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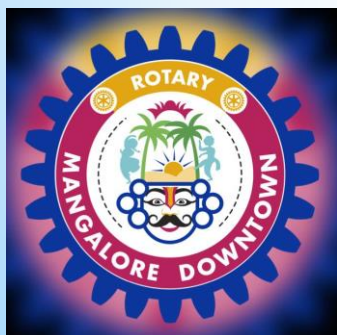
Alternate Tuesday

**Venue:** Green Room,  
Eden Club, Nanthoor,  
Mangalore - 575008

**Time:** 7:30 PM

### Club Website:

<http://rcmangaloredowntown.rotaryindia.org/>



## PRESIDENTIAL MUSINGS



As the new year sets in, let me wish my dear Downtown members and their family a happy and prosperous new year 2024. 2023 is just ended and 2024 just began to unfurl. This is that time of the year when we sit with our loved ones and reminisce about the time we spent and the lessons we learnt. We fondly remember the good times spent with the ones we

love, and the difficult times that gave us the strength to move on. Let us embrace positivity, optimism, hope and promises of a better tomorrow.

Adolescence is a very trying times in one's lifetime especially for girls. In order to overcome the issues they face during their adolescence, we have organised a talk on “ಹದಿ ಹರೆಯದ ಸಮಸ್ಯೆಗಳು- Adolescence issues” for the girl students of Cascia High School, which saw a tremendous response. I thank our member Rtn Dr. Savitha Gatty for being the resource person.

Though this year we saw a lesser participation from our club in the Zonal Cultural competitions, with the able participation of Rtn Ganesh Bhandary, Rtn Anil Baliga, Ann Dr. Vishrutha Pavanchand, our club able to secure runners up championship in the events. Kudos to all the participants and for keeping our club's flag high.

It is very unfortunate that due to some unforeseen circumstances, the official visit of the District Governor is postponed for the second time. But I am sure, our members are ever ready of the event as and when it is rescheduled.

Again, to a new year for new opportunities, bright smiles, and amazing experiences. **Happy 2024!**

## “ಹದಿ ಹರೆಯದ ಸಮಸ್ಯೆಗಳು - Adolescence issues”



**9<sup>th</sup> December, 2023**

Rotary Club Mangalore Downtown in association with Cascia High School Old Student's Association, Mangalore has organised a talk on “ಹದಿ ಹರೆಯದ ಸಮಸ್ಯೆಗಳು- **Adolescence issues**” for the girl students of Cascia High School on 9th December, 2023. Our member Rtn Dr. Savitha Gatty was the resource person. Secretary Rtn Umesh Gatty shared the dais with other dignitaries. Rtn Sathish Bolar of RC Mangalore South, Chairman- District Projects, Rtn Eknath Dandekeri, Past Assistant Governor were also present on the occasion.

“Adolescence is a tough time for parent and child alike. It is a time between: between childhood and maturity, between parental protection and personal responsibility, between life stage- managed by grown-ups and life privately held.”

- **Anna Quindlen**, American Author & Columnist



# FORTHCOMING ROTARY EVENTS

## “CHAKRATHON”



**CREATE HOPE in the WORLD**

**Rotary Clubs of India**  
unite for a cause

**CHAKRATHON**  
Pedal for India

August 15, 2023 to January 26, 2024

An initiative of  
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165 days 76 Million kms 50 Million People

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Under the initiative of Rotary Club of Bangalore, Rotary Clubs of India unite for a cause in organising “CHAKRATHON- Pedal for India”, a unique programme arrange from 15<sup>th</sup> August, 2023 to 26<sup>th</sup> January, 2024. It is spread over 165 days where participants are advised to cycle at their convenience using a Decathlon Play App which registers the distance covered by them.



**CREATE HOPE in the WORLD**

**CHAKRATHON**  
Pedal for India

**FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

1. Duration ?  
A. 15th Aug 2023 to 26th Jan 2024 (165 days)

2. Where ?  
A. Your choice of place

3. When ?  
A. At your convenient time

4. Who can participate ?  
A. Anybody, any age, any gender

5. Cost of registration ?  
A. Rs. 99 + GST

6. How to register ?  
A. Scan on the QR Code or connect through the link, given below

7. Why should I participate ?  
A. To support Rotary Community Projects

8. How many kms do I have to cycle ?  
A. You can choose - 7.6 / 76 / 760 / 7600 kms

9. Do I cycle all at once ?  
A. No, at your convenience

10. How do I register my kms ?  
A. Log on to Decathlon Play App, everytime you cycle

11. What do I get for participation ?  
A. Other than helping Rotary Projects you will receive a certificate of participation, a Gift Voucher and exciting prizes from Decathlon

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# ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION - 2024

## “SHARING HOPE WITH THE WORLD”

Rotary International Convention for 2024 will be held at Singapore during 25<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> May, 2024.

