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JANUARY Vocational Service Month

January is Vocational Service Month on the Rotary calendar. Vocational Service is at the heart of Rotary, which was founded on the classification system of membership. Business and professional life are the bedrock of Rotary, and Vocational Service is a major force in promoting honour, integrity, and trustworthiness in business.

A Short History Lesson:-

Originally only one representative from each business or profession was invited to join a club. Paul Harris felt that if several members of the same profession were to join, they would either sit together and “talk shop” or compete against each other for other members’ business. The idea of “trade-boosting” was gradually eliminated and by 1912, Rotarians were no longer required to exchange business with one another.

The Forgotten Avenue of Service:-

Of Rotary’s five Avenues of Service - Club, Vocational, Community, and International - Vocational is difficult to define, so it is sometimes called the “Forgotten Avenue of Service”. One reason is Club, Community, International and Youth Service activities usually involve groups of Rotarians. They enjoy the fellowship of Club Service, the satisfaction of serving the needs of their communities, and the hope that their International Service promotes world peace and understanding. But Vocational Service - the second Avenue of Service - is generally conducted by individual members.

Service Above Self:-

Rotary’s early leaders often cited the Golden Rule - “Do unto others as you would have them do unto you” - as the guiding principle of Rotary’s Vocational Service. By the time the National Association of Rotary Clubs held its first convention in 1910, the networking emphasis had begun to shift. The majority of clubs told the new Civic Committee that Rotary should move from being a booster club to improving their communities. The concept of “he

profits most who serves his fellows best” became “he profits most who serves best”. This idea morphed into “Service, not Self” and finally, it became the Rotary slogan we know today - “Service Above Self”.

In 1940, Rotary International defined the Object of Vocational Service “to encourage and foster: high ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; the dignifying by each Rotarian of his occupation as an opportunity to serve society.” Today’s Rotarians still pride themselves on being able to use their professional stature and knowledge to make things happen worldwide, wherever there is a need for change.

The Rotary Code of Ethics:-

Back in 1912, when Glenn Mead succeeded Paul Harris as President of Rotary International, he recommended a code of business ethics be formulated to contribute to the advancement of business morality. At that time, there were no consumer protection laws or truth-in-advertising statutes. Fraudulent and deceptive business practices were the norm. The unwritten law was caveat emptor, “Let the buyer beware.” Since the adoption of the Rotary Code of Ethics in 1915, at least 145 national industrial codes of conduct practice have been adopted as a direct result of the influence of Rotarians.

The Four-Way Test:-

Rotary’s current code of ethical conduct – The Four-Way Test – was developed during the Great Depression, by Rtn. Herb Taylor, from the US, as a four-part ethical guideline that helped him rescue a beleaguered business. The Four-Way Test was officially adopted by Rotary in 1943 and has been translated into the languages of over 100 countries. It appears on highway billboards, in schoolrooms and on the walls of businesses, in labour contracts, courtrooms and halls of government. It’s even on the moon, in the form of a Four-Way Test pin planted on the surface by astronaut Buzz Aldrin!

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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 December Edition of *Ripples* in Electronic Format.

The Rotary Club of Pilathara released the December edition of its monthly newsletter, *Ripples*, on 25th December 2024. The electronic edition was officially unveiled by our newly inducted member, Rtn. Narayanan TK, 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 November, 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
Editor

A New Dawn, A New Beginning

As 2024 gracefully makes way for 2025, we embrace the new year with enthusiasm and renewed determination. The current Rotary term has entered its second half, reflecting on numerous milestones achieved in just six months. The journey so far has been memorable, not only for the accomplishments but also for the emotions and camaraderie shared along the way.

Looking back, the past six months have been a remarkable period for the Rotary Club of Pilathara. Through dedication and teamwork, we have elevated the standards of our club with many noteworthy achievements. It brings immense joy to have chronicled these milestones in our monthly newsletter, *Ripples*. Each of the six editions released so far has faithfully documented the club's activities, ensuring that these moments remain as cherished references for our members and officers in the years to come.

This December edition of *Ripples* continues the tradition by presenting a comprehensive account of the projects and activities undertaken during the month. With prestigious initiatives completed recently, we trust that you will experience the true essence of our passion for service as you explore its pages.

