



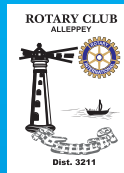
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The importance of being Punctual

Time once past cannot be brought back by any means. As it flows nothing can stop its course. Time is money; Time and tide waits for no man. But many do not realise the value of time. This was witnessed on Wednesday and appeal made to all of us to be on time.

Seated in the audience for our DG visit and listening to the felicitations, I was taken aback when our own honorary member and Rotary goodwill ambassador Betty Karan, expressed her disappointment and openly apologised to the DG for the late start of the meeting. She also mentioned that this was not the practice in the past. I could see many members nodding their head in silence and accepting the fact. Was this really needed? Do we need a reminder to be punctual? We are all Rotarians under commitment and pledge to uphold the dignity of the Rotary establishment in the way we think, see and do. If this is true then punctuality is one of the virtues we Rotarians need to adhere as it is the core principle in any meeting. In my four and half years as member I have noticed this many a times and heard the disappointment of past presidents and others and the late beginning of any program and thin

attendance. The fact is in spite of all this there is no shift in the attitude of majority our members to be present on time.

DG visit is an important event in the Rotary calendar year and the chief guest himself present on time along with other members the function start was delayed for over thirty minutes. The master of ceremonies had to make repeated request to get people to take the seat in the hall. This is not the first time. Couple of months back the Alappuzha Municipal Chairman, the chief guest for a dinner meeting was made to wait for a long time.

It is not that this was a hurried meeting put together. It was a planned meeting and each of the members informed of this at least four weeks in advance. Personal phone calls and SMS, messages

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The best angle to approach any problem is the 'try-angle'

Let our advance worrying become advance thinking and planning. Winston Churchill

He who every morning plans the transaction of the day and follows out that plan, carries a thread that will guide him through the maze of the most busy life. But where no plan is laid, where the disposal of time is surrendered merely to the chance of incidence, chaos will soon reign. Victor Hugo



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on social network were sent to all members of the event and its start time. It was on a Wednesday, the weekly meeting day; time the same as the weekly meeting. Then why did we not start on time. I blame it to each attending individual's time management and their attitude towards the meeting. If this perception does not change then we will see the decline to our already decaying systems. We are all from a very educated background and worked our way up and the importance of time has been inculcated in us from the very beginning. With so many reminders and prompting we could easily plan the day and be in time and start the function. Only in some unforeseen eventualities one can understand being late but that applies for a very few members not for the majority of them. It makes the others who are punctual a little odd and unwanted.

The strong words of Betty Karan and her appeal to all of us not to repeat this mistake in the future prompted me to write this. I am not the person to lecture you all on punctuality but thought should share some advantages of being punctual. Punctuality means doing a thing at the previously designated time. Being punctual enables us to do a great deal of work within a short span of time. It is the most important characteristic of all successful people. Everyone, in all walks of life, if they observe punctuality, they win glories and are successful in life. It brings in trail efficiency, helps to build career. A punctual person commands the confidence and respect of others. If we look into the lives of great men and women, we would realise that they had got a schedule for every day. It is a virtue, which is doubly blessed. It helps us to maintaining regularity in our daily schedule of work. It is the gateway to success.

So my dear fellow Rotarians, let us add another resolution in this new year or replace a less important one (it is only started) and make up our minds to be present on time for all meetings, be it personal or professional and respect the value of time and being punctual. Being on time to appointments and meetings is a phase of self-discipline and an evidence of self-respect. Punctuality is a courteous compliment the intelligent person pays to his associates.

Feel the difference this makes and be a gift to yourself.

Rtn. PHF S Sasidharan

RI News





THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

Rotary Foundation is Turning 100. Plan now to celebrate the centennial year

In Cleveland, Ohio, USA, Rotary members already have big plans to celebrate the Foundation's centennial in 2016-17. Arch C. Klumph, who's considered the founder of The Rotary Foundation, was a longtime member of the Cleveland Rotary Club.

