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ಡಿಸೆಂಬರ್ ತಿಂಗಳನ್ನು ಅಂತರ್ರಾಷ್ಟ್ರೀಯ ರೋಟರಿಯು "Disease Prevention and Treatment"ಗೆ ಮೀಸಲಿಟ್ಟಿದ್ದರೂ ನಮ್ಮಲ್ಲಿ ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ಕ್ಲಬ್**ಗಳು ಒಳಾಂಗಣ ಮತ್ತು ಹೊರಾಂಗಣ ಆಟೋಟ** ಸ್ಪರ್ಧೆಗಳ ಜೊತೆಗೆ ಸಾಂಸ್ಕೃತಿಕ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮಗಳ ಸ್ಪರ್ಧೆಯ<mark>ಲ್ಲಿ ಭಾಗವಹಿಸುವ</mark> ತಯಾರಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಮಗ್ನರಾಗಿರುತ್ತಾರೆ ಎಂದು ಭಾವಿಸುತ್ತೇನೆ.

ಮೇಲಿನ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮಗಳ ಒತ್ತಡದ ನಡುವೆ ಇತರ ಸಮಾಜಸೇವಾ ಕಾರ್ಯ ಚಟುವಟಿಕೆಗಳಿಗೆ ಚಿಕ್ಕ ವಿರಾಮ ಸಿಕ್ಕಿದಂತೆ ಭಾಸವಾಗುತ್ತಿದೆ.

ಮುಂದಿನ ದಿನಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ನಮ್ಮ ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಗವರ್ನರರ ಮುಂದಾಳುತ್ವದಲ್ಲಿ ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ಸಮಾಜಮುಖಿ ಚಟುವಟಿಕೆಗಳಿಗೆ ಚಾಲನೆ ಸಿಗಲಿ ಎಂದು ಹಾರ್ವೆಸುತ್ತಾ, ನಿಮಗೆಲ್ಲರಿಗೂ ಹಾರ್ದಿಕ ಶುಭಾಶಯಗಳನ್ನು ಕೋರುತ್ತಾ ವಿರಮಿಸುತ್ತೇನೆ

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# We celebrate the Birthday of ....

Ann Amitha, w/o Rtn. Bharath Thingalaya on 22nd,

Ann Vanishree, w/o Rtn. Girish S. on 30th,

Annet Sooryanarayana, s/o Rtn. Purushothama Rao P. on 25th of December.



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**Conveys our Special Greetings to them** on these special occasions.



Of the things we think, say or do

1. Is it the truth?

2. Is it fair to all concerned? 3. Will it build goodwill and better friendships? 4. Will it be beneficial to all

### the fortnight that was ....

On 1st December, the English speaking course for the trance genders was started at Mahila Mandala, Kulai. Smt. Usha Gururaj was the faculty for the course. President Yogesh

Kulai and Ann Veena Yogesh were present on the occasion.

2. Rotract club of Govinda dasa College Surathkal took up the Beach



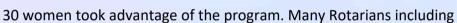
cleaning Abhiyanan at Dodda Koppal beach under the leadership of Rtn. P Krishnamurthy on 1st December.



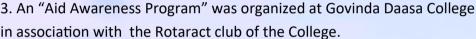
2. Rotary Club of Surathkal in association with the Ministry of Micro,



Small and Medium Enterprises, Nagarika Salaha Samithi and mahila Mandala, Kulai had organized a six weeks course on artificial jewellery making at Mahila Mandala, Kulai for women in and around Kulai. About



President and Secretary has participated in the inaugural programme on 4th December.



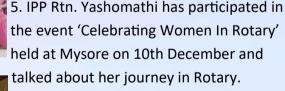


(Highschool section), Chelairu' where installed by Rtn. Prof. Krishna-



The Deal View Mirro

murthy P. on 9th December. Rtn. Dr. Rajmohan Rao was the guest of honor.. Rtns Ramesh Rao M., Rtn. Ramachandra Kunder were present on the occasion.





In our regular meeting held on
 12.12.2023, several important points including participation the zonal cultural meet were discussed.









7. We received a certificate of appreciation from Indian Red Cross, D. K. District –Blood bank for organizing the blood donation camp at Govinda Daasa College.

Rtn. Ramesh Rao M.
Secretary

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## **Rotaract Club of NITK, Surathkal**

### Report of activities held by the club in the first half of 2023.

Rotaract NITK takes up social initiatives and looks into creating a good impact for people, especially the underprivileged.



**Blood Donation Drive** We conducted the Blood Donation Drive on the 25th of February this year in collaboration with Wenlock Hospital, KMC and A.J.Hospital. It was a huge success wherein we received over 220 donors.



**Mental Health Awareness Week** We also held a two day event on the 24th and 25th of March to spread awareness about mental health.



Day 1 consisted mainly of **Rotaract Charity Play** held in collaboration with LSD Stage. Il the proceeds from the play were donated to NITK English Medium School, Riya Foundation and Citizens Allians Rural Development Training Society. We made a collection of 1.03.5578s. Day 2 was the pa-



Training Society. We made a collection of 1,03,557Rs. Day 2 was the pavilion event, which consisted mainly of open mic in collaboration with ISTE. Pavilion was decorated with lights. Our members made drawings related to mental health and put them up across pavilion as well. We had 2 stalls set up by ISTE, which mainly focused on spreading awareness through fun activities. There was a Polaroid booth where students could

use some props and get their pictures clicked. We also had music performances by Music Club. And we had few dares in between the open mic performances to make the event even more fun.



One Last Time Series This talk series was conducted over a period of 3 days from 16th to 18th June wherein we collaborated with 5 other clubs from our college, namely IEEE, ISTE, ACM, IE and IET. One of our alumni, Aditya Raghu was a part of the talk show and he provided valuable guidance to our juniors regarding the application process and his method of preparation for masters. This talk show was conducted online.

