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Vivacious Valle - A lustrous diamond on the Silver Crown!

"The girl looks like Simran and the boy looks like Vijay" - this was the comment that did the rounds when Valle and Dr. Kana got engaged! This 'made for each other' couple have a matrimony story to tell! A chance meeting of the families in a friend's place marked the beginning of a beautiful journey in life! Born in Madurai to Mr. Chockalingam and Mrs. Uma, Valle is an Engineering graduate-turned-diamond entrepreneur who believes in a 'win win' situation for all, be it her clients, friends or family!

A firm believer of 'what goes around comes around' Valle has several 'facets' like the diamonds she deals with, quite unknown to many! She is simple yet strong; she is someone who cannot be cowed down easily! Valle with her family and friends has successfully renovated the Kailasanathar Kamakshi Amman Kovil in Paadhiri in Chengelpet District with utmost devotion and that calls for real commitment coupled with divinity!

Dr. Kana Kulandaivel, her better half practises Dental Implantology post his specialisation in the subject from Germany. Dr. Kana is also a Builder. Annette Anusha, an 8th standard student of Shraddha's Children Academy is a mirror image of her mother. Her interests are in cosmetics, she can tell you the good and bad of each brand or product just by hearing the name, from the tip of her fingers!

The Secretary of the club the previous year, Valle has a stellar role to perform this year! She has to steer the club through the 25th year and also be an enterprising leader!! With a cool head and a sincere effort she is sure to pull it off wonderfully well with the support of the Pattinathar family!

- Sukanya Sriram

RC MADRAS CHENNA PATNA WELCOMES **DISTRICT GOVERNOR** Rtn. SRINIVASAN
For The INSTALLATION OF TEAM 2017 -18

The Club meets at Hotel Savera every fortnight Thursday at 7.00 p.m.



Rtn.R.Srinivasan is a Post Graduate in Science and runs successful brick kilns and deals in Imported Coal Trading in the name and style of Ponniaman Coal Traders. He also owns and operates a Star Category Hotel called Ponnis Grand Inn near Porur.

Rtn.R.Srinivasan joined the Rotary movement as a Member of the Rotary Club of Chennai East R.A Puram (era) from the day the club was chartered and was responsible for executing many Service Projects at the Club Level. The most noted among them was the Transit School Project which catered to the needs of the Children of Migrant Laborers which went a long way in mainstreaming these Children into Regular Academic Schooling. Before becoming the President he has been the Chairman for various Avenues at the Club Level. He was the President of his Club in 2007 and he was adjudged as one of the top 10 Presidents of that year.

At the Dist level- He has held the positions of GGR (08-09), Associate Chairman for Literacy (09-10), Asst. Governor (10-11). As Pets Chairman he delivered a Benchmark Pets at Ramoji Film City, Hyderabad. As Director International Service (11-12) he gave a new dimension to this Avenue by conducting a Thai Nite, US Nite, Japan Nite, Malaysian Nite, and German Nite with the respective Consul Generals as Chief Guests thereby strengthening the Public Image of Rotary. He was adjudged as the best District Director that year. As Director New Generation (12-13) he brought the Rotaract Movement close to Rotary and organized the Interact Council. As Director - Membership Development he boosted the District Membership close to 6000 and organized Multiple Membership Orientation / Retention Seminars.

Rtn.R.Srinivasan is married to Ann Dr.Sujatha an Anesthetist .They are blessed with a son Sharoon who has finished his Masters in U S and now in Training and a Daughter Sriyaa in the Final Year at The International School, Bengaluru.



Immediate Past President / Youth Service Director Rtn. Mohan Sidhan is a happy man for two reasons. When he has hung his boots, he takes over as the Club's Youth Service Director, a role he enjoys doing! Gomathi and Vyoma will be stress free; though Gomathi has to still be part of the vibrant group of Anns pitching in with her wonderful sense of humour!



President Elect & Club Service Director Rtn. G Prabhakar, the fly ash bricks manufacturer is always the enthusiastic soldier, the man who can be at the firing line at any point in time! The President-in-waiting will learn and understand his role as the Club Service Director while the singing queen Sasi will be busy between work and music. Sandeep in 12th will be in his own world of books and studies while Little Kapil in 8th will be his mischievous self as always!



