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PROGRAMME

Regular Program 25 March 2023

12:00 PM **Fellowship** 12:30 Call to Order Pres. Ali Morales Invocation PP Libby Fernandez Pambansang Awit Rotary Hymn 4 Way Test 1:20 Introduction of Visiting Rotarians & Guests ... Rtn. Ruth Rillera Entertainment Raffle Dir. Lorena Cachola Rtn. Saud Al-Khayatt 1:40 Member's Time 1:50 President's Time 1:55 Induction - Charging PP Mia Cawed Fellowship Gov. Linda Winter **Birthday Celebration** 2:25 **RCB Hymn** 2:30 Pilipinas Kong Mahal Adjournment Pres. Ali Morales

PP Chris PeraltaProgram Coordinator

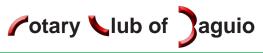
Rtn. Modz Bahul Retrospector **Dir. Lou de Guzman** Imager

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

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PresidentRotary Club of Baguio

"WATER IS THE DRIVING FORCE OF ALL NATURE. PRESERVE WATER." - Leonardo Da Vinci

Good afternoon fellow members and guests.

Let us all welcome our Dynamic Team Pasikat. Today is their last regular meeting- hosting for this Rotary year with Past President Libby, our EIC at the helm.

What is brewing in this meeting?

What would be the new surprise? May pasabog ba?

Lots of Raffle Prizes? Birthday Treats or Treats for everyone?

Relax and enjoy the Dynamic Team Pasikat's version of a Great Birthday Bash!!!

A celebration of Life for our January to March 2023 birthday celebrants in the wild – Safari themed fellowship.

Last meeting, PP Libby said, they had young and good looking speakers. That was how they got their brilliant Guests of Honor and Speakers for this month who presented to us various topics on our Rotary theme for March- Water , Sanitation and Hygiene.

We thank Atty. Rhenan Golingab – Diwas for his passion as he discusses pressing matters on what his office (CEPMO) does. It was a indeed a very informative and educational afternoon. Thank you too for opening your direct line of communication, to address our concerns.

We also thank VP Joe for his advance ice cream birthday treat, who celebrated his natal day last Sunday, March 19, 2023.

Thank you Rtn Levy for delivering 170 packs of palabok for the snack of the fire clearing volunteers, in behalf of RCBaguio.

Congratulations PP Bert for winning the grand prize in the recently concluded 4th Governor Ann's Golf Tournament. Thank you for representing our club.

Let us also wish President Elect Cora and President Nominee (Incoming VP) GOOD LUCK, as they attend the Presidents Elect Training Seminar in Vietnam. They flew last Thursday night. Enjoy your PETS and Vietnam Tour, PE Cora and PN Susan.

Last night , we had our 7th fireside chat at our official Fire Side residence with the usual warm hospitality of our gracious hosts PP Chris and RAPP Maya Peralta. The comprehensive Rotarization was conducted and presented by Past President Chris Faelnar (one of my advisers) for our incoming Rotarians, Elaine Lazo – Paredes and Arlene Kipas Sumalag sponsored by PP Libby and PP Baby respectively, our 50th and 51st members, comprising of the 11 new RCBaguio Rotarians for this Rotary Year.

Thank you PP Chris and RAPP Maya for your continuous generosity and hospitality; PP Chris for the very comprehensive presentation and RAPP Oyee, PDG Linda, Past Presidents Libby, Baby, Bert Directors Reymund, Vell and Lorena with her guests Darwin and grand daughter; and Rotarian Ruth, for your support to our incoming members.

Let us all greet our first quarter $\mbox{\sc Birthday}$ Celebrants :

January 01 – Incoming New Member hopefully to be inducted today, Rtn, Elaine

January 03 - PP Libby
January 05 - Rtn. Lily
February 01 - PP Lani
February 06 - Dir Lorena
March 19 - VP Joe
March 27 - PP Anet

We have 3 regular meetings for April 2023 1, 15 and 29. April 8 and 22 falls on a holiday. 4 meetings in May -6, 13, 20 and 27 and 4 meetings in June, 3, 10, 17 and 24.

