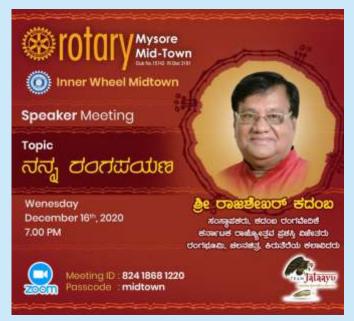


Rotary Opens Opportunities

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### ಸಾಂಸ್ಕೃತಿಕ ಸ್ಯಕ್ತಿಕ್ಷದ ಸಾಧಕ - ರಾಣಶೆಣುರ ಕದಂಣ



ಮೈಸೂರಿನ ಸಾಂಸ್ಕೃತಿಕ ವಲಯದಲ್ಲಿ ರಾಜಶೇಖರ ಕದಂಬ ಎನ್ನುವ ಹೆಸರಿಗೇ ಸುದೀರ್ಘ ಇತಿಹಾಸವಿದೆ. ಅದು 50 ವರ್ಷಗಳ ರಂಗಭೂಮಿ, ಸಿನಿಮಾ ಕ್ಷೇತ್ರದ ಜತೆಗಿನ ಒಡನಾಟದ ಹೆಸರು. ಅದರಲ್ಲೂ ರಂಗಭೂಮಿಯ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ತಮ್ಮ ಬದ್ಧತೆಯನ್ನು ಕದಂಬ ರಂಗವೇದಿಕೆಯ ಮೂಲಕ ತೆರೆದಿಟ್ಟವರು ಶ್ರೀ ರಾಜಶೇಖರ ಕದಂಬರವರು, ಮೈಸೂರಿನ ರಂಗಭೂಮಿಯ ಜಗುಲಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಪ್ರಾಯದಿಂದಲೇ ರಂಗ ಸಂಘಟನೆ, ರಂಗ ಸಾಹಿತ್ಯ, ರಂಗ ನಿರ್ದೇಶನ, ನಾಟಕಗಳ ನಿರ್ಮಾಣ, ಹೀಗೆ ರಂಗಸಿರಿಯನ್ನೇ ತಮ್ಮ ಬದುಕಿನ ಸಿರಿಯಾಗಿ ಒಪ್ಪಿ ಅಪ್ಪಿಕೊಂಡವರು. ನಿಗರ್ವಿ–ವಿಶ್ವಾಸಿ, ಸಮಯ ಪಾಲನೆ ಮತ್ತು ಎಲ್ಲರಿಂದಲೂ ಅದನ್ನೇ ನಿರೀಕ್ಷಿಸುವ ಕದಂಬರವರದು ಎಲ್ಲರನ್ನೂ ಒಟ್ಟುಗೂಡಿಸುವ ವ್ಯಕ್ತಿತ್ವ, ಎಲ್ಲರನ್ನು ಒಂದಾಗಿ ಕಾಣುವ ವ್ಯಕ್ತಿತ್ವ, ಹಿರಿಯರಿಗೆ ಗೌರವ ಕಿರಿಯರಿಗೆ ಪ್ರೋತ್ಸಾಹ, ಇದು ಅವರ ಗುಣ ಗೌರವ, ನಿಜ ಅರ್ಥದಲ್ಲಿ ರಾಜಶೇಖರ ಕದಂಬ ಮೈಸೂರು ರಂಗ ಭೂಮಿಯ ಕಂಬವೇ ಆಗಿ ಬೆಳೆದು ನಿಂತಿದ್ದಾರೆ.

