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நச்சிப் படாஅ தவவி. (குறள் 1004)

பிறருக்கு உதவாதவர், ஒருவராலும் விரும்பப்படாதவர், தம் வாழ்வு முடிந்தபின்
மிகுதியென்று ஏதனை விட்டுச் செல்கிறார்?

What legacy they can leave behind, who are
despised by society as unhelpful misers

FROM THE PRESIDENT DESK



was not only enlightening but it was very much liked by the audience. His reference about our Annual Book 2019 made us feel elated. I take this opportunity to thank Sri Kizhambur Sir for sparing so much of his valuable time for us.

Our breakfast meeting on 26th October went off well. The attendance was fairly good in spite of inclement weather and the event was so close to Deepavali. The highlight of the day was Probian N.R.Sampath's talk on his recent tour of European countries. What is notable was the countries he visited were rarely visited by most of the tourists. Needless to say that his talk was punctuated by his characteristic humour. Well, his talk was enjoyed by one and all.

The next Probus Event, Children's Day Celebrations, which we organize jointly with Russian Centre of Science and Culture, is slated for 15th November 2019 at 2.30 p.m at the Auditorium of RCSC, Kasturi Rangan Road, Chennai - 600018.

Master Ranveer Sharma, a student of 9th standard of D.A.V Boys H.S.S. Gopalapuram, Chennai, who was
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recently selected to go to NASA and who secured the 2nd place among 56 students participating in an on-the-spot essay competition and got the Neil Armstrong Award will receive Probus Award of Excellence.

Another student who will receive Probus Award of Excellence is Master Pragganandhaa, a student of 9th standard of Vellammal Boys H.S.S. Anna Nagar, Chennai who has secured the position of youngest Grand Master in Chess.

Mrs.Lakshmi Natarajan, Vice President is organising the competition for essay writing, music, drawing etc on 3rd November at Gopalapuram Boys H.S.S. Gopalapuram. The Winners will be given prizes at the Children's Day Function.

I request all on Probians to lend a helping hand in organising the Children's Day successfully.

I am glad to mention that Russian Centre of Science and Culture and Probus Club of Chennai jointly organized a Photo Exhibition on World War II on 23rd October 2019 at the Exhibition Hall of RCSC. At the Inaugural Event, Mr.Gennadii A,Rogalev, Vice Consul and Director, RCSC, Mr.R.V. Rajan, Writer, Probian Brig. George Mathew, and the undersigned spoke on World War II. The event was well organized and well attended, I hasten to thank all the Probians who attended the function. On behalf of Probus Club, I thank profusely Mr. Gennadii A.Rogalev for having invited Probus Club to join them on this occasion.

Our Probian Prof, Er.M.Sadasivam, Editor, TECH TIMES, has brought out a special Issue of his Magazine for Probus Club of Chennai recently. The Magazine carries message from Rtn.Dr.Vijaya Bharathi Rangarajan, President, Rotary Club of Madras. It also carries the message of President, Probus Club of Chennai.

Articles written by many probians including Probn. P.P. K.Venkatachari Dr.Prof. Ms.Balambal, Probn.S.Chidambaram. Probn. Dr. V.Ckokalingam, Probn. Brig. George Marthew, Probn. Er. C.H. Gopinatha Rao, Probn. Er. S.Ranganatha Rao, Probn.

Dr.S.Ponnuswammy, are published in this special Issue. More details about this latest issue of TECH TIMES of Probn.M.Sadasivam is available elsewhere in this News Letter.

Please attend the Children's Day Function in good numbers.

With regards,

Yours sincerely

S. Gopalakrishnan

President – Probus Club of Chennai

SECRETARY'S REPORT



Dear Probians,

Loving Greetings to you and your family members.

In the breakfast Meeting held on 26th October, '19, two minutes standing silent homage was paid to our Major Donor Late Pn. Saptharishi G. after offering tribute and flowers to his photo. His Son Sri Ashok Kumar spoke about Late Saptharishi, a Philanthropist and a good Samaritan. Both Sri Ashok Kumar, his son and Dr. Bhavani A, his daughter-in-law wanted to become Probian and submitted their Membership Applications.

