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President 2024-25

Rtn. Sujit Balachandra
Director - Club Service

Rtn. Ramma Suresh
Secretary 2024-25

SPEAKER MEETING - 08.08.2024

We started off the first speaker meeting of this rotary year, with a spiritual speaker. Swami Satyajnananda from the Ramakrishna Mission talked about the realities in life and motivated people to dedicate their time in serving others. This service will ultimately bring humanity among people and the world would be a better, beautiful to live. Swamiji stressed upon a point that ego in human being is not a good sign and that it has to be eliminated for a prosperous life. Swamiji gave few examples on how humanity worked during covid time and how they were able to help people during that critical situation. Rotarians, Anns and Annettes very carefully listened to Swamiji's speech and received very good messages for their life.



BOARD MEETING - AUGUST 2024

Our second board meeting for the year was held at Presidency Club. Board Members, Chairman and Past Presidents attended the meeting. Club Service Director explained about the upcoming meetings and he requested members to focus on membership development. Board of Directors presented their plans and projects for the month. Board members discussed the budget along with the plans and approved them. Discussion on ATOS CSR Project was held and it was decided to inform the supporting organisation about Board's decision. Board Members thanked Rtn. Sujit Balachandra for the hospitality extended by hosting the meeting.



SHUBHAMANGALAM AWARDS

The annual award function of RID3232 was held on 8th August 2024 at The Green Park Hotel, Vadapalani. Our Club received 13 awards for executing various service projects. Best President was awarded to IPP Rtn. Rema and Best Secretary to Rtn. Subramanian. District recognized Major Donor PP Rtn. K S Jeyaraman for his contribution of USD 18,072 to the Rotary Foundation. Rightful Felicitation for his Noble Contribution. We are a proud 100% Paul Harris Fellow Club. It is an honor for Our Club as IPP Rtn. Rema won Best President and Our Current President won the Best Secretary Award three times in a row! A Hat Trick Award that will be etched in our memory and in the records books for sure!






ANNETTES CLUB INSTALLATION - 22.08.2024

Rtn Sujatha Ramesh & Ant Chethana Jain from District Chairman Annettes Council were the Guests at our Annettes Club Installation held at the Cosmopolitan Club, Golf Annexe, Nandanam. Ant. Utkarsh Snehal was collared as Annettes Club President, Ant. Kushal Hemdev as Club Secretary, Ant. Arjun Daniel as Club Treasurer and other team members. Ant. Kushal Hemdev presented the previous year Report. Rtn. Sujatha and Ant Chethana Jain extended their wishes to the President and his team. Ant Snehal expressed his gratitude to the club for electing him as the President and he explained the plans for the year. Ant. Arjun Daniel thanked all the members present. Carnatic 2.0 a musical concert was performed by Mr. Shravan and Mr. Magesh and they made the entire Northwestners, sing and dance to the tunes. It was a memorable event which was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone.



VIDYA SCHOLARSHIPS - 10.08.2024

Through our VIDYA scholarship, We Northwestners have been contributing towards educating girls to complete their graduation. We handed over cheques worth Rs. 2,11,500 to 25 girl students. These girl students are studying in various colleges. They are in their second, third and final years in college. We are extending this scholarship program for more than a decade. Girl Students and their Parents extended their thanks and gratitude to our Club.



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Madras Northwest
RID 3233

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THE MAGIC
OF ROTARY

VIDYA Scholarship

Awarding scholarships
To students enrolled in 2021.11 and 23.

August 10, 2024, Saturday, between 3.00 pm and 5.00 pm
at Trust Office
(139A Third Cross Street, S&P Gardens, Nofambur, Chennai 600 095)

Rtn.Subramanian R
President

Rtn.Ajaz Ahamed
Director - Com Service

Rtn.Mukesh C H
Director - Youth Service

Rtn.Ramma
Secretary

INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATIONS AT MCJ SCHOOL

We distributed sweets for the Students of MCJ School for hearing impaired in Anna Nagar. The students performed a drama and acted like freedom fighters during the Independence Day Celebrations. Our Club President hoisted the National Flag and accepted the march past and cultural activities performed by the students. They played an interesting drama about current technology and how to be aware of them. President addressed the gathering. Our Rotarians and Anns attended the celebrations and enjoyed the role play by the students. Students and staffs were happy and thanked our club.



TERRY FOX RUN- 18.08.2024

Terry Fox Run is an Annual Non Competitive Charity Event conducted across 600 cities in 53 countries to raise money exclusively for Cancer Research. This fund raising program was organised by The Rotary Club of Madras East and it was held in Olcott School, Besant Nagar. Our Club contributed towards this project. Our Rotarians and Annettes actively participated and got medals. Thanks to Rtn. Ampa Palaniappan for donating Rs. 1, 00,000/- every year for this noble cause for more than 10 years now.

