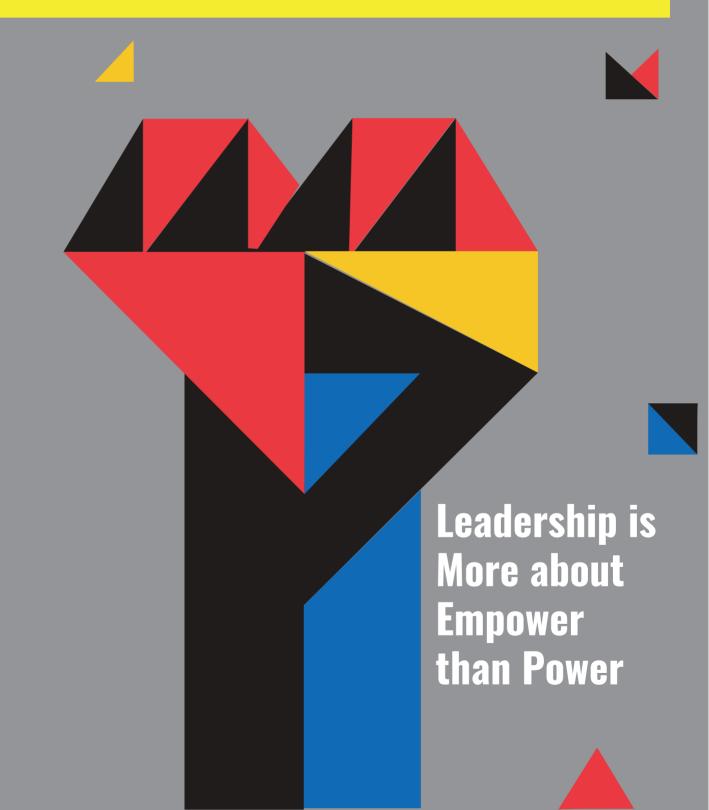
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President's Message



Never Bend your head.
Always hold it high.
Look the world
straight in the eye
– Helen Keller



Editorial

Dear Texcitians

Well, I have the honour of taking over as the president of our Great Texcity Club, during this Covid period by hybrid virtual means on 8th July 2020. Rotarians, never stop for anything, we continue our service – although our methods have changed considerably.

Interestingly, our projects started even before our team of office bearers took charge. Pedal to School – a project where 26 bicycles were donated to the needy in our city, donation of 2 shelter houses & tree planting, were some of the activities that took place on 1st July. Our Covid Booth, worth Rs 1.2 L donated to Somanur Primary Health Centre is really a master piece. This has helped the para medical Covid warriors to a great extent and has proved to be a great barrier to Covid spread. Our fellow Texcitians have taken a lead role in many of these projects. Rtn Mahaveer donated Rs 2.0 L to EEGA foundation for heart surgeries.

Our Speaker meetings, one of them being a joint meet with 5 clubs, along with another speaker meet on World Hepatitis day -28/7/20 with Rotaractors, was well attended and appreciated.

Our first Club assembly, also virtual was very fruitful with approvals for many projects. Our 2- Day long meeting on "Career Guidance & Development ", had a stunning 8800 delegates. On –line Photo Shop Training, has kicked off, and will run on weekly basis for the whole Rotary year.

Ann's share of commitment to Rotary projects like distribution of sanitary kits to in-mates of Karunai-Illam, provisions given to orphanage, Annadhanam, and water tank donation are some worth mentioning. Annetes supported ESI hospital by distribution of 10,000 paper cups. Rotaractors lend their hand by means of "Share it" – goodies to the under-privileged.

A pleasing and satisfactory month has gone by with courtesy from most Rotarians pitching in times of need.

It is our attitude at the beginning of a difficult task which, more than anything else, will affect its successful outcome – William James

" By failing to prepare, you are preparing to fail." Benjamin Franklin

Preparation and planning is absolutely essential for successful work completion. No wars were won, nor budgets planned, nor medals won, nor exams passed, without adequate and systematic planning and preparation. This is an old truth ,yet we need to remind ourselves of it to keep us on the right track.

The effort and time put into planning will reap rich rewards when the job is finally completed. It also adds to the easy flow of work because none of the small details are lost in the process of micro and macro - planning. Last minute preparations lead to loss of vision and perspective and also missing out on important details.

