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GIFT OF SIGHT
– Eye Test Camp



23-FEBRUARY FOUNDERS DAY

Rotary started with the vision of one man - Paul Harris. The Chicago attorney formed the Rotary Club of Chicago on 23 February 1905, so professionals with diverse backgrounds could exchange ideas and form meaningful, lifelong friendships.

The first meeting attended by Paul Harris, Gustavus Loehr, Silvester Schiele, and Hiram E. Shorey was held in Chicago, Illinois, in the office of Gustavus Loehr.

Gustavus Loehr

Silvester Schiele

Hiram E. Shorey

Paul P. Harris

Paul P. Harris (1868-1947) was a Chicago attorney in 1905 when he had an idea for a club in which professionals could share "mutual cooperation and informal friendship such as all of had once known in our villages." On the evening of Thursday, 23 February 1905, Harris gathered three business acquaintances to form a group that became the Rotary Club of Chicago, initiating the world's first service organization. Harris became the first president of what would later become Rotary International, the association of Rotary clubs around the world with 1.2 million members united under the motto *Service Above Self*.

Gustavus H. "Gus" Loehr (1864-1918) was a Chicago mining engineer who lent his office on the seventh floor of the Unity Building at 127 Dearborn Street in Chicago for the first gathering of the founders of Rotary on 23 February 1905. Loehr invited Hiram Shorey to this meeting. His health later deteriorated and he left the club, but remained a supporter of Rotary until his death at age 53.

Silvester Schiele (1870-1945) was a coal dealer and a client of Paul Harris in 1905. Born in rural Indiana, Schiele liked to tell Harris interesting anecdotes of his "young pioneer" boyhood. During the course of their business dealings, Harris first shared the idea with Schiele for a new kind of club for professionals. On 23 February 1905, Harris invited Schiele for dinner to develop his ideas of a fellowship and booster club. In addition to becoming first president of the Rotary Club of Chicago, Schiele developed a close lifelong friendship with Harris.

Hiram E. Shorey (1862-1944) was a merchant tailor in 1905. One of the founding four members of the Rotary Club of Chicago, he remained a Rotarian for only a short time before moving back to his home state of Maine. Upon his later return to Chicago, he rejoined for a brief time before resigning again. Despite his brief membership, Shorey was always supportive of the Rotary Club of Chicago and voiced pride at his early association with Rotary.

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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 concerned?

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Releasing January Edition of *Ripples* in Electronic Format.

The Rotary Club of Pilathara released the January edition of its monthly newsletter, *Ripples*, on 8th January 2024. The electronic edition was officially unveiled by past President Rtn. PHF MP Krishnan, who shared it with members through the club's WhatsApp group for seamless access.

This month's edition shines a spotlight on the impactful projects undertaken by the club during December, providing a detailed overview of initiatives and achievements. It also includes summaries of regular meetings and a preview of forthcoming activities, offering a comprehensive update to our members.

From the Desk of the EDITOR



Rtn. PHF Sunil Kottarathil

The 9th issue of *Ripples* marks yet another milestone for Rotary Club of Pilathara, reflecting the club's exponential growth and impactful service. With 100 meaningful projects in this seven months of the Rotary Year, the club has set a benchmark for systematic functioning and strong administration, serving as a role model for others.

This February edition is particularly special as it highlights the major initiatives from January, including Mathamangalam Town Beautification Project, Prestigious Eye Camp, District Conference Participation strengthening fellowship and learning, Vocational Month Activities demonstrating a strong commitment to professional excellence and service.

Additionally, the special edition of *Ripples* during the GOV (Governor's Official Visit) provided a comprehensive 7-month report, ensuring visibility and recognition across the district.

As always, *Ripples* continues to spread the values upheld by Rotary Pilathara, inspiring other clubs and leaders across the district. Happy reading!

Message from the **PRESIDENT**

As we stand on the threshold of one of the most awaited moments of the Rotary year - the Governor's Official Visit (GOV) - our hearts swell with pride and anticipation. This event is more than just a formality; it is a celebration of our journey, a moment to showcase our collective impact, and an opportunity to renew our commitment to "Service Above Self."

