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ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE FOR THE JANUARY 2025

Stephanie A. Urchick
R. I. President 2024-25

I always walk into meetings at my home club of McMurray, Pennsylvania, with a smile on my face.

A few years ago, someone arrived late. Instead of scolding the person, we cheered. Since then, we've made it a tradition to applaud all members when they arrive for meetings. It's tough not to smile with a greeting like that.

There's nothing more powerful for engaging and retaining members than a club that's vibrant, welcoming, and — yes — fun.

Think back to what drew you to Rotary. Chances are, it wasn't just the service projects or professional networking. It was the people — the friendships, the shared laughter, and the joy of working toward a common purpose. That's what keeps us coming back.

If you're looking for that sense of joy in your meetings, don't be afraid to ask yourself and your fellow members some tough questions. If you were a prospective member, would you join your current club? It's a powerful question but don't stop there.

Do members of your club feel that they belong? Are your meetings fun? If not, what can you do about it together?

At your next meeting or event, try something new to bring out a few extra smiles. It's the simple things that create lasting bonds and make clubs simply irresistible.

Here's one example of a club moving in the right direction. The Rotary Club of Fukushima, Japan, has been combining environmental responsibility with community fun since 2021. In Japan, people have made picking up trash into a sport known as SpoGomi, and every year the

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**A Day of Service and
Inspiration : District Governor
Rtn. Sharad Pai's Official Visit
to Rotary Club of Honavar"**

Rtn. Sharad Pai
District Governor

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

The word is not enough to express my gratitude to all of you for making the prestigious event of Our DG's official visit a grand success. The official visit of District Governor Rtn. Sharad Pai was a significant and inspiring day for the Rotary Club of Honavar. His participation in the handover of service projects, his appreciation of our club's work, and his support for our ongoing humanitarian efforts were highlights of the visit. We are proud to be part of the Rotary movement, which continues to make a lasting impact on the lives of individuals and communities around the world.

I would like to begin by extending our sincere gratitude to Rotary District Governor, Rtn. Sharad Pai, for his unwavering support and for visiting the Rotary Club of Honavar on 27th December 2024. We are truly honored, that the DGRtn. Sharad Pai spent the entire day with us, taking the time to witness and participate in our club's various activities. His presence and active engagement throughout the day not only added immense value to our event but also reinforced the true spirit of Rotary. From the bottom of our hearts, we thank him for his kind words of appreciation for our club's contributions and efforts, which align seamlessly with Rotary International's Five Avenues of Service.



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club hosts a game. This year, more than 400 participants cheered each other on while they came together to improve their community.

This event is an excellent example of how Rotary clubs can have fun, make a difference, and raise awareness for broader global challenges all at the same time. And the inclusive, family-friendly format allows people of all ages to participate.

When we enjoy what we do, that energy becomes contagious. It's what attracts new members and keeps our clubs strong and engaged. It helps people feel that they belong.

Retention and culture go hand in hand. The healthier our club culture, the more likely members are to stay. Rotary magazine is an outstanding resource for inspiration on how to enhance our club culture and deepen member engagement. I encourage you to explore the stories and strategies in these pages, drawing from other clubs' successes to find ideas that work for you.

Together, we can create a more engaged, enjoyable, and inclusive Rotary that every member can feel proud to be part of. Let's continue with renewed commitment and enthusiasm, living The Magic of Rotary.

Subhashita

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Meaning :

What harm can a wicked man do to one who holds forgiveness in his hands? Of fire falls on an area where there is no grass it gets extinguished all by itself.

- Compiled by Rtn. Dr. Pratibha Balkur



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Acknowledgment of DG's Participation in Service Project Handover

We are grateful to DG Rtn. Sharad Pai for personally handing over the key service projects that the Rotary Club of Honavar has contributed to, and which were part of the official visit. His involvement in presenting these projects is a testament to his commitment to uplifting communities through the work of Rotary.

1. Mortuary Cold Storage Donation to Taluka Hospital Honavar:

On behalf of our club, DG Rtn. Sharad Pai handed over a Mortuary Cold Storage Unit worth Rs. 1,50,000 to Taluka Hospital Honavar. This donation will significantly benefit the community by providing essential services during times of sorrow.