Secretary Rtn. Senthana Amudhan is always the cool operator who can juggle work and Rotary like a pro! A happy soul Senthana has to be the pillar of support for Valle to enable smooth functioning of the club! Ever smiling Vanitha and children Shivani, a student of SSN Technologies and son Harishwa Ganesh in Class VII in Chinmayananda Vidyalaya are enthusiastic and enjoy Rotary along with the father!



Club Treasurer Rtn. Paresh Khatri, a financier by profession, is extremely driven when it comes to collections and disbursement. He is as large hearted as his height and can warm your heart with his hospitality! Ann Khushi is an ever smiling enthusiastic partner in club fellowships!



Joint Treasurer - Admin Rtn. Karthikeyan, the textile manufacturer and distributor will support Paresh in his efforts and be present as always. Ann Revathi and Annettes Prithvirajan an Engineering student and Kavya in Class VIII ensure there is always a family presence!



Director Community Services - Development Vidya Kannan is a new entrant, but nonetheless an enthusiast to the core! A practising Advocate and an MBA graduate this green Rotarian will learn to understand her role and be an active participant. Her husband Dr. Kannan alias Alagu Perumal, Professor at LIBA and daughter Moksha, a budding badminton player will be supportive too!



Director Community Services - Health/ Chairman - PolioPlus Rtn. Dr. Udhay Kumar has several projects related to Health that can keep him busy through the year. He has plans that can be neatly executed and can come up with facts and figures for several projects and can give a lot of inputs too!



Director Vocational Services Rtn. Surya Baskar, a wholesaler of fruits is a seasoned member who will take on this avenue and give his best. Ann Geetha and vibrant Viharika will be an asset chipping in to help whenever possible!!



Director International Services Rtn. Rajiv Reddy, a globetrotter, Rajiv can be a goodwill ambassador for Chenna Patna and we hope to see more of Anupama and the kids Vasihnavi and Varun this year!



Sergeants-at-arms Rtn Praveen Mehra & Rtn. Dileep Kumar will ensure discipline in the club with an iron hand. They can, as a team ensure the activities are in place and the members taken care well.



Chairman - Foundation Rtn. Saptagiri is 'one of a kind'. With his very nature, Giri can win people over and is sure to do his role as always! Ann Anandhi and kids Abishek and Aarthi are always there to support as always!



Chairman - Membership / Operation Daybreak AVS Rau is absolutely committed and has started his job in right earnest. He can do his best and more. Ann Rama and Annette Sudheer are his strength!



Chairman - Fellowship Rtn. SPR Ramesh will do his best in terms of planning and organising fellowships. We can look for more events this year. Ann Madhu and Shashang will come too more often in future, hopefully!



Chairman - Public Relations & Club Trainer Rtn. Ganesh will chip in and be the PR man of the club. He will also be the Trainer and support the President in her efforts to excel! Ann Sharmilee and kids Vikram and Varun are always around to pitch in their support!



Chairman - Rotaract Rtn. Satyanarayana is a green Rotarian and will be an enthusiastic participant in Rotaract programs of the club.



Chairman - Interact Rtn. Hari Kumar a green Rotarian will do his best as the Interact Chairman with ample guidance from the Youth Service Director.



Chairman - Kadalur School / Literacy Rtn. Dr. Dhanalakshmi has an important role to play since this is our most important sustaining project. She needs to keep in touch with the school authorities and be the bridge between the school and the club. An Academician to the core, she will do both her roles with confidence. Her family will lend their support too.



Managing Trustee Chenna Patna Trust Rtn. Raja Sriraam is a seasoned Rotarian who will act with responsibility and ensure that the club projects run smoothly. Ann Sukanya and Annette Swathi will lend support as always!



Trust Treasurer & Micro Loan Chairman Rtn. PL Muthiah is the seasoned officer who can advise and support the President and ensure coffers are always brimming!! Creative and committed Meyyammai never fails to support and children Palani, Nachal and Deivanai are the chips of the old block!!

