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Dear Rotarians,

June is the last month in our Rotary year and the theme is "Rotary Fellowship Month". Fellowship is one of the core principles of Rotary. This month, Rotarians will have an opportunity to interact with more people as we meet for District Awards 'Avalokana' during 3rd week. I suggest more Rotarians to register and be a part. Also 'Women in Rotary'

is being organised in the 1st week to inspire more women to join Rotary. It is also important to note that we have to ensure all our programs, events and arrangements are women friendly. At club level, we have already planned a picnic for families to have fun together. Rotary provides us an opportunity to learn from people from various professional background and business. This will help in learning many soft skills, experience sharing and personality development. Let's have a great month ahead.

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Sandeep Rao I. President

We celebrate the Birthday of.... Ann Shubha Acharya, W/o Rtn. Nithesh Kumar on 6th, Master Shaurya Rao, S/o Rtn. Sandeep Rao on 9th Annet Amshuprema, D/o Rtn. Aravind and Rtn Vidyalakshmi on 12th Annet Abhineeth, S/o Rtn Agari Raghavendra on 14th of June And the Wedding anniversary of Ann Poornima and Rtn. T. N. Sridhar on 3rd,

Ann Shubha and Rtn. Jagadish P. on O3rd and Ann Bhavya and Rtn. Basavaraj Manu on 10th of June

> Conveys our Special Greetings to them on these special occasions.



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 friendships ? 4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned ?

We meet every TUESDAY @ Vidyadayinee Complex, near GD P U College, Surathkal @ 07.30 pm

the fortnight that was

20/05/2025 -Weekly Business Meeting was held. The Guest Speaker was our past president Rtn. Yashomathi



who actively holds the DRCC role in The District. She gave a talk on "Rotaract at Cross Roads". The talk was very educative and members appreciated it very much.

President Elect Rtn Ramachandra Kundar Announced the date for the planned one day picnick to Kundapura as 15th June 2025.

Past President of Rotary Club of Loretto Hills, Bantwal was also in attendance to Invite the members to the program "Women in Rotary" on 7th June 2025 at Ocean Pearl Mangalore.

22/05/2025 - Rtn Satish Sadanand, As usual sprung into active participation

with Cleaning Drive with Support from MCC in a road stretch in Iddya village.

27/05/2025 - Our Club handed over a scholarship and support of Rs.45,000/towards education of two children, Master Manith and Master Takshak of Infant Mary English Medium High School, Katipalla. The scholarships are funded by Sri Krishnaraja Tantri, former Rotarian of our club, for 4th consecutive year. On behalf of the club, Rtn Ramachandra B Kundar, Director Community Service & President Elect handed over the cheque to school authorities. Rtn Sridhar TN, Rtn Rammohan Y, Rtn Sridhar Bhat & Rtn Yashomati R were present along with school staff.

10/05/2025—Many of our Rotarians participated in the felicitation and awarding the title "Karma Yogi" to Dr. Harikrishna Punaroor on 10th Of May at the Bharath Scouts and Guides auditorium, Pilikula





Rtn. Nitheshkumar Secretary











The Four-Way Test and Rotary: Guiding Principles for Ethical Service

Since its inception in 1905, Rotary has grown into a vast network of clubs spread across continents, dedicated to making a meaningful and lasting difference in the lives of people from diverse backgrounds. At the heart of Rotary's philosophy and operations lies the "Four-Way Test," a succinct yet profound ethical guideline that steers the conduct of Rotarians in their personal lives, professional careers, and community service endeavors.

The Four-Way Test was originally created in 1932 by Herbert J. Taylor, a businessman who sought a moral compass to navigate his company through challenging economic times during the Great Depression. Taylor developed this test as a set of four essential questions that could help individuals and organizations evaluate the ethical dimensions of their decisions and actions. The Four-Way Test consists of the following 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?**



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Before you think, say, or do something, ask yourself:

- 1. Is it TRUE?
- 2. Is it FAIR to everyone?
- 3. Will it help build FRIENDSHIPS?
- 4. Will it be good for EVERYONE?

These four questions serve as a clear and practical moral framework that promotes honesty, fairness, respect, and mutual benefit. They encourage individuals to pause and consider the broader impact of their actions on others, fostering a spirit of empathy, trust, and cooperation.

Rotary International adopted the Four-Way Test as a fundamental ethical guideline for its members, recognizing that these principles perfectly complement its mission of "Service Above Self." The test helps ensure that Rotarians' projects, partnerships, and personal conduct reflect the highest standards of integrity and contribute positively to their communities. By consistently applying the Four-Way Test, Rotarians maintain a culture of accountability, transparency, and ethical leadership.

The influence of the Four-Way Test extends far beyond Rotary clubs. It has been translated into more than 100 languages, reflecting its universal appeal and relevance across cultures. Many organizations, educational institutions, and individuals worldwide use the Four-Way Test as a tool for ethical decision-making in business, education, government, and personal life. Its simplicity and timeless wisdom make it accessible and valuable for people from all walks of life.

In practical terms, the Four-Way Test guides Rotarians in evaluating their service initiatives—from local community projects that address immediate needs to large-scale international humanitarian efforts aimed at eradicating diseases, promoting literacy, and fostering peace. The test ensures that these programs are conducted with honesty, fairness, and a genuine intention to benefit all stakeholders involved. It also strengthens the bonds of friendship and collaboration among members, which are essential to Rotary's success and global impact.

In conclusion, the Four-Way Test is much more than a set of questions; it is the ethical foundation upon which Rotary International operates. It embodies the timeless principles of truth, fairness, goodwill, and mutual benefit, guiding Rotarians in their mission to create lasting positive change in communities worldwide. Through unwavering adherence to the Four-Way Test, Rotary continues to inspire ethical leadership, foster meaningful service, and uplift humanity across the globe.