The lockdown authorized by our government, gave the country ample time to study the virus, buy protective gear, procure medicines and get prepared to treat the volume of patients when the Covid infection rate was still low. Without the much needed time bought by the lockdown, the hospitals in our country would have been inundated with covid patients, and the country would not have been able to deal with the grim situation.

The Rotary has adjusted to the new normal situation splendidly. The president and his team have planned many projects and are carrying on their noble tasks with masks and social distancing, without losing sight of the Rotary motto, "service before self". Let all the planning put in by our members bear rich fruit in the service of our community.

INSTALLATION OF TEXCITY TEAM 2020 - 21

The Texcity Club installation was a virtual zoom meeting held on 8th July 2020. It was a well planned event, where the new president and his team formally took office. It was well attended by the Texcity family. The chief guest for the event was Rtn. PDG Dr. Jorson Fernandes. He spoke about how Rotary provides a platform for serving people, especially the poor and the marginalized sections of the society. The monthly club bulletin was also released and the first copy was given away by our GGR Rtn. Ramesh.













Know Your **Secretary**

Rtn. Reji Kurian





The secretary for the current year, Rtn. Reji Kurian,is a dynamic personality with excellent entrepreneurial skills. He has been a Rotarian for the last two decades. A Commerce graduate, he started his career with the ELGI GROUP OF COMPANIES. With a career spanning over twenty-four years, he has held key managerial positions. His areas of specializations are business development, sales and marketing, channel management and key account management. He has travelled extensively in India and abroad for the sake of business development. At present , he is engaged in the distribution of commercial Kitchen equipments of Middleby Celfrost and Voltas.

He is a keen sports lover who loves to travel. He is married to Susan who holds a master's degree in Economics. He is blessed with a son, Reuben who is pursuing his master's degree in Business Administration.

Club Meetings & Club Assembly

All Were Virtual Zoom Meetings





ROTABUS IS A JOINT INITIATIVE OF NINE CLUBS FROM NINE DISTRICTS.

The joint hosts were Madras Mount, Salem, Colombo, Ramnad, Pondy, Tirupur East, Trichy Phoenix, Vellore Accord.

07/07/2020 A Rotabus speaker meet was held and the speaker was Rtn. Chokkalingam, District Governor, RID 3000. His topic was "Passionate Profession". The guest of honour and speaker was Ms. Rathika Ramasamy, one of India's # 039,s foremost wild life photographers. She has specialized in bird photography and her work has been featured in several national and international publications and exhibitions.

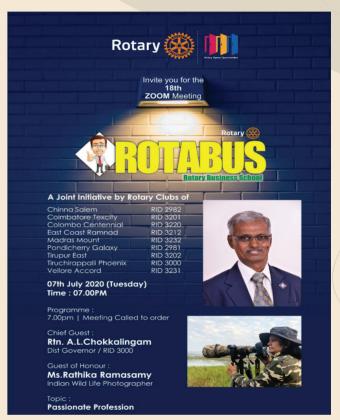
14/07/2020 A Rotabus speaker meeting was held and the speaker was Rtn. PNB Murugadoss, District Governor 3212. The topic was "Side Business". The speaker spoke about the opportunities in life which we should realise and act upon at the right time.

15/7/2020. Speaker meeting. The joint hosts were RCC Akruthi, RCC Heritage, RCC Monarks, RCC Saicity.

The speaker was Mr. Easwara Natarajan . The topic was "The impact of Covid on our lives". The speaker gave us an insight into the impact of the pandemic in our lives, especially on the economic front, and also emphasized the need for taking up a medical insurance that covers Covid 19 treatment.

19/07/2020 A Rotabus family meet of rotabus family members was held and the event was named Magizchi. It was a glittering audio visual treat.

21/07/2020 A Rotabus speaker meeting was held and the speaker was Rtn. R Balaji Babu, District Governor 2981. The topic was "Starting afresh-



preparing for the new normal". The tak focused on the need to be realistic in our expectations and the necessity for taking a break from our hectic schedule to regain our focus in life, and face challenges with renewed energy and vigour.

22/7/2020, The topic was accounts presentation and Club Assembly. The accounts of the previous financial year was presented and passed in the club assembly. Upcoming projects were discussed.

28/07/2020 A Rotabus speaker meeting was held and the speaker was Rtn. Sunderalingam, District Governor 2982. The topic was "The future of the television medium". It was a well attended and useful interactive session. The talk enabled us to understand that the future of television is changing rapidly. The consumers crave for personalized and convenient content.