As we step into 2025, let us carry forward the warmth and joy of our shared journey, embracing new opportunities to serve with unwavering commitment to our motto, "**Service Above Self.**"

Thank you for being an integral part of this journey. May this edition inspire and uplift you as we continue to make a difference together.

Happy Reading and a Prosperous New Year!!

Message from the **PRESIDENT**

As we complete six months of this term, Rotary Club of Pilathara stands tall, excelling in all areas of service and fellowship. Despite the challenges faced, the team has consistently delivered outstanding results. The quantity and quality of the projects undertaken are a testament to our dedication and vision. Together, we have grown into a united team, embodying the determination and spirit needed to achieve any goal we set.

This unity and confidence among our members have empowered us to aim for prestigious milestones, such as achieving EREY Club status this year. This would be a historic achievement for Pilathara Rotary Club, as we would become the first club in the district to earn this distinguished honor. Together, we can turn any dream into reality!

Rtn. C.K. Purushothaman
Club President



The year 2024 ended with a high note as the members and family celebrated one of the most memorable celebrations the club has ever witnessed – the new year eve celebration on 31st December 2024. May the spirit continue for remaining term.

Wishing all a very happy 2025!



The Power to Shape the Future Lies in the Hands of the Youth



Susaktham, an innovative initiative by the Rotary Club of Pilathara, aims to nurture the confidence and leadership skills of today's youth, empowering them to emerge as transformative leaders of tomorrow. During World Interact Week, the club extended this concept by engaging nearby schools and colleges to spread awareness about Rotary, Rotaract, and Interact clubs.

The inaugural Susaktham program took place on 5th December 2024 at GBVHSS, Madayi, targeting 10th grade students. Led by Rtn. PV Surendranath, a Zonal Learning Facilitator and certified trainer, the session delivered enriching content on leadership development while maintaining an engaging, interactive, and fun atmosphere. The students were introduced to practical tips for becoming effective leaders, making the session both enjoyable and impactful.


The session was well appreciated by the students and staff for its effectiveness in preparing the students for the future.






Building on the success of the inaugural Susaktham session, Rotary Club of Pilathara organized another impactful youth empowerment program at Pariyaram Public School on 7th December at 2:30 pm. Aimed at fostering leadership skills and boosting confidence, the one and a half hour session engaged 120 students from grades 9th and 10th. Led by the dynamic District Learning Facilitator Rtn. PV Surendranath, the session tackled real-life challenges such as overcoming exam fear and laying the foundation for a successful future.

The highly interactive and fun-filled format not only captivated the students but also left them eager for more such sessions in the future. The initiative earned widespread appreciation from both students and staff for its practical approach and effectiveness in preparing young minds to face the future with confidence. Susaktham continues to shine as a transformative platform for empowering the leaders of tomorrow.




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THE MAGIC OF ROTARY

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MOTIVATIONAL SESSION FOR SCHOOL STUDENTS



FACULTY
Rtn. Surendranath PV
Zonal Learning Facilitator

Pariyaram MC Public School

2:30 PM DEC 7 2024
3:30 PM SAT

Rtn. CK Purushothaman
President

Rtn. Sunil Kottarathil
Secretary



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**MOTIVATIONAL SESSION
FOR SCHOOL STUDENTS**



FACULTY

Rtn. Sunil Kottarathil
Strategic Planning Consultant, Mentor

GHS, Kalikkadavu

10:00 AM | **DEC 13** | 2024
11:00 AM | **FRI**

Rtn. CK Purushothaman
President

Rtn. Sunil Kottarathil
Secretary

“ In the heart of every young person lies the potential for greatness. ”

Today's youth are brimming with energy, but they often require guidance to channel it effectively towards building a brighter future. Recognizing this need, the Rotary Club of Pilathara launched Susaktham, an innovative program designed to instill confidence and leadership skills in young minds, empowering them to become transformative leaders of tomorrow.

Inspired by the successful sessions held at Madayi and Pariyaram schools, the HM of GHS Kalikkadavu requested a similar session for the 75 ninth-grade students. On 13th December at 10 AM, the program unfolded, addressing challenges faced by teachers in motivating students and helping them step out of their comfort zones. The session served as a critical first step in exposing students to real-life scenarios and inspiring them to think beyond immediate surroundings.