2. Support to Pedru Poveda School for Special Children:

DG Rtn. Sharad Pai visited the Pedru Poveda School for Special Children, where he handed over an inverter worth ₹30,000 on behalf of our club. His personal commitment to cover the cost of the inverter reflected his deep empathy and support for the school's work.



3. Donation to Hindu Rudrabhumi:



In another meaningful contribution, DG Rtn. Sharad Pai presented a hooper shaped body burning tray worth Rs. 1,00,000 to the Hindu Rudrabhumi (crematorium) in Honavar. This donation will help reduce wood

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Editorial :

Rotary & Humanitarian Service: A Beacon of Hope and Change

As we continue our journey of service, it's important to remind ourselves of the core values that have always guided the Rotary Club of Honavar. Our Service is always valuable to reflect on the enduring impact of Rotary International's humanitarian work, which has been the driving force behind our club's activities for over five decades.



Rotary International's mission of "Service Above Self" is not just a slogan but a powerful principle that motivates Rotarians worldwide to work towards the greater good. At the heart of our club's efforts in Honavar is the unwavering commitment to humanitarian service. Our projects, whether focused on health, education, or community welfare, have always sought to address the most pressing needs of our local community while aligning with Rotary's global vision.

One of the main areas of focus for our club has been health. Our eye operation initiatives have helped restore vision to many individuals, enabling them to regain their independence and quality of life. We've also organized blood donation drives, mobilizing our members and local community to contribute to life-saving causes. Additionally, our health check-up camps have provided free screenings and medical support, fostering preventive care and raising awareness about health in our region.

These health-focused efforts are part of Rotary's broader commitment to improving the well-being of communities around the world. Our club takes pride in being part of this movement, which has led to significant changes globally, including the eradication of polio and advancements in disease prevention and medical access.

Another vital aspect of our work has been our emphasis on youth leadership development. The Rotary Youth Leadership Award (RYLA) is a key program through which we train high school students in leadership skills, teamwork, and service. This initiative fosters the next generation of leaders who are not only capable but also committed to contributing positively to society. By empowering young people with the tools to lead with integrity, we are investing in a brighter, more compassionate future.

As we reflect on the achievements of our club, we are reminded of the dedication and selflessness of the great leaders who have shaped our journey. Their unwavering commitment to service has laid the foundation for everything we do today. Special thanks go to these individuals who have led by example, inspiring us all to work together for the greater good.

Our club's success has also been strengthened by our very own venue, the "Dr. Rohith S. Bhat Memorial Rotary Park House." This space serves as a hub for our activities, a

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consumption and serve the community in a sustainable manner during difficult times.

4. Financial Support to Late Rtn. Ravidas Pai's Family:

DG Rtn. Sharad Pai also participated in a heartfelt gesture of support for the family of late Rtn. Ravidas Pai. Our club had provided Rs. 50,000 in financial assistance to his family, and DG Rtn. Sharad Pai, moved by their situation, personally announced an additional Rs. 25,000 to further support them.

His kind words and appreciation of these service projects reinforced the importance of our collective efforts and the lasting impact we have in accordance with Rotary's mission of "Service Above Self." We were proud to have him witness our club's commitment to making a tangible difference in our community.

Gratitude to Assistant Governor Rtn. Raghavendra Prabhu

I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to Assistant Governor, Rtn. Raghavendra Prabhu, whose timely support and leadership ensured the seamless execution of the DG's visit. His meticulous coordination and thoughtful introduction of DG Rtn. Sharad Pai during the Rotavar, the club bulletin, and the public function in the evening were much appreciated. AG Rtn. Raghavendra Prabhu's dedication helped highlight the significance of this visit, and his contributions were vital in making the day a success.

Thanks to All Members, Volunteers, and Media Persons

A special thank you goes out to all our Rotarians, volunteers, and members who worked tirelessly to ensure the event was a resounding success. The dedication and teamwork displayed by every member reflect the values that define our Rotary family. Your efforts helped showcase our club's service projects, our ongoing commitment to Rotary's values, and our strong bond as a community.

We are also grateful to the media persons who covered the event and ensured the success and visibility of our service projects, which will inspire others in our community to join us in our mission of service. Your contribution in spreading the word about our work is truly appreciated.

