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C H A N G I N G L I V E S

Changing Lives

Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change across communities and ourselves. Tackling the problems of society in many different ways, many different levels with many people involved to champion peace, fight illiteracy and poverty, promote clean water and sanitation, build homes and fight disease with passion, integrity, and intelligence into completing projects that have a lasting impact. We persevere until we deliver real, lasting solutions.





My Dear Texcity Family,

To begin with, I am extremely honoured and grateful to serve as the President of our beloved Rotary Club of Texcity, especially in a year like 2021, that has proved to be one of the most challenging of times. By accepting presidency of the club, I feel like a cosmic door of endless opportunities and possibilities has opened for me and our team to provide service and inspire our community. There is a saying that goes, "Individually we are one drop, but together we are an ocean" and I believe Rotary is an ocean of persistence, philanthropy, compassion, generosity and most importantly love and kindness.

Our motto this year is "Serve to Change Lives." The Rotary Club has always dedicated itself to make a difference in our community and bring about righteous change. We will be undertaking some interesting and helpful projects this year in order to fulfil our goal. To name a few, we will be kick starting the year with one of our signature projects, 'EYE SERVE' in a commemorative manner. We will also be focusing on the installation of oxygen generators, as it is one of the principal struggles we are facing today.

Accompanied by our pet project of constructing affordable housing for the tribals. Along with it, we will be organising a Covid Vaccination drive for the tribal and rural folk in and around Anaikatti area. Furthermore, we are taking up 'The Lovely Planet' project in which we will be doing significant work related to the earth, water and its people.

As aforementioned, we are and will be tackled by distinctive and unprecedented situations. However as dedicated Rotarians I believe that we will strive to rise to the occasion and view these unexpected obstacles as opportunities in disguise and use it as a stepping stone to prove to ourselves and the community that even in these difficult times we can provide help and bring about change for the better. Let's raise our voices for the voiceless and be the positive change in our community!

Rtn. Dr. Z MOHAMED IRFAN President

My Dear Texticians,

Warm greetings from your new Editor!

We have just gone through an entire "Virtual" Rotary year. Fellowship, which is the fulcrum that Rotary rests on was missing in its physical form. We did not meet and greet each other with a handshake or a hug on a fixed day every week. (Wednesday evenings are not quite the same without getting into the car and driving to Texcity hall, isn't it?) So, how can we make up for this? This being physically far apart and missing the camaraderie? One way could be to mark the calendar to log in for our regular meets online so we could say hello to our friends in Rotary and exchange stories. Another is to reach out to high achieving friends or family and invite them as guest speakers since distance is not a problem on the online platform. Do keep your Wednesday evening free to log in.



A civilised society is supposed to provide opportunities to everyone to make the most of their abilities. If one is ready to work hard and can improve a situation, the system should help to push that individual to the top. There is a term for this - 'capitalisation'. Capitalisation rate is the percentage of people in any group who are able to reach their potential. And this rate is one of the single best ways to judge how successful we are. So as a club are we good at capitalisation? Have we created an atmosphere where every member can reach his or her potential for the club? If not we all need to strive to create such an atmosphere, don't you think so?

We are members of the club based on our vocations. We have been 'lent' a classification based on what we do. I would like all of you to look through a different prism and see what is your classification? Here is the prism, a poem.

*Some members keep our Rotary strong
And others join, just to belong
Some come in and serve with pride
While some come along just for the ride
Some are happy to do their share
And some refuse and just don't care
At weekly meetings, some always show
And others, just refuse to go
Some work and build and serve with mind
Whilst others just don't care and lag behind
Some strive hard to build the show
And others never help the organisation grow
Some drag, some pull, some don't, some do.
Consider which of these are you?*

This is your Editor signing off saying that I'd love to get feedback and suggestions from you. Do contribute your ideas and articles to Texcity Times.

RTN. RAMESH NICHANI Secretary

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DG'S PRIORITIES



I am sure your club will perform in an excellent manner in all avenues of service towards the success of our District Priorities – "OUR LOVELY PLANET" with particular attention to Projects in Earth, Water and People.