Terry Fox Run - Run... because Cancer Research Cannot Stop!!!



The poster features the Rotary Club of Madras East logo (RID 3233) and the 35th anniversary logo of Rotary. It includes the text "#TerryFoxRun" and "August 18, 2024, Sunday, at 6.00 am at Olcott School, Besant nagar, Chennai". It also states "We will be donating Rs.50,000 for this project. Thanks to Rtn Ampa Palaniappan for the support." and lists the names of the President (Rtn.Subramanian R), Director - Com Service (Health) (Rtn.Venkataramana N), and Secretary (Rtn.Ramma).



ROTARACT CLUB OF LICET – INSTALLATION – 21.08.2024

The Installation ceremony of Rotaract Club of LICET, sponsored by our club was held at Loyola College Campus, Nungambakkam. District Rotaract Chairman Rtn. Vijayakumar was the Chief Guest and DRR Rtr.PP PHF Sanjana Varma was the Special invitee. Guest of Honours are our club President Subramanian and Rtn. C H Mukesh, Youth Service Director. Rotarians and Anns from our Club also participated. Rtr.Philana Cruz inducted as the President and Rtr Jovin as the Secretary along with team members. Principal, Directors of the Institution and coordinator were present. Rtr.Philana thanked LICET for electing her as President and she said that the team will continue the services to the community.







INAUGURATION OF TATACLASS EDGE – 23.08.2024

TATA Class Edge interactive learning center at Pandeswaram Higher Secondary School was inaugurated by our Lightup President Rtn.Selvaraj in the presence of our club president, Panchayat President Mrs.Rekha Ramu, Headmaster of the School Mr.Parivalavan. The project was funded by PP Rtn KS Jeyaraman & PP Rtn Selvaraj. Thanks to their generous contributions, this project will benefit underprivileged children in Pandeswaram, Tiruvallur. Thanks to Rtn Yadav Murti Sankaran for identifying the need and coordinated with all concerned.



MEDICAL CAMP AT GUILD OF SERVICE – 24.08.2024

A Medical Camp for Senior Citizens has been successfully completed at Guild Of Service, Egmore. Doctors and their team from Dr Kamakshi Memorial Hospital conducted the necessary tests and prescribed suitable medicines and about 83 patients have been screened out of which ECG was taken for 11. Thanks to all the Rotarians and Anns who attended the camp.



**General Medical Screening Camp
for
Senior Citizens
in association with
Dr Kamakshi Memorial Hospital**

*August 24, 2024, Saturday, between 9.30 am and 1.00 pm
at
Guild of Service, 18 Casa Major Road, Egmore, Chennai 600 008*

Rtn.Devaraj R
Chairman - Health

Ann.Charumathi V
Chairman - Health Camps

Rtn.Subramanian R
President

Rtn.Venkataramana N
Director - Community Service (Health)

Rtn.Ramma
Secretary

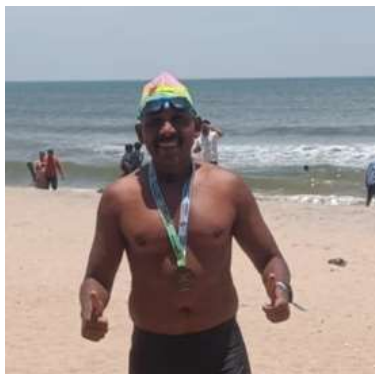
INTERACT CLUB INSTALLATION – 24.08.2024

The Interact Club at Satyamoorthi School was installed and the Chief Guest of the function was Rtn. Palani, District Interact Chairman. He explained the importance of an Interact Club and opportunities to serve the community. He narrated with an example that a small action taking it to big movement and it would be very useful to the society. The new Interact President informed the students about the plan for this year. President Rtn. Subramanian and Youth Service Director addressed the gathering. Interact Chairman Ann. Nain Hemdev introduced the chief guest. The management requested us to initiate more projects and support for this year.



SEA SWIMNATHON BY RTN PP B SRINIVASAN

Srini did his first 5 kms sea swimathon event at Pondicherry on 25th August 2024. He mentioned it was tough due to swirling current and wind. The event was started at 8 am. By 9 am, sun was fierce and hot. current and wind pulled him inside the ocean. Srini reached the U turn point i.e 2.5 kms in 1 hr (1.5 kms to East, 1 kms to North) but he got stranded within 50 meters of U turn for more than 90 minutes as the current was pulling them to the ocean instead of the shore. It was tiring their shoulders as they have to continuously do arm action to move ahead slowly. If he stops for a minute, he would go back towards deep ocean by 10 metres. There were DNFs, (Did Not Finish Swimmers) but Srini persevered against all odds and finished his first 5km sea swimming successfully. Yet another amazing achievement !



