

ROTARACT CLUB

Rtr. M. Vishnu Ram and Rtr. R. Ramraj were installed as the President and Secretary of the (now officially recognized) largest Rotaract Club in the World having more than 1350 members. The installation was held on 30th August, 2006 with Rtn. Ravi Katari, Pres. of the Rotary Club of Madras, Rtn. Aaditya Agarwal, and Rtn. George B. Cherian along with the DRR Rtr. Krishnaji presiding over the event. Rev. Fr. Albert Muthumalai (Principal, Loyola College) and our faculty advisor Dr. T. Leo Alexander installed the office bearers. Other District officials, Rotaractors and Rotarians blessed the function with their presence.

BLOOD DONATION

Blood Donation is one of our major strong points; it is our on going project for many years now. We have been regular in donating blood to the government hospitals. Blood donation for this academic year started on June 20th 2006. We have donated around 350 units of blood till date. We have also conducted a Blood Donation Camp on December 8th 2006 in which we collected around 206 units of blood.

NATURE CRUSADERS

The Rotaract Club of Loyola sends over 25 volunteers to the Vandalur Zoo on almost all weekends. They help the zoo officials create a litter- free zone. RC of Loyola conducted a Pongal special Nature Crusaders program in Vandalur 700 on 15th and 17th January 2006. Nearly 100 students participated in this project. Our club members were present in the zoo from morning 8 a.m. to evening 4.30 p.m. The volunteers helped the zoo officials with crowd management; and clearing the waste paper and plastic covers. They also helped to guide the people within the Vandalur zoo. Our role has been immensely appreciated by the zoo ranger,

TUBERCULOSIS RALLY

The Rotaract Club of Loyola College participated in the awareness walk conducted by the District Rotaract Council to highlight the disease and its control by suitable precautionary measures. More than 50 students of Loyola College along with other participants from city colleges started the walk from Police Booth, on Elliot's Beach, Besant Nagar at 2.30 p.m. on Sunday. After an hour's walk the campaign ended

TRAFFIC AND ROAD SAFETY TRAFFIC REGULATION PROJECT

On behalf of the district Rotaract Council [06 - 07], willing volunteers from the Rotaract club of Loyola actively participated in the Traffic Regulation project. This was held from 22.07.2006 to 26.07.2006. Twenty members of the Loyola Rotaract club volunteered for this project throughout that week. Mount Road traffic junction (opposite Spencer Plaza), St. Peters road and Sathyam Junction were looked after under the supervision of the Traffic Police.

TRAFFIC AWARENESS RALLY - 2006

A traffic awareness rally was conducted on August 3, 2006. About 200 Rotaractors with 150 bikes and 20 cars took part in the rally. The rally was flagged off by Mr. Sunil Kumar I.P.S Joint Commissioner Chennai Traffic, in the presence of Fr. Rector; Fr. Principal, and Fr. Secretary. The event commenced from our college and ended in Anna Square covering a distance of 6 kms. Rtr Solomon helped in capturing the beautiful moments of the event. This is probably our best project of the year.

ISSUANCE OF LEARNER'S LICENSES

To ease out the cumbersome process of issuing LLR's, The Transport Department took an initiative to issue Learner's License [LLR] in colleges. The Transport Department approached the Rotaract Club of Loyola to issue LLR's; the Rotaract Club agreed immediately to their request. The issuance of LLR's was conducted in three phases on the 23rd and 24th of August and the 12th of September 2006. More than 450 LLR's were issued on the dates mentioned above.

HELMET RALLY

The Rotary Club of Madras (North West) held a Helmet Awareness Rally on 5th January 2007 at 9.30 a.m. in Marina Beach. The bikers had a road map from Marina Beach to Loyola College. The rally was flagged off by the Joint Commissioner of police. The Rotaract Club of Loyola sent around a dozen volunteers for the program. The program was a good success with Rotaract Club of Loyola providing the highest number of volunteers.

WORLD HEART DAY CELEBRATION

The Rotary Club of Madras [North West] celebrated the World Heart Day on the 23rd of September 2006. The event had two main components; one was to make people aware of all heart related ailments and the second was to inculcate a "walking" bit [which most youngsters today lack.] Dr. Anbumani Ramadoss, the Union Health Minister, was the chief guest for the event. The President of the Rotary Club of Madras North West had requested for volunteers from our club. The Rotaract Club of Loyola responded to the request with true Rotary spirit by providing a large number of volunteers. Rtn. T.T Durairaj Kandiar has lauded our efforts for making the program a success.

AIDS AWARENESS SEMINAR

The Rotaract Club of Loyola organized an AIDS Awareness Seminar on the 8th December, 2006 at 2.00 p.m. Dr. Sethulakshmi, a well known behavioral social scientist was the guest speaker. The use of audio visual aids made the talk more interesting. It was followed by a fifteen minute interactive session. More than 200 Rotaractors attended this programme. The seminar was an immense success.

