

Rotary International
District 3150



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Rotary Opens
Opportunities

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GOVERNOR'S MONTHLY LETTER

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“ If Rotary is to realize its proper destiny,
it must be evolutionary at times,
revolutionary on occasions.”

-Paul Harris (1915)

“ Confidence unlocks
every opportunity in life ”



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Presidential Message

Dear Rotarians, Rotaractors and friends,



Rotary youth exchange — one of the many programs for youths and young adults that we celebrate this month — was my path into true engagement in Rotary. My wife, Susanne, and I began hosting exchange students soon after I joined, and the experience helped me go from simply being a member of my Rotary club to being a true Rotarian. Now Rotary Youth Exchange is a family tradition, and a strong one: Over the past 24 years, we have hosted 43 students!

From the start, we loved it so much that, in addition to hosting students in our home, we became involved with the program by helping to organize student summer camps. During one such camp, I met Christine Lichtin, who was a German high school student at the time and whose father is a past president of my Rotary club. To try something new during this year of embracing change, I am turning this space, normally reserved for the president of Rotary, over to Christine so she can share her story.

My first contact with Rotaract was about 13 years ago, when I was with Susanne and Holger at a barbecue for the summer youth camp. Holger turned to me and said: "Why don't you visit a Rotaract club? You'll meet a lot of great young people who come together to have fun and to make a difference."

A few years later, when I was at Trier University, his words came back to me and I decided to give it a try. That was more than eight years ago, and I'm still at it. Once you are in Rotaract, you just don't want to get out. Rotaract has accompanied me everywhere, starting with the Trier club and then on to a club in Bologna, Italy, during the year I studied there. When I was in Kiel for my master's degree, I got involved with Rotaract there before landing at the Rotaract Club of Hamburg-Alstertal as I began my career. Each of those clubs has its own identity and focus, but all have the same intrinsic motivation.

I am now taking on a senior advisory role in my Rotaract club, which I really enjoy. I carry Rotaract in my heart, and it shapes my values, even as my interests evolve. One day, as if she had sensed this evolution, Susanne knocked on my door, wanting to introduce me to a young, modern Rotary club located between Hamburg and Mölln, my hometown. The E-Club of Hamburg-Connect, which Susanne helped charter, holds e-meetings, all of them very relaxed and personal. With members of different ages, everything just seemed to fit, so I thought, why not try it out? After all, time is precious and should be filled with fun whenever possible; the rest happens by itself.

Now I am in both worlds — a proud member of Rotaract and a Rotarian. And my small personal goal is to build a bridge between these two parallel worlds. All of us have very similar reasons for being part of the Rotary family.

It took some persistence to persuade Christine to become a member of Rotary, but it was well worth the effort. It is our duty to put in this kind of effort with youth program participants and Rotaractors so we can keep them in the family of Rotary. I hope you were inspired by her story. It's up to each of us to ensure that more young people like Christine can experience the many ways Rotary Opens Opportunities for us and for the people we serve.

Holger Knaack

President, Rotary International

District Governor's Message



Dear Rotary Leader,

September is the month designated by Rotary for Basic Education & Literacy. This is especially significant in the Indian context since we are yet to attain our set goal of achieving 100% literacy. Although in some pockets we made headway, a lot more remains to be done. The challenges are many. A lot of Children need to be back to schools, particularly in tribal areas many children never get to go to school. Even in cities, it is a common sight to see children of migrant labourers playing around the site of their parents' workplace, not attending school. We have to conceive projects whereby these children are tempted to go to school. A large number of schools lack basic facilities like toilets, school benches, playground equipment etc., The "Happy School Project" is an attempt to address these problems. Girls' education is still a problem with huge drop outs from schools. This is observed to be directly related to lack of aforesaid facilities. Providing those facilities will go a long way in bridging this gap and retain the girl child in school to complete her education. We would, in this context, do well to remember Gandhiji's saying, "If you educate a girl, you educate an entire family". And as regards higher education, Rotary has a very important role to play. This is the need of the hour.

Congratulations to the first new born Rotary Club of Hyderabad Mavericks, sponsored by "Rotary club of Jubilee hills". I sincerely thank the GSR Rtn. Dr, Ram Prasad.

Congratulations to clubs for their active participation in the District Membership Development Seminar and for adding 117 members on that single day.

Congratulations to clubs for active participation in District Designated service project "Tree plantation" on 15th August 2020.

