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KOTTAYAM NORTH**

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@ 7.30 PM, NORTH ROTARY HALL KODIMATHA.

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2024- 25

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THE MAGIC OF ROTARY

Weekly Meeting

Dear RCKN members,

Notice is hereby issued for the 2248th weekly meeting of our club being held on 11/07/2024 @ our Club Hall Kodimatha at 7.30 pm.(IST).

Request all members to attend the meeting.

Rtn Kiran C Kurian
Secretary

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Presidential message



Stephanie A. Urchick
President 2024-25

July 2024

Rotary is at its best when we foster a sense of inclusion and belonging in our clubs. In fact, I would go so far as to say that belonging is The Magic of Rotary itself.

With a focus on inclusivity and belonging, it is easier to be united in a common purpose. When we are committed to one another and focused on our goals, we are most effective.

Rotary's Action Plan can help. The Action Plan comes with tools you can use to collect feedback, assess your club's strengths and weaknesses, and address challenges.

The world is changing, and our clubs can't afford to stand still. But the changes we make need to be consistent and strategic — building on one another toward a greater vision. The Action Plan can help you work toward that vision and create effective change within your club. Following the Action Plan and addressing suggestions from the community will go a long way to fostering the sense of belonging we want all Rotary members to feel in their clubs.

That's why expanding our commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion is so important. Committing ourselves to each other's well-being is the first step to expanding our reach, allowing us to spread Positive Peace in these troubled times.

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Peacebuilding is one of our top priorities, and one of the most effective ways we can build peace is with our Rotary Peace Fellowships, through which peace and development professionals learn how to prevent and end conflict.

We offer the fellowships through our Rotary Peace Centers at leading universities around the globe, where more than 1,800 Rotary Peace Fellows have graduated. And thanks to a \$15.5 million gift from the Otto and Fran Walter Foundation, we can continue supporting peacebuilders in more regions with the next peace center at Bahçesehir University in Istanbul.

Opening another peace center is a monumental achievement, and it is my great honor to invite you to celebrate at next year's Rotary Presidential Peace Conference at the Istanbul center. The three-day conference 20-22 February will highlight the many ways our family of Rotary advances peacebuilding. Registration for the conference is officially open. I hope to see you there.

The 2025 Rotary Presidential Peace Conference has great potential for our peacebuilding efforts — but only if we have your support.

The truth is, we're not going to bring peace to the world, end polio, or grow membership by waving a wand and saying some funny words. It's up to you. You create the magic with every project completed, every dollar donated, and every new member inducted.

I love my Rotary family and I know you do too. That's why I know that together, we can make every club and district simply irresistible. This year, let us change the world by embracing *The Magic of Rotary*.



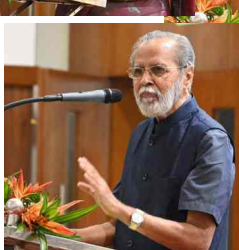
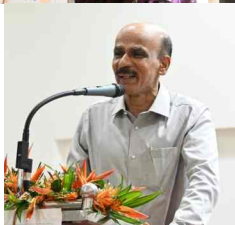


INSTALLATION MEETING

The Installation Meeting of our for new team of office bearers of our Club was held jointly with the Inner Wheel Club of Kottaym North on Saturday the 6 th of July at J avenue Centre, Vedavathoor at 8 Pm. The Chief guest was A. Hemachandran IPS (retd) and the Guest of Honour was Mrs Rosey Mathew, Excelsior School.



The Meeting started with a colourful ceremonial procession, while the Rotary Choir rendered the welcome song. The musical version Rotary &



Innerwheel Invocations were also presented by them. The President Elect 24-25 for Rtn George Lukose welcomed the gathering. Rtn Ciby Kurian and Mrs Mini Cherian presented the annual report of Rotary and Inner wheel respectively.

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President Rtn Jabyson delivered the Presidential address. He thanked all members for their support and cooperation all throughout the year. President Mrs Kochurani Alex made the address for Inner Wheel.

Rtn George Thomas Kannukuzhy introduced



the incoming President Rtn Subash K Pillai.

President Jabyson then installed Rtn Subash K Pillai as the President

for 2024-25 by adorning him with the Presidential Collar and by handing over the gavel, the sign of authority.

Acceptance Speech

In his acceptance speech President Rtn Subash, thanked all Rotarians for selecting him as the 44 th President of this prestigious Club. He said he is delighted to take up the assignment and also for the



opportunity to work with the second-generation Rotarians of the Club. President Subash highlighted the features of this year's District Project 'UYARE'. He termed it as a novel, but a simple Project with lot

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of scope for the welfare of the needy people. He also touched on this year's RI theme 'Magic of Rotary' and wished that the hands of all Rotarians to have a magic power for fulfilling



announced his team of Board Members for 24-25. (The list given below) President Subash then appointed Rtn Adv Tomy K James as the Sergeant At Arms.