ಐದಾರು ದಶಕಗಳು ಅವರಿಗೆ ರಂಗಾಸಕ್ತಿ ಇದ್ದರೂ ಇವತ್ತಿಗೂ

ಅದೇ ಕುತೂಹಲ, ಉತ್ಸಾಹ, ಯುವ ನಟರನ್ನು ಪರಿಚಯಿಸಬೇಕು, ರಂಗಕ್ಕೆ ಜೀವ ತುಂಬಬೇಕು ಎನ್ನುವ ಹಂಬಲ. ಇನ್ನು ಅವರ ಸಾಂಸ್ಕೃತಿಕ ಒಲವು ನಿಲವುಗಳದ್ದೇ ಒಂದುಪರ್ಯಾಯ ಅಧ್ಯಾಯವೆನ್ನಬಹುದು. ಹಿರಿಯ ಸಾಹಿತಿ ಪ್ರಾತಃಸ್ಮರಣೀಯ ದೇಜಗೌ, ಹಾ. ಮಾ.ನಾಯಕ ಹಾಗೇ ಸೃಜನ ಶೀಲ ಚಿತ್ರಕಲಾವಿದ ಪಿ.ಆರ್. ತಿಪ್ಪೇಸ್ವಾಮಿಯವರ ಒಡನಾಟದಲ್ಲಿ ತಮ್ಮ ವ್ಯಕ್ತಿತ್ವದಲ್ಲಿ ಸಾಂಸ್ಕೃತಿಕ ಅಭಿರುಚಿ ಸೊರಗದಂತೆ ನೋಡಿಕೊಂಡು ಅದರಲ್ಲೇ ತಮ್ಮ ಬದುಕಿನ ಸಾರ್ಥಕತೆಯನ್ನ, ಧನ್ಯತೆಯನ್ನ ಕಂಡವರು.

ಕನ್ನಡ ಚಿತ್ರ ಸಾರ್ವಭೌಮ, ವರನಟ ಡಾ. ರಾಜ್ಕುಮಾರ್ ಜೊತೆ ನಿಕಟ ಸಂಪರ್ಕ ಹೊಂದಿದ್ದ ಕದಂಬರವರು ಅವರನ್ನು ಕುವೆಂಪು ಭೇಟಿ ಮಾಡಿಸಿದ ಸಂದರ್ಭ ಹೂವಿನ ಜೊತೆ ನಾರು ಎಂಬ ಸಂಗತಿಯನ್ನು ಅವರೇ ಹೇಳುವಾಗ ಕದಂಬರವರ ಸಂಸ್ಕೃತಿ ಬೆರೆತ ಮನಸ್ಸಿನ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಹೃದಯ ತುಂಬಿ ಬರುತ್ತದೆ. ಅವರು ರಂಗ ನಟರೂ ಹೌದು, ಚಿತ್ರ ನಟರೂ ಹೌದು, ಜನುಮದ ಜೋಡಿ, ಯಜಮಾನ ಒಳಗೊಂಡಂತೆ ಹಲವಾರು ಚಲನಚಿತ್ರಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಅಭಿನಯಿಸಿದ್ದರೂ ತಮ್ಮ 70–80 ರ ದಶಕದ ಆಪ್ತಮಿತ್ರ ನಟ ಸುಂದರ ಕೃಷ್ಣ ಅರಸ್ ನಿರ್ದೇಶನದ ರಾಜ್ಯ ಪ್ರಶಸ್ತ್ರಿ ವಿಜೇತ ಚಿತ್ರ 'ಚಕ್ರ' ಚಿತ್ರದ ನಾಯಕನ ಪಾತ್ರ ಕದಂಬರ ನಟನಾ ಸಾಮರ್ಥ್ಯಕ್ಕೆ ಸಾಕ್ಷಿಯಂತಿದೆ.

ಕೌಟುಂಬಿಕ ಕಾರಣಗಳಿಂದ ಚಿತ್ರ ನಟನೆಗೆ ಒಂದು ಲಕ್ಷ್ಮಣರೇಖೆ ಹಾಕಿಕೊಂಡು ತಾವು ನೆಲೆನಿಂತ ಮೈಸೂರಿನಲ್ಲೇ ರಂಗದ ಮೇಲೆ ತಮ್ಮ ಅಭಿನಯದ ಕಲಾರೇಖೆಗಳನ್ನ ಪ್ರದರ್ಶಿಸಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ರಂಗ ಸಂಘಟನೆ, ರಂಗ ಸೇವೆಗೆ ಹತ್ತಾರು ಪ್ರಶಸ್ತಿ–ಗೌರವಗಳು ಅವರ ಕಲಾವಂತಿಕೆಯನ್ನು ಇಮ್ಮಡಿಗೊಳಿಸಿವೆ. ರಂಗಭೂಮಿ, ಸಿನಿಮಾ, ಸಾಹಿತ್ಯ, ಸಂಘಟನೆ, . ಹೀಗೆ ಬಹುಮುಖಿ ನೆಲೆಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ವಿಸ್ತಾರ ಗೊಂಡಿರುವ ರಾಜಶೇಖರ ಕದಂಬರಿಗೀಗ 75ರ ಪ್ರಾಯ. ಸಾಮಾನ್ಯ ವಾಗಿ 60ಕ್ಕೆ ಅರಳು ಮರಳು ಎನ್ನುವ ಮಾತುಗಳಿರುವಾಗ 60ರ ನಂತರ ಮರಳಿ ಅರಳಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ರಾಜಶೇಖರ ಕದಂಬರವರು. ಇಂತಹ ಸಾಂಸ್ಕೃತಿಕ ಚೇತನ, ರಂಗ ಚೇತನ ಕುರಿತಾದ ಕದಂಬರ ಜೀವನಯಾನ ಸಾರ್ಥಕ 75ನ್ನು ಕಂಡಿರುವುದು ಸಂತಸದ, ಸಂಭ್ರಮದ ಸಂಗತಿ. ಅವರು ನೂರ್ಕಾಲ ಬಾಳಲಿ, ಅವರ ಸಾಂಸ್ಕೃತಿಕ ಸಿರಿವಂತಿಕೆ ಇನ್ನಷ್ಟು ಬೆಳಗಲಿ ಎಂದು ಹಾರೈಸುತ್ತೇನೆ.