Over the past seven months, Rotary Club of Pilathara has witnessed remarkable growth in every dimension. While we have remained steadfast in upholding our best traditions, we have also embraced innovation, fresh ideas, and strategic enhancements that have strengthened both our administrative efficiency and the camaraderie among our members.

What has truly set us apart is our open and inclusive culture - one that encourages every member to express their ideas, critically evaluate projects, and contribute to our club's continuous improvement. By fostering an environment of reflection and strategic planning, we have identified key learnings and best practices that will be shared during the GOV, serving as a blueprint for even greater success.

As we prepare to welcome our distinguished guests and present our achievements, let us do so with the same passion, dedication, and unity that have propelled us forward. The GOV is not just a milestone - it is a stepping stone towards an even stronger, more impactful Rotary Club of Pilathara.

Let's move ahead with purpose, enthusiasm, and the spirit of service!

Rtn. C.K. Purushothaman
Club President

JANUARY



"Of all the hundred and one ways in which men can make themselves useful to society, undoubtedly the most available and often the most effective are within the spheres of their own occupations."

Paul P Harris (Founder of Rotary)

VOCATIONAL SERVICE MONTH



TAKE ACTION: Get Involved, Join Rotary

January marks Vocational Service Month, a time for Rotarians to channel their professional talents towards addressing societal challenges and meeting community needs. This month serves as a platform to initiate year-long vocational service activities, ranging from Rotary-led discussions and awards to impactful community projects.

To commemorate this important month, the Rotary Club of Pilathara honored an individual from the community with a Vocational Service Award. This award recognizes exemplary professional achievement coupled with the highest ethical standards - a tradition the club has proudly upheld for years.

In addition, Mini-Classification Talk Series during the weekly meetings and a dedicated meeting highlighting The Four-Way Test and The Declaration of Rotarians in Business and Professions were conducted.

Additionally, vocational training sessions and effective promotion among the social circles were also carried out.



SPECIAL MEETING DEDICATED TO FOUR-WAY TEST

The Rotary Club of Pilathara held a **special meeting on 22nd January**, dedicated to the **Four-Way Test** and the **Declaration of Rotarians in Business and Professions**. The session aimed to encourage and foster high ethical standards in business and professions, to recognise the worthiness of all useful occupations, to dignify the Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society.

Moderated by **GGR Rtn. MPH Aravindakshan K**, the discussion saw active participation from all members, making the session engaging and impactful.



RECOGNITION OF OUTSTANDING VOCATIONAL SERVICE

On 24th January 2025, the Rotary Club of Pilathara honored Sri. O.K. Narayanan Namboothiri, Editor of Mathrubhoomi Daily, for his outstanding contributions to journalism and his dedicated commitment to social causes.

This recognition was part of the club's initiatives to commemorate Vocational Service Month, underscoring the significance of professional excellence and ethical service to society.





To commemorate Vocational Service month, the Rotary Club of Pilathara honored an outstanding individual from the community with the prestigious Vocational Excellence Award. This award celebrates exemplary professional achievement combined with the highest ethical standards - a tradition the club has proudly upheld over the years.

Sri. K.V. Ramachandran, postman at Nareekkamvally Post Office, has been selected as this year's recipient. Over his remarkable 36-year career, he has earned the admiration and respect of the local community by delivering letters directly to individuals' hands without delay, embodying the true essence of dedicated service.

The award was presented to Sri. K.V. Ramachandran by Past District Governor Rtn. MD Dr. Pramod Nayanar on 29th January at 5:30 PM at Rotary Pearl, Pilathara.



പിലാത്തറ റോട്ടറി ക്ലബ്ബിന്റെ വൊക്കേഷണൽ എക്സലൻസ് അവാർഡ് പോസ്റ്റ്മാൻ കെ.വി.രാമചന്ദ്രന് കൈമാറുന്നു

വൊക്കേഷണൽ എക്സലൻസ് അവാർഡ്

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- Paul Harris





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MINI-CLASSIFICATION TALKS *By the Members*

Paul Harris once wrote, "Each Rotarian is a connecting link between the idealism of Rotary and their trade or profession." With the goal of promoting awareness and dignity of various professions, the Rotary Club of Pilathara organized a series of Mini-Classification Talks during Vocational Service Month.

