

## **Volume LXXV Issue 20**

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### **PROGRAMME**



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### **PROGRAMME**

# RCB CHRISTMAS PARTY "THE COLORS OF CHRISTMAS"

## PP LANI FABI & PP CHRIS FAELNAR PROGRAM COORDINATORS

2:00 PM REGISTRATION

FELLOWSHIP / VIDEOKE SINGING OF CHRISTMAS CAROLS

3:00 PM CALL TO ORDER

PRES. ALI MORALES

CHRISTMAS INVOCATION

PP ATOM MENDALLA

PRAYER TRIBUTE

FOR

RAPP TESS DULNOAN

RAPP OYEE FAELNAR

PAMBANSANG AWIT ROTARY HYMN

FOUR-WAY TEST

3:15 PM OPENING REMARKS

PN SUSAN VILLANUEVA

INTRODUCTION OF VR&GS

PP LANI & PP CHRIS

INTRODUCTION OF TEAMS

TEAM LEADERS

PP DIONY CLARIDAD

TEAM BRE
TEAM BRIA

TEAM PASIKAT
VX SQUAD

PP RAFFY CHAN

PP LIBBY FERNANDEZ
PN SUSAN VILLANUEVA

PRESENTATION PER TEAM

GAMES (IN BETWEEN PRESENTATION)

SURPRISE NUMBER

RCB BOARD

5:00 PM

**EXCHANGE GIFTS -**

"A CHRISTMAS STORY"

PN SUSAN VILLANUEVA

ANNOUNCEMENT OF

WINNERS

PP GERARD AUDINEAU

CHRISTMAS MESSAGE &

CLOSING REMARKS

PRES. ALI MORALES

RCB HYMN PILIPINAS KONG MAHAL

ADJOURNMENT

PRES. ALI MORALES

PICTURE TAKING

6:00 PM RCB CHRISTMAS DINNER

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

CONTINUATION OF FELLOWSHIP

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

#### **ROTARY INTERNATIONAL**

#### **Jennifer Jones**

**Rotary International President** 

#### **DISTRICT GOVERNOR**

Ana Maria "Ann" Lorenzana

District Governor

Gov. Digna Ragasa

Vice Governor

**Dan Torres** 

Assistant Governor

#### **RCB BOARD**

Pres. Ali Morales

PP / Sec. Baby Kaur Secretary

PP Marilyn Barredo
Treasurer

PE Cora Ocampo President Elect

PP / EIC Libby Fernandez

Editor-in-Chief

VP Joe Ursua Vice President

Dir. Mariver Agayas

Dir. Lorena Cachola

Dir. Emylou de Guzman

Dir. Reymund Barrios

Dir. Susan Villanueva

Dir. Glen Flores

Dir. Tonton Tan
Director

Rtn. Bert Talco

IPP Arnel Cabanisas Immediate Past President



#### Pres. Ali Morales

## **President**Rotary Club of Baguio

"When you give up yourself, that's when you will feel the true spirit of Christmas. And that's giving, that's serving others and that's when you feel fulfilled."

Joel Osteen

ongratulations to the newly elected Board of Directors for Rotary Year 2023 – 2024, Incoming Directors Emylou De Guzman, Eric De Guzman, Lorena Cachola, Levy Orcales, Susan Villanueva, Reymund Barrios, Ailyn Kindipan, Joe Ursua, and Glen Flores, under the term of President Elect Cora.

Congratulations too to our President Nominee (Pres 2024 – 2025) Director Susan Villanueva.

Kudos to our COMELEC, chaired by Past President Alfred and his committee members Past Presidents Bert Talco and Raffy Chan with the assistance of Rotarian Nancy. Congratulations too and Thank you for a job well done.

Congratulations too to our Dynamic Team VX led by the Venus, Director Susan, for a "hard to beat" (according to VX PP Chris F) Quarterly Birthday Celebration. Another unique fun filled way of celebrating our birthday. Thank you Dynamic Team VX for the Birthday Treat.