Rtn PAG K J Jacob introduced the Chief Guest Mr Hemachandran IPS, giving special emphasis to his efficiency and honesty in all circumstances amidst unfavourable circumstances. Mr Hemachandran spoke elaborately on various situations faced by people from different walks of life and on his way of looking into it and finding solutions.

Mrs Mini Mary Cherian was then installed as the new Inner wheel President by President Kochurani Alex. Mrs Mini Cherian made the acceptance speech and introduced her team. Mrs Rosey Mathew, the Guest of Honour then gave a short and nice speech.

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The Assistant Governor for Zone 34, Rtn Mathew Thomas felicitated the new team and assured all support from the District and Governor Sudhi Jabbar. He also released the first copy of this year's Bulletin 'Vision' by receiving a copy from Editor Rtn PAG V J John.

Rtn PP G Mohanachandran felicitated the new team. He also appreciated the efforts of the outgoing team lead by Rtn Jabyson.

Secretary Rtn Kiran C Kurian proposed vote of thanks. He acknowledged the presence of Members from RC



Puthupally and Kottayam Central. The meeting was eloquently compared by Rtn PAG Georgy and R'Ann Asha Jomon. The installation Meeting was adjourned at 10 Pm for fellowship and Dinner.

Immediately after the meeting a Cake was cut being the birthday Rtn Betty Kurian while the audience sang the birthday song.





Tailpiece

The new and reasonably large hall was full as the Chairs were arranged lavishly with ample space in between. The decorum and ambience were all excellent.

The presence of Presidents and Secretaries of Clubs in the Zone and other invited guests added colour to the function. The flower arrangement at the Stage, the podium and Hall were all awesome. Thanks to the team lead by Manju Abraham, Mini John and Innerwheel members. Even though our Meeting started before 8 Pm, it was adjourned by 10 Pm only. The Meeting ended thirty minutes after scheduled time and that was mostly due to exceeding the time limit by one or two persons. It happens some times and not a big issue at all!



COMFORT STATION REOPENED

Our Club operated Comfort Station at the Municipal Private Bus Stand was closed for more than six months due to demolition of Bus stand buildings. Now the Bus Bay has become operative. But due to various issues we were not able to reopen the Comfort station. But due to the urgent intervention of the Court the media and the general public we got the opportunity to continue with the Project. President Subash and a team of our Rotarians took swift action and the station was opened immediately on Wednesday. Sabash Subash! Good beginning and go ahead with the timely intervention in socially relevant activities.



RUJA IGNATOVA

**CRYPTO
QUEEN**



Cryptocurrencies are known as the promise of the future. The technology was able to gain popularity quickly without the support of a major country or central bank. As well as creating millionaires, crypto has created controversial heroes and heroines. There is also a situation where it can be said that more people left than those who received money.

Investors need to be very cautious in the crypto markets. Waiting for you here are huge sharks like 'Crypto Queen'. Ruja Ignatova, nicknamed Crypto Queen, is being talked about.

The US investigative agency FBI has put a price of 4-5 million dollars on her head. That is about Rs.41,72,41,250. Then you realize that the person is not stupid?

Today she is one of the 10 most wanted criminals by the FBI. Ignatova was once the head of a cryptocurrency company. He was found to have swindled more than \$4 billion through his company, OneCoin. So he got on the FBI's most wanted list.

In 2014, Ignatova dabbled in the markets with OneCoin, a self-developed cryptocurrency.

Bitcoin was the main competitor back then. In a very short period of time, she managed to get investments from 3 million individuals worldwide, including the US.

But Ignatova worked before investors and the markets caught on. She mysteriously disappeared from Greece in 2017. US authorities then issued a warrant for her arrest. From 2014 to 2016, Ignatova allegedly orchestrated a massive fraud scheme in collaboration with the Bulgarian mafia.

Besides swindling billions of dollars, there are allegations of fraudulent promises of favors to associates and financial irregularities. She mainly

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followed the MoneyChain model, which encourages early investors to recruit new investors. She also offered small returns to attract early investors.

Reports indicate that Ignatova is a person with good education and work experience. She used this wealth of experience to empower people. Authorities have had no trace of Ignatova since her disappearance. There are also some reports that she may have undergone a shapeshifting. Crores per head was announced in this situation.



Now, the most important question is, “Is crypto a good investment?”

Most financial experts recommend limiting crypto exposure to less than 5% of your total portfolio. Crypto is considered a high-risk asset class. Limiting allocation helps manage overall volatility and risk. Those new to crypto investing may start with 1% to 2% as an introduction.

Hence the advice: “Never Invest More than You Can Afford to Lose.”

Also “Stick to the Major Crypto Currencies.” Large, established crypto assets like Bitcoin and Ethereum enjoy first-mover and adoption benefits, have large market capitalization, and are tied to a series of financial products built on top of them, such as ETFs and derivatives markets. These well-known coins have weathered several significant market cycles and downturns.

Compiled by **Rtn PP G Mohanachandran**

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14th July



Pradeep Cherian

14.07.1958

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Wedding
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14th July



Rtn Jojo Alexander & Elizabeth

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