Breast Feeding Kiosks is my dream project. I congratulate RC Spring fields for opening one such Kiosk to install in Jubilee Hills Bus Station. I request all the Clubs to take up this project and set up Kiosks in public places like Railway stations / RTC Bus Stations enabling mothers to feed their babies comfortably.

I wish all clubs the best of success in their endeavours.

N V Hanmanth Reddy

District Governor 2020-21
RI District 3150

Cover Story

Rotary Challa Blood bank, an initiative of the Rotary Club of Hyderabad Deccan, has started a "Rotary Plasma Bank".

Rtn. PP Sharath Choudary, Chairman of the Rotary Challa Blood bank, said that COVID patients and the doctors treating them are under strain as the patients far outnumber the donors coming forward to donate plasma. Donors' fear of loss of privacy, reinfection and the long waiting at hospitals where they have to normally go to donate plasma, make them reluctant to come forward to donate.

To ensure that this need in society for Covid Convalescent Plasma is met, Rotary Club of Hyderabad Deccan has launched the plasma bank initiative at the Rotary Challa Blood Bank. The initiative requires patients and donors to register at the www.plasmaforyou.org platform. Donors will be pre-screened for antibodies and other blood parameters from samples collected at home, and requested to come to the blood bank or transported to the blood bank at a designated time thus eliminating the worries of reinfection and the discomfort of waiting at Hospitals. Now donors pre-screened for eligibility in the comfort of their homes can come to the blood bank at a time of their choosing and finish the donation in 45 minutes.

Ann Mrs. Sharmila Jain (Managing Trustee, Rotary Challa Blood Bank) who has been leading the efforts of five Anns, fondly called Stree Shakti by Rotarians, for over a month in matching donors and patients says that patients from many hospitals which do not have plasmapheresis facilities remain unserved and that patients are apprehensive about what it will cost. Through the Rotary Plasma Bank there will be equitable access to all with transparent pricing, she said. Ann Sharmila informed that the pricing for a unit of plasma (of 200ml) for patients in private hospitals is Rs. 10,500/- and Rs. 4500/- for patients undergoing treatment at government hospitals. She also said that plasma will be given free for poor patients.

President V V S N Raju, of the Rotary Club of Hyderabad Deccan, said that the Rotary Plasma Bank is an initiative that belongs to all

Rotarians of the District. He invited other Rotary Clubs, NGOs and Corporates to work together with the Rotary Challa Blood Bank and strengthen the Rotary Plasma Bank initiative. He said a partnership model that would enable cooperating clubs and organisations to own and allocate plasma from donors mobilised by them is available.

Pravar Jain, the lead of Deccan Covid Crusaders, a Rotary Community Corps consisting of young engineering graduates sponsored by RCHD, said that they have created a website www.plasmaforyou.org to enable donors and patients register online and that they work closely with the volunteers of Stree Shakti to manage the nuts and bolts of donor and recipient coordination.

DG Hanmanth Reddy speaking on the occasion of the inauguration of the Rotary Plasma Bank by the Union Minister of State for Home Affairs, Sri Kishen Reddy, lauded the efforts of Rotary Club of Hyderabad Deccan and the highly committed team of the Rotary Challa Blood for filling this crucial gap of plasma availability during these difficult times of COVID.



To seek out as many Plasma Donors as possible.

A sense of uneasiness crept into Rotarians of our district when we learnt that one of our senior rotarians fell ill and all is not going to be well for the person unless we act swiftly. After careful coaxing and uncompromising persuasion, the identity of the person came to the fore, which made everyone buck up and act. The darling and respected person that he is, earnest efforts were made by everyone in all directions. While few were working towards getting permission for plasma therapy as this process was not approved, others reached out to numerous doctors to find out the possibility to administer such a therapy, if a donor was found. Thankfully, few of us had located possible donors and brought them to Hyderabad just under the wire. After the therapy was administered with clockwork precision, his journey to recovery was smooth. Everyone heaved a sigh of relief and felt a sense of accomplishment. We thank everyone whose efforts made this possible.

This whole experience beginning from recognizing the problem to recovery took more than three weeks. We were all relieved when this experience ended on a happy note. This whole endeavor taught us that even the mighty and well placed are vulnerable to the well entrenched pandemic. Amid this chaos, few of our Rotarians were motivated to attend to critical COVID patients and provide them with all possible help. Thus, the COVID rescue group was formed to provide timely solutions to needful patients.

