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The Magic of Rotary is belonging, and it's a feeling that can appear when you least expect it.

Earlier this year, I was in Slovakia serving as a president's representative during a six-week trip through Europe. When I wrote to Katarina Cechova, governor of District 2240 at the time, I mentioned that my grandmother Veronica Zilka grew up in a small village in the area before settling in the U.S.

It wasn't long before Cechova tracked down my grandmother's village, Jakubova Vol'a. She even organized a visit for me, where I received an unforgettable Slovakian welcome.

When I entered the community center of Jakubova Vol'a, a small crowd of people dressed in traditional Slovakian clothing greeted me. They sang with beautiful and powerful Central European voices that reminded me of my grandmother.

A lot of families play cards or games when they get together. When I was young, my father would pick up his accordion and lead my family in song. My grandmother would sing along with her impressive voice.

When I walked into the community center and heard traditional music from my childhood — when I saw a woman play the accordion the way my dad played — I suddenly felt like a little girl sitting at my grandmother's house in Monessen, Pennsylvania. I burst into tears of joy at the memories.

But the magic didn't stop there. District Governor Cechova really outdid herself. A local

genealogist worked with a videographer to make a short film about my grandmother. We watched the video together in the community center.

When the video ended, I turned around and saw a man standing in the back of the room. I quickly learned that this stranger, Frantisek Zilka, was my second cousin. His grandmother and mine had been sisters. I felt like I had been struck by lightning.

I visited my newfound cousin's home, which happens to be the home where my grandmother was born. There, he shared old photographs I had never seen of my dad, my uncle, and my grandmother.

Since then, I can't stop thinking about my family of Rotary. When I refer to you as my family, I'm not just being kind. I really think of everyone in Rotary as my family. But I never would have imagined that my Rotary family would introduce me to long-lost personal family.

Sitting in that community center listening to traditional Slovakian music from my childhood filled me with joy and a profound sense of belonging. I am so grateful to District Governor Cechova and everyone who helped create that magical experience.

As members of Rotary, we have a unique opportunity to share the same magic with each other and with the world. I encourage you to consider how you can help spread that magic and ensure other members of your club — other members of our Rotary family — feel like they truly belong

Stephanie A. Urchick
President 2024-25

Message From DGE



Dear Fellow Rotarians,

As we approach a new Rotary year, I am filled with optimism and excitement about the opportunities ahead. Our collective efforts have always been a testament to the power of service above self, and I am confident that together, we will continue to make a meaningful impact in our communities.

This year, let us focus on strengthening our bonds, embracing new challenges, and fostering innovative solutions. Our dedication and passion will be the driving force behind every successful project and initiative. I encourage each of you to step forward with renewed energy, bringing your unique strengths to the table.

Thank you for your unwavering commitment to Rotary's ideals. Let's make this year one of our best years for RID-3204 and RC Calicut Central.

Yours in Rotary,

Bijosh Manuel,
District Governor Elect.



PRESIDENT'S COMMUNIQUE

"HAPPY ONAM" TO ALL MY DEAR MEMBERS.

This Hat trick issue of 'CLARION' is another TRICK from our tactful Editor, Rtn.Jayagopal.

We really enjoyed another eventful month where we had a blend of family meetings and impactful service projects, ensuring fellowship and service. We also had the Interact Club installation this month. I am thankful as usual to all my board members for their valuable contribution in ensuring that our club remain very active.

Onam is a festival reminding us about the importance of "DIVERSITY" and "FELLOWSHIP" two main core values of Rotary movement. In the present-day scenario where soft emotions like love and compassion is waning off, the significance of ONAM is more. Let us remain together and kindle such values through real actions.

I thank and congratulate Jayagopal for the consistent efforts and request my TEAM to sustain the spirit of Rotary throughout.

Thanking you.

Rtn. Adv. Dinesh.A
President
Rotary Calicut Central



Rotary Education

Congratulations to us "Rotary Club of New York #6" Chartered 115 years ago!

Please see some historical background below!

On February 23rd, 1905, on Dearborn Street in Chicago the miracle happened – ROTARY was born. The Chicago Club was Club #1. Rotary moved west and San Francisco became Club #2 in 1908; then Oakland was chartered a couple months later as Club #3; followed by Seattle, #4; and Los Angeles, #5. Rotary was on the move.

