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### RI President's Message



Happy 115th birthday, fellow Rotarians and members of the family of Rotary!

Much has changed in the world since 1905. Then, the global population was roughly 1.7 billion. Today,

it is 7.7 billion. There were 5 telephones per 100 people in the United States 115 years ago. In 2020, it is estimated that 96 percent of the U.S. population has a cellphone — and both China and India have more than a billion cellphones in use.

In the 115 years since Rotary was founded, seemingly everything has changed except Rotary values. We began, and remain, committed to fellowship, integrity, diversity, service, and leadership. While our Service Above Self motto dates to 1911, the ethos behind those words had already been ingrained by Rotary's founders.

As the pace of change worldwide continues to accelerate, the need for Rotary service is greater than ever. It's one thing to read about service projects, quite another to see them in action and to see the grateful faces of people who have benefited from them. Rotary projects change lives and connect the world. And over the past year, I have seen some amazing Rotary projects in action.

Gay and I visited Japan's Fukushima prefecture last year. Few places in the world have had to deal with the kind of devastation that visited Fukushima in March 2011, when a tsunami touched off by an earthquake led to disaster at a nuclear power plant. But the story of Fukushima today is not one of destruction; it is one of hope and renewal. Rotary grants have helped improve access to medical and mental health care for victims of the disaster and reduced the isolation of these communities by sharing the experiences of people from other parts of the world who have also recovered from disasters. Our grants

have also helped to foster self-motivation and encourage sustainable long-term community recovery across the region.

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In Shanghai, I learned about the Careers in Care program. This helps migrant workers fill the need for skilled professionals in elder care facilities. After taking a course, trainees receive certification to boost their employment prospects, while the care industry benefits from an expanded talent pool. Rotary projects like this are successful because they address a local need, and they have the potential to attract local government funding to sustain their impact.

And in Guatemala, Gay and I went to Sumpango. Global grants there provide mechanical cows to produce soy milk; an improved water distribution system; water filters; clean compost latrines; family gardens; support for income generation; and training in WASH and literacy programs. The food items sold there not only provide nutrition to women and children, but also create a source of income for local women.

In every area of focus, and in every part of the world, Rotary projects are improving lives and helping communities adapt in a time of rapid change. As we celebrate another great year for Rotary, let us rededicate ourselves to strengthening the connections that make our service so impactful. We will make lives better as Rotary Connects the World.

Yours in Service, Mark Daniel Maloney, Rotary International President

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#### Dear Rotarians.

Welcome to this edition of ARPANA. We bring out the events held in the month of February.

This is the time of celebration for Rotary Bangalore Peenya .!!!! A Peenyan is leading the District 3190 this year. Our Rtn.Nagendra Prasad, a leader with a vision is nominated as District Governor of 3190 for the Rotary year 2020-21. We are sure that, Rtn.Nagendra Prasad will make a great District Governor and he & his team will rock and reach the height of success as their name SKY ROCKERS suggests.

The February month was started with a grand District Conference of Rotarians and Rotaractors of District 3190 at EBISU Convention Centre On 1st February 2020. Many inspiring and motivational talks were given by many Achievers who have overcome many challenges in their life and reached the Pinnacle of success. On 2nd February afternoon we, Rotary Bangalore Peenya presented our DGE Rtn.Nagendra Prasad and incoming First lady Rtn.Meera Prasad and the whole family in a grand and traditional Procession to the Rotary District 3190. The whole family of Rotary Bangalore Peenya of our Rotarians, Anns and Inner Wheelers took part in event enthusiastically under the guidance of Chairman Rtn.Hariram Thakkar. The whole auditorium witnessed the colorful & magnificent procession of a festive manner.





#### **Inter collegiate Debate Competition**



A Debate provides experiences that are conducive to life changing & presentational skills. The students can acquire unique educational benefits as they learn & polish skills far beyond what they can learn in any other settings. Hence to enrich the youth, as a part of Youth Service, on 8th February 2020, We conducted an Inter collegiate Debate Competition in Kannada and English in association with YMCA, Bangalore. Around 40 students from 18 colleges participated. District Youth Service Director our own Rtn. Prakash Belavady inaugurated the function by lighting the lamp.

Cash prizes & Mementos were distributed to winners and Certificates were issued to all the participants.

#### Three Generation Joint Weekly Speaker Meet



On February 12th, We had a unique three Generation joint weekly speaker Meet with our Parent club, Rotary Bangalore West and our sponsored club, Rotary Bangalore RMV at Trinity Isle. The speaker was our Rtn.K.Prasad, a senior teacher at the Art Of Living. The topic was' Peace and Dynamism, together life is a Celebration. He explained so well that dwelling in our





conscience peacefully with an alert, calm and clear mind, if we do our daily activities then life becomes a celebration. He stressed the importance of Meditation in our daily life. All the three clubs felt that they need more of such sessions.

#### New Shower areas and wash rooms



We had a joint project with Rotary Bangalore Prime and Rotary Subramanya in Kukke Subramanya temple. New Shower areas and wash rooms were built to facilitate the Devotees. The inauguration was done by our DGE Rtn.Nagendra Prasad and the governor of the district 3181 Rtn.Thomos on 19th February 2020.



#### Fellowship Meet

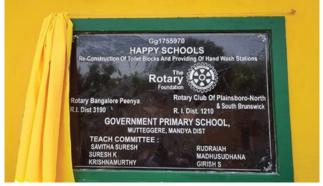
We were fortunate to have a special guest PDG Rtn. Ganesh Subramaniam (90 years), from Merthyr Tydfil, UK RI District 1150 in our family Dinner Meet on February 24th held at KSCA Hall. He is the key person in getting us Matching grants for our Annual Jaipur Project since 20 years. In recognition of his consistent support to our signature project, we honoured him in the presence of many of our senior members.



PDG. Ganesh visited our Dialysis centre and appreciated the great service offered by the centre.



#### **TEACH Global Grant Project**



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Under the TEACH Global Grant Project ,on 25th February the newly constructed Toilet Blocks for 2 Govt Schools in Muttegere, Mandya District were inaugurated. The WINS, MHM,RYLA sessions were also done in both the schools. About 450 students were made aware of the Hygienic Practices.

When you want peace outside, first create it inside, then peace outside automatically happens.

#### **Donation of Wheelchairs**

We donated 25 wheelchairs to the needy persons identified by Rotary Bharathinagar Central, Rotary Sakkarenadu, Mandya and Rotary Maddur.

The distribution was held at Mandya, in the presence of respective club Presidents and our members.





#### **Birthdays**

Rtn. Chandrashekar Patil	30th March
Ann. Susheela W/o Rtn. Gautamchand Nahar	23rd March
Annet. Shashank G S/o Rtn. Gunashekar	28th March
Annet. Manoj S/o Rtn. Saiprasad B	27th March
Suresh Spouse of Rtn. Savitha Suresh	21st March
Rtn. Srinivasmurthy V	18th March
K S Akhila D/o. Rtn. K Suresha	31st March
Rajeshwari W/o. Rtn. Tippareddy	16th March
Vijetha D/o. Rtn. Vasanth Kumar G R	17th March

#### Wedding Anniversaries

Rtn. Saiprasad B & Ann.Shantha	24th March
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