Rtn. Rajasekhar Srinivasan,
District Governor



Earth

Soil Matter

Happy Farmer

- ♦ Farming Equipment to farmers
- ♦ Creating Finances and Subsidies (OR)
- ♦ Corporate Sponsors for buying (OR) for providing farming equipment to eligible farmers.

Till Tale

Support For

- ♦ Enriching Soil
- ♦ Bio Fertilizers
- ♦ Crop Rotation
- ♦ Providing Farming Tools

Out in the garden

Terrace Garden in

- ♦ Homes
- ♦ School Buildings
- ♦ Companies
- ♦ Workshops
- ♦ Offices

I Dig This

- ♦ Creating Home Compost
- ♦ Creating Compost out of Waste generated by offices

Yards

- ♦ Creating Sorting Area
- ♦ Drying Yard

Crop Crop

Tuck in the truck

- ♦ Enabling transport and logistics of Agricultural Produce
- ♦ Direct Financial Assistance
- ♦ Financial Assistance through banks
- ♦ Support for small time vendors

Chill & Store

- ♦ Cold Storage
- ♦ Meat and Eat

Organic Fair

- ♦ Seeds for farmers

Farm Studd

- ♦ Jointly Setting up model farms

Golden Harvest

Crop of the Season

- ♦ Marketing Farmer's produce
- ♦ Awards and Recognition for the best crop
- ♦ Creating Herbal Gardens
- ♦ Creating Terrace Gardens

Double Dhamaka

- ♦ Marketing Floriculture and Agriculture
- ♦ Enabling Soil Research
- ♦ Agriculture
- ♦ Seed balls for forests and barren land

Enrich Lives

Sprouts

- ♦ Helping children learn about agriculture through syllabus.
- ♦ Farm Visits for School Children

Rotary Bazaar

For Farmers

Letters to farmers on Agri Information

- ♦ Info about Agricultural Schemes and Innovation

Seminar

- ♦ Seminar on Agriculture

Water

Thirsty Tribe

- ♦ Water for tribal settlement
- ♦ Water for Children
- ♦ Water at public places

Rainy Day

- ♦ Umbrella/Raincoat Distribution
- ♦ Shelter at Bus Stand

Sure Shores

- ♦ Check Dams
- ♦ Ponds
- ♦ Desilting

Aqua Mind

- ♦ Water Seminar
- ♦ Rally for Potable Water
- ♦ School Syllabus on water

People

Cheer

- ♦ Child Wish
- ♦ Special Children

Life Skill

- ♦ Vocation Center

Health

- ♦ Medical Camp
- ♦ Cancer Cure Awareness
- ♦ Dental Awareness
- ♦ Holistic Healing Awareness

Education

- ♦ Scholarships
- ♦ Infrastructure

Goodness

- ♦ Program Ethics
- ♦ Program Etiquette

DISTRICT GOALS



- 07 New Rotary Clubs
- 70 New Rotaract & Interact Clubs
- 700 Rotary Community corps
- 7K Rotarians
- 70K Youth Support
- 7L Farmers Support
- 7Cr. Contribution to the Annual program Fund of the Rotary Foundation

Board Members



Rtn. Dr. Z Mohamed Irfan - President - *Sincere to a fault, only success can make him halt.*



Rtn. Dr. V Raveendran - Immediate Past President - *A man who is now breathing a sigh of relief, have to admit, was one great chief.*



Rtn. C R Vijay - President Elect 2022-23 - *A dealer in steel will always give you a fair deal.*



Rtn. Mohamed Shafi - Secretary - *Builder of many a villa will help you build your Antilia.*



Rtn. Rajesh Jagadeesan - Treasurer - *In the areas of creativity, many would struggle to match his ability.*



Rtn. Prasanna K - Vice President - *Writer of software, makes sure you always get your fair share.*



Rtn. Vinod Kumar - Joint Secretary - *A man of action not just of words, is a father of two sweet girls.*



