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## *From Editors desk*



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**It is not the beauty of a building you should look at; it is the construction of the foundation that will stand the test of time**  
-David Allan Coe

It is a matter of joy for all of us that our prestigious Revi Karunakaran Rotary Hall gets a facelift including air conditioning. The building is older than the Rotary India itself, which is celebrating its Centenary year. The Revi Karunakaran Hall has witnessed many elegant functions with VVIPs from different walks of life and their eloquent speeches still reverberating in the hall. Many of our Senior Rotarians has taken lead in adding on facilities and making the hall cosy. If what I have gathered correctly it was Kitchappa took the lead in giving the hall a marble flooring. Iyer named it after late PDG Revi, Sajan provided the lean to portion. Late Gopan attached an air-conditioned Board room. Vidhu renovated the hall with change of ceiling. Murugan paved tiles in the water logged front yard, Antony renovated the wash rooms and crèche area and added canopy in the front yard to facilitate dinner meetings and so on. I am sure the list might be in complete. All the 71 Presidents might have done their squirrel share of adding on facilities in the hall. Now the latest addition is air conditioning and providing a face lift to the hall, a project piloted by President Cherian. By completing this Cherian will join the select band of Presidents who have made significant contributions in face lifting the rotary hall. The work of fitting air conditioners and fabrication of aluminium doors are going on in full swing. I am sure that at the vocational service award function and family meeting scheduled to be held in 29th, it will be possible for the members to enjoy the coolness in the comfort of air conditioned hall. Hereinafter no heat generated at the meetings can deter the coolness and ambience of the hall. I am happy that many of our members have contributed generously and many more to follow. I would appeal to the President that the contributors shall be properly recognised.

Jai Rotary  
Rtn PHF M Kumaraswamy Pillai



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

22.02.20

February month family dinner meeting is scheduled for 29<sup>th</sup> Saturday. In this meeting we will be distributing the vocational excellence awards to the nominees. We will also be awarding a Jewel of Alappuzha award to Arjuna P.J. Joseph, who is presently the president of District Sports Council. Our Major Donor Couple Rtn. Vijayalakshmi Nair and Rtn. Prof. Gopinathan Nair are to be befittingly honored. Dr. Sabu Thomas, Vice Chancellor of MG University has kindly consented to be the chief guest. We have seen recent reports in news papers of the achievements of Dr. Sabu Thomas in Nano Science technology. Thank you Rtn. Kumaraswamy Pillai for utilizing your association with Dr. Sabu Thomas and persuading the chief guest to accept our invitation. The host team comprising Rtns. R. Krishnan, Arjuna Reddiar, A. Balakrishnan, Prof. Gopinathan Nair, John V George, Siby George and Babu Joseph are all set to make the dinner meeting and vocational award function a colorful one. Of course it is exam time and there are a lot of other excuses for not able to attend the programme. But please bear in mind that we are getting a very important personality as chief guest and the image of Rotary Club of Alleppey will be reflecting in the functions which we organize. It is bounden duty of each and every member of us to make the function a success. I appeal to each of our respected members, please attend the meeting with your Anns and Annets. Let us all Celebrate Rotary.

