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Program Today

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Rotary
Navachethana
School -
Our Dreams and
Aspirations
By
Rtn. Kalbavi
Prakash Rao

RI President’s Message - January 2021



January is finally here. As we look forward to 2021, our thinking doesn’t have to stop at the end of these 365 days. Are you thinking ahead about what you will be doing in 2022, 2023, and beyond?

We cannot foresee the future, but we can steer ourselves where we want to go. I think it is important that every Rotary club hold a strategic meeting at least once a year. Past RI Director Greg Yank, who has a lot of experience working with clubs on their plans, shares his viewpoint.

A famous aphorism states, “By failing to prepare, you are preparing to fail.” Planning is essential to achieving success in all areas of life, including Rotary, and we’re getting better at it every year.

Strategic planning for Rotary clubs works. I have helped many clubs find that pathway by working with them to build what I call a blueprint, a multiyear plan that answers the fundamental question: “What is our vision for our club?” The best plans I have seen are those that are focused, when a club concentrates its resources on the




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best opportunities it has. Your Rotary club cannot be all things to its members and to the community it serves; it has limited human, financial, and time resources. A successful plan factors in assets and limitations to chart the desired pathway for your members.

Begin building a multiyear strategic plan by brainstorming with your club, asking, “What are our initiatives and priorities for the next two to three years?” Document your answers using action-oriented language that is specific, concrete, and measurable about the goals you want to achieve.

Next, narrow down your initiatives to a core set of three to five priorities. Your club will then develop specific objectives for each initiative, outlining who will be involved, key milestones of achievement, how progress will be tracked, and a timeline for completion. Keep your plan short and simple.

Then go out and do it. Review the progress you make toward accomplishing the initiatives, and revise as needed at least once a year. Rotary has a solid template to assist clubs in their planning, which you can find at my.rotary.org/en/document/strategic-planning-guide.

We want to enrich and enliven our clubs with new discussions and ideas. But how do we attract the diverse professionals, from different backgrounds, ages, and experiences, who are all driven by as strong a sense of integrity as we are?

Through strategic planning, we explore this question to define the very nature of our club and the value it offers to its members and to the community. Each club is different, and each club’s value will be unique. During the planning process, clubs may also find that some of



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the activities they used to do are no longer relevant or attractive.

Once your club makes a strategic plan, it's time to take action and carry out the necessary changes. When we do that — as we engage members in vibrant and active clubs that not only have fun but also serve their communities with projects that have real and lasting impact — our clubs grow stronger. And when we discover what makes our own clubs unique and build upon those core values in all our efforts, Rotary Opens Opportunities to enrich the lives of everyone.

Holger Knaack
President 2020-21

Source: Rotary International
Courtesy: eFlash_Rotary Kalamassery

Trustee chair's message - January 2021



Having grown up amid lush green forests in the mountainous landscape of Sri Lanka, I always recall the words of the great poet Rabindranath Tagore: “Trees are the earth’s endless effort to speak to the listening heaven.”



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How sad that so often we humans insist on interrupting this conversation.

Just like every other living thing, we are a part of nature. But we are also the only species that bears the responsibility of protecting the environment for future generations. The coronavirus pandemic has shed light as nothing has before on the relationship between environmental degradation and threats to public health.

A few years ago, the government-owned electricity company in my country planned to build a second coal power plant, in eastern Sri Lanka. It would suck 93 million liters of water per hour from a bay where fragile ecosystems meet the deep sea, the site of one of the largest spawning grounds for sperm whales in the world. After processing, those 93 million liters per hour would be dumped into the ocean, now loaded with toxic chemicals that put that marine life at great risk.

Learning from the lessons of the damage caused by the first plant, a coalition formed, made up of many public advocates, including Rotarians. They ran a campaign that alerted the media, the public, and the local community to the potential dangers, in addition to taking legal action. The government eventually abandoned its coal plant idea after the resulting public outcry.