Rtn. Suresh S Lund - Sergeant at Arms - Sr - *A lover of all kinds of sport, would always love to be on a court.*



Rtn. Senthil Kumar Mylsamy - Sergeant at Arms - Jr - *A man with a simple style, has always on his face a smile.*



Rtn. Brijesh KP - Director - Club Service / Bylaws - *A man who loves to build brands, makes sure his clients business expands.*



Rtn. Aravintha Kumaran - Director - Service Project - *Man with many a layer, but always a team player.*



Rtn. Menaka Vairavan - Director - Public Image - *She will only think of retirement, when she is sure that she's done everything for the environment.*



Rtn. Jude Alex - Director - Membership Development - *A man dealing in realty, is always high on practicality.*



Rtn. Ramesh Ponnuswamy - Chairman - Community Service - *A man who makes his living by selling milk, any organisation would be richer with people of his ilk.*



Rtn. Prakash Jacob - Chairman - Vocational Service - *A man in the business of finance, is equally adept at romance.*



Rtn. Dr. Suresh Damodharan - Chairman - International Service - *A doctor of hormones, will do anything to keep you out of danger zones.*



Rtn. Kamal Kumar - Chairman - TRF - *The man who always gives precedence, to the pursuit of excellence.*



Rtn. An Nagarajan - Our Lovely Planet - *A man who believes that for India to be a superpower, one must strive to empower.*



Rtn. Illangovan - Our Lovely Planet - WATER - *For the downtrodden he is a warrior, cause by profession he is a lawyer.*



Rtn. Dr. Nanjan Balu - Our Lovely Planet - PEOPLE - *Always seen as a leader, is and fondly referred as the professor.*



Rtn. R S Maruti - Chairman - Eye Serve - *A man with many leadership skills, humanitarian projects give him big thrills.*



Rtn. Senthil Kumar - Chairman - TPL - *Great at most sports, believes in action more than writing reports.*



Rtn. Ramesh Nichani - Editor - Texcity Times - *His favourite method for letting off steam, is to make a meme.*



Rtn. Jose Abraham - Managing Trustee - Texcity Trust - *A man who makes his living dealing in stocks, is always ready to help you overcome any blocks.*



Ann. Latha Babu - Chairperson - Anns Club - *Even though she is on the better side of forty, she is always sporty.*



Annet. Danush B - Chairman - Annettes Club - *Lover of a sporty car, is on his way to become a superstar.*

One Minute Wisdom

The disciple couldn't wait to tell the master the rumour he had heard in the marketplace. "Wait a minute," said the Master. "What you plan to tell us, Is it true?" "I don't think it is." "Is it useful?" "No, it isn't." "Is it funny?" "No." "Then why should we be hearing it?"

THE ABC OF ROTARY

Rotary is a university by itself. In this monthly column we shall try to bring some of the various facets to the fore one alphabet at a time. This month we are going with the letter F



Friendship exchange

Experience different cultures and build international friendships through Rotary Friendship Exchange

What is Friendship Exchange?

Friendship Exchange is an international exchange program for Rotary members and friends that allows participants to take turns hosting one another in their homes and clubs.

Participants may travel as individuals, couples, families, or groups, and may be Rotary members or not.

Benefits of an exchange

- Broaden international understanding

- Explore a profession or job in a different context

- Build enduring friendships

- Establish a foundation for peace and service

- Gain opportunities for active project involvement and support

- Learn about a region's people, food, languages, customs, and history

- Find partners for grants

- Choose a destination

- Explore our Exchange Finder Map to view current exchange locations and the districts that serve them. Connect with the district's Rotary Friendship Exchange chair for help finding potential international hosts and planning your itinerary.

Foundation

The Rotary Foundation transforms your gifts into service projects that change lives both close to home and around the world.

Since it was founded more than 100 years ago, the Foundation has spent more than \$4 billion on life-changing, sustainable projects.

With your help, we can make lives better in your community and around the world.

Define your purpose

Friendship exchanges are organized around at least one of three themes: culture, service, and vocation.

