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Joyful and Colorful Christmas Celebration at Rotary Karnabadhvir Shishuvidyalay

Date: 25th December 2025

Venue : Shivsena Chowk, Jawahar Nagar, Kolhapur



Christmas was celebrated with great joy and enthusiasm at our school, creating a truly magical and festive atmosphere. The entire campus echoed with laughter, excitement, and happiness as students actively participated and enjoyed every moment of the celebration. Dressed in bright red outfits, the children looked vibrant and cheerful, adding color and energy to the occasion. Three students beautifully took on the role of Santa Claus, delighting their friends by spreading smiles, warmth, and Christmas cheer.

Committee members graced the event with their presence, and sweaters that were pending from a previous program were distributed to the students, bringing comfort and happiness to many young faces. Teachers and students celebrated together like one big family, sharing joy, laughter, and festive spirit. The wholehearted participation and innocent enthusiasm of the students made the celebration memorable, heartwarming, and truly special for everyone involved.

Flag Exchange

A flag exchange was held with **DG Rtn. Santosh Marathe, Rtn. Kailash Monga, DGN Rtn. Charu Shrotri, and Rtn. Uday Shinde (RID 3131). Rtn. Siddharth Patankar and Rtn. Namrata Patankar** formally handed over the flags during the occasion. The delegation also participated in the impactful project **“Swing to Save the Girl Child”**, through which 30,000 cervical cancer vaccines will be provided free of cost to girl children, reinforcing Rotary’s commitment to women’s health and disease prevention.



The origins of Paul Harris Fellow recognition

The Paul Harris Fellow recognition acknowledges individuals who contribute, or who have contributions made in their name, of \$1,000 to The Rotary Foundation.

Rotary established the recognition in 1957 to encourage and show appreciation for substantial contributions to what was then the Foundation's only program, Rotary Foundation Fellowships for Advanced Study, the precursor to Ambassadorial Scholarships.



A.Z. Baker, 1955-56 RI president, admires a newly minted Paul Harris Fellow medallion at the 1969 Rotary Convention in Honolulu, Hawaii, USA.

The first Paul Harris Fellows included past RI Director Allison G. Brush, who served during the 1937-38 Rotary year, and longtime RI Treasurer Rufus F. Chapin, both for donations made in 1946. Mrs. Adan Vargas was the first woman to receive the recognition, for a gift made in 1953. Mrs. Harry L. Jones was the second, and one of only five people recognized for contributions actually made in that inaugural year.

Early Paul Harris Fellows received a certificate of recognition. In 1969, the Foundation unveiled the first Paul Harris Fellow medallion at the Rotary Convention in Honolulu, Hawaii, USA. Japanese metal artist Fiju Tsuda created the piece under the direction of former Foundation Trustee Kyoza Yuasa. Today, Paul Harris Fellows receive a certificate and pin. They are also eligible to buy a Paul Harris Fellow medallion.

Rotarians have a tradition of supporting the Foundation by honoring others. Ida LeTulle Taylor became a Paul Harris Fellow in 1978 when her husband, Vann Taylor, who was serving as a district governor, made a donation in her name in honor of their 34th wedding anniversary. The gift also made her the 25,000th Paul Harris Fellow.

At the International Assembly in 1979, incoming RI President James Bomar challenged each Rotary club to make one non-Rotarian a Paul Harris Fellow. The Rotary Club of Pikesville, Maryland, USA, responded by making a donation in the name of Mother Teresa in 1980. The entertainer Pearl Bailey also became a Paul Harris Fellow through a joint effort of the Rotary clubs in Cape Cod, Massachusetts.

Many other notable figures have been named Paul Harris Fellows, including U.S. President Jimmy Carter, Russian President Boris Yeltsin, U.S. astronaut James Lovell, UN Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar, and polio vaccine developer Jonas Salk.

The number of Paul Harris Fellows reached the 1 million mark in 2006.

Shared by - Rtn. Ajinkya S. Kadam

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SATURDAY 31 JANUARY
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SUNDAY 01 FEBRUARY
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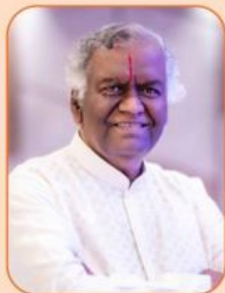
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67TH DISTRICT CONFERENCE

