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From Editor's desk

It was a Thursday, not a holiday !

The venue was Uday Palace Convention Center at Kowdiar, in Trivandrum, the southern most part of the District 3211 !!

The delegates were asked to come in uniform; ivory colour Juba and kasavu mundu for Rotarians and set saree with maroon blouse for Anns, all Kerala style and all obliged !!!

It was amazing to see that more than fourteen hundred Rotarians and Anns thronged the Convention Centre sharp 2.30 pm to celebrate the 100 years of Rotary India and felicitating Rtn Sekhar Mehta on his nomination as RI President(2021-22). The entire programme was split into two; part one @the convention Centre celebrating 100 years of Rotary India. The highlight of the function was recognising the Rotarians of the district who have put in 50 years of service in Rotary and presenting the "Service above Self" award to Dr Thomas Vavanikunnel by the RIPN Sekhar Mehta. It was a most deserving award to DGE Thomas Vavanikunnel and he should be happy to receive it for the hands of RIPN himself. I was amused to see the recipients of awards for 50 years service in Rotary in the district 3211; Rtn Jacob Thomas, Rtn Udayakumar, Rtn Ramaswamy Iyer and Rtn George Mathew, all are Past District Governors. Suddenly the faces of two Rotarians surfaced in my mind- Rtn Abdul Rahim and Rtn Jacob Thayyil of RC Alleppey. I don't know whether they have adorned any posts in the district level during their still unfinished long innings in Rotary, leave alone DG. But still they are very active in our club. Their attendance percentage wise will be more than that of the members average level, no doubt. I bow my head in reverence before these two great rotarians. The second part of the function took place at the adjacent Trivandrum Golf Club open auditorium for felicitating RIPN Sekhar Mehta on his nomination to the highest post in the Rotary International. The function which went well till about 7 pm had an anti-climax as most of the delegates deserted their seats and went for fellowship and dinner. No one could blame the delegates as they were hearing the PDGs third consecutive time which could have been avoided. It was unfortunate that the RIPN had to speak to a few PDGs and vacant chairs. The organisers should realise that the fourteen hundred delegates had converged at the venue for meeting the RIPN and listening to his speech. Nevertheless he managed show by speaking loudly to the crowd who were enjoying the spirit(of rotary) at the fellowship counters.



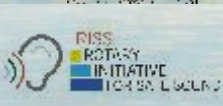
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Jai Rotary

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We meet on Wednesdays at 7.30 pm at Revi Karunakaran Rotary Hall, Alleppey

It is really heartening to note that our November dinner meeting was attended in large numbers by our Rotarians, Anns and Annets. Befittingly we had an excellent Chief Guest in Dr Christy Fernandez, Chairman, KSIDC who delivered an excellent and exuberant speech. I thank all the fellow Rotarians, Anns, Annets and guests who attended the meeting braving heavy rains and traffic congestion. This proves that, if there is a determination we can do it. The efforts of the host team led by my Rtn. Kumaraswamy Pillai has done a wonderful job. Thank you my dear fellow Rotarians. 'East or West Alleppey is the Best.' This is a quote of Rtn. Kumaraswamy Pillai, Editor of Royal Weeks, in a whatsapp post. Dear fellow Rotarians, is it not the truth. The Club which has a legacy of 70 long years, the Club which has a charter president like Rtn. A.R. Sulaiman Sait the most prominent personality of the town and the Municipal Chairman of Alleppey and a Club which was led by many veterans. The charter members were the cream of the society. We are now 72. Are we any way inferior to the Rotarians of the other clubs of the district? Definitely not. We have Seniors who have wide experience, we have professionals in many avenues, business men engaged in multifarious activities, young and energetic youth and what not. The Royal Petals wing adds beauty to the functioning of the Club. Of course a lot of potential is existing. Let us make a commitment to keep our esteem high by projecting our strengths, rather than lamenting on the inadequacies. We belong to a Royal family. Together we can retain the glory of the Club.

