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EVERY DROP FUELS ROTARY'S MISSION

Editor's Note

Dearest Rotarians,

There are many communities and the largest one you are currently is a part of your family, work, School, clubs etc. Being part of a community means be a part of something greater than you. It's about sharing, growing, caring and opening up to who you are and what you believe in.

We thrive when we have strong connections with others and have supportive communities around us. We also know that people who are more socially connected to family, friends, or their communities are happier, physically healthier, and live longer, with fewer mental health problems than people who are less well connected. People who feel a part of a community have more opportunities for connection and growth with people around them who share similar values or interests. They also have more support when something goes wrong or if they just need someone to talk to.

It doesn't matter whether you're sponsoring an event, participating actively or just giving in suggestions, signing an online petition or supporting an online proposal about a local cause, or serving at the clubs fundraiser. A community is built on its active members, and volunteering now and then makes a huge difference. Disadvantages of not being a part include a lack of social support and belonging, increased feelings of loneliness, potential for negative behaviors like aggression, and a reduced sense of ethics or purpose. This social disconnect can also make it harder to access resources, find assistance, and experience a sense of togetherness and shared meaning in life.

"We are not put on this earth for ourselves, but are placed here for each other. If you are always there for others, then in time of need, someone will be there for you"



Aarthy Mukesh,
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Rotary Club of Queencity Dindigul.

RI Presidential Address

When I stepped into the role of Rotary International president, the moment came swiftly and unexpectedly. It got me thinking how the world can change in an instant, and how Rotary has the power to be a steady force for good in that change. This month, Rotary's Basic Education and Literacy Month, we have a clear call to action: to strengthen the foundation of learning in every community we serve.

Millions of people worldwide remain unable to read. Millions of children lack access to basic education. And yet, we know the solution: sustainable, inclusive, and equitable education, especially for girls and marginalized youths. Literacy is more than the ability to read and write. It is the key to human dignity, economic mobility, and peace. Every book opened, every classroom supported, and every teacher trained becomes a building block of peace.

This year, our message is Unite for Good. "Unite" speaks to the strength we find in each other. When we unite our talents and resources — not only among our clubs but across partners, organizations, and communities — we expand our reach. And when we do so consistently over time, we create lasting change. Rotary service cannot be measured only in annual goals. Our work in education must extend beyond a single year. Literacy projects take time to take root, grow, and bear fruit.

Now is the time to think boldly and creatively. New types of clubs can help us engage educators, students, and advocates in new ways. Let us use this month to welcome new members with a passion for education and empower existing ones to lead service projects that reflect local needs. Whether you're building libraries, distributing textbooks, or mentoring students, your actions matter.

Education is also peacebuilding. Every scholarship we provide, every early childhood program we support, every adult literacy class we fund is an act of peace. And Rotary has been building peace in this way for more than a century.

Let us not forget that the fight for literacy is not only about access, it's about equity. It is about ensuring every learner, regardless of background, has the opportunity to reach their potential. And it is about standing together — across borders, languages, and generations — to say that education is a right, not a privilege.

Let's Unite for Good by committing to literacy that lasts. Let's dream of a world where every child learns to read. And then, as people of action, let's work together to make that dream a reality.

Together, we can change lives, starting with the power of education. Together, we Unite for Good.



Rtn. Francesco Arezzo
RI President 2025-2026

Avenues of Rotary Award

An inspiring moment was the presentation of the Avenues of Rotary Award (2024- 2025) at Membership seminar to Rtn. Malliga from Rotary International. It was a commend recognition of her Outstanding dedication and contributions in all avenues of Rotary service. Queens are proud to witness and be part of this empowering event.