The venue will be Martina Bay Sands Expo & Convention Centre and National Stadium, Singapore.

Interested members are requested to register for the event.



**Singapore Host Organisation Committee**

**WELCOMES YOU**

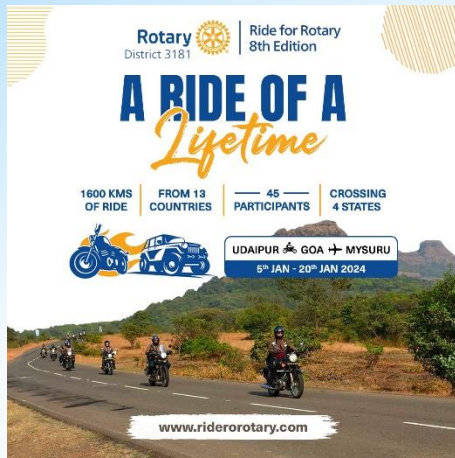
Join us in Singapore for the 2024 Rotary International Convention and explore its many sights, sounds and flavors. Beyond Singapore's picture-perfect skyline, our bustling metropolis is an ever-evolving wonderland of bold new experiences to complete your Rotary adventure.

**SHARING HOPE WITH THE WORLD**

2024 Rotary International Convention  
SINGAPORE | 25-29 MAY 2024  
Register today at [convention.rotary.org](https://convention.rotary.org)

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# FORTHCOMING ROTARY EVENTS



## “RIDE FOR ROTARY – 8<sup>TH</sup> EDITION”

Get ready for an exciting journey with Ride for Rotary 8, scheduled for January 2024. 8<sup>th</sup> Edition of Ride For Rotary conducted by our District RID 3181 will be in two legs. The first one starts on 5<sup>th</sup> January, 2024 is from Udaipur to Goa and reach Mysuru on 20.01.2024. The second leg starts on 1<sup>st</sup> June, 2024 is from Chandigarh to Leh, Ladakh. Our Member, MD Rtn Suraj Hebbar Neria is part of the organising Team.

Email: IFCRCHENNAI@GMAIL.COM

**Rotary**  

IFCR CHENNAI invites you to  
**IFCR WORLD FESTIVAL 2024**  
12<sup>th</sup> -16<sup>th</sup> Feb 2024

Registration cost  
USD 300/INR 22,000  
excluding  
accommodation  
charges

Last date of  
registration is  
30th Sep 2023

<https://bit.ly/IFCR2024>



Rtn Jagannathan Maraimalai  
Chairman

Rtn Neelakantan Ramaseshan  
Convener

Rtn KRP Sarathy  
Coordinator

## “IFCR WORLD FESTIVAL-2024 ”

IFCR WORLD FESTIVAL 2024 is planned in Chennai during 12<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2024 by IFCR CHENNAI (3232). The registration needs to be done by the individual IFCR Members and teams would be formed by the host team during the inaugural ceremony of the world festival. The registrations have to be completed online in google form at this link <https://bit.ly/IFCR2024> latest by 30th Sep 2023.



# FORTHCOMING ROTARY EVENTS

## “PRAJNA PARVA”

Annual District conference for Rotary year 2023-24 has been aptly named “Prajna Parva” denoting ‘Festival of Supreme Knowledge’. It is being organised from 19<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> January, 2024 at Silent Shores, Mysore. Registration fee is Rs.50,000/- for Gold Patrons, which includes registration for couple, stay for couple at the venue and for Rotarians, Anns, Annets and Guests it is Rs.4,500/-.



Rotary CREATE HOPE in the WORLD

**PRAJNA PARVA**  
*Consciously Creating Hope*

Rotary District 3181 - Conference 2023-24  
Jan. 19<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024  
Silent Shores Resort, Mysuru

**EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION OFFER  
CLOSES ON 31<sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER**

Rotarian	- 4500/-
Rotarian Couple	- 7500/-
Ann./John	- 3000/-
Annet / Rotaractor	- 2500/-
Guest	- 4500/-

Scan for Registration & More details

**PRAJNA PARVA**  
Bank : HDFC BANK  
Account no : 50200076956110  
IFSC : HDFC0000065  
Branch : Saraswathipuram, Mysuru

**HURRY UP!**

For any queries call  
**8722 19 20 21**

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## “RIDE FOR ROTARY - 8”

The first leg of 8<sup>th</sup> Edition of Ride for Rotary of RID 3181 starts on 5<sup>th</sup> January, 2024 from Udaipur to Goa and reach Mysuru on 20.01.2024. Our member Rtn Suraj Hebbar, who is part of the organising committee, will be driving his Toyota Innova Crysta as a pilot vehicle with Rotary RID 3181 and our Club Logo prominently displayed on the vehicle. It will be a public image booster exercise for the RID 3181 as well as for our club. All thank to Rtn Suraj Hebbar.