On January 15th, Past President Rtn. KP Balan and Rtn. Balakrishnan led insightful sessions on the insurance sector and banking, respectively. On January 29th, Rtn. Lakshmanan Amandra shared his expertise on Travel and Tourism, while Rtn. PHF Sunil Kottarathil conducted an engaging session on subsea construction.

These sessions provided members with a deeper understanding of various industries, fostering greater appreciation for their challenges and contributions while strengthening professional connections within the club.



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TRAINING ON VOCATIONAL SKILL DEVELOPEMENT

The Anns Forum of the Rotary Club of Pilathara launched a vocational training program aimed at empowering local residents with the skills needed to start their own small-scale businesses. This initiative aligns with the club's commitment to fostering self-reliance and economic empowerment within the community.



The training session was conducted on 31st January 2025 at 2:30 PM at Kadannappalli East LP School, focusing on soap manufacturing as a sustainable livelihood option. Payyanur Block Development Officer, Smt. Smitha RK, led the session, providing insights into business opportunities and skill development. Smt. Mary Benny Chunduparamba demonstrated the step-by-step process of making organic soap, ensuring participants gained hands-on experience. The program benefited 30 women from the neighborhood, equipping them with practical knowledge to embark on their entrepreneurial journey.

“ASRAYAM” - HUNGER RELIEF PROGRAM

Pilathara Rotary Club began January 24th with a meaningful act of service as GGR Rtn. MPHF Aravindakshan handed over a food kit containing essential items to a deserving family in Kadannappalli. Later that evening, an additional five families in need were provided with kits during a special event held at Rotary Pearl. These kits, arranged by the Anns Forum members as a compassionate gesture, are part of the club's ongoing project, Asrayam, which is planned to continue regularly to support underprivileged families.

The event, Hunger Relief, was an inspiring initiative conceived by Anns Forum President Ann Deepa Gireesh. It was further enriched by the presence of Anns Forum Treasurer Ann Sathi Aravind and Club Bulletin Editor Rtn. Gireeshkumar, who facilitated the thoughtful and impactful function.

This project is a shining example of the club's unwavering dedication to serving the community and addressing critical needs.



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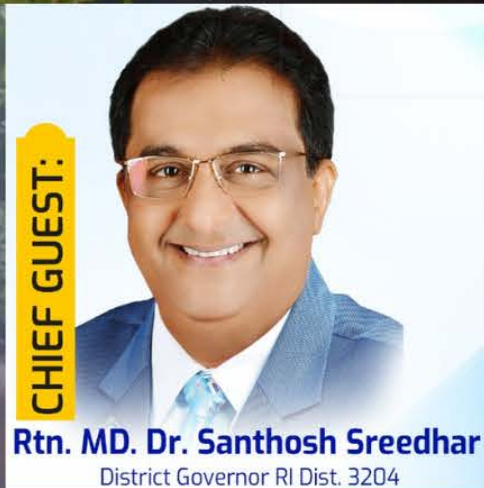
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MATHAMANGALAM TOWN BEAUTIFICATION PROJECT

GRAND INAUGURATION IN THE PRESENCE OF -

- Panchayat Authorities
- Political Leaders
- Business Community
- Traders and Merchants
- Entrepreneurs
- Local Residents



CHIEF GUEST:

Rtn. MD. Dr. Santhosh Sreedhar
District Governor RI Dist. 3204

1-Jan-2025 (5pm) | At Mathamangalam

Rtn. CK Purushothaman
President

Rtn. MPHF MC Shaji
Project Chair

Rtn. Sunil Kottarathil
Secretary



In alignment with its strategic vision of fostering long-term positive growth and influence, the Rotary Club of Pilathara has initiated a Town Beautification Project centered around Mathamangalam Town, aimed at enhancing its aesthetic appeal and increasing Rotary's visibility.

The Mathamangalam Town Beautification Project is a collaborative effort involving the Rotary Club of Pilathara, Panchayat authorities, local organizations, and merchants. The first phase of the program was inaugurated by District Governor Rtn. MD Dr. Santhosh Sreedhar on 1st January 2025.

