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## December: Disease Prevention and Treatment Month.

It is one of the significant designated months in Rotary as it provides for a lot opportunities to serve the community. Those include;

**W**orld AIDS Day on the 1st and International Day of Disabled Persons on the 3rd of December.

**O**rganise Medical Camp - Health Awareness for Eye Care / Dental Care

**P**roviding equipment such as Artificial Limbs, Wheel Chairs and Calipers to the Physically Challenged Peoples i.e. Polio Sufferers

**P**rovide low-income, underinsured or underinsured Persons with the knowledge, skills, an opportunities to improve their diet, physical activity and other life habits to prevent, delay, or control, chronic diseases

**I**nitiate Actions to Prevent and control Diabetes, Heart Diseases, Obesity and Associated Risk Factors.

By and large RC Alleppey over the years have been extending service to the community in the above areas but may be not on the designated month. Rotary never means that the activities should be confined only to the designated months but these are only reminders for undertaking the activities. Rotary stands primarily for fellowship and friendship. But we also extend our hand for the betterment of community. The clubs have to strike a balance in both fellowship and community service. If the balance is tilted towards any one of the sides, it may not sound good.



Jai Rotary

tn PHF M Kumaraswamy Pillai

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

Ever since WhatsApp messaging platform arrived in the scene, it has been able to capture the imagination of millions of people across the world by giving them ability to communicate and share instantly with individuals and groups. Of course, we are second to none to enjoy the benefits of this technology development. We are members of different Whatsapp groups and it has come to such as stage that, the group in which we are a member, speaks of the social status in which you are placed. A standard is set for each group unknowingly and it can be presumed as reflecting the culture and dignity of the members of the group. Each and every member of the group is expected to live up to the expectations of the members of the group and make it a point, not to be a disturbance to the harmonious relationship between the members. The whatsapp group of Rotary Club of Alleppey is no exception. The magna carta of Rotary is our Four Way Test. When we post anything in our group, is it not better to think twice? Of the things we think, say or do: 1. Is it the Truth ? 2. Is it fair to All concerned? 3. Will it build Goodwill and better friendships? 4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

Let us all hope that Better Judgment prevails among us.

Jai Rotary.

**Rtn. K. Cherian**

### **Minutes of the Regular meeting dated 04th December 2019**

Regular meeting of the Club for the week started at 7.45 PM with the invocation of Blessings of God Almighty by Rtn. John Mathew. President in his address congratulated the host team for conducting the November dinner meet in a successful manner. The participation of Anns and Annets was good and President thanked the Rotarians for the same. President informed that nine of our members participated in the centennial celebrations of Rotary in India at Trivandrum on 28th of November. President thanked the participants Rtns. Gopinathan Nair, Vijayalakshmi Nair, P.O. Thomas, Sajan Nair, Sheela Sajan, Rosie John, Kumaraswamy Pillai and John Kurian. President informed that Rtn. Biju Sathyan has requested for transfer of membership to Alleppey East Rotary Club, which may be accepted. He also informed that Rtn. Krishnan Venugopal has sent a message informing that he is not in a convenient situation to take up the post of President ship for the next year. Under the circumstance we have to elect a new person for the post of President for the year 2020-21. Rotary Neelima Challenge Quiz will be conducted in seven more schools on Thursday and President requested willing Rotarians to volunteer for supervising the quiz. Ward councilor Sri. Noufel has requested for 60 bio bins to the residents of the adopted Civil Station Ward, which will have to be distributed in a function on 13th December. MDC Labs and Scans has agreed to conduct a free Blood Check up Camp in association with Sangamam Residents Association, Mullackal, which will be a project for December, Decease Prevention and Treatment month. Alleppey Revenue District FIRE competitions will be conducted in Sherthalai on 8th of December and President wished success to Rtn. Tom and Lancy who are competing for Best Couple competitions. Rtn. Raju Chandy said that we have to improve the friendship and fellow ship of the Club to make the Club more vibrant. Rtn. Kumaraswamy, Rtn. George Thomas and Rtn. Sivakumar participated in the deliberations. The host of the meeting was Rtn. V. Deepak. Secretary proposed vote of thanks and the meeting disbursed at 8.30PM.

**Rtn. John Kurian, Secretary.**

### **THE FOUR WAY TEST**

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Is it fair to all concerned ?

Will it build goodwill and better friendship ?  
Will it be beneficial to all concerned ?

## Rtn P O Thomas stars at the Zonal New Member Orientation Seminar held at Kollam



Rtn P O Thomas attended at the Zonal New Members Orientation Seminar hosted by Rotary Club of Desinganad held recently at Kollam. Rtn Thomas spoke on the necessity of mentoring new members so that they will develop a sense of intimacy with rotary and its members. He said that membership retention should also given due importance to achieve real growth in the membership. The seminar was inaugurated by DG Rtn Shirish Kesavan

### "AN IMMORTAL EXPERIENCE OF REDEFINED HOSPITALITY FROM THE MOST SIMPLE & NOBLE PRINCESESSES OF THE TRAVANCORE ROYAL FAMILY"