## An Evening with Ashika Appaiah of PFA...



Dinner is the time when all family members converge on to the dining table to share their thoughts of the day. I remember my son ADITYA sharing about his schoolmate ASHIKA doing her Masters in Mass Communication and wanted to pursue her career as journalist and an animal lover. Till 6-50 pm I had not logged on to the meeting but my son who rarely speaks but a keen observer questioned me for the delay and I could see the glitter in his eyes as his friend is the speaker for the day & was feeling very proud of her.

Zoom meeting has become the order of the day (thanks to Covid), President Rtn Aiyanna called the meeting to order. After inviting all the members & guests present for the meeting, the president introduced the guest speaker of the day Ms ASHIKA APPAIAH & handed over the digital platform to the speaker.

Ms ASHIKA manages the social media and PR of PEOPLE FOR ANIMALS (PFA). She started with a beautiful Power Point presentation showcasing the main objectives of PFA. It's a non – profit organisation mainly concentrating on animal rescue & rehabilitation. The speaker also spoke about how they take care of sick, abandoned, injured animals & nurse them. They even provide ambulance services for the injured animals .The mainDinner is the time when all family members converge on to the dining table to share their thoughts of the day. I remember my son ADITYA sharing about his schoolmate

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Other important aspects of her speech were about basic laws regarding animal cruelty, different IPC sections, animal birth control rule, stray animals management rules and other laws. It was very informative.

Treatment case studies were also presented. A cow dying after consuming explosives meant to kill wild boars was really a heart wrenching case.

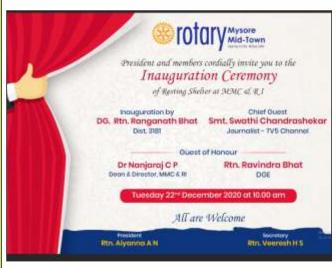
The floor was open to Q&A; members posed many questions which were addressed by the speaker.

The Q&A session will be in such a manner that sometimes the speaker gets a little confused whether it's a question or an advice to take. Such is the talent pool within the members that is showcased in the meetings.

Rtn Jaykumar was the host & Secretary Rtn Veeresh proposed the vote of thanks.

**Rtn Satyendra Kashyap** 

### **Next Week's Meeting**









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### **MY UNFORGETTABLE MOMENTS IN ROTARY**



Dr. Prahlad is the Editor of our club this year and has the knack to persuade other members to contribute articles.

In 1999, there was an advertisement in the local newspaper that Rotary is looking for candidates for the GSE Program. The conditions to apply were that the candidates should be professionals for at least two years and should be less than 40 years of age. I fitted into the category and hence applied. I was the last one to give my application. The first round of selection would be at Mysore being the club applied to and the second round would be at Mangalore since District Governor hailed from that place. There were quite a lot of candidates during the interview and there were four in the selection panel. Out of the four, unfortunately one person had passed away, the Club President had resigned and the third moved to Lions Club. Only Ramki Sir continued and he still happens to be my mentor.

