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திண்மை உண் டாகப் பெறினீ. (குறள் 988)

குணநலன்களை உறுதியாகக் கடைப்பிடிப்பவர்களுக்கு, இல்லாமை என்னும்
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Steadfastness to good character, even in dire
needs, saves one from the pain of shame

FROM THE PRESIDENT DESK



I am glad that the Children's Day Function went off well on 15th November 2018. The Chief Guest Shri G.Subramanian's Key Note address was well received by the audience. The standard set for the students

selected for various awards and Prizes was also widely appreciated. I take this opportunity to sincerely thank all probians who made the event a success. I particularly thank Vice President Dr.K.Panchalan and Events Committee Members. I thank Past Presidents and other Probians who functioned as Judges for various competitions. I thank past Secretary Probian K.Lakshmipathi not only for playing the role of a Judge but also for his helping us in the process of selection of students for various Awards and Prizes. Unfortunately our Secretary Probian B.Ranganathan could not be present with us initially on account of serious illness of his mother and subsequently due to her sad demise. Yet he rendered all possible help for the function in absentia. I convey our sympathies once again to Probian Ranganathan and his entire family.

The Breakfast Meeting of November 2018 turned out to be a highly beneficial one thanks to lucid talk

by eminent Dr. Ram Prabhakar.

December's cultural Programme on 4th Saturday has come to stay as the Probians Delight. It is always eagerly awaited. It is therefore our duty to make it even more delightful. Hence, adequate planning and best efforts are called for. I am sure it will not be wanting. Vice President Mrs. Lakshmi Natarajan is an experienced Probian. In order to strengthen her hand more and more talented probians should come forward to take part in the cultural programmes and support Mrs. LN.

Close on the heels of Cultural Programme, we have to organise the Pongal day Function in January 2019. The event is fixed on Friday the 18th January 2019. It will be held at Gopalapuram Boys Higher Secondary School as in the past. I am sure Vice President Dr.P.P.Ramasamy and his team members will initiate action well in time. As you know the focus of the function will be on Thirukural. I request all probians to lend a helping hand for the successful conduct of ensuing Pongal Day.

I am glad to inform you that 71 year old famous Tamil Monthly Manjari (Kalaimagal Group) has in its December issue published a four page article about Probus Club of Chennai. Two articles appearing in our current Annual Book "Probus way of Mindful Aging", namely The Gift of Giving by Probian

Brigadier George Mathews and also “Can a father be a mother?” contributed by Probian C.Sivakumar have been reproduced in Tamil. Secondly in a Box Item, Probus Anthem written by Mrs. Kalpakam Srinivasamurti is published. Thirdly, in yet another Box item a review of our Annual Book appears, bringing out the utility of “Probus Publication.” It also contains the names of the members of Publication Committee and the office bearers of the Probus Club of Chennai. Needless to say that the write up in Manjari will make every probian proud. At the same time it will create greater awareness among public about Probus Club’s activities. On behalf of all of you I profusely thank the Editor. Shri Kizhambur Sankara Subramanian and Publisher Shri P.T.T.Rajan for their kind gesture.

Moving on, we have also our own share of sorrow. The demise of Asia’s First Woman Neuro Surgeon and long time Probian Dr.T.S.Kanaka on 14.11.2018 has come as a rude shock. The Probus Club has conveyed its deep condolences in a fitting manner. Past President Probian K.Venkatachari and myself

called at her residence at Chrompet in the morning of 15.11.2018 and paid floral tribute. Besides a number of Probians sending their condolences to her near and dear, may her soul rest in peace.

Probian R.Subramanian, Formerly Head, Chemical Technology Projects, Indira Gandhi Centre for Atomic Research, Kalpakkam, passed away on 16th November 2018. Apart from number of Probians sending condolences, Vice President Dr.K.Panchalan and Dr. Mrs. Panchalan called on the family members on 13th day ceremony and conveyed the condolences on behalf of the Club and on their own behalf. I am informed by Dr.Panchalan that the bereaved family members were touched by the Club’s concern.

Wishing you all a Happy New Year and Pongal in advance.

