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# ABOUT US



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## Good bye 2020. . .never come again

Dear Member,  
Greetings from Rotary Mysore Midtown!!!!  
'Team Jataayu' wishes you a Happy and Prosperous New Year 2021.

We began Rotary year - 'Rotary Opens Opportunities' with an ambitious list of activities & projects. We had elaborate plans envisaged for serving the society by means of useful community based projects and foster better friendship through fellowship activities. But the global pandemic situation worsened, and we had to refrain from proceeding with planned calendar. Midtown known for its ingenuity chose to make alternative routes to service endeavours, the team has been busy charting and rolling out community service regularly, ably assisted by the Midtown thinktank new ways of engaging members and member families have added a different dimension to fellowship. Many remarkable noted speakers have shared their valuable thoughts with Midtowners through virtual meetings and not to forget the online family fun games that entertained families tucked in their homes. We chose to act and not wait; the choices have reaped rich and with your awesome support we have achieved what seemed

improbable.

A community project was dedicated as a rich tribute to senior past presidents who contributed to Midtown legacy, we continue to do service believing in the strong foundation laid by senior members of Midtown.

Friends, you may recall that we had planned to wish personally during each member's birthday & wedding anniversaries, but the situation just did not allow executing the plan. We have decided not to wait further and are sharing herewith enclosed your birthday & wedding anniversary (to applicable members). Please accept our best wishes and for those who are yet to celebrate their memorable days, here is wishing you in advance.

We shall as a team carry through the projects lined up for the remaining months. Kindly join us in our humble efforts & together we will enhance the image and stature of our club "Rotary Mysore Midtown".

With Thanks and Regards,





## Community Service



4/1/2021 : Rotary Mysore Midtown distributed masks to construction workers who assemble near Vijaynagar watertank. Thanks Rtn. Rakesh Babu & Rtn. Krishna for taking part in the project .

## New year Gifts distributed to Members







## MY UNFORGETTABLE MOMENTS IN ROTARY



When Mr Raghavendra called me to join midtown i was ecstatic as i always wanted to do service to our society . Before joining Midtown during any natural disaster i used feel very sad not to contribute or participate in these rescue or relief

missions. So i said yes to Raghavendra without any second thoughts. As i entered for the first meeting as a prospective member the way everyone greeted me felt like they knew me for years. This made me very comfortable and then there was no looking back . I have always looked upto Mr Bhanu , Sundar , Ramkey , Vishwanna and Raghavendra as i had lot to learn from these stalwarts . I always watched them with high regard and always learn from them how they used to tackle situations and lead from the front.

I have said this before too , these are the stalwarts and their positive's which i have looked upto in them.

Raghavendra – Vishwanna – Lead from the front , self belief .

Bhanu , Sundar , Ramkey – Information is power , knowledge of anything and everything .



DIKSOOCHI DURING RTN. BHANU'S PRESIDENCYSHIP



DIKSOOCHI DURING RTN. RAAGHU'S PRESIDENCYSHIP

Alagappan , Narendra, Venky Boss - Humility .

Veeresh – Service , Service , Service. He is club my himself (Rotary Club of Vereesh) for the services which he renders. Prahlad – He has all the above qualities in required proportions. I valued his inputs because they were well thought, impartial, practical and agreeable to majority of people.

Bhanu initiated my first few baby steps looking at my passion for Diksoochi . Being a part of Diksoochi and organising this for 3 years gave me immense



HEART WRENCHING MOMENTS VISITING THIS FAMILY AT SOMWARPET



**ROTARY CIRCLE INAUGURATION DURING  
RTN. PRAHLAD'S PRESIDENCY**

I have had the opportunity to also conduct Hackathon, Save- Us wild life quiz, many more projects.

But the most satisfaction i derived was supporting ganji kendras during Cauvery floods, financial support to many families through crowd funding. I have had many tearful moments in these support projects.

Then comes the Bahubali project of Midtown "BANDHAVYA" i have been actively participating in atleast 4 Bandhavya Project and the most memorable one was one we conducted in Mysore. All participants were to be accommodated in

satisfaction.

Then came Brahamanda at NIE sports complex during Venky Boss period which was big in every scale of execution. Hope those sessions would have ignited few sparks in atleast a few dozen kids towards Space and True Science. Bumper draw was Late Nandoo sir talking to me for 45 mins next day saying he was very happy for our meticulous planning and execution. He said that he would help in my future projects too.



**FOOD SERVED TO VOLUNTEERS  
DURING DASARA FROM RMA**



**DURING KODAGU FLOOD RELIEF**

Nanjaraj Bahudar Choultry and it was a herculean task. This project i learnt a lot of man management, space management, controlling your temper understanding the difficulties faced by the parents and care takers of intellectually challenged kids.

I thank all midtowners for their blessings and support extended to me in all these years.

Coming july 7th it will be my 10th year in Midtown.

Thanks to all presidents who gave me the opportunity to be a part of their board.

Thanks Midtown making me a better individual.

HAPPY NEW YEAR – LET 2021 BRING HAPPINESS,  
PROSPERITY, and HEALTH TO ALL.

