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“Polio's pretty special because once you get an eradication, you no longer have to spend money on it; it's just there as a gift for the rest of time.” - Bill Gates

Rotary has been working to eradicate Polio for more than 30 years, and we've made incredible progress in the fight to rid the world of it forever. As a founding partner of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative, we've helped to reduced polio cases by more than 99.9 percent. It's crucial to eliminate polio from the last three countries where it remains endemic and to keep other countries polio-free. The Pulse Polio Immunisation programme was held all over India on 19th January 2020 for children below the age of 5 years. In Alleppey revenue district Polio was administrated to 1,36,453 children through 1162 booths, 37 transit booths at bus/railway stations, boat jetties and 47 mobile booths covering dwellings of migrant labourers and festival venues. ASHA (Accredited Social Health Activists) workers, Kudumbasree members and Anganwadi teachers trained by Health department were on duty on these booths. Last year Polio vaccine was administered only to the children of migrant workers in Kerala. But with the reporting of stray cases of Poliomyelitis in some of our neighbouring countries, a decision was taken to administer single dose only in the State. RC Alleppey also played its squirrel part in the PPIP and its volunteers led by the President Rtn. Cherian transported the Polio vaccine boxes different booths in the Muncipal town limits and sponsored lunch to the entire staff deployed @Mannancherry.



Jai Rotary
Rtn PHF M Kumaraswamy Pillai

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

It is indeed a matter of joy to share the news that our Vijayalakshmi teacher has taken our club to a prestigious position by contributing to the foundation and securing the recognition of a Major Donor. By doing so, the respected couple members of the club, both our Gopinathan Sir and Teacher are now Major donors. The pleasure of giving and deriving satisfaction and happiness by helping the community around us is of course a divine feeling. The foundation contributions transform to millions of activities that help the needy and under privileged. The Rotarian community of 1.2 million around the world, pour their passion, integrity, and intelligence into completing projects that have a lasting impact. We persevere until we deliver real, lasting solutions. For more than 110 years, we've bridged cultures and connected continents to champion peace, fight illiteracy and poverty, promote clean water and sanitation, and fight disease. 2.5 billion Children are immunized against polio by us. We expand access to quality medical care, sanitation, education and economic opportunities, so that mothers and their children can live and grow stronger. This is the magic of foundation giving. It is understood that a Global grant project of construction of a house to a needy family will be sanctioned to our Club as a token of recognition of the foundation contribution of our teacher. This multiplies the happiness and joy. Well done Teacher and Gopinathan Sir. Thank you.

Rtn. K. Cherian

Minutes of the meeting dated 15th January 2020.

The regular meeting of the Club for the week started at 7.45PM with the invocation of Blessings of God Almighty by Rtn. Vijayalakshmi Nair. President in his address informed that in the board meeting held on 6th January, Rtn. Varghese Kurisinkal is nominated to the post of Vice President for the current year. President and all the members present congratulated Rtn Varghese Kurusinkal. Innerwheel Club is celebrating Golden Jubilee on Wednesday 22nd January and hence the regular meeting day is postponed to Thursday 23rd. January. January being the vocational service month, we have to give away the vocational awards as done in the past. A committee comprising of Rtns. Sajan Nair, Vijayalakshmi Nair, Raju Chandy and Kumaraswamy Pillai along with the President and Secretary is constituted to identify the awardees. Regarding air conditioning of the Club Hall, President informed that we have to install 6 air conditioners of 1 ½ tons each, electric connection is to be converted to three phase and Aluminum fabrication and doors will have to be fitted for which approximate cost will be Rs.3.50 lakhs. It was decided to take a collection from the members for the project. President informed that we were able to conduct Rotary Neelima Challenge Quiz successfully and thanked Rtn. Siby George and staff of Neelima Vidhyabhavan for the support. President thanked Rtns. Subramania Iyer, Vijayalakshmi Nair, Kumaraswamy Pillai, Tomi Eapen, T. Sivakumar, George Thomas, and other Rotarians who actively participated in organizing the programme. President congratulated the host team of Christmas New Year family meeting for successfully conducting the programme. He specially congratulated Rtn. Vijayalakshmi Nair for arranging the entertainment programmes of the Annets. Pulse Polio NID is on 19th January and president informed that we are arranging transportation of vaccine and staff from W&C hospital and also we are arranging lunch packets to the staff and volunteers of NID at PHC, Mannancherry. President requested the presence of members at W&C hospital at 7AM on NID day. Rtn. George Thomas, treasurer then presented the income and expenditure of the club for the half year ending 31st December. President and members congratulated the Treasurer Rtn. George Thomas for promptly presenting the accounts. Rtn. Raju Chandy suggested that we may save for air conditioning of the hall by limiting project and other expenses. Rtn. Vijayalakshmi Nair requested maximum participation of members for the FIRE Grand finale at Changanacherry. The host of the meeting was Rtn. N.A.M. Kunju. Secretary proposed vote of thanks and the meeting adjourned at 8.30PM.

