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Holgar Knaack, a member of the Rotary Club of Herzogtum Lauenburg-Mölln, Germany, has been selected to serve as president of Rotary International in 2020-21.

To build a stronger membership, Knaack says Rotary must focus on increasing the number of female members and transitioning Rotaractors into Rotarians.

Knaack believes that the People of Action campaign offers new public awareness possibilities for Rotary. "This campaign conveys our global image while still respecting differences in regions and cultures," he says. A Rotary member since 1992, Knaack has served Rotary as treasurer, director, moderator, member and chair of several committees, representative for the Council on Legislation, zone coordinator, training leader, and district governor.

He is an endowment/major gifts adviser and co-chair of the Host Organization Committee for the 2019 Rotary International Convention in Hamburg.

Knaack is the CEO of Knaack KG, a real estate company. He was previously a partner and general manager of Knaack Enterprises, a 125-year-old family business.

He is a founding member of the Civic Foundation of the City of Ratzeburg and served as president of the Golf-Club Gut Grambek. Knaack is also the founder and chair of the Karl Adam Foundation.

Knaack and his wife, Susanne, are Major Donors to The Rotary Foundation and members of the Bequest Society.

We Meet on : **Every Tuesday**
Venue : **Vaibhav Hall, Hotel Utsav,
K. S. Rao Road, Mangalore**
Time : **7:30 PM**



Rtn Major Donor M Ranganath Bhat

District Governor
RID 3181

Manjeshwar Ranganath Bhat is a Mechanical Engineer and an Alumnus of NITK-Surathkal. After a brief stint in Industry, he joined his family business of Motor Freight Transportation. Now he is in Tyre Retailing, Computerised wheel Alignment and Allied services in Mangalore under the name of 'Rohit Auto Care'. He was one of the first to introduce Computerised Wheel Alignment during 1988 in Mangalore. He has been an Insurance Surveyor/Loss Assessor for Insurance Companies and a Valuer for Banks and Financial Institutions.

Ranga, as he is popularly known as, joined Rotary in 1989 and is a second generation Rotarian. He was president of the Interact Club of Canara High School-Main during 1973-74. He was president of Rotary Club of Mangalore North during 1997-98 and Assistant Governor during 2000-01. He has served in various capacities in Rotary at Club and District levels. Ranga is a Major Donor to The Rotary Foundation.

Ranganath Bhat has been Honorary Secretary of the Canara High School Association, a 129 year old organisation which owns and manages 14 Educational Institutions from Kindergarten to Engineering levels and has over 11000 students. Philanthropy is his second nature.

Ranganath Bhat is married to Rajani. Rajani was president of the Inner Wheel Club of Mangalore North and is a Rotarian. She is an Artist and a Painter. They have two children, son Rohit who after a 7 year stint at L&T Ltd joined his father's business and is married to Dipti; daughter Rohini studying in Pre University and a grandson Vihaan.

Widely travelled, Ranganath Bhat is an avid photographer and rides the bicycle to keep himself fit.





Chief Guest & Installation Officer

Rtn PHF Ekanath Dandekeri

Assistant Governor
Zone-3, RID3181

Rtn PHF Ekanath Dandekeri is a member of Rotary Club of Mangalore Downtown. A very active Rotarian joined the club in the year 2007. The 13 year veteran went on to serve the club in various capacities including 2 terms as President when the Club reached new heights. Popularly known as 'Eku' the ever-smiling friendly Rotarian is popular among all the Rotarians in Zone 2 & 3 and never fails to add life to Rotary Fellowship events with his humor and quick wit. An Engineer by qualification Rtn Ekanath completed his Civil Engineering at NIE, Mysore and his M. Tech from NITK, Suratkal. He completed his basic education in St Aloysius., Mangalore. He is currently runs his own Structural Designing Firm M/S SIGMA CIVIL AND STRUCTURAL CONSULTANTS is actively involved in various professional bodies. Married to Rtn Aashlata, a member of RC Mangalore Downtown and blessed with 2 wonderful kids John Aryan and Annet Niharika.

Rtn Rajesh Shetty K.

President

Rtn Rajesh Shetty K. born on 15th June, 1970, joined Rotary Club in the year 2015. He takes keen interest in Rotary movement and is an active Rotarian assuming various responsibilities in this small but vibrant club. He served the club in various capacities as Director of various avenues, Treasurer 2017-18, Secretary-2018-19, Vice President-2019-20. Rtn Rajesh Shetty completed his Master of Science in Marine Geology from Mangalore University. Presently he is working as Superintendent of Central Tax in the Department of Customs & Central Tax. He is an active sports person and is married to Ann Saritha Shetty and blessed with daughter Annet Ananya Shetty and son Jon Anirudh Shetty.