The idea of forming a Rotary Club in New York came in a message to Elmer DePue in New York, not from Paul Harris but from Clarence J Wetmore, member of the Rotary Club of San Francisco. Elmer was the President of the Eastern Division of the Cresta Blanca Wine Company.

In an effort to start the wheels rolling, Elmer consulted with Daniel Cady of New York who, as a close friend of Paul Harris, agreed to talk with Paul. Paul Harris dispatched Fred Tweed of Chicago to talk with Cady, DePue and Bradford Bullock at a meeting held on August 18, 1909. Six days later on August 24th, 1909 the Rotary Club of New York was formed. There were 15 charter members and Bradford Bullock was elected President. Bradford Bullock served as President for two years.

The Honorary member of this Club was Paul Harris, elected at the initial meeting of the New York Rotary on August 24th, 1909.


Since there were no established requirements for weekly meetings, Club #6 held dinner meetings semi-monthly, the second and fourth Thursdays, rotating the meeting to different restaurants and hotels.

At that time, there were three objects: 1) Promotion of the business interests of the members; 2) Advance the best interests of New York, and 3) Spread the spirit of the city pride and loyalty among its citizens.

On September 14th, 1909, the Rotary Club of New York was incorporated under the laws of the State of New York.


The first lapel pin in the history of the Rotary was designed and made by NY Club member, John Frick on October 14th, 1909 and worn by President Bradford Bullock from 1909 to 1911. The pin was presented to the Club and is now on display in the Club office. This was the forerunner of the traditional Rotary pin work today.

**8TH SEPTEMBER
INTERNATIONAL
LITERACY DAY**




Rotary
India Literacy Mission

"I will always remember my first Hero, who was my teacher. I applaud Rotary India Literacy Mission's efforts in recognising and supporting our teachers- the Nation Builders."

-M.S.Dhoni



www.rotaryteach.org



Urgent Appeal


Join Rotary's Wayanad Relief

The catastrophic landslide in Mundakkai and Chooralmala, Wayanad, Kerala, resulted in over 400 fatalities and left 200 families displaced.

We invite you to participate in aiding the rehabilitation efforts for the survivors by donating to the **Wayanad Relief Fund** established by Rotary District 3204.

Your generous contributions will play a crucial role in restoring their livelihoods, facilitating educational support, and assisting in their transition towards a semblance of normalcy.

Scan QR Code or Use Below Account Details



Account Name	The Rotary Kalpetta Charitable Trust - Wayanad Disaster Relief Fund
Account No	075705002020
IFSC	ICIC0000757
Bank and Branch	ICICI Bank, Kalpetta

Rtn.Dr.Santhosh Sreedhar
District Governor

Basic Education and Literacy

In Rotary, the theme for the month of September is Basic Education and Literacy, one of the six areas of focus.

How can we take action?

-Participate in a world community project to provide teacher training and needed classroom supplies. A few of our members already help load containers heading to South Africa with unwanted school room supplies from schools that have been closed in our area. We welcome more of our members to help with this worthy "Global Literacy Project" which is an ongoing project of the Rotary Club of Grand Bend. On Aug 25th I had the privilege of helping them load container #79. I have already signed up for container #80 to be held on Sept 7th in London. It's probably too late to sign up for this one but please consider helping in Exeter when they load another container in October. Please join me in helping the Grand Bend club with this wonderful project. Not only do you have a great feeling of satisfaction knowing that these items will not be littering the dump but that children who have nothing will now have desks, chairs, blackboards, etc. You also have the opportunity to meet many wonderful Rotarians from our area.

Our goal is to strengthen the capacity of communities to support basic education and literacy, reduce gender disparity in education, and increase adult literacy. We support education for all children and literacy for children and adults.

HOW ROTARY MAKES HELP HAPPEN

We take action to empower educators to inspire learning at all ages.

ADULT LITERACY

Rotary members fight adult illiteracy by working with local advocates to offer community literacy programs.

TEACHER TRAINING

We share our knowledge and experience with educators and other professionals who work with vulnerable populations.