KEY NOTE SPEAKERS



Jayprakash Kabra

Well Known Spiritual Speaker

**EMOTIONAL INTELLIGENCE &
IT'S RELEVANCE TO ROTARY**



Brigadier Suneel Limaye

Retired Indian Army Officer

**INDIA'S NATIONAL SECURITY
CHALLENGES**



Sanjay Malpani

Director Of Malpani Udyog Samuh &
Educational Institutions

HAR ROTARIAN BANE ANANDI



Neha Bagaria

Founder and CEO of HerKey

**ADVANCING WOMEN'S
CAREERS IN INDIA**



Dr. (Prof.) Rajan Bhonsle,

Diplomate -American Board of Sexology

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Vivek Sawant

Chief Mentor, MKCL

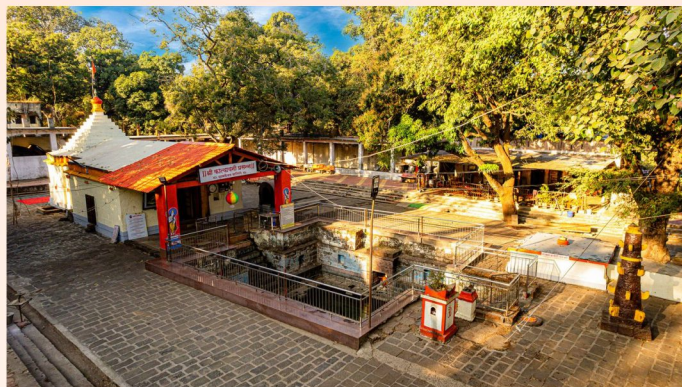
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Shared by - **Rtn. Arunkumar Goenka**

Katyayani Devi, Kolhapur Divine Power, Mythology and Architectural Importance



Goddess Katyayani, the sixth form of Navadurga, represents courage, fearlessness, and protection. According to Hindu mythology, she appeared after Sage Katyayan's penance to destroy the demon Mahishasura and restore justice. Riding a lion and holding divine weapons, she blesses devotees with inner strength, confidence, and relief from fear and negativity. She is especially worshipped on the sixth day of Navratri, and her blessings are sought for overcoming long-standing difficulties and achieving victory in life.



Kolhapur, renowned for the Mahalakshmi (Ambabai) Shakti Peeth, is a powerful spiritual center in Maharashtra. Alongside Shakti worship, the region honors saints like Narayan Swami, revered for his devotion, simplicity, and guidance toward a disciplined life. The combined presence of Goddess Katyayani's power and Narayan Swami's teachings creates a spiritual atmosphere of faith, strength, and inner peace. Kolhapur also has deep connections with Lord Parshuram, considered the warrior-saint who upheld dharma in the region, further enriching its spiritual legacy.

Temples dedicated to Katyayani and Narayan Swami showcase traditional Indian architecture, with stone carvings, sanctums, and devotional spaces. Sculptures, lamps, and sacred symbols enhance the spiritual experience for devotees. These sacred sites preserve Kolhapur's cultural and spiritual heritage, drawing devotees seeking divine protection, guidance, and enlightenment, making the city a unique land of Shakti, devotion, and spiritual wisdom.

Shared by - **Rtn. Dr. Pooja Sasurkar**


TRIVIA QUESTION ?

Question :

What is the official campaign name of Rotary's polio program?

- A) End Polio Today B) End Polio Now
C) Polio-Free India D) Immunization Drive

Send your answers to

Rtn. Dr. Pooja Sasurkar on [Whatsapp](#) 

The names of the first five members with correct answers will be published in the next bulletin

Last week question?

Which country is known as the "Land of the Rising Sun"?

**Answer -
B) Japan**

Answers given by -

- 1) Ann Nikita Gandhi
- 2) Ann Dhara sheth
- 3) Ann Vaishali Taral
- 4) Rtn Upendra deuskar
- 5) Rotakid Sahastraheet Patankar

Greetings

From -
ROTARY CLUB OF KOLHAPUR



Happy Birthday



- Rtn. Dhaval Gala - 23rd Dec.
- Rtn. Amit Mate - 27th Dec.

Happy Wedding Anniversary

- Rtn. Asif Tahasildar - 23rd Dec.
- Rtn. Aman Momin - 25th Dec.
- Rtn. Harshad Dhale - 26th Dec.
- Rtn. Rohit Shinde - 28th Dec.

RC Kolhapur's UPCOMING KEY PROJECT



Sat.-Sun., 17-18th January 2026

Pls go this google form for crickmania registration- pls start enrolling as early as possible, as auction will be in 1st week of January. (already link shared to all)

- Rtn. Dr. Vaibhav Sasurkar

NEXT MEETING



DATE:
**Wednesday,
31st December 2025**

TIME:
5:30 PM

CLUB BUSINESS MEETING

**Venue : Rotary Samaj Seva Kendra,
Shri. Madhav Prasad Goenka Bhavan, 3rd Floor,
Smt. Kamal Govind Gundesha Hall,
Rotary Samaj Seva Kendra, Kolhapur**



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