centro
Regular Bi-Monthly Virtual Meeting****P R O G R A M
January 8, 2021**

Call to Order	TrP Belinda Barroga
Invocation	Rtn Star Piccio
National Anthem	AVP
4-way Test	Rtn Danilo Bendong
Object of Rotary	Rtn Bing Arias
Acknowledgment	PP Carol Salvahan
Secretary's Report	PP Mary Ann Gonzales
Treasurer's Report	PP Hazel Ramos
Committee Reports	Committee Chairpersons
President's Time	TrP Belinda Barroga
Adjournment	TrP Belinda Barroga
Centro Hymn	

**Chairwoman of the Night
PP Precy dela Cruz**

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



INVOCATION

Oh Lord, please instruct us and teach us in the way that we should conduct this meeting. Please counsel us with Your loving eye on us. Let our aims in this meeting be aligned with Your direction. Let our plans be orchestrated by You, Father, let Your will be done in this meeting so that this can be a meeting that is based upon Your desires for us. Whatever it is that You want to result from this meeting, Lord, let it happen.
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 professional persons united in the ideal of service.



The 4-Way Test

of things we do and say:

1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

♪♪*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

Good day Centronians!

Our banner project for this year— “KPAP - Katutubong Gulay: Paramihin, Anihin, Pagkain natin ito” was launch sometime in October. A lot of activities ensued for the project to materialize— coordination with a lot of parties like the Bureau of Plant Industry for the seedlings and arrangement for them to teach the webinars to be conducted; the sponsors such as De la Salle University—Laguna campus ; and of course, with Barangay Langkiwa and its residents.

It was a very meaningful project because of the welcoming reception of the residents. They have tended to their gardens well. This December 20 is the schedule of the culminating activity where outstanding gardens and produce are rewarded. But no matter who brings home the prize, in the end everybody is a winner.

Yours in Rotary,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Belinda Barroga". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

BELINDA CLOTILDE M. BARROGA
Transforming President

EDITORIAL

Bonding and Food

We Filipinos like friends and family around food. This is quite natural. Foreign guests would probably not understand and think we are gluttons but really, it's a cultural thing.



I am not a foodie but I certainly would know which store specializes on which food. Or where to get the best pancit in our vicinity? Or barbecue?

When friends would advise late that they were coming to our house and I had nothing to serve, I would freak out. I would immediately rush out of the house and buy something ... or would immediately change the meeting venue to a restaurant.

Once, I was with a group of friends just wandering about when we realized that we are very near the house of a friend who was sick. We wanted to visit her but we had no food to give her which would have been fine anyway because we knew she had no appetite. But we decided to cancel the visit still because it is shameful to come empty handed.. it's the cultural thing.

A trip abroad or even locally wouldn't be complete without a detour to a local specialty food store to buy "pasalubong". On our trips abroad, we generally bring large suitcases. We use only a third of its capacity but we end up filling it up with "pasalubong", mostly food which are sometimes so bulky and you cannot squeeze them into the luggage without ruining it. We distribute it when we get home during bonding time.

Almost sure that a lot of us have our food experiences.. But one thing we know for sure, it's not gluttony... it's a cultural thing.

By: IPP Cecile Gabatan



ROTARY INTERNATIONAL
News & Updates

President's Message
January 2021



Holger Knaack
President 2020-21

January is finally here. As we look forward to 2021, our thinking doesn't have to stop at the end of these 365 days. Are you thinking ahead about what you will be doing in 2022, 2023, and beyond?

We cannot foresee the future, but we can steer ourselves where we want to go. I think it is important that every Rotary club hold a strategic meeting at least once a year. Past RI Director Greg Yank, who has a lot of experience working with clubs on their plans, shares his viewpoint.

A famous aphorism states, "By failing to prepare, you are preparing to fail." Planning is essential to achieving success in all areas of life, including Rotary, and we're getting better at it every year.

