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A Monthly Newsletter

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Best West Rotarians,

The challenges of Pandemic continue as we were deprived of meeting physically and the virtual meetings were the ready reckoner. So, we had a virtual classification talk programme by the two newly joined members. The monthly eye camp was done to a needy village.

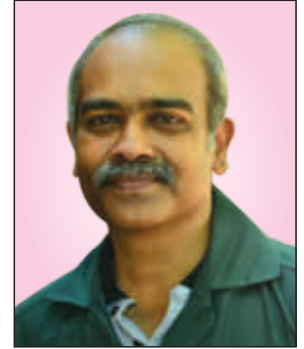
Christmas was celebrated along with the inmates of Helping Hearts to whom sweaters were distributed. Thanks to Rtn. Ramesh Chandran for his noble sponsor. The AGM gave us the opportunity to physically meet after a long duration and we all enjoyed the fellowship of members.

The well planned tree plantation drive of the club was done at Peedampalli in one acre land with the guidance of the Project Chairman Rtn. PP Subramanian and thanks to the benevolent support of Rtn Harish Kunnath for

absorbing the entire cost of planting 2400 trees by Miyawaki method. All of us were motivated and we decided to extend this plantation drive to the remaining 22 acres of land and be named as "Rotary Adarvanam". With all your support we shall make a green corridor which could impact on positive climate change and boost the public image of Rotary as this place could become monumental.

Warm regards

Rtn. T. Goodwin Saravana Raja
President



EDITOR'S MESSAGE

Friends,

This month brings with it a special project – Rotary Vanam. West inaugurated this project on 26th December and we have a strong intention and goal to make Coimbatore – a green, clean city !!

A new study reports that increased vegetation growth during the recent decades, known as the "Greening Earth", has a strong cooling effect on the land due to increased efficiency of heat and water vapor transfer to the atmosphere. Few tips on making the planet greener are.... Clean up your kitchen, love the left overs and use them to make manure, Give the excess food to those who need the food, Shop little and often, Buy half your food locally, Go for plastic free items, Recycle as much as you can.

This list is a long long one, we need to be aware and alert, to conserve.

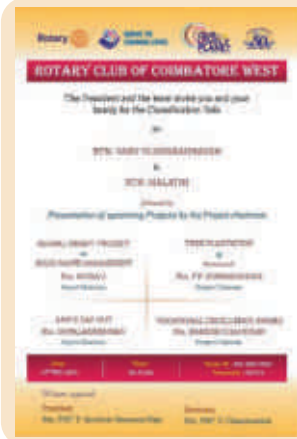


Lets all join hands together to work towards a greener planet.

Happy Reading
Rtn. Veena Pathy
Club Editor



CLUB SERVICE



On 10th December West hosted a classification talk where we inducted two new members. President also discussed the upcoming projects.



On 24th December 2021, we had the Annual General Body Meeting at 129 Pillar Auditorium.

Extensive fruitful discussions about the accounts 2020-21, New Office Bearers 2022-23 and Resolutions.

COMMUNITY SERVICE



Project "RAJA PAARVAI"
Free Eye Camp: On 12th December, the Eye Camp was organized in association with Aravind Eye Hospital, Coimbatore, at Athipalayam Village. 71 patients were screened and received consultation. 8 persons were given spectacles and 20 persons were operated for cataract.

This was completely supported by Coimbatore West.

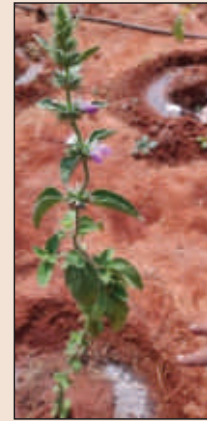


On December 22nd, 100 sweaters were given to the senior citizens residing at the Helping Hearts, Senior Citizen Home. Their joy knew no bounds with the sweaters and more so with the time that we spent with them. It was indeed a gratifying project. Cost of the project Rs 35000/-



We are indeed glad that the Raaja Parvai project, our free Eye Camps along with Aravind Eye Hospital are a real success. We follow up in the places where we had conducted the eye camps. We visited Kottaipalayam, where we had conducted the October eye camp. A medical team visited the place to review the 43 patients who had got admitted and treated.

DISTRICT PRIORITIES – “GREENER EARTH”



26th December 2021, is a special day in the calendar of Coimbatore West. We initiated the grand plantation project - ROTARY VANAM, at Papampatty Panchayat. In the first phase we are planning to plant 2500 trees.