District 6630 is partnering with the Cleveland Orchestra to host a concert on 23 October, dedicated to Klumph and the history of the Foundation. Klumph helped coordinate the last pairing of Rotary and the orchestra when the city hosted the Rotary International Convention in 1939.

In addition, district Rotarians are tracking a small statue of Klumph on Facebook as it travels from club to club on its way to the 2017 convention in Atlanta. Beginning with this year's convention in Seoul, Rotary kicks off a year of activities that highlight the Foundation's amazing record of service. Follow Cleveland's example by planning your own events and spreading the word in your community. Incoming district governors will begin planning at the International Assembly as they prepare to lead their clubs in celebrating the centennial. You have lots of ways to let your members know about the Foundation:

-  Dedicate time to Foundation topics each week. Share how your local and international projects are providing safe drinking water, fighting disease, promoting peace, saving the lives of children and mothers, improving literacy, empowering women to start their own businesses, and supporting the drive to end polio.
-  Promote the book "Doing Good in the World," which gives a behind-the-scenes look at the Foundation's rich history.
-  Participate in a global grant or District Grant project and dedicate it to the centennial.
-  Challenge members to increase their contributions to the Foundation. Encourage them to give through Rotary Direct and to join the Paul Harris Society by contributing \$1,000 or more annually.



Club Business

Minutes of the meeting held on 20th January 2016, DG Visit

Meeting started with Sergeant-at-Arms leading the Ceremonial Procession and then lighting followed by lighting the traditional lamp by the dignitaries. Sergeant - At - Arms adorned President with Collar and AG Rtn. Gopinathan Nair adorned District Governor Rtn. C Luke with Collar. The meeting was called to order by the President Rtn. Adv. V Deepak. Rtn. Vidhu Unnithan invoked the blessing of Almighty. Rtn. T. Sivakumar welcomed District Governor Rtn. C Luke, First lady, Dignitaries and Rotarians. In Presidential address Adv. Deepak informed that RC Alleppey has given utmost importance to the District Project WinS and a 1 star project was inaugurated today. He congratulated District Governor Rtn. C Luke for coming up with initiatives like FIRE and RICE which will do well for Rotary fraternity. He also informed that RC Alleppey had a very good Rotary year so far and hope to continue same tempo for rest of the year.

Rtn. Dr. Antony Malayil introduced chief guest, with a brief bio data which covered his childhood, education and previous responsible posts he has held. Secretary Rtn. Krishnan Venugopal then presented Interim Report for the year 2015-16, which highlighted the major activities done so far for the Rotary year. Then District Governor Rtn. C Luke inaugurated Focus Project "Enable the Disabled" by handing over a Cheque for Rs. 10000/- to Brahmanand Patil father of Sooraj Brahmanand who was born differently abled. This was the first installment towards Adoption of Sooraj. Following official website of RC of Alleppey "rotaryclubofalleppey.com" was launched by District Governor Rtn. C Luke. Mr. Joseph Francis was introduced by MC and AG Gopinathan Nair Inducted Mr. Joseph Francis after going through Induction rituals. Rtn. Joseph Francis was congratulated by all. Felicitation was given by AG Gopinathan Nair, GGR Rtn. S Mutrigan, Rotary Good Will Ambassador Rotary Benefactor Betty Karan, and for Neighboring Clubs Rtn. Shaji Antony President RC Alleppey Coir City. District Governor Rtn. C Luke was briefly introduced Rtn. Unnikrishnan. In Governor's address he thanked RC of Alleppey for giving his a dynamic and efficient AG in the form of Rtn. Gopinathan Nair, he raised concern over thin attendance of Rotary Anns for the function. He thanked our club for excellent support for district initiatives especially for RICE and Fire. He requested same level of participation from RC Alleppey for district conference "AARRATTU". He called upon Rotarians to "Be a Gift to the World".

