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In Rotary, July is a time of new beginnings, a time to reconnect with each other across distances and differences and to respond to change, a time to show Rotary Opens Opportunities. As we reconnect, and respond, this is a time to reassess, to envision; it is most importantly a time to set goals and to determine how we will serve our Communities, our Nation and the World, seizing opportunities for service. The ability to see and act on opportunities that are opened through friendship and fellowship is what makes Rotary so very different. And the willingness of all Rotarians to safely serve as they are able, locally or globally, is what unites us.

July 2025 - Maternal and Child Health Month

Rotary International's new monthly theme for July 25 is Maternal and Child Health! Every day mothers risk their lives giving birth and millions of children die each year from treatable, preventable causes. At least 7 million children under the age of five die each year due to malnutrition, poor health care, and inadequate sanitation. To help reduce this rate, Rotary provides immunizations and antibiotics to babies, improves access to essential medical services, and supports trained health care providers for mothers and their children.

Rotary's projects ensure sustainability by empowering the local community to take ownership of health care training programs. Maternal and Child Health Care is also recognized as one of Rotary's Seven Areas of Focus.

Rotary makes high-quality health care available to vulnerable mothers and children so they can live longer and grow stronger. We expand access to quality care, so mothers and children everywhere can have the same opportunities for a healthy future. An estimated 5.9 million children under the age of five die each year because of malnutrition, inadequate health care, and poor sanitation — all of which can be prevented.

HOW ROTARY MAKES HELP HAPPEN - Rotary provides education, immunizations, birth kits, and mobile health clinics. Women are taught how to prevent mother-to-infant HIV transmission, how to breast-feed, and how to protect themselves and their children from disease.

ROTARY'S IMPACT ON THE LIVES OF MOTHERS AND CHILDREN

The Rotary Foundation reaches mothers and children in need by giving communities the help and training they need to take control of their own maternal and infant health care.

Rotary makes amazing things happen, like :

Mobile prenatal clinics - Haiti has the highest maternal and infant mortality rate of any country in the western hemisphere. Rotary provided a fully equipped medical Jeep to volunteers and midwives to reach mothers and children in remote areas.

Cancer screening - Rotarians provided a mobile cancer screening unit and awareness trainings around Chennai, India, where there is a high mortality rate of women with breast and cervical cancer due to late diagnosis.

Preventing injuries and deaths - Rotary members launched a \$3 million, five-year pilot to save lives of mothers and children during home deliveries in Nigeria. Since 2005, they've also repaired 1,500 obstetric fistulas — 500 more than their initial goal — restoring dignity and hope to vulnerable mothers.

Let's know our RI President 2025-26

Francesco Arezzo

Francesco Arezzo, a member of the Rotary Club of Ragusa, Italy, is Rotary International's President for 2025-26.

The 2025-26 presidential message is **Unite for Good**, which calls on Rotary members to be a force for unity in a world increasingly divided by politics, geography, and ideology. Through service projects, Rotary brings together people of every background — across races, religions, and professions — in a shared mission to do good in their communities.

Arezzo is an orthodontist in private practice. He is active internationally as a member of the Italian, European, and American orthodontics associations. He is vice president of the National Association of Italian Dentists for the province of Ragusa and was the founder and head for seven years of the delegation for Ragusa of the National Trust for Italy. He is a Knight of Honor and Devotion in Obedience within the Sovereign Order of Malta.

A Rotary member for more than 30 years, Arezzo has served as vice chair of the Joint Strategic Planning Committee and as RI director,



learning facilitator, and as district conference presidential representative. Arezzo is a Major Donor and Benefactor of The Rotary Foundation. He is married to Anna Maria Criscione, an entrepreneur in the tourism field. They have two children.

TRF Trustee Chair

Holger Knaack, July 2025 Message



When you joined Rotary, chances are it was because you wanted to make a lasting difference. Arch Klumph felt the same way.