Rtn Sathyajith S Rao

Secretary

Rtn Sathyajith Rao born on 30th May 1974 joined the club in the year 2016. A fun loving happy go lucky foodie is usually the life of any Club activity. Having taken up different posts in the club including the post of Treasurer in the year 2019-20 where in he bagged the 1st Place for CLUB FINANCE in the District (Small Club) for managing Club Finances meticulously. A Commerce graduate from the University of Karnataka, Dharwad completed his initial schooling in Mangalore. Married to Ann Laxmi and blessed with a son John Anish.



Rtn PHF Anil Baliga
Director Club Service

Rtn Ganesh Bhandary
Vice President & Chairman Culturals

Rtn PHF Ganesh Prabhu
Treasurer

Rtn PHF Ganapati Shenoy
Sargent At Arms

Rtn Venkatesh Prabhu
Chairman Polio Pulse & Director International Service

Rtn PHF Suraj Hebbar
Director District Projects & Bulletin Editor

Rtn Madhu Chandra
Director Vocational Service

Rtn Dr Pavanchand A.
Chairman WinS

Rtn PHF Ekanath Dandekeri
Chairman TRF

Rtn PHF Gurudath Bhagwath
Director Youth Service

Rtn PHF Nagaraj Kamath
Director Community Service

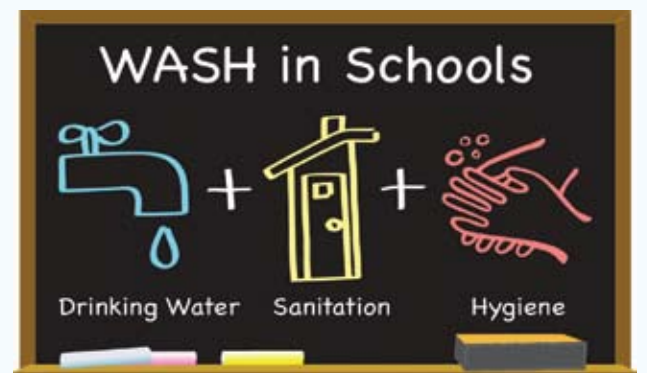
Rtn Parinitha Shenoy
IPP & Chairman TEACH

Rtn Rakesh Kotian
Chairman Membership Development

Rtn PHF M Srikant Nayak
Chairman Website



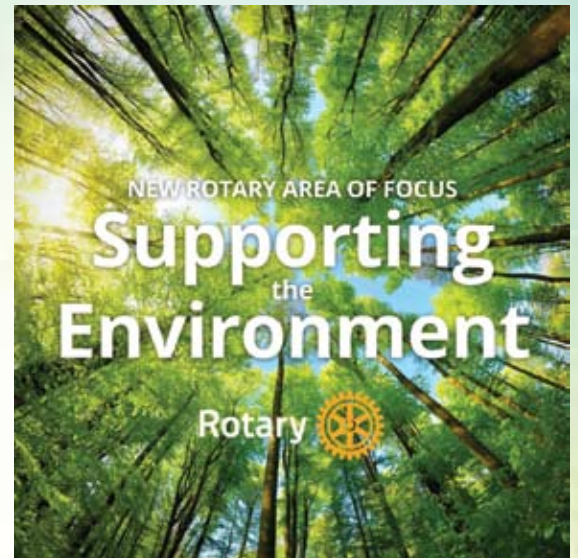
Rotary Opens Opportunities



Supporting the environment becomes a new area of focus

The Rotary Foundation Trustees and Rotary International Board of Directors have both unanimously approved adding a new area of focus: supporting the environment.

More than \$18 million in Foundation global grant funding has been allocated to environment-related projects over the past five years. Creating a distinct area of focus to support the environment will give Rotary members even more ways to bring about positive change in the world and increase our impact.



Supporting the environment becomes Rotary's seventh area of focus, which are categories of service activities supported by global grants. It joins peacebuilding and conflict prevention; disease prevention and treatment; water, sanitation, and hygiene; maternal and child health; basic education and literacy; and community economic development.

Grant applications for projects will be accepted beginning on 1 July 2021. Gifts and commitments from Rotarians and others will be sought to provide global grant support for the new area of focus.