New Initiatives in Rotaract

BEYOND THE BADGE

An inter district initiative by DISD Rtr Nida Fatima A B!

A new initiative was introduced to create a platform where Rotaractors can engage in meaningful

conversations with fellow Rotaractors who are also excelling in various professional fields. The aim is to provide guidance and inspiration that goes beyond Rotaract, helping members in their personal and career growth.

The program, titled "Beyond the Badge," was initiated and successfully hosted in its initial episodes by Rtr. Nida Fatima A B. The name reflects the idea of looking past the Rotaract identity (the badge) to explore broader opportunities and real-world experiences.



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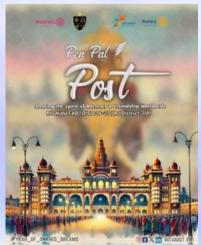
This platform features chat sessions where Rtr. Nida Fatima A B, as the host, engages guests with thoughtful and interesting questions. These

conversations allow the speakers to share their journeys and experiences, offering valuable takeaways for aspirants or those seeking direction in similar fields.

Special thanks to Rtr. Nida Fatima A B for suggesting the name and for her commendable efforts in hosting the episodes. Members were encouraged to support the sessions and share suggestions for potential speakers willing to conduct sessions pro bono (free of charge) to help plan future episodes.

PEN PAL POST

Rtr. Nida Fatima A B, District International Service Director of RI District 3181, launched a unique initiative titled "Pen Pal Post", a heartfelt celebration of friendship and the spirit of Rotaract across borders. The project aims to revive the nostalgic tradition of exchanging postcards, fostering deeper in-



ternational connections within the Rotaract community.

As part of this initiative, handwritten postcards are being shared with International Service Directors from various districts during Rotasia, as well as with fellow directors within the home district. This thoughtful gesture not only promotes cultur-

al exchange and goodwill but also reinforces the core values of fellowship and global unity in Rotaract.

The initiative has been war

mly received and is expected to strengthen ties and inspire similar creative outreach across districts.



Rtr. Nidha Fathima A. B. Dist. International Service Director of Rotaract Dist 3181



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Rotary Quiz 18: What is the strength (membership) of our club as on 1st June 2025?

(Sorry no choices this time.)

Take it lightly

Logical Puzzle: 18

Two boys were born to the same mother, in the same hospital, on the same date, in the same year, But they are not twins.

How is it possible?

Sudoku:18

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A young couple got married and left on their honeymoon.

When they got back, the bride immediately called her mother.

Her mother asked, "How was the honeymoon?"

"Oh, Mum," she replied, "the honeymoon was wonderful! So romantic..." Suddenly she burst out crying.

"But, Mum, as soon as we returned Sam started using the most horrible language...things I'd ever heard before! I mean, all these awful 4-letter words! You've got to come to get me and take me home... Please, Mum!"

"Sarah," her mother said, "Calm down! Tell me, what could be so awful? What 4-letter words?"

"Please don't make me tell you, Mum," wept the daughter, "I'm so embarrassed, they're just too aw-ful!

Come get me, please!" "Darling, you must tell me what have you so upset.

Tell your mother these horrible 4-letter words!" Still sobbing, the bride said,

"Oh, Mum, they were words like dust, wash, iron, cook!"

A Year as Club Secretary

Serving as the Secretary of the Rotary Club of Surathkal has been one of the most fulfilling and transformative experiences of my life. This role, which requires a blend of organizational and communication skills, has not only allowed me to grow personally but has also deepened my commitment to the Rotary

Club's mission of "Service Above Self."

When President Rtn Sandeep Rao Iddya, first told about the responsibility, I was both excited and nervous. I knew the position required a great deal of attention to detail, from managing club meetings to keeping track of member attendance and ensuring the smooth functioning of various projects. However, as I settled into the role, I quickly realized that it was about much more than administrative tasks. It was



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about fostering relationships, creating a sense of community, and driving meaningful change in the lives of the people we serve.

I've learned to be an active listener, to understand the concerns of members, and to address them effectively. The ability to coordinate efforts, share updates, and celebrate successes has brought a sense of unity within the club, which is crucial for achieving our collective goals.

Beyond the organizational skills, my role also required me to think critically about how we could increase the club's impact. We are a group of individuals from diverse backgrounds, and it's my responsibility to channel this diversity into collaborative action. The ability to work with people who bring different perspectives has broadened my own thinking.

The most fulfilling part of my journey as Secretary, however, has been the chance to directly contribute to projects that create tangible change in our community. Whether it's supporting education initiatives, organizing health camps, or working towards environmental sustainability, I have witnessed first-hand the power of collective action. The satisfaction of seeing these projects come to life, knowing that our efforts have played a part in them, is something that words can hardly describe.

The President and Our Club's Legacy members, have been very supportive towards me being the Secretary. There has been guidance provided for personal as well as professional growth as well.

My Parents are very proud about me being The Secretary that they introduce me to distant relatives with the Tag "He is the Secretary of Rotary Club of Surathkal". This feeling gives a sense of some accomplishment even though the Role was Handed out to me in a platter.

Finally, I would like to Thank my Wife Shubha and Daughter Laksha. It is Because of them that I am able to contribute my time and energy as The Secretary in Rotary Club of Surathkal. As Most of Zone 2 & Zone 3 already may know my Daughter who has been tagging along with me to many of the Club Installations, DG Visits and ZRMs. This feeling of Inclusiveness in The Rotary Organization has helped me to realize that I have a Long way to go in contributing to the society and being selfless.



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