Let me end my corner with a quote from our RI President Jennifer Jones - "It is our offer of handson service, personal growth, leadership development and lifelong friendships that creates purpose and passion."

Have a great weekend ahead.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

THEME

Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene Month



Sec/PP Baby Kaur

Secretary / Past President Rotary Club of Baguio

Attendance Update as of 18 March 2023

Rtn. Nancy Alabanza, PP Gerard Audineau, Dir. Reymund Barrios, Dir. Lorena Cachola, PP Diony Claridad, Rtn. Ike Dulnoan, PP Libby Fernandez, Sec. Baby Kaur, Rtn. Ailyn Kindipan, Rtn. Lily Landayan, PP Alfred Laygo, PAG Gigi Maranan, Pres. Ali Morales, PE Cora Ocampo, Rtn. Levy Orcales, PP Chris Peralta, Rtn. Ruth Rillera, VP Joe Ursua, Rtn. Annie Viernes & PDG Linda Winter

WE WISH TO SEE YOU NEXT MEETING

Dir. Mariver Agayas (mu), Rtn. Jody Alabanza (exc), Rtn. Bess Aniban, Rtn. Modz Bahul, PP Veeh Balajo (exc), PP Marilyn Barredo, Rtn. Toni Boguen, PP Jun Bondoc, IPP Arnel Cabanisas, Rtn. Vangie Cacho, PP Anet Calabias, PP Raffy Chan (exc), PP Mia Cawed, PP Lani Fabi, PP Chris Faelnar, PP Cy Fagar (exc), Dir. Glen Flores, Rtn. Eric De Guzman, Dir. Lou De Guzman, Rtn. Jeff Isip, Rtn. Saoud Jawad, PP Ben Ladilad (exc), PP Atom Mendalla, PP Lito Pangilinan (exc), Rtn. Eduard Ramos, PP Bert Talco (mu), Dir. Tonton Tan, PP Benny Sunga (exc) & Dir. Susan Villanueva

S WATER, SANITATION, AND HYGIENE MONTH

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

21-23 April

DISCON 2023

March Birthdays

19 Mar – VP Joe Ursua27 Mar – PP Anet Calabias

RI UPCOMING EVENTS

13-19 March

World Rotaract Week

31 March

Preregistration discount ends for the Rotary International Convention

March in Rotary

03-2008	PAG Gigi
23-1996	PP Chris Peralta
26-2011	PP Lani
26-2011	Sec. Baby
31-2012	Dir. Glen

IN RETROSPECT



PP Chris Peralta

Past President
Rotary Club of Baguio

ur March 18, 2023, Rotary meeting was a real pleasure to have attended and participated in, quite surprisingly and ironically said, the topic was initially deemed by your truly not that interesting because it dealt on water, sanitation, sewerage and fecal sludge. But I completely changed my opinion because of the high caliber level of our Guest Speaker: Attorney Rhenan Golingab Diwas is Department Head of CEPMO, City Environment and Parks Management Office of Baguio City, A graduate of School of Law, Saint Louis University in 2013, he takes care of Land, Air, & Water Quality Management here in our city of Pines. Our speaker started out enumerating the problems faced by our city, the 366,358 population (2020 census) ballooning to 700,000 with the student population when classes are in session, because Baguio is well known as the Center for Education north of Manila. This number more often, is much higher because of tourists who come to visit, numbering approximately 150,000 visitors monthly. Statistics show there were 1.2 million visitors for a nine month period in 2022. With the influx of all these people, come the problems of trash and sanitation, water availability or lack thereof, traffic congestion, increase in crime.... and many more. Atty Rhenan Diwas says our water from the Balili and Bued rivers have high coliform levels, so not a good safe water source. We mostly use ground water as water source. Asian Development Bank says only 22% of fecal sludge in Baguio is safely being treated, the rest being discharged into these rivers mentioned. Basic sanitation standards in most Baguio households have already been achieved with septic tanks, with exceptions, but an important project for us to solve the pollution of our rivers, is, we need a higher capacity centralized waste water treatment facility, then that which we presently have. Waste water daily output is at 32,000 cubic meters but only 8,000 is being treated. Sewerage systems have already been constructed or are being dug and built in and around different parts of Baguio to ultimately all be connected to the centralized waste water treatment place. Behavioral changes in people are also required, like having Sanitation Day seminars and the need for emptying house septic tanks when full, with experts from JICA, DOH and Asian Development Bank to help in achieving this. The other problems were basically not touched on.

