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Dear RCI Family,

Warm Rotary Greetings.

We started the month of October with a combined meeting with RC of Cochin. We had a talk by Mr. K P Padmakumar, Former CMD of Federal Bank on the current financial turmoil, during the meeting. This was the second combined meeting of the year. In true Rotary spirit, these meetings have given us all the opportunity for inter-club fellowship.

Three months in to rotary year and we had one of our major projects RYLA, scheduled in October. Continuing the legacy, we had full participation of RCI family in the event. We had participation of around 65 students in the program. We also had high profile personalities like Vice Chancellor of CUSAT, Dr. Gangan Prathap for the inauguration and Mr. P C Cyriac IAS, former Additional Chief Secretary of Tamil Nadu for the valedictory function. Almost all the Rotarians and Annes attended the event at some point and many had given major contributions in interfacing with the schools, ensuring participation, coordinating with chief guests and faculty etc.

The biggest achievement we had from the event is not only that we have been able to increase the participation, but also we've been able to set a new optimal timeframe to complete the activities. This truly is the reflection of RCI family's increasing expertise in project management. I'm sure that we'll be able to further redefine these variables in the coming years.

October being Vocational Service month, we have identified a personality for Vocational Excellence award – Mr. Vineet Srinivasan, the noted and upcoming playback singer, composer and actor. However, as he's travelling out of the country, we shall have the function in Jan '09.

We had a wonderful Deewali celebration and as usual the hosts were Madan and Falu. We had a gala time with almost all the RCI family attending, once again showcasing the Great RCI Camaraderie.

We have a lot of opportunities for inter-club fellowship in the coming months and I'm sure we'll all be looking forward to that. Let's together enjoy Rotary.

Warm regards,

V Prashanth Menon



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Month of October...

*The leaves by hundreds came-
The Chestnuts, Oaks, and Maples,
And leaves of every name.
The Sunshine spread a carpet,
And everything was grand,
Weather led the dancing,*

*the month of celebration,
Celebrating service and togetherness.*

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RI President



Rtn. Dong Kurn Lee
2008-09

Dist. Governor



Rtn. Baby Joseph
2008-2009

RYLA 2008-09

We had a well attended RYLA on 11th and 12th of the Oct at Youth Hostel Kakkanaad . This year (RYLA 2008-09) theme was "Go Green " .We had 65 students participating in the program. We also had almost all the Rotarians and Annes attending the event at some time or the other. The quality of the students was extremely good. NGD Manoj Madhav, Sunil, Binu, Manjula, Ann, Falu, Anagha, Mathew and Miriam had ensured such participation. For sponsorships there was active response and we got the required sponsorship through great efforts put in by SR, Shali , Mathew ,Sudheer,Gibu,Rajiv,Salam and Manoj J . Reji and Aby were there always with tips and suggestions.



With great and timely support of SR, we had eminent personalities as chief guests-Dr. Gangan Prathap, Vice Chancellor, CUSAT for Inauguration and Mr. P C Cyriac IAS, Retd. Additional Chief Secretary, Tamil Nadu for Valedictory. The first day's sessions started with Bejoy Peter on 'Art of Public speaking'. We had 3 faculties from RCI SR & Manoj who took inspiring sessions on "What to Learn and Where to lead" and 'Prepare to Take Challenges' respectively. Mrs.Preetha Gibu, who took a very interactive and activity based session along with Mrs. Simi Manish on 'Lead the way - The Green way'. The collage created by each team was really apt for "The Green way".

Even though rain played spoil sport, the day ended with an exuberant Talent Nite where almost all the students participated and culminated with everyone shaking their legs (including most of the Rtns, Annes and Annets). The second day started with



Yoga by Mr. Suresh followed by yet another new faculty, Jayadev Menon who took a Session on 'Leadership in Action'.



The event was well appreciated by all the faculty and students who attended the program. The efforts taken by our New generation Director Manoj and the RYLA chairmen Gibu and Sunil should be greatly applauded. It was also a great display of RCI team efforts which made RYLA 2008-09 even a more memorable one. Lets us all look forward for the same team spirit throughout.



Fathima

Annie



W/o- Salam-26th Oct
Ivy



W/o- Sunil H- 26th Oct
Anju



W/o- Manoj J - 28th Oct



W/o- Mathewson K- 31st Oct

RCI Diwali Bash -

"The word "Diwali" is the corruption of the Sanskrit word "Deepavali" - Deepa meaning light and Aвали, meaning a row. It means a row of lights and indeed illumination forms its main attraction. Every home - lowly or mightly - the hut of the poor or the mansion of the rich - is alit with the orange glow of twinkling diyas-small earthen lamps - to welcome Lakshmi, Goddess of wealth and prosperity. Multi-coloured Rangoli designs, floral decorations and fireworks lend picturesqueness and grandeur to this festival which heralds joy, mirth and happiness in the ensuing year. This year diwali was celebrated at home of Madans on 27th Oct. The food and liquid were flowing and all Rotarians, Annes and Annettes had a great time together.



Pooja

Rtn Manju T C



D/o Chandru - 01st Nov
Divya



19th Nov
Rtn Falguni



D/o Pradeep -21st Nov



22nd Nov



LIKES

Truth • Hidden Causes
Being involved • Work
That is Meaningful • Being Persuasive

DISLIKES

Being Given Only
Surface data • Taken Advantage of • Demeaning Jobs
Shallow Relationships • Flattery and Flattering

The color of choice for Scorpio is
DARK RED TO MAROON