Strategic planning for Rotary clubs works. I have helped many clubs find that pathway by working with them to build what I call a blueprint, a multiyear plan that answers the fundamental question: "What is our vision for our club?" The best plans I have seen are those that are focused, when a club concentrates its resources on the best opportunities it has. Your Rotary club cannot be all things to its members and to the community it serves; it has limited human, financial, and time resources. A successful plan factors in assets and limitations to chart the desired pathway for your members.

Begin building a multiyear strategic plan by brainstorming with your club, asking, "What are our initiatives and priorities for the next two to three years?" Document your answers using action-oriented language that is specific, concrete, and measurable about the goals you want to achieve.

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Next, narrow down your initiatives to a core set of three to five priorities. Your club will then develop

specific objectives for each initiative, outlining who will be involved, key milestones of achievement, how progress will be tracked, and a timeline for completion. Keep your plan short and simple.

Then go out and do it. Review the progress you make toward accomplishing the initiatives, and revise as needed at least once a year. Rotary has a solid template to assist clubs in their planning, which you can find at my.rotary.org/en/document/strategic-planning-guide.

We want to enrich and enliven our clubs with new discussions and ideas. But how do we attract the diverse professionals, from different backgrounds, ages, and experiences, who are all driven by as strong a sense of integrity as we are?

Through strategic planning, we explore this question to define the very nature of our club and the value it offers to its members and to the community. Each club is different, and each club's value will be unique. During the planning process, clubs may also find that some of the activities they used to do are no longer relevant or attractive.

Once your club makes a strategic plan, it's time to take action and carry out the necessary changes. When we do that — as we engage members in vibrant and active clubs that not only have fun but also serve their communities with projects that have real and lasting impact — our clubs grow stronger. And when we discover what makes our own clubs unique and build upon those core values in all our efforts, *Rotary Opens Opportunities* to enrich the lives of everyone.

Source : www.rotary.org

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News & Updates

Important update due to COVID-19



The Rotary International Board of Directors has decided not to fund any expenses (travel or otherwise) for in-person meetings for Rotary leaders for the rest of this Rotary year, other than for the president, president-elect, and trustee chair.

The decision applies to directors, trustees, regional leaders, district governors, assistant governors, and other leaders. The Board also agreed to conduct all of its meetings and RI committee meetings virtually for the rest of the Rotary year; and we will be holding the 2021 Rotary Convention virtually.

The directors made this difficult decision out of an abundance of caution — and in keeping with Rotary's commitment to protect the health of our members, our employees, and our families. With the coronavirus pandemic still raging in many part of the world, and extensive public health measures and travel restrictions in place, Rotary has a clear responsibility in mitigating the threat of COVID-19, as an organization that is at the forefront of polio eradication efforts and fighting other diseases.

Source : www.rotary.org

Centro-In-Focus



As a thank you to the members of the KPAP Community, the club prepared Christmas gifts for Langkiwa residents.



Centro In-Focus

Typhoon Ulysses may have passed the Philippines but people are still forced to stay in evacuation centers as they have no homes to return to. The club shared no-che buena items to the evacuees who continue to seek shelter in Barangay Santo Domingo, Santa Rosa City.



**MerRygalos
for Evacuees
of Typhoon
Ulysses**

Centro-In-Focus



Norwegian Cadetship Scholarship Program Orientation—AN INVITE

The Norwegian Cadetship Scholarship Program is a scholarship which aims to produce cadets required by Norwegian controlled Fleets. The role of the club is to disseminate information, collect, screen and submit to Norwegian a list of prospective scholars. It shall facilitate the admission examination, arrange for the examination venue and examinees must not be less than 100.

The scholars who will pass the admission examination shall cover the following :

- Tuition fee for 1st year and 2nd year(note : scholars already have allowances from 3rd year and can pay their own tuition fees)
- Dormitory fee (Training School is located in Davao)
- Food
- Upgrading Trainings/Courses
- Board international vessels during your apprenticeship - OJT with allowance, through the sponsoring company
- 10 Days Structured Shipboard Familiarization





