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#### **MEET OUR CLUB PRESIDENT 2024-25 - RTN BRIAN PINTO**



Rtn Brian was born on December 27, 1978, in Mangaluru, and his educational journey took him to Mumbai and Goa. He earned prestigious MCSE and MCSD certifications from Microsoft through the Adset Institute in Mangaluru.

He began his career at BPL Electronics as a sales executive, where he honed his skills in client relations and business development. After two years with BPL, he joined In-Top Software Solutions as an educational consultant and franchise development executive, further

developing his business insights.

In 2002, Rtn Brian embarked on an entrepreneurial journey, pioneering personalized computer training for senior citizens in their homes. This innovative program empowered many, including homemakers, executives, and seniors, with essential digital skills. His vision extended to nursing colleges and corporate settings. For nursing colleges, he designed and executed the "Computers in Medical Education" program, addressing the lack of computer lab facilities in colleges and providing essential training for students from multiple colleges.

In 2004, he ventured into hardware sales, service, and maintenance under the brand ACCS (Advanced Computers and Communication Services). His dedication and the service rendered by his trained staff earned him admiration and respect in the field.

As the business scenario evolved, Rtn Brian launched his private limited company, Actron, in 2016. Actron made significant strides in security software for the Navy, with installations at INS VajraKhosh in Karwar. The company also ventured into commissioning and maintaining solar plants, collaborating with other business entities.

Rotarian Brian Pinto began his Rotary journey in 2001. The very next year, he spearheaded a memorable project, teaching computers to government school children. He quickly integrated with the members and took on leadership roles as Joint Secretary, Treasurer, and board member. Over the next five years, he focused on career awareness programs for SSLC and PUC children. Today, he stands as an able leader of our club, ready to inspire and lead us to greater heights.

He is happily married to Ann Veena Pinto and they are blessed with two children, Annet Alma Pinto And John Alister Pinto.

## THE MATERNAL MORTALITY RATE IN FINLAND IS THE LEAST IN THE WORLD - PROF. DR. PREMA D'CUNHA

Addressing the members of our club in the Weekly Club meeting held at Hotel Moti Mahal on Friday, the 19<sup>th</sup> of July 2024, Prof. Dr. Prem D'Cunha, Prof of OBG, Kanachur Institute of Medical Sciences Natekal went into great details of the important focus area of RI, Maternal and Child Health. She also released the weekly Centor. Rtn PDG MD Dr. B. Devadas Rai introduced her to the audience. Ann Prameela Shetty presented her a memento. Ann Namratha Kotian rendered the invocation. Club President Rtn Brian Pinto welcomed the gathering and conducted the meeting. Club Secretary Rtn Rajesh Seetharama made the announcements. Ann Neelam Jalan thanked. The formal meeting was followed by National Anthem.

#### **ZONAL REVIEW MEETING**

The Zonal review meeting of RID 3181 Zones 2,3 2024-25 for the month of July was held at Hotel Moti Mahal on Saturday, the 20<sup>th</sup> of July 2024 at 7.30 p.m. The meeting was organized by Assistant Governor Zone 2, RID 3181 Rtn MPHF Vishwanath Shetty, Assistant Governor Zone 2, RID 3181 2024-25, RtnPHF K.M. Hegde Assistant Governor Zone 3, RID 3181 2024-25 Rtn MD Dr. R K Ranjan Assistant Governor Zone 3, RID 3181 2024-25, Rtn MPHF Ashok U. The meeting was hosted by RC Mangalore. Zonal activities for June and July were discussed in the meeting. Our Club was represented by Club President Rtn Brian Pinto (In addition to the Rtn already mentioned)

#### 2024 -25 THEME ADDRESS

#### RTN MD STEPHANIE A. URCHICK, ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT 2024-25

(continued from Lastissue)

Rotary members have plenty of ways to support peacebuilding efforts, but today, I want you to remember this: To spread peace around the world, we must first find peace within ourselves.

Performing acts of kindness can ease symptoms of anxiety or depression and promote social connection more effectively than any other known approach.

We find joy in helping others, but we also face a tough balancing act. We must change ourselves and stay true to who we are.

That's why I have adopted the colors orange and sky blue as my theme colors. As a dominant color of autumn, orange represents the shifting of seasons — the end of one phase and the beginning of another. In fact, orange is the primary color of change.

Blue, on the other hand, is associated with knowledge and intelligence — trust, loyalty, and dependability. Blue inspires open communication. Combined, these colors represent our burning need to move forward together as we change ourselves and change the world.

With that, I've teased you long enough. Who's ready to hear the 24-25 annual theme?

All right, I'll tell you our theme. After one quick story!