The last concluded 2-weeks was a tiring yet amazing fun-filled week, which started with 2 Special Board Meetings held on December 5 and 12 respectively. December 05, the Board covered several matters on how to go with our Christmas gift giving day and D3790 Family Day and Christmas Party, December 10), the Christmas party (Dec 17), our RCC, Women's Touch in Action's induction (Dec 19), Membership matters, Vocational awards (January 28, 2023) RYLA (February 18), 2023, Projects with Gov Yu, Gov Ann and our sister club's Rotarians from Korea (Feb 20 – 23, 2023), Club Anniversary (Feb 21, 2023), Fund raising activities (Fun Run) and the approval and presentation of our Honorary Members, Governor Yu Dai Bong (D3830), Past District Governors - John Rowe (D9510), Chul-min Choi (D3850) and KS Teoh (RCBB) and the approvals of its corresponding budgets.

It was also a busy day for the Maternal and Child's committee's YAKAP project where PN Susan and her team started to prepare and print the nutrition book to be given to the learner's parents in lieu of the feeding program.

December 07 and 08, were when the indefatigable RCB BOD had fun packing the gifts for our adopted Child Development Centers' 500 learners. The 2-day packing was with eating, singing and dancing that made us energetic, though we finished at almost midnight. Twas a great fellowship time.

December 09 was a very busy day for our Project 1 Chairperson Emylou who stayed up in the Ibaloi park, seeing to it that all the chairs and other important preparations will not be missed.

December 10 RC Baguio's big day, the fulfillment of "once a dream" 6-months back where Dir Lou and I were talking about a huge, major ambitious project (libre naman ang mangarap as they say). Then came the District Training Assembly in August, where she joined the Basic Education and Literacy group. One of the projects presented was on the Day Care Center Learners. That is when she thought about an ambitious project for the city of Baguio that will hopefully be rolled out with all the CDCs in need.

This project did not go "smooth sailing", there were a lot of challenges along the way, especially when a lot of "what-ifs" came about, a lot of "are you sure", "where will you

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

get funding?" "why in Baguio".But with persistence and with God's Grace, our once Imagined Project came to a reality.

I would say it was a success, though not perfect, but we can improve somehow in the future. The skies and angels above witnessed the smiles and happiness of the almost 400 learners, their respective parents, the volunteer teachers, the Rotarians and everyone who was there.

Not only us members of RC Baguio, but our partners in service were also curious and very eager to partake of the "watwat." There were 2 native pigs butchered for the occasion, 1 of which was butchered and prayed upon for thanksgiving while the program was on going. This was witnessed by Dir Lou, Rtn Eric, Past Presidents Raffy and Bert.

At around 1 in the afternoon, 4 of us rushed to Pugad, Pugo La Union to attend the D3790 Family day wherein VP Joe and Rotakid Randall attended as early as 9AM representing our club.

December 12 shocked the members with a sad news on the passing of RAPP Tess Dulnoan, the better half of our colleague – Rtn. Dwight. Our sincere condolences to the bereaved family of the late Manang Tess, a very generous friend to everyone. A necrological service was scheduled on Thursday Dec 15, 2022 at 2PM, and it was attended by a good number of Rotarians, former rotarians and Anns.

This Monday was another urgent special board meeting to thresh out matters on membership. It was a mind boggling and healthy discussions stormed the board. The chairperson Dir Glen and his committee members were tasked to sit down with the district's membership chair, who happens to be our very own Gov Linda, for the membership guidelines without disregarding DEI.

On the same day, the Dynamic Team VX also had a meeting for our Christmas party. Brace yourselves for this afternoon's much awaited exciting and fun filled RC Baguio's Team VX unique way of celebrating Christmas.