MENTORING STUDENTS

Rotary club pairs students with celebrity and CEO mentors for success.

OUR IMPACT ON EDUCATION

The Rotary Foundation supports education through scholarships, donations, and service projects around the world.

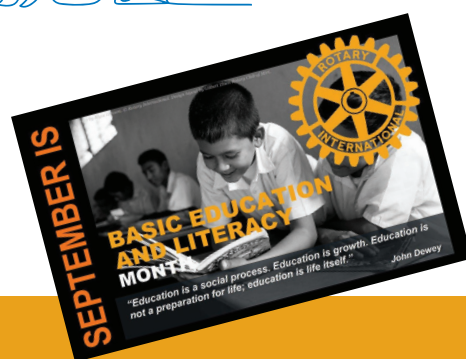
Rotary members make amazing things happen, like:

Opening schools: In Afghanistan, Rotary members opened a girls' school to break the cycle of poverty and social imbalance.

Teaching adults to read: Rotary members in the United States partnered with ProLiteracy Detroit to recruit and train tutors after a study showed that more than half of the local adult population was functionally illiterate.

New teaching methods: The SOUNDS program in South Africa, Puerto Rico and the United States teaches educators how to improve literacy by teaching children to recognize letters by sounds instead of names.

Making schools healthy: Rotarians are providing clean, fresh water to every public school in Lebanon so students can be healthier and get a better education.



SIP GOSPEL OF PIOUS

Rtn. Pious C. Joy



Pradeep and Liji had a tiff. She called up her mom and said, "He fought with me again, I am coming to live with you."

Mom said, "No darling, he must pay for his mistake. I am coming to live with you."



Bennychayan walked into the bar in Malabar Palace and ordered six pints of King Fisher beer.

He sat at a table in the back of the pub and slowly sipped each of the pint one after the other.

While cleaning tables the barman Prashanth went up to him and said, "You know that your KF goes flat after it is poured. It would taste better if I poured them one at a time." Bennychayan said, "Well I have five cousin brothers. One is in Australia, one in Canada, one in New Zealand, one in Canada and one in London and I'm here in India."

"When we left home we promised that we would drink this way so that we would remember the days we drank together."

The barman admitted that this was a nice custom and he left the drinker alone.

Bennychayan became a regular and each evening on the way home he came in for his six pints of KF.

Some months later, one day he came in and ordered five pints of KF. He sat down and drank them in turn.

The barman came over to him and said, "I don't want to intrude on your grief. However please accept my condolences on the loss of one of your brothers!"

Bennychayan looked puzzled for a moment, then a light dawned and he laughed, "Oh, no", he said, "Everybody's just fine. It's just that my wife had me join the Church committee and I had to quit drinking. However, it hasn't affected my brothers!"



The characters and events depicted are fictitious. Any similarity to actual persons, living is purely intentional.

Birthdays & Anniversaries



SEPTEMBER

BIRTHDAY

Rtn MOHAMMED NIYAS
Rtn. Adv. P. B. SAJITH
Rtn RUPESH LAL
Rtn MATHEW KOTTARAM
Rtn. NITIN KAMATH
Rtn JUBIL
Rtn ASHALATHA PRAMOD
Rtn KRISHNANAND KAMATH
Rtn KUSHAL AGGARWAL

ANNIVERSARY

Rtn PP PHF NITIN KAMATH
Rtn SUNESH
Rtn. RAKESH NAIR

3rd SEPTEMBER
8th SEPTEMBER
15th SEPTEMBER
19th SEPTEMBER
22nd SEPTEMBER
26th SEPTEMBER
28th SEPTEMBER
28th SEPTEMBER
30th SEPTEMBER