As the Project Chairman, Rtn. MPHF Shaji MC coordinated the placement of 500 high-quality earthen pots with low-maintenance decorative plants to ensure long-term sustainability. These pots were strategically placed along the roadsides in a visually appealing and organized manner. To ensure proper upkeep, local merchants have been entrusted with maintaining the plants, ensuring their continued vitality over time.

This initiative stands as a testament to Rotary's commitment to community development and environmental sustainability, fostering a greener and more inviting townscape for residents and visitors alike.





Rotary Youth Leadership Awards

EMPOWERING THE YOUNG MINDS OF TAGORE MEMORIAL HSS, VELLORA

AT TAGORE MEMORIAL HSS, VELLORA

9:30 AM | JAN 4 | 2025
4:30 PM | SAT



Co-ordinator

Ann. Beena Paul
HSST Economics
TMHSS Vellora
Souhrida Club Convener



CHIEF GUEST

Rtn. VKV Manoj
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Rotary District 3204

A DAY OF EDUTAINMENT

FACULTIES



Abdul Raheef AG
Sub Inspector, District Police
Head Quarters, Kannur Rural

Rtn. CK Purushothaman
President



Roopa Madhusoothanan
Sub Inspector of Police,
Cherupuzha Police station



Sreekala P
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Secretary



Ann. Jaya Haridas
Design Consultant
Anchor & Singer

Providing the right guidance to the younger generation is crucial for building a brighter future. In an era filled with distractions, it is essential to help students stay focused on their studies and skill development.

With this vision, the Rotary Club of Pilathara organized a Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) program on 4th January 2025 at Vellora HSS. This day-long camp empowered students with the skills and awareness needed to navigate today's dynamic world and overcome potential challenges.

Renowned speakers and professionals led insightful and engaging sessions on key topics relevant to youth, equipping them with the tools needed for success. The camp also featured educational games and fun-filled activities, ensuring an interactive and enriching experience for all participants.

The initiative was well-received, reinforcing the club's commitment to shaping confident and responsible future leaders.



SHAPING THE FUTURE



ക്രിയാത്മക കൗമാരം

A Session for High School Students

2025
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Pariyaram Public School
2:30 PM



**FACULTY
Sreekala P**
Psychologist and
Counselling Specialist

Rtn. CK Purushothaman
President

Rtn. Sunil Kottarathil
Secretary



On January 7th, the Rotary Club of Pilathara organized an enlightening session on Creative Adolescence at Pariyaram Public School. The event was inaugurated by Club President, Rtn. CK Purushothaman. Esteemed psychologist and counselor, Smt. Sreekala P, delivered an interactive session that resonated deeply with the high school students. The session addressed the physical and emotional changes and challenges unique to adolescence, fostering a better understanding and resilience among the attendees.

The program received high praise from both students and teachers. The educators particularly appreciated the initiative, as it aligned with the school's goals for holistic student development this year.

Club Secretary Rtn. PHF Sunil Kottarathil and member Rtn. TK Narayanan also attended, adding their support to this meaningful event.



ക്രിയാത്മക കൗമാരം

A Session for High School Students



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President
Gautham Ranjith
9th Std.



Secretary
Vishnu Govind
9th Std.

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3:00 PM

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On January 8th, the Interact Club of GBVHSS, Madayi, under the guidance of Pilathara Rotary Club, organized an insightful session on Creative Adolescence for high school students at Madayi GBVHSS. The event was inaugurated by Rotary Club President, Rtn. CK Purushothaman.

Esteemed psychologist and counselor, Smt. Sreekala P, led an engaging and interactive session that deeply resonated with the students. She addressed the physical and emotional changes unique to adolescence, equipping attendees with a better understanding and resilience to navigate this transformative phase of life.

The session was well-received, reinforcing the importance of mental well-being and self-awareness during adolescence.





GIFT OF LIFE

BASIC LIFE SUPPORT - TRAINING SESSION ON CPR





The Rotary Club of Pilathara, in collaboration with the NSS unit of St. Joseph's College, Pilathara, organized a hands-on CPR training session to equip individuals with this life-saving skill. CPR significantly increases the chances of survival when administered swiftly and effectively, making such training crucial for community preparedness.