With regards,
Yours sincerely

S.Gopalakrishnan

President – Probus Club of Chennai



Secretary's Report

Dear Probians,

Loving Greetings to you and your family members.

Recently, there were many Obituaries, viz., that of Pn Kanaka T.S. Dr., our Life Member, who was the first woman neuro-surgeon of Asia, Pn Subramanian R, our Life Member, who was ex-head, IG Atomic Research Project, Kalpakkam, Pn Namasivayam

A, Life Member, who was ex-ED of IOB, Rani Chakravarty, younger sister of PF Sreenivas V and Rukmani Balasubramaniam, aged 91 years, sister of Pn Krishnan, K.R, our ex-EC Member and my mother. Due to my mother’s demise on 8th November, I could not attend the EC Meeting on 10th Nov. ’18 and the Children’s Day Function on 15th December, ’18.

2. The Children’s Day Competitions were held on 04th December, ’18 in the MP Aanand MHS School in which students from as many as 27 schools participated. Prizes were distributed to the winners of Tamil / English Essay, Tamil / English Elocution and Drawing Competitions in the Children Day Function.

EDITOR'S COLUMN

1. Our web site was modified after incorporating few more features and released for viewing by public. In case you have not viewed it yet, please view it at <http://www.probusclubchennai.com>
2. Dr.B.Sathyanarayanan will be presenting his maiden skit in Tamil on 22/12/2018 in our breakfast meeting. Let us wish him all success.
3. We must feel proud that Mrs. Gennadii and her team will be presenting a cultural programme on the same day.
4. Probians R.T.Namasivayam, Jayakumar Sambandam and Mrs.Selvarani attended the annual conference of All India Confederation of Senior Citizens on 29th / 30th November 2018 in Hyderabad.
5. As suggested by PP Capt.M.Singaraja, I am informing all of you that Thirukural information appearing in our PROBUZZ News Letter is borrowed from Book “Thirukural”, Tamil & English version by J. Narayanaswamy published by Sura Padhipaham.
6. All EC Members & Special Invitees join me to wish you all a Happy New Year and advance Pongal greetings.
7. Await announcement of our Pongal Day celebrations from President/ Secretary

N. Rammohan

Editor - PROBUZZ. . . News-Letter & Web-in-Charge

Thanks to active participation of Pn Lakshmipathi, K, our ex-Secretary, the EC could finalise the Probus Awardees for Best Student, Best Social and Community Worker Student (instituted by Pn Krishnamoorthy in memory of Pn Balasubramanian, V). Sri G. Subramanian, FCA who was the President of the Gopalapuram Educational Society was the Chief Guest in the Function. The Cash Awards instituted by our Major Donor Late Vaitheeswaran, C.V. was given to five students of Chennai City Corporation Schools, who secured Highest Marks in the 10th Board Exams. A special Cash Award was also given to Master Shakthi, a gypsy boy who motivated more than 30 other gypsy boys like him from Nari Kuravar community to join School in Kancheepuram. A short-clip on our Children Day Function was telecast in WinTV, thanks to our President where they showed Shakthi and his parents. There was good participation by Children below the age of 8 years in the Fancy Dress Competition held on that day. The grandson of the Chief Guest who participated in the Fancy Dress Competition won the First Prize and Prizes were given to all Fancy Dress participants. Memento for 50 Years of successful Marriage was presented to Pn Chandrasekaran P who missed it in the Elders Day Function. Probian Vijayalakshmi, T.V., Tamil Pulavar, who received the Thirukkural Virudhu and second Prize in Tamil Short Story recently, donated "Thirukkural" Books to all Prize Winning students in the Children Day Function.

3. In the Breakfast Meeting held on 24th November, the distinguished Guest Speaker, Dr. Ram Prabakar, Jt. Director & Senior Consultant, Nephrology of SIMS Hospital, Vadapalani was introduced by the Secretary. Dr. Ram Prabakar spoke on "Kidney Diseases: Act Now or Pay Later." He stressed the need for taking care of one's health especially screening for Kidney Function every year if one has diabetes or heart

problems. We hear that one should drink 8 glasses of water; But, it is a Myth. Actually, the water intake should be regulated based on Urine colour and thirst. Drinking of too much water also leads to kidney problems. Everyone born will die one day and the Doctors assist patients to lead a honourable life and die in a comfortable and peaceful way. Lot of questions were put to him and he patiently replied with interesting anecdotes.