Rtn. John Kurian, Secretary



KUDOS TO RTN. MAJOR DONOR Vijayalakshmi Nair

Rtn D Vijayalakshmi Nair joined the Rotary Club of Alleppey in the year 2000 and became the First Lady President of RC Alleppey(2004-05). Later she became the first Lady Assistant Governor(2006-07) and awarded best Asst Governor of the District 3211 for that year. She has adorned all posts you can name at the club level and even today she maintains the same level of enthusiasm when she joined the club. At the District level also she has an envious record as she held almost all posts like Asst. Governor, Coordinator/General Convenor to various seminars on Vocational Service, TRF, WinS, FIRE and PETS(2009). She also served as Chairman of various committees and to name a few; Women in Rotary Committee for 2 years and Basic Education and Literacy, Chairman, DTTS(2016-17), Chairman, Focus Project- Organ Donation and so on.. Rtn Vijayalakshmi was recipient of several awards and acclaims like Star Rotarian of the District 3211(2013-14) and best Bulletin Editor in the District (2010-11). Outside Rotary, she is an inevitable ingredient for all social causes. She served as Municipal councillor for one term and won the hearts of the residents of the ward for her yeomen service to the community. Rtn Vijayalakshmi Nair is a regular contributor to the TRF and she was always playing her cards close to her chest on TRF contribution. She kept her tradition in becoming the Major Donor which was announced at the FIRE finale held recently. As the saying goes "Behind every successful man there will be a woman". I tend to reverse it as "Behind the successful Vijayalakshmi Teacher there is Rtn Gopinathan Nair". Royalweeks extend hearty Congratulations and wish all the very best to the Major Donor couple to scale more and more heights in Rotary.

RI News

RI President Holger Knaack, a member of the Rotary Club of Herzogtum Lauenburg-Mölln, Germany, revealed the 2020-21 presidential theme, Rotary Opens Opportunities, to incoming District Governors at the Rotary International Assembly in San Diego, California, USA, on 20 January.

Rotary isn't just a club for people to join, but rather "an invitation to endless opportunities," said Knaack, who becomes president on 1 July. He emphasized that Rotary creates pathways for members to improve their lives and the lives of those they help through service projects.



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HAPPY BIRTHDAY dear Rotarians ANNES & ANNETS JANUARY

17 Rtn. Shan T.P

19 Annet Gowri Sankar
(S/o Unnikrishnan)

20 Anoop s/o Sivakumar

21 Dr. Praveen s/o P.O. Thomas

21 Rtn. Francis V.J

22 Rtn. Sivakumar

25 Rtn. Joseph Thayyil



25 S. Murugan & Sindhu

26 Babu Joseph & Neena

Tit-bits

The Secret to having no Enemies

The preacher, in his Sunday sermon, used "Forgive Your Enemies" as his subject. After a long sermon, he asked how many were willing to forgive their enemies. About half held up their hands. Not satisfied he harangued for another twenty minutes and repeated his question. This time he received a response of about 80 percent. Still unsatisfied, he lectured for another 15 minutes and repeated his question. With all thoughts now on Sunday dinner, all responded except one elderly lady in the rear. "Mrs. Jones, are you not willing to forgive your enemies?" asked the preacher. "I don't have any." Said the old lady. "Mrs. Jones, that is very unusual. How old are you?" "Ninety seven." "That is incredible! Mrs. Jones, please come down in front and tell the congregation how a person can live to be 97, and not have an enemy in the world." The little sweetheart of a lady tottered down the aisle, very slowly turned around and said: "It's easy, I just outlived the bastards."

Engagements



Meeting on 22nd stands postponed
Next Meeting: @7.30 pm on 23.01.20
Host: Rtn Nagaraj

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