Our speaker was well-informed, had an impressive and lengthy Curiculum Vitae to back him up, was eloquent, quite jokeful, very enthusiastic and passionate about his job and topic. He seemed very commited to achieving his goals for Baguio, this transpiring very evidently during his talk.

Invocation was done by Director Lorena Cachola

- Entertainment was a heartfelt Declamation of "Casey at the Bat" by Director Lorena Cachola and written by Ernest Lawrence Thayer, 1863-1940
- Raffle Draw winners: Joe U x2, Jacob Cachola, Nancy A. x2, Gie x2, Lily, Gerard, Diony, Pres Ali x3, Baby x3, Levy, Libby, Lorena, Frederic (guest of Lily L.) Chris P x2.... And very expertly expedited by Rotarian Ruth Rillera and company.
- President Ali's President's Time mentioned VP Joe Ursua's advance birthday greeting,
- The Rotary Leadership Institute, The TRF 16.000 US dollars contribution, adopted daycare centers with Smart TV donations, the 9 new members we have inducted into RCB, with 2 more on deck as possible new members, Fireside chat scheduled this coming Friday, the 150 sacks donation of Director Reymund, PP Baby presented with plaque from Korean club, and the request of District Governor Ann Lorenzana for more attendees coming from Rotary Club of Baguio for the DISCON.
- Open forum was readily taken up by our Resource Speaker.
- Club Response was done by yours truly.
- As a last comment before adjournment, Program Coordinator PP Libby said:
 - "Fellow Rotarians, have you noticed that all three guest speakers invited by Team Pasikat this month are all very handsome guys?"
- A bientôt, mes chers amis!

SCENES WE LIKE TO SEE

RCB Regular Meeting

18 March 2023































FEATURED EVENTS

Maintaining and keeping the life of RCBaguio adopted park

17 March 2023



RCBaguio Donation to Volunteers

17 March 2023

Rotarian Levy Orcales took charge of delivering the RCBaguio donation to the volunteers working at the city public market 170 packs of palabok snacks.



FEATURED EVENTS

Condolences to Dir. Lou and Rtn. Eric Father

18 March 2023

RCBaguio family extended their condolences and sympathies to our very own Dir. Lou and Rtn. Eric for the passing of their loving father, the late Benjamin de Guzman.









PP Bert Talco at the Golf Tournament

PP Bert Talco at the 4th Leg DG Ann Lorenzana Golf Tournament. Further winning the 1st prize raffle.- 32" Smart TV.





FEATURED EVENTS

Fireside Chat 24 March 2023

Fireside Chat for Elaine Paredes And Arlene Sumalag at the beautiful residence of PP Chris Peralta.

















ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PAGE

Small Rotary club in Ecuador's Andes delivers big on water project



By Arnold R. Grahl

High in the Andes, an indigenous community had been waiting more than a decade for clean drinking water.

They had worked with a regional water agency on a plan, but didn't have the funding to put it into effect – until they met a new Rotary club willing to apply for their first global grant.

The village of Cochapamba lies in the shadow of Ecuador's highest peak, Chimborazo, about 250 kilometers (155 miles) south of Quito. Residents had to journey an hour to bathe or wash their clothes. They would draw a small weekly allotment of water for drinking from an irrigation basin meant for crops — and risk getting sick from the untreated water.

Villagers had formed a water board and worked with the regional water agency to design a system for pulling water down from a mountain catchment and treating it. But their plan couldn't be implemented without more funding. Meanwhile, some of the residents who occasionally came into Guaranda, a town about 8 kilometers (5 miles) away, got to know members of the Rotary Club of Guaranda, Bolivar, which had just chartered in 2019.

"We have been dealing with this problem for many years. We had a project ready, but nobody could help us," says Doroteo Santillan, a Cochapamba resident interviewed by the station GuarandaTV in a video made by the club. "But then we found the Rotary club ... and they helped us access the water."