4. Our Club's Annual Booklet 2018 titled "PROBUS WAY OF MINDFUL AGEING" has been sent to all Probians who could not personally collect it. I once again request all of you to join our "Whatsapp" group to keep in touch and share ideas on a minute to minute basis. Please also visit the Club's website, 'http://www.probusclubchennai.com'. You can see all the photos of various functions held by the Club there.

5. I appeal to all of you to contribute to the new Strip advertisements in the bottom of each Page of the Monthly Newsletter. I am sure each Probian would contribute Rs.1,000/- or Rs.800/- for the first / last page or inner pages respectively.

6. Finally, the Annual Cultural Event of the Club will be held at the Auditorium of the Russian Centre on the Fourth Saturday, viz., the 22nd December, '18 instead of our usual Breakfast Meeting. Breakfast and Lunch would be arranged. I request you all to come in overwhelming numbers to the Cultural function.

Wishing you a very Healthy, Happy, Peaceful and Prosperous New Year 2019,

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B.Ranganathan,
Secretary – Probus Club of Chennai

BREAKFAST MEETING ON 22-12-2018

Break-fast meeting (Probus Cultural Day) : 8.30 AM at the Auditorium in Russian Centre for Science and Culture. Various cultural programs including a skit by Dr.B.Sathyanarayanan (Actors are Probus members), a cultural show by Mrs.Gennadi (wife of RCSC Director) and her group and many other programmes. All of us will have lunch after this programme

DR. (MRS) T.V. VIJAYALAKSHMI ACCOLADES



Dr.T.V.Vijayalakshmi receives Minnal Virudhu



Dr.T. V.Vijayalakshmi receives Minnal Virudhu



Recd. Uratha Sindanai Virudhu from Sivasankari



Uratha Sindhanai Group



Vijayalakshmi with Sivasankari Vasuki



Dignitaries on the dais



Vijayalakshmi receives Rs.1000 and Certificate from Chief Guest



3rd Death Anniversary of Vikraman

PROBUS BREAKFAST MEETING ON 24-11-2018



Third Prize winner of Tenth Standard exam



Tharaka Ram receives me receives Birthday gift from President



Dr.Ram Prabhakar felicitated by President and Secretary



Nephrologist explains senior citizens Kidney problems and remedies



Q and A session going on



President gives memento to Doctor



Helpage India Sivakumar and Muthukrishnan

CHILDRENS DAY 2018



Dignitaries on the dais including Bagat Singh



Swetha Steffi receives Excellence Award



Varsha receives Best All Rounder Award



Sakthi receives V.Balasubramanian Award for Social Service



Receives First Prize for Music



Fancy Dress Bhagath Singh winning the heart of everybody



Fancy Dress Winners with Dignitaries



President with Volunteers

CHILDRENS DAY COMPETITIONS



Judges for Music Competition



Judges for Tamil Oratorical competition



Judges for English Oratorical competition



Competing students Oratorical competition



President gives participation certificate

WE WISH VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY

FOR ALL PROBIANS HAVING BIRTHDAYS IN JANUARY 2019

L076	1/1/1935	Gopinatha Rao C H	A133	1/15/1928	Srinivasan V
L108	1/1/1945	Pranab K Basu	A244	1/16/1941	Ramavadhani J
L282	1/1/1952	Keerthivanan,K,Dr.	L224	1/16/1953	Shankar.M
L061	1/3/1928	Ramamurthy G V	L120	1/17/1940	Balasubramanian G
A221	1/3/1932	Raman K V Dr	L023	1/17/1937	Ramakrishnan V, IAS (Retd.)
A394	1/3/1944	Shankaran N	L156	1/20/1946	Badrinath.P
L047	1/4/1944	Srinivasan T R	A284	1/22/1931	Balakrishnan T S
A346	1/4/1945	Sundaram S V	L180	1/23/1931	Pandian P Dr. IAS (Retd.)
L054	1/5/1938	Namasivayam R T	A356	1/25/1940	Lourdusamy P M
L033	1/5/1947	Sathyanarayanan B Dr.	L058	1/26/1938	Chandrasekaran K P
L035	1/6/1948	Mohan Sundar Pandian	L253	1/27/1935	Iqbal,M.K.
L291	1/9/1950	Sundaram,K.V.	L178	1/28/1941	Vimalchand B Singvi
L026	1/12/1945	Premkumar Commodore	PF03	1/29/1941	Sridharan P PF
L141	1/15/1943	Jai Shankar K	PF09	1/31/1946	Balachander V
L051	1/15/1937	Singaraj A Capt (Retd.)	L198	1/31/1951	Jayakumar G
L212	1/15/1951	Sooriyan V S Dr.	L118	1/31/1938	Vittal N, IAS (Retd.)