My corner would not be complete without my heartfelt thanks with great appreciation to everyone who made this December 2022 very special and memorable:

#### Thank you very much:

- 1. To our Dynamic Team VX led by the Venus- PN Susan for a very successful and well attended election day, a fun filled Saturday Dec 03, 2022 fellowship meeting with a unique "hard to beat" way of the 2nd quarter birthday celebration.
- 2. To the COMELEC Chairperson PP Alfred, members PP Bert and PP Raffy and assistant Rtn Nancy
- 3. To the Day 1 Packers, PP Marilyn, PP Libby, PP Baby, Directors Lou, Lorena, Susan, Vell, Reymund, PE Cora, VP Joe; Rotary Ann Glo and Rotakids Marcus, Moira, Joshua, Jan and Malik; Day 2 packers PP Baby, Directors Lou, Lorena, Susan and PE Cora, My Ann Glo, Rotakid Marcus and the pang gulo Jan and Malik; and to Sandra, Conch, Bayong and Bebe. Special thanks to Dir Lou for your usual generosity and warm hospitality for allowing us to make use of your

gracious home and serving everyone with sumptuous meals, snacks and coffee.

- 4. To Hon. Vladimir Cayabas for gracing RC Baguio's "A Day of Gift Giving" as our Inspirational Keynote Speaker.
- 5. Project 1 partners in service, City of Baguio, City Library and team headed by Ms. Easter W. Pablo; the City Social Welfare Development and team headed by Ms. Liza Bulayungan, 911 headed by Mr. Paeng Valencia, our standby medical assistance team; Onjon ni Ivajoy and team headed by Mr. Edwin Bugnay most especially to Mr. Lito Shontogan for the preparation of the grounds, for the thanksgiving praying, and for preparing our lunch. Our Photo/ video/ led wall/ documentation - Migz Velarde and Team; Le Chef Inc and team, who from the very start of this project have helped physically and financially; Volunteer Teachers, Barangay Officers and recipients of our adopted child development centers - Brookside, Imelda Village, Happy Hollow, Kadaclan, Loakan-Apugan. Loakan-Magsaysay, Light of Love, Loakan proper, Loakan -Liwanang, Kias Relocation, Kias Proper. To the immediate family members of Dir Lou, rotarians Eric and Saud, for your great assistance and help in the preparation of the food packs for everyone. To Atty JM Molintas and Atty Tafaleng for being there as early as 8AM to 11 AM for your support and great help, and to all the guests who have extended their support.
- 6. To all the members present during the gift giving, Gov. Linda, our program coordinator, Immediate Past President Arnel, Past Presidents Veeh, Marilyn, Anet, Mia, Raffy, Lani, Chris F., Baby, Alfred, Atom, Chris P and Bert, Directors Vell, Lorena, Lou, PE Cora, Tonton and PN Susan, Rotarians Nancy, Saud, Eric, and Levy; Rotary Anns Beverly and Glo, Rotakids Moira, Malik, Jan and Marcus, and to all members for your prayers and support to the success of Project 1.
- 7. For your attendance in RAPP Tess Dulnoan's (Manang Tess) Necrological srvice, IPP Arnel, Past Presidents Atom, Gie, PP Diony and RAPP Oyee, PP Chris and RAPP Oyee, Gerard, PP Lito and RAPP Josie; PP Raffy & RAPP Josie, PP Domeng and RAPP Linda, Dir Reymund and Ann Cecil; Dir Ton and Ann Tante; and my Ann Glo; PP Baby and Dir Vell. Rtn Nancy. Special thanks to PP Lito for leading the Necro service and for always accepting this task.
- 8. For all the members and the families of RC Baguio, and our guests whom i failed to mention. Thank you very much for all your assistance and prayers in making all our December projects a success.
- 9. To our Editor-in-Chief, PP Libby and our Lay-out artist Youichi for a very informative and timely release of our weekly bulletin, and most especially for your patience and understanding.

Wishing you all a very merry Christmas and a happy new year.

Let me end my lengthy Christmas corner with a quote from Mother Teresa " At this Christmas when Christ comes, will He find a warm heart? Mark the season of Advent by loving and serving the others with God's own love and concern."

