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## PRESIDENT RTN. JAGADEESH'S MESSAGE



My dear Members of Rotary Bangalore Indiranagar Family,

It is with a great sense of humility that I accept the responsibility of leading this unique and wonderful Rotary Club as its 38<sup>th</sup> President. I carry with me the sacred heritage of the enormous work done by 37 of my illustrious predecessors. I would like to salute all of them for their leadership. A special one for our Charter President PDG Udaya Kumar.

I wish to thank Mr. C M Pai and Rtn Ramani Aiyer for ensuring that I joined the Rotary Bangalore Indiranagar family eleven years ago.

This year, we have the unique privilege and honour of being the District Governor's Home Club for the fourth time. We wish our dear Suresh Hari and Anita an awesome year, full of service. We will support him and the District in whatever ways needed.

Over the last 37 years, Rotary Bangalore Indiranagar has been reaching out to the community through many service initiatives. Our ongoing projects like Karunashraya, BBMP Bhavan School, Scholarships, Senior Citizens Home at BGMS, Nethdradeep Eye Care Hospital, have been offering significant care to a multitude of people. We will continue to support these projects.

This year, we have ambitious plans.



Towards good care for mothers and children from economically challenged families, we intend to renovate at least one hundred Anganwadis. We will complete the Cardiac Rehabilitation Centre with Jayadeva Cardio Vascular Institute. The Nethradeep Eye Hospital in Tumkur will become fully functional.

Karunashraya has been playing a seminal role in fostering palliative care services in India. We will also support the setting up of a formal palliative care training centre there, which will be a Centre of Excellence in India.

A Vocational Training Centre at BGMS will add great value to the excellent work being done there. We plan to begin work on this as soon as possible.

We have received enormous support from the Rotary Foundation of Rotary International. And contributed in substantial measure. We will continue to do so this year too.

As we march forward and write one more page in our history, I seek in great abundance, the blessings of the Almighty and the support of my fellow Rotarians and Annes.

Let us ***Be The Inspiration!!***

Rtn. Jagadeesh M

President 2018-19





## ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear fellow Rotarians:

We all took different paths to Rotary. I'm sure that you have found in Rotary what I have found since I joined my club back in 1980: fellowship and a sense of purpose. We belong to an organization that has had a profound impact on our world through effective, sustainable service. Since Rotary was founded, we have formed partnerships with like-minded organizations, launched the world's largest public-private health initiative, and funded countless projects that have improved our local and global communities. It's only by coming together that we're able to accomplish so much.

And now, we have to look to the future and consider how we can continue to move Rotary forward. We have to make sure the good we do now leads to better lives tomorrow and beyond. We shouldn't focus on this year or the next, but on how what we achieve will matter beyond our own time in Rotary.

As our new vision statement says: Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change —across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves.

Our founder Paul Harris once said, "Rotary is a microcosm of a world at peace, a model which nations will do well to follow." To me, Rotary is not only a model but an inspiration. I look forward to having you join me to *Be the Inspiration* our world needs.

Sincerely,



Barry Rassin

2018-19 President, Rotary International



## THE DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE



My Dear Miracle Makers,

**There are two ways of spreading light: to be the candle or the mirror that reflects it. - Edith Wharton**

When our leader Barry Rassin presented his theme for the year, **Be The Inspiration**, little did I realise the way one perceives, plans and performs Rotary acts, will see a quantum change.

In the chequered history of 113 years, Rotary has put in its might to address the needs of the world. While Rotary offers Fellowship and Friendship, it enables building connections within our communities.

While Rotary marches majestically into the second century of its existence, there are an enormous number of areas in which our work is still very relevant. While inspiring oneself, it is our resolve to be the inspiration that will motivate fellow community members to shine in their chosen sphere of activity.

We must strive to make a difference to the citizens of the world. This will bring in enthusiasm and energy amongst us and catapult our activities to a much higher level.

While we emphasise our existence as 'People of Action', it is equally important that appropriate and sustainable projects are undertaken with a proper succession plan for nurturing already operational projects. A well designed and executed project is in itself a great Public Image.

In our endeavour to achieve membership growth, we were overwhelmed by the mysterious level of 1.2 million! Do we fall for the mental block or stand up to the challenge? We should look at innovative and relevant approaches to growth.