President Rtn. Adv. V Deepak presented District Governor Rtn. C Luke with a memento as a token of appreciation and gratitude. Jt. Secretary Rtn. Ajithkumar RN in vote of thanks extended a heartfelt thanks to District Governor Rtn. C Luke, first Lady, AG, GGR, and Neighboring Club Presidents, also thanked all Rotary family members and Invited Guests for attending meeting. He extended a special thanks to Secretary Rtn. Krishnan Venugopal for a excellent Interim Report. He concluded with a special thanks to MC's Rtn. Muhammad Shafeeq and Rt. Sajan B Nair. He extended sincere thanks to hosts Rtns. T Sivakumarr, Sujith TS, Dr. Abraham Thayyil, Joseph Thayyil, George Thayyil, Thomaskutty joseph, V J Francis, Siby George, Arjun P and Boney Mani Thomas. After National Anthem meeting was adjourned by the President.

Rtn. Krishnan Venugopal

Inauguration by DG. Rtn. C. Luke - Rotary Club of Alleppey WINS - 3 Star Project at our Government Girls High School



DG. Rtn. C. Luke Visit to our club 20-01-2016



Host for Next regular meeting on 27/1/2016 Rtn. H Nagaraj

Calender of events

February 06,07, 2016

District Conference, Winsdor Castle Convention Centre, Kottayam

June 19, 2016

Awards Night, Trivandrum Club, Trivandrum

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The four Way Test

of the things we think, say or do

- ☀ Is it the truth?
- ☀ Is it fair to all concerned?
- ☀ Will it build Goodwill and better friendship?
- ☀ Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

Family Gallery

It's funny when people discuss Love Marriage vs Arranged. It's like asking someone, if suicide is better or being murdered.

There is only one perfect child in the world and every mother has it.

There is only one perfect wife in the world and every neighbor has it!

Enjoy Wonderful English from Around the World ...

In a Bangkok Temple:

IT IS FORBIDDEN TO ENTER A WOMAN, EVEN A FOREIGNER, IF DRESSED AS A MAN.

Cocktail Lounge, Norway:

LADIES ARE REQUESTED NOT TO HAVE CHILDREN IN THE BAR.

Doctor's Office, Rome:

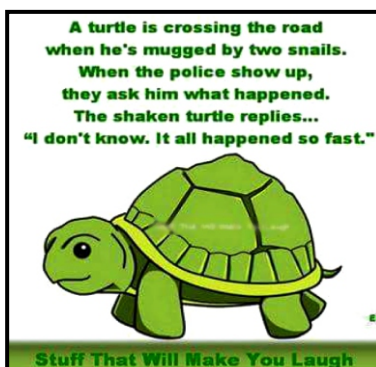
SPECIALIST IN WOMEN AND OTHER DISEASES.

Dry Cleaners, Bangkok:

DROP YOUR TROUSERS HERE FOR THE BEST RESULTS.

A Nairobi Restaurant:

CUSTOMERS, WHO FIND OUR WAITRESSES RUDE, OUGHT TO SEE THE MANAGER.

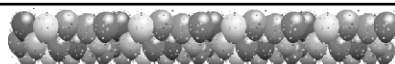


Stuff That Will Make You Laugh

A Controversial And Debatable Question...



Today If **Raavan** Took Your **Wife** Away, Would You Still Consider Him **Evil**...?



Happy Birthday

Gowri Sankar Unnikrishnan	19.01.2016
Anoop Sivakumar	20.01.2016
Lause Antony	20.01.2016
Sivakumar	22.01.2016
Ajith Vani	22.01.2016

Wedding Anniversary

S. Murukan	25.01.2016
Gopinathan Nair	27.01.2016
Mony	29.01.2016
Sarath Tomi Eapen	26.01.2016
Kumara Swami Pillai	27.01.2016
Adv. Deepak	27.01.2016

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