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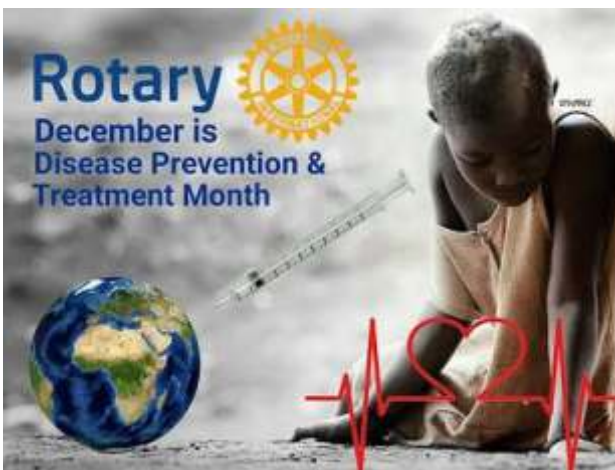
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Minutes of the family dinner meeting dated 30.11.2019

Family dinner meeting of the Club for the month of November started at 8.15 with the ceremonial parade led by Sergeant at Arms Rtn. R. N. Ajithkumar. The Chief guest, Dr. Christy Fernandez followed by the dignitaries lit the traditional Nilavilakku before calling the meeting to order by the President. Rtn. Mohammed Shafeek invoked the blessings of God Almighty followed by welcome speech by Rtn. George Thomas. President, in his address detailed the major projects executed by the Club in its last 70 years of existence and narrated about the projects and programmes of the current year. President thanked Rtn. Siby George for conducting the first round of Rotary Neelima Challenge Quiz successfully. Dr. Christy Fernandez, Chief Guest was introduced to the audience by Rtn. Kumaraswamy Pillai in a lucid style. Chief Guest in his address opened up a new vision of the era of Information Technology which is expected to make unimaginable changes in the style of living of the individuals and the economy of the country. He also stressed on the need of utilizing our own resources in an effective manner for the growth of industry and tourism in particular. The directors of MDC Labs and Scans, Sri. Shafeek and Sri. Gokul, who had sponsored the Blood check up camp on World Diabetes day was adorned a ponnada by the president in recognition of their services. Rtns. Antony Malayil, T.S. Ajith kumar, R.N. Ajithkumar and Richu son of Moncy were given mementos in recognition of their volunteering in LN4 Prosthetic limb camp held at Payyannur. Two sewing machines sponsored by E Club of Kerala Global were distributed to two beneficiaries by the GSR of that Club Rtn. Mohammed Shafeek and President of our Club. Rtn. V. Deepak, Asst. Governor, Rtn.

Joe Antony President of Rotary Club of Alleppey Coir City and Rtn. Rosie John, President of Innerwheel Club felicitated. Rt Anns. Sindhu Murugan and Ann Ambu skillfully performed as MCs. Secretary proposed vote of thanks with a special mention to the hosts of the meeting Rtns. Kumaraswamy Pillai, Jose Abraham, Mathew Mappilaserry, Philip Abraham, George Thomas, Indu Dutt and E. Anil kumar. The meeting disbursed for dinner and fellowship at 9.45 PM.

Rtn. John Kurian, Secretary





**BE READY TO FACE THE FOURTH INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTION-
Dr Christy Fernandez IAS(Retd)
Chairman, KSIDC**

The twenty first cent century is a century of knowledge and we should be updated every moment to survive in the competitive world said Dr.Christy Fernandez. He was speaking at the November Family Dinner Meeting of the RC Alleppey here. Artificial

Intelligence is slowly intruding in every sphere of activities; be it is driverless cars, automated offices, restaurants, filling stations etc. The Personal Secretaries in offices are things of past. He cautioned that the world should equip itself to adapt the change which only never changes. The digital equipments will tell you what medicines you are taking and monitor the usage. With this development the Grand daughter sitting in US can prompt the Grandma back home in the remote village to take medicines regularly. Dr Christy said that Rotarians should facilitate the common man to adapt the technological advancements



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HAPPY BIRTHDAY dear Rotarians ANNES & ANNETS

December

- 3 - John Thayyil, s/o Dr.Abraham Thayyil
- 4 - Maya, D/o Rtn. Vivek Venugopal
- 6 - Zarina, D/o Rtn. Jacob Philipose
- 6- Rtn.Ashok Venugopal
- 6 - Rtn.John Mathew
- 9 - Rtn.Deepak & Sindhu
- 16- Rtn.Ajith B.S & Asha



Engagements



Next Meeting: @7.30 pm on 4.12.19
Host: Rtn Adv Deepak

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