The session was held on 30th January 2025 at 2:00 PM at St. Joseph's College, Pilathara. Dr. K.T. Madhavan, Associate Professor, Department of Emergency Medicine, Kannur Government Medical College, led the training, sharing his expertise in emergency care. His practical demonstrations and in-depth guidance provided students and attendees with essential knowledge on performing CPR, empowering them to act confidently in emergency situations.



GIFT OF SIGHT



**നേത്രപരിശോധനയും
തിമിര നിർണ്ണയ ക്യാമ്പും നടത്തി**



പിലാത്തറ റോട്ടറി ക്ലബ്ബ് നേത്രപരിശോധന-തിമിരരോഗ നിർണ്ണയ ക്യാമ്പ് മുൻ ഡിസ്ട്രിക്ട് ഗവർണ്ണർ വി.ജി.നായനാർ ഉദ്ഘാടനംചെയ്യുന്നു

പിലാത്തറ▶ പിലാത്തറ റോട്ടറി ക്ലബ്ബ്, കാഞ്ഞങ്ങാട് മാം ട്രസ്റ്റ് ആസ്പത്രി, സെയ്ന്റ് ജോസഫ് കോളേജ് എൻ.എസ്.എസ്. യൂണിറ്റ് എന്നിവർ ചേർന്ന് നേത്ര പരിശോധന-തിമിരരോഗ നിർണ്ണയ ക്യാമ്പ് എന്നിവ നടത്തി. മുൻ ഡിസ്ട്രിക്ട് ഗവർണ്ണർ വി.ജി. നായനാർ ഉദ്ഘാടനം ചെയ്തു. ക്ലബ്ബ് പ്രസിഡന്റ് സി.കെ. പൂരുഷോത്തമൻ അധ്യക്ഷത വഹിച്ചു. ഫാ. രാജൻ ഫോസ്റ്റോ മുഖ്യാതിഥിയായി. മാം ട്രസ്റ്റ് ഹോസ്പിറ്റൽ പബ്ലിക് റിലേഷൻസ് ഓഫീസർ എ.രാധാകൃഷ്ണൻ പദ്ധതി വിശദീകരിച്ചു. കെ.അരവിന്ദാക്ഷൻ, പി.വി. സുരേന്ദ്രനാഥ്, രവിന്ദ്രനാഥ്, ടി. രാജീവൻ, സുനിൽ ഡി.കൊട്ടാരത്തിൽ എന്നിവർ സംസാരിച്ചു. ഡോ. സുകുമാരൻ നേതൃത്വം നൽകി.

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The Rotary Club of Pilathara, in collaboration with Mam Trust Hospital, Kanhangad, and the NSS unit of St. Joseph's College, Pilathara, successfully organized an eye camp on 12th January at St. Joseph's College, Pilathara. The camp was inaugurated by Past District Governor Rtn. MD VG Nayanar and witnessed an overwhelming response from the community.

More than 180 local residents benefited from comprehensive eye screenings aimed at detecting avoidable blindness. Of them, nearly 40 individuals were identified for vision-corrective surgeries, generously offered free of cost by Mam Trust Hospital, Kanhangad. Additionally, another 40 individuals were recommended for prescription spectacles.

This noble initiative by Rotary Club of Pilathara was highly appreciated by the participants, reinforcing the club's commitment to service and community well-being.







GIFT OF SIGHT

Distribution of Spectacles

The **Rotary Club of Pilathara** successfully distributed **spectacles** to **40 individuals** on **29th January 2025** at **5 PM** at **Rotary Pearl, Pilathara**.

These beneficiaries were identified during the recent **eye camp**, ensuring that those in need received the necessary vision support.

This initiative marks yet another **significant step** in the club's **ongoing commitment to community service**, reinforcing its dedication to improving the quality of life for the underprivileged.





CLUB MEETINGS OF THE MONTH

Monthly Board Meeting #7 (8-January-2025)

The Director Board of the Rotary Club of Pilathara convened on 8th January 2025 at 6:30 PM at Pilathara Pearl to review the progress on the Governor's Official Visit (GOV) and discuss the presentation of office bearers for the next term.