Teachers and staff praised the program for its impactful content, which encouraged students to dream bigger and focus on their life goals. The engaging and insightful session led by Rtn. Sunil Kottarathil, left a lasting impression, laying the foundation for a generation of motivated, self-aware, and goal-oriented individuals.



A portrait of an elderly man with white hair and a mustache, wearing a light blue striped shirt. He is looking directly at the camera against a dark red background.

Meet our new member **T.K. NARAYANAN**

We are delighted to introduce our newest member, **Rtn. Thalakkalath Kotlaveetil Narayanan**, who joined the Rotary family in December 2024.

Born on **18th March 1952**, as the elder son of KV Raman and TK Kamalakshi, Rtn. TK Narayanan hails from Karuvachery, Neeleswar. He pursued his Diploma in Textile Technology from the prestigious **Government Polytechnic College, Kannur**. After an illustrious 43-year career as a **Substation Commissioning Manager in Kuwait**, Rtn. Narayanan has retired and now resides in Pilathara.

Rtn. Narayanan married **Pushpa Narayanan** on **20th April 1986**, who is currently working as a teacher in Kuwait. Together, they have raised two accomplished children: **Dr. Nishi Narayanan**, a pediatrician practicing in Canada, and **Er. Nipu Narayanan**, a Chartered Engineer based in Kuwait.

Known for his disciplined lifestyle and unwavering commitment to ethical values, Rtn. Narayanan exemplifies a life of integrity and dedication. His clear vision, strong willpower, and steadfast principles make him a role model for many in our society.

The **Rotary Club of Pilathara** is privileged to welcome Rtn. TK Narayanan into our family. We look forward to his contributions and insights as we continue our mission of "Service Above Self." Let us extend a warm welcome to Rtn. Narayanan and wish him a fulfilling journey with our club!

Interact

INTERACT CLUBS

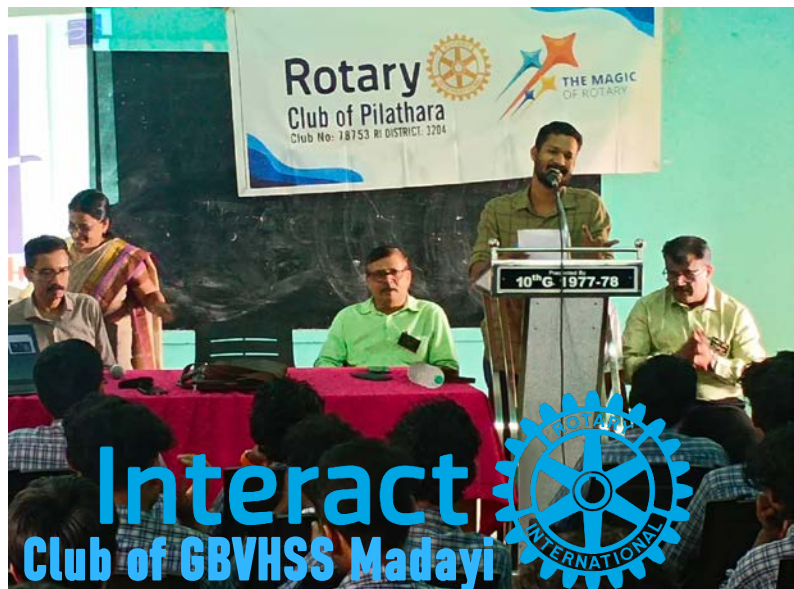


“Interact clubs bring together young people ages 12-18 to develop leadership skills and discover the power of Service Above Self. Through service projects and activities, Interact members connect with leaders in their community and around the world. They take action to make a difference in their schools and communities, discover new cultures, and promote international understanding. By becoming leaders in their schools and communities, they have fun and make new friends from around the world. Joining Interact means growing as a leader and making a positive impact on the world.”

As part of its commitment to spreading awareness about Rotary and its services within the community, leaders of the Rotary Club of Pilathara visited various educational institutions in the locality during **World Interact Week** in November. These visits, aimed at engaging with school authorities and students, were widely appreciated and paved the way for new opportunities to guide the younger generation toward a brighter future. In response to requests from schools, motivational sessions were organized for students, aligning with the club's visionary "Susaktham" initiative, which includes a series of motivational programs at schools in the vicinity.