Apart from volunteering to understand the medical attention one could give; the group also identified the need to counsel the caregivers of the patients and keep their spirits high during these uncertain times. Fortunately, three months into the lockdown, a well-defined process was established by the group to identify plasma donors and support caregivers. The same practices have now been adopted by almost every hospital.

It is evident from our Rotarian doctors and other experts that the processes adopted for treatment and medicines that were administered are all in trial mode only. It was also understood at this time that plasma transfusion from acceptable Covid recovered patients meeting specific arrived criteria by experts could be tried as a last resort. Now it is clear that Rotarians can play two roles, i.e. 1). manage and counsel care givers of the patients and 2). find and motivate Covid recovered patients to donate plasma. In this pursuit, we searched several societal organizations using web technologies who solicit and validate donors for the prescribed criteria and update and maintain their details. After careful interactions with several of them, it dawned on us that we need to work with an organization that is focused in twin cities and who can possibly reach Andhra and Telangana. We came across GiveRed, a section 8 registered NGO, managed by highly qualified young and dedicated professionals.

GiveRed became our obvious choice to solicit donors for the plasma therapy requests we get. We immediately formed multiple focused groups constituted by Rotarians to accomplish the following -

- I Group - To interact with patients
- II Group - To interface with GiveRed

- III Group - To report progress from GiveRed and patients to the main group
- IV Group - To strengthen GiveRed with technology and extra hands to reach donors

Rotary and GiveRed together have addressed more than 200 plasma requests with above 85% patient recovery rate. GiveRed has played a major role in finding donors apart from patients. GiveRed has also collaborated with others operating in the same space with pan India presence like Dhoond etc.

Our RC Deccan in the interim has started an extraordinary initiative to reach donors through plasma for you and taking an initiative to operate a plasma bank in conjunction with Rotary blood bank which is fully operational. This plasma bank for which Government permission is obtained is pride of Rotary district 3150. This bank is expected to help us to plan outreach to less equipped hospitals and underprivileged patients whose only hope is organizations like us. The future alone will unfold how we are going to serve all sections of the society for Covid recovery, but we are sure to serve all sections and are here to stay in this space committed. While leaving to future on methods, processes and therapy, WE ROTARIANS OF 3150 SHOULD WAKE UP AND SERVE THE NEEDY WHICH WE ARE ALWAYS BEST AT. IT SHOULD BE RESOLUTION OF EVERY ROTARIAN NOW TO IDENTIFY INDIVIDUALS, GROUPS & ORGANISATIONS TO REACH OUT FOR AS MANY DONORS AS POSSIBLE IN TIME.