"My wife saw how the women had to carry water on their backs and started thinking, 'How could we help?'" says Alfonso Camacho, service chair for the Guaranda club.

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The new club had never applied for a global grant from The Rotary Foundation. But its members got lots of advice from others in Rotary, found a partner, and worked with people in Cochapamba on the system that now provides safe drinking water to 133 families.

Camacho's wife, Virginia Soto, is the club's treasurer. She and officials from the regional water agency met with the Cochapamba water board and others from the community. They told her about the water system plan that had been made but not carried out. Because Cochapamba already had a water board, it could provide liaisons, create a financial system, and set up a fee to cover maintenance.

"We like to help people, so we said, 'We can do it,'" Camacho recalls.

Under the new system, water from the mountain source is treated and channeled into a series of tanks before it's distributed to homes. The club worked closely with the community and engineers from the water agency, and the system was completed in June 2022.

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Alfonso Camacho

The club used its US\$50,000 grant for equipment, supplies, and project management expenses. The water agency designed and oversaw the technical aspects and provided other expertise, topographical mapping, and equipment and supplies such as water meters and valves.

Participating families provided the physical labor through a collective arrangement that benefits the community. Residents worked in shifts to dig the many trenches for plastic PVC pipes and often had to bring rock, sand, and other materials up the mountainside by donkey.

The water source is the same one that feeds the irrigation reservoir. Water flows downhill through the pipes to a reinforced concrete tank, where it is chlorinated. Pipes then carry the water to two distribution stations on nearby hills, where more

pipes branch out to individual homes.

The grant project is remarkable for a new club. "We are a young club. We didn't know anything," Camacho says. "We didn't even know how to navigate My Rotary and the grant system."

"But we asked a lot of questions, worked together with the community, and [Past District Governor Juan] Prinz made connections for us," he adds. "When one is determined enough to do something, you can do it."

Prinz, a past governor of District 4400 who died in 2021, had provided considerable help to the Guaranda club. He had urged Camacho and Soto to form the club, and his club, the Rotary Club of Quito-Valle Interoceánico, Pichincha, served as its sponsor. Later, Prinz and fellow club member Odd Hanssen connected the Guaranda club with its international partner, the Rotary Club of Velbert/Rhld., Germany. Prinz and Hanssen had met members of the German club during a 2020 project fair that was held virtually because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Juan Gregoriy Ribes, a member of the German club, recalls how his club wanted to sponsor a global grant project in Ecuador but hadn't found anything suitable. "Through Prinz, we got information to contact the Guaranda club. They had prepared the project very well," he says. "We were able to join the application, and with very good Rotarian cooperation, it was implemented successfully."

The project is sustainable as well. Cochapamba employs an engineer who works with the water agency, and every three weeks, Camacho and the engineer check on the system and visit families to discuss their health and hygiene and recommend ways to conserve water.

Cochapamba residents have reported fewer illnesses now that they have treated water. And with laundry no longer being washed in the river, the pollution from detergent has been eliminated.

The small Rotary Club of Guaranda is not done yet. It plans to build a similar water system in Kilitawa, Ecuador, that will help 180 families — using its second approved global grant.

EDITOR-IN-CHIEF PAGE

World Water Day



EIC/PP Libby Fernandez

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

"Clean water, sanitation, and hygiene are not just basic necessities; they are all human rights \to We believe that EVERYONE deserves access to these essential resources. Through our WASH programs, we mobilize resources, form partnerships, and invest in infrastructure that creates long-term change.

This <u>#WorldWaterDay</u>, join us in making a difference and improving access to these essential resources.

Providing Clean Water

Clean water, sanitation, and hygiene education are basic necessities for a healthy environment and a productive life.

When people have access to clean water and sanitation, waterborne diseases decrease, children stay healthier and attend school more regularly, and mothers can spend less time carrying water and more time helping their families.

HOW ROTARY MAKES HELP HAPPEN

Through water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) programs, Rotary's people of action mobilize resources, form partnerships, and invest in infrastructure and training that yield long-term change.

WATER FOR A COMMUNITY

Rotary clubs partnered with local organizations to install a rainwater harvesting and distribution center for 4,000 people in Madan, Papua New Guinea. They also delivered training programs for women in the community and students in 35 schools.