Presidential Address

ரோட்டரி நண்பர்களுக்கு வணக்கம்

ஒவ்வொரு நாளும் புதிய அனுபவங்களையும் மகிழ்ச்சியையும் தந்து வருகிறது. இந்த மாதத்தில் நடைபெற்ற சில முக்கிய செயல்பாடுகள்:

- ✿ கவர்னரின் சிறப்புத் திட்டம் - 'ஆழித்துளி'.நீர் மேலாண்மை விழிப்புணர்வு நிகழ்ச்சி பள்ளி மாணவர்களுக்கு நடத்தப்பட்டது.
- ✿ முதியோர் இல்லத்திற்கு அரிசி பைகள் வழங்கல். இது அன்பின் ஒரு சிறிய வெளிப்பாடாக அமைந்தது.
- ✿ சிறுதுளி- ரோட்டரி பவுண்டேனுக்கான நிதி திரட்டல்.
- ✿ கிளப் பூட் (Club Foot) திட்டம்.
- ✿ கவர்னரின் சிறப்புத் திட்டம் - 'எதிரொலி'. குழந்தைகள் மீதான துஷ்பிரயோகம் குறித்த விழிப்புணர்வு நிகழ்ச்சி.
- ✿ மரம் நடுதல் திட்டம்

இந்தச் செயல்கள் அனைத்தும் சமூகத்தில் நமது பங்களிப்பை மேலும் வலுப்படுத்தியுள்ளன. எதிர்கால மாதங்களில் இன்னும் அர்த்தமுள்ள மற்றும் பயனுள்ள திட்டங்களைத் தொடர்ந்து கொண்டு வர உற்சாகமாக இருக்கிறேன். உங்கள் அனைவரின் தொடர்ந்த ஆதரவுக்கும் மிக்க நன்றி!



Rtn.Rajathi KamalaKannan,
President, 2025-26
RC of Dindigul Queencity.

Spectacular Moments of the month

“August is a month of new beginnings, fresh energy, and hope.”

Article By
Rtn.Shakthi Sri



1st August - Flag Exchange

We had a remarkable flag exchange with the Rotary Club of Thirunagar. The meeting was filled with inspiring moments—their President spoke about donating part of his business profits to support cancer treatment at Madurai GH, their club’s signature project. A charter member, with 45 years of service in Rotary, shared his rich experience. Our Queens also shared about our own signature projects, making it a true exchange of ideas, service, and inspiration.



4th August - Friendship Day

Our Friendship Day celebration was vibrant and heartwarming. We began with exciting ice-breaking games that brought everyone closer, followed by a spirited debate on online vs. offline shopping that was both engaging and fun. The day came alive with soulful singing and energetic dance performances, creating an atmosphere of joy and togetherness. It was truly a day that celebrated the essence of friendship, fun, and unforgettable memories.





4th August - நிலா முற்றம்

As part of நிலா முற்றம், we held a thoughtful discussion on சிறுத்துளி and its initiatives. Our members came forward generously and made donations in support of சிறுத்துளி, contributing to the cause of environmental conservation and community welfare.



Trivia

Expanding Our Reach (1912-1930)

During the next few decades, Rotary's presence expands to new lands. The creation of The Rotary Foundation encourages members to think about Rotary's role in serving the needs of communities in the present and in the future.

1912: Rotary becomes International Rotary becomes an international organization with the chartering of the Rotary Club of Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, in April 1912. To reflect this, the organization changes its name to the International Association of Rotary Clubs. The name Rotary International is adopted in 1922.

Trivia

6th August - Bone Density Camp

A Bone Density Camp was organised at City Hospital, Dindigul, where a free bone density test was conducted for the public. This camp was especially important as it helps in the early detection and prevention of osteoporosis and other bone-related issues. Our Queens participated actively, extending their support and spreading awareness about bone health.



7th August - தாய்ப்பால் வாரம்

Every year, தாய்ப்பால் வாரம் is observed during the first week of August at Government Hospital, Dindigul to raise awareness among young mothers about the benefits of breastfeeding and maternal health. On 7th August, our Queens conducted an awareness program, where the doctors provided, guidance and information on the importance of breastfeeding for both mother and child. To add warmth to the occasion, our Queens also distributed healthy food to all the young mothers, encouraging both care and well-being.