The informational meetings about establishing **Interact Clubs** highlighted the immense potential of service through youth engagement. Building on the inauguration meeting at GBVHSS, Madayi, an organizational meeting was held as part of the Susaktham program to further the club's vision. With enthusiasm driving the effort, the necessary documentation for Interact Club certification was completed and forwarded to Rotary International for official approval.

These initiatives underscore the Rotary Club of Pilathara's dedication to empowering young minds and fostering a culture of leadership and service in the community.



The Interact Club of GBVHSS Madayi was officially established on 1st December 2024, marking a significant milestone in fostering youth engagement and service. A charter ceremony is planned for January to formally celebrate this achievement. The club is poised to offer students numerous opportunities for growth in various dimensions:

Service Projects: The Interact Club will enable students to organize initiatives that benefit the school and community while fostering international understanding. Activities might include crafting, writing thoughtful cards, wrapping gifts, and planning engaging events.

Leadership Development: Through their involvement, students will cultivate leadership skills, personal integrity, and the ability to work collaboratively.

International Understanding: The club will instill values of thoughtfulness, helpfulness, and respect for the rights of others, nurturing a global perspective.

Personal Development: Members will gain valuable life skills, such as self-improvement, time management, and financial literacy.

This initiative represents a powerful platform for students to grow as responsible, service-oriented individuals while contributing meaningfully to their community and beyond.



Certificate of Organization

This certificate recognizes that the
Interact Club of GBVHSS Madayi

Club ID 230695

Established 01 December 2024

has been organized and has agreed, through its officers and members, to be bound by the constitution and bylaws of the Interact program of Rotary International.

Sponsored by the

Rotary Club of Pilathara, Kerala, India

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PRESIDENT, SPONSORING CLUB(S)

16 December 2024

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Rotaract

ROTARACT CLUBS



Rotaract began as a Rotary International youth initiative in 1968 at the Charlotte North Rotary Club in Charlotte, North Carolina, USA. Since then, it has evolved into a global organization with over 10,904 clubs and 250,792 members worldwide. Rotaract serves as a service, leadership, and community service platform for young adults aged 18 to 30.

The term "Rotaract" is derived from "Rotary in Action," though its origins trace back to a blend of "Rotary" and "Interact" (a youth program combining "International" and "Action") that Rotary International initiated in 1962.

At the club level, Rotaract hosts most of its activities. Clubs typically meet biweekly, either in person or virtually, engaging members through speakers, outings, discussions, and visits to other clubs. They also organize service projects, social events, and workshops focused on professional and leadership development.

Rotaract operates across four key avenues of service: Club Service, Community Service, International Service, and Professional Development. These avenues foster meaningful contributions to both local communities and broader global initiatives.

In 2019, Rotaract transitioned from being a program of Rotary International to a membership category, elevating its status to align more closely with Rotary clubs. This shift, effective 1 July 2020, allows Rotaract clubs to operate independently or with sponsorship from Rotary and/or other Rotaract clubs. As "partners in service," Rotaractors are vital members of the Rotary family. Clubs may establish upper age limits at their discretion, documented in their bylaws.

Rotaract continues to inspire young leaders, providing opportunities to serve, learn, and grow as they contribute to making a difference in the world.

Recognizing the profound and lasting impact of Rotaract, the Rotary Club of Pilathara is actively promoting the establishment of Rotaract Clubs within educational institutions in the locality. Pilathara Arts and Science College, St. Joseph's College, and SUNRISE College of Advanced Studies are among the institutions engaged in these efforts. This initiative aims to inspire young leaders and provide them with opportunities for service, leadership development, and community engagement, fostering a generation ready to make a meaningful difference in society.



Rotaract Club Organizational Meeting at
SUNRISE College of Advance Studies, Kuttur.

Following the informational meeting held at SUNRISE College of Advanced Studies, Kuttur, during World Interact Week, an association was formed to collaborate with and support students in achieving greater heights in life. As part of this initiative, the Rotary Club of Pilathara facilitated an industrial tour for the students to a steel fabrication unit in Palakkad, providing them with valuable exposure to real-world industrial practices.