3rd SEPTEMBER
7th SEPTEMBER
15th SEPTEMBER

OCTOBER

BIRTHDAY

Rtn RAMESH NARENDRAN
Rtn ANIL MATHEW
Rtn. SHANU MULLAVEETIL
Rtn Dr. RANJISH
Rtn HASHIM KALLANGODAN
Rtn PHF PRADEEP

14th OCTOBER
20th OCTOBER
22nd OCTOBER
23rd OCTOBER
23rd OCTOBER
26th OCTOBER

ANNIVERSARY

Rtn RAMAKRISHNAN P.
Rtn PHF PRADEEP
Rtn Dr. RANJISH

26th OCTOBER
27th OCTOBER
30th OCTOBER

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SAMAGAMAM
District Conference 2024-25
RI DIST. 3204
DISTRICT CONFERENCE
SAMAGAMAM
24, 25 & 26 JANUARY 2025
PALLADIUM CONVENTION CENTRE
KANHANGAD
HOST CLUB: ROTARY KASARAGOD
CO-HOST: ALL CLUBS OF KANNUR NORTH ZONE

REGISTRATION DETAILS	UPTO DEC 15 2024	FROM DEC 16 2024
Patron Registration (Registration fee for Rotarian, Ann and Conference EVE + Premium Kit)	₹ 12500/-	₹ 18000/-
Registration fee for Rotarians + Kit	₹ 5000/-	₹ 6000/-
Registration fee for Ann's	₹ 2000/-	₹ 2500/-
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Registration fee for Conference EVE	₹ 1000/-	₹ 1000/-

Early Bird Registration (Upto 30.09.2024)

Patron Registration	₹ 12000/-
Rotarian's Registration	₹ 4500/-

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Rtn.Dr.Santhosh Sreedhar District Governor
Rtn. Dinesh B.T. Conference Chairman
Rtn. H.K. Radhakrishnan Conference Secretary
Rtn. CA. Vishal Komar M. Conference Treasurer

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Samridhi
DISTRICT
ROTARY FOUNDATION
Seminar
On 3rd November 2024
Time: 9.30 am to 1.30 pm
Venue: Hotel Magnet, Kannur

Rtn. Dr. Santhosh Sreedhar District Governor
PDG Rtn. Dr. Rajesh Subash Dist. Rotary Foundation Chair
Rtn. Er. V.R. Anandanarayanan Programme Chair
Host: Rotary Kannur Central

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RLI The Rotary Leadership Institute
3 2 0 4
Venue: Hotel Binale International, Kannur

DATES: SEPTEMBER 27, 28 & 29
FRIDAY, SATURDAY & SUNDAY

Courses

1. Part 1
2. Part 2
3. Part 3
4. Facilitator
5. Graduate Courses

Chairman: Rtn K Rajesh Kamath
Secretary: Rtn Vinod M
Treasurer: Rtn Girish Nayak B

Dist. Chair - RLI: Rtn Adv Anil K G
Program Chair: Rtn Rajesh Kamath K

HOST: Rotary Kanhangad



Wah Wah Wahabkka!

The Rotary year 1987-88. The two year baby was ready to set precedence for the years to follow. Calicut Central was not only a shining star in Calicut, but all around the Rotary District 3200 by winning 11 Awards and Recognitions. And , we never stopped there. We were one of the super stars of the district from that year onwards and never have to look back. Thanks to President Joshy Kynady (Advocate cum planter) and Secretary Abdul Wahab (Dhow Builder & Exporter)

Although the year was filled with activities, I still fondly remember the visit of 16 Music and Drama young women and men students of Chichester College of Technology, Sussex, England whom we hosted. Our members provided home hospitality and we organised a cultural programme for public jointly with Providence Women's College. One day Picnic to president Joshy's plantations, Press Meet, Club's Christmas New Year celebrations with guests were the other programmes .

Another unique event was the visit of Mr. Caryl Phillips, a Caribbean born British Author who was the winner of the prestigious Malcolm ' X ' International Award. Our club hosted the author, organised an evening with writers and authors of Calicut and also took him to various historic places in Calicut including Kappad. GSE team was also taken to Kappad by our club.

Another notable project was the Two-day Diabetes Awareness Programme by one and only Dr. Viswanathan, the World famous diabetist from Madras. The diabetes patients from Calicut and nearby districts were benefited. All these projects earned us tremendous Public Image.

