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President's Pen ..✍️

Dear Rotary Family and Friends,

I am thrilled to announce an exciting and meaningful initiative that showcases our commitment to inclusivity and community engagement. The Rotary Club of Honavar is proud to host the AICFB National Junior Chess Championship for the visually challenged 2024 at Mayuri Eco Beach Resort, Kasarkod, Honnavar.

Chess is a game that transcends barriers and celebrates intellect and strategy. By organizing this championship, we aim to provide a platform for visually impaired players from across the nation to demonstrate their skills, passion, and resilience. This event is not only an opportunity for competition but also a chance to raise awareness and appreciation for the incredible talent within the visually impaired community.

Event Details

The championship will take place from 19-11-2024 to 21-11-2024 dates, at the beautiful Mayur Eco Beach Resort in Kasarakod. We expect participants from various states, and our organizing committee is committed to ensuring an inclusive and accessible experience for all. From specialized equipment to dedicated volunteers, we are focused on creating an environment where every player can thrive.

Community Involvement

I encourage all members to engage with this significant event. Whether you choose to volunteer, assist with logistics, or simply come to support the players, your involvement will make a profound difference. This championship presents a unique opportunity for us to strengthen community spirit and show our unwavering support for this proud moment. We will also be reaching out to local schools and organizations to inspire young minds about the potential of visually impaired athletes.

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Editorial :

Enhancing Dignity at Hindu Rudrabhoomi Cremation Ground

As we embrace the month of October, the Rotary Club of Honavar is proud to announce an important initiative aimed at improving the Hindu Rudrabhoomi cremation ground. Our members have come together to donate funds for the procurement of a Hooper, a valuable tool that will significantly enhance the cremation process and promote dignity during a difficult time.

Cremation is a profound and essential part of our cultural and spiritual practices. It provides a respectful farewell to our loved ones, allowing us to honor their memories and release their souls. However, the traditional methods often involve the use of substantial amounts of firewood, which can be both costly and environmentally taxing. This is where the hooper comes into play.

The Hooper is designed to minimize the number of logs required during the cremation process. By maximizing the efficiency of the burning process, it not only conserves resources but also reduces smoke emissions, making the experience more environmentally friendly. This innovation aligns perfectly with our commitment to sustainability and responsible resource management.

Our decision to enhance the Rudrabhoomi cremation ground stems from a deep-seated belief in the importance of providing a dignified space for farewells. We recognize that the loss of a loved one is a challenging time for families, and we aim to alleviate some of the burdens associated with the cremation process. The addition of the hooper will not only streamline operations but also help families in their time of grief, allowing them to focus on honoring their loved ones without additional worry.

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Sponsorship and Support

To ensure the success of this championship, we are seeking sponsorship and support from local businesses and community members. Your contributions, whether financial or in-kind, will be instrumental in creating a memorable experience for all participants. Let's come together to celebrate talent and resilience, reinforcing the values of Rotary.

Looking Ahead

This initiative is a testament to our mission of service and our belief in the power of sports to unite and empower individuals. By hosting this championship, we aim to not only elevate Honavar's status as a supporter of adaptive sports but also foster an environment of understanding and inclusion.

In closing, I invite each of you to join us on this exciting journey. Together, we can make the AICFB National Junior Chess Championship for the visually challenged 2024 a resounding success, highlighting the spirit of competition and the strength of our community.

Thank you for your unwavering support and dedication

Thanking you

Yours in Rotary

Rtn. Suryakanth Sarang
President



Rtn. Stephen Rodrigues

JOY OF GIVING

The "Joy of Giving to the Needy" aligns closely with Rotary's mission of service above self. Rotary clubs around the world often engage in initiatives to support underprivileged communities through charitable activities like food drives, medical camps, educational support, and infrastructure development.

By participating in such initiatives, Rotary members experience the fulfillment that comes with making a tangible difference in people's lives. Whether it's donating time, resources, or skills, the joy lies in uplifting others and seeing the impact on their well-being. The ripple effect of these actions not only benefits the recipients but also fosters a sense of community and purpose among Rotary members.