Rotary Classification

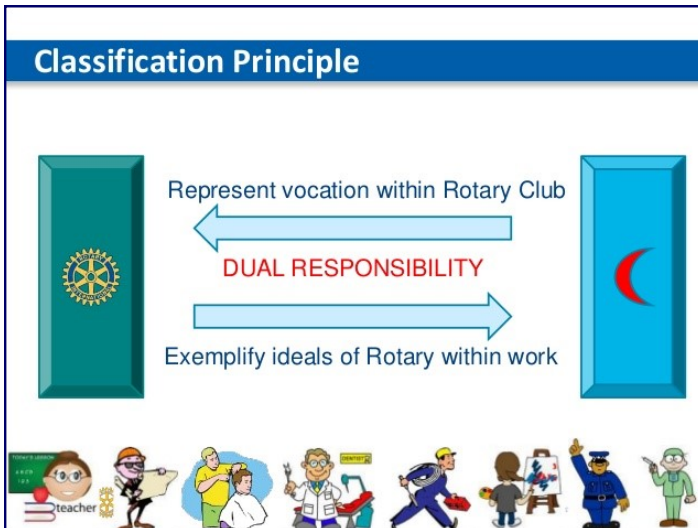
What first brought you to Rotary? In all likelihood, someone identified you as a prospective Rotarian because you are a respected member of your business or professional field — in Rotary parlance, your “classification.” Each Rotary club’s membership represents a cross-section of its community’s business and professional population, which ensures diversity in experiences and perspectives. Classification and vocational service go hand in hand. Just as Rotarians represent their vocations in Rotary, so do they represent Rotary in their vocations.

Take ACTION

- Host a classification talk at your next club meeting. These presentations give members the chance to learn the inner workings of jobs other than their own and can plant the seeds for professional networking opportunities. The talks also are useful for introducing guests and prospective members to your club.
- Organize tours of members’ workplaces. Members who find public speaking difficult might prefer to conduct a workplace tour rather than give a classification talk. If logistics can be worked out, schedule an occasional meeting in a member’s place of employment.

Rotary Corner

- Join or form a Rotary fellowship related to your vocation. Rotary Fellowships are international associations of Rotarians, Rotarians' spouses, and Rotaractors who share a recreational or vocational interest. There are vocational fellowships for doctors, law enforcement officers, editors, and members of other professions. Learn more at www.rotary.org/fellowships.
- Volunteer for a service project that uses your vocational skills. Think about the skills that make you successful in your profession: Maybe you are trained in some branch of science or medicine, are handy with tools or mechanical things, know how to start a business, have expertise managing finances, or can influence others through public speaking or writing. Use your unique set of talents to make a difference in your community.





Reflections

"Faith, hope, charity and clean business, these four and the greatest of these is clean business. Charity sometimes

destroys initiative and demoralizes character; clean business never does. If business is clean, there will be much less need of charity because clean business means not only a fair deal to the buyer, but also a living wage to the employee.'

Paul P. Harris in his message to the 1916 Convention in Cincinnati.



"Ethical conduct of business, emphasized and spread throughout the world, will greatly diminish the inclination and disposition on the part of the peoples of the different nations to fight one another." — Address to 1924 Rotary Convention, Toronto, Ontario, Canada

**ROTARY HISTORY****Rotary International History - First Club**

The Rotary Club of Chicago - Club No. 1 - was organized on February 23, 1905, by Paul P. Harris and three Chicago businessmen. To Paul Harris belongs the credit for originating the "Rotary idea". The first meetings were held alternately at different members' places of business. For the first few months, the growth in membership was slow. In the autumn of 1905, a great event took place in the history of the struggling club.

The first roster was printed! It contained the names of nineteen active and two honorary members. As the membership increased, other rosters were printed, and finally the illustrated roster below was suggested by Silvester Schiele.

Later, Harry Ruggles introduced "song" into Rotary. From a small nucleus of nineteen loyal members in 1905, Rotary grew in seventeen years to a strong, virile movement of 80,000 members with clubs in more than a thousand cities embracing twenty-two countries of the world.

