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President Speaks.....

Namasthe to all my friends in Rotary

District Conference of our District was held at Mysore from January 19 to 21. It was a great experience. The Guest speakers were fabulous. Even the cultural shows were also worth of it. Fellowship and food were very enjoyable. Overall, it was worth remembering. Ten members from our club registered for the event. Our member and Chairman of Indian Red Cross Society DK District, Rtn Shantharam Shetty had proposed to RCME that, our club will be provided a permanent place for all types of club meetings with all basic requirements along with one office room at the proposed IRCS building near present DC Office. The amount to be paid for the same is Rs 25 lakhs, which is Concessional rate only for our club. So I kindly appeal all our Rotary members to donate generously for the cause, so that we can save a lot of money on meeting expenses. It will be a permanent solution and a golden opportunity for the club. This matter was already discussed in our regular meetings. Since our willingness is to be given at the earliest, I on behalf of all board members request all our esteemed members to respond positively.

Thank you all

"LET US CREATE HOPE IN THE WORLD"

Yours in Rotary

Rtn Mundadiguthu Jayaram Shetty

{President 2023-2024}

Rotary District conference...

PRAJNA Parva..



THE FOUR - WAY TEST of the things we think, say or do

1. Is it the TRUTH ?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIP?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

ALBUMS....Club service....Community service



Sharing of Dist conference experience by senior Rtn VKK Kalluraya



Rtn Sadashiva Shetty & Rtn Pradeep Kumar At District Quiz competition conducted by RC Mangalore Central at Hotel Motimahal



Talk by Dr Chetna Bhat, Gynecologist Fr Muller's Hospital Mangalore on Menstrual Hygiene At Sacred Heart School Kulashakar Mangalore. Project initiation by Rtn Sunil Kunder, Director Community Service.

Achievers.....



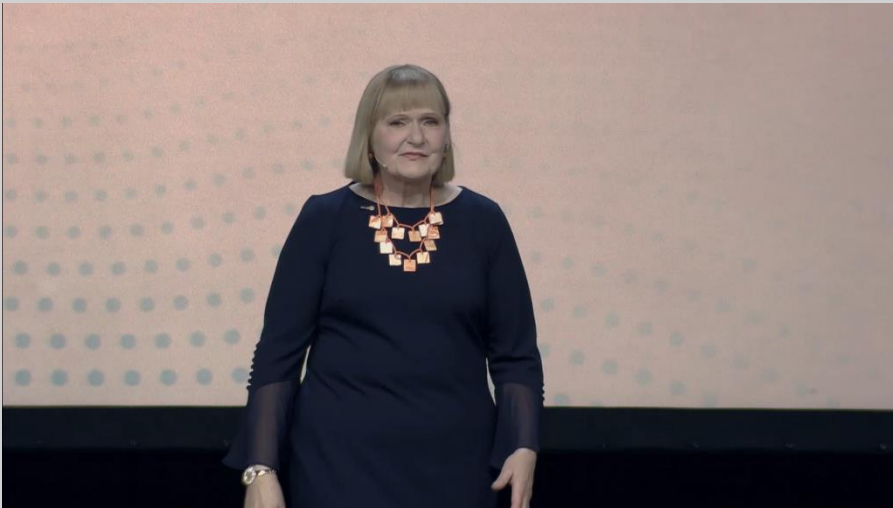
***Congratulations
Rtn Panchami Shenoy
on winning Best female
award in All India
Open Fide Rated
Chess Tournament***



***Congratulations to Rtn Anand
Shetty & Rtn Gajendra who
were part of a team that won
cricket tournament for age
above 50 at Nitte.***



***During the celebration of
International Customs Day at
Mangalore -Indian Redcross
society DK District was
recognised for their various
humanitarian services across
district. Congrats to Chairman
Rtn Shantharam Shetty.***



*Theme
address by
President
Elect
Rtn
Stephanie
Urchick*

Urchick, a member of the Rotary Club of McMurray, Pennsylvania, USA, said she saw the magic of Rotary on display when she was helping install water filters in the Dominican Republic. Two boys were watching as dirty water entered the filter, then ran out clean at the other end.

“One of the boys grabbed my sleeve and said, ‘Show me the magic again,’” she said. “Obviously, the water filter wasn’t magic. We worked hard to transport those filters, install them, and work with community leaders 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.”

Prioritizing peace

Urchick urged members to champion Rotary’s Action Plan, find a balance between continuity and change, and work for peace. She plans to host a presidential peace conference in 2025 with the theme “Healing in a Divided World.”

Rotary has a long history of promoting peace through its network of peace centers, Urchick noted. Located at top universities around the globe, the centers have trained nearly 1,800 peace fellows who are now working in more than 140 countries. The newest center, located at Bahçeşehir University in Istanbul, Turkey, will welcome its first class of fellows in early 2025.

“The Rotary Peace Fellowship began more than 20 years ago to equip peace and development professionals from communities around the world to become effective catalysts for ending and preventing conflict,” Urchick said. “This conference will focus on Rotary’s peace efforts and provide opportunities to learn together.”

In addition to emphasizing peacebuilding, Urchick reiterated Rotary's commitment to eradicating polio. She urged the incoming governors to join or initiate PolioPlus Societies in their districts and do all they can to help end the disease.

"Contact elected officials and other government leaders. Remind them that polio is still a threat. Push them to support polio eradication," she said. "Polio remains our top priority and requires our fullest commitment, but there is so much important work to do."

Balancing continuity and change

Urchick also underscored the necessity of balancing continuity and change, both of which animate Rotary's Action Plan.

"The plan is all about building on our best ideas, not abandoning them," she said. "We face a tough balancing act. We must change ourselves and stay true to who we are."

She asked the governors to do whatever is needed to make the club experience irresistible to members.

"That might mean changing how things are done in your district," she said. "If your district has been doing things one way for 50 years, it's probably time to reassess. If a club in your district isn't active or is losing members, maybe it's time to start a new club that fits better with the community. Just because a club or district hasn't changed in a while doesn't mean no one is hungry for change."

One way to make positive change, she said, is to embrace the principles of diversity, equity, and inclusion within clubs.

"I hope you'll join me in opening your arms to future people of action, even if – and in some cases, especially if – they don't look or act like the typical member of your local club," she said. "With DEI, it is easier to be united in a common purpose. It's in those moments when we are committed and focused that we are the most effective and relevant."

EDITORIAL.....

Namasthe to all.....

In Rotary, February month is designated as Peace building and Conflict Prevention month. Peace is not absence of conflict, but the presence of creative alternatives of responding to conflicts, alternative to passive or aggressive responses, alternative to violence.

In the whole world there are lot of conflicts, Russia with Ukraine, Israel with Palestine, Lebanon, Syria. Iran with Iraq & other middle East countries. Conflicts between China & Philippines is on rise. North Koreans with South Korea and Japan. There are many more also. Everybody wanted to show their strength and built supremacy in their region. Civil war is there in most of the countries of the world. Even in the regions of a nation, ethnic, linguistic conflicts are rising. These are all because of greed, selfishness, intolerance etc. Even though these can not be corrected overnight by us, we can raise our voice in appropriate forum and contribute as far as we can & create hope in the world.

Yours in Rotary

Rtn PRADEEP KUMAR K