Once again, I express my deepest gratitude to DG Rtn. Sharad Pai for his invaluable support, Assistant Governor Rtn. Raghavendra Prabhu for his leadership, and to all Rotarians, volunteers, media persons, and supporters who made this visit a grand success.

Thanking you,

Yours in Rotary

Rtn. Suryakanth Sarang
President

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place where ideas are exchanged, plans are made, and service projects are launched. It's a symbol of our club's commitment to the community and a testament to the generosity and vision of those who have made it possible.

The Rotary Club of Honavar is part of a global network that extends far beyond our local projects. We are united with Rotarians around the world who are working tirelessly to bring about positive change. By continuing to focus on humanitarian service, we are contributing to this broader movement and helping to create a better, more equitable world.

In closing, let us express our deepest gratitude to all the leaders who have contributed their time, energy, and resources to our projects. Their selfless service has been the cornerstone of our success, and their example continues to inspire us. As we move forward, let us remain committed to the values of "Service Above Self" and continue to be a beacon of hope and positive change in our community.

Yours in Rotary,

Rtn. Narayan Yaji
Editor

**The Rotary Foundation transforms
your gifts into service projects
that change lives both close
to home and around the world.**



Welcome to Rotary Family



Rtn. Ravikiran Nalk
Development Officer LIC, Honavar is our New Member
who was inducted as Rotarian on 27-12-2024

Rotary History

Friendship Trees :

Paul Harris' Lasting Symbol of Goodwill



Rtn. Raju Malagimane

As Rotary's president emeritus, travelled extensively during the 1920s and 1930s, often accompanied by his wife, Jean. During these trips, the nature-loving Harris planted trees to symbolize goodwill and friendship.

Paul Harris and members of the Rotary Club of Tallinn, Estonia, at a tree planting in 1932.

In the fall of 1932, Harris embarked on a five-week tour of European Rotary clubs and planted trees along the way.

"Wednesday forenoon I planted my first tree of friendship in European soil. It seemed to me especially appropriate that it took place in Germany — in its metropolis — Berlin. The planting occurred in a sports platz formerly devoted to war purposes, and a large number including Rotarians, city officials, and others were in attendance."

Ever since, Rotarians have planted trees in the name of fellowship, friendship, and community service. These trees, which can be found worldwide, have grown into enduring monuments of Rotary's ideals.

Later in his tour of Europe, Harris also planted trees in Estonia, Norway, and Sweden.

Planting trees became a hallmark of his travels, including in Australia, Brazil, Japan, Mexico, and New Zealand. In "My Road to Rotary," Harris recalled, "With the cooperation of Rotarians and local governments, I have planted friendship trees in the parks and playgrounds on five continents of the world and even on some of the major islands of the seas. Our trees stood as symbols of international understanding and good-will."

Other Rotary presidents also observed the tradition. In 1931-32, then-RI president Sydney W. Pascall planted trees at the sites of Rotary clubs he visited, reportedly at Paul Harris' suggestion.

Not all of the trees were planted outside the United States. The Harrises often entertained visiting Rotarians and dignitaries in their Chicago home and planted trees with their guests to mark the occasion. They called the garden their Friendship Garden.

Rotarians continue to plant trees to symbolize enduring friendships and fellowship, to beautify parks and communities, and to contribute to a greener world.



Paul Harris and members of the Rotary Club of Tallinn, Estonia, at a tree planting in 1932.

ROTARY CLUB OF HONAVAR: EMPOWERING WOMEN THROUGH MENSTRUAL HYGIENE MANAGEMENT

Rtn. Manjunath M. Hegde
Secretary 2024-25



Menstrual hygiene is an essential aspect of health and well-being, yet it is often shrouded in silence and stigma. Recognizing the importance of this issue, the Rotary Club of Honavar has taken proactive steps to address menstrual hygiene challenges, ensuring that everyone, especially young girls, has the knowledge and resources to manage menstruation with dignity and health. As part of Rotary International's Menstrual Hygiene Management (MHM) program, we have been working relentlessly to break the stigma, promote awareness, and provide access to necessary sanitary products and hygiene education.