ROTARY HISTORY

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THE ROTARIAN

May, 1924



These men joined the Chicago Rotary Club ("Old Number One") in 1905, the first year of the club's existence, and are all happily serving today. They are (left to right, standing): William Jenson, first secretary of Rotary; John P. Sullivan; Lester C. Lawrence; Fred H. Tweed, organizer of New York Rotary; Bernard E. Arntzen; Max L. Wolf; Robert C. Fletcher; Dr. C. W. Hawley; Charles Schneider; Max Goldenberg; and Dr. Will R. Neff, secretary or financial secretary of the club for thirteen years. In the front row are the 1905 members who have served as President of Chicago Rotary. Left to right: Rufus F. Chapin, Treasurer, Rotary International; Albert L. White, Silvester Schiele, first President; Paul P. Harris, Founder of Rotary and President Emeritus, Rotary International; Harry L. Ruggles; Charles A. Newton, President, 1923-4; and Harry A. Crofts.

A Rotary Roster 15 Years Ago

S. SCHIELE, Coal (Schiele Bros. Coal Co.) 1245 State Street South 195	J. J. COMSTOCK, Commission Hardware 40 Dearborn Street Tel.
PAUL P. HARRIS, Attorney 91 Dearborn Street Central 2018 Auto. 5801	J. J. MURPHY (Murphy & Co., Dairymen) 45 Peck Court Harrison 1982
G. H. LOEHR, Mining 711 Unity Building Central 1365	DR. C. W. HAWLEY, Oculist Chicago Savings Bank Bldg., Cor. State & Madison Central 2508
H. L. RUGGLES, Printer (H. L. Ruggles & Co.) 142 Monroe Street Central 1120 Auto. 6477	O. C. GAYLORD, Tailor 59 Dearborn Street Central 5835
WILLIAM JENSON (Regelin, Jenon & Co.) Real Estate, Renting and Insurance 105 Washington Street Central 3283 Auto. 5285	A. H. A. MORTIMER (Mortimer Pure Food Co.) 67 Washington Street Central 1981
DR. GEO. E. BAXTER, Physician 34 Washington Street (11.00 A. M. to 1.00 P. M.) Central 2415	J. P. SULLIVAN (J. P. Sullivan & Co., Painting and Decorating) 308 Thirty-First Street Douglas 1080
1916 Evanston Avenue (8.30 A. M., 4 to 5, 7 to 8 P. M.) Lake View 370	DR. WILL R. NEFF, Dentist 1112 Republic Building Harrison 1820
J. S. TUNNISON, Life Insurance 424 Marquette Building Central 4043	CHAS. A. NEWTON, Insurance (H. J. Ullman & Co.) 159 La Salle Street Central 1129
ARTHUR B. IRWIN (Standard Laundry Co.) 1818 Wabash Avenue South 494	CHAS. P. WEIL (Weil Bros. & Co., Ruling and Binding) 298 Dearborn Street Harrison 2246
A. L. WHITE Piano and Organ Manufacturer 315 Englewood Avenue Normal 382	Honorary Members H. H. PORTER 1103 Stock Exchange Building
E. W. TODD, Hay and Grain 1315 Wabash Avenue South 23	GEO. CLARK Jacksonville, Fla.

Above is a reproduction of the roster of the Rotary Club of Chicago, printed in the Autumn of 1905. The Chicago Rotary Club was organized the preceding February. Of the nineteen active members at that time, nine are members now, nearly fifteen years later. Those nine are: Paul P. Harris, Silvester Schiele, Harry L. Ruggles (the fifth member of the club), William Jenson, A. L. White, Dr. C. W. Hawley, John P. Sullivan, Will R. Neff and Charles A. Newton. The above reproduction was made from a copy of the roster which Charlie Newton has kept all these years.

Birthdays for the month of November

Friday, January 8
Happy Birthday!!! Jhanrik Pabalan
Sunday, January 10
Happy Birthday!! Leni Burke
Monday, January 11
Happy Birthday Lauro Gonzales!!
Thursday, January 21
Happy Birthday!! Star Piccio



FOR YOUR INFORMATION

The Aurora Borealis or Northern Lights

An aurora (plural: auroras or aurorae), sometimes referred to as polar lights, northern lights (aurora borealis) or southern lights (aurora australis), is a natural light display in the Earth's sky, predominantly seen in the high-latitude regions (around the Arctic and Antarctic). An **aurora** (plural: **auroras** or **aurorae**), sometimes referred to as polar lights, **northern lights** (**aurora borealis**) or southern lights (**aurora australis**), is a natural light display in the Earth's sky, predominantly seen in the high-latitude regions (around the Arctic and Antarctic).