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The support from our club members has been instrumental in making this project a reality. Their generous contributions reflect the spirit of Rotary "service above self". It is through such collective efforts that we can create meaningful change within our community. We encourage all members to continue supporting initiatives that enhance the lives of those around us.

In conclusion, as we move through October, let us remember the importance of compassion and dignity in all aspects of life, including how we honor those who have passed. Together, we are making a difference at the Hindu Rudrabhoomi cremation ground, ensuring that we provide a respectful and caring environment for all families in Honavar.

Yours in Rotary,

Rtn. Narayan Yaji
Editor

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गौरवं प्राप्यते दानान्न तु वित्तस्य सञ्चयात् ।
स्थितिरुच्चैः पयोदानां पयोदधीनामथः स्थितिः ॥

Meaning : Honour is obtained by charity, not by accumulating wealth. The clouds stay up in the sky (because they give water i.e. donate their wealth), but the position of the sea is below on the earth as it only accumulates water which is its wealth.

- Compiled by Rtn. Pratibha Balkur

ROTARY EXCHANGE RATES October - 2024



FROM THE DESK OF THE SECRETARY ACTIVITIES IN THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2024



Rtn. Manjunath M. Hegde
Secretary 2024-25

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

It is my privilege to provide an overview of our club's dynamic activities and initiatives held during the month of September 2024.

Our club being the part of Rotary International, dedicated to service and community improvement. Our activities encompass a wide range of initiatives aimed at fostering peace, fighting disease, providing clean water, supporting education, and growing local economies. Recent efforts include launching vocational training programs for women, organizing health clinics, and funding educational scholarships. We engage in numerous projects worldwide, driven by the commitment of our members to create positive, lasting change. Our work reflects Rotary's core values of service, leadership, and community, as we strive to address pressing issues and make a meaningful impact in the lives of individuals and communities globally.

Here are the glimpses of the Activities:



Inauguration of Handwash Station at Govt. HPS, Belakonda, Durgakeri, Honavar



Engineer's Day Celebration



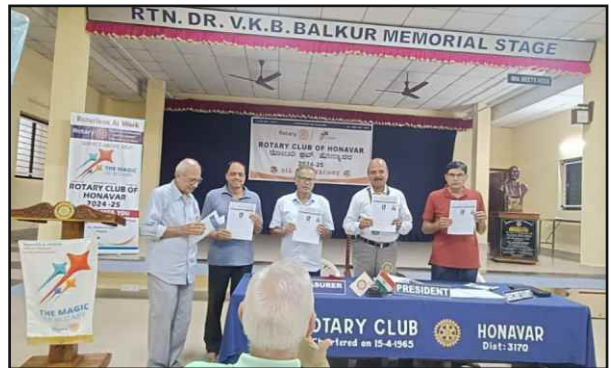
Rotary Flag Exchange Programme



Dental Awareness, Treatment and Free Toothpaste Distribution Programme at NMS HPS, Honavar



New Member Orientation Programme



Distribution of Shelter Kit to Flood Victims

Releasing Rotavar



TRF Seminar at Goa

Community Economic Development Month : Strengthening Our Communities



By Rtn. V. G. Naik

October 2024 marks Community Economic Development Month within Rotary clubs, a time for us to reflect on our commitment to fostering sustainable economic growth and improving the quality of life in our communities. This initiative underscores the vital role Rotary plays in promoting economic development, which is essential for creating lasting change and enhancing opportunities for all.

The Importance of Economic Development

Economic development is not merely about financial growth; it encompasses the creation of jobs, the enhancement of living standards, and the empowerment of individuals and families. By focusing on sustainable practices, we can build resilient communities that are better equipped to face challenges. Economic development initiatives help to reduce poverty, improve education, and promote social equity, aligning perfectly with Rotary's mission of service above self.

Rotary clubs around the world are dedicated to economic and community development, focusing on projects that provide sustainable solutions to local challenges. These projects range from supporting small businesses and entrepreneurs to enhancing vocational training and promoting inclusive economic growth. Rotarians work tirelessly to empower individuals by providing them with the tools and resources needed to improve their livelihoods.