A real feeling that can't be expressed through mere words! Yes, that was the true mindset of the lucky persons including RIPN Rtn.Shekhar Mehta & Mrs.Rashi Mehta, who had the rare privilege of visiting the the divine members of the Royal family at Kowdiar palace on the centennial celebration of Rotary in India. To be frank, I have to open up my mind to admit the fact that it was one of the most momentous opportunity as far as we are concerned to spend a few sweet moments to

associate with the VVIP Rotary luminaries, that too of the Global level, with the official status as AIDE to the visiting guests. We believe that it is of our great honour & recognition in the Rotary arena for which we are certainly obliged to RC of Alpy, our esteemed legendary club, where in we had been mentored and moulded to such a humble level of practical leadership by all our dear fellow members. Our duty began with receiving the guests at the TVM Air port at 10:30 am, by presenting bouquets, one to Shekhar Mehta by me & another to Mrs.Mehta by Vijayalakshmi Nair. It was surprising for everyone there when Rtn.Shekhar Mehta reciprocated our greeting by disclosing his familiarity with us during Rotary India Literacy Mission Seminar at Kolkatta & Chennai, way back in 2015 & 2017 respectively. Kovalam Palace, recently renamed as Hotel Raviz, as per the itinerary, being the next destination for their accommodation, we accompanied them along with the gracious Rtn.Couple PDG John Daniel & AG Rtn.Meera John. After enjoying a traditional Kerala Sadya, specially catered by the main Chef of Raviz hotel, we made a move towards Kowdiar Palace to be a part of the immortal experience of redefined hospitality cordially extended by the most unassuming Royal Family of Travancore including the God blessed divine Princesses, Her Highness Rani Lakshmi Bai & Rani Parvathi Bai. It is to be mentioned that one should learn the simplicity & nobility in each and every words and movement, what ever be the position they own, an amazing and rare quality of the Princesses! No wonder, they are the members of an incredible Royal family!! Centennial celebration of Rotary India at Udaya Palace Convention center & Felicitation to RIPN.Shekhar Mehta and Mrs.Rashi Mehta went on fabulously and the couple had a short visit to PDG Raghu's house for a cup of tea on their way back to Kollam for rest. Nothing will be complete, without the blessing of the Sri Padmanabha Swami in TVM and that was the last item they had to experience. A peaceful & pleasant Darshan of Sree Padmanabha Swamy at the temple rejuvenated the Global leader for setting his goal successfully to adorn the chair of RI President in 2020 -21. We saw them off to Coimbatore at the Airport at 10:30am and ended the assignment with complete satisfaction & contentment.

**PAG PROF. S.GOPINATH NAIR &  
PAG VIJAYALAKSHMI NAIR**

# 2019-2020

- President** - Rtn. PHF K. Cherian
- Vice President** - Rtn. PHF T. S. Ajithkumar
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## COMMITTEE CHAIRS

- Club Administration** - Rtn. MPHF Raju Chandy
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- Serjeant at Arms** - Rtn. PHF Tom Joseph

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- Club Service** - Rtn. MPHF Jacob Neroth
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- Literacy Mission Convenor** - Rtn. PHF Siby George
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- FIRE** - Rtn. PHF T.S. Sujith
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- District Project - RISS** - Rtn. PHF V.J. Francis
- Asst. Governor** - Rtn. PHF V. Deepak
- Club Historian** - Rtn. MPHF Tomi Eapen

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY dear Rot

## December

- 3 - John Thayyil, s/o Dr. Abraham Thayyi
- 4 - Maya, D/o Rtn. Vivek Venugopal
- 6 - Zarina, D/o Rtn. Jacob Philipose
- 6 - Rtn. Ashok Venugopal
- 6 - Rtn. John Mathew



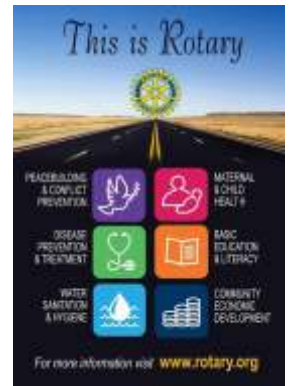
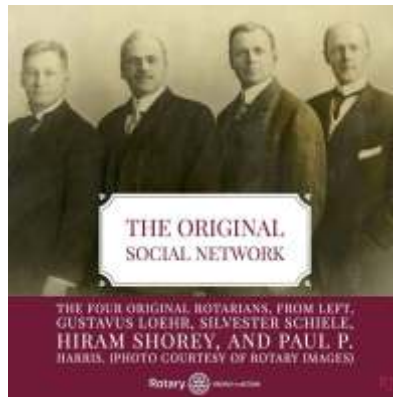
9 - Rtn. Deepak & Sindhu  
16 - Rtn. Ajith B.S & Asha

# Bouquets & brickbats


Dear Kumaraswamy Pillai,  
Thanks for your mail. I consider it a privilege and honour that I was invited to your function. I will be happy if it helped people to think of getting ready, especially the younger generation, to meet the challenges of 21st century. Trust me, 21st century challenges cannot be met by 20th century tools... Wish you all the best.



Regards,  
Christy Fernandez



## Engagements



Next Meeting: @7.30 pm on 11.12.19  
Host: Rtn John V George

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