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ROTARY CLUB OF GREATER GENSAN

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ROTARY INTERNATIONAL & DISTRICT 3860 OFFICERS RY 2026-2027



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Rotary International President



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Mylene Baura
District Executive Secretary



Rey Francisco
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THE TRANSFORMATIVE LEADERS

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DEI OFFICER : PDS ELVIE ALBANO

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CLUB LEARNING FACILITATOR : PP JESSICA REYES

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CLUB YOUNG LEADERS CONTACT : THEA PORRAS



THE EDITOR

MARIA JESSICA NUÑEZ REYES
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

October is a month where purpose meets passion for the Rotary Club of Greater Gensan. As an all-women club representing diverse vocations, our strength lies not just in our professional expertise, but in our shared commitment to uplifting lives.

This Pink October, that commitment took center stage. Through our Pink Walk, high-energy Pink Zumba, and insightful health talks, we stepped up to champion breast cancer awareness. Early detection saves lives, and as women leaders, taking the lead in educating, empowering, and advocating for our community's health is both our responsibility and our privilege.

Yet, impactful service requires renewed energy. After an intense, project-packed month, gathering in fellowship reminds us why we do what we do. It is in these moments of shared laughter and sisterhood that our bonds deepen. Service brings us together, but fellowship sustains our journey forward.

AREAS OF FOCUS

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL FOCUSES ON SEVEN KEY AREAS TO ADDRESS GLOBAL CHALLENGES:

1. Peacebuilding and Conflict Prevention:
   - Promotes peace and conflict resolution through education and community efforts.
2. Disease Prevention and Treatment:
   - Works to reduce the impact of diseases by improving access to healthcare and conducting vaccination campaigns.
3. Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH):
   - Ensures clean water and sanitation, vital for public health and community development.
4. Maternal and Child Health:
   - Enhances the health and well-being of mothers and children through quality healthcare and nutrition.
5. Basic Education and Literacy:
   - Improves education and literacy to break the cycle of poverty and empower communities.
6. Community Economic Development:
   - Supports sustainable economic growth and job creation, improving living standards.
7. Supporting the Environment:
   - Focuses on environmental sustainability, conservation, and combating climate change.

IMPORTANCE OF COMMITTEES AND MEMBERS

Rotary club committees organize and execute projects, while members drive success through active participation, expertise, and commitment. Together, they create lasting, positive change in communities worldwide.

7 AREAS OF FOCUS:

1

BASIC EDUCATION and LITERACY
CHAIRPERSON: PP Rosalinda C. Veloria, PHF+2
Co-Chair: PP Anita Almoite

2

COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
CHAIR PERSON: PP Chriselda Macion, PHF+1
Co-Chair: Theresa Napala, PHF+4

3

PEACE BUILDING & CONFLICT PREVENTION
CHAIR PERSON: IPP Naravy Duquiatan, PHF
Co-Chair: RTN. Joahanna Acharon

4

ENVIRONMENT CARE COMMITTEE
CHAIR PERSON: PP Esther Marian Balolot, PHF
Co-Chair: PP Ginalyn Fe Cachuela, PHF

5

DISEASE PREVENTION and TREATMENT
CHAIRPERSON: PP Cecille Valencia, PHF+1
Co-Chair: PP Maria Jessica Reyes, PHF+2

6

MATERNAL CARE and CHILD HEALTH
CHAIRPERSON: PP Maria Jessica Reyes, PHF+2
Co-Chair: PP Cecille Valencia, PHF+1

7

WATER SANITATION HYGIENE
CHAIRPERSON: PP Lindalee Anos, PHF+3
Co-Chair: PP Agnes Trabado, PHF+3



THE GREATER LADIES



Rotary District 3860 | UNITE FOR GOOD

RY 2025-2026

CLUB EXCELLENCE AWARD

Presented to

Rotary Club of Greater General Santos

For fostering a positive and engaging experience for its members, while advancing the spirit of Unite for Good and reflecting the enduring values of Rotary.

Given this 29th day of May, 2026
at the District Conference of Rotary International District 3860
Nustar Resort & Casino, Cebu City, Philippines.

Mary Christine "Kit" L. Chua
District Executive Secretary
RY 2025-2026

Angel "Jong" G. Fernandez, Jr.
District Governor
RY 2025-2026

The Rotary Club of Greater General Santos proudly celebrates another milestone as it receives the RY 2025–2026 Club Excellence Award from Rotary International District 3860. Presented on May 29, 2026, at the District Conference held at the Nustar Resort & Casino in Cebu City, this recognition honors the club's dedication to fostering a positive and engaging experience for its members while advancing the spirit of "Unite for Good" and reflecting the enduring values of Rotary.