The Menstrual Hygiene Management (MHM) program has several clear and impactful goals. First, it aims to ensure that every person has access to clean, safe menstrual products. Second, it focuses on spreading awareness about maintaining proper hygiene during menstruation. Third, it encourages healthy habits that promote overall menstrual health. Lastly, the program seeks to break the social taboos surrounding menstruation, enabling individuals to talk openly about their menstrual health without shame or fear.

The Rotary Club of Honavar has been a pioneer in driving awareness about menstrual hygiene, especially in rural areas. This year alone, we have conducted the MHM program in 10 schools across Honavar and surrounding rural regions. These workshops have reached more than 800 girl students, providing them with essential information on menstrual hygiene, health practices, and the importance of maintaining personal hygiene during menstruation.

Our outreach efforts have included schools such as RES Haldipur High School, Janata Vidyalaya Kasarkod, St. Thomas High School, New English High School, Jnaneshwari English Medium High School Karki, Holy Rosary Convent High School, Govt High School Manki, and MPE Society Central High School. In each of these schools, students were given the opportunity to learn about the biological aspects of menstruation, how to manage menstrual health, and how to maintain proper hygiene throughout the menstrual cycle. More than 800 girl children have covered so far.

The program was made even more impactful with the support of our distinguished resource persons, all of whom are doctors and healthcare professionals. These selfless individuals took time from their busy schedules to educate students, answer their questions, and guide them on how to safely and hygienically manage menstruation. The doctors who contributed their expertise include:

1. Dr. Gayatri Gunaga
2. Dr. Pratibha K. Balkur
3. Dr. Amruta G. Balkur
4. Dr. Ujwala Pai

Their contributions have been instrumental in creating a safe and open space for girls to ask questions and learn about menstrual hygiene in an informative and supportive environment.

In addition to the workshops and health talks, our club has been actively involved in the distribution of sanitary products to girls in need, ensuring they have the tools to manage menstruation with dignity and comfort. The provision of sanitary products is a vital part of the MHM program, as many girls in rural areas may not have access to affordable or hygienic options. By distributing sanitary products, we help remove one barrier to maintaining proper menstrual health.

Beyond the educational and product-based initiatives, our club is also advocating for public policies that integrate menstrual health management into school curriculums and communities. This long-term approach aims to create a systemic change that ensures menstrual hygiene management is prioritized in schools, healthcare facilities, and local government policies.

We owe the success of these initiatives to the collective efforts of the doctors, teachers, school principals, headmasters, and volunteers who have supported the MHM program. Their dedication to improving the health and well-being of young girls is commendable and deserves our heartfelt thanks.

As the Rotary Club of Honavar continues its mission to create awareness and break the stigma surrounding menstruation, we recognize that the journey is ongoing. But with every workshop, every sanitary product distributed, and every conversation sparked, we are one step closer to a society where menstrual health is openly discussed, and all individuals have access to the resources and education they need.

We are grateful to everyone who has been part of this transformative journey, and we look forward to continuing our work to ensure that every young girl can navigate menstruation with confidence, dignity, and the knowledge that their health matters.

FROM THE DESK OF THE SECRETARY

ACTIVITIES IN THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 2024 & JNAUARY 2025

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 December 2024 & January 2025

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:



Two days Mega Dental Checkup & Treatment camp for the students of SDM College, Honavar.
A total of 463 students were benefitted



Republic Day Celebration at R C Honavar
Chief Guest : AG Rtn Raghavendra G Prabhu



National Girl Child Day has been Observed at Indira Gandhi Residential School, Manki



Republic Day Charity Event
Distributed bedsheets, blankets and other necessary goods to the orphanage students of Sri Dayanand Vidya Bharati Gurukula School, Karki, Honavar.



Public Image Initiative - Republic Day Cycle Race
Organized a thrilling Republic Day Cycle Race in association with Godwin Cycles. 23 cyclists participated.





Organized an MHM program for the 8th, 9th, and 10th Standard students of R.E.S. High School, Haldipur Village, Honavar. Resource person: Rtn. Dr. Gayathri Gunaga. Around 95 students benefited.



