



THE CENTRO

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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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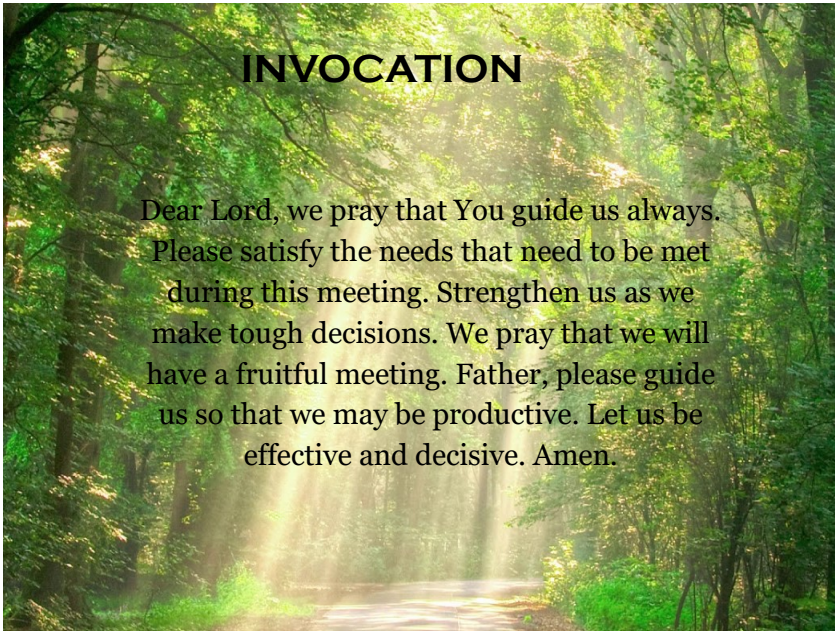
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**The Rotary Club of Sta. Rosa Centro
Regular Bi-Monthly Virtual Meeting****P R O G R A M
November 13, 2020**

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**Chairwoman of the Night
PE Joseph Rey Alcalá**

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



Dear Lord, we pray that You guide us always. Please satisfy the needs that need to be met during this meeting. Strengthen us as we make tough decisions. We pray that we will have a fruitful meeting. Father, please guide us so that we may be productive. Let us be effective and decisive. 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!

**"A genuine leader is not a
searcher for consensus, but
a molder of consensus."**

Martin Luther King, Jr.

Civil Rights Leader



President's Message

Good day Centronians!

I congratulate our club for its legacy projects. We had recently signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Norwegian Training Center for our continuing Vocational project—the Norwegian Cadetship Scholarship Program, which aims to give scholarships to indigent students who wanted to take Maritime Engineering.

This is quite a challenging project for this year as there are no face-to-face classes. How then can we campaign to the students and explain to them the scholarship. We have to be little innovative and prepare for online campaigning. This may not be how it is done every year but the goals are definitely the same and achievable.

Yours in Rotary,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Belinda Clotilde M. Barroga".

BELINDA CLOTILDE M. BARROGA
Transforming President
RY 2020-2021

EDITORIAL

Living up to Expectations

There are people who brings out the best in you and vice versa, there are people who brings out the worst in you. Have you ever had a chance to tell a person that he or she brings out the best in you? Or been in a



relationship that encouraged you to live at your maximum potential? In such interactions, the common denominators are belief and vision. We have far more power over the lives of those around us than we may believe. And conversely, people tend to live out our expectations of them.

Enthusiasm on a project or activity sometimes makes the difference. It may spell success or disaster. We feed on each other's energy. We have seen projects who failed just because the leader was not so enthusiastic about doing it and was just carrying out what others told him or her to do.

We see people who have taken a different course but is now practicing or doing something very much different from what they took in college. Sometimes, what you take in college is to just to live up to the expectations of your parents but you eventually end up doing what you are passionate about.

Eventually, living up to the expectations of others may be a bad thing. life spent ceaselessly trying to please people who are perhaps incapable or difficult to please, or trying too hard to always be seen as doing "what's expected of you," is a sure road to a regretful existence. Just live life fully and live it how you want it to be.

By: IPP Cecile Gabatan



ROTARY INTERNATIONAL
News & Updates



Holger Knaack
President 2020-21

President's Message
November 2020

We all know Rotary's tremendous power to transform our communities and ourselves. However, in every community, people have been left out, and we have not made a strong enough effort to reach them.

The RI Board of Directors is taking action to make Rotary more welcoming and diverse. We formed a task force to promote diversity, equity, and inclusion to help clubs attract new members regardless of gender, race, religion, age, or other factors. This will help

us speed up the change we all want and need. The selection of Jennifer E. Jones as Rotary president for 2022-23 — the first woman to lead our organization — is another step in this direction.