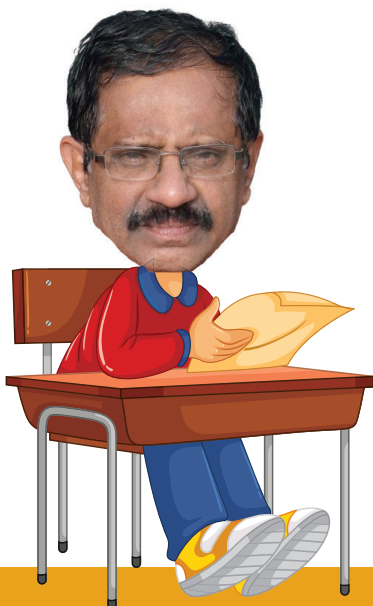




Sponsored a new Rotary Club at Sulthan Battery, An Interact Club of Providence Girls High School and A Rotary Village Corps at Elathur. 10 monthly issues of Clarion Central were released. A contribution of 2000 Dollars to Rotary Foundation (Then the highest contributions to TRF from this part of the District, One PHF and 10 PHSM). Rtn. Sainarayanan became the youngest PHF at the district level then. Average attendance at the meetings were 90 per cent and twice we won the recognition for monthly 100 per cent awards, not to forget the cent percent registration at the District Conference. At the beginning of the year we hosted the President's & Secretary's Training Seminar (PETS & SETS), so also the District Seminar on Rotary Village Corps and District RYLA.

As the editor Gopu wants, let me recall a few 'out of syllabus' matters: The most enjoyable days of the year was the days when lovely young women and handsome young men from Sussex, England were our guests. All the 16 students and couple of teachers were provided home hospitality by us. The Music and Drama show organised by the visitors jointly with Providence Women's College at Tagore Centenary Hall was House Full. The picnic to Joshy's Rubber plantations where our guests spent and enjoyed swimming in the natural stream flowing in the middle of the estate. (Thank God, mobile phone photography was not there then). Few photos were with me, collected from the visitors for the secretary's report. If editor allows me I can send few and he can edit or "expose" them. Christmas programme with them was also very enjoyable.

Rtn. PP MPHF ABDUL WAHAB A. M



- Columnist has been actively involved in the Rotary community for the past 50 years, serving as a Past Rotaract President, Charter Member, three-time Secretary, and the 25th President of Rotary Calicut Central and a Rotarian for the past 40 years.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

AUGUST 4th 2024

On August 4th 2024, We attended the DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP SEMINAR "SAMBUSHTAM" held through zoom platform, hosted by Rotary Mukkam. Attendees : Rtn. Adv. Dinesh, Rtn. Adv. Achuthan, Rtn. Sajith Nhaloor, Rtn. Jayagopal Chandrasekhar & Rtn. Vipin.

AUGUST 5th 2024

On August 5th 2024, We held our First Board Meeting from Cosmopolitan Club @ 7:30 pm

AUGUST 13th 2024

As part of DISTRICT PRIORITIES COMING UNDER "SAPTHAPADHANGAL" – GIFT OF SHARE – ORGAN DONATION, On August 13th 2024, In connection with World Organ Donation Day We held a JOINT MEETING along with Rotary Calicut South & Rotary Calicut Newtown from Hotel Malabar Palace at & 7:30 PM. We had a Guest Speaker Dr. Sandeep Sreedharan (Consultant Nephrologist, Renal Transplant Physician, Associate Professor, Malabar Medical College - Calicut, who spoke on the awareness of Organ Donation. Around 90 members attended this meeting. Our GGR Rtn. Sajith Nhaloor, AG Rtn. Dr. George Thalmani and PDG Rtn. Dr. Rajesh Subhash were present for this meeting. Our Rotaractors were also present for this meeting.

AUGUST 15th 2024

On August 15th 2024, We celebrated our 78th Independence Day from our adopted Chakumkadavu Anganvady. In the absence of our President, our Vice President Rtn. Adv. Achuthan hoisted the flag and distributed sweets to the students. Rotaractors were also present for this function. Program Manager of this function was Rtn. Iqbal.

AUGUST 19th 2024

On August 19th 2024, We held our first Family Meeting from Kaappikootam Restaurant. Three new members were inducted during this meeting. Rtn. Pranab, Rtn. Chithira Shaji & Rtn. Shaijy Thomas were inducted by our GGR Rtn. Sajith Nhaloor. Our Second issue of Club Bulletin was released during this meeting by our Past President Rtn. Bharat Bhushan Aggarwal and handed over the first copy to Rtn. Alok Kumar Saboo.