OTHER JOINT SPEAKER MEETINGS

26/07/2020 The joint hosts of this meeting were G39 Coimbatore Rotary Clubs. The speaker for this meeting was Mr . Gopinath and the topic was " All is Well". It was a good motivational speech and many viewed it through Facebook.

The following were the projects undertaken by the rotarians for the month of july



One Covid 19 testing booth was given to the primary health center at Somanur. This is a major boost for the safety of health care workers and it helps them to strictly adhere to the norms of social distancing. The actual cost of this project is INR 1,20,000.



EEGA FOUNDATION Our club member Rtn. Mahaveer donated Rs.2,00,000 towards the medical expenses of children who undergo peadiatric heart surgery at KMCH Coimbatore. This project comes under maternal and child health.

ANNADHANAM

Lunch was provided to 100 needy people at Thirumalayampalayam through Punarnava Trust. This project comes under community development.

Our club provided lunch to 100 needy people, at Thirumalayampalayam through punarnava Trust in the suburbs of Coimbator.

Our club provided 100 packets of lunch for needy people at Pitchanoor through Punarnava Trust.



Share IT





The club has sponsored 2 low cost shelters for 2 families at Pitchanoor, Coimbatore. 5 tree saplings were planted at Pitchanoor village, on the first day of the new Rotary year.

Pedal to School









The club provided cycles to needy students of Jays school, Coimbatore. They were distributed at our club premises. The club provided 10 cycles to the needy and economically weak students of Sindhi Mahavidhyalaya, Coimbatore.

11/7/2020 Youth Lifology Parent Summit Career Development Guidance Meet. This was a virtual zoom meeting. This program was well received by the parents. More than 10,000 parents were benefitted by this program. They received a lot of ideas about how to guide their children in their careers.

25/7/2020 Photo Shop Training Program We have started a Photo Shop learning program. The classes were scheduled to be conducted every Saturday morning through zoom. This will benefit those who are interested in setting up their own ventures.

27/7/2020 \$200 was given as TRF contribution.

News and photos of the president and secretary were published in Malayala Manorama on 11/7/2020



TRF Contribution from Rtn. MD. Vijayakumar S.

VIVID REFLECTIONS OF ANNS

1/7/2020 The Anns club donated a water tank to St. Thomas Old Age Home at Coimbatore.

6/7/2020 Sanitary kits worth Rs.2000 each were distributed to mentally challenged women inmates of Karunai Illam and inmates of St. Thomas old age home.

7/7/2020 Anns club supplied provisions worth Rs. 7500 towards Snehalaya Orphanage.

7/7/2020 Sanitary kits worth Rs. 3000 was distributed to the bedridden autistic children at St. Theresa Peace Home at Tirupur.



Rotaract Jorner

The joint hosts of this project were the Rotaract club of Coimbatore, Texcity. SHARE IT distributed sanitary kits consisting of masks, gloves and sanitizers to the underprivileged, which is the need of the hour in the prevailing situation.

28/07/2020 This meeting was held with the Rotaract Club of Texcity and the speaker was Rtn. Dr. V G Mohan Prasad. The topic was "Liver diseases and Hepatitis Vaccinations". On World Hepatitis Day, the Rotaract club of Texcity, conducted this meeting. It was very informative and provided an in depth understanding of liver care and the diseases affecting liver and Hepatitis vaccinations.

First Anis meet

Usha Padmanabhan, Ann's chairperson, organized the first Ann's meet with an energetic Zumba session. The trainer for the day was the famous Ms.Shabna, who has won a number of accolades at the all India level and has inspired, motivated and encouraged a lot of women, by conducting a number of workshops focusing on women's health and fitness.



Rtn. R.**Padmanabhan** Sergeant - at - Arms, Jr

My passion is my Engineering business and I strongly believe that a business of a business is a business. My strong hold is my candid talk. I love to travel, enjoy scotch whiskey, at times play tennis & cards games. My strength is my family. I started doing service from a very young age and it changed my dimensions, it is indeed a blessing that I cherish till date.



Our Annets club distributed 10,000 paper cups to ESI HOSPITAL, Coimbatore. This was really helpful for the Covid patients and other medical staff.

Correction in Board Member Details in Last edition