Tapping Gen Next should be the watchword, particularly Rotaractors whom I would address as 'Young Rotarians', becoming Rotarians. Nurture and nudge the youth to take up challenges while you take their inputs. They may do wonders with their innovating approaches.

Rotary Days will promote a focussed image building exercise which will benefit growth – both in membership and finance. Friends, I call upon all of you to demonstrate that grit in addressing the needs of the community.

Long lasting projects, that impact society, will bring in considerable social change and progress to the community. Consider executing large projects that are sustainable and which involve the community. Tapping resources from corporates can bring in the needed value addition to the service we render.

The uniqueness of our organization will enable external partners to connect with us with ease and the conviction of achieving desired results. The Rotary Vision statement "Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change-across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves"- truly captures our path.

The current century of Rotary is geared towards bringing in the change that will benefit the world at large and foster the healthy growth of our organisation. The strategic plan of Rotary truly covers the principles on which our organisation exists. It is important for all of us to **be the Inspiration** that which will make us the 'North Star', showing the way for the rest of the world. Anita joins me in wishing every member and their family a joyful year of Rotary activities.

Rtn. Suresh Hari

District Governor –2018-19, RI District 3190

## RBI CHOIR GROUP



Rotary Bangalore Indiranagar (RBI) has often been acknowledged as a model club in our district, an epithet it richly deserves. And now, another accolade up its sleeve – the RBI Choir – an unsolicited acknowledgement and appreciation for its sustained performances of robust and vibrant numbers. Many within the Club as well as the District have stated it publicly.

The Choir was born well over a decade ago, when Rotarians and Anns of RBI came together over their love for music. Over the years it has multiplied both in talent and numbers. Currently, it proudly boasts of nearly 30 motivated members, who love to meet over

music and musings. No formal function, and even fellowships, are complete without a rendition by the choir, setting a harmonious tone to the proceedings, sometimes cheery, sometimes sombre, but always melodious. And that's not all - each year, the Season of Joy is ushered in with the most lively and animated carol singing!

The RBI Choir embodies all that Rotary stands for, and more. Few would believe that it comprises mostly amateur singers, given its professional sounding renditions! Many members started with trepidation that their shortcomings would ruin our melody. They now are valuable members - how's that for the Rotary spirit? Most audiences are surprised when they are told that the choir comprises mostly amateur singers., given its professional sounding renditions!

The choir once recorded *Vive La Rotary* in a music studio. The recording was arranged by PDG Madhura Chatrapathi, an ardent well-wisher of our choir. Our very skilled and talented teachers, Sierra Pearson and Sowmya Srikanth, believe that “anyone can sing”, and are capable of training even the most tone-deaf person! Their meticulous perseverance ensures that we all sing in one voice. And though we don't have a formal ensemble of musicians, the choir is often accompanied by an orchestra comprising the tabla, mridangam, ganjira, mouth organ, moracus, guitar and keyboard – and our latest addition, the conch, with its primordial sound resonating well after the show.



The RBI Choir has built an enviable repertoire of songs in many languages - Hindi, English, Sanskrit, Kannada, Marathi, Bengali, Malayalam numbers, and even semi-classical songs. In fact, Sierra has herself composed many of the Rotary songs, the meaningful lyrics referencing our projects and our core values. These are all set to popular, foot-tapping music.

The popularity of our choir resonates not only in our Club, but at the District level too. Many a time we have commenced proceedings at District meetings, garnering much applause for our rhythm and originality. Besides, the choir has also resulted in a few unofficial spin-offs – The Good Karma Group, a band of musical Rotarians, who take the music to those who are not fortunate enough to attend such shows, thus spreading positivity and goodwill. The Raagam group, with its focus on classical and semi-classical music, is another derivative of the Choir.

But what is most endearing, however, is the bonhomie that the choir members enjoy! Practice sessions are times of lots of fun-filled banter, rib-tickling anecdotes and joyful moments, guaranteed to leave us sated with music, munchies and much mazaa! This is what the music truly is – a blessing to the giver as much as to the recipient.

Here's wishing our energetic entertainers many more musical journeys, delighting audiences wherever they perform! Long live RBI Choir!