MICROLOAN PROJECT

The Microloan Project of the club is one of the sustaining projects of the club and we have disbursed interest-free loans with a seed capital of 4 lakhs to underprivileged entrepreneurs. This is a matching grant project with the Rotary Club of Milano Sudest, Italy. The amount has been turned around six times and we have so far disbursed loans amounting to 26 lakhs to 180 small entrepreneurs to enable them earn a livelihood. RC Madras Chenna Patna is the only club that is continuing this project for more than 20 years since it was started. Past President PL Muthiah has been the Chairman of this project since its inception and has been doing a fabulous job! The club certainly needs to feel proud of this wonderful project.

TEBRAU HEART FUND PROJECT

The Tebrau Heart fund project is an ongoing project of Madras Chenna Patna, thanks to the benevolence of our sister club, the Rotary club of Tebrau, Malaysia. For the last 23 years, the club has been supporting heart operations for children below 12 years upto 2 Lakhs per surgery for seven surgeries in a year along with the Madras Medical Mission, Chennai. There have been 100 beneficiaries for this project so far. Past President Rtn. Dileep Kumar has been the Chairman of this Project. Pattinathars are certainly overwhelmed when the beneficiaries come back healthy and strong, a proof of one of the most heartwarming projects of the club!



RI President



Ian H.S. Riseley
President 2017-18
Rotary Club of Sandringham
Victoria, Australia

Ian H.S. Riseley is a chartered accountant and principal of Ian Riseley and Co., a firm he established in 1976. Prior to starting his own firm, he worked in the audit and management consulting divisions of large accounting firms and corporations. His firm specializes in income tax and management advice for individuals and small businesses. He has a master's degree in taxation law and graduate diplomas in accounting and income tax.

Riseley has been a member of the boards of both a private and a public school, a member of the Community Advisory Group for the City of Sandringham, and involved in Sea Scouts and sporting groups, as well as honorary auditor or adviser for a number of charitable organizations.

Riseley's honors include the AusAID Peacebuilder Award from the Australian government in recognition of his work in East Timor, the Medal of the Order of Australia for services to the Australian community, the Distinguished Service Award and the Regional Service Award for a Polio-Free World from The Rotary Foundation.

A Rotarian since 1978, Riseley has served as treasurer, director, Foundation trustee, and member and chair of numerous RI and Foundation committees.

He and his wife, Juliet, a past district governor, are Major Donors and Bequest Society members of The Rotary Foundation. They live on seven hectares at Moorooduc, where they practice their personal philosophy of sustainable and organic living. They have two children and four grandchildren.



**ROTARY:
MAKING A
DIFFERENCE**

In 2017-18, we'll answer the question "What is Rotary?" with RI President - elect Ian H.S. Riseley's theme, Rotary: Making a Difference. "Whether we're building a new playground or a new school, improving medical care or sanitation, training conflict mediators or midwives, we know that the work we do will change people's lives - in ways large and small - for the better."

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Director Community Ser. (Health)

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THE FOUR-WAY TEST

1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

- 11.7.2017 : First Board Meeting at Rtn. Rajiv Reddy, Office at 7 pm**
- 13.7.2017 : Regular Meeting - Speaker PDG Rtn. A. Subramaniam**
Topic - RI Theme - Rotary Making a Difference.
- 28.7.2017 : Tirupati Fellowship**

BIRTHDAYS

JULY	DATE
Dr. R. Alagu Perumal H/o Rtn. Vidhya Kannan	05
Annette Kapil S/o. Rtn. Prabhakar	05
Rtn. Rajshekhar R.	08
Ann Sharmilee W/o. Rtn. Ganesh J.	09
Annette Lavanya D/o. Rtn. Shankar A.	18
Rtn. Vidhya Kannan	18
Rtn. Surendra B.	22
Ann Revathi W/o Rtn. Dr. S Harikumar	23
Annette Saikiran S/o. Rtn. Chakravarthy B.	25
Rtn. Rau AVS	26
Annette Sandeep S/o. Rtn. Prabhakar	29

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

JULY	DATE
Rtn. Senthana Amuthan & Ann Vanitha	06
Rtn. Surendra & Ann Usha	12