When he proposed The Rotary Foundation in 1917, he envisioned more than just a fund. He saw an enduring vehicle for Rotary members to serve their communities and create lasting change. More than a century later, that vision thrives, thanks to your dedication and to the Foundation's unique structure, which empowers members to identify and solve global problems at every level.

Today, I am not asking you for a donation. Instead, I invite you to look at The Rotary Foundation with fresh eyes. Imagine a charity governed by its own members. A global mission carried out by those very members. A foundation that reflects the shared values of its members — ensuring clean water and literacy for all, eradicating the scourge of polio, building local economies through entrepreneurship, and making the world more peaceful through conflict resolution training.

Doesn't this sound like an interesting charity? The Rotary Foundation is trusted around the world because we have earned that trust. After our successful Programs of Scale initiative in Zambia, the Gates Foundation and World Vision invited us to lead again — resulting in the \$30 million Rotary Healthy Communities Challenge across four African nations.

We are efficient, strategic, and guided by dedicated professional staff and passionate volunteers. Our Foundation consistently receives top marks from Charity Navigator. And the Gates Foundation matches our \$50 million annual commitment to polio eradication 2-to-1, depositing \$100 million into our account each year. That is trust, delivered.

Even in conflict zones, we are there. In Gaza, a single confirmed polio case triggered a humanitarian pause in the war, allowing health workers to vaccinate children and quell an outbreak. Rotary helped fund that urgent response. Once again, we proved to be a reliable partner in a crisis.

We can be proud that we made a difference. Now we look ahead to our ambitious \$500 million fundraising goal for 2025–26. We can reach it together, as we boldly support a Foundation that is doing bold things.

Rotary is not going anywhere, because Rotary is everywhere! That is our strength. That is our unique opportunity. Be part of the legacy of The Rotary Foundation. It is one that Arch Klumph would be proud of. It is a legacy that has changed the world and will continue to do so, as long as we are all part of it.



Let's know our R I Dist. 3291 : 2025 - 26 Governor Dr. Ramendu Homchaudhuri

A Philanthropist by Passion with Better Health, Better Education and Wellness for All, as his Mission, Dr. Ramendu Homchaudhuri started his Rotary Journey in the year 2006.

As an Iconic Member of Rotary Club of Calcutta Sun City, he started as the Chairperson of the Organizing Committee of District Assembly 2007. He served as President of Rotary Club of Calcutta Sun City for two successive terms in 2009-10 and 2010-11. His in-depth involvement as a Rotarian had already started.

His First Mega Project was Transit Trauma Care in collaboration with Kolkata Police & Government of West Bengal, where 15 Ambulances were flagged off that were strategically placed in various Accident Prone Locations of Kolkata. The core aim was to reach any Accident location at the earliest, provide on the spot care through the Trained Staff in the Ambulance and Transport the victim to the nearest Appropriate Medical Facility. This was to take care of the Appropriate Actions in the Golden Hour following an Accident, which are of Paramount Importance in Saving an Accident Victim's Life.

Dr. Homchaudhuri's name has now become synonymous with Thalassaemia Eradication Mission. His untiring efforts in this area, in his Personal Capacity, as a Sun City Member, as a District Official & Initiator of Zero Thalassaemia Foundation, need no further explanation. He has functioned as the District Chair for Thalassaemia Awareness and Prevention, conducting various Seminars across West Bengal, Assam, Bangladesh & Sri Lanka. He is leaving no stone unturned to eradicate this 100% Preventable Killer Disease.

For the last over Three Years, he has taken up the Mantle as a Key Representative of Rotary Club of Calcutta Sun City along with Hridham, another NGO, to provide easy access to potable water to the Water Scarce village of Dhaska in Purulia District. Continuous efforts are ongoing under his Relentless Actions and Guidance in Digging Ponds, Educating the Children & Adults, Developing Innovative Income Generating Sources for the Villagers of Dhaska as a whole.

