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From Editor's desk

Global warming is the long-term rise in the average temperature of the Earth's climate system. It is a major aspect of climate change and has been demonstrated by direct temperature measurements and by measurements of various effects of the warming. Global warming and climate change are often used interchangeably. But to be more precise, global warming is mainly human-caused increase in global surface temperatures and its projected continuation, while climate change includes both global warming and its effects, such as changes in precipitation. While there have been pre-historic periods of global warming, many observed changes since the mid-20th century have been unprecedented over decades to millennia. It is sad that our generation have started to experience the ill effects of global warming. The worst case is the bush fire in Australia continuing for the 5 months and still not put out completely. The climatologists and geophysicists say that as global temperatures soar, Australia became so hot and dry that the country's residents have started becoming climate refugees. Climate refugees, or environmental migrants, are people forced to abandon their homes due to change in climate patterns or extreme weather events. Its worst fire seasons on record, with bushfires burning since September last and claiming the lives of 28 people, killing more than a billion animals and razing forests and farmland the size of Bulgaria. Today I read in news papers that the local Government have shot dead over 5000 camels which started encroaching the habitats of local residents in the suburbs of Sydney. The poor animals were deprived of water and the green fields where they used to graze were totally gutted. The report says that there are over 1 million camels in the region. The Rotarians of Australia have jumped into action to join hands with the Government to extend help to support the fire victims. The Rotary Club of Melbourne the oldest one in Australia, have launched a project of distribution of up to 500,000 P2 respiration facemasks in Victoria district. DG Rtn Grant Hocking one among the 21 DGs of Australia have spoken with Governors in both the Gippsland and Hume areas of Victoria and is working together in the relief programmes. They will be coordinating (financial and logistical) with these Districts to ensure that all communities are supported. In addition, the 21 Governors across Australia are in constant communication and coordinating the National relief efforts.

While we should appreciate the timely action initiated by Rotarians we should also think of launching a project to create a world wide awareness on the Global warming and climate change so that these type of man made disasters could be averted. It should be another project of Rotary like the eradication of Polio.

Jai Rotary

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

Twenty twenty New Year and Christmas Celebrations of the Club was a different experience. Our Annets proved that they can bring new life to the Club. The Malayil kids, Mathew, Joseph and Georg and other annets Ivanka, Anushka, Aadish ,Annshika and Anika all made the function colorful. The motivational force, Vijayalakshmi Teacher was relentlessly following up with Anns and Annets and planning for the events and programmes. The Chief Guest delivered a meaningful address. Everything went on well. Attendance was fairly good, though there was scope for improvement. Thank you, members of host team for earnestly taking up the task and making the programme a success. Our next task is air conditioning of the Club hall. It is a long cherished dream of most of our members. A minimum of six air conditioners are to be installed. The electric connection is to be changed to three phase. Doors and windows with aluminum fabrication are to be fixed. Of course, we have to rely on the contribution of our members to make our dream come true. When we boast of our legacy and prestige, we also have to update with times. Our target is to make the project a reality before the DG visit which will be within a month. It is our duty to make our home dignified. Please do support for this good cause. Wishing you all a Happy New Year 2020.

Rtn. K. Cherian

Minutes of the Family dinner meeting and Christmas-New Year Celebration held on 11th January 2020

The Christmas New Year celebrations of the Club started with a ceremonial parade led by Sgt At Arms Rtn. Tom Joseph. The chief guest of the day Sri. Harikumar Valeth inaugurated the function by cutting the New Year Cake. Rtn. Vidhukumar invoked the blessings of God Almighty. Rtn. Vijayalakshmi Nair welcomed the gathering. President in his address congratulated the host team lead my teacher for arranging entertainment programmes of the Annets and conveyed his wishes for the New Year 2020. The chief guest was introduced in a vivid manner by Rtn. Varghese Kurisinkal. Chief Guest Sri. Harikumar Valeth, in his address mentioned about the deteriorating values among the present generation. He said that the teachings of Jesus Christ and the messages from the Bible are quite relevant in the present world. AG Rtn. V. Deepak handed over PHF Certificates of Rtn. Tom Joseph and Rtn. Lukose Malayil who were adorned with PHF pins. Rtn. AG. V. Deepak, neighboring club presidents Rtn. Dr. Binu Mathew, Rtn. Jomon George and Inner wheel club president Rtn. Rosie John offered felicitations. The meeting was enriched by the Carol song by Mathew Antony, Joseph Antony and George Antony, dance performance of Annets Anushka Krishna, Ivanka George, Aadish and Annshika. The group of Annets present assembled in the stage with lighted candles in the background music of New Year song and the torch of 2019 was symbolically handed over by Annet Anushka to Annet Anika marking the dawn of 2020. The programme was very smartly compered by the duo Rt Ann. Lancy Tom and Rtn. Gopinathan Nair. The hosts of the meeting were Rtns. Vijayalakshmi Nair, Jacob Philipose, Varghese Kurisinkal, Vidhukumar, Roy Raj, Dijo Cherian and Tom Joseph. Secretary John Kurian proposed vote of thanks and the meeting adjourned for dinner and fellowship at 9.15 PM.

Rtn John Kurian, Secretary.

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 ?

Glimpses from the Xmas & New Year Celebrations of RC, Alleppey



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HAPPY BIRTHDAY dear Rotarians ANNES & ANNETS JjANUARY



- 3** George Z. George
- 4** Aju Jacob Mathew
- 7** Rtn'e Rosamma Jacob
- 7** Annet Anju d/o R.Srinivasan
- 14** Vidhu Unnithan
- 2** George L.Mathew & Mallu
- 2** Prof.Gopinath & Vijayalakshmi
- 10** Jacob Philipose & Sethu
- 10** Roy Raj & Priya

Tit-bits

Mio-Zio is Rotary

While I am currently out of membership, today is one of those days I proudly wear my t-shirt from the Rotary Club of Dupont Circle

(Washington, DC, USA).

This morning I took the train into Manhattan to the gym near my office in Chelsea. On the train back to New Jersey a younger couple near me was having a quiet but animated conversation in front of their two children. The wife pushed the husband in my direction. "Statue of Liberty?" he asked on approach. We were headed to Hoboken.

The family was from Naples, Italy and knew as much English as I know Italian (not much outside of the kitchen). Still, with maps inside the PATH train and on my mobile, we established that they simply wanted to see Liberty. I brought them to my home station in Jersey City and led them down the Hudson riverwalk until we caught first sight of Ellis Island. The children were captivated by One World Trade Center across the river and the Verrazzano-Narrows Bridge in the distance.

After making certain that the family understood how to get back to their hotel or to World Trade Center, I turned to walk the seven blocks home. The parents hugged me and tearful thanks. The wife patted the Rotary Wheel on my shirt: "Mio zio [my uncle] is Rotary. I said you will help!"

Engagements



Next Meeting: @ 7.30pm on 15.01.2020
Host Rtn NAM Kunju

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