In late December, an organizational meeting was convened to outline the process of chartering a Rotaract Club at the college. During the meeting, student registrations were collected, with over 30 enthusiastic students signing up to join the Rotaract Club. It was decided that the office bearers would be selected and the chartering process completed in January, paving the way for numerous opportunities for the students to engage, learn, and grow.





Register for

ORGAN DONATION

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Gift of Life After Life



Club of Pilathara
Club No : 78753, RI District : 3204.

GIFT OF SHARE



Gift of Share – Organ Donation is one of the *Sapthapadhangal* (Seven Paths) projects under the District Priorities for 2024-25. Upholding its commitment to District Priority Projects, the Rotary Club of Pilathara has actively promoted the organ donation drive at every available opportunity.

The importance of organ donation in today's world was highlighted during various sessions by esteemed authorities, effectively spreading awareness and encouraging the community to embrace this noble cause. Through these efforts, the club aims to inspire more individuals to contribute to saving lives and making a profound difference in society.

Building on the impactful awareness session led by Rtn. Dr. KV Prakash on organ donation, the Rotary Club of Pilathara took a step further by organizing an Organ Donation Drive at SPECTRA MediCity on 1st December 2024. This initiative coincided with the medical camp held as part of Rotary's Disease Prevention and Treatment Month. Rtn. Ramesh Chirayil made all the arrangements for a smooth event at the SPECTRA MediCity.

District Deputy Learning Facilitator Rtn. Dr. M. Vinodkumar, along with Rtn. Dr. KV Prakash, actively promoted the cause by engaging attendees and emphasizing the life-changing impact of organ donation. Demonstrating their commitment to this noble cause, several members, including Rtn. Dr. KV Prakash, Rtn. K. Aravindakshan, Rtn. Er. Kunhiraman, Rtn. CK Purushothaman, Rtn. Sunil Kottarathil, Rtn. Gireesh Kumar, and Rtn. Rajivan T, registered as organ donors during the event. The Organ Donation Data was registered online immediately through the official website and certificate distributed.

This drive reinforced the club's dedication to fostering awareness and contributing to this vital cause.





MEDICAL CAMP

WORLD AIDS DAY – 1-DECEMBER-2024

The Rotary Club of Pilathara marked World AIDS Day on 1st December 2024 with a mega medical camp at SPECTRA MediCity, Pilathara. Spearheaded by Rtn. Ramesh Chirayil, the camp offered free specialist consultations from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm. The event was inaugurated by District Deputy Learning Facilitator Dr. M. Vinodkumar and honored by the visit of AG Rtn. Dr. Padmanabhan.

As Rotary begins its Disease Prevention and Treatment Month, this impactful initiative reaffirmed the Pilathara club's dedication to Rotary's global priorities.

The initiative witnessed active participation, with 20 club members and 7 Anns benefiting from the comprehensive medical services provided. Situated in the heart of Pilathara town, SPECTRA MediCity supports community healthcare with its specialist consultations, medical store, and laboratory facilities.

This successful event underscored Rotary's commitment to improving healthcare accessibility and creating a healthier future for all.





OBSERVING WORLD DISABILITY DAY

3-DECEMBER-2024



The Rotary Club of Pilathara commemorated World Disability Day on 3rd December 2024 by visiting Inspire, a center dedicated to empowering differently-abled individuals. The International Day of People with Disabilities (IDPD) aims to foster understanding and acceptance of persons with disabilities.

Promoting this year's theme, "Amplifying the leadership of persons with disabilities for an inclusive and sustainable future," the club collaborated with Ezhilode EMS Vayanasala to honor the mothers of disabled children. In a heartfelt gesture, Club President Rtn. CK Purushothaman presented traditional shawls to the mothers, acknowledging their unwavering strength and dedication.

The visit was a meaningful experience, as members engaged with the differently-abled individuals and the volunteers, sharing moments of joy and solidarity. The initiative highlighted the club's commitment to inclusivity and creating a supportive community for all.