This achievement reflects the passion, unity, and unwavering commitment of every member to live out Service Above Self. With hearts aligned to serve, the club continues to shine as a beacon of hope, building stronger communities and inspiring others to do good in the world.

The Greater Ladies exemplify a deep sense of warmth, grounded in strong bonds and a heart for service. To be a Greater Lady is to walk with resilience—overcoming hurdles, defining your own path, and confronting life's tests with unwavering courage. Together, their shared purpose and determination turn hopeful visions into tangible, lasting change.

SERVICE ABOVE SELF

ROSTER OF MEMBERS

PAUL HARRIS SOCIETY

ALBANO, ELVIE , PHS
ANOS, LINDALEE, PHS
SPOUSE ANOS, FAUSTINO

PAUL HARRIS FELLOW +5
ALBANO, ELVIE EULLARAN, PHS

PAUL HARRIS FELLOW +4
EULLARAN, FIDELINA NAVAJA
NAPALA, THERESA MIRANDA
SALAZAR, PAZ BENEDICTA LASMARIAS

PAUL HARRIS FELLOW +3
ACOSTA, CARL DE LIZ LAMPUTI
ANOS, LINDALEE LAROZA
TRABADO, AGNES GAYTA

PAUL HARRIS FELLOW +2
FERNANDEZ, HELEN GRACE LACHICA
REYES, MARIA JESSICA NUNEZ
VELORIA, ROSALINDA CANTOJA
VIRTUDAZO, IRISH CHRISTINE YU

PAUL HARRIS FELLOW +1
BALOLOT, ESTER MARIAN SANOY
MACION, CHRISELDA CLARISA
REYES, JEANNE MARIE CAMILLE NUNEZ
VALENCIA, CECILLE SUBANG

PAUL HARRIS FELLOW
DUQUIATAN, NARAVY DEFENSORLE
HECHANOVA-MEJIAS, HONEY HENRIETH
PACHES, RIZA MARIE TAN
VENERACION, GRIZELDA

SUSTAINING MEMBERS
ACHARON, JOAHANNA ABINION
ALMOITE, ANITA
CACHUELA, GINALYN FE CAINGLET
PORRAS, THEA PENECILLA

ABOUT THE COVER



This month's cover showcases a vibrant and uplifting sea of pink from the Pink Walk and Pink Zumba held on October 10, 2026, at Robinsons Gen San. Gathered outside the venue in bright pink shirts, visors, and activewear, over 100 enthusiastic Rotarians and community members smile together in solidarity, radiating energy, warmth, and shared purpose for Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

Reflected in this moment is the enduring power of collective advocacy in advancing public health and saving lives. Spearheaded for the third consecutive year by the Rotary Club of Greater General Santos as part of the Rotary Area 2FGH Pink October campaign, every step walked and every movement shared transformed wellness into a purposeful call for early detection and heartfelt support for individuals and families affected by breast cancer. Positioned before the event backdrop and stage, the gathering embodies the strong partnership among fellow Rotary clubs, sponsors, volunteers, and community allies working together toward one shared mission.

Commemorating the impactful initiatives of October, this photograph stands as a proud testament to Service Above Self. It reminds us that pink is more than a color, it is a symbol of resilience, compassion, and unity, demonstrating that when a community moves forward with purpose and heart, we can inspire hope and Create Lasting Impact.



THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

RIZA MARIE TAN PACHES

Small Drops, Big Ripples: Together, We Create Lasting Impact

How much impact can a small Rotary Club make? In October, the Rotary Club of Greater General Santos answered with action: more than enough to move communities, strengthen partnerships, and advance causes that matter.

Our club may be modest in size, but our purpose is powerful. As an empowered women's club, we bring together leadership, compassion, professional expertise, and a shared commitment to service. When we unite our strengths, we can turn limited resources into meaningful opportunities and individual efforts into lasting community impact.

This October, our members demonstrated that impact is not measured by the number of people in a club, but by the number of lives touched through purposeful action. Through our District-wide Breast Cancer Awareness Campaign and End Polio initiatives, we helped mobilize partners, raised awareness, and showed what empowered women can accomplish when they lead together.