Fund your exchange

All exchanges are paid for by the participants or their districts. Hosts are not expected to assume a significant financial burden. Club or district funds may be available to offset the costs of exchanges that have a vocational emphasis.

Fellowships

Rotary Fellowships are international groups that share a common passion. Being part of a fellowship is a fun way to make friends around the world, explore a hobby or profession, and enhance your Rotary experience.

How do I join a fellowship?

Membership in a fellowship is open to any interested individual.

How do I form a fellowship?

- Read the Guide for Prospective Rotary Fellowships.

- Find others interested in the topic:

- Join a discussion group or start a new one. It's a great way to share your interest with other members.

- Use Rotary's presence on Facebook, Twitter, and LinkedIn to promote your idea.

- Attend the Rotary International Convention or other Rotary events.

- Reach out to district leadership in other countries to build membership.

PETS

PETS (President Elect Training Seminar) is one of the most important programmes leading into a new Rotary year. It's at this seminar which is exclusive for the incoming Presidents and secretaries where the incoming District Governor along with his District trainer and office bearers lay out their plans and goals for the year. It is also an attempt to motivate and train the Presidents and secretaries to achieve the Rotary goals for the year.

This time around the PETS was held at Sterling resorts, Fernhill, Ooty, from 16th to 18th of April.

PETS 2021 was a fun filled, big learning event with both fun and learning neatly packaged. There was a theme night, where all the participants were dressed as royals from Rajasthan with colourful turbans and another night for them to display their talent. This was an exercise to enhance the camaraderie between the Presidents and Secretaries and to give a feel of all belonging to one big Happy family.

The participants had their outings too. A trip to Emerald Lake and an outdoor football game in between some serious sessions on Membership Development, The Rotary Foundation and Strategic Planning Goals. There were sessions about the reporting mechanisms and criteria. On another day they had sessions on Image of Rotary, how to conduct meetings effectively and on the various avenues of service. The sessions were interactive well-planned ones with knowledgeable and experienced Rotarians heading them.

The participants were also introduced to Yoga and aerobics, emphasising on the need for good health and fitness being one of the main ingredients for a successful tenure.

The training programme ended with a convocation ceremony to give everyone a feeling of accomplishment.

It was two days well spent with lot of learning and fun and has given the President and Secretary confidence to take up the offices with enthusiasm.





Rtn. Prakash Jacob Maliyil

Family Members

Married to Mary Ann Jacob and Father to two daughters, Melissa Anne Maliyil and Alana Jacob Maliyil

Hobbies and Interest

Physical Training, Squash, Yoga, Music, Current Affairs- Books, Catching up with my Besties and their children

Work Experience

- HDFC – Housing : Relationship Manager
- HDFC – Bank : Relationship Manager
- Price Waterhouse Coopers: Audit and Actuaries
- Dun & Bradstreet : Credit Controller
- Bank Mecu: Liquidity Analyst – Treasury
- Entrepreneurial journey since 2009:
- Managing Director MCPL- Chit Fund Company
- Proprietor: OBTA- A credit service management company
- Partner: Zwork Spaces- A space management company
- Partner: TDIC- The Disinfectant Company

Favourite Memory at Rotary

Socialising at the gully lanes behind Rtn. Dr. Raveendrans home.
Texcity Sports

Where I studied

- Schooled at Carmel Garden Matriculation, Coimbatore
- Graduated BBM at PSG College of Arts and Science
- Post Graduated MBA at GRD Institute of Management
- Post Graduated MFRM at Victoria University Melbourne, Australia

Professional Goal is to build an organisation and employ as many I could. My Life Goal is to retire wealthy, secure my dependants and be a purpose for a lot of lives and the community.

**KNOW
YOUR
MEMBER**



Rtn. Vinodkumar.V



Saro Tex is well established as Yarn Merchant in Coimbatore. We are 4th generation in the business. We supply cotton yarn 20's to 80's.

We manufacture and export cotton carry bags, Reusable 2ply & 3ply cotton mask, Custom designed carry bag.