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

L181	1/1/1960	Somasundaram	Mrs.Savithri
L199 B	1/17/1977	Mohan D menon	Mrs.Madhuri Menon
A373	1/18/1978	Dhanaraj A	Mrs.D.Arokia Mary
L010	1/20/1964	Ganeshan V R	Mrs.Vatsala
A229	1/21/1959	Sahasranamam K	Mrs.R.S.Lakshmi
A142	1/21/1979	Subramanian V (Ch-41)	Mrs.S.Usha
A035	1/22/1962	Jagadisan C D Rtn.	Mrs.Bharathy Jagadisan
L222	1/22/1970	Venkatesan.R	Mrs.V.Anusuya
L077	1/23/1978	Vimala R Mrs.	Dr.R.S.Mani
A208	1/25/1968	Aiyer V L	Mrs.L.Shantha
L141	1/26/1972	Jaishankar K	Mrs.Prema Jaishankar
L274	1/27/1984	Jayashree Kishore	Mr.N.R.Kishore Kumar
L089	1/28/1962	Krishnan N	Mrs.Hema Krishnan
L176	1/29/1955	Santhanam.S	Mrs.Rajalakshmi Santhanam
L007	1/29/1964	Vasanth K N	Mrs.Vanjula Vasanth
L252	1/31/1971	Kumaresan,M.Dr.	Mrs.Chandralekha

MISTAKE DONE IN NOVEMBER NEWS LETTER CORRECTED IN DECEMBER ISSUE

In Walkathan photographs, inadvertently mistake occurred for second prize, showing Probn.Sakthi Raja instead of the correct one Probn.G.N.Tharaka Ram. Mistake is regretted.



PROBUS CLUB OF CHENNAI LIST OF DONATION FOR NOVEMBER 2018		
S.No.	Name	Amount
A	ANNUAL BOOKLET-2018	
1	Ramaswami PP Dr	3,000.00
2	Rammohan N	1,000.00
3	Ranganathan B	1,000.00
4	Sivaraj (Virugambakkam)	155.00
5	Srinivasan V	1,000.00
6	Venkatachari K	300.00
7	Venkatesan K	360.00
B	ANNUAL BOOKLET-2018-ADVT.	
8	Grand Banyan Ventures P Ltd (Old is Gold Store)	10,000.00
9	Indian Oil Corporation Ltd	7,840.00
10	Thatikonda Vatsala Ramachandra Foundation	8,000.00
C	BREAKFAST SPONSOR	
11	Sundaram K.V. Dr.	4,000.00
D	BYE-LAW BOOKLET	
12	Ashok Kumar R	10.00
13	Venkateswara Rao	10.00
E	EDL. SCH. SCHEME - ONE TIME	
14	Sr Citizen Well Wisher	1,000.00
F	EDL. SCH. Scheme - This Year Deficit	
15	Badri C	232.00
G	EDL. SCH. SCHEME - TOP UP	
16	Badri C	3,000.00
17	Sasikala V	5,000.00
H	GAJA CYCLONE RELIEF	
18	Chidambaram S	1,000.00
19	Gopalakrishnan S	1,000.00
20	Jagannathan L.S.	1,000.00
21	Panchalan K	2,000.00
22	Radhakrishnan S Dr	1,000.00
23	Rajalakshmi S	1,000.00
24	Ramanan N	1,000.00
25	Ramaswami PP Dr.	1,000.00