In many communities, Rotarians are involved in initiatives that offer microloans to small business owners, helping them to expand their operations and create jobs. These efforts not only boost local economies but also enhance the quality of life for many families. Additionally, vocational training programs spearheaded by Rotary clubs equip individuals with skills that are essential for employment and entrepreneurship, fostering a culture of self-reliance and economic independence.

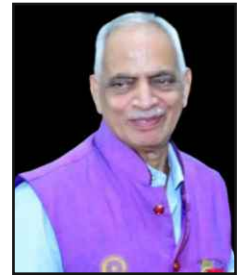
Community development is at the heart of Rotary's mission. Rotarians engage in activities that build and strengthen community infrastructure, from constructing schools and healthcare facilities to developing water and sanitation systems. These projects are designed to address the fundamental needs of communities, ensuring that they are robust and capable of supporting their members.

As we commemorate Economic and Community Development Month, it is essential to acknowledge the unwavering commitment of Rotarians. Their collaborative efforts and innovative solutions are crucial in creating a world where every individual has the opportunity to thrive economically and socially. This October, let us celebrate the significant impact of Rotary's work and continue to support initiatives that drive sustainable economic growth and community resilience.

Knowledge Corner

Rotary at The Start of the United Nations

By:- Rtn. S. M. Bhat



Rotary and the United Nations have a shared history of working toward peace and addressing humanitarian issues around the world.

During World War II, Rotary informed and educated members about the formation of the United Nations and the importance of planning for peace. Materials such as the booklet "From Here On!" and articles in The Rotarian helped members understand the UN before it was formally established and follow its work after its charter.

Many countries were fighting the war when the term "United Nations" was first used officially in the 1942 "Declaration by United Nations." The 26 nations that signed it pledged to uphold the ideals expressed by the United States and the United Kingdom the previous year of the common principles "on which they based their hopes for a better future for the world."

Officials from Great Britain, the Soviet Union, and the United States met in Moscow in 1943 and called for the creation of an international organization to maintain peace and security.

The next year, representatives of those countries plus China held conferences in Washington, D.C., to discuss how to go about this monumental task. Those sessions became known as the Dumbarton Oaks conference, where delegations from the four countries developed a proposal for the structure of the new organization.

After the conference, Rotary published "What Can Rotarians Do Following Dumbarton Oaks?" It included the proposed charter, talking points, and suggestions for discussing with club members how the United Nations would relate to Rotary's goal of advancing international understanding. It also emphasized the importance of having a plan ready for when the war ended, rather than waiting until the fighting stopped.

After World War I, "proposals for international cooperation failed because of lack of enlightened public opinion to support them," it explained. Discussions among members "will help to create an informed public opinion."

"Timely Questions on Dumbarton Oaks" followed to help Rotarians understand the complexities of the proposed charter. The flyer presented different perspectives on the security council and other aspects of the UN as topics for Rotary club programs or discussions. At the same time, governments around the world were carefully studying and reacting to the work done at Dumbarton Oaks.

From April to June 1945, delegations from 50 nations attended the United Nations Conference on International Organization in San Francisco (often known as the San Francisco conference). Their task was to write a charter acceptable to all of them. The delegations were assisted in this historic effort by a large number of staff, advisers, and consultants.

Rotary International was one of 42 organizations the United States invited to serve as consultants to its delegation at the San Francisco conference. Each organization had seats for three representatives, so Rotary International's 11 representatives served in rotation. The people officially representing Rotary included the general secretary, the editor of The Rotarian, and several past presidents. Other Rotarians from Africa, Asia, Europe, and North and South America served as members of their own nations' delegations. Rotarians also served as consultants to their national delegations.

Just before the meetings began, Rotary International published and distributed the "Pattern for the San Francisco Conference" pamphlet. "It is a splendid opportunity for the individual Rotarian to fulfill the objective of International Service," the document proclaimed, "by taking part in the debate on this scheme of world government."