WASH IN GUATEMALA SCHOOLS

Rotary clubs in Guatemala improved conditions for as many as 1,793 children in 10 schools in the town of Escuintla by providing toilets, washing stations, water tanks, and training

WATER SUPPLY IN TANZANIA

A dozen Rotary clubs collaborated with local partners to establish a water supply and delivery system for 1,500 people in the village of Kigogo, Tanzania. They also taught the community how to maintain the systems and provided hygiene education.

ACCESS TO TOILETS IN THE PHILIPPINES

Rotary clubs and partners built 222 toilets, six rainwater collectors, seven communal handwashing stations, and 20 biosand filters. The project provided more than 1,000 people with access to proper toilet facilities and almost 600 people with a regular supply of clean water.

MAKING SCHOOLS HEALTHIER

All 24 of Lebanon's Rotary clubs came together — overcoming religious, cultural, and political divisions — to form partnerships with the government, World Vision, UNICEF, and the Red Cross. Together the groups developed a program that delivers clean water to every public school in the country.

OUR IMPACT ON WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE

The Rotary Foundation is changing the world by providing grants for projects and activities around the globe and in your own backyard:

WASH Global Grant Projects: Since 2013, The Rotary Foundation has invested in more than \$130 million in over 2000 projects worldwide. Through this investment, our volunteers of action have improved access to safely managed and basic WASH services to communities, schools and healthcare facilities, while protecting and conserRotary-USAID WASH Partnership: Rotary and the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) assist communities and governments to plan, finance and deliver safe water, sanitation and hygiene services, while sustainably managing water resources.

WASH in Schools Target Challenge: Rotary challenges our members to develop sustainable projects that comprehensively address the most pressing water, sanitation, hygiene and education needs in Belize, Guatemala, Honduras, India, and Kenya.

\$24

is all it takes to provide one person with safe water

123

schools in Ghana have gained access to basic sanitation and hygiene services due to the Rotary-USAID partnership

\$148 million

The Rotary Foundation has invested in water, sanitation, hygiene and water resource management interventions globally "

Source: https://www.rotary.org/our-causes/providing-clean-water

ARTICLE

Recycling Plant Seeds

Fr. Francis Gustillo

Dear Friends,

Will you please post and help me forward this message to all your other groups so that it gets circulated, thanks.

Soon the season of fruits like mango, durians, rambutans, langsat (lansones), duku, mangosteen, jack fruit, etc will be here.

My request to all of us is to NOT throw the seeds in your rubbish bin, but INSTEAD to wash them, dry them (in the sun) and pack it in newspaper and keep it in your car. Whenever you go out and find an open barren land while travelling, be it on a village road, on an empty motorway, throw these seeds. They will germinate easily in the coming monsoon.

If with this simple act, we can contribute even a single tree each season to our world, our mission of greening this world would be successful.

The Thai government has been promoting this to all its citizen over the last few years.

Many of their other districts officers have been driving this campaign aggressively which has been very successful. The number of fruit trees in the wild have multiplied many times over particularly in the Northern districts of Thailand.

Let us also join the Thais in this brilliant initiative to spread abundance in nature and in this simple yet effective way and contribute back to our next generations.

Please forward to all groups...

The homeless will have food >

ARTICLE

DISCON 2023 – Rotary District 3790



ANNOUNCEMENT

DISCON 2023 - Rotary District 3790



Good morning everyone!

Let us share to you the Attire for each day of the DISCON:

APRIL 21

Business Attire

For the afternoon Plenary session and Dinner Fellowship

APRIL 22

Business Attire

For the morning and afternoon Plenary sessions

APRIL 23

<u>District T-shirt or Club Uniform</u> For the morning Plenary session

Thank you!



APRIL 22

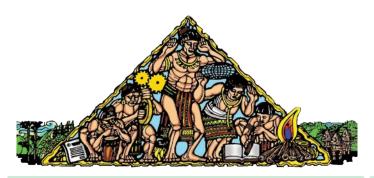
<u>Colorful Formal</u> For the Governor's Ball



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Team Pasikat







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.







Baguio City, Philippines

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