### **SECRETARY'S REPORT**

#### **THEME**

Disease Prevention and Treatment Month



### Sec/PP Baby Kaur

Secretary / Past President Rotary Club of Baguio

#### **Events and Activities for the Month of December**



#### **UPCOMING ACTIVITIES**

17 December

**RCB Christmas Party** 

05 December BOD MEETING

Attended by: Pres Ali, PP Libby, PP Marilyn, Dir. Lorena, Dir. Mariver, Dir. Susan, Dir. Reymund, PE

Cora, VP Joe & Sec. Baby

07 December GIFT PACKING - Day 1

Attended by: Pres. Ali, PP Libby, PP Marilyn, VP Joe, PE Cora, Dir. Lou, Dir. Lorena, Dir. Mariver, Dir.

Susan, Dir. Reymund & Sec. Baby

08 December GIFT PACKING - Day 2

Attended by: Pres. Ali, Sec. Baby, PE Cora, Dir. Lou, Dir. Mariver, Dir. Susan, Dir. Lorena

10 December DIST. FAMILY DAY

Attended by: Pres. Ali, VP Joe, Rtn. Nancy, PP Anet, PP Lani & RKid Randal

12 December BOD MEETING

Attended by: Pres. Ali, Sec. Baby, PE Cora, PP Libby, PP Marilyn, Dir. Lorena, Dir. Mariver, Dir. Lou, Dir.

Glen, Dir. Tonton & Dir. Reymund

### **Attendance Update as of 03 December 2022**

Dir. Mariver Agayas, Rtn. Nancy Alabanza, PP Gerard Audneau, PP Veeh Balajo, PP Marilyn Barredo, Rtn. Vangie Cacho, Dir. Lorena Cachola, PP Anet Calabias, PP Mia Cawed, PP Raffy Chan, PP Diony Claridad, PP Lani Fabi, PP Chris Faelnar, PP Libby Fernandez, Dir. Glen Flores, Rtn. Jeff Isip, PP Baby Kaur, PP Ben Ladilad, PP Alfred Laygo, PAG Gigi Maranan, PP Atom Mendalla, Pres. Ali Morales, PE Cora Ocampo, Rtn. Levy Orcales, PP Benny Sunga, PP Bert Talco, VP Joe Ursua, Dir. Susan Villanueva & PDG Linda Winter, Rotakids Marcus Ocampo & Sonny Balajo RAPP Cely Ladilad & RAPP Oyee Faelnar

#### WE WISH TO SEE YOU NEXT MEETING

Rtn. Jody Alabanza (exc), Rtn. Rtn. Modz Bahul, Dir. Reymund Barrios, Rtn. Toni Boguen, PP Jun Bondoc, IPP Arnel Cabanisas, Rtn. Eric De Guzman, Dir. Emilou De Guzman (mu), Rtn. Ike Dulnoan (exc), PP Cy Fagar (exc), Rtn. Saoud Jawad, Rtn. Ailyn Kindipan, Rtn. Lily Landayan (mu), PP Lito Pangilinan (exc), PP Chris Peralta (exc) & Dir. Tonton Tan

### **Attendance Update as of 10 December 2022**

Dir. Mariver Agayas, Rtn. Nancy Alabanza, PP Veeh Balajo, PP Marily Barredo, IPP Arnel Cabanisas, Dir. Lorena Cachola, PP Anet Calabias, PP Mia Cawed, PP Raffy Chan, Rtn. Eric De Guzman, Dir. Emylou De Guzman, PP Lani Fabi, PP Chris Faelnar, PP Libby Fernandez, Rtn. Saoud Jawad, PP Baby Kaur, Rtn. Lily Landayan, PP Alfred Laygo, PP Atom Mendalla, Pres. Ali Morales, Rtn. Levy Orcales, PP Chris Peralta, PP Bert Talco, Dir. Tonton Tan, Dir. Susan Villanueva & PDG Linda Winter

