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Program Today

26.11.2020

**DEEPAVALI
NIGHT**

Annns Invited

RI PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - DECEMBER 2020



As I look back on 2020, I reflect on how our lives have changed. The global COVID-19 pandemic brought pain and loss to many of us. And for almost all of us, our daily lives, family time, and work also changed this year. But we've made it to the end of this difficult year, not on our own but by reaching out to one another, as we always do in Rotary. With each passing year, I become prouder of our organization.

I will choose to remember 2020 as a year of great change and strength for us; Rotary didn't stop, despite the pandemic. We removed obstacles, found new ways to connect, and embraced new approaches to service, such as online projects and virtual fundraising. I have invited two Rotarians to share their stories about how Rotary grew stronger this year.

When the pandemic shut everything down, our emerging e-club was already providing digital service, including internationally. Fourteen U.S. women and I, members of multiple Rotary clubs, were using WhatsApp to mentor women entrepreneurs in rural Costa Rica,



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helping them to grow their ecotourism business, RETUS Tours [the subject of the magazine's May cover story, "Nature & Nurture"]. The project has grown, with 30 Rotarians now providing consulting and help with the RETUS website and social media. Most importantly, we continue building relationships and empowering these women to transform their own lives, and we are doing it online. I've even helped one of the women, Rosa, prepare a presentation in English for an online international conference. While our engagement with the Costa Rican women still requires some hands-on activity, the most transformative impacts haven't had to be in person.


— Liza Larson, Rotary E-Club Engage and Rotary Club of Plano East, Texas


I was president of my club when COVID-19 hit, and many members didn't yet have Zoom. Only 10 of our 53 members participated in the first Zoom meeting during the pandemic. I thought that reaching out and getting guest speakers from around the world to engage our members would help. Many Rotary leaders, a Rotary Peace Fellow, and even RI President Holger Knaack visited virtually and spoke to our club. Meeting attendance improved, while we reduced running costs by cutting out meals. Some members who worked outside our city and had missed our meetings even rejoined us. Registering our online meetings on My Rotary enhanced contacts with clubs across the world, and the joint meeting addressed by Holger attracted more than 300 visitors. We also raised more funds as members and visitors contributed to our projects. To continue being flexible for all, we are now offering hybrid meetings. For me, 2020 has been the best year in Rotary as I've made many new friends.

— Blessing Michael, Rotary Club of Port Harcourt North, Nigeria



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These stories should give us all reasons to be optimistic about Rotary in the year ahead. We are not just surviving; we are gaining strength. We are discovering how resilient our organization truly is. We are seeing for ourselves how Rotary Opens Opportunities - even during pandemics - to grow, connect, and engage our members and the communities we serve.

From our home in Ratzeburg to yours, Susanne and I would like to bid you and your family the warmest of season's greetings. We can't wait to see the good things that 2021 will bring.

Holger Knaack
President 2020-21

(Source: Rotary International)

CLUB ACTIVITIES

'Teachers Softskill Enrichment Programme'

At Chinmaya High School – Kadri, Mangalore on 20th November '2020



A Teachers Soft skill enrichment programme was conducted in association with CASK (Catholic Association of South Kanara) at Chinmaya High School – Kadri, Mangalore on 20th November '2020. It was a full day programme helping the teachers to develop soft skill to handle today's young generation including topics covering Personal Financial Management and Suicide Prevention & Counselling.



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President Rtn. Mj.Dn. Archibald Menezes Inaugurated the program and explained the service activities conducted by Rotary Club of Mangalore. Capt. Vincent Pais, President – CASK was the Guest of Honour. Ms. Patsy Lobo Initiated the program with an ice breaker there by giving the outline of the day's activities. Ms. Patsy Lobo, Sr. Coordinator, The Teacher Foundation & Soft Skills Trainer conducted the session on 'Collective Mindfulness'. President Rtn. Archibald Menezes conducted the session on 'Personal Financial Management giving the importance of personal financial planning and ways of managing the personal finance. A discussion was held on 'New Education Policy (NEP) 2020'. Dr. Derek Lobo, Retd. Regional adviser for South East Asia, United Nations – WHO, was the moderator. Outlines of NEP 2020 were discussed narrating the changes to the existing education system. Re-Inventing the teacher in me, the reflection of a teacher narrating the problems faced in classes with the New Gen Kids and the solutions adopted was shared by Mr. Manoj Fernandes, Lecturer St. Aloysius College, Mangalore. A session on 'Role of Teachers in Suicide Prevention' was taken up by Mrs. Usha Rao, Edu –Consultant, Former Principal Presidency School and Co -Founder of Arunima. A session on 'Impactful Communication & Public Speaking' was conducted by Mrs Bharathi Shevgoor –Past President, Advanced Port Town Toastmasters Club. An activity based programme gave the teachers the ways to follow to deliver an impactful communication.