Our Pink October journey began with an appearance on the Brigada Live Program on October 1, together with District Governor Arlene Adlawan, District Executive Secretary Myles Baura, Assistant Governor Rey Francisco, Polomolok 101 President Rutcie Tito, and yours truly as President of the Rotary Club of Greater General Santos and the lead club for the Pink October initiative. It was an opportunity to amplify our advocacy, strengthen public awareness, and rally support for breast cancer awareness and early detection.

Our successful Governor's Club Visit further strengthened our commitment. District Governor Arlene encouraged us to maximize opportunities through District and Global Grants, actively participate in district initiatives, and remain committed to our responsibilities, including the timely payment of club dues. She also recognized our initiative of designating monthly Assistant Presidents to help facilitate and coordinate club activities. Her guidance reminded us that empowered leadership is built on accountability, initiative, collaboration, and a willingness to serve.

One of the month's highlights was the area 2FGH supported and well-attended Pink Walk, Zumba, and Breast Cancer Awareness Forum at Robinsons General Santos. The event brought together the representatives from Rotary Clubs in Areas 2F, 2G, and 2H, District 3860, our District Governor, District Secretary, Assistant Governors, the General Santos Federation of Transport Cooperatives, Philippine Dental Association-Gensan Chapter, Rotaractors, and fellow health advocates.

Beyond the activities, what made the event meaningful was the collective effort of people and organizations who chose to stand behind one advocacy. Every step taken, every dance move shared, and every conversation about breast cancer awareness contributed to a larger purpose: encouraging women to be proactive about their health and reminding communities that early detection can save lives.

Our commitment to service continued through our participation in the district-wide End Polio Day celebration. Together with fellow Rotarians, we joined the motorcade and the Patak Polio activity in Barangay Lagao, reinforcing Rotary's global commitment to ending polio. It was another opportunity to demonstrate that our local actions are part of a worldwide movement that has protected millions of children and continues to work toward a polio-free world.

We also found a way to bring advocacy, public image, and fellowship together through our Pickleball Tournament in support of End Polio. Club officers, members, and their families enjoyed an evening of friendly competition, camaraderie, and shared purpose. It was a reminder that fellowship is not merely about spending time together. It is about building relationships that strengthen our capacity to serve.

Looking back, October was more than a month filled with activities. It was a defining moment for our club. We saw how partnerships multiply our capabilities, how empowered leadership brings out the best in people, and how a shared purpose transforms individual efforts into collective accomplishments.

As an all-ladies club of empowered women leaders and professionals, we take pride in the unique strength we bring to Rotary. We lead with compassion, act with courage, and serve with purpose. Our strength is reflected in our willingness to show up, take responsibility, build partnerships, and turn our commitment into action.

This is what Service Above Self means to us. This is what being People of Action looks like.

We may be small in number, but we are large in purpose. As we continue to work together, we remain guided by our Rotary theme, Create Lasting Impact.

Because in Rotary, impact is not determined by the size of the club. It is created by the strength of its commitment and the courage of its members to serve.

Small club. Empowered women. Lasting impact.



THE SECRETARY'S REPORT

GINALYN FE CAINGLET CACHUELA

Greetings, fellow Rotarians!

October was undoubtedly one of the busiest and most fulfilling months for the Rotary Club of Greater Gensan, packed with meaningful activities, shared accomplishments, and wonderful moments of fellowship!

We kicked off the month on October 1 with the Official Club Visit of District Governor Arlene Adlawan. It was a valuable opportunity to discuss our Club's goals and plans, exchange best practices, and strengthen our alignment with the District's priorities.

A major highlight was our Pink October celebration on October 10, carrying the theme "It's a Pink Kind of Love." For four consecutive years, our Club has proudly served as the lead organizer of this area-wide breast cancer awareness advocacy. This year's event gathered almost 300 enthusiastic participants for Pink Zumba, while the Pink Forum provided an avenue to educate and empower women to take proactive steps toward better health, reinforcing the message that "Early Detection Saves Lives."

On October 24, we supported Rotary's global campaign to end polio through the administration of polio vaccines to young children in Barangay Lagao, contributing to the continuing effort to protect children and build a polio-free future.

Of course, no busy Rotary month would be complete without fellowship! Despite our packed schedules, we still found time for good food, laughter, and the friendships that make serving together even more enjoyable.

Our heartfelt appreciation goes to our partner organizations, fellow Rotary Clubs, and everyone who generously supported Pink October, helping make this year's celebration a success. We are equally grateful to our dedicated members for their time, effort, and enthusiasm throughout the month's activities. Indeed, these accomplishments reflect the power of teamwork, friendship, and a shared commitment to service.