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#### **RI UPCOMING EVENTS**

December Birthdays		December in Rotary	
01 Dec 04 Dec	– PP Cy Fagar – PP Chris Faelnar	20-1980	– PP Diony
10 Dec		Decem	ber Anniversaries
		04-77 09	– Rtn. Lily & Leonardo – Rtn. lke & RAPP Tess
		28-84	– Rtn. Eric & Sueko
		29-13	– PP Alfred & Evelyn

### **IN RETROSPECT**



### Dir. Susan Villanueva

#### **Director** Rotary Club of Baguio

hat better way to start the Christmas Month than to have VX Squad be at the helm of the program. It was an exciting day for everyone as this was Election Day. The Board of Directors will be voted upon for the Year 2023-2024 and from amongst them, the President Nominee will be elected.

As the members entered BCC Training Room, they all headed to the table of the Comelec Team headed by PP Alfred together with PP Bert and PP Raffy to get their ballots. After these were filled up they returned them to the Comelec promptly. At 1230pm, Program Coordinator for the day PP Chris F. signaled Pres. Ali who banged the gavel for Called to Order and advised everyone to fellowship while waiting for other members to arrive. When most of the members were seated, PP Gerard led a very touching prayer for the club. Everybody remained standing for the National Anthem followed by the Rotary Hymn and the 4 Way Test.

Rtn. Vangie then introduced the distinguished members at the head table namely PP Chris F., Rtn. Levy and Pres. Ali and the guests for the day. Raffle was handled by Dir. Susan with prizes of cookies and wine to the delight of the members and some even were double winners. Main Raffle Prize for a Gift Certificate of P500 was won by PP Raffy.

Part 1 then ensued with PP Lani who was tasked to introduce Rtn. Levy for his Classification Talk. It was a very impressive talk, as he was a very eloquent speaker who spoke from his heart. He talked about his challenging childhood to adolescence and his exposure to public service with focus on the youth. As SK Councilor he has authored numerous Ordinances which are very apt to the present times with emphasis on the benefits for the youth. It was very inspiring listening to him and we are blessed to have him as our member and can be considered to become a good city official and a future club president. He likewise gamely answered all the questions raised during the open forum. Kudos Rtn. Levy, job well done!

Part 2 was the Tribute to our Second Quarter Birthday Celebrants led by PP Veeh. It was a labor of love as she introduced all birthday celebrants with the meaning of their names. An example of which is PP Benny, whose name "Benny" meant right-hand son in English and in Latin meant 'blessed' and 'well spoken'. There was also a twist to the Finest Moments as PP Veeh called on a

member to be fined in behalf of a birthday celebrant and had to shell out P100 for a bento cake and if the celebrant is present will be given the cake, otherwise will be given to the fined Rotarian. We also had a cake for Rtn. JM Ty who's birthday was last October 30 and while we miss her as she is no longer with us, she will always be in our hearts and pray that her soul rest in peace. RCB loves you Rtn. JM Ty.

The toast for the birthday celebrants was made by PP Atom and all who had cakes with them were called to the front and everyone sang happy birthday followed by blowing of their cake candles. What a day to celebrate life and all blessings received.

Part 3 started with Member's Time. PP Lani together with Dir. Susan and PP Anet turned over the Plaque of Appreciation and token from Pres. Mei Lan Chang they received from sister club Rotary Club of Bukit Bintang in KL, Malaysia due to their presence to attend RCBB's Induction last October. Likewise with the Sisterhood Agreement signed by PP Lani on behalf of Pres. Ali. Treas. Marilyn also announced that as of date, there were only 3 members who haven't made any annual club dues payment. This was followed by President's Time with Pres. Ali giving thanks to all those who had been actively participating in all club activities and made donations to TRF and the efforts of PP Chris, to secure signatories to the Global Grant Application together with TRF Guru PP Gerard and PP Bert.