RYLA - THE WAVES

Seven Rotaractors took part in this programme and won prizes in the various events.

CAREER DEVELOP SEMINAR

Career Plan (a reputed career guidance institute) conducted a seminar on career development and education opportunities in Bertram Hall on 20th December 2006. The seminar mainly focused on education opportunities after completing undergraduate education. The program ended with a short IQ assessment test. More than 80 Rotaractors participated in this program / seminar.

POLIO ERADICATION CAMP

On the 7th January and 11th February Polio Camps were held in Chetpet and Choolaimedu. The Rotaract Club of Loyola sent volunteers for distributing the vaccination packets and for spreading the message by door to door campaigning. More than 5000 children were given vaccination on the dates above mentioned.

PONGAL CELEBRATION

The Tourism Board of Tamil Nadu organized Pongal Celebration in Palaverkadu on 16th January 2007. Nine volunteers from the Rotaract Club took part in the programme.

WHITE GIFTS PROJECT

The management of Loyola College (SSC) celebrated Christmas on 19th December 2006. White gifts were collected from the staff and students of this college. These gifts were forwarded to the orphaned and the needy students. The Rotaract Club was in charge for collecting the white gifts. The white gifts were then given to the Fr. Vice Principal.

DONATIONS

The Rotaract club of Loyola strongly believes in helping those in need. We offer financial assistance to people who approach us. We have donated more than Rs.70, 000/- so far this academic year and plan to do so till the end of the year.

DISTRICT ROTARACT ASSEMBLY

More than hundred Rotaractors took part in this programme titled Shruvath; the rising. This event was a grand success.

ROTASIA 06- 07

Rotasia the biannual Rotaract event was held on 16, 17, and 18th of February, 2007 in Chettinad Vidhyashram School Auditorium. The Rotaract Club sent in the largest number of registrations (108) for this event. The Rotaract Club of Loyola was also nominated as the world's largest club in this program. This event was a great success and the Rotaract Club's role was widely appreciated.

TICKET SALES

In aid of the fellow clubs in Dist. 3230, the Rotaract Club of Loyola took keen interest in selling tickets for their shows like singing competitions, variety entertainment competition, inter club cultural etc. NAKSHATHRA; SAMYUKTHAM, PUNNGHAI, INAINDHA KAIGAL, SARGAM were the shows were aided partially aided by our club through ticket sales.

TREE AWARENESS PROJECT

The Rotaract Club of Loyola has taken up the massive task of affixing name plates to the trees in the Loyola College campus. Funds for this program have been collected and the process of naming the trees has started.

DRC MEETING

The Rotaract Club of Loyola hosted a District Council meeting in Loyola College (J.D. Hall TI floor) on 25th February, 2007. More than 100 district Rotaractors attended this meeting. Also many of our beloved Rotarians attended this meeting. This event was well coordinated and earned great praise from the District Rotaract Council.

SIGNATURE CAMPAIGN

The District Rotaract Council organized a signature campaign on 3rd March, 2007 for spreading awareness among the youth of Chennai; around 30 Rotaractors took part in the campaign.

ANNALAKSHMI

The Rotaract Club of Loyola visited the Saraswathi Ammal Charity Trust, Koarattur on 0th March, 2007. More than 90 people (consisting of Orphans and old age people) were benefited from the program. A lunch was provided for all the above people. We also donated stationery items.

VALEDICTORY FUNCTION Rotaract Club of Loyola had its valedictory function on 5th March 2007. Over 200 Rotaractors took part, Rotarians from our parent club, Rotary Club Of Madras presided over the function. Rev. Fr. Albert Muthumalai blessed through the occasion. Rtr. PDRR. Sujith (HR manager Infosys) gave an illuminating speech on the occasion.

our members, thereby abiding by the true spirit of the Rotary movement. At the same time we are committed to the cause of our College, we hope to produce men and women for others.

The club in the future will deliver its purpose of serving the society. The enthusiastic members of the club take up every task as an opportunity to serve and will continue to do so. Therefore we will continue to "Serve with a Smile":

FUTURE PLANS

Our Honorable President of India, Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam has asked the young minds of today to dream and dream big. We at the Rotaract Club of Loyola hope to make those dreams come true. We are committed at building better individuals. We hope to promote the values of brotherhood and social concern in the society.

The Rotaract Club greatly acknowledges the support offered by the Parent Club - Rotary Club of Madras, the management of Loyola College, fellow Rotaractors and Rotaract clubs in R.I. Dist: 3230 and our faculty advisor Dr. T. Leo Alexander.