October was truly a month filled with "A Pink Kind of Love," inspiring and empowering women to shine brighter and take charge of their health and well-being.

Service Above Self!



FROM THE TREASURY

HELEN GRACE LACHICA FERNANDEZ

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

This is a gentle reminder to settle your club dues for Rotary Year 2026–2027 to help us continue funding our club operations, district commitments, and community projects.

Rotary Club of Greater General Santos — Club Dues for RY 2026–2027

ROTARY CLUB OF GREATER GENERAL SANTOS
CLUB DUES FOR RY 2026-2027

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DUES	**₱5,500.00**
DISTRICT LEVY	**850**
DISASTER FUND	**100**
ROTARACT LEVY	**50**
PRM ON LINE SUBSCRIPTION	**300**
PROJECT FUND	**2,500**
CLUB LISTINGS (DISCON & PELS/SELS)	**350**
SHARE IN THE REGISTRATION FOR PELS/SELS	**650**
GOVERNOR'S VISIT AND ACOM HOSTING	**1,000**
	₱11,300.00
TRF CONTRIBUTION TO ANNUAL FUND	**$100.00**
*** Assistance for Rotaractors' registration/discon**	
(subject for BOD's Approval)	**₱ 200.00**

SERVICE PROJECTS

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PINK WALK & PINK ZUMBA









HE ROTARY CLUB OF GREATER GENERAL SANTOS SUCCESSFULLY SPEARHEADED THE PINK WALK AND PINK ZUMBA AT ROBINSONS GENSAN ON OCTOBER 10, 2026, IN CELEBRATION OF BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH.

HELD FOR THE THIRD CONSECUTIVE YEAR AS PART OF THE ROTARY AREA 2FGH PINK OCTOBER CAMPAIGN, THE EVENT UNITED OVER 100 ENTHUSIASTIC ROTARIANS AND COMMUNITY PARTICIPANTS IN A SHARED MOVEMENT OF HOPE. THROUGH EVERY STEP AND DANCE MOVE, THE ACTIVITY CHAMPIONED BREAST CANCER AWARENESS, ENCOURAGED EARLY DETECTION, AND EXTENDED HEARTFELT SUPPORT TO INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES AFFECTED BY THE DISEASE. MADE POSSIBLE BY THE COLLECTIVE EFFORTS OF FELLOW ROTARY CLUBS, SPONSORS, VOLUNTEERS, AND COMMUNITY PARTNERS, THE INITIATIVE REFLECTS THE CLUB'S ENDURING DEDICATION TO SERVICE ABOVE SELF AS WE CONTINUE WORKING HAND IN HAND TO CREATE LASTING IMPACT.

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PINK FORUM









THE ROTARY CLUB OF GREATER GENERAL SANTOS SUCCESSFULLY SPEARHEADED THE PINK FORUM ON BREAST CANCER AWARENESS AT ROBINSONS GEN SAN ON OCTOBER 10, 2026, AS PART OF THE PINK OCTOBER 2026 CAMPAIGN.

HELD FOR THE THIRD CONSECUTIVE YEAR, THE EDUCATIONAL SESSION FEATURED DISTINGUISHED RESOURCE SPEAKER DR. CATHERINE APLICADOR, WHO SHARED VITAL INSIGHTS ON RECOGNIZING WARNING SIGNS, UNDERSTANDING RISK FACTORS, AND PRIORITIZING EARLY DETECTION AND MEDICAL SCREENING. GRACEFULLY HOSTED BY RTN. THEA PORRAS AND SUPPORTED BY FELLOW ROTARIANS FROM ROTARY AREA 2FGH, SPONSORS, AND COMMUNITY PARTNERS, THE EVENT EMPOWERED PARTICIPANTS WITH LIFE-SAVING KNOWLEDGE. REFLECTING OUR UNWAVERING DEDICATION TO SERVICE ABOVE SELF, WE REMAIN STEADFAST IN MOVING FORWARD TOGETHER TO EDUCATE THE COMMUNITY, INSPIRE HOPE, AND SAVE LIVES THROUGH EARLY DETECTION.

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WORLD POLIO DAY









THE ROTARY CLUB OF GREATER GENERAL SANTOS, ALONGSIDE FELLOW ROTARIANS FROM ROTARY AREA 2F AND 2G, SUCCESSFULLY MARKED WORLD POLIO DAY ON OCTOBER 24, 2026, THROUGH A COORDINATED AWARENESS MOTORCADE AND IMMUNIZATION DRIVE.