More information about this new cause will be announced soon.
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Birthdays and Anniversaries

Anniversaries

Rtn Sadashiv Bhandary & Ann Priya

2nd July

Birthdays

Annet Bhoomi Prabhu, D/O Rtn Venkatesh Prabhu **6th July.**

Rtn PHF Srikanth Nayak **15th July.**

Annet Shanthala, D/O Rtn MP Ganesh **25th July.**

Rtn PHF Suraj Hebbar **27th July.**



Conference	Joint Secretary	Suraj Hebbar
Conference	Zonal Chairman - Registration	Nagaraj Kamath
Assistant Governor	RCM Downtown, RCM, RCM Midtown, RCM Seaside	Eknath Dandekeri
Membership Development	Zonal Coordinator	Ganesh Prabhu
Theme Promotion	Vice Chairman -	Anil Baliga
District Cultural Activities	Vice Chairman - Cultural Activities	Mithabail Srikanth Nayak
R I Awards & Recognitions	Vice Chairman	Ganapathy Shenoy
Rotary Club Central	Chairman	Suraj Hebbar
PULSE POLIO	Zonal Coordinator	Nagaraj Kamath
Better Waste Management at Home	Vice Chairman	Guruduth Bhagavath
Interact	Zonal Coordinator	Parinitha G Shenoy

Our Flag



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International

RI Presidential Citation Award with Distinction (Platinum)

District Awards:

1. 1st Place-Management of Club Finance
2. Event Participation (International Service)
3. Event Participation (Youth Service)
4. 2nd Place- District Grants
5. 3rd Place-Event Organizer(Vocational Service)
6. Event Participation (Vocational Service)
7. Jeevan Sandhya



**District Projects 2020-21-
Tree Planting at Rtn Rahul Suvarna's Estate**





Bharat S. Pandya

Director 2019-21
Rotary Club of Borivli
Maharashtra, India

Bharat Pandya is a practicing general and laparoscopic surgeon. He and his wife, Madhavi, a gynecologist, own a private hospital in Mumbai. He is a fellow of the International College of Surgeons and has served on the board of the Jan Shikshan Sansthan vocational training institute, sponsored by the Indian government.

Pandya joined Rotary in 1989 as a charter member of his club. During his year as governor of District 3140, his district contributed over \$2 million to The Rotary Foundation, making it the top contributor worldwide for 2006-07. He has led numerous projects, including water and sanitation projects funded by Foundation grants that installed check dams so that villagers no longer needed to walk up to four miles per day to collect water.

Pandya has held many roles in Rotary, including regional RI membership coordinator, training leader, and member of RI's Membership and Convention Promotion committees and of the India PolioPlus Committee. He has received the Service Above Self Award, the Rotary Foundation Citation for Meritorious Service, and the Rotary Foundation Distinguished Service Award. He and Madhavi are Level 2 Major Donors to the Foundation.



Kamal Sanghvi

Director 2019-21
Rotary Club of Dhanbad
Jharkhand, India

A graduate of Kasturba Medical College in Manipal, India, with a degree in pharmaceutical sciences, Kamal Sanghvi is managing director of a family-owned banking, financing, and construction conglomerate.

Sanghvi joined Rotary in 1991 and has served as a training leader, committee member, president's representative, and in numerous other capacities. He helped establish 28 vocational training centers for women and coordinated 11 polio corrective surgery camps that treated thousands of patients. Sanghvi says one of his proudest achievements was leading a Rotary initiative that helped 200 Pakistani children get heart surgeries in India.

Sanghvi has received the Service Above Self Award, the Rotary Foundation Citation for Meritorious Service, and the Rotary Foundation Distinguished Service Award. He and his wife, Sonal, who is also a Rotarian, are Major Donors and Bequest Society members.



Welcoming New Members to the Downtown Family...



Prashant Kotian

Born in the year 1972 Prashant completed his initial schooling at GurupurKaikamba the place of his birth. He went on to complete his PU College from St Aloysius and then his Engineering Degree in Mechanical from NIE, Mysore. Prashant completed his PG in Marine Engineering from Marine Engineering and Research Institute, Mumbai. He joined the shipping industry in the year 1998 and currently works as Chief Engineer in various product and tanker vessels. Currently he is an employee of Emerat Shipping Group a Dubai based company.

A lover of books and active sportsman Prashant is happily married to Prithvi and blessed with son Pratul and daughter Pranika.



Kushith Kumar

An MBA in the field of Marketing, Kushith owns 'Daily Santhe' an Organic Farm Product Outlet in Bangalore. His other business ventures also include 'SHREE VINAYAK POWER MANAGEMENT' and DRIVE CLUB STUDIO. His activities include Car and Bike Modifications, Off Road Rally Driving and Event Planning. He is a music lover and into Cricket and Football.



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