# EVENTS THAT JUST HAPPENED

## “KOODI HAADONA - SERI KUNIYONA”



**“KOODI HAADONA - SERI KUNIYONA”** - Zonal Cultural competitions for Zone 2 & 3 of RID 3181 held on 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> December, 2023 at BEM High School, Mangalore. The event was hosted by RC Baikampady.

Rotary Club of Rotary Mangalore Downtown has bagged Runners up award for Zone-3. The winners from our club are the following:

- 1<sup>st</sup> in Ann's Singing Solo – Ann Dr Vishrutha Pavanchand
- 1<sup>st</sup> in Duet Singing - Rtn Ganesh Bhandary and Ann Dr Vishrutha Pavanchand
- 2<sup>nd</sup> in Rotarians Solo Singing - Rtn Anil Baliga
- 1<sup>st</sup> in Stand up comedy - Rtn Ganesh Bhandary

Congratulations to all the participants and for making our club proud.



# EVENTS THAT JUST HAPPENED

## “ಚಿಣ್ಣರ ಚಲಿಪಲಿ” - Children’s Festival- 2023



“ಚಿಣ್ಣರ ಚಲಿಪಲಿ” - **Children’s Festival- 2023** was held on 3<sup>rd</sup> November, 2023 at University College Campus. The event was organised by Rotary Club of Mangalore Seaside. Variopus competitions in singing, drawing, dance, fancy dress, memory test, reciting of nursery rhymes, elocution were held for children in different age group category. Tricycle Race was also held for Kindergarten Children.

## “ROTARY BUSINESS EXPO-2K23”

“**RB EXPO**” - **Rotary Business Expo-2K23** was held from 23<sup>rd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> December, 2023 at Samruddhi Complex, Puttur. The event was organised by IPDG Rtn Prakash Karanth. The event showcased congregation of variety of business enterprises under one roof.

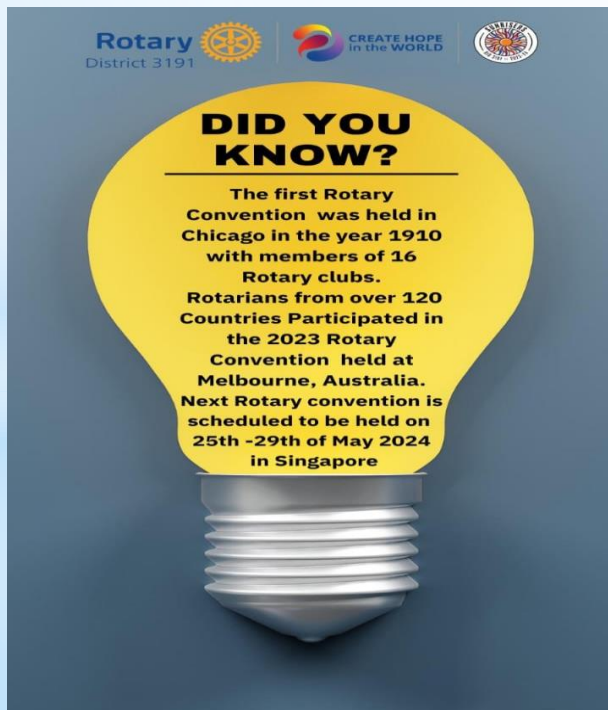


# NOTABLE ROTARIANS AROUND THE WORLD



## RTN. CHOONG HOON PARK

Rtn Choong Hoon Park, who held the charge as the Prime Minister of South Korea from 22<sup>nd</sup> May, 1980 to September, 1980. He was the member of Rotary Club of Hanyang, Korea.