MHM PROGRAM No - 3

Organized an MHM program for the 8th, 9th, and 10th Standard students of Janata Vidyalaya High School, Kasarkod, Honavar. Resource person : Rtn. Dr. Gayathri Gunaga. Around 76 students benefited.



MHM PROGRAM No - 4

Organized an MHM program for the 8th, 9th, and 10th Standard students of New English School (English Medium), Honavar. Resource person: Rtn. Dr. Pratibha K Balkur. Around 94 students benefited.



MHM PROGRAM No - 6

Organized an MHM program for the 8th, 9th, and 10th Standard students of Holy Rosary Convent High School, Prabhaat Nagar, Honavar. Resource person: Ann Dr Amruta Goutam Balkur . Around 135 students benefited.



MHM PROGRAM No - 2

Organized an MHM program for the 8th, 9th, and 10th Standard students of St. Thomas High School, Durgakeri , Honavar. Resource person: Rtn. Dr. Pratibha K Balkur. Around 124 students benefited.



MHM PROGRAM No - 5

Organized an MHM program for the 8th, 9th, and 10th Standard students of Shree Jnaneshwari High School (English Medium), Karki, Honavar. Resource person: Rtn. Dr. Gayathri Gunaga. Around 40 students benefited.



MHM PROGRAM No - 7

Organized an MHM program for the 8th, 9th, and 10th Standard students of Govt. High School, Banasaale, Manki, Resource person: Dr Ujwala Pai. Around 90 students benefited.

Glimpses of District Governor Rtn. Sharad Pai's official visit to our club on 27-12-2024





Know your Rotary

A few important things about the Rotary



By Rtn. Henry Leema

1. THE CLASSIFICATION PRINCIPLE

Virtually all membership in Rotary was based upon a "classification." Basically a classification describes the distinct and recognized business or professional service which the Rotarian renders to society. The principle of Rotary classification is somewhat more specific and precise. In determining the classification of a Rotarian it is necessary to look at the "principal or recognized business or professional activity of the firm, company or institution" with which an active member is connected or "that which covers his principal and recognized business or professional activity." It should be clearly understood that classifications are determined by activities or services to society rather than by the position held by a particular individual. In other words, if a person is the president of a bank, he or she is not classified as "bank president" but under the classification "banking." It is the principal and recognized activity of a business or professional establishment or the individual's principal and recognized business or professional activity that determines the classification to be established and loaned to a qualified person. For example, the permanently employed electrical engineer, insurance adjuster, or business manager of a railroad company, mining company, manufacturing concern, hospital, clinic, etc., may be considered for membership as a representative of the particular work he or she may be doing personally or as a representative of the firm, company, or institution for which the professional service is being done. The classification principle also permits business and industries to be separated into distinct functions such as manufacturing, distributing, retailing and servicing. Classifications may also be specified as distinct and independent divisions of a large corporation or university within the club's territory, such as a school of business or a school of engineering. Though the classification principle is not as dominant as it once was it is still important that we make an effort to assure that each Rotary club represents a cross section of the business and professional service of the community.

2. EXCHANGE OF CLUB BANNERS

One of the colorful traditions of many Rotary clubs is the exchange of small banners, flags or pennants. Rotarians traveling to distant locations often take banners to exchange at "make up" meetings as a token of friendship. Many clubs use the decorative banners they have received for attractive displays at club meetings and district events. The Rotary International board recognized the growing popularity of the banner exchange back in 1959 and suggested that those clubs which participate in such exchanges give careful thought to the design of their banners in order that they be distinctive and expressive of the community and country of which the club is a part. It is recommended that banners include pictures, slogans or designs which portray the territorial area of the club. The board was also mindful of the financial burden such exchange may impose upon some clubs, especially in popular areas where many visitors make up and request to exchange. In all instances, clubs are cautioned to exercise discretion and moderation in the exchange of banners in order that the financial obligations do not interfere with the basic service activities of the club. Exchanging club banners is a very pleasant custom, especially when a creative and artistic banner tells an interesting story of community pride. The exchange of banners is a significant tradition of Rotary and serves as tangible symbol of our international fellowship.