Years ago, I was in the Dominican Republic helping install water filters. Two young boys watched as dirty water entered a filter in one end and emerged clean out the other end. I'll never forget the first time we stopped the water flow. One of the boys grabbed my sleeve and said, "Show me the magic again."

Obviously, the water filter wasn't magic. We worked hard to transport those filters, install them, and work with recipients in the area to maintain them. But those boys knew that easy access to clean water would change their lives. Knowing that I played a small part in that certainly changed my life.

And that is why our annual theme is The Magic of Rotary.

Now, don't misunderstand me: We are not going to grow membership, end polio, or bring peace to the world by waving a wand and saying some funny words.

It's up to you. You create the magic with every project completed, every dollar donated, and every new member inducted.

The Magic of Rotary can encourage whatever drives your local clubs. You can "grow The Magic of Rotary," if you're adding new members to our family. You can "unlock The Magic of Rotary" if you're unlocking the power of women and girls. You can "advance The Magic of Rotary" if you're fundraising to help change the world.

And when our year as Rotary President and District Governors has come to an end, it's up to us to make sure there's a whole line of people behind us, ready to keep the magic going.

I love my Rotary family, and I can feel that love in this room. That's why I know you are capable of making every club in your district simply irresistible.

This International Assembly won't last forever. Make the most of even the smallest moments. The briefest connection could result in a lifelong friendship. The simplest lesson could change your entire Rotary career. Don't let these opportunities pass you by.

And when we return home, let's change the world by embracing The Magic of Rotary.

#### CELEBRATION OF THE SILVER JUBILEE YEAR OF KARGIL VICTORY DAY BY OUR CLUB

Our Club jointly with Rotary Club of Mangalore North, RC Baikampady and RC Mangalore South celebrated the 25th year of Kargil Victory in a function held at Rotary Bala Bhavana Mangaluru on Wednesday, the 24<sup>th</sup> of July 2024 of at 6.00 p.m. The Chief Guest of the function was RID 3181 Governor Rtn MPHF Vikram Datta. The guest of honor of the function was Rtn MPHF Sreekanth Shetty Bala (RC Baikampady) Also present on stage were Assistant Governor, Zone 2, RID 3181 2024-25 Rtn MPHF Vishwanath Shetty, Assistant Governor, Zone 2, RID 3181 2024-25, Rtn PHF K.M. Hegde Assistant Governor Zone 3, RID 3181 2024-25 Rtn M.D. Dr. R.K. Ranjan, Assistant Governor Zone 3, RID 3181 2024-25, Rtn MPHF Ashok, President of our Club, Rtn Brian Pinto, President of RC Mangalore North Rtn PHF Mohan Nair, President of RC Mangalore South, Rtn Rithesh Shetty, President of RC Baikampady, Rtn PHF Harish Shetty. Ex Servicemen Subedar Shashank Nayak, Sub-Lft Shashi Kumar Nair and Sgt Bhagwandas were honoured on the occasion. In addition to the 2 members already mentioned, the following members and Anns represented Our Club in the function. PDG MD Rtn B. Devadas Rai, Rtn PP PHF Santhosh Shet, Rtn PP PHF Rajgopal Rai, Rtn Rajesh Shetty, Rtn Rajesh Seetharama, Rtn Bhasker Rai, Ann PHF Prameela Hegde, and Ann Poornima Rai.

#### MEET RI PRESIDENT 2024-25 - RTN STEPHANIE A. URCHICK



Rtn Stephanie A. Urchick, of the Rotary Club of McMurray, Pennsylvania, USA, is the selection of the Nominating Committee for President of Rotary International for 2024-25, a decision that would make her only the second woman to hold that position.

Rtn Urchick is partner and chief operating officer of Doctors at Work LLC, a consulting and training company. She holds a doctorate in leadership studies from Indiana University of Pennsylvania. She is active on numerous community boards and committees, and has been honored by organizations including Zonta International and the Sons of the American

Revolution.

A Rotary member since 1991, Rtn Urchick has travelled to Vietnam to help build a primary school and to the Dominican Republic to install water filters. She studies several Slavic languages, has mentored new Rotarians in Ukraine, and coordinated a Rotary Foundation grant project in Poland.

Rtn Urchick has served Rotary in many roles, including as a director, Foundation trustee, and chair of the RI Strategic Planning Committee and the Foundation's Centennial Celebration Committee. Major Donor and a member of the Bequest Society.