## BRAIN TEASERS



### SUDOKU

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### ROTARY QUIZ

- 1) What is the First official motto of Rotary International?
- 2) Which is the largest Rotary Club in the World in terms of membership?
- 3) Which is the largest Rotary Club in India?
- 4) What is the predecessor to The Rotary Foundation (TRF)?
- 5) Who is the first President of the first Rotary Club (Founded in Chicago in the year 1905)

### RIDDLES

**How many bananas can you eat if your stomach is empty?**

# The Downtowners



**ದಕ.ಪಂ.ಸ.ಪ್ರಾ.ಶಾಲೆ ಮಗ್ಗುಡು ಮಂಗಳೂರು ಉತ್ತರ ವಲಯ ದಕ**

**ದಶೋತ್ತರ ಶತಮಾನ ಸಂಭ್ರಮ 2023**

ದಿನಾಂಕ : 16-12-2023ರಂದು ಪೂರ್ವಾಭ್ಯಾಸ ಗಂಟೆ 9.30ಕ್ಕೆ  
ಸ್ಥಳ : ದಕ.ಪಂ.ಸ.ಪ್ರಾ.ಶಾಲೆ, ಮಗ್ಗುಡು

ಧ್ವಜಾರೋಹಣ : **ಶ್ರೀಮತಿ ಸಂಧ್ಯಾ ಬೋರ್ವಾ ಆಲಾರ್ಮ್**  
ಮ.ಪಾ. ಸಂಸ್ಥೆ, ಮಗ್ಗುಡು ಮಾರ್ಗ-28

ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷತೆ : **ಶ್ರೀ ಸುರೇಶ್‌ಕುಮಾರ್ ಶೆಟ್ಟಿ**  
ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು, ಶಾಲಾ ಪರಿಷತ್, ಮಂಗಳೂರು

ಮುಖ್ಯ ಅತಿಥಿಗಳು : **ಶ್ರೀ ಉಪ್ಪಾಜ್ ಜಿ.**  
ಕ್ರಿಕೆಟ್ ಸಂಘಟನಾ ಸಮನ್ವಯಕರೀಕರಣ,  
ಕ್ರಿಕೆಟ್ ಸಂಘಟನಾ ಕೇಂದ್ರ, ಮಂಗಳೂರು ಉತ್ತರ ವಲಯ.

**ಶ್ರೀ ಪ್ರಸಾದ್ ಕುಮಾರ್**  
ಕ್ರಿಕೆಟ್ ಸಂಘಟನಾ ವ್ಯಕ್ತಿ ಬಲ್ಕೆ

**Rtn. ಎ. ಉಮೇಶ್ ಗಟ್ಟಿ**  
ಉತ್ತರ ಕ್ರೀಡಾ ಸಂಘಟನಾ ಕೇಂದ್ರ, ಮಗ್ಗುಡು ಮಾರ್ಗ-28  
ಕ್ರಿಕೆಟ್ ಸಂಘಟನಾ ಕೇಂದ್ರ, ಮಂಗಳೂರು

**ಶ್ರೀ ಕಿಶೋರ್ ಬರ್ಲಿ**  
ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು, ಕೆ.ಆರ್. ಪ್ರಾ.ಶಾಲೆ, ಮಂಗಳೂರು

**ಶ್ರೀ ಮೇಕರ್**  
ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು, ಉಪ್ಪಾಜ್ ಸಂಘಟನಾ ಮಗ್ಗುಡು

**ಶ್ರೀಮತಿ ಗಂಧಿನಿ ದೀಪ್**  
ಕೆ.ಆರ್. ಸಂಘಟನಾ ಕೇಂದ್ರ, ಕೆ.ಆರ್. ಸಂಘಟನಾ ಕೇಂದ್ರ, ಮಂಗಳೂರು

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**ಶ್ರೀ ದೇವಪ್ರಕಾಶ್ ಶೆಟ್ಟಿ**, ಸಂಘಟನಾ ಕೇಂದ್ರ, ಮಂಗಳೂರು

**ಶ್ರೀ ರಾಜೇಶ್ ಶೆಟ್ಟಿ**, ಕ್ರೀಡಾ ಸಂಘಟನಾ ಕೇಂದ್ರ, ಮಂಗಳೂರು

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**Rtn Umesh Gatty, Secretary of our club was the Guest of Honour at “ದಶೋತ್ತರ ಶತಮಾನ ಸಂಭ್ರಮ -2023”, 110<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of D.K.Z.P. Government Higher Primary School, Mannagudda, Mangalore held on 16<sup>th</sup> December, 2023.**

## ಹದಿಹರೆಯದ ಸಮಸ್ಯೆಗಳು: ಮಾಹಿತಿ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಗಾರ

**ಜಿ. 10:** ಕಾಸಿಯಾ ಹೈಸ್ಕೂಲು ಹಳೆ ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿ ಸಂಘ ಜಪ್ತ ಮಂಗಳೂರು ಹಾಗೂ ರೋಟರಿ ಮಂಗಳೂರು ಡೌನ್ ಟೌನ್ ಕ್ಲಬ್ ಇವುಗಳ ಆಶ್ರಯದಲ್ಲಿ ಶನಿವಾರ ಕಾಸಿಯಾ ಪ್ರೌಢ ಶಾಲೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಕಾಸಿಯಾ ಸಮೂಹ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಗಳ ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿನಿಯರಿಗೆ ಹದಿಹರೆಯದ ಸಮಸ್ಯೆಗಳು ಎಂಬ ವಿಷಯದ ಕುರಿತು ಮಾಹಿತಿ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಗಾರವನ್ನು ಏರ್ಪಡಿಸಲಾಗಿತ್ತು.