CLUB VISIT IN THE USA

Rtn Yadav Murti Sankaran visited Rotary Club of Princeton Corridor, USA. He met the President of the Club and the speaker who is also a member of the Club.



INDO SRILANKAN ROTARY INTERNATIONAL NIGHT

President Rtn Subramanian attended the Indo Srilankan Rotary International Night which was organized by RID3231 & RID3220. More than eighty Rotarians from Sri Lanka attended the meeting and sister club agreements were signed in the event. The event was held at the Ideal beach resorts, Mahabalipuram.





A Memorable Cruise To The Bahamas

While Our Rotarians and Anns are busy throughout the year, with their work and family commitments, being actively involved in service to society, through Rotary in club and district levels.... they eagerly wait for those couple of months in the year.... where they take a break from everything and focus on a beautiful role in their lives... As “Grand Parents” !!!

Eagerly looking forward to travel, go abroad and be with their loved ones and to spend some precious, family time with them! Well, here goes... An Amazing trip the Bahamas! By Our Rtn Jothikumar and Ann Swarnalatha !

The Bahamas Cruise Trip was an awesome experience. We flew to Miami from Dallas and checked into Royal Caribbean - Bahama Cruises. Bahamas was a beautiful place full of pretty beaches, blessed by Mother Nature, with amazing opportunities to do good snorkeling and do many water sport activities like water skiing, parasailing, jet skiing, windsurfing etc Excellent spread of food, Be it continental or any multi cuisine... you name it, and it was there! Fresh Salads and Exotic fruits from various parts of the World, was the icing on the cake! Yummm !

Apart from amazing crystal clear beaches, various sports activities and great sailing, spending time on the Cruise by itself was a great experience! There was artwork, spirited dances and lively music. Added to this was the duty free shopping. Who could ever say ‘No’ to Shopping! Bahamas passengers were trying their luck at resort casinos too. Whether one made money in the casino or not... one should know when to stop their hand at gambling in such casinos.

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Even though, the time we spend with our children and grandchildren during the year is less, such trip abroad to spend time with our family, rejuvenates us and keeps us motivated, cheerful and full of energy during the remaining part of the year. Not only is our Cruise to the Bahamas was a wonderful opportunity to spend fun and quality time with our loved ones, it was also a great chance to meet people from different parts of the World.

A Literal live experience of பூங்குன்றனாரின் “யாதும் ஊரே யாவரும் கேளிர்” !



Best Interactor Award

The Apple doesn't fall far from the tree! Our Charter President's Grandson Past Interact President Rajnarayan who is studying in Std XII in Sri Sankara Vidyashram received the Best Interactor Award on 22nd August 2024. Our Rotary Club of Madras Northwest Congratulates Rajnarayan for his excellent work and for being awarded the Best Interactor Award. Wishing the young man greater success and achievements in his life ahead !



Birthday Celebrities

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| Rtn. Venkataramana N | 2nd September |
| Ann. Sucharitha | 5th September |
| Ann. V.Amutha Priya | 12th September |
| Rtn. Chandramohan G | 15th September |
| Ann. Manjula | 15th September |
| Ann. Vijayalakshmi Palaniappan | 17th September |
| Ann. Indira Viswanathan | 18th September |
| Rtn. Thiagarajan K. | 20th September |
| Annet. Yumika Haribabu Pitty | 21st September |
| Annet. Souwdamini | 25th September |
| Rtn. Yadav Murti Sankaran | 25th September |
| Ann. Gandhimathi | 29th September |
| Rtn.Ramma Suresh | 30th September |

Wedding Anniversaries

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| Rtn. N.S.P Prakash | 3rd September |
| Rtn. Durairaj Kandiar | 7th September |
| Rtn. Narayanan PL | 7th September |
| Rtn. Jayakumar T.S. | 10th September |
| Rtn. Kasinathan M | 10th September |
| Rtn Rajsekar Daniel | 11th September |
| Rtn. Viswanathan P.N | 15th September |
| Rtn. Ajaz Ahamed | 25th September |

SEPTEMBER IS

BASIC EDUCATION AND LITERACY MONTH
The National Rotarians World

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

"To read is to empower, to empower is to write, to write is to influence, to influence is to change, to change is to live."
Jane Evershed

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TAKE ACTION: Get Involved, Be a People of Action

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"Perhaps dreaming is not so bad if one dreams good dreams and makes them come true."

— **Paul Harris,**
My Road to Rotary

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