PP Alfred then announced the Directors who made it to Top 9 with Dir. Tonton who begged off due to his studies which made Dir. Glen be considered as No. 9 Director. Lucky winners to form part of the BOD for RY 2023-2024 are: 1. Lou De Guzman 2. Eric De Guzman 3. Lirena Cachola 4, Levy Orcales 5. Susan VIllanueva 6. Reymund Barrios 7. Ailyn Kindipan 8. Jo Ursua and 9. Glen Flores.

The most awaited announcement was made by PP Alfred for the President Nominee to serve as President for RY2024-2025 which had Dir. Susan Villanueva garnering the most number of votes. Congratulatory remarks were given to PN Susan and everyone stood for the RCB Hymn, followed by Pilipinas Kong Mahal. A very happy Pres. Ali then adjourned the meeting. What a very enjoyable and exciting day indeed!

## **SCENES WE LIKE TO SEE**

## **RCB Regular Meeting**

**03 December 2022** 

RCB Elections; Quarterly Birthday Celebration and Classification Talk of Rtn Levy Orcales





## Birthday celebrants - cakes, hugs, ice cream and laughs...

















## **RCBaguio Board Meeting**



















## Project 1 - Gift Packs Packing

























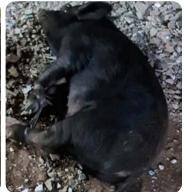




## **Venue preparations - Unjon Park**







**Cleaning and watering of plants** 

**09 December 2022** 













**Rotary Ann of RCB Christmas Party** 

**09 December 2022** 

Faelnar's Residence at Sweet Pea Road, Alta Verde Subdivision







## The Big Day... Gift Giving to Children's Day Care Centers

10 December 2022





### "A DAY OF GIFT GIVING"



IBALOI PARK



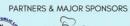
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9:00 AM



























## The Big Day... Gift Giving to Children's Day Care Centers

**10 December 2022** 

Day Care Teachers and the Baguio City Public Library sharing the joys of the day...













Rotarians doing their best...













## The Big Day... Gift Giving to Children's Day Care Centers

10 December 2022

Rotarians doing their best...













Children so much in awe with their exciting experience...













## The Big Day... Gift Giving to Children's Day Care Centers

**10 December 2022** 

The children's gift to everyone... their passion, creativity, talent...







D3790 Family Day at Pugad, Pugo, La Union











### PE Cora - One of the Global Skills Development Council

**10 December 2022** 

Congratulations PE Cora Ocampo for receiving an award from ASK LEX Academy for Being One of the Global Skills Development Council in Makati.





### **Late RAPP Tess Dulnoan Necrological Services**

15 December 2022

Necrological Services for the late RAPP Tess Dulnoan









### Congratulations RCBaguio for the Recognition by Kiwas Elementary School





### **ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PAGE**

### Rotary projects around the globe - December 2022

By Brad Webber

#### **United States**

The Rotary Club of Conway-Morning, Arkansas, is aiming to deliver birthday messages to every child and young adult



in the state's foster care system. Between January and September, more than 2,100 cards had been mailed, with an anticipated 3,700 individuals to be reached annually. "These children already face great uncertainty and disappointments in their lives, and I strongly believe that to consistently remember them on their special day would give them hope to go on, and to show that others around them genuinely care for them," says Mike Altland, a club member who started the campaign. A dozen or so Rotarian volunteers coordinate writing and forwarding cards to foster homes with the Arkansas Division of Children and Family Services and The Call, a statewide nonprofit that works with churches to match children with families. American Greetings, which operates a production facility in the area, donated a supply of cards and envelopes expected to last nearly two years, Altland says.



#### Mexico

The Rotary Club of Guadalajara Internacional in March began training girls from the city's underserved communities in the Korean martial art of taekwondo. The Reconoce Tu Poder, or Recognize

Your Power, program has trained dozens of girls, says creator Bertha Sánchez García, the club's immediate past president. Sánchez García, a brown belt in the discipline, and Zulema Fernández Sariñana, a member of the Rotary Club of Guadalajara, developed a manual and a training regimen with the assistance of Patricia Mariscal Alcalá, an Olympian who is one of Mexico's most accomplished female taekwondo athletes. "At the end of the program, each girl knows that she is capable of knocking down her obstacles by breaking a board with a kick," says Sánchez García. The effort has been replicated by clubs in two other Mexican towns as well as in India.