President Rtn. CK Purushothaman provided a comprehensive update on the club's recent activities, emphasizing the importance of active participation in the upcoming GOV. Secretary Rtn. PHF Sunil Kottarathil elaborated on the preparations required and urged the respective committee chairs to take the lead in fulfilling their responsibilities. President-Elect Rtn. MPHF Raveendranathan C presented the proposed list of office bearers for the 2025-26 term, ensuring a smooth leadership transition.

The meeting concluded at 6:50 PM, reflecting a productive discussion aimed at further strengthening the club's initiatives and reinforcing its impact on the community.

Trust Meeting (30-January-2025)

Rotary Club of Pilathara is taking proactive steps in managing its assets and planning for future growth! The Trust General Body Meeting on 30th January 2025 at Pilathara Pearl focused on key areas to enhance the club's long-term sustainability.

With the trust overseeing fixed and immovable assets, including Pilathara Pearl, discussions revolved around fund generation strategies, facility upgrades, and expansion plans. One of the major highlights was the proposal to acquire a 10-cent land for parking, which would significantly improve accessibility and convenience.

This structured approach ensures that the club's resources are effectively utilized while maintaining financial independence.

Club Weekly Meeting #27 (1-January-2025)

The Rotary Club of Pilathara held its first weekly meeting of 2025 on 1st January at 7:10 PM at Pilathara Pearl. President-Elect Rtn. MPH F Raveendranathan C welcomed the members, setting the tone for the new year. President Rtn. CK Purushothaman provided key updates on the progress of upcoming projects and emphasized the main focus areas requiring collective effort from club members. He also highlighted the importance of participation in District activities and the Club RYLA, encouraging members to be actively involved.

Secretary Rtn. PHF Sunil Kottarathil presented a report on the club's activities over the past week. The New Year celebrations were widely appreciated, with members particularly enjoying the campfire that marked the conclusion of the event. He also addressed certain lapses in organizing the Mathamangalam Town Beautification project, clarifying that it would not be reported as a Rotary Club initiative due to protocol deviations. He stressed the importance of adhering to Rotary guidelines for future projects to maintain organizational standards.

The meeting witnessed active participation from members, fostering discussions on various club matters. The session concluded with a note of gratitude and was adjourned at 8:00 PM.



Club Weekly Meeting #28 (8-January-2025)

The Rotary Club of Pilathara held its regular weekly meeting on 8th January 2025 at 7:10 PM at Rotary Pearl, Pilathara. Past AG Rtn. MPH F Chathukutty Nambiar warmly welcomed the audience.

President Rtn. CK Purushothaman provided an update on the Governor's Official Visit (GOV) preparations, urging members to actively participate in club projects and TRF contributions to showcase Rotary's impact during the GOV. He also encouraged members to support and promote the upcoming District RYLA.

Secretary Rtn. PHF Sunil Kottarathil presented the Secretary's Report, followed by the release of the club newsletter, "Ripples". Members engaged in active discussions, contributing valuable insights.

A key highlight of the meeting was the distribution of Rotary-branded T-shirts among members, seen as a significant step in enhancing the public image of the Rotary Club of Pilathara.

The meeting concluded on a positive note, reinforcing the club's commitment to service and community engagement.

Club Weekly Meeting #29 (15-January-2025)

The Rotary Club of Pilathara held its regular weekly meeting on 15th January 2025 at Rotary Pearl, Pilathara, starting at 7:10 PM. The meeting commenced with a warm welcome by Rtn. PP Damodaran, followed by the presidential address by Rtn. CK Purushothaman, who provided an overview of upcoming activities. He emphasized the importance of the Family Meeting scheduled for 24th January and the District Conference on 25th January, encouraging members to actively participate.

Rtn. PHF Sunil Kottarathil, the club secretary, presented a report highlighting the successful execution of the "Gift of Sight" eye camp, which received positive feedback from the community. The meeting also provided a platform for members to share suggestions regarding club initiatives, fostering an interactive and productive discussion. The President and Secretary addressed members' queries and outlined action plans to further enhance the club's activities.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm.