ಸಂಪನ್ಮೂಲ ವ್ಯಕ್ತಿಗಳಾಗಿದ್ದ ಪ್ರಾಥಮಿಕ ಆರೋಗ್ಯ ಕೇಂದ್ರ ಬೋರ್ಡರ್‌ನ ಆಡಳಿತ ವೈದ್ಯಾಧಿಕಾರಿ ಡಾ|| ಸವಿತಾ ಗಟ್ಟಿ ಅವರು ಹುಡುಗಿಯರ ಹದಿಹರೆಯದ ಸಮಸ್ಯೆಗಳ ಕುರಿತು ಮಾಹಿತಿ ನೀಡಿ, ಸಮಾಲೋಚನೆ ನಡೆಸಿದರು.

ಕಾಸಿಯಾ ಪ್ರೌಢಶಾಲೆಯ ಮುಖ್ಯ ಶಿಕ್ಷಕ



ಎವರೆಸ್ಡ್ ಕ್ರಾಸ್ತಾ ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷತೆ ವಹಿಸಿದ್ದರು. ಹಳೆ ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿ ಸಂಘದ ಉಪಾಧ್ಯಕ್ಷ ಪ್ರೊ|| ಬಿ. ಶಿವರಾಮ ಶೆಟ್ಟಿ ಪ್ರಸ್ತಾವನೆಗೈದು, ಸ್ವಾಗತಿಸಿದರು.

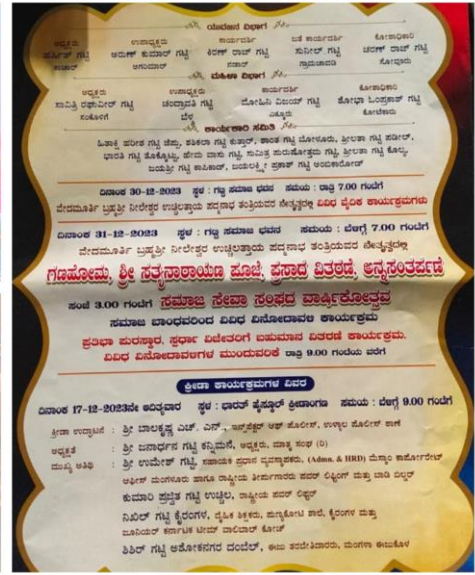
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ಮಾಜಿ ಸಹಾಯಕ ಗವರ್ನರ್, ಉದ್ಯಮಿ ಜಿತೇಂದ್ರ ಪೈ ಹಾಗೂ ಮೊದಲಾದವರು ಉಪಸ್ಥಿತರಿದ್ದರು.

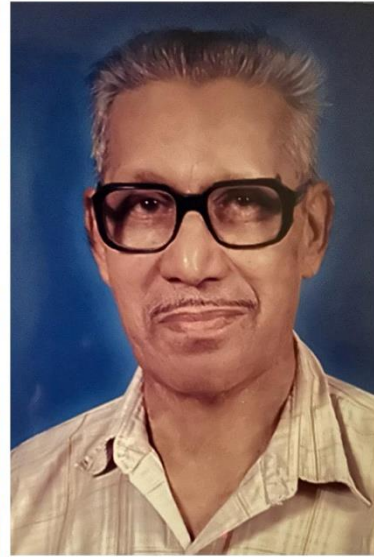
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# The Downtowners



**Rtn Umesh Gatty**, Secretary of our club was the Chief Guest at the Annual Sports meet of Gatty Samaja Seva Sangha held at Bharath High School Grounds on 17<sup>th</sup> December, 2023.