There was no workout Session on "Robust Physique & Robust Mind for Elderly," as our PPP Singaraja M., Capt. was out of station and on his coming back to Chennai he will resume his Sessions. **Probian CH Gopinatha Rao** was honoured for receiving the "**P.C. Goyal Life Time Achievement Award**" from the Institution of Valuers, India. Probian Sampath, N.R. in his Guest Lecture spoke on his experiences in his recent Foreign Tour in Europe. He detailed how he planned the trip entirely through online searches without any help from tour agents

and in his jovial, interesting speech also assured to assist interested Probians to plan their trips. Two more scholarships were distributed to those who could not attend the Scholarship Distribution function (SDF) and mementos were distributed to the Probian volunteers of the Elders Day Function. Probian Ramaswami P.P. Dr., Vice-President coordinated the Breakfast Meeting in my absence.

The Probus Walkathon was held on Sunday, 02nd October, '19 at the I.I.T., Madras thanks to Probian Radhakrishnan S. Dr. and Probian Panchalan K. Dr. About 55 Probians, their family members and friends participated in the Walkathon. Flowers were offered to the Mahatma Gandhiji's Photo to mark the 150th Birthday of the Father of the Nation. Also, in Memory of Late Probian Viswanathan G, 11 Prizes were distributed by Mrs. Ammani Ammal Viswanathan to those who reached the destination first were given Prizes. PPP Venkatachari K, gave Probus Memento Cups to Mrs. Viswanathan and Pn George Mathew who had given endowment for sponsoring Prizes. Malar Hospital sponsored the caps and breakfast was paid directly by Probians Radhakrishnan and Panchalan. B. Thereafter, a good number of Probians attended the Gandhiji's 150th Birthday function organised by Probian Menon

EDITOR'S COLUMN

1. Probn. PP Dr.M.Singaraja started conducting sessions (9 of them totally) on "Robust Health and Efficient Mind" to Probus Members from BF Meet of 25-05-2019. This will continue for 4 more sessions (BF Meet of 4 more months). Practical sessions had started from the BF Meet of 22-06-2019 only. Hand outs of sixth session will be sent by email. Since Capt. Singaraja has come back, we will have his work out session in November 2019.
2. Application Form for receiving the benefit from our Probus SJSCMBF is given in the site, thus enabling our members to download the form, when they recommend the needy cases.
3. Due to the receipt of inputs for October News Letter being very late, sending of our printed News Letter also got delayed. This delay is regretted.
4. The Institution of Valuers will gave their "**P.C. Goel Life Time Achievement Award**" to our Probus Member C.H.Gopinatha Rao at Delhi on the planned date. Photo of his Award is available elsewhere in this News Letter. Our Congrats to you once again for your achievements.
5. Russian Center for Culture & Science conducted an exhibition of photos on "World War – II" on 23-10-2019 at RCSC Exhibition Hall in association with Probus Club of Chennai. Probus members attended this exhibition in large numbers. 10 photos of this function is available elsewhere in this issue. All photos taken on this day are available in our Web Site.
6. On November 3, 2019, Competitions in connection with "Probus Children's Day" function was held. Children's Day this year will be celebrated on November 15, 2019.

N. Rammohan, Editor - PROBUZZ. . . News-Letter & Web-in-Charge

S.D., Commodore in the same IIT Premises where our IPP Namasivayam R.T. spoke. He also touched the welfare of elders and increasing population of Elders in the country.