KCM Kumar

PP RC Sainikpuri
Covid rescue group



District ID 3150

Club ID	Club Name	Member Count @ 1 July	Member Count @ Current	Net Change from 1 July	Club ID	Club Name	Member Count @ 1 July	Member Count @ Current	Net Change from 1 July	
90285	Alair	22	22	0	90508	Mangalagiri	59	62	3	
56778	Ameerpet Hyderabad	32	32	0	57136	Manjeera-Sangareddy	27	25	(2)	
26003	Armoor	37	38	1	25106	Martur	47	47	0	
81459	Armoor Aadarsh	19	19	0	26684	Medchal	16	22	6	
83280	Banjara Hills Hyderabad	39	40	1	15585	Miryalguda	25	25	0	
22036	Bapatla	37	37	0	86155	Miyapur	10	26	16	
26439	Bhadrachalam	50	62	12	15591	Narasaraopet	53	66	13	
21946	Bhagyanagar	51	51	0	57061	Narsampet	18	18	0	
57409	Bhuvanagiri	70	70	0	88377	Narsapur	12	12	0	
55482	Cantonment Secunderabad	48	48	0	15593	Nizamabad	103	107	4	
57925	Chandanagar-R.C. Puram	28	28	0	83953	Ongole Central	26	26	0	
15561	Chilakaluripet	85	85	0	24848	Pandaripuram	52	52	0	
85290	Chimakurthy	26	26	0	82534	Pangulur	22	22	0	
15562	Chirala	100	100	0	59130	Parchur Central	33	33	0	
84041	Coal Field Manuguru	19	19	0	79554	Pedanandipadu	21	21	0	
83078	Cyberabad	31	32	1	58639	Piduguralla Lime City	44	44	0	
30866	Darsi	21	21	0	15596	Ponnur	60	61	1	
83362	Gajwel	16	17	1	82002	Repalle Rural	24	24	0	
86732	Gajwel Central	20	20	0	87161	Saampradaya Hyderabad	15	15	0	
89179	Gems Nizamabad	48	49	1	88296	Sainikpuri Secunderabad	34	49	15	
79552	Greater Hyderabad	28	31	3	26357	Sattenapalli	23	23	0	
15566	Guntur	158	158	0	15602	Secunderabad	43	61	18	
56665	Guntur Aadarsh	41	41	0	90059	Secunderabad Icons	18	22	4	
88573	Guntur Centennial	29	29	0	82998	Secunderabad Spectrum	9	13	4	
57137	Guntur-Vikas	54	56	2	57064	Secunderabad Sunrise	49	49	0	
53980	Hanamkonda	82	82	0	64454	Secunderabad West	43	45	2	
15569	Hyderabad	44	44	0	58461	Singarakonda	37	37	0	
68057	Hyderabad Centennial	30	30	0	82547	Singarayakonda	11	11	0	
26172	Hyderabad Central	39	38	(1)	87439	Smart Hyderabad	23	25	2	
26091	Hyderabad Deccan	99	101	2	88060	Spring Field Secunderabad	17	20	3	
24126	Hyderabad East	40	42	2	79771	Tenali Vykuntapuram	30	34	4	
90440	Hyderabad Elite	21	21	0	23462	Vetapalem	17	17	0	
79705	Hyderabad Gachibowli	15	15	0	15618	Warangal 59	59	0		
82612	Hyderabad Himayat Nagar	20	20	0	26688	Warangal Central	34	34	0	
26549	Hyderabad Mega City	32	32	0	26237	Zaheerabad	25	25	0	
15571	Hyderabad Metro	12	11	(1)	Existing Club Totals			3311	3444	133
21400	Hyderabad Mid-Town	22	25	3	New Clubs Chartered Since 1 July					
15570	Hyderabad North	30	30	0	91204	Hyderabad Mavericks	0	35	35	
87094	Hyderabad Pearls	27	31	4	New Club Totals			0	35	35
58107	IN Bhadra Sarapaka	145	145	0						
58533	Inkollu Central	37	37	0						
55325	Jagtial Central	15	15	0						
26681	Jubilee Hills	103	112	9						
15576	Kamareddy	35	35	0						
23325	Karimnagar	21	21	0						
15578	Khammam	41	41	0						
24033	Kothagudem	37	37	0						
82159	Kshirapuri Chirala	16	16	0						
84346	Luxettipet Green Crops	20	20	0						
25133	Macherla	45	45	0						
82598	Mahabubabad	22	22	0						
24123	Mancherla	13	13	0						

CLUBS IN ACTION



RC Ameerpet Hyderabad : Tree plantation



RC Armoor : 5000 Clay Ganesha Distribution



RC Armoor Aadarsh : Telugu Bhasha Dinotsavam



RC Banjara Hills Hyderabad : Plant a Tree



RC Bhadrachalam : Charity to Poor Tribal Girl



RC Bhagyanagar : District Governor Official Visit



RC Bhuvanagiri : Rs.25000 worth of Clay Ganesha Distribution



RC Secunderabad Cantonment : Biofence Plantation



RC Chandanagar R.C. Puram : Awareness on Water, Sanitation & Hygiene



RC Chilakaluripet : Independence Day Celebrations



RC Chimakurthy : Friendship Day Celebrations



RC Chirala : Tricycles distribution



RC Coal Field Manuguru : Independence Day Celebration



RC Cyberabad : Tree Plantation



RC GEMS Nizamabad : 10,000 Saplings Plantation

CLUBS IN ACTION



RC Greater Hyderabad : Fertilizers & Micronutrients Distribution to Farmers



RC Guntur : Jai Ho - Police Dept and Red Cross



RC Guntur Aadarsh : Fruit plants distribution



RC Guntur Centennial : Tree plantation



RC Guntur Vikas : Distribution of masks, sanitizers, etc., to students



RC Hanamkonda : Rs.1 Lakh worth Medicines and groceries distribution



RC Hyderabad : Food Donation at Aaramghar Old Age Home



RC Hyderabad Centennial : Independence Day Celebration



RC Hyderabad Central : Creative Craft workshop "Nanne Hath"



RC Hyderabad Deccan : 10500 Saplings plantation



RC Hyderabad East : Tree Plantation Programme



RC Hyderabad Gachibowli : Mask distribution to GHMC Workers



RC Hyderabad Mega City : Tree Guards presentation to GHMC



RC Hyderabad Mid Town : Tree plantation programme in Upkaar Sweekar



RC Hyderabad North : Say No to Plastic - Distributed 2000 cloth bags and Car stickers

CLUBS IN ACTION



RC Hyderabad Pearls : Donation of Face shields to all Gandhi hospital doctors.