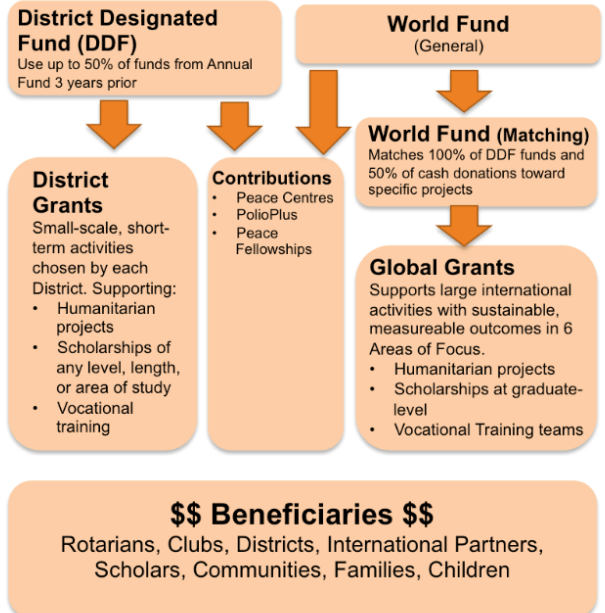
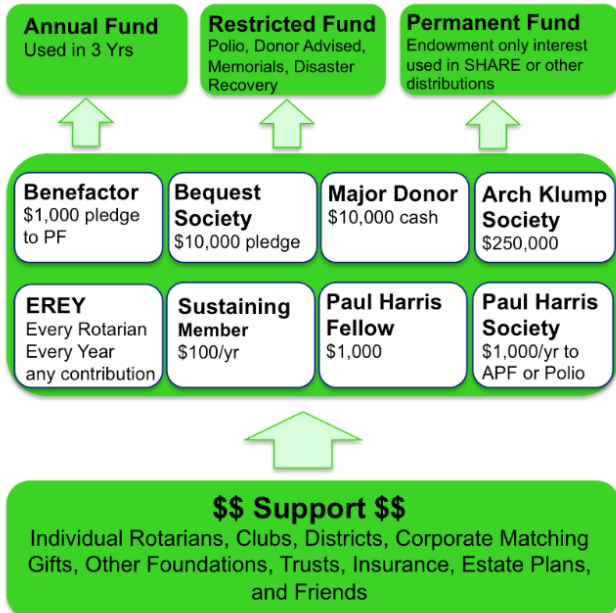


The First Mayor of Mangalore City Corporation was Late Shri Sadashiv Bhandary, Father of our member **Rtn Ganesh Bhandary**. Late Shri Sadashiv Bhandary was given Posthumous award for his service and contribution towards society in memory of Master Bhavani Shankar Kundar in a function organised by V4 Channel at Ambedkar Bhavan, Mangaluru on 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2023. The award was received by Smt. Shobha Bhandary (Mother), Rtn Ganesh Bhandary and Ann Supriya Bhandary.

# The Rotary Foundation

## Income

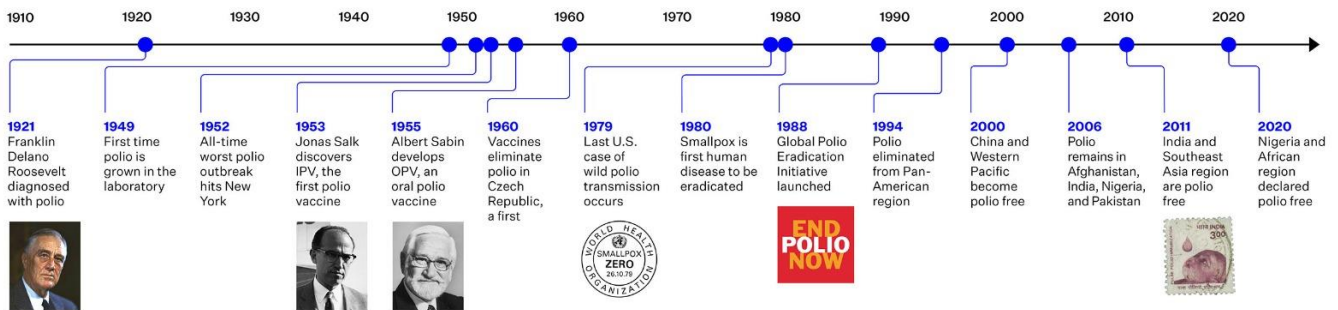
## Disbursements



"Our success or failure will not depend upon the machinery of Rotary or its physical growth, but upon the extent to which Rotary's ideals or objectives are translated into positive, tangible results in personal, business, community, and international life. We shall be known by our works."

- Rtn. Almon E. Roth.-1930.