PDG A V Pathy with RI President Shekhar Mehta and other leaders at "Rotary Institute" held from 10th to 12th December 2021, at Mahabs. He was part of the Regn committee

Musings from our senior Rotarians

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

All of you know Rotary West started 55 years back during 1966, as the second club in the city.

Our Past President Rtn PHF Ramaswamy, the senior most Rotarian who joined our club during 1972 has completed his 50 years in Rotary West, a glorious journey.

He is an example to our fellow Rotarians, because he always motivates and follows up with the club activities every year with every team.

He is a simple and dedicated Rotarian, who records 100% attendance in our West Club, It is our sincere wish to confer upon him a suitable recognition.



Rtn K. Viswanathan

Warm greetings and best wishes to you all. I am very glad to share with you some of my thoughts. I am so proud to be a rotarian for more than 4 decades (I joined Rotary during 1981-82 and was President during 1994-95.)

We as Rotarians are so fortunate enough to enjoy the company of leaders of different professions.

Being the members of the most elite and prestigious service organisation, we have unique opportunity to serve the needy and underprivileged citizens in the community.

Our club is doing an excellent service to the society for the past 55 years. Our club has produced five district Governors including our PDG.A.V.Pathy who has brought glory to our club by his dedicated service. We can all feel proud to have lot of district officers from our club who are so passionate to do services to the community. When we observe the Rotary theme every year, it is unique and every year, the District Governor gives the priorities of service projects to be undertaken.

While we are doing lot of projects as per the guidelines of District Governor, we have still lot more potential to do projects which can help the needy people. I feel we can

inculcate good values and ethics in the minds of children while they are young through schools by conducting Value Education Workshops.

We can also encourage our Coimbatoreans to form Citizens Groups and support them in solving civic challenges in their neighbourhood.

I am proud to see that each year our club is bettering in the service activities. I take this opportunity to appreciate our president, secretary, all past and present district officers, and officers of our own club for their passionate and dedicated service.

Wishing all my fellow Rotarians and their families to be blessed with good health and happiness always.

Thanks and regards,

Yours in Rotary,
P.R.Sundharam



Till last decade the concept of "in-situ" concrete is followed in bridge construction (like kavundampalayam and gounder mills bridge under progress in Mettupalayam road).

This type of construction takes enormous time and traffic blockage during construction works.

Off the Rotary Road, on Avinashi Road

All of us drive around the roads of Coimbatore, but have we once wondered about the speedy completion of the Avinashi road flyover?Here we have Rtn K Viswanthan sharing some important piece of information with us, in this regard

Modern concept Bridge @ Avinashi Road for 10.1 km Length



Now in Avinashi road new "Precast segmental decks" method is followed, in which the bridge is casted at yard in segments and post tensioned laterally. Then these segments are erected at site and post tensioned longitudinally. In this new type of construction, traffic flow is not disturbed during construction period.



BIRTHDAYS IN DECEMBER

Natarajan
Dec 19th

Mohana Sundaram
Dec 19th

ANNIVERSARY WISHES

V.Natrajan Dec 10th

D.Narayanaswamy Dec 12th

Survajith Krishnan

V.L.Thangaraaj

Chandrasekar

EDITOR'S MESSAGE

Dear fellow Rotarians,

A very happy December month to you all! December is the month when most of us resolve to do away with something we don't want and ring in new thoughts to welcome the coming year. We Rotarians take stock of our mid-year score in December and brace ourselves for an even exciting next half year. President Goodwin and his team, in spite of the pandemic gloom, held a physical AGM and undertook a massive tree plantation drive this month. We bring this issue with the remarkable projects of eye care, tree plantation and a project that brought Christmas cheer and new year smiles in a senior citizens home.

Happy reading
Rtn. Rajagopal



Warm Rotary greetings to all of you!

December the month of feasting and merry making! The month of count downs to new year and abundant wishes! The month of decorations and gifts! Whether you celebrate Xmas or not, you enjoy the positive vibes around! Indeed a right time to bond with your loved ones and family!

Our Rotary team under the able guidance of our President and Secretary, blessed and gifted many a needy human and gave back to Mother Nature in a big way! With the Rotary Theme for the month - Disease Prevention and treatment-in mind, Eye camps were organised!

With pleasure we list out the various activities accomplished by the Rotary West and it's able team of office bearers!

"We do not inherit the earth from our ancestors! We borrow it from our children"
Signing off with this Native American quote!
Take a quiet walk with nature! Plant trees!
Enjoy good health!

Yours
Rtn. Asha Devadas