**Rakhi Sale** The event was conducted on the 29th of August, one day before Raksha Bandhan wherein we sold Rakhis to the students of NITK made by the children of Lions Special School, Surathkal. On the 30th of August, we tied Rakhis to the security guards of our college and we had a lot of volunteers for the same. We made sales of about Rs.8500 and the entire amount was donated to the school for the needs of these special children.

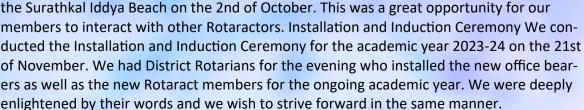


Menstrual Health Talk This event was conducted at the Kannada Medium School on the 15th and 16th of Sep-



tember. Dr. Sangeeta K and Dr. Sharvari Narayan addressed the girl students from classes 6 to 8 and provided insights of how the menstrual cycle works and various other related aspects. We have also provided the school with reusable pads worth Rs.4200 which will be distributed to these students.

**Coast to Coast 2.0** This event was conducted by Rotary Surathkal and our members volunteered to take part in this event. The clean up drive was conducted at





#### What is the Purpose of a Rotary Club

What is the purpose of a Rotary Club?

If asked this question, what would you answer? Think about it before you read on and continue to the read more section below. PURPOSES OF A ROTARY CLUB

The purposes of this club are to pursue the Object of Rotary, carry out successful service projects based on the Five Avenues of Service, contribute to the advancement of Rotary by strengthening membership, support The Rotary Foundation, and develop leaders beyond the club level.

This is the clinical answer that you will find in the Rotary literature. But what does it mean really?

Firstly, you need to have a basic grounding in "The Object of Rotary" and secondly you need to know what the "Five Avenues of Service" are.

**The Object of Rotary** is to encourage and foster the ideals of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster the following:

FIRST. The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;

**SECOND**. High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;

THIRD. The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;

**FOURTH**. The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

So You have seen this before but have you taken it all in? It is the foundation of what becomes a way of life for Rotarians. We meet regularly to enjoy each others' company and get to know and understand and appreciate each other with all of our differences. By differences I do not necessarily refer to those who work and those who talk about working but seldom do; that sort of difference is the difference between being a Rotarian and being a RINO - Rotarian In Name Only. Once we are "friends" (development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service), we are able to accomplish the unimaginable. On the converse when we pay lip service to being friends, we are self limiting in what we accomplish as a group.

I have picked on this, the first part of the **Object of Rotary** as it is, in my opinion, the alpha and the omega of Rotary. As friends, we take care of each other, as friends, we work together, as friends we enjoy Rotary together. If Rotary is to survive as the organization was intended to, we need to get back to our roots and to understand what appears in definitions of who Rotarians are - "like minded business and professional people, friends, neighbours etc". This means that we need to recruit people to membership who fit that definition. So understanding persons motives for joining Rotary is critical.

To continue the argument above, If we concentrate only on service projects and raising funds for projects and the Rotary Foundation, we will eventually loose the interest of so many good members that we will also loose relevance. Remember, that once the toothpaste has left the tube, you can't really put it back! It is fellowship that is the glue that binds us together and Member Retention is critical to the survival of Rotary as a whole. I believe that this is what RIPE Barry Rassin was referring to in his Theme speech that I aired for the few members who were at the fun filled meeting chaired by VP Jonathan back in early February I believe. Barry says that we must Love each other and take care of our members. Not to get the wrong idea here, we are talking about being friends, being interested in each other's well being; ensuring that members needs and aspirations within Rotary are met; providing guidance and education to members, because better informed members are better Rotarians.

Secondly, the Five avenues of Service are simply those avenues that align with the Object of Rotary above:

Five Avenues of Service Based on the Object of Rotary, the Five Avenues of Service are Rotary's philosophical cornerstone and the foundation on which club activity is based:

**Club Service** focuses on strengthening fellowship and ensuring the effective functioning of the club. This "Avenue" promotes the development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service. It involves the activities necessary to make the Club function successfully and achieve its goals.

**Vocational Service** encourages Rotarians to serve others through their vocations and to practice high ethical standards. This area represents the opportunity that each Rotarian has to represent the dignity and utility of one's vocation as an opportunity to serve society. Rotarians promote and foster high ethical standards in business and professions and promote the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations.

**Community Service** covers the projects and activities the club undertakes to improve life in its community. This "Avenue" relates to the activities that Rotarians undertake to improve the quality of life in their community. Particular emphasis is given to helping children, needy families, the aged, the handicapped, and those most in need of assistance. Rotarians strive to promote the ideal of service in their personal, business, and community lives.

International Service encompasses actions taken to expand Rotary's humanitarian reach around the globe and to promote world understanding and peace. In this area, Rotarians strive for the advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service. International Service Projects are designed to meet the humanitarian needs of people in many lands, with particular emphasis on the most underprivileged children and families in developing countries.

**Youth Service** recognizes the positive change implemented by youth and young adults through leadership development activities as RYLA, Rotaract and Interact, service projects, and creating international understanding with Rotary Youth Exchange.

To conclude as I have a tendency to rabbit on, I urge my fellow Rotarians to consider what the purpose of this little club is, and where you fit into the purpose. If you do not feel aligned, be proactive, speak with senior Rotarians and ensure that your needs and aspirations in Rotary are being met. In Rotary it is true to say that you get out of Rotary in proportion to what you put in, so lets not simply blame the leaders, lets take responsibility and join forces to build on the foundation of the last 25 years of outstanding service to our community and to those in need around the world.

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