At the grassroots level, clubs drive inclusion and diversity. Alia Ali — who serves on the board of directors at the Big West Rotaract Multidistrict Information Organization and is a Rotary Youth Leadership Awards alumna and past president of the Rotaract Club of Surrey-Newton, British Columbia — offers her perspective.

I still remember the relief I felt as a RYLA participant four years ago. I had finally found my people: people who cared as much as I did. All over the world, Rotary has the same heart. We serve our communities and take action where others feel paralyzed by the size and scope of a problem.

Let's continue that spirit, especially when the conversation is difficult. Racism, prejudice, and discrimination take on different forms but exist in every country, in every city, and in every person. How do we root it out?

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ROTARY INTERNATIONAL News & Updates

As a diversity, equity, and inclusion consultant, I help organizations create a culture that empowers and attracts everyone using the power of empathy. When we feel with others as if they were ourselves, we cannot hold prejudice in our hearts. When every child reminds you of your own child, when every woman or man reminds you of your mother or brother, you start seeing the world differently.

We can apply The Four-Way Test through the lens of empathy. Are we building goodwill and friendship with everyone in our area, including women? Are things fair and beneficial to people of all ages? Who has to make choices that you don't have to make?

I made a heartbreaking choice between Rotary and my religion when a Rotary convention was held during Ramadan. I wondered: When we ask if this is fair and beneficial to all concerned, did that not include me as a Muslim? Would the convention ever be held over Easter? Only by asking difficult questions can we begin the work of creating a more inclusive and diverse Rotary.

We already connect so many people across the world. Imagine the possibilities when we bring even more people along for the ride. That's the future of Rotary I want to see: one where we are unstoppable in our service, relentless in our kindness, and intentional in the change we want to see.

Rotary has a big enough heart. If we open our door wider, we might find a lot of interesting people with new voices and new perspectives. We already have a variety of clubs offering different styles, cultures, and opportunities — and those who do not feel welcome in any particular club might be great candidates for new clubs created on different models. It's important that we make sure every new Rotary member is a good fit for their club. Rotary Opens Opportunities through diversity.





ROTARY INTERNATIONAL
News & Updates

Building bridges, overcoming roadblocks

Guatemalan and U.S. clubs use relationship with Engineers Without Borders to meet COVID-19 crisis



Shoulder-to-shoulder work on years of infrastructure projects by Rotary clubs in Guatemala and the U.S. built a foundation that supported a swift and informed response when COVID-19 brought new challenges.

The clubs and some partners formed an emergency committee in March that raised money to buy protective equipment for medical workers, found Guatemalan manufacturers that could produce other needed items, and leveraged members' connections to make sure technicians could travel to repair faulty ventilators. Their longer-term plans include major infrastructure improvements at a hospital.

Their well-coordinated response is now seen as a model for others.

Centro-In-Focus



Faceshields Distribution at Various Schools in Santa Rosa and Binan

Effective August 2020, mandatory wearing of faceshields in public places was implemented. The club deemed it appropriate to distribute face shields to the different schools.

300 face shields was distributed- fifty pieces each for the partner public schools :

Recipients from Biñan City area:

1. Loma Elementary School received by the principal Shirley Cads
2. Southville 5 A Elementary School received by the principal Ms. Rowena S. Bederico
3. Southville 5 Elementary School received by the principal Ms. Emmanuelita Alonde

From Santa Rosa City area:

1. Don Jose Integrated High School received by the Brigada School Coordinator Arlene Gaspard
2. Sinalhan Integrated High School received by the principal Ms. Ma. Cristina Pellogo
3. Santa Rosa.Elementary School Central II received by the principal Mr. Ronaldo.Cambel

Centro In-Focus



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Norwegian Cadetship Scholarship Project

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.

TO start off, the Club together with the Norwegian Training Center signed a Memorandum of Agreement . Present was President Belinda Barroga, Vocational Chair Joseph Rey Alcalá, and Rtn Larry Gonzales.





WHAT ROTARY VALUES !!

Rotary was founded on principles that remain at the heart of the organization today. These principles reflect our core values — integrity, diversity, service, leadership, and fellowship, or friendship. Our core values emerge as themes in our guiding principles.

AVENUES OF SERVICE

We channel our commitment to service through five Avenues of Service, which are the foundation of club activity.

- Club Service focuses on making clubs strong. A thriving club is anchored by strong relationships and an active membership development plan.
- Vocational Service calls on all Rotarians to work with integrity and contribute their expertise to the problems and needs of society.
- Community Service encourages every Rotarian to find ways to improve the quality of life of people in their communities and to serve the public interest.
- International Service exemplifies our global reach in promoting peace and understanding. We support this avenue by sponsoring or volunteering on international projects, using local member expertise to build long-term partnerships for sustainable projects, seeking service partners abroad, and more.
- Youth Service recognizes the importance of empowering youth and young professionals through leadership development programs such as Rotaract, Interact, Rotary Youth Leadership Awards, and Rotary Youth Exchange.