#### Germany

Aproject by the Rotary Club of Rosenheim-Innstadt serves as a reminder that the simplest of gifts can bring joy to children — and delight to the givers. For the past five years, the club has taken up a



collection among members, raising about \$1,500 each year to buy Christmas presents. The gifts, delivered to 33 youths during the 2021 outing, included toys and clothing — "whatever you can imagine on a child's wish list," says Hans-Georg Schmidt, immediate past president of the club. A local aid organization selected the recipients. "One girl asked for a skirt, which otherwise the family would never have been able to afford," Schmidt says. Another girl requested and received perfume. A dozen club members coordinate the shopping, packaging, and delivery.

#### Italy

Up to 169 million tons of unused food is wasted in the European Union every year, and only about 40 percent of Italians take home their uneaten restaurant food. Working with the



office of agriculture and food in the Piedmont region, the Rotary Club of Acqui Terme launched a project in April to encourage people to take home their leftovers. It offers recyclable and compostable boxes and wine bags to restaurants, bed and breakfasts, and farmhouses. Rotarians enlist members of the hospitality industry to reduce food waste and develop awareness of the value of quality foods produced by local farmers, says Giacomo Guerrina, immediate past president of the club.



#### India

Impressed by the work of District 3201 following a 2018 monsoon, Mumbaibased technology company Atos Global IT Solutions and Services decided to

collaborate with Rotary members in its corporate social responsibility endeavors. The company donated nearly \$300,000 for two global grant projects. About \$250,000 of that funded construction of 31 low-cost shelters to house 126 displaced people in a project that involved eight Rotary clubs in Kochi (formerly Cochin) during the 2018-19 Rotary year. The second grant to support the installation of 25 water purification plants is underway in Kerala. "We found the Rotary organization in India was the best suitable organization to partner with because of their volunteerbased organizational structure offering negligible or minimal administration cost," says Nasir Shaikh, a senior vice president with the firm. Damodaran Vellannur — a coordinator of the housing grant, past president of the Rotary Club of Cochin Midtown, and now a member of the Cochin Titans club — lauds the creation of the 500-squarefoot homes as "a sustainable, well-executed humanitarian project."

Source: <a href="https://www.rotary.org/en/rotary-projects-around-globe-december-2022">https://www.rotary.org/en/rotary-projects-around-globe-december-2022</a>

### **EDITOR-IN-CHIEF PAGE**

### Korean Rotary club gives visually-impaired a chance to ride



### **EIC/PP Libby Fernandez**

Editor-in-Chief / Past President Rotary Club of Baguio



Shin Tae Byull, a member of the Rotary Club of Cheongju Dream, Chungcheongbug, Korea, adjust the helmet of his riding partner at the start of the 24-kilometer ride.

By Seoha Lee, Photos by Seongjoon Cho

arly one morning in late October, members of the Rotary Club of Cheongju Dream, Korea, gathered with volunteers at Mushimcheon River Park, Cheongju, Korea. Excitement filled the air as visually-impaired individuals, young and old, arrived with social worker companions for a four-hour tandem bicycle ride.

Every year for the past five years, the club has hosted the ride for residents of Gwanghwawon, a group home for people with visual impairment. For many of the residents, it's a rare chance to get outside their facility, as many of them also have other disabilities that require one-on-one care. The pandemic forced the 2021 ride to be delayed until this May. But the 2022 ride went ahead as usual in October.