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AUGUST 23rd 2024

On August 23rd 2024, President & Secretary attended the online meeting conducted by Zonal Chair for Interact.

On August 23rd 2024, President & Secretary attended the GOV of Rotary Calicut Cybercity.

AUGUST 29th 2024

On August 29th 2024, We conducted the Installation ceremony of Interact Club of Calicut Central @ Apex International School, Odumbra.

On August 29th 2024, President & Secretary attended the GOV of Rotary Calicut Midtown.

On August 29th 2024, We send the RI DUES for 85 members

AUGUST 30th 2024

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Under THE CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION PROJECT – On August 30th 2024, our Club has donated and installed a HEAVY DUTY WATER PURIFIER, with RO and Silver Nano Purifier with 100 Ltrs / Hour capacity. The entire plumbing with storage tank and sink was installed with a total project cost of Rs.55,000/-. The project was installed at Government Higher Secondary School, Kuttikatoor which will benefit 800 student and 50 staffs.

AUGUST 31st 2024

On August 31st 2024, We send the Dues of ROTARY NEWS LETTER

Rtn. Vipin Chittedath



Rtn. Sangkoo Yun

RI President for 2026-27

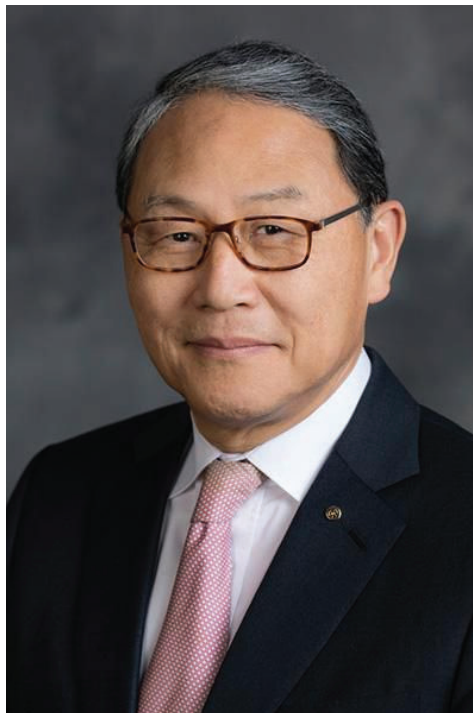
Sangkoo Yun, of the Rotary Club of Sae Hanyang, Seoul, Korea, is the selection of the nominating committee to become Rotary International's president for 2026-27. He will be officially declared the president-nominee on 15 September if no other candidates challenge him.

Yun received his bachelor's and master's degrees from the Syracuse University School of Architecture in the U.S. and an honorary doctoral degree from The University of Edinburgh, Scotland. He is the founder and CEO of Dongsuh Corp., which engineers and markets architectural materials, and the president of Youngan Corp., which operates in real estate and financial investment. He is involved in many civic organizations and has a special interest in the preservation of cultural heritage.

A Rotary member since 1987, when he was a charter member of the Rotary Club of Sae Hanyang, Yun has served Rotary International as a director, trustee, committee member and chair, and RI learning facilitator. He served for eight years as co-chair of the Keep Mongolia Green Project, by Korean members of Rotary. His RI committee roles include the Board Administration Committee (2013-15, vice chair 2014-15), the International Assembly Committee (vice chair, 2020-21), and the End Polio Now Countdown to History Campaign Committee (regional vice chair, 2023-27). He also served on The Rotary Foundation's Executive Committee (2019-22, chair 2020-21) and Programs Committee (2019-22, chair 2020-22).

Yun received The Rotary Foundation's Distinguished Service Award in 2021-22. He was appointed an Officer of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire by Queen Elizabeth II, awarded the Friendship Medal by the president of Mongolia, and recognized for distinguished services by the president and prime minister of Korea. He is a veteran of the Republic of Korea Army and an emeritus elder at Andong Presbyterian Church.

Yun and his spouse, Eunsun, are Rotary Foundation Benefactors, Major Donors, and members of the Arch Klumph Society, the Paul Harris Society, and the Bequest Society. They have two children.