## Timeline of Polio Eradication



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## BIRTHDAY WISHES TO OUR MEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILY MEMBERS

**ANNET NIHARIKA DANDEKERI,  
D/O. RTN. EKNATH & Rtn ASHALATHA DANDEKERI**

**26<sup>th</sup> January**



**“Sending you smiles for every moment of your special day...Have a wonderful time and a very happy birthday!”**



## WEDDING ANNIVERSARY WISHES TO OUR MEMBERS


**Rtn. UMESH GATTY &  
& Rtn.Dr. SAVITHA GATTY**

**19<sup>th</sup> January**

**May you both enjoy one another's company today and always. Best wishes on your marriage anniversary!**

## JANUARY – VOCATIONAL SERVICE MONTH


# Rotary



**JANUARY IS  
VOCATIONAL SERVICES MONTH**

*"TEAMWORK IS THE ABILITY TO WORK TOGETHER TOWARD A COMMON VISION. THE ABILITY TO DIRECT INDIVIDUAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS TOWARD ORGANIZATIONAL OBJECTIVES. IT IS THE FUEL THAT ALLOWS COMMON PEOPLE TO ATTAIN UNCOMMON RESULTS."*

- ANDREW CARNEGIE



Vocational service can mean many things to many people. In Rotary, Vocational Service means holding ourselves and our businesses to the highest ethical standards. As the 4 way test instructs us, in all we think, say or do . Maintaining ethical standards is ever so important in today's society where we prefer to repeat inflammatory discourse rather than engage in discussion to understand opposing views and seek compromise.

The Object of Rotary is a philosophical statement of Rotary's purpose and the responsibilities of Rotarians. The concept of vocational service is rooted in the Second Object, which calls on Rotarians to “encourage and foster”:

### Those objectives are:

- To encourage and foster high ethical standards in business and professions, to recognise the worthiness of all useful occupations, to dignify the Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society.
- To apply the ideal of service in personal, business and community life.
- To advance international understanding and goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of businessmen and professional men and women united in the ideal of service.

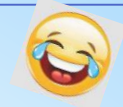
Paul Harris wrote: "Each Rotarian is a connecting link between the idealism of Rotary and their trade or profession".

Vocational Service is the way Rotary fosters and supports the application of the Ideal of Service to the pursuit of all vocations. It is the shared responsibility of both the Rotary Club and its members. The role of the Club is to implement and encourage the objectives by its own actions in dealing with the community and by the development of projects that enable members to use their vocational talents in the service of the community. The role of members is to conduct themselves and their businesses in accordance with Rotary principles, and support the Vocational Service projects that the club has developed.





## SMILE .....O.K. PLEASE



An annual Pun Competition was held by the New York Times. Here are some submissions:

1. I changed my iPod's name to Titanic. It's syncing now.
2. England has no kidney bank, but it does have a Liverpool.
3. A dentist and a manicurist married. They fought tooth and nail.
4. With her marriage, she got a new name and a dress.
5. Did you hear about the fellow whose entire left side was cut off?  
He's all right now.
6. A bicycle can't stand alone; it's just two tired.
7. When she saw her first strands of grey hair she thought she'd dye.
8. I didn't like my beard at first.  
Then it grew on me.
9. Did you hear about the crossed-eyed teacher who lost her job because she couldn't control her pupils 🙄
10. Dad, are we pyromaniacs?  
Yes, we arson.
11. Why is 'dark' spelt with a k and not c?  
Because you can't 'c' in the dark.
12. Why is it unwise to share your secrets with a clock?  
Well, because time will tell.
13. Prison is just one word to you, but for some people, it's a whole sentence.
14. I'm trying to organize a hide-n-seek tournament, but good players are really hard to find.
15. I've started telling everyone about the benefits of eating dried grapes.  
It's all about raisin awareness!!



## ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE – JANUARY 2024



In difficult times like these, it's impossible to avoid feeling heartbroken over the devastation and loss of life caused by war and destruction.

Rotary always stands against harming and displacing civilian populations and using armed aggression instead of pursuing peaceful solutions. We advocate for the observance and respect of international law. We believe in strong action to defend and promote peace, even in the darkest of times.

But we also take our position as an international, nonpolitical, nonreligious organization seriously. To respect the global

perspectives and experiences of our members, and to work most effectively in our peacebuilding efforts, we do not choose sides in conflicts.

Rotary is made up of 1.4 million people in communities all over the globe who are united in our commitment to building a peaceful world. We strive to ensure that our words and actions prioritize the health and safety of our global membership and the communities where we live and serve.

Our members seek to offer humanitarian assistance to those affected by conflict, and our global reach requires that we promote peacebuilding and conflict prevention with cross-cultural, cross-border connections and friendship through Rotary.

For decades, Rotary has harnessed these connections to carry out service projects, support peace fellowships and scholarships, and establish programs like Rotary Peace Centers to help build lasting peace. Our members also take action to promote Positive Peace, addressing the underlying causes of conflict, including poverty, discrimination, ethnic tension, lack of access to education, and unequal distribution of resources.