The "International Day of the Elderly" was held at the Russian Centre of Science and Culture (RCSC) on 4th October, 2019. Kalaimamani Sri Kizhambur Sankarasubramaniam, editor Kalaimagal was the Chief Guest. He released the Annual Booklet titled "**Probus Way of Enjoyable Living**" and the first copy was received by Rtn. P.N. Mohan as a representative of the President, Rotary Club of Madras. The Probus Award of Excellence was given to **Sri K.N. Sekar, Trustee, Sri Sathya Narayana Charitable Trust**, Nanmangalam and the **Probus Recognition Awards were given to (i) PF Sreenivas V**, ex-GM, SBI; **(ii) Pn Sridharan, G.N.**, ex-DGM, LIC & Advocate and; **(iii) Pn Ramaswami P.P. Dr.**, ex-Dean, Coimbatore Agricultural University and Vice-President of our Club. Mementos were given to 38 Probians as a recognition of their completion of 75, 80 & 90 Years of age and 50 Years of Married life during the period 01 Oct 2018 and 04 Oct 2019 as recognition of their service as Senior Members of the Club. All the awardees and some recipients of the Recognition Mementos gave acceptance speeches. Prizes to Winners of the Elders Day Competitions held at GBHSS on 28th and 29th September (Music, Carrom, Chess, Drawing, Anthakshari, Fireless Cooking, Quiz) were distributed by Ann Subha Srikanth, President, Inner Wheel Club of Madras.

As regards the Annual Book, "Probus Way of Enjoyable Ageing," Probians were given one Member copy in the function. 53 books were sold on the day of the release. Those who contributed for Strip Advt. were given 2 copies. More than ₹4.00 lakhs was mobilised through Advertisements in the Book. The details of the donations are given individually in the Probuzz Newsletter issues. The member copy was also distributed to Probians who could not take their copy in the Function during the Photo Exhibition at RCSC as well as the Breakfast Meeting on 26th October, '19. For those who could not get their copy so far, the Book would be mailed to them individually shortly. I apologise on behalf of the Publication Committee, the wrong initials and omission of "Dr." against **Pn Keerthivanan K, Dr., EC Member** and the wrong telephone number indicated for Pn Prabhakar M., EC Member (**Correct Mobile No. is +91 89034 01971**). As the mistakes could not be caught and corrected in time and also as lot of Annual Books have been distributed already, I request all of you to correct these in your copy.

Our Probus Club jointly hosted the photo exhibition on World War II at RCSC on Wednesday, 23rd Oct., 2019.

More than 50 Probians attended the inauguration of the Photo Exhibition. Mr. Gennadii A. Rogalev, Director, RCSC and PF Gopalakrishnan S, President, Probus club of Chennai spoke in the function. Sri R.V. Rajan, Journalist spoke about World

War II writers and the role of Russians in deating Hitler. Probian George Mathew, Brigadier spoke as a Special Guest on the occasion.

The Children's Day Competitions would be held on Sunday, the 03rd November, 2019 at the Gopalapuram Boys Higher Secondary School. All are welcome as volunteers. The **Probus Children's Day Function** would be held on Friday, the 15th November, '19 at RCSC Auditorium. Fancy Dress Competition would be held on that day. Invitations would be sent to all Probians individually. All Probians are requested to make it convenient to attend the function along with their grand child / children in fancy dress.

While the response for requesting you to submit your "Father's Name" as per the requirement of the Registrar of Societies is good, but about 90 probians are yet to respond. I request **those of you who have still not given your Father's Name so far, please send the same to me by SMS to +91 99626 44468 or by email to: sbiranga@hotmail.com.**

I thank PPP Venkatachari K for sponsoring the full Breakfast, in memory of his Late mother, Lakshmiammal, in the October, '19 Monthly Breakfast Meeting.

We could not successfully organise any trip for sight-seeing during the year. We are planning an overnight stay (free of charge) at one of the Mahindra Holiday Resorts, may be at Pondicherry for one / two nights as a package with local / nearby place tours. The food and transport charges will have to be paid by members. This may come about ₹2,500/- to ₹3,000/- depending on duration to stay. Hope many of you would be interested so that we can travel and make merry with fellowship and sight-seeing this year itself. Those of you who are interested can please contact me or Pn Annadhurai, Joint Secretary

I also request those annual members who have not paid their annual subscription so far to send ₹600/- towards their Annual Subscription (₹500/-) plus Probuzz Newsletter Annual Subscription (₹100/-).