Founder of the Rotary International Paul Harris: First but not the first

- Rtn S N Hegde



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Four months before the end of his five year life seeing tour, he returned to Chicago on 27th February, 1896 and started his legal profession as a lawyer in a rented office. Getting good practice was not a problem to him. One evening in 1900 he went with a lawyer friend to his suburban home. After dinner both of them went out for a walk in the neighborhood. He was surprised to see his friend greet by name various tradesmen at their stores. This incident gave him the idea of having a fellowship of one man from each of many occupations in Chicago without restrictions to their politics or religion.

Paul decided to translate this idea into reality with the help of his friend Silvester Schiele, a coal dealer and friends of Schiele. He invited them for a meeting at the office of Gus Loehr on 23 February, 1905. Apart from these three, the fourth one was Hiram Shorey, a merchant tailor. At this meeting Paul proposed the idea of forming a club of business and professional men drawing one member from each trade or profession for the purpose of acquiring new friends and for expanding their business in the process. The remaining three accepted the idea and the first Rotary club was formed.

In the same year his love affair with Grace Irene Mann, 27 then, started. She was the daughter of the son in law of Paul's friend, George Clark of Jacksonville. There was an exchange of several letters between them. But the affair had an abrupt end in a couple of years.

As Harris concentrated on strengthening the club from background by coaxing and cajoling the members, he did not accept the presidency of the club in the first two years. In 1907 when the membership of the club reached 80, Paul agreed to become the president of the club. He began to dream of Rotary Clubs in other cities also. He felt that Rotary Club would become more relevant to the society if the club undertakes community service. But majority of his club members refused to think beyond their own advantage and business gains. But the strong support he received from Donald M Carter in this regard encouraged Paul to continue with his community service idea. Even before there was a second club, he persuaded his club to initiate the establishment of public comfort station in the city of Chicago. Soon he convened a meeting of various organizations of the city to request them to join hands with his club in the undertaking. Overcoming opposition from certain quarters, he was soon able in establishing a public comfort station in the Chicago City Hall. This was the first community service project undertaken by Rotary.

His accidental meeting with Manual Munoz, his senior at the university, at Hyde Park Hotel in Chicago proved to be very important. Munoz soon joined Rotary. While he was on a business trip to San Francisco, he introduced Rotary to Homer Wood, a lawyer by profession. Homer started correspondence with Paul Harris and this led to the establishment of the world's second Rotary Club in San Francisco in 1908.

In the same year Chesley R Perry (Ches) joined Paul's club. Sincere and efficient, Ches became Paul's right hand man. Both of them tried very hard to extend Rotary to other cities of the USA. There were sixteen clubs with 1800 members in 1910. Paul and Ches decided to have a conference of all the clubs. Each club had to send one delegate for every 50 members. Twenty nine delegates attended the conference. National Association of Rotary Clubs (NARC) was formed in the conference. Paul was elected as the president of NARC and Ches as secretary. Paul was the president next year also. In the convention that year Paul was elected as President Emeritus for Life, a unique honor which no other RI president has till date.

The year 1910 was the most important year in the life of Paul Harris. He met his life partner Jean Thomson this year. She had come to stay in Chicago a few years ago along with her family from Scotland. One day when he was walking with her he tore his jacket while climbing through a barbed wire fence. She offered to mend it. This gracious gesture made him approach her with a request for marriage. They married on July 2, 1910. In 1912 they moved to their own house in Chicago. The home was named 'Comely Bank' after the street in Scotland where Jean lived in her childhood. She accompanied Paul in majority of his Rotary visits. They were not blessed with children. But they showered love on all and have been loved by Rotary families throughout the world.

In 1939 Paul created another history. General Electric Company had installed the first ever TV station. On 8 December, 1939 Paul was invited for a TV interview. That was the first ever TV interview of the world.