It was such a pleasure that I was selected which included Group Discussions. I was the only candidate from Mysore. We travelled from Mysore to Mangalore by bus for our final round. Reaching the spot I realized that the hall was overflowing with candidates who had come from all over the district and this was a very important selection, which I was not aware of.

My ears could not believe when my name was announced for

the final list and we shared this information on our return to Mysore.

Two from Mangalore, one from Madikeri and myself with our Team Leader finally took off from Mangalore airport in April 1999, first to Mumbai and then from there to Connecticut and Massachusetts in the North East of USA. As soon as we landed, our hosts were waiting to welcome

us. It was like a dream unfolding in front of my eyes. I could not believe that I was in an amazing magical world, all at the expense of Rotary.

I also realized that we are so many years behind USA. We exchanged flags, showed them our presentations and understood their life style as we lived at their places i.e. every week with a different host. We shared our experiences once we got back to India.

But I made up my mind that I shall join Rotary as I owe so much to it.

Then came the invitation to join Rotary. Those days you had to join the club through an invitation only. In the beginning, I hesitated as I always thought that Rotary is for people who are in business and have money to donate. But when I was called to attend the pre-induction meeting, I was made to understand that one need not always require money, instead could give time and impart skills which would be enough. So in August 2000, I finally joined Rotary Midtown. My induction was done at Saraswati Theatre. Thus started my journey with Rotary.









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Ever since August 2000, I have been a Rotarian except for a few years in between when we moved to Kolar Gold Fields, because of my husband's assignment. We also adopted our daughter Apeksha. Here also our Rotary Club members supported me emotionally. We got back to Mysore in 2005 and I was re-inducted back.

I started enjoying our weekly meetings. I became so involved that I used to drop our daughter Apeksha at care centres and at friend's



Interacting with Shivkhera at RYLA Ooty.

places on Wednesdays. I started looking forward to the Wednesday weekly meetings.

When we were at KGF our Rotary friends used to call up and when we got back to Mysore some of them also visited us. These small gestures are so memorable that I understood the value of friendship. During the fellowship, friends would ask about various things and they would make you feel wanted. Never have I been made to feel out of place.

One of the Rotarians who joined much later told me that if I needed company during the meetings he would bring his wife along. I did not tell him that I was a Group Study Exchange team member and I had no issues to be alone during the meetings. Moreover there was no gender bias in our club. I always used to appreciate my fellow Rotarians in front of other senior Rotarians when they would visit our club. I have never been made to feel that I am a single lady Rotarian. I was also told that there is no senior or junior in Rotary.

On one occasion I could not donate due to financial limitations. I was interacting with Rtn. Sundar where he made me understand that if I donate, I cannot imagine the satisfaction and you shall not know from where one will get back the money donated.

When Rtn. Salil Das was the President I got two prizes. One for my attendance and the other for wearing my lapel pin for all the meetings.

Apart from all this, our contacts developed so much because most of us are from different backgrounds and we develop a great bondage amongst ourselves. Through Rotary we all get a chance to develop our Communication Skills too.

Each one stands by the other when required. I wanted Apeksha to experience the projects in Rotary Interact. So I introduced her and she did join when she was in class XII at De Paul International School. Dr. Prahlad inducted her into Rotary.

Rtn. Bhanuchandra gave her lot of guidance before she chose to join B.Com.

Rtn. Bheemanna also answered to all her queries.

We have many stalwarts in our club who have excelled in their own fields. I have attended one



With Late. Mr. Sridhar Bhagwat

International Convention at Bangkok. I was granted Rotary Academy Higher Leadership Award at Ooty where I met Mr. Shiv Khera.

We have a lot of fun amongst ourselves.

I have never taken up any post in the Board for obvious reasons. Of course, I have been in the Editiorial Board and Interact Chairman.

I am proud to belong to Rotary Mysore Midtown.

Rtn. SunandaPatra

Joined Rotary on 30th Aug, 2000







## Fairy's Touch



The second part of social awareness project —Fairy's Touch wasdone on 12th Dec 2020, and was joined by 8 Rotary clubs of Mysore namely Rotary Mysore, Rotary Midtown, Rotary North, Rotary Brindavan, Rotary Royal, Rotary Panchsheel, Rotary Ivory city, Rotary Ambari. Together they painted Rotary wheel and slogan to create awareness about Rotary in general public. As the children painted the message blocks, the elders played a supportive role. It was a nice sight to watch coming of 8 clubs together and doing a project.