Rotary members who wish to wage peace can use district grants and Rotary Foundation global grants to support projects with other Rotary members that help refugees and displaced people, provide medical support, and more worldwide. Members can also work with or join peace-focused Rotary Action Groups, Friendship Exchanges, Fellowships, and intercountry committees. And District Designated Funds or district cash can support our peacebuilding and conflict prevention efforts.

Members and nonmembers alike can learn more about peacebuilding through the Rotary Positive Peace Academy, a free online course available to anyone with an internet connection. You can find it at [positivepeace.academy/rotary](https://positivepeace.academy/rotary).

There is no denying that incidents of violence and atrocities being perpetuated around the world seem to be escalating. Global peace is fragile, and the stakes are getting higher.

Still, we know that it is possible to bring all people together to work toward a shared goal. Rotary members do so every day in every part of the world. May our ability to unify in common purpose be a spark that helps light the path out of these dark days.

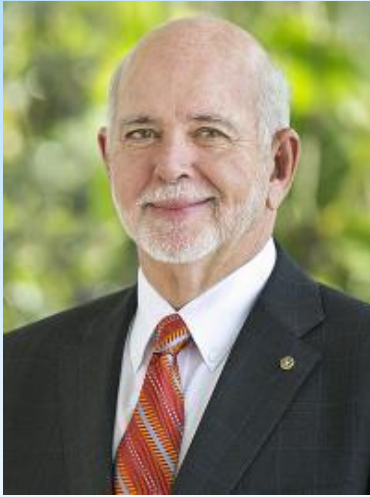
Together, let's **Create Hope in the World.**

**R. Gordon R. McInally**

**President 2023-24**



## TRF TRUSTEE CHAIR'S MESSAGE- JANUARY 2024



The new year ushers in promise and hope, a time to resolve to do things differently. We can do more than just hope for the best. We can take steps — big and small — to make changes in every aspect of our lives, including Rotary.

Here's a New Year's resolution to consider: Remember that The Rotary Foundation belongs to you. The Foundation is a global force, doing our good work in the world. Just like anything that belongs to you, it requires care and attention. How can we do this?

First, get to know your Foundation better this year. Did you know that in 2023, the Foundation achieved a maximum four-star rating from Charity Navigator for the 15th consecutive year? This places your Foundation among the world's top charities. Why do we consistently receive this honor? It's because we are financially strong, have a broad reach, and are highly effective with the gifts you give: 91 percent of funds are allocated to program awards and operations.

Another way to engage with your Foundation is to support it through a gift, every year. We've set an ambitious fundraising goal of \$500 million this year, and I'm confident that, with your support, we will achieve it. This year, I'm especially counting on those Rotarians and Rotaractors who have not yet contributed to make their first gift. Because The Rotary Foundation is an excellent steward, you can be confident that your gift will make a difference, whether it's in polio eradication, literacy initiatives, peace education, or any other area in which we excel.

In 2024, resolve to share the Foundation with others. The Foundation is too great to keep to ourselves. Spread the word during your fundraisers and events. Let the public know that The Rotary Foundation plays a significant role in everything we do, including in our many partnerships. Anyone can support the Foundation, even people who are not in Rotary.

Lastly this year, take action. Your Foundation is waiting for you to roll up your sleeves and make use of its resources to make the world a better place. Seek out global or district grant projects. Consider partnering with a Rotaract club in 2024 to support a grant or collaborate on one. Team up with Rotary and Rotaract clubs in your area to plan your biggest million dollar dinner fundraiser or End Polio Now event.

Whatever you decide to do in 2024, commit to keeping our Foundation in your plans. I can't wait to hear about all the great things we will accomplish this year.

**Barry Rassin**  
**Trustee Chair 2023-24**

## ANSWERS TO BRAIN TEASERS

### SUDOKU

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### ROTARY QUIZ

- 1) 'Service Above Self' is the First official motto of Rotary International.
- 2) Rotary Club of Seattle. It has more than 600 members. It also happens to be the fourth oldest Rotary Club in the world.
- 3) 'Rotary Club of Vijayawada Mid-Town' is the largest Rotary Club in India. It also happens to be the largest Rotary Club outside United States of America.
- 4) 'The Endowment Fund' is the predecessor to The Rotary Foundation (TRF) started in the year 2017 by the then Rotary International President Rtn Arch C. Klumph.
- 5) Rtn Silvester Schiele is the first President of the first Rotary Club (Founded in Chicago in the year 1905)

### RIDDLES

*'Just one after that it's not empty anymore'*