**Rtn. Raju Baliga**

Joined Rotary on 6th July 2011





## CORONA FILES.....

### The Abundance Principle

Once a man got lost in a desert. The water in his flask had run out two days ago, and he was on his last legs. He knew that if he didn't get some water soon, he would surely die. The man saw a small hut ahead of him. He thought it would be a mirage or maybe a hallucination, but having no other option, he moved toward it. As he got closer, he realized it was quite real. So he dragged his tired body to the door with the last of his strength.

The hut was not occupied and seemed like it had been abandoned for quite some time. The man entered into it, hoping against hope that he might find water inside.

His heart skipped a beat when he saw what was in the hut - a water hand pump..... It had a pipe going down through the floor, perhaps tapping a source of water deep under-ground.

He began working the hand pump, but no water came out. He kept at it and still nothing happened. Finally he gave up from exhaustion and frustration. He threw up his hands in despair. It looked as if he was going to die after all.

Then the man noticed a bottle in one corner of the hut. It was filled with water and corked up to prevent evaporation. He uncorked the bottle and was about to gulp down the sweet life-giving water, when he noticed a piece of paper attached to it. Handwriting on the paper read : "Use this water to start the pump. Don't forget to fill the bottle when you're done."

He had a dilemma. He could follow the instruction and pour the water into the pump, or he could ignore it and just drink the water.

What to do? If he let the water go into the pump, what assurance did he have that it would work? What if the pump malfunctioned? What if the pipe had a leak? What if the underground reservoir had long dried up? But then... maybe the instruction was correct. Should he risk it? If it turned out to be false, he would be throwing away the last water he would ever see. Hands trembling, he poured the water into the pump. Then he closed his eyes, said a prayer, and started

working the pump. He heard a gurgling sound, and then water came gushing out, more than he could possibly use. He luxuriated in the cool and refreshing stream. He was going to live!

After drinking his fill and feeling much better, he looked around the hut. He found a pencil and a map of the region. The map showed that he was still far away from civilization, but at least now he knew where he was and which direction to go. He filled his flask for the journey ahead. He also filled the bottle and put the cork back in. Before leaving the hut, he added his own writing below the instruction: "Believe me, it works!"

This story is all about life. It teaches us that We must GIVE before We can RECEIVE Abundantly.

More importantly, it also teaches that FAITH plays an important role in GIVING.

The man did not know if his action would be rewarded, but he proceeded regardless.

Without knowing what to expect, he made a Leap of Faith.

Water in this story represents the Good things in Life Give life some "Water" to Work with, and it will RETURN far more than you put in.....!

### Project a week



4/1/2021. Masks, Sanitisers, Thermal check meter, oxymeter were given to Chamundi hill girl's school as an immediate need due to opening of schools.



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## Rotary Information

### Connect virtually with our service and project partners

Rotary's service and project partners are finding creative ways to connect while gathering in person is difficult. Look at what they're doing and get inspired.

- **Ashoka:** The organization is supporting social entrepreneurs in Africa, Asia, Europe, and Latin America who have innovative approaches to the COVID-19 crisis. Changemakers United has grown into a global coordinated effort connecting social innovators and leaders from business and philanthropy. Ashoka offers regionally organized virtual events for innovators.
- **Habitat for Humanity:** The housing nonprofit has continued its mission in the midst of COVID-19, making strides in advocacy, microfinancing, and community reinvestment. Its +You series brings together experts from around the world for streaming events to discuss significant issues in housing, including housing and health, the effect of the pandemic on low-income families, racial inequity in housing, and more.
- **Mediators Beyond Borders International:** MBBI is encouraging people to understand that global problems require collaboration, creative problem solving, and consensus-building. It believes now is a critical time for people to use communication and empathy to reduce prejudices and stay connected. Learn how to facilitate these conversations in your community with the town hall resource guide and other online resources.
- **Peace Corps:** Rotary members who have also served in the Peace Corps can help the agency celebrate its 60th anniversary by sharing their Peace Corps experience. The Through the Decades series honors the legacy, volunteers, and the communities that have been served. Help represent your decade and share a story and images about your experience as a volunteer, supporter, or host community leader or member.
- **ShelterBox:** The organization is working alongside Rotary and Rotaract clubs to respond to emergency shelter needs around the world, including those caused by severe weather in the Philippines and hurricanes that battered Central America. ShelterBox has adapted and scaled its response during the pandemic while continuing to work with local partners. Learn more from its weekly virtual updates.



**Rtn. Paul Harris**  
Founder



**Rtn. Holger Knaack**  
RI President 2020-21



**Rtn. M. Ranganath Bhat**  
District Governor 2020-21



**Rtn. Aiyanna A.N**  
President 2020-21



**Rtn. Veeresh**  
Secretary 2020-21



**Rtn. Prahlad K A**  
Editor 2020-21

Next Week's  
Meeting

## Speaker Meeting



13th Jan 2021  
Wednesday



RCL, Hall



7.00 pm  
onwards

Good  
decisions  
don't just  
happen.

Ask  
yourself  
these 4  
questions:



1. Is it the TRUTH
2. Is it FAIR to All Concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and Better Friendships?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to All Concerned?