The Rotary Designated month

Rotary Vocational Service Month: Celebrating Professional Excellence in January

By Rtn. G. P. Hegde



January marks Vocational Service Month in Rotary International's annual calendar, a time when Rotarians worldwide reflect on and promote the importance of ethical practices, professional excellence and the dignity of all occupations. This month underscores one of Rotary's five core avenues of service: Vocational Service, which calls upon members to use their skills and expertise to serve their communities and foster high ethical standards in business and professions.

Understanding Vocational Service

Vocational Service is rooted in Rotary's history and mission. It aligns closely with the second object of Rotary: to encourage and foster high ethical standards in business and professions, recognize the worthiness of all occupations and dignify each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society. Through Vocational Service, Rotarians are encouraged to apply their talents, knowledge and resources to solve pressing societal challenges and inspire others by example.

Key Objectives of Vocational Service

Promoting High Ethical Standards: Rotarians uphold the Four-Way Test in their professional dealings:

Is it the truth?

Is it fair to all concerned?

Will it build goodwill and better friendships?

Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

Recognizing the Value of All Occupations: Vocational Service emphasizes that every profession contributes to the community's well-being and development.

Leveraging Professional Expertise for Service: Members are encouraged to use their professional skills to support projects, mentor others and address local and global issues.

Encouraging Youth and Career Development: Through programs like Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) and Rotary Youth Exchange, Vocational Service Month inspires young people to explore ethical practices and career growth.

How Rotary Clubs Celebrate Vocational Service Month

During January, Rotary clubs engage in various activities to highlight vocational service's importance. These include:

- ❖ **Career Guidance and Mentorship:** Clubs organize career counseling sessions for students and young professionals. Experienced Rotarians mentor participants, sharing insights on career paths, industry trends and ethical practices.
- ❖ **Ethics Workshops:** Rotarians host workshops or seminars to discuss ethics in the workplace and how professionals can contribute to fostering integrity and trust in their industries.
- ❖ **Recognizing Vocational Excellence:** Clubs honor outstanding professionals who demonstrate high ethical standards, leadership and dedication to their communities.
- ❖ **Job Fairs and Skills Training:** Rotary clubs collaborate with local businesses and organizations to conduct job fairs or provide vocational training for unemployed individuals, empowering them with new skills and opportunities.

- ❖ **Promoting Rotary's Code of Conduct :** Clubs revisit and promote Rotary's Code of Conduct, which encourages Rotarians to act responsibly and ethically in their professions.
- ❖ **Rotary Networking Events:** These events provide platforms for Rotarians to share their expertise, collaborate on community projects and learn from each other's experiences.

Examples of Vocational Service Projects

- **Scholarship Programs:** Providing scholarships to students pursuing vocational training or higher education in specific fields.
- **Professional Development Workshops:** Hosting training sessions for teachers, healthcare workers and other professionals to improve their skills.
- **Apprenticeship Opportunities:** Partnering with businesses to offer apprenticeships for underprivileged youth.
- **Business Ethics Campaigns:** Raising awareness about ethical business practices in local communities.

Vocational Service : A Pillar of Rotary's Legacy

The focus on Vocational Service is not just about professional excellence but also about integrating ethical values into everyday work. Rotarians believe that service through vocation fosters a ripple effect, inspiring others to pursue careers with integrity, compassion and dedication.

How Individuals Can Contribute

Rotarians and non-Rotarians alike can support Vocational Service Month by:

- ✦ Acting as mentors to young professionals or students.
- ✦ Leading by example in their workplace by adhering to ethical standards.
- ✦ Supporting local businesses and organizations that emphasize community service.
- ✦ Sharing vocational skills to address societal challenges.

Conclusion:

January's Vocational Service Month serves as a reminder of the transformative power of professional excellence and ethical practices in creating a better world. By embracing the principles of Vocational Service, Rotarians and communities worldwide continue to demonstrate that meaningful service can extend beyond traditional boundaries, touching lives through the dignity of work and the spirit of giving.



FREE HEALTH CHECK UP AND CANCER DETECTION CAMP

Conducted a Free Health Check up and Cancer Detection Camp
in Association with Rotary club of Hubli.
Total of 122 persons benefited.



Last Laugh



Why did the student eat his homework?

Because his teacher told him it was a piece of cake.