Know more about our members



Define Rotary in one line.

Working together to make a difference in this world

Friendship and fellowship

A place for social engineering

Why did you join Rotary and still continuing to be a member?

To make friends and connect with society. I am enjoying the fellowship and team work, which gives me the opportunity to reach out to the community.

To eat and make new friends. I am continuing as I have gained lots of close friends in rotary

I am a social engineer

Someone gives you an elephant you can't sell or give away. What do you do with it?

Start loving it so that you enjoy being with it.

I will refuse to accept it even at the cost of losing the friend (knowing the consequences of any mishap happening to it)

Give it on rent

What do you think about when you're alone in a car?

How to negotiate the traffic and safely reach your destination

Songs and Songs only when I am alone. If with driver I finish lots of work

Calling friends who is not in constant contact

If you could have any super-hero power, what would it be and why?

Power to make this world happy and safe place. That's it matters for humanity.

have stopped having wishful thoughts...

The ability of charlie chaplinMake every one happy

What part of the human face is your favorite?

It comes in a package and you like it when all the parts are in the right proportion.

The eyes

Lip

Describe your most bizarre life experience thus far.

An exciting trip filled with lots of adventure, celebrations and surprises.

Yet to have one which can be termed bizzare

Every time when I accomplish the task taken by me

What would your slogan be if you were a brand?

We are one

Challenged but resilient

Transform dreams to reality

Which actor would you want to play your role in a movie about your life?

Vicky Koushal

Murali Gopi or Pankaj Tripathi or James Dean as per the language of the film

Joju

Identify the three members mentioned above from their childhood pictures, along with their respective answers. The first member to provide all correct answers shall be announced in the next issue.

Glimpses from the month of August





CALICUT CITY

THE CHANGING FACE OF OUR CITY OVER THE YEARS

The buildings/premises in our city have changed over the years or centuries. We have been witness to some and some heard from older generation & history or part of the Folk lore

Some key ones are

Westhill barracks: it was the collectors bungalow in the early 19th century. The last collector to reside in it was Mr.Connolly. After he was assassinated the building campus was converted in to army barracks by the british and later in to an NCC battalion and later Indian Army Regiment took over it

Huzur kacheri: this was the old collectorate at manchira had an heritage building a 19th century model. This was later demolished and sold to LIC in late 1970's and LIC made its campus in manchira

Old Corporation office at Moonalingal near beach road. It was another 19th century model when Calicut was a municipality. It was known as municipal office and in early 1990's it was replaced by the present corporation office, this structure has stood the passage of time although not used much for the present

The Commonwealth Weaving Co at Mananchira- the original structure is nearly 200years old. It was real architectural marvel of the bygone era.The factory has closed shop and property is in the process of changing hands and will go down in memory

The calicut or kozhikode railway station campus. It was the best railway station campus in our state. It had several heritage buildings and a railway club. Now it is in the process of becoming in to a hi-tech railway station



Rtn.PHF .Er.SHYAM SOMANATH

MINIMUM MEMBERS REQUIRED TO START CLUBS

To start a Rotary Club	– 20 Members
To start a Satellite Club of Rotary	– 8 Members
To start a Rotaract Club	– 12 Members.
To start a Satellite club of Rotaract	– 4 Members.
To start an Interact Club	– 15 Members
To start Rotary Community Corps (RCC)	– 10 Members

The ROTARY ACTION PLAN

TOGETHER WE SEE A WORLD WHERE PEOPLE UNITE AND TAKE ACTION TO CREATE LASTING CHANGE ACROSS THE GLOBE IN OUR COMMUNITIES AND IN OURSELVES

As we stand on the cusp of eliminating polio, we find ourselves poised for our next challenge. **The time is right to move toward realizing a new vision that brings more people together, increases our impact, and creates lasting change around the world.** To achieve the vision of Rotary International and The Rotary Foundation, we have set four priorities that will direct our work over the coming years.