Rotary members or other volunteers are paired with a visually-impaired resident. Rotary members or volunteers ride in the front seat and describe the landscape as they pedal past fields of silver grass, cosmos flowers swaying in the wind, sun sparkling off the river under a blue autumn sky. The riders are coached beforehand to go slow and take frequent stops. They take a break in the middle for lunch before the route turns back toward the river park.

The cycling procession crosses a bridge over the river on the ride back after lunch.

During the pairing of riders, club member Min Ho Kim noted how his riding partner, Sang Min Lee, had also been his partner for the previous ride in May. "He is a good partner and good at riding a bicycle. Today will be a wonderful day!"



Jae Heung Kim, a social worker at Gwanghwawon, recalled how the initiative began five years ago when the group home asked the club to start a ride for their residents. Now, many of the residents look forward to the event every year.

A song competition was held after lunch. Everyone who sings receives a gift voucher. Won Jung Kim, who is known in the group home as a singer, was the first to grab the microphone and perform a familiar song, with everyone singing along. Another resident chose a K-pop song from one of their favorite bands.

The event showcases the club to the community, and serves as a recruitment opportunity. Seungho Shin, club secretary, who oversaw the preparations for this year's ride, noted how the club received several membership queries afterward.

"It is natural that we feel great because we see how our friends at Gwanghwawon really enjoy it. Quite a few people joined the club after participating in riding as volunteers. Our members are all busy people, but no matter how busy we are, the bike riding will continue."

Source: https://blog.rotary.org/2022/12/01/korean-rotary-clubs-gives-visually-impaired-a-chance-to-ride/

Pres. Ali Morales & Family



## **PP Lani Fabi & Family**

Blessed Holiday Season's Greetings to our RCB Family.May God's abundant blessings shower upon each and everyone and may the true meaning of Christmas dwell in our hearts ♥



## PP Jun Bondoc Jr. & Family

May all the good and perfect gifts that come from God always give everlasting JOY and WONDERS to all of us.

Warm hugs everyone! Enjoy the holidays 😂



## Dir Lou de Guzman & Family

## **PP Chris Peralta & Family**

Merry Christmas 😂 Let this season be filled with Love from Lou and Malik

Merry Christmas 2022 from the Peralta Family with lots of LOVE.





## **PP / PDG Linda Winter & Family**

"May you have the Spirit of Christmas which is PEACE, the Gladness of Christmas which is JOY and the Heart of Christmas which is LOVE."

Oma Linda and apos (Anja and Mady) wish you ALL a Merry Christmas and a joyous New Year.



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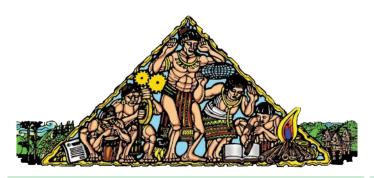
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#### THE CAÑAO EMBLEM

Our Official Club Bulletin has been called The Cañao. "Cañao" (pronounced as kan-yau) is actually the local term for the dance during native feasts or celebrations in the highlands of the Cordilleras- in Northern Luzon of the Philippines.

This is depicted in our Cañao emblem which shows a number of human figures in deep concentration—absorbed in ritual dance.

The attention, focus, commitment and unity of the club's members is represented by the dancing figures—in celebration or expectation of a bountiful harvest; much as we actually do—in anticipation of the joy derived from public service to the community-always coupled with fellowship. Hence, the sub-title of "A Celebration of Service."

#### THE RCB LOGO

The Rotary Club of Baguio (RCB) was chartered on 21 February 1938. The 4,587th member of Rotary International and the oldest club organized North of Manila; the 6th chartered Rotary Club in the entire Philippines.

Our over-simplified club logo (red) is a composite of the letters r, c & B; this is symbolic of the club's straightforwardness. Over-all cardiode-heart shape connotes that our members serve from the heart. The four basic elements (four quadrants— now 3D bevelled) are symbolic of Rotary's Four-Way Test and the members' commitment to it. Our charter year of 1938 is used as the mid-focal point of the logo, to emphasize our early beginnings and continuing dedication to

Service Above Self.







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