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BREAK THE CHAIN

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Mr. Nizar kooloth
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Be a Hero... Not a zero... Say no to drugs



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Secretary
Ann.Thankamani Dhamodharan



AWARENESS AGAINST DRUG

The Anns Forum of Pilathara Rotary Club, in collaboration with the Excise Department, organized a powerful anti-drug awareness drive at Pilathara Arts and Science College on 12th December afternoon. The session featured an impactful Solo Performance, "Rasathanthram," that captivated the audience and emphasized the critical message of the campaign.

This initiative aimed to empower young minds and inspire them to lead value-driven, drug-free lives. Students gained valuable insights into the devastating effects of drug abuse through real-life stories shared by Excise officers, highlighting the harsh realities of addiction and its consequences. These compelling narratives served as a wake-up call, reminding everyone that such challenges are alarmingly close to home.

The program received heartfelt appreciation from both students and faculty for its depth, relevance, and emotional resonance. This session reflects Rotary Pilathara's unwavering commitment to fostering a healthier, drug-free campus environment and nurturing a generation equipped to build a brighter future.





Madhuram Malayalam: Fostering a Love for Reading Among School Children

Rotary Club of Pilathara, in collaboration with Mathrubhoomi, a leading Malayalam daily, organized the Madhuram Malayalam program at Edamana UP School on 11th December 2024. This initiative aims to nurture reading habits among students by providing the school with ten daily copies of Mathrubhoomi for an entire year. The program encourages young minds to stay informed, develop a deeper connection with their language, and cultivate a lifelong culture of reading.

Supporting one of the oldest schools in the region, this initiative highlights the Rotary Club of Pilathara's commitment to empowering the community through education. The students and teachers expressed their appreciation for the thoughtful effort, recognizing its potential to inspire academic growth and cultural awareness.

Distribution of Wheelchair

On 25th December 2024, the Rotary Club of Pilathara extended its support to a deserving individual by distributing a wheelchair to Mr. Vishnupriyan from Chumaduthangi, Pilathara.

Mr. Vishnupriyan, a final-year degree student at Pilathara Cooperative College, has been bedridden following a severe road accident three months ago. After undergoing extensive treatment at Kannur MIMS Hospital, he recently returned home to continue his recovery. Recognizing the family's need for mobility support, the Rotary Club stepped in to assist.

The wheelchair was officially handed over to his father, Mr. Pavithran PP, by the club's President, Rtn. CK Purushothaman, exemplifying the club's commitment to community service and making a meaningful difference in people's lives.



CLUB MEETINGS OF THE MONTH

Monthly Board Meeting #6 (11-December-2024)

The Director Board of the Rotary Club of Pilathara convened on 11th December 2024 at 6:30 PM at the Pilathara Pearl to strategize and plan for the Governor's Official Visit (GOV) and discuss upcoming projects and programs.

President Rtn. CK Purushothaman provided a detailed update on the club's recent activities, emphasizing the widespread appreciation received for quality programs conducted, especially the impactful Susaktham program at schools. He also shared updates on the progress of the District Priority Project, Rotary-Chittilappalli Swapnabhavanam, which continues to gain momentum. Discussions during the meeting included plans for family meetings, Christmas and New Year celebrations, and other forthcoming events.

Secretary Rtn. Sunil Kottarathil elaborated on the preparations for the GOV, detailing the formation of committees and the assignment of specific responsibilities to ensure a well-coordinated event. Particular emphasis was placed on inducting new members and initiating new projects, which will be key focus areas during the GOV.

Updates on the formation and progress of Interact and Rotaract Clubs were also discussed, reflecting the club's commitment to engaging youth and expanding its reach.

The meeting concluded at 7:00 PM, marking another productive step toward strengthening the club's initiatives and fostering community impact.



Club Assembly #4 (4-December-2024)

The Rotary Club of Pilathara convened a Club Assembly on 4th December 2024 at the Pilathara Pearl to discuss and strategize preparations for the upcoming Governor's Official Visit (GOV). Roles and responsibilities were assigned, and dedicated committees were formed to oversee various aspects of the GOV preparations. Members shared valuable suggestions for potential showcase projects to be presented during the GOV, with particular emphasis on the Rotary-Chittilappilly Swapnabhavanam. This project was recognized as a significant initiative that could highlight the club's commitment to impactful service. Detailed discussions were held to accelerate progress on district-priority initiatives, including environmental projects, educational programs, and the Gift of Care initiative. The assembly emphasized the need to intensify efforts towards contributions to TRF. The goal is to present a strong TRF donation status during the GOV, reflecting the club's dedication to Rotary's global mission.