During his lifetime he received a number of honors and decorations: Doctor of Laws from the University of Vermont, Silver Buffalo Award from Boy Scouts of America, Order of Southern Cross from Brazil, Order of Merit from Chile and Ecuador, Order of Christobal Colon from Dominican Republic, Officer of Legion of Honor from France, Order of the Sun from Peru and Doctor honoris causa from College of Law, Peru.

Paul was an avid reader and a prolific writer. The Founder of Rotary, The Rotarian Age, My Road to Rotary and Peregrinations (in 3 volumes) are some of his books. He was not an attractive speaker, but his words of wisdom and vision were thought provoking and ever quotable.

He died on 27 January, 1947 after a prolonged illness at Comely Bank. His wife Jean continued to live in Chicago for eight more years after his death. She tirelessly served the drug addicts and the under privileged. She returned to Scotland in 1955 to join the surviving members of her family and died there in 196

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THE IMAGE OF ROTARY

By: Rtn. Dr. Kiran Balkur



What Rotary means to Community? Rotary is a group of men the Number One men in their respective field of business and profession, united in the cause of un-selfish service. For a community, it does not concern much as to what Rotary and Rotarians do else- where. The community considers and evaluates Rotary in terms of the individual members in the particular Rotary Club. The Club might have built Bus shelters, Schools, erected sign boards, started blood banks etc., etc. That does not primarily give credit to Rotary and that does not brighten the image of Rotary. It is the individual Rotarian, by his acts and deeds in his day to day business or professional life, who can brighten or darken the image of Rotary. Vocational Service is the challenge of Rotary. The philosophy of vocational service is that a man's primary contribution to the society is through his business or profession.

The image of Rotary and hence the future of Rotary is in the hands of individual Rotarian. The big question that hangs over us is whether or not, we are prepared personally to be self- critical for on the answer to that-hangs the future of Rotary.

The Rotary Kitchen

- Rtn. Pratibha Balkur

I am Sharing with you all a very healthy. Nutritious and instant Breakfast recipe. It is known as

Tomato Omelette

One and a half measure - Chana Dal
One heaped measure - Urad Dal
One level measure - Rice

Soak all separately for about 2 to 3 hours

Grind all separately to fine paste and keep it in a vessel overnight for fermentation.

In the morning add salt as per your taste and mix well. To this add finely chopped onions, tomatoes and coriander leaves. Finally chopped green chillies may also be added (Optional)

Heat a griddle (Tawa) Smear ghee or oil on it. Take a ladleful dough and spread to make a thick dosa. Cover it the tawa and let it cook on a small flame flip it and let the dosa cook on the other side too. (Fry well both sides)

Eat it hot with Coconut Chutney. This is the another healthy and tasty breakfast recipe.



Rotary Foundation receives highest rating from Charity Navigator for 16th consecutive year

For the 16th consecutive year, The Rotary Foundation has received the highest rating — four stars — from **Charity Navigator**, an independent evaluator of charities in the U.S.

The Foundation earned the recognition for adhering to sector best practices and executing its mission in a financially efficient way, demonstrating both strong financial health and commitment to accountability and transparency.