### CORONA FILES....

New York Nurse First Person To Receive Covid Vaccine In US
Meaningful punchlines..



**New York** 

The United States kicked off a mass vaccination drive Monday hoping to turn the tide on the world's biggest coronavirus outbreak, as the nation's death toll passed a staggering 300,000.

The start of the desperately awaited vaccine program coincided with several European countries announcing new lockdowns amid spiraling infections, highlighting how the road to ending the global pandemic is still long.

New York nurse Sandra Lindsay became the first person in America to receive the Pfizer-BioNTech shot, live on television, six days after Britain launched the West's vaccine campaign against Covid-19.

"It didn't feel any different from taking any other vaccine," said Lindsay, a critical care nurse at the Long Island Jewish Medical Center, imploring all Americans to "to do our part" by getting vaccinated.

"I hope this marks the beginning of the end of the very painful time in our history," she added.

The vaccinations come at one of the darkest phases of the pandemic, with cases in the US and many other countries soaring, and health experts still struggling against vaccine skepticism, lockdown fatigue and uneven adherence to safety rules.

On Monday, the Netherlands was preparing to enter its strictest lockdown since the pandemic began, Britain announced new restrictions on London, and Turkey said it would go into a four-day lockdown over the New Year holidays.

The US -- which has the globe's highest death toll, and the largest number of reported cases at 16.3 million -- passed 300,000 deaths just hours after the vaccinations began, according to the Johns Hopkins University tally.

"First Vaccine Administered. Congratulations USA! Congratulations WORLD!" President Donald Trump wrote on Twitter earlier in the day, while President-elect Joe Biden tweeted "Stay hopeful - brighter days ahead."

 $Vaccinations\ also\ took\ place\ in\ Pennsylvania\ and\ Ohio,\ while\ Canada\ administered\ its\ first\ dose\ to\ a\ caregiver\ in\ Montreal.$ 

Delivery trucks with special refrigeration equipment are rolling out across America, as part of a public-private plan to ship millions of doses of the newly approved Pfizer-BioNtech vaccine to vulnerable Americans.

Courier services FedEx and UPS have deployed fleets of trucks and planes to carry their precious cargo -- sometimes under armed guard -- to all 50 states, where health care workers and nursing-home residents are first in line.







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# Santosh Hegde addresses Rotarians



#### 4th Nov 2020

Retired Supreme Court Judge and former Lokayukta, Shri. Santosh Hedge addressed a joint meeting

of Rotary clubs hosted by Rotary Mysore North. The topic of his speech was ಸಾಮಾಜಕ ಮೌಲ್ಯದಳ ಕುಸಿತ ಮತ್ತು ಪಲಣಾಮರಳು. A

host of Rotarians from District 3181 and 3190 attended the meeting including the DGs of both the Districts, Rtn. Ranganath Bhat and Rtn. Nagendra Prasad. The meeting was a very meaningful, as the esteemed spaker analysed the social values of the present scenario giving lot of anecdotes. The meeting was followed by interaction with speaker by the Roatarians. Our own Secretary Rtn. Veeru asked Hegde sir an intriguing question regarding judicial reforms. Rtn. Jaykumar also participated in the interaction session.



Toilet project under survey at Govt. PU College, Lakshmipuram, Mysuru

### Project -a-week

### **Random Acts of Kindness-part 2**

Rotary Midtown project" Random act of kindness" was carried out on 9th Wednesday night where Rotarians distributed 60 blankets for the people who were sleeping on footpath in this cold weather.

Rtn Ravindra Babu contributed for this project and was joined by Pres. Aiyanna, Sec. Veeresh, CSD Jaykumar ,Vice President Naveen Chandra from Rotary Mysore Midtown and President Praveen Pal, Rtn Umesh and Rtn Pream Sagar from Rotary Central. Eight of them started around 10:30 pm and covered Ashok puram, Nanjumalige, Ashok road, Mysore City Bus stand, KR Hospital and Cheluvamba Hospital. It took almost 2 hrs and they were back home by 00:45 am.

This is the second time Midtown has taken this project and "Random act of kindness from Rotary Mysore Midtown" was published in Star of Mysore recently. Very much impressed by this Rtn Ravindra Babu came forward to contribute for this project not only financially but attended in person.

### Thank you Rtn Ravindra Babu.









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