SPEARHEADED BY THE ROTARY CLUB OF DADIANGAS, THE CELEBRATION BEGAN WITH A 7:30 AM MOTORCADE FROM OVAL PLAZA, PASSING ROBINSONS MALL AND THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY, BEFORE CULMINATING AT THE LAGAO RURAL HEALTH UNIT (RHU). IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE CITY HEALTH OFFICE AND BARANGAY HEALTH WORKERS (BHWS), ROTARIANS THEN CONDUCTED A PATAK POLIO ACTIVITY THAT IMMUNIZED 30 CHILDREN, COMPLEMENTED BY WARM FELLOWSHIP AND LUGAW GENEROUSLY PROVIDED BY THE HOST CLUB. REFLECTING OUR STEADFAST COMMITMENT TO SERVICE ABOVE SELF, WE REMAIN UNITED AS PEOPLE OF ACTION WORKING HAND IN HAND TO PROTECT PUBLIC HEALTH, END POLIO FOREVER, AND CREATE LASTING IMPACT.

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PADDLE UP AGAINST POLIO









THE ROTARY CLUB OF GREATER GENERAL SANTOS SUCCESSFULLY INITIATED THE PICKLEBALL AND FAMILY END POLIO TOURNAMENT, BRINGING TOGETHER FAMILIES, FRIENDS, AND PICKLEBALL ENTHUSIASTS FOR A PURPOSEFUL CELEBRATION OF FELLOWSHIP AND SERVICE.

MORE THAN JUST A COMPETITION, THE EVENT UNITED PLAYERS ON THE COURT IN SUPPORT OF ROTARY'S GLOBAL MISSION TO ERADICATE POLIO, TURNING EVERY SERVE AND RALLY INTO A SYMBOL OF HOPE AND SOLIDARITY. THROUGH SPORTSMANSHIP, CAMARADERIE, AND SHARED PURPOSE, PARTICIPANTS DEMONSTRATED THAT SERVICE ABOVE SELF EXTENDS FAR BEYOND COMMUNITY PROJECTS AND THRIVES WHEREVER PEOPLE UNITE FOR A CAUSE. MOVING FORWARD TOGETHER, WE CONTINUE TO PADDLE WITH PURPOSE, PLAY WITH HEART, AND WORK HAND IN HAND TOWARD A POLIO-FREE WORLD.

MEETINGS

GOVERNOR'S VISIT









THE ROTARY CLUB OF GREATER GENERAL SANTOS MARKED A MAJOR MILESTONE ON OCTOBER 1, 2026, AS MEMBERS WARMLY WELCOMED DISTRICT 3860 DISTRICT GOVERNOR ARLENE J. ADLAWAN FOR HER OFFICIAL CLUB VISIT.

GUIDED BY PASSION, UNITY, AND A SHARED DEDICATION TO SERVICE, THE GREATER LADIES PROUDLY SHOWCASED THE CLUB'S KEY MILESTONES, CURRENT ACHIEVEMENTS, AND FUTURE DIRECTIONS FOR THE ROTARY YEAR. A MAJOR HIGHLIGHT WAS AN EXCEPTIONAL AND INSPIRING PRESENTATION LED BY CLUB PRESIDENT RIZA MARIE PACHES. JUST THREE MONTHS INTO THE TERM, THE CLUB'S INITIAL WORK ALREADY REFLECTS DEEP COMMUNITY REACH AND SOLID ORGANIZATIONAL PARTNERSHIPS, A TRUE CREDIT TO PRESIDENT RIZA'S VISION AND THE ACTIVE INVOLVEMENT OF ALL MEMBERS. SINCERE THANKS GO TO DG ARLENE FOR HER VALUABLE MENTORSHIP AND SUPPORT AS THE CLUB STEPS INTO THE COMING MONTHS WITH FRESH ENTHUSIASM, UNITED IN ITS PURPOSE TO CREATE LASTING IMPACT.

UPCOMING EVENTS

7 Nov — Saturday

10:00am

Area 2FGH ACOM Meeting at Big Ben Restaurant, GSC

20 Nov — Friday

Rotary Greater Gensan Outreach Program towards a Healthy, Drug-Free, and Peaceful Community at Barangay Amsipit, Maasim, Sarangani Province

27 Nov — Friday

Governor's Appreciation Night, Venire Convention Center, GSC

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