26	Ramesh K	1,000.00
27	Ranganathan Rao S	1,000.00
28	Sreenivas V	2,000.00
29	Vasanth K.N.	1,000.00
30	Vasantha M.C.	1,000.00
31	Veeraian P.T.	1,000.00
32	Velumani S	1,000.00
33	Venkatachari K	1,000.00
34	Vijayalakshmi Jaganathan	1,000.00
I	DONATION-GENERAL	
35	Mahesh T.S.	500.00
J	IDENTITY CARD	
36	Ashok Kumar R	100.00
37	Venkateswara Rao	100.00
K	PROBUZZ CORPUS FUND	
38	Ashok Kumar R	500.00
39	Venkateswara Rao	590.00
L	PROBUZZ STRIP ADVT.	
40	Chandrasekaran P	800.00
41	Jaganathan V	800.00
42	Panchalan K	1,000.00
43	Pandian P.M.	800.00
44	Ramakrishnan R	800.00
45	Ranganathan Rao S	1,000.00
46	Veeraian P.T.	800.00
M	SUNSHINE FUND	
47	Sreenivas V	1,000.00
N	LIFE MEMBERSHIP FEE	
48	Ashok Kumar R	5,000.00
49	Venkateswara Rao	5,000.00
O	MEMBERSHIP ADMISSION FEE	
50	Ashok Kumar R	100.00
51	Venkateswara Rao	100.00
P	GRAND TOTAL	83,897.00

K.GOPAL
Treasurer

PROBUS CLUB OF CHENNAI

The following are the news in brief about our net-working Senior Citizen Organizations:

1. Annual conference of All India Confederation of Senior Citizens took place on 29th / 30th November 2018 in Hyderabad.
2. Group tour was organized by TANSECA to places like Vijayawada, Bhadrachalam, Warangal, Hyderabad during the period November 26th to 29th
3. Helpage India organized a 3 day 2 ½ hours program from November 26th to 28th at NIMMADHI home for the aged on Usage of Smart phones by senior citizens.

DATES TO REMEMBER : JANUARY 2019

Rotary Meet:

Two Probus members are invited to attend the weekly Rotary Meeting held on 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 99629 01964. Those who attended may send confirmation to the Secretary / Editor.

- ✦ 12.01.2019 - EC Meeting : 10.30 AM at Gopalapuram Boys High School, Chennai 86
- ✦ 18.01.2019 - Probus Pongal Day Celebration at Gopalapuram Boys' High School
- ✦ 19.01.2019 - Probus Theosophy Meeting : 3.30 PM. M.P. Aanand MHS School, Chennai 4
(Please contact Probn.V.L.Aiyer at 98403 32948)
- ✦ 26.01.2019 - Break-fast Meet: 8.30 AM at the Russian Centre for Science and Culture.

OBITUARY

Probn.Dr T.S.Kanaka died on 9 November 2018. Her family can be contacted at SSPHRF, No. 2, Santhanakrishna Street Chromepet, Chennai – 600 044.
Phone: 2222 0935, Mob: 73584 12985
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Probn.R.Subramanian died on 16 November 2018. His daughter can be contacted at B-12, III Floor, LOTUS MANOR, South Avenue, Kamaraj Nagar Thiruvannamiyur, Chennai 600 041.
Phone: 2838 9801, Mob: 94445-03672.
eMail: rsofchennai@hotmail.com

Probn. A. Namasivayam died on 2 December 2018. His family can be contacted at No. 54, 8th Cross West Street,

Shenoy Nagar, Chennai 600 030. Phone: 2620 2689,
Mobile: 97899 78867
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On behalf of all of us, I pray to Almighty
for their souls to rest in peace.

LIST OF PROBIANS WHO ATTENDED ROTARY CLUB OF MADRAS MEETINGS IN THE MONTH OF November 2018

Probian Dr. D.S. Ramiaiah
Probian K. Ranga Ramanujam
Probian PF Dr K. Ramalingam
Probian S.L. Sakthivel Rajaa
Probian PF S. Gopalakrishnan, President
Probian B. Ranganathan, Secretary
No meeting was held on 6th November due to Deepavali.

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