#### ROTARY INFORMATION - JULY - MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH MONTH

#### SUGGESTED ACTIVITIES FOR CLUBS UNDER MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH FOCUS AREA

- 1. Prenatal care for pregnant women
- 2. Labor and delivery services for pregnant women
- 3. Providing medical equipment to underserved clinics and hospital maternity wards, when provided in conjunction with prenatal care educational activities
- 4. Training and/or "train the trainer" initiatives for maternal and child health professionals and leaders (i.e. doctors, nurses, community health workers, and midwives)
- 5. Training and/or "train the trainer" initiatives for skilled birth attendants, 6. Prenatal and child care educational activities for parents and families
- 7. Initiatives that build upon and/or improve capacity of existing community initiatives and/or local women's groups pertaining to maternal and child health
- 8. Education about and access to birth control, family planning and/or disease prevention and reduction initiatives, inclusive of HIV/AIDS and human papillomavirus (HPV)
- 9. Education and training on sexual health, particularly for adolescent girls
- 10. Relevant immunization for children under five
- 11. Relevant immunizations for women and adolescent girls
- 12. Interventions to combat pneumonia, diarrhea, malaria and/or measles for mothers and children under five
- 13. Interventions to reduce the impact of sexually transmitted disease in women, e.g., HIV/AIDS, cancer of the cervix, gonorrhea and syphilis, etc.
- 14. Preventing mother-to-child transmission of HIV
- 15. Promotion of breastfeeding and other interventions to fight malnutrition
- 16. Surgical repair of fistula
- 17. Surgeries/procedures to correct cleft palates
- 18. Lifesaving surgeries and surgeries to address congenital problems provided they are supported by the local health infrastructure and include appropriate follow-up care.

#### MEMBERS/ANNS/ANNETS/JOHNS/LORDS IN THE NEWS

- Rtn PDG MD Dr. B Devdas Rai was a resource person of Business Tonic programme broadcasted by Namma Kudla 24 x 7 News Channel on Sunday, the 21<sup>st</sup> of July 2024 at 10.00 a.m. Many congratulations Rtn Dr. Rai!
- Rtn PHF Nithin Shetty's views of the Union Budget featured in the Times of India.. Many Congratulations Rtn Nithin!
- Rtn PHF S.S. Nayak's views of the Union Budget featured in the Deccan Herald. Many Congratulations Rtn S.S. Nayak!
- Rtn PHF S.S. Nayak was the Anchor of "Business Tonic" programme broadcasted by Namma Kudla 24 x 7 News Channel on Sunday, 21.07.2024 at 10.00 a.m. Many Congratulations Rtn S.S. Nayak!
- Rtn PHF S.S. Nayak was the Chief Guest of the Guru Poornima function held at Anantha Vaidika Center Udupi on 21.7.2024. Many Congratulations Rtn S.S. Nayak!
- Rtn PHF S. S. Nayak was the Chief Guest of Sanskritha Sambhashana program held in Mangaluru recently. Many Congratulations Rtn S.S. Nayak!
- Rtn PHF S.S. Nayak was the Chief Guest of a program organized by Yakshangana Mangaluru recently. Many Congratulations Rtn S.S. Nayak!
- Club Secretary Rtn Rajesh Seetharama has been elected as the Joint Secretary of Mangalore IT Dealers Association for the period 2024-26. Many Congratulations Rtn Rajesh!
- Rtn Murali Nair has been elected as President of Mangaluru Karnakata Nair Service Society for 2024-25. Many Congratulations Rtn Nair!

#### **BOARD MEETING**

The Meeting of the Board of Directors of the club for the month of August was held at Hotel Woodlands on Thursday, the  $25^{th}$  of July 2024 at 8.00 p.m. Planning of Club activities for the month of August was held in the meeting.

#### **BIRTHDAYS**

22<sup>nd</sup> July 2024: Annet Shibhani (D/o Rtn Janaradhan Alva)
23<sup>rd</sup> July 2024: Rtn Jackson Saldhana
25<sup>th</sup> July 2024: John Prakayath (S/o Rtn PP PHF K.M. Hegde)

With Best Compliments From:

# Rtn. PHF Darryl Steven DSouza

Youth Service Director, Rotary Club of Mangalore Central

#### THIS MEETING

26.07.2024 - FRIDAY - HOTEL MOTI MAHAL - 8.00 P.M. - TALK ON RI THEME 2024-25 - MAGIC OF ROTARY - BY RID 3181 ADVISOR 2024-25 PDG MPHF RTN K KRISHNA SHETTY (RC MANGALORE NORTH) - PLEASE ATTEND

#### **NEXT MEETING**

02.08.2024 - FRIDAY - HOTEL MOTI MAHAL - 8.00 P.M. - BUSINESS MEETING - PRESENTATION OF AUDITED CLUB STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS 2023-24 - BY CLUB TREASURER RTN PDG MD DR. B. DEVADAS RAI - PLEASE ATTEND