Rtn. M. Sanjeeva Poojary, Chairman TEACH Committee RCM and Rtn R.K Bhat – Director Community Service Rotary Club of Mangalore organized the programme. Mrs Purnima Bhat, Principal Chinmaya High school thanked all the speakers and appreciated the programme which helped the teachers immensely.

(Reported by Rtn. PHF Raghavendra K Bhat, Community Service Director)

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SKILLS BEYOND EDUCATION

by Rtn. Capt. Preetham Madhukar

President Rtn. Archibald called the meeting to order with an invocation by Rtn. Ajith Kamath. With a brief introduction he extended a warm welcome to the chief guest of the evening Rtn. Capt. Preetham Madhukar as well as to the members, anns and guests who were present for our online meeting. He then wished members celebrating their anniversaries and birthdays during the week.



President Rtn. Archibald introduced the chief guest of the evening Rtn. Capt. Preetham Madhukar. Capt. Preetham is a Trustee of Varuna Foundation and Director of Skills Beyond Education. He is also a member of Rotary Club of R.T. Nagar Bangalore since 2008. He founded “Skills Beyond Education” programme in 2016. Capt. Preetham has designed, developed and curated the Apprentice Education Program, Will Boot Camp, Apprentice Boot camp, star gazing camp and many others. The learning programme uses varied tools and techniques for adolescents and adults, to cultivate their inner strength by engaging them in meaningful and empowering processes and projects. He started his talk by explaining what night sky gazing is. It is an activity which enhances imagination. He said that children today are disconnected from the reality and boxed into class rooms. Education today has become merely a ritualistic process



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of accumulating qualifications or certificates. He also spoke about the challenges in teaching the new generation kids. Lack of teaching autonomy, support, motivation, trust are some of the challenges faced by the teachers today. What do we need to build in youth today? Grit, Focus, follow-through, persistence, will power, habits courage, keeping our word, inner strength are some things that the youth today have to develop. He then showed us some of the programs that they conduct in Skills Beyond Education. Rtn. Siddarth Shetty rendered the vote of thanks and the meeting was adjourned.

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ROTARY WORLD HEADQUARTERS LOCATIONS

Some former locations are still commercial or office space, while others have been converted to private residences.

- 1910** : Chesley R. Perry's office, LaSalle Street, Chicago
- 1911** : First National Bank Building, South Dearborn Street and Monroe Street, Chicago (now demolished)
- 1913** : Fort Dearborn Building, South Clark Street and Monroe Street, Chicago (now demolished)
- 1914** : Karpen Building, South Michigan Avenue, Chicago
- 1923** : Atwell Building, Cullerton Street and Prairie Avenue, Chicago
- 1928** : Chicago Evening Post Building, West Wacker Drive near Wells Street, Chicago
- 1934** : Jewelers' Building (previously the Pure Oil Building), East Wacker Drive, Chicago
- 1954** : Ridge Avenue, Evanston
- 1987** : One Rotary Center, Sherman Avenue, Evanston

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Birthday Greetings



Rtn. Dr. Sadanand Poojary
21st November



Rtn PHF Maroor Shashidhar Pai
23rd November



Rtn Dr Karthikeya V. Uchil
24th November

Anniversary Greetings

Rtn. Deepak Ramani & Ann Varsha - 20th November

Rtn. Gopinath P.A. & Ann Bambina - 23rd November

Rtn. Raghavendra K. Bhat & Ann Sheila - 26th November

Rtn. Abhijit V. Shet & Ann Sarika - 26th November

Club Pulse

19.11.2020

Club Strength	98
Present	47
Absent	51
Percentage	48%
% After Make-up	
12.11.2020	49%
05.11.2020	51%

Weekly Meeting

Thursday
At 7.00 PM
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Program Next Week

03.12.2020
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2021-22
Anns Invited

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