We can truly move mountains when we come together.

When some of us moved to add the environment as Rotary's newest cause, we did so because of the urgency of the problem. In 1990-91, RI President Paulo V.C. Costa set forth a vision, and today we will take this work to the next level. We live in a time of great stress on our environment, of rapidly rising sea levels, massive storms, disappearing rain forests and wildlife, and destructive forest fires. Climate change touches us all, rich and poor.

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We will face the challenge strategically, as with the other areas of focus. In fact, the six other areas of focus depend on this one. For what good is it to fight disease if our polluted environment causes us to become sick again?

The Rotary Foundation will be central to this work. More than \$18 million has gone toward environment-related global grants in the past five years. Building upon this work to protect the environment, we will give yet another Rotary gift to future generations. And you can be a part of it today.

K.R. Ravindran

Trustee Chair 2020-21

Source: Rotary International

Courtesy: eFlash_Rotary Kalamassery

Club Diary 17.12.2020

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION



The meeting began with an invocation rendered by Rtn. Isaac Vas. President Rtn. Archibald informed the members about the untimely demise of Mrs. Sonia Karia, wife of our past member Mr. Jayesh Karia. Mrs. Sonia was an active member of the Anns club and took part in various events organized by Rotary and Anns club. On

behalf of our club he extended condolence to Jayesh Karia and his family and a minute's silence was observed to pray for the departed soul.


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With a brief introduction of the chief guest he extended a warm welcome to Rev. Fr. Melwin Pinto S.J. and to all the members present for the meeting. Members celebrating their anniversaries and birthdays during the week were wished. He informed the members that the following 3 projects were scheduled to completed by the end of this month,

1. Walking support to a little girl child. The cost is Rs. 20,000.00 and the entire amount was covered by donations from members of our club.
2. Drinking water unit to Rotary Navachethana School. The cost is approximately Rs. 28,000.00 and Canara Bank donated Rs. 26,500.00 out of this and the balance will be paid from our community services funds.
3. Teachers soft skill development Program as a part of the Rotary TEACH initiative. It will be held in the 4th week of December at Canara CBSE in association with Catholic association of South Canara. It will be a full day program

Two more projects are expected to be implemented by end of January.

1. Donation of Dialysis Machine to Dialysis Unit of Govt. Wenlock Hospital at a cost of approximately Rs. 5.6 lakhs. This is a part of the Rotary Health Curative initiative
2. E-learning facility at Rotary Navachethana School. It will be our District Grant Project a part of the Rotary TEACH initiative Program.

Rtn. Vinod Dsouza introduced the Chief Guest of the evening Rev. Fr. Melwin Pinto S.J. He is the Rector, St. Aloysius College Institutions. He was invited by our President to give the Christmas Message to our members. In his Christmas message to the Rotarians gathered, Fr. Melwin said that Christmas is a time for people to give and share, not only materialistic things but more than that kindness and happiness. Christmas is beyond the perceived commercial practices of Christmas Trees and Santa Clause. Being kind to each other and caring for others, will truly reflect the real spirit of Christmas. He wished all



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Rotarians a Merry Christmas, best complements of the season and a wonderful and blessed New Year 2021. Rtn. Naveen delivered the vote of thanks and the meeting was adjourned for fellowship and dinner.

Reported by President Rtn. Archibald Menezes

Birthday Greetings



Rtn. Dr. Kishore Shetty
18th December

Anniversary Greetings

Rtn. PHF Maroor Shashidhar Pai
&
Ann Vani Pai
19th December
Rtn. M.N. Kamath
&
Ann Geetha Kamath
21st December
Rtn. Dr. Siddarth Shetty
&
Ann Lakshmi Shetty
24th December

Club Pulse

17.12.2020

Club Strength 98
Present 56
Absent 42
Percentage 57%
% After Make-up
10.12.2020 55%
03.12.2020 64%

Weekly Meeting

Thursday
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Program Next Week

31.12.2020

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