This assembly not only strengthened the collective resolve of the club members but also set a clear roadmap for the GOV, ensuring that the event will be a proud moment showcasing the achievements and commitment of the Rotary Club of Pilathara.





Club Weekly Meeting #23 (4-December-2024)

The Rotary Club of Pilathara convened its weekly meeting on 4th December, commencing at 7:10 PM with a warm welcome by Past President Rtn. PHF Rajmohan. President Rtn. CK Purushothaman provided an overview of recent club activities and presented a comprehensive plan for upcoming initiatives. He encouraged active participation from members in discussions, leading to key decisions on various matters, including organizing a family tour, purchasing assets for the club, planning Christmas and New Year celebrations, arranging T-shirts for members, identifying showcase projects for the Governor's Official Visit (GOV), intensifying the membership drive, and collecting semi-annual dues.

Secretary Rtn. Sunil Kottarathil delivered the Secretary's Report, highlighting notable activities such as the medical camp, organ donation drive, and observance of World Disability Day.

The Treasurer presented a summary of the club's accounts, followed by a lively discussion where members shared valuable insights to strengthen the club's initiatives and expand its positive impact on the community. The meeting concluded on a productive note at 8:45 PM.

Club Weekly Meeting #24 (11-December-2024)

The weekly meeting of the Rotary Club of Pilathara on 11th December commenced at 7:10 PM with a warm welcome by Rtn. Raghunath. President Rtn. CK Purushothaman extended a heartfelt welcome to the club's newest member, Rtn. TK Narayanan. He also took the opportunity to commend Rtn. PHF Surendranath for the successful execution of the prestigious Susaktham program. Additionally, he urged all members to ensure their registration for the upcoming district conference.

Secretary Rtn. Sunil Kottarathil presented the Secretary's Report, providing an overview of recent activities and club updates. He informed members that the semi-annual dues collection was underway and displayed the QR code for convenient direct payments to the club's bank account.

The meeting saw active participation from members, who engaged in discussions regarding forthcoming programs, plans for the family tour, and other key topics. The meeting concluded at 8:00 PM, marking another productive gathering of the Rotary Club of Pilathara.





Club Weekly Meeting #25 (18-December-2024)

The Rotary Club of Pilathara convened its weekly meeting on 18th December, commencing at 7:00 PM with a warm welcome by Past President Rtn. PHF Surendranath. President Rtn. CK Purushothaman provided an update on the ongoing discussions regarding various projects, including district priority initiatives. He also presented the status of several projects, ensuring members were well-informed of their progress.

Secretary Rtn. Sunil Kottarathil delivered the Secretary's Report, offering a comprehensive overview of recent activities and club updates. He shared details about the semi-annual dues collection, TRF contributions, and preparations for the forthcoming GOV. The Secretary also highlighted the appreciation received for the club's quality programs, such as the Awareness on Drugs session at Pilathara Arts and Science College and the Susaktham program at Kalikkadavu High School. Updates on the formation of Interact and Rotaract clubs were also presented.

The meeting saw active participation from members, particularly in discussions regarding nominations for the Vocational Excellence Award. The gathering concluded at 8:00 PM, marking yet another productive session for the club.

Club Weekly Meeting #26 (25-December-2024)

The Rotary Club of Pilathara held its final weekly meeting of December on 25th December, starting at 7:10 PM with a warm welcome by Rtn. Prasannakumar. President Rtn. CK Purushothaman provided updates on the progress of key initiatives, including the Swapnabhavanam Project, the Mathamangalam Town Beautification Project, and the chartering of Interact and Rotaract Clubs. He also announced that the family meeting for December is scheduled to take place on 31st December evening, marking a festive conclusion to the year.

During the meeting, the club demonstrated its commitment to community service by providing a wheelchair to a deserving recipient. Additionally, the December edition of the club newsletter, *Ripples*, was officially released.

The meeting saw active participation from members, who offered valuable suggestions for improvement, which were positively received by the club officers. The session concluded with a note of gratitude and adjournment at 8:00 PM.