I also appeal to all Probians to consider sponsoring the Probuzz Newsletter Strip Advertisement by contributing ₹800/- for inner Page and ₹1,000/- for first and last Page.

Wishing you all a Happy, Healthy, Peaceful Living and fellowship.

B. Ranganathan
Secretary

BREAKFAST MEETING ON 23-11-2019

Break-fast meeting :10 AM at the Exhibition Hall in Russian Centre for Science and Culture. Guest Speaker is Dr. Vellaipudhiyavan; C.E.O Secretary of Automobile Association of Southern India and former M.D of Transport Corporation. His talk will focus on creating awareness among Senior Citizens so that they may be more careful while using roads and also in observing traffic rules

TECH TIMES – PROBUS SPECIAL ISSUE

TECH TIMES, a technical journal launched in 2004, by Probn. Prof. Er. M.Sadasivam; has now been released as **SPECIAL PROBUS ISSUE** – comprising of both technical and non-technical articles with informative titbits. Interestingly, almost authors of all articles are members of Probus Club of Chennai, their siblings, their children. This issue with seventy one pages of A4 size been set tastefully by the editor and publishers.

Those of you, who would like to gift the back issues of **TECH TIMES** from Oct 2004 till Apr 2019, to young engineers, they may kindly buy the same at a discounted price, by contacting the undersigned. Those who intend to buy a copy of this special issue also may please contact:

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BREAKFAST MEETING



C.H.Gopinatha Rao felicitated



Dr.Ramaiah gets felicitated



N.Ramanan gets 80 years completion memento



P.P.Ramaswamy being felicitated



C.Chandrasekaran receives 90 years completion memento



George Jebamony receives 80 years completion memento



Dr.Senthamarai receives BD gift



Speaker N.R.Sampath addresses



Probian volunteers of Elders Day function



Dr.P.P.Ramaswami gives vote of thanks

PROBUS MEMBERS ATTENDING ROTARY CLUB OF MADRAS WEEKLY MEETING ON 05-11-2019

Mr. R.T. Namasivayam and Myself, N. Rammohan attended weekly meeting of Rotary Club of Madras on November 5, 2019. The topic was "Waste to Wealth". Both the speakers, Dr. Giridhar Prabhukumar, Vice President, Projects of M/s. Bioxgreen Technology Pvt. Ltd. Mr. Ashish Deshpande, President, Projects of M/S. Bioxgreen Technology Pvt. Ltd., spoke on the subject. Both the speakers shared their experience – touching both on theory and practical way Solid Waste and Liquid Waste are being attended systematically in order to keep environment clean and keep the pollution level within the acceptable limits. They explained with statistical informations as to what are being done in this regard by our Central Government and State Governments. They showed examples of Project to keep Ganges clean, Chennai Corporation project to effectively implement Waste Water Management & re-utilise the treated water which are palatable also. The Speakers took questions from the floor and answered interestingly and also their views on the future economy in India in this regard

PROBUS CLUB OF CHENNAI LIST OF DONATION FOR OCTOBER 2019		
S.No.	Name	Amount
A	Contribution	
1	Innerwheel Club of Madras Ch Tst	5,000.00
B	Annual Booklet 19 (AB19): Advt B&W Full Page	
2	Vijayalakshmi w/o Jagannadhan V	5,000.00
3	Alaghiakrishnan K	5,000.00
4	Alamu Printing Works D Ramanathan	5,000.00
5	Thatikonda Vatsala Ramachandra Foundation	8,000.00
6	Indian Oil Ltd: TDS-160/-	7,840.00
7	Sundaram Finance Ltd:-TDS-160/-	7,840.00
C	AB19-Advt Colour FP	
8	Sundaram BNP Paribas Home Finance	10,000.00
9	Kalasalingam University: TDS-400/-	19,600.00
D	AB19-Advt Colour Front Inner Page	
10	LIC of India Ltd	21,000.00
E	AB19-Strip Advt	
11	Geetha Viswanathan	1,000.00
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13	Krishnamoorthy	1,000.00
14	Lourdusamy	1,000.00
15	Parthasarathy K	1,000.00
16	Ramanan N	1,000.00
17	Sivakumar S	1,000.00
18	Unnikrishnan Variath	1,000.00
F	AB19-PWEA Sales	
19	Arumugam S.R.	160.00
20	Rammohan N	500.00
21	Jeganathan LS	500.00
22	Namasivayam R.T.	1,000.00