10th August - Vaccination Camp

An HPV Vaccination Camp was conducted at Dharshini Hospital for children who had received their first dose in January. A total of 68 children completed their final dose, making them fully vaccinated and protected against Cervical Cancer.



Trivia

1912: Rotary expands to Europe
The chartering of a club in London, U.K. in August puts Rotary in Europe. Although the Rotary Club of Dublin, Ireland, had been organized earlier, it wasn't chartered until May 1913. Rotary's presence spreads to continental Europe with the chartering of a club in Madrid, Spain, in January 1921.

1914: Rotary in Great Britain and Ireland
In May, Rotary clubs in Great Britain and Ireland form the British Association of Rotary Clubs to facilitate connections among the growing number of clubs there. In 1922, the name is changed to Rotary International.

Trivia

13th August –Joint Meet International Youth Day Celebration

On International Youth Day, Rotaract Club of Rockfort joined hands with Queens for a cleaning activity at MVM Park, Dindigul. We left our palm impressions on the wall, shaping them into a beautiful heart—a symbol of love, unity, and service. The wall came alive with "Queencity" written on one side and "Rotaract" on the other, reminding us that when we work together, we create something truly meaningful.



15th August- Independence day

Home Guards are a volunteer, auxiliary force that supports the police in maintaining law and order, crime prevention, and civil defense duties. Independence Day was celebrated with them hoisting flags and distributing sweets in honoring their service.



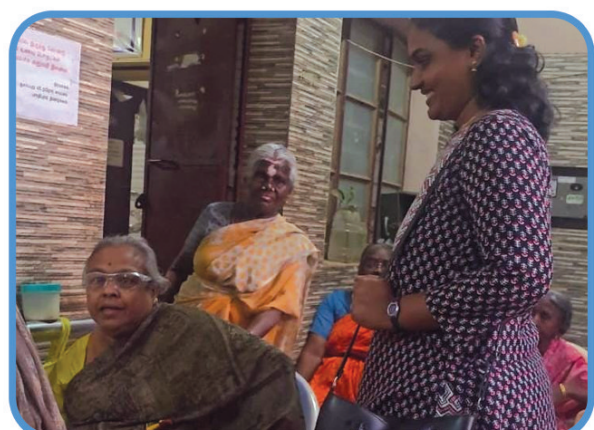
18th August- எதிரொலி

Child abuse is any form of harm or mistreatment, including neglect, inflicted on a child by a parent, caregiver, or other adult. It is a serious, global public health crisis with severe and lasting physical, mental, and emotional consequences for victims. Hence, எதிரொலி the project planned for children giving them awareness regarding the same was organised at TPKN Martic Sr Sec School. Ms.Harini, explained the students in simple words but created a huge impact.



21st August- அன்னபூரணி

Rice bags were donated at Bharathipuram old age home and quality time was spent with the elders there, who enjoyed interacting with us and shared their stories with us.



25th, 28th & 29th August- ஆழித்துளி

Water conservation is essential to ensure a reliable water supply for growing populations, protect ecosystems and biodiversity, maintain food security, and reduce energy and financial costs associated with water treatment and delivery. Hence to start a change in, students from Luxor World School, Om Shanthi School and Gurumuki Vidyashram were given awareness program. The Students participated in the program with much enthusiasm and promised quality changes in their life style following a the motto ever drop saved brings in better future.



Trivia

1917: The Rotary Foundation
Rotary president Arch Klumph proposes establishing an endowment "for the purpose of doing good in the world," which becomes a precursor to The Rotary Foundation. The Rotary Club of Kansas City, Missouri, USA, makes the first donation of \$26.50. In 1928, the Foundation is formally named and a Board of Trustees is created. Silent video of Arch Klumph, 1916-17 Rotary president, at the 1917 Convention in Atlanta, Georgia, USA.