Club Weekly Meeting #30 (22-January-2025)

The regular weekly meeting of the Rotary Club of Pilathara was held on 22nd January 2025 at Pilathara Pearl, beginning with a warm welcome by Rtn. PHF Kunhiraman. President Rtn. CK Purushothaman, in his address, provided an update on the club's upcoming activities, encouraging members to actively participate in the initiatives planned for the following weeks. In the absence of Secretary Rtn. PHF Sunil Kottarathil, Rtn. MPHF Aravindakshan presented a report on the past week's activities, ensuring that all members were informed of recent developments.

A significant highlight of the meeting was a discussion on the Four-Way Test, moderated by GGR Rtn. MPHF Aravindakshan K. All 18 members present engaged in a thought-provoking exchange, sharing their interpretations and perspectives on each element of the Four-Way Test, reinforcing the ethical foundation of Rotary. The meeting witnessed active participation and concluded on a positive note, with adjournment at 8:30 PM.



Club Weekly Meeting #31 (29-January-2025)

The last weekly meeting of the month was held on 29th January 2025 at Pilathara Rotary Pearl, commencing at 7:10 PM. The meeting began with a warm welcome address by Rtn. PP Damodaran, followed by the presidential address by Rtn. CK Purushothaman, who outlined the club's upcoming activities. He highlighted the importance of several key events, including the CPR training on 30th January, the Soap Manufacturing Training Program, the AG Club Assembly on 2nd February, the Club Board Meeting on 5th February, and the much-anticipated Governor's Official Visit (GOV) on 12th February.

Secretary Rtn. PHF Sunil Kottarathil provided a comprehensive report summarizing the club's activities over the past week -the Family Meeting, District Conference, Spectacles Distribution, Vocational Excellence Award Function, and updates on the Chittilapally Swapnabhavanam project and GOV preparations.

Members participated in the discussion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm.





Meeting Family

The Rotary Club of Pilathara hosted its January Family Meeting on 24th January 2025 to commemorate the death anniversary of Past President Late Rtn. PHF PV Unnikrishnan. The event was graciously sponsored by Rtn. Vimala Unnikrishnan and brought together members and their families for an evening of remembrance, entertainment, and fellowship.

The highlight of the evening was a mesmerizing violin performance by Engineer Sudheesh Puracheri, which captivated the audience. The celebration was further enriched by musical performances from members, adding a warm and joyful atmosphere to the gathering.

A special moment of recognition was dedicated to Sri OK Narayanan Namboothiri, renowned editor of Mathrubhoomi Daily and social activist, acknowledging his contributions to society. Additionally, senior members of the club were honored for their dedicated service and commitment to Rotary.

In a meaningful gesture of service, the Anns Forum distributed essential food kits to needy families, marking the occasion with an act of kindness. The event concluded with a lavish dinner, leaving everyone with a sense of warmth, gratitude, and shared camaraderie.



District Conference



District Conference SAMAGAMAM (2025 January 25-26)
at Palladium Auditorium, Kanhangad.

"Samagamam" – District Conference 2025, held on 25th and 26th January 2025 at Palladium Convention Centre, Kanhangad, was truly a landmark event, bringing together Rotarians and professionals for leadership, knowledge sharing, and community service.

With 25 members from Rotary Club of Pilathara, including 15 Rotarians, attending the conference at Palladium Convention Centre, Kanhangad, the club showcased strong representation and commitment to Rotary's mission.

The presence of Rotary International Director Rtn. T. N. Raju Subramanian and Rotary International President's Representative, PDG Rtn. Shashi Sharma, along with PDGs, DGE, and DGN, added immense value to the event.

The ceremonial lighting of the lamp set the stage for inspiring discussions, led by Conference Chairman Rtn. Dinesh M. T. and District Governor Rtn. Dr. Santhosh Sreedhar.

Such engagements strengthen Rotary's vision and impact, ensuring that clubs like Pilathara Rotary continue to drive meaningful change in the community!



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in preparation for the Governor's Official Visit (GOV)

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5:00PM - 6:00PM
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GOVERNOR'S OFFICIAL VISIT
12-FEB-'25

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