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Literacy is a human right

One of Rotary International's primary focus areas is literacy and basic education, with the goal of reducing gender gaps in education and enhancing communities' capacity to support these areas. Rotary has declared September to be Basic Education and Literacy Month in an effort to increase awareness and motivate action, encouraging Rotarians to get involved in projects and initiatives.

Over 775 million adults aged 15 and older lack literacy. That represents 17% of the adult population worldwide.

Our objectives are to enhance adult literacy, decrease gender gaps in education, and improve communities' ability to support literacy and basic education. We are in favor of literacy for both adults and children, as well as education for all youngsters.

Rotary members make amazing things happen, like: Opening schools, Teaching adults to read, New teaching methods, Making schools healthy, Enhancing educational systems.

By making a commitment to literacy that endures, let's Unite for Good. Let's envision a society in which all children acquire literacy skills. Let's then collaborate as action-oriented individuals to turn that dream into a reality. By working together, we can transform lives, beginning with the transformative power of education. We Unite for Good together.

People who learn to read stay that way for the rest of their lives. One by one, it spreads throughout the neighborhood.

Editor's Desk

We have entered the realm of possibilities that lies ahead of us. Let us honor the Rotary spirit and the unifying force of service. "Unite for Good," our RI president's motto, serves both a reminder and a challenge. For almost 125 years, Rotarians have been working together to eradicate polio and improve the lives of innumerable people in communities all over the world. Participate in our communities and assist others as best we can. To provide hope to our neighborhoods, our club, and the lives of the underprivileged, we must remain united. I hope you will have an amazing month.

TLN Murthy, Editor

President's Voice

The Club participated in a sizable number of events and programs in August. successfully coordinated mother and child care programs in six urban primary health centers and six elementary schools. Allow me to assist you in bringing vitality to our club through your involvement. We should all approach our work as though the best is still to come. Donating money is insufficient; you must also invest your time and energy into Rotary events.

Vijay Kumar Agarwal, President



Due to international efforts to eradicate polio, the disease is now much less common; just two nations—Afghanistan and Pakistan—retain endemic wild poliovirus. Even though there has been a 99.9% decrease in infections since 1988, End Polio states that continued vaccination programs and surveillance are essential to preventing recurrence and achieving worldwide eradication.

During all of your happy moments, friends generously donate at your request and join the global movement. Your generosity is a result of reaping several rewards.



"Rotary was the first to envision a world without polio - and today, we have the tools and knowledge to make that vision a reality," -Bill Gates, Chair of the Gates Foundation.

The news came at the annual Rotary International Convention in Calgary that Rotary and the Gates Foundation are renewing their longstanding partnership to #endpolio, through a joint commitment of up to \$450 million (£332 million) to support the continuing polio eradication effort worldwide





THE FOUR ORIGINAL ROTARIANS

The initial philosophy of Rota

Founded by Paul Harris in 1905, balancing community service and professional networking. · Aims to foster stronger business ethics and responsibility through social friendly

- relationships. · Prioritizes service over profit, aiming to
- improve life in cities. · The concept of "Service Above Self" was not yet formalized.
- Weekly meetings promote mutual understanding and ethical business exchanges.



When we Unite for Good, we bring about lasting change not only around the world, but in ourselves. Our presence, our commitments, and our friendships matter. We build communities that care. And as we support and sustain one another, we grow in the process.

This year, inviting all to have conversations about the kind of culture and experience we want to create, and experiment with new ideas and creative ways to deepen engagement in our club.

Club banners



One of Rotary's most vibrant traditions is the exchange of club banners. These decorative banners, often displayed at meetings and district events, are carried by Rotarians traveling abroad to exchange with other clubs.. The Rotary archives now hold around 20,000 banners, each one reflecting a club's local pride and the strong global ties of the Rotary organization.

This exchange practice remains a cherished symbol of unity and mutual respect.

CPR, or cardiopulmonary resuscitation- Training Program





is an emergency procedure used when someone's heart and breathing have stopped. It combines chest compressions and rescue breaths to circulate blood and oxygen to the body, potentially saving a life until professional medical help arrives. Key aspects of CPR:

- Emergency Procedure: CPR is performed when someone is unresponsive, not breathing, or has no pulse.
- Chest Compressions: These are crucial for maintaining blood flow to vital organs.
- Rescue Breathing: This provides oxygen to the lungs, supplementing the circulation from
- Goal: To keep blood and oxygen circulating until professional help can restore normal heart and breathing function.
- Who Can Learn: CPR can be learned by anyone, and is recommended for use in emergencies.
- Importance of Early Action: Prompt CPR significantly increases the chances of survival following cardiac arrest.

One of our District
Governor Dr. Kalayan
Chakravarthy's main
initiatives to make
everyone a lifesaver is this
training program. In
particular, by training the
students in schools and
colleges

Here are the key approvals:

I. Increase in Membership Dues - • US\$3.50 in 2026-27 • US\$3.75 in both 2027-28 and 2028-29

2. Minimum Membership for New Clubs Reduced from 20 to 15

3. Proposal for Age Limit in Rotaract Rejected, Rotaract remains open to all age groups,

4. Proposal to Limit Honorary Members Rejected- Clubs will retain flexibility
in granting memberships

5. Flexible Club Meetings: Clubs can now hold meetings in physical, virtual, or
hybrid formats, enhancing convenience and participation.

6. Diverse Membership Types Approved such as Associate, Corporate, or Family memberships
to cater to evolving needs.

These progressive changes reaffirm that Rotary is a dynamic organization that adapts with time while staying rooted in its values. Let us embrace
these transformations with enthusiasm and continue to serve with purpose









From a dump yard to a green paradise
The Milyavald Eco Tourism Park, developed by the Rotary Club of Pondicherry Beach Town, RID 2981, is fast becoming a green jewel in the heart of Poulucherry (Pondicherry). South India. What was once a sprowling \$5,000sqt dump yard in the without without without without without vibrant urban forest and eco-park, Government of Puducherry have partnered with the club.



A US\$2 million Rotary Programs of Scale grant to build peace in Colombia was announced at the 2025 Rotary International Convention' in Calgary. The grant will fund a program that fasters people's ability to resolve conflicts peacefully and equips local leaders with tools for economic self-reliance. It's the fifth Programs of Scale grant Rotary has awarded.



Every dollar Rotary commits to end polio will be tripled BY a matching agreement with the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation (up to US\$50 million a year).







Triple Your *Impact*



US \$75 Total Contribution



Vaccine Carriers

Club Matters in August

Meetings







fellowship



Appointments, Appreciations and Awards











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