Dr. Homchaudhuri added another feather to his cap with a rare distinction of getting Elected Unanimously as District Governor Nominee and would be taking over as District Governor in the Rotary Year 2025-26.

He is extremely fortunate to have his spouse, Dr. Mrs. Bandana Homchaudhuri, a reputed Paediatrician in her own right, giving him support in each of his endeavours. She is also a Past President of Rotary Club of Calcutta Sun City and has been working in various capacities in District 3291 Administration. They are blessed with a daughter and a son. The daughter is a Doctor and son is a Post-Doctoral Research Scholar in Robotics, based in USA.

Dr. Ramendu Homchaudhuri completed his MBBS in 1970 from Gauhati University, DGO from Calcutta University and followed it up

with MS (Orthopaedics) from Banaras Hindu University.

Amidst all his abovementioned activities, whenever he can manage his time, Dr. Homchaudhuri practices his Profession as an Orthopaedic Surgeon of undisputed repute with an ever smiling & energetic persona, which is an integral part of his profile.

Message from President 2025-26

Dear Friends,

Greetings from Rotary Club of Calcutta South City Towers!

Firstly, I am thankful from the core of my heart to my club for choosing me as the President for the Rotary year 2025-26. I would strive to do my best to serve and lead this club in 2025-26, under the strong & able leadership of our R.I. President, Rtn. Francesco Arezzo and District Governor, Rtn. Dr. Ramendu Homchaudhuri. As per the Rotary Slogan in 2025-26, we shall "UNITE FOR GOOD".

In the past year, our members have continued to commit to serve the community and make a difference in the world as we continue in our mission of "Service Above Self".

We will have the opportunity to support many more worthwhile charitable causes and participate in numerous service projects in the year ahead.

Fellowship is an integral aspect of any successful Rotary club and social interaction helps to foster goodwill. Various Dinner fellowships, holiday get togethers, sports events, vocational training programs, family excursion were about a few of the social events that have brought the members of the club together in an atmosphere of fun and enjoyment.

I believe that the essence of strong leadership is not in doing the work of 10 people but getting 10 people included in the work. That is the kind of leader I aspire to be. The only way we can have a successful Rotary year is for each club member to do his or her part.

Our Club has been engaged in various service projects for the needy & under-privileged since its inception in June, 2013. Charity begins at home, hence we will do our first service project (Medical Camp for EYE) at South City on 13.07.2025 and would also love to continue with our "Adult Literacy Program" & "Sanitary Napkin Project". We also intend to take up service projects regarding mental health and continue with our vocational training project that which has been going on successfully and which shall continue to benefit the needy.

With your help and support, we will enjoy a very rewarding year that will produce many positive memories and friendships. I am honoured to be a part of this esteemed organisation and look forward to this new year filled with opportunities to serve.

Let's "Unite for Good" in the service of humanity.

Best Regards,

Rtn. Aneesa Zainab

President (2025-26)



Dear Friends

It was nice to have had the opportunity of leading this Club as its President in the year 2024-25.

I am indeed thankful to all the members for their support in carrying out various service projects successfully.

We did some wonderful projects like upgradation of Accessible Library in Jadavpur University, Adult Literacy Project in South City, Sanitary Napkins Project to name a few. This would not have been possible without effective participation of our members.

I wish all the best to the incoming team and I am confident that they will take our club to greater heights in 2025-26.

Best Regards

Rtn. Satish Tarway

President (2024-25)

Message from President 2024-25

New Leaders of Our Club : 2025 - 26



President (2025-26)
Rtn. Aneesa Zainab



Secretary (2025-26)
Rtn. Annalakshmi Eakambaram



Treasurer (2025-26)
Rtn. Umamani Srinithi



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Happy Birthdays

Rty Ann Banwarilal Khowala – 5th July

Rty Annet Rumaisa Arifeen – 28th July

Rty Ann Sohini Chokhani – 29th July