**Rtn. K. Cherian.**

## **Minutes of the Regular meeting dt. 19th February**

The meeting for the week was specially convened as a remembrance meeting in memory of late PDG Rtn. Babu Chacko. The meeting started with the invocation by visiting Rotarian Alan Brook. President in his address mentioned about the valuable contributions of late PDG Rtn. Babu Chacko. He informed that he had visited the residence of late Rtn. Babu Chacko on 18th and paid floral tributes. Rtns. Gopinathan Nair, Vijayalakshmi Nair, P.O. Thomas, Raju Chandy and John Mathew accompanied. It was reported at the meeting that Rtn Sajan Nair, Rtn Unnikrishnan and Rtn Vidhu Unnithan also visited the late PDGs residence and paid tributes. One minute silent prayer was observed by the members paying respect to the departed soul. President requested Rtn. Raju Chandy for a eulogy of the departed leader. Rtn. Raju Chandy shared fond memories of his long association with late Rtn. Babu Chacko. Rtn. Gopinathan Nair, Rtn. Tomi Eapen, Rtn. Sajan Nair, Rtn. Unnikrishnan, and Rtn. George Zacharia George joined in sharing their associations with late PDG. President informed that an official communication expressing our condolences will be send to the bereaved spouse of PDG Babu Chacko. President informed that the dinner meeting for the month will be on 29th Saturday and the meeting due on 26th stands postponed to 29th. The vocational service awards will be presented in the meeting. The chief guest of the meeting will be Dr. Sabu Thomas, Vice Chancellor of M.G. University. President also informed that the installation of Air Conditioners, Electrification and Aluminum fabrication work will be over within a week. He specially mentioned Rtn. Arjuna Reddiar who had motivated for taking up the project and Rtns. Abraham Thayyil, Jose Abraham, Thomaskutty Joseph, R. Krishnan for sponsoring ACs and thanked all contributors for the support. President requested involvement of all members in the project. The host of the meeting was Rtn. George Z George. The secretary proposed vote of thanks and the meeting adjourned for fellowship at 8.30PM.

**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 ?

## ROTARY CENTENNIAL SUMMIT AT KOLKATA

The Rotary India Centennial Summit completed with great success in Kolkata from 14 thru 16 February 2020. More than 4000 Rotarians from 32 countries including almost the entire senior leadership of Rotary International and The Rotary Foundation with R.I. President Mark Maloney and his spouse Gay ahead, participated in this great Rotary event. The Vice President Shri Venkaiah Naidu and Dignitaries of the Government of India honored the event with their participation. The Summit, celebrated the achievements of Rotary in India in membership, giving and the importance and extent of the Rotary projects accomplished in the last century but also enhanced perspectives for the future. The celebrations highlighted the rich culture of India and its legacy to humanity.

The hospitality and the generosity of Indian Rotarians have been exceptional. Congratulations to RIPN Shekhar Mehta for being the inspirer of the Centennial Summit, to the organizing committee and to all those who contributed to its outstanding success



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## HAPPY BIRTHDAY dear Rotarians ANNES & ANNETS February

**10** Asma D/o N.A.M.Kunju  
**11** Prabha Krishnan  
**15** George Thaiyyil



## Holger Knaack, RIPE called on Prime Minister Imran Khan



Trustee Chair Elect RIPE Holger Knaack, Trustee Chair Elect KR Ravindran led a Rotary Delegation to Meet Pakistan Prime Minister Imran Khan. Delegation included Trustee Nomonee Azis Memon and Michel McGovern Prime Minister Imran Khan told the Rotary Delegation that Pakistan's biggest priority is to eradicate polio from the

country, adding that the government will utilise every measure in its fight against the disease. The Prime Minister met with the delegation from Rotary International working towards polio eradication, where he was accompanied by Special Assistant to PM on Health Dr Zafar Mirza. The SAPM briefed the session about the measures taken to root out polio from the country, saying that four million children under the age of five were administered polio drops. Dr Mirza said that in the ongoing drive, more than 100,000 security personnel and 250,000 polio workers performed their duties. The Prime Minister said that the government will put to use all the possible resources to get rid of the disease, adding that measures to streamline cross-border (Pakistan and Afghanistan) movement are being taken.

The Prime Minister said that the government values every organization working to eradicate polio from the country.

### Engagements



Meeting on 26.02.2020 stands postponed  
 Next Meeting: @ 7.30 pm on 29.02.2020

Vocational Service Award presentation and Family Dinner Meeting  
 Host team: Rtn Major Donor Prof S Gopinathan Nair, Rtn. R. Krishnan, Rtn Arjuna Reddiar, Rtn A. Balakrishnan, Rtn John V George, Rtn Siby George and Rtn Babu Joseph

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