Source : www.wikipedia.com

Next Meeting : Order of Business

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**Master of Ceremonies
Rtn Larry Gonzales**

Roster of Members

	Name	RotaryID	Classification	Birthdate
1	Cindy Aguilar	10979396	Food Service	Oct 1
2	Joseph Rey Alcala	10080295	Events Management	Jun 7
3	Maria Isabel Arias	5333449	Businesswoman	May 6
4	Roselle Animo	9418286	IT Professional/Web Developer	Jun 11
5	Arlene Arcillas	8275828	City Mayor	Jul 31
6	Michelle Baldemor	8879856	Retail	May 01
7	Belinda Barroga	10422881	Retail	Jun 3
8	Gloria Bedienes	8612318	Trading	Apr 13
9	Danilo Bendong	6526107	Businessman	Apr 27
10	Delphi Penelope Cuya	8275831	Cardiology Nurse	Feb 12
11	Priscila De la Cruz	5333454	Leasing	Aug 24
12	Ma. Geralyn Dee	8574451	Interior Design	Dec 09
13	Zenaida Dictado	6416676	Pallet Manufacturing	Sep 14
14	Danilo Fernandez	9757207	City Representative	Jan 14
15	Ma. Cecilia Gabatan	8612321	Real Estate Broker	Oct 27
16	Larry Gonzales	10651089	Education—Maritime	Oct 30
17	Lauro Gonzales	10651090	Seafarer	Jan 11
18	Mary Ann Gonzales	5333525	Cooperative	Mar 20
19	Paula Maria Gregg	9641847	Education	Sep 12
20	Evelyn Laranga	8465660	Education	Jul 25
21	Consuelo Lijauco	5333445	Magazine Editing	May 15
22	Cheryl Lu	5333496	Pest Control Services	Apr 17
23	Heylie Lu	9202750	Nurse	Mar 31
24	Teodora Lucero	8045358	Midwife	Sep 18
25	Elenita Ma	6261683	Dentist	Jan 10
26	Allan Raymund Olano	10776168	Maritime	Feb 9
27	May Grace Padiernos	5984127	Furniture Retail	May 06
28	Bituin Piccio	10601407	Businesswoman	Jan 21
29	Joel Liza Pineda	7019336	Human Resource Provider	Mar 30
30	Hazel Ramos	6165816	Money Lending	Jul 01
31	Enrico Robles	10226768	Banker	Nov 20
32	Aurelyn Salandanan	8773229	Obstetrics-Gynecologist	Mar 18
33	Carolina Salvahan	5333457	Window Fashion Contractor	Jul 04
34	Jacqueline Victoria	6556182	Watch Services	Nov 07



Attendance Report

	18 Dec 2020
No. of Active Members	22
No. of Members Present	15
No. of Members under rule 85	1
Make-up Attendance Credit	
On leave	8
Attendance % (Percentage of attendance per meeting / total no. of meetings)	68.18

Meeting: FRIDAY

No. of Meetings per Bylaws: 2

No. of Members as of Sep 1, 2020: (34 members)

No. of Members under rule 85: 0

*Rule of 85: If your age and membership of at least 20 years = 85, you can be excused from attendance policy.



Special Observances

July 2020

Start of Rotary Year 2020-2021

August 2020

Membership and New Club Development Month

September 2020

Basic Education and Literacy Month

October 2020

Economic and Community Development Month

November 2020

The Rotary Foundation Month

December 2020

Disease Prevention and Treatment Month

January 2021

Vocational Service Month

February 2021

Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution

March 2021

Area of Focus: Water and Sanitation

April 2021

Area of Focus: Maternal and Child Health

May 2021

Youth Services Month

June 2021

Rotary Fellowships Month

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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.

Rotary Opens Opportunities

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