G	BF Sponsor	
23	Vaidyanathan V.R.	4,000.00
24	Venkatachari K	12,600.00
H	Bye-law Booklet	
25	Ashok Kumar S	10.00
26	Bhavani A Dr.	10.00
I	Elders Day Function	
27	Jagadisan CD	1,000.00
28	Radhakrishnan PCP	2,000.00
29	Chandrasekaran C	2,500.00
J	ID card	
30	Ashok Kumar S	100.00
31	Bhavani A Dr.	100.00
K	Probuzz Annual Subscription	
32	Sundaram S.V.	100.00
33	George Jebamony P	100.00
L	Probuzz Corpus Fund	
34	Ashok Kumar S	500.00
35	Bhavani A Dr.	500.00
M	Probuzz Strip Advt	
36	Alaghiakrishnan K	1,000.00
37	Ashok Kumar S	800.00
38	Bhavani A Dr.	800.00
39	Divakaran S	1,000.00
40	George Jebamony P	1,000.00
41	George Mathew Brig	5,000.00
42	Ramanan N	800.00
N	Sunshine Fund	
43	Gopinatha Rao CH	1,000.00
44	Nagendra Prasad	1,090.00
O	Life Membership Fee	
45	Ashok Kumar S	5,000.00
46	Bhavani A Dr.	5,000.00
P	Membership Admn Fee	
47	Ashok Kumar S	100.00
48	Bhavani A Dr.	100.00
GRAND TOTAL		1,50,650.00

**WE WISH A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR
ALL PROBIANS HAVING BIRTHDAYS IN DECEMBER 2019**

L114	01/12/44	Nalini Moorthy Mrs.	A132	17/12/22	Srinivasan S
L269	01/12/43	Radhakrishnan.Dr.S.	A290	17/12/47	Suganthi Premkumar Mrs.
L150	01/12/42	Rajagopalan N Dr	L301	18/12/57	Balasubramanian N
L199B	02/12/46	Mohan D menon	A384	19/12/45	Natarajan S (Ch-114)
L041	02/12/44	Venkataraman S Dr.	L116	20/12/37	Indira Ramanathan Mrs.
A256	07/12/49	Geetha Viswanathan Mrs.	A141	20/12/41	Subramanian V (Ch-28)
L130	10/12/39	Bhavani Shankar Joshi V	A350	21/12/35	Govindasamy N
L085	10/12/43	Ramaswamy N	L070	21/12/41	Jamuna Ramasubramaniam Dr.
L272	10/12/46	Velumani.S	PF08	23/12/31	Gopalakrishnan S PF
A199	12/12/41	Mirza ismail A	A189	23/12/40	Krishnamurthi N Capt.
A310	12/12/41	Rao B S	A281	26/12/31	Kothandaraman A V
A190	13/12/36	Ramakrishnan R	L050	26/12/43	Pandian G S
A309	15/12/34	Narayana Babu P	L151	26/12/36	Sivagaminathan K
A292	15/12/40	Rangaramanujam K	L315	29/12/40	Sivarajan J
L260	15/12/51	Mangudi Sritharan			

**A VERY HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO ALL PROBIANS WHO
HAVE WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES DURING THIS PERIOD**

A362	01/12/76	Pandian P M	Mrs.Radha Pandian
L265	04/12/67	Nirmala Prasad.K	Mr.C.R.V.Prasad
L278	09/12/94	Vivekanandan.M	Mrs.V.Kalpana
L123A	13/12/75	Hiralal Jethwani	Mrs.Poonam.H
A337	14/12/80	Raman K C	Mrs.Meera Raman
A004	29/12/	Balakrishnaiah K V	Mrs.Radha

TITBITS FROM LIGHTHOUSE MAGAZINE DATED NOVEMBER 6 2019

President welcomed Probus Club Pres S Gopala Krishnan, the media and guests as introduced by members. President gave away RCMs annual donation cheque to Probus President – Probus Club of Chennai, Gopalakrishnan, amidst applause.