25th August-LPG Safety Awareness

LPG gas safety awareness involves knowing LPG's hazards, like its flammability and tendency to settle near the ground, and following precautions such as ensuring proper ventilation, regularly inspecting cylinders and hoses for damage, using only approved equipment, etc. In case of a leakage or emergency, immediately close all knobs; extinguish all flames, and open doors and windows to ventilate the area before calling the LPG distributor or emergency service. The above was well explained by Mr.Akshay Timothy, Senior Sales officer, Indane at Luxor World School. The students interacted and showed much interest



30th August-Tree Plantation

MVM Park which had been renovated and is maintained by Queens witnessed new planting of trees and plants to add beauty and make it more greener for the future generations.



30th August- Chroma

Queens witnessed the science and art Expo-CHROMA'25 at SBC Academy where children displayed their creativity in science projects. They inspired us to learn more from them and it was mind blowing to hear from them many new ideas.



All Tuesdays-Blossom

The Blossom kids centre in Dindigul functions as a day care unit for special children . Offering treatment and therapy every Tuesdays. At the same time, parents receive counseling and vocational training, empowering them to better support their children and become more self-reliant.



All Thursdays-Club Foot

Every Thursday at Dindigul GH, our Queens run the Club Foot project, combining awareness, diagnosis, treatment, counseling, and support. This initiative has improved outcomes for over 175 children, helping them walk and thrive while empowering families with care and confidence.



பகிர் உடைகுவர்

Queens regularly refill the Open Cupboard, launched last year at GH and Rotary Hall, Vivekananda Nagar. This 24/7 initiative provides free used clothes to those in need, promoting both dignity and community sharing. The Queens ensure the cupboards are always stocked, sustaining this project with care and commitment



Queens across Rotary

Membership Seminar

Queens attended the Membership Seminar held at Trichy - a platform designed to strengthen and grow Rotary through effective membership strategies.



Lead Seminar

Two days of knowledge, fellowship and inspiration celebrated the spirit of Rotary at Lead Seminar. Queens had been a part of the same. Queens as usual gained the momentum well and built our friendship across various international and local clubs by exchanging flags and ideas.



Flag exchanges at Lead seminar



Across Queens Family

Proficiency

It was a proud moment as Annet S.S.Satvika, Daughter of Rtn.Shree Hari priya secured first rank in her Department of B.Sc (Computer science & AI).Queens congratulate and wishes the best in her future endowers.



Nostalgic moments

Nostalgic moments are those that evoke a sentimental longing for the past, often bringing a mix of positive and bittersweet emotions. Let us go back to refresh, learn, share and take a positive action from the past.



Upcoming Events

DATE	EVENTS
1st Sept	ஆழித்துளி –Interact School
2nd Sept	Budget Meet
3rd Sept	எதிரொலி
6th Sept	மகிழ் மலர்
6th Sept	Queen's jaunt
7th Sept	Service Project Seminar
8th Sept	நிலாமுற்றம்
9th Sept	Teacher's Day Celebration
16th Sept	Speaker Meet
23rd Sept	Joint Meet
30th Sept	Club Meet
All Tuesdays	Blossom
All Thursdays	Clubfoot

Birthdays & Anniversary

Wishing Beautiful Queens remembering their Birthday

“On your special day, may you feel as awesome and extraordinary as you make everyone else feel every day. Happy birthday, my amazing friend!”

BIRTHDAYS	
3rd Sept	Rtn.kokila Jeyaselan
8th Sept	Rtn.Rani Natarajan
8th Sept	Rtn.Yuva Sharadha
12th Sept	Rtn.Chitra Murugan
21st Sept	Rtn.Dr.Mythili Chinnaraj

Wishing Beautiful Queen remembering their Anniversary

”Wishing you both a lifetime filled with adventure, laughter, and endless love.”

ANNIVERSERIES	
3rd Sept	Rtn.Dr.Sunitha Babu
4th Sept	Rtn.Alagamai selvi
4th Sept	Rtn.Vergin Sumitha
6th Sept	Rtn.Dr.Balasundari
13th Sept	Rtn.Rani Chandrika
14th Sept	Rtn.Sujana PandiyaRajan
16th Sept	Rtn.Dr.Shalini
16th Sept	Rtn.Yuvasaradha

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