NEW YEAR EVE CELEBRATION



“ May the celebration and togetherness remain forever etched in every heart! ”

The Rotary Club of Pilathara celebrated New Year's Eve on 31st December 2024 at the Pilathara Pearl, bringing together members and their families for a night of joy and camaraderie. This gathering also served as the club's monthly family meeting and a Christmas celebration, creating a festive trifecta of warmth and togetherness.

The evening highlighted two significant celebrations within the Rotary family during the month, adding an emotional touch to the event. Members came together to cut a cake, symbolizing the spirit of unity and celebration. The program was filled with entertainment, including songs, dances, fun games, and engaging activities, ensuring an enjoyable time for all. A spectacular display of fireworks added to the charm of the night, making it truly unforgettable. The campfire organized by the Anns Forum towards the conclusion of the celebration added a magical touch, making the evening truly special.

The celebrations concluded with a sumptuous dinner, leaving everyone in high spirits. The event marked a vibrant welcome to the New Year, reinvigorating members with renewed energy and enthusiasm to continue their impactful service to the community in the days ahead.







Magic Moments

The members of the Rotary Club of Pilathara united to extend their heartfelt wishes to Mr. Akash and Ms. Ashitha on their wedding day. Mr. Akash, the son of Club member and GGR Rtn. MPHF Aravindakshan K and Ann Sathi Aravind, was married to Ashitha on 25th December 2024 at the Madayi Co-op Rural Bank Auditorium.

The joyous occasion was made even more special as members visited the proud parents' residence on the evening of the 24th, sharing in their happiness and offering warm wishes. On the wedding day, Pilathara Rotary Club members gathered at the auditorium, adding their blessings and heartfelt congratulations to the newlyweds, making the celebration truly memorable.





The 22nd of December 2024 marked a memorable day for the members of the Rotary Club of Pilathara as they gathered at the newly built residence of Rtn. PHF Er. Kunhircaman E to celebrate two joyous occasions—his housewarming and his 80th birthday. The club members joined Rtn. Kunhircaman and his family, sharing in the happiness and creating lasting memories on this special day.

Adding to the celebrations, a family gathering was organized at the Rotary Pilathara Club on 31st December. The joyous milestones of Rtn. Kunhircaman's family were honored with a cake-cutting ceremony. The gathering also included an early celebration of his wedding anniversary, which falls in January, with all members cheering and extending their heartfelt wishes to the couple.

Magie Moments



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We meet every Wednesday evening 7pm to 8pm at
Pilathara Pearl, Arathil, the Home of Rotarians in Pilathara.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE SAMAGAMAM
2024-25
RI District 3204

CONFERENCE EVE
24th January 2025
Evening @ Bekal Club, Kanhangad

CONFERENCE
25 & 26 January 2025
Palladium Convention Centre, Kanhangad

RYLA
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

A DAY OF EDUTAINMENT

Avin. Beena Paul
President, Rotary Club of Pilathara
Secretary, Rotary Club of Pilathara

Rtn. CK Parushothaman
President

Rtn. Sunil Kottarathil
Secretary

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Rtn. Dr. VG Nayanar
President, Rotary Club of Pilathara

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MATHAMANGALAM TOWN BEAUTIFICATION PROJECT

DECEMBER 2024 | At Mathamangalam

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President

Rtn. MPHF MC Shaji
Project Chair

Rtn. Sunil Kottarathil
Secretary

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for the exemplary professional achievement
and highest ethical standards.

24-January-2025

Rtn. CK Parushothaman
President

Rtn. Sunil Kottarathil
Secretary

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A Session for High School Students

2025 ജനുവരി 7

Pariyaram Public School
2:30 PM

Rtn. CK Parushothaman
President

Rtn. Sunil Kottarathil
Secretary

Faculty Sreekala P
Psychologist and
Guidance Specialist

INAUGURAL MEETING OF Interact
GBVHSS Madayi

30 JAN 2025 Thursday, Morning 10:30
GBVHSS, MADAYI

President
 Secretary

Rtn. CK Parushothaman
President

Rtn. Sunil Kottarathil
Secretary

Forthcoming Programs



Rtn. Purushothaman CK
President



Rtn. Sunil Kottarathil
Secretary