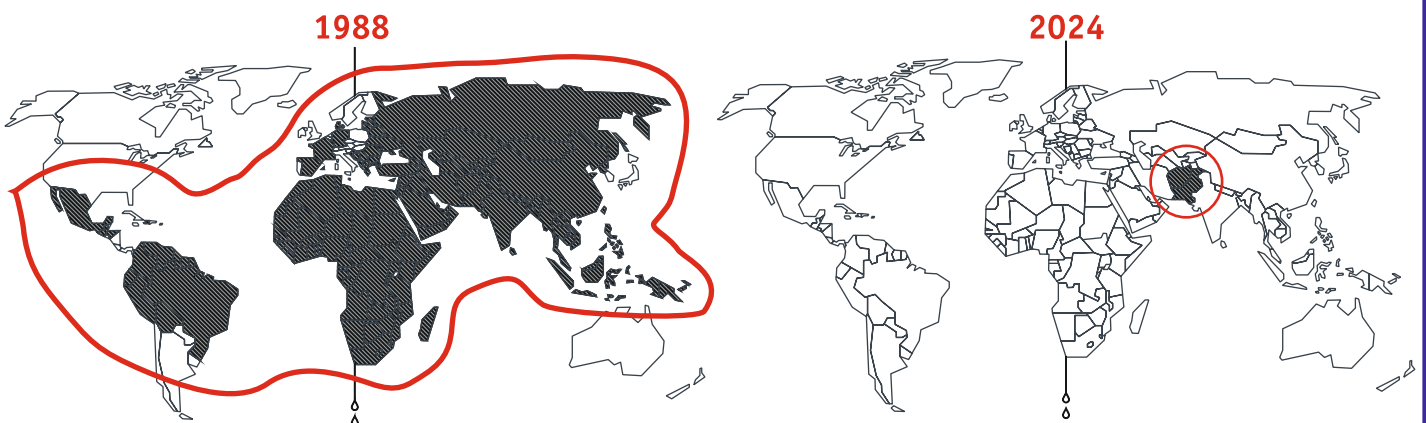
“We are delighted to provide the Rotary Foundation with third-party accreditation that validates their operational excellence,” said Michael Thatcher, president and CEO of Charity Navigator. “The Four-Star Rating is the highest possible rating an organization can achieve. We are eager to see the good work that the Rotary Foundation is able to accomplish in the years ahead.

“Charity Navigator analyzes nonprofit performance based on four key indicators, referred to as beacons. Currently, nonprofits can earn scores for the impact and results, accountability and finance, culture and communities, and leadership and adaptability.

Charity Navigator is the largest and most utilized independent charity evaluator in the U.S. Since 2001, the organization has been an unbiased and trusted source of information for more than 11 million donors annually.

Rotary International's Mission to End Polio 1988 to 2024

Mission completes till there no case for the consecutive three years



Outstanding Achievements by the Rotary Parivar



We are happy to inform that, Rtn. Arun Bhandare, DG Elect for the year 2025-26 has selected our **Rtn. Mahesh Kalyanpur**, Past President as Asst. Governor during his period.

We the Rotary club of Honavar congratulates him on his elevation in the DG's administration.



Congratulation to Annet **Dr. Bhoomika S. Bhat**, D/o. of our Rtn. **Satish Bhat** has been awarded as Best Internee Award along with the BAMS graduation with the divine blessings of His Holiness Sri Sri Ravi Shankar Gurudev at Bangalore.



Rtn. V. G. Naik
Birthday on 4th October



Rtn. Dr. Pratibha Balkur
Birthday on 12th October



Rtn. Dr. Rajesh Kini
Birthday on 13th October



Rtn. M. M. Hegde
Birthday on 25th October



Rtn. Deepak Lopes
Ann Perpeth Lopes
Anniversary on 21st October



Rtn. Mahesh Kalyanpur
Ann Pallavi Kalyanpur
Anniversary on 28th October



Obituary



Ann. Latha Vasant Kimanikar
75 years

Ann. Latha Vasant Kimanikar w/o Rtn. Vasant Kimanikar has passed away on 18/10/2024. The Rotary Club of Honavar expresses deep condolences to the departed soul. We pray Almighty to give the courage to Rtn. Vasant Kimanikar & his family members to bear this great loss.



Last Laugh

ಟೀಚರ್ : ಕ್ಲಾಸಲ್ಲಿ ಪಾಠ ಕೇಳೋದ್ ಬಿಟ್ಟು ಹುಡುಗಿಯರ ಜೊತೆ ಮಾತಾಡ್ತೀಯಲ್ಲೋ ಯಾಕೆ?

ಸ್ಟೂಡೆಂಟ್ : ನಾನು ಬಡವ ಟೀಚರ್, ನನ್ನ ಹತ್ರ ಫೋನ್ ಇಲ್ಲ, ಇಂಟರ್ನೆಟ್ ಇಲ್ಲ, ಹಾಗಾಗಿ ಇಲ್ಲೇ ಮಾತಾಡುತ್ತಾ ಇದ್ದೇನೆ ಟೀಚರ್.