Rotary Corner

THE FOUR-WAY TEST

Early Rotary members emphasized the importance of acting responsibly and ethically and using our professions as an opportunity to serve. Honoring our commitments, however bold, is an ideal characteristic of a Rotarian. In 1932, The Four-Way Test was developed by Herbert Taylor, a Rotary Club of Chicago member and 1954-55 RI president, to guide his attempt to save a faltering aluminum company. Rotary later adopted it, and it underscores Rotary's value of integrity. The Four-Way Test has long served as an ethical guide for members to live by in their personal and professional relationships.

DIVERSITY

As an international organization, Rotary values its diversity around the world and within each club. Each club strives to reflect the diversity of its community by including members from a mix of professions, genders, ages, and ethnicities. Having members with different backgrounds and viewpoints gives your club a broader understanding of the community and its problems, and better equips it to find solutions. Equally important is fostering a culture of inclusion, where these differences are respected, supported, and valued. Rotary is apolitical and nonreligious, and it does not discriminate on the basis of gender, race, color, faith, national origin, or sexual orientation.



Clubs are most successful
when they reflect the



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

Paul P Harris

“There is nothing intangible about Rotary: It is reality itself. To give is to receive; to lose oneself is to find oneself; to be happy is to serve. These are old truths...for the individual...and the mass, whether application be in the exchange of goods, toil, knowledge, or love.” — The Meaning of Rotary, THE ROTARIAN, November 1921

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ROTARY HISTORY

Rotaract: 50 years of changing lives

50 years ago, the first Rotaract club was formed to give young adults a place to connect and take action for good. Rotaract members from each decade share what the program was like and how it shaped their lives.

The year is 1968.

A wall divides East and West Berlin, as the Cold War rages on. The U.S. and the Soviet Union are locked in a space race, and Apollo 8 becomes the first manned spacecraft to orbit the moon, sending back pictures of Earth from deep space. And Rotary members in North Carolina, USA, charter the first Rotaract club, to provide young people opportunities for service.

A half-century has passed since those first Rotaract clubs began inspiring young leaders to take action to improve their communities. The world has changed, as has the way Rotaract members connect with one another. But the underlying values of the program, and what attracts people to it, remain remarkably the same.

To celebrate Rotaract's 50th anniversary, we asked former Rotaractors from six decades to share their experiences of the program and explain how it shaped their lives.

ROTARY HISTORY



Women and school girls march in a peace parade sponsored by the Rotary and Rotaract clubs of Bangalore East, India, circa 1986.



The Rotaract Club of Ipswich, Queensland, Australia holds a car wash as a club fundraiser in the early 1970s. Rotaract drew young people from many backgrounds.



Rotaractors in England participate in a Bed Push race to raise money for the Birmingham Children's Hospital in 1984. The event organized by the Rotaract Club of Coleshill, England, was held in conjunction with the

Rotary International Convention in Birmingham that year. Rotaract gave young people a chance to help others.

Birthdays for the month of November**Saturday, November 7, 2020**

Happy Birthday!! Jackie Victoria

Friday, November 20, 2020

Happy Birthday!! Rico Robles

**FOR YOUR
INFORMATION**

Why is Filipino spelled with an 'F' when the Philippines is spelled with a 'Ph'?

Filipinas to Philippines.

The Philippines as we know it was nonexistent in the pre-colonial era. Everything changed when the Spanish colonizers arrived. Ferdinand Magellan was the first one to lay claim to the islands, which he referred to as "San Lazaro," before dying at the hands of Lapu-Lapu's fierce warriors.

Pilipino to *Filipino*.

The 1973 Constitution paved the way for the adoption of "Filipino" as the national language. In contrast with its predecessor, this language would now include foreign-sounding letters, such as "F," as well as loanwords.

Today, both "Filipino and "Pilipino" are accepted words to describe the language and its speakers. The use of "Philippians" or "Philippino," meanwhile, continues to reflect a person's lack of understanding about the Filipinos and the long history of struggle that has made us who we are today.

Next Meeting : Order of Business

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Centro Hymn	

**Master of Ceremonies
Rtn Bing Arias**

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

	30 October 2020
No. of Active Members	22
No. of Members Present	16
No. of Members under rule 85	1
Make-up Attendance Credit	
On leave	8
Attendance % (Percentage of attendance per meeting / total no. of meetings)	72.72

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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