RCSC EXHIBITION ON 23-10-2019



Exhibition Inaugurated by R.V.Rajan



RCSC Director explains



R.V.Rajan facilitated and given memento



Rajan Gopalakrishnan Director Brig.George Mathew



One group of Probus Visitors



Another group of Probus visitors



Brig.George Mathew addresses



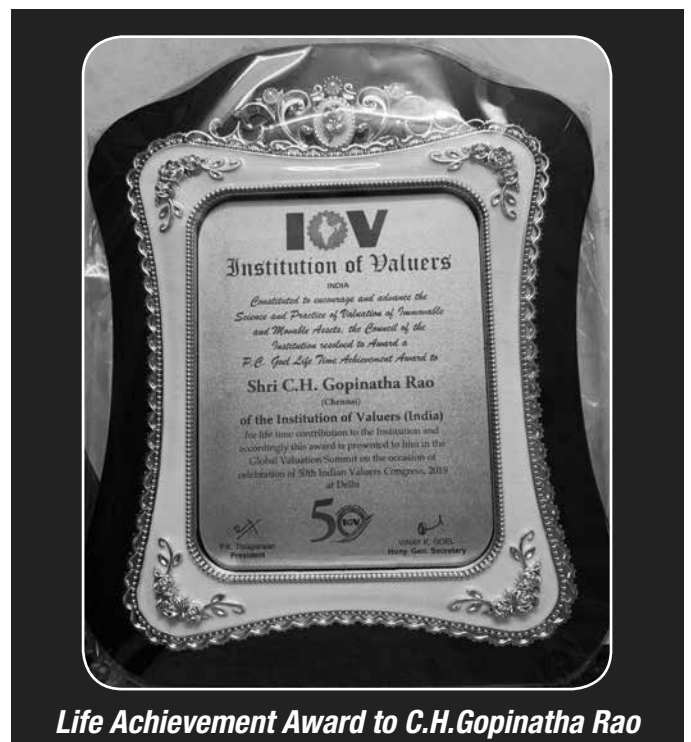
President felicitated and given memento



Probus members enjoying the photo exhibition



Function ended with High-Tea



Life Achievement Award to C.H.Gopinatha Rao

DATES TO REMEMBER : DECEMBER 2019

ROTARY MEET:

Two Probus members are invited to attend the weekly Rotary Meeting held every Tuesday at **HYATT Regency at Teynampet** as observers. Those who desire to represent **PROBUS CLUB** of Chennai are requested to contact **Probn.V.Balachander** and get confirmation Contact **+91 99629 01964**. Those who attended may send confirmation to the Secretary / Editor.

- ✦ 14.12.2019 – EC Meeting : 10.30 AM at Gopalapuram Boys High School, Chennai 86.
- ✦ 21.12.2019 – Madras Theosophical – Mylapore Lodge Meeting at the venue Karpagavalli Vidyalaya in Manjulai in Mylapore (off East Mada Street)
- ✦ 28.12.2019 – Breakfast Meet: 8.30 AM at the Russian Centre for Science and Culture.

LIST OF PROBIANS WHO ATTENDED ROTARY CLUB OF MADRAS MEETINGS IN THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2019

Probian Sugunaraj
Probian S L S Raja

Probian P.Anand Krishnan
Probian S.Paneerselvam

Probian M.Singaraja
Probian S L S Raja

No meeting was held on 8th Oct.

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