LIVE AT KOCHI MARK MALONEY ROTARY FOUNDATION TRUSTEE CHAIR ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT 2019-20



24TH SEPTEMBER AT 05:00 PM
HOTEL LE MERIDIEN, KOCHI



EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

PDG HC Philip Vice Chair | PDG Shou Peter Vice Chair | PDG Baby Joseph Co-ordinator | PDG Dr. Ajay Kumar Co-ordinator | DSE Dr. DK Ramachandran Joint Secretary | DGM Manu KS Joint Secretary | DGM Joshy Chacko Joint Secretary

REGISTER NOW



More Info:
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Registration Chair
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REGISTRATION CHARGES

Upto 31st August
INR 2500
01 September to 14 September
INR 2750
From 15 September
INR 3000
*includes dinner

JOINTLY ORGANISED BY ROTARY DISTRICTS
3201 | 3203 | 3204 | 3211 | 3212



Dear fellow Rotarians,

As we embark on another month filled with opportunities and challenges, it is essential to reflect on our mission as Rotarians. The essence of Rotary lies in service above self, fostering connections, and making a tangible difference in our communities. This month's editorial aims to inspire action and engagement among our members.

In the past month, we have witnessed remarkable initiatives led by our clubs that exemplify the spirit of Rotary. From local food drives to international projects aimed at safe water drinking projects, each effort contributes significantly to improving lives. It is crucial to celebrate these achievements not only as milestones but also as motivation for future endeavors.

Active participation is the lifeblood of our organization. We encourage all members to engage in upcoming events and projects. Whether it's volunteering time or sharing resources, every contribution counts. Our collective efforts can lead to substantial changes within our communities and beyond.

Rotary is about building relationships that transcend borders. This month, let us focus on strengthening our connections with fellow Rotarians both locally and globally. Networking opportunities abound through various events; take advantage of these to share ideas, collaborate on projects, and learn from one another.

As we look forward to the coming months, let us set ambitious goals for ourselves and our clubs. Together, we can tackle pressing issues such as education access, health care improvements, and environmental sustainability. Each member's unique skills and perspectives are invaluable assets in this journey.

Thank you all for your wonderful support and appreciation about Clarion Central, especially your valuable suggestions and contributions. I urge each of you to reflect on your role within Rotary and consider how you can contribute more actively. Let us continue to embody the values of integrity, service, and fellowship that define us as Rotarians. Together, we can create a brighter future for all.

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ONAM

Onam is an annual harvest festival celebrated predominantly in Kerala, India. It is a significant cultural event that marks the return of King Mahabali, a mythical figure revered for his benevolence and just rule. The festival spans over ten days, culminating in Thiruvonam, which is considered the most auspicious day.

The cultural significance of Onam lies in its deep-rooted connections to agrarian traditions and Hindu mythology. It symbolizes gratitude towards nature for its bounty and celebrates the spirit of community and togetherness. The festival showcases Kerala's rich heritage through various art forms, traditional music, dance performances, and elaborate feasts.

Onam celebrations are characterized by several rituals and activities:

Pookalam (Floral Decorations): One of the most visually striking aspects of Onam is the creation of Pookalam, intricate floral designs made from various flowers laid out at the entrance of homes. This tradition begins on Atham day and grows more elaborate as the festival progresses.

Onasadya (Feast): The Onasadya is a grand feast served on banana leaves that includes a variety of vegetarian dishes such as rice, curries, pickles, and desserts like Payasam. It reflects the culinary diversity of Kerala and emphasizes communal dining.

Traditional Games and Sports: Various games are played during Onam, including Vallamkali (boat races), which are particularly popular in Kerala's backwaters. These races feature large snake boats manned by teams competing against each other amidst cheers from spectators.

Dance Forms: Traditional dance forms such as Kathakali, Thiruvathira Kali, Pulikali (tiger dance), and Kummattikali (mask dance) are performed during this time. These dances not only entertain but also narrate stories from Hindu epics.

Community Involvement: Onam transcends religious boundaries; it is celebrated by people from different communities in Kerala. The festival fosters unity among diverse groups through shared meals, cultural events, and communal prayers.

Family Gatherings: Families come together during Onam to celebrate their heritage and strengthen bonds. The festival serves as an occasion for family reunions where members share stories, laughter, and meals.

Onam is not just a harvest festival; it embodies the essence of Kerala's culture through its rich traditions, communal harmony, artistic expressions, culinary delights, and mythological significance surrounding King Mahabali's legacy.