RC IN Bhadra Sarapaka : Meeting about clay idols distribution for vinayaka chavithi festival



RC Inkollu Central : Plantation



RC Jubilee Hills : Tree Plantation



RC KHAMMAM : Tree Plantation



RC Kothagudem : Independence Day Celebrations



RC Macherla : Tree Plantation



RC Mangalagiri : Free Distribution of Eco Friendly Ganesh Idols



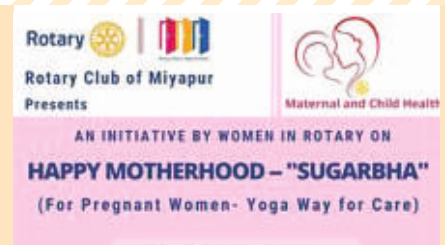
RC Manjeera Sangareddy : Distribution of Clay Ganesh



RC Martur : Tanguturi Birthday Celebrations



RC Medchal : Face Mask Distribution



RC Miyapur : Happy Motherhood - SUGARBHA - Online Training



RC Narasaraopet : Clay Ganesh Distribution



RC Narsapur : Club Installation



RC Nizamabad : A Mega Tree Plantation Drive - 25000 Saplings

CLUBS IN ACTION



RC Pandaripuram : Distribution of Sanitizers and Covid-19 Masks



RC Pangur : 2000 Tree Plantation



RC Parchur Central : Sanitization Programme



RC Pedanandipadu : Tree plantation



RC Piduguralla Lime City : Clay Ganesha Idols Distribution



RC Ponnur : Reusable cloth Aprons Distribution to Hospital Staff



RC Sainikpuri Secunderabad : Tree plantation projects



RC Sattenapalli : Independence Day Celebrations & Plantation



RC Secunderabad : Financial Assistance to 5 students (Rotary Lalchand Gauri Shelters)



RC Secunderabad Icons : Cultural Celebration - Peace Making Efforts



RC Secunderabad Spectrum : Clay Ganesha Distribution



RC Secunderabad Sunrise : Covid Care for Elderly (Mega Project)



RC Secunderabad West : Tree Plantation



RC Singarakonda Addanki : Blankets Distribution to women at old age home



RC Singarayakonda : Face Protection Masks Distribution

CLUBS IN ACTION



RC Smart Hyderabad : Mission Naagali - Fertilizers and Micro Nutrients Distribution



RC Spring Field Secunderabad : Tree Plantation



RC Tenali Vykuntapuram : Financial support to the disabled family



RC Vetapalem : Distribution of Clay Ganesha



RC Warangal : Clay Ganesh Idol Distribution

October - Economic and Community Development



Area of Focus : Economic and Community Development Month.

This also includes: International Day for the Eradication of Poverty on the 17th and World Polio Day on the 24th of October.

- Develop Micro Credit System
- Organise Awareness Seminar on Self Employment at Colleges/ Universities
- Organise Trade Exhibitions
- Organise Buyers-Sellers Meet
- Take up Entrepreneurship Development Program
- Organise Consumer Forum, a Public Meeting



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2020-21 District Future Events

S.No.	Events	Host Club	Place
1.	Positive Health Seminar	20th Sep 2020	RC Jubileehills Hyderabad
2.	CSR Awards and Seminar	10th Oct 2020	RC Hyderabad Deccan Hyderabad
3.	TRF Seminar	01st Nov 2020	RC Pearls Hyderabad H derabad
4.	District Conference	30th & 31st Jan 2021	RC Springfield & Armoor Hyderabad
5.	Awards Night	27th Jun 2021	RC Nizamabad Nizamabad

Semi Annual Dues

Description	Unit Price (USD)
RI Per Capita Dues	34.50
India IGST (18%) Dues	6.21
Council on Legislation	1.00
India IGST (18%) Dues Council on Legislation	0.18
USD Conversion Rate 1\$	Rs.75

DISTRICT DUES

Dist dues	:	Rs. 600/- per Rotarian
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