## ROTARY BANGALORE INDIRANAGAR WINS AWARDS GALORE!

At a glittering award ceremony held on 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2018 at NIMHANS Convention Centre, Bangalore, RBI was the cynosure of all eyes winning awards by the bucketful.



### List of Awards (not complete)

1. Best Club
2. Governor's Trendsetter citation
3. Blood Donation, Eye Screening, Heart Surgeries, Kannada Rajyotsava, Mega Health Checkup, Peace Walk, Teach, District Events, Swachh Bharath, Senior Citizens Initiative
4. Contribution to Rotary Foundation & Global Grants and TRF
5. Highest RYLAs Conducted
6. Highest no. of blood units collected
7. Heart Surgeries
8. CSR – Rtn. Prabhakar Bothireddy, Rtn. O.P. Khanna
9. Support & Guidance: Rtn. PDG Bhansali, Rtn. PDG Badri, Rtn. Nagesh Simha, Rtn. Karthik Reddy, Rtn. Suresh Patel
10. Exemplary President: Rtn. Harish Anand
11. Best Secretary: Rtn. Dr. Srikanth AVS
12. Community Service: Platinum
13. Public Image: Gold
14. Youth Service: Silver
15. Best News Bulletin

## PROFILE OF THE GUEST SPEAKER, DR. K. RADHAKRISHNAN



**K**oppillil Radhakrishnan (born 29 August 1949) is an Indian space scientist who headed the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) between November 2009 and December 2014 as Chairman of Space Commission and Secretary of the Department of Space and Chairman of ISRO. Prior to this, he was the Director of Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre (2007-2009) and Director of National Remote Sensing Agency (2005-2008) of the Department of Space. He had a brief stint of five years (2000-2005) in the Ministry of Earth Sciences as Director of Indian National Centre for Ocean Information Services (INCOIS). Presently, he is an Honorary Distinguished Adviser in the Department of Space/ISRO.

He is a Fellow of the Indian National Academy of Engineering; Fellow of the National Academy of Sciences, India; Honorary Life Fellow of the Institution of Engineers, India; Honorary Fellow of the Institution of Electronics and Telecommunication Engineers, India; Member of the International Academy of Astronautics; Fellow of the Andhra Pradesh Academy of Sciences; Honorary Fellow of the Kerala Academy of Sciences; Fellow of the Indian Society of Remote Sensing; and Fellow of the Indian Geophysical Union. He is an accomplished vocalist (Carnatic music) and Kathakali artist.

Awards and Recognitions: -

2014: Radhakrishnan received the **Padma Bhushan** Award for his contribution to Science and Engineering, especially in the field of Space Science and Technology.

He has been named one of **Nature's** ten "people who mattered" of 2014 along with Maryam Mirzakhani, Radhika Nagpal, and others.

He has been the recipient for nearly forty awards including Honorary Doctorates from twelve Indian Universities, Vikram Sarabhai Memorial award of Indian Science Congress, ISRO Lifetime Achievement award, The Allan D. Emil Award of International Astronautical Federation, Distinguished Alumnus award from IIT Kharagpur and IIM Bangalore.

During his leadership, ISRO received the 2014 Gandhi Peace Prize; the 2014 Indira Gandhi Prize for Peace, Disarmament and Development; the 2014 Knowledge Economy Network KEN Award; the 2014 CNN-IBN Indian of the Year-Lifetime Achievement Award; the 2014 Global Game Changer Award by the Marico Innovation Foundation; and the 2013 CNBC-18 India Business Leader Award-BRAND INDIA.

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## ROTARY CHOIR SONG

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### **ALL DAY, ALL NIGHT ROTARY**

All day all night, Rotary.  
Working with the poor for equality.  
Even tiny tots learn their ABC  
Helping older children gain literacy.

Rotary O Rotary, we have so much of fun  
Meetings, greetings, fellowships,  
Playing cricket in the sun.  
When it's time for serious work,  
A perfect job is done.  
Hooray for all Rotarians,..... and their lovely  
Anns.

All day, all night, Rotary,  
Helping cancer patients die with dignity.  
Even those with cataract get free surgery,  
Hooray for our Rotary family.

### ***Interlude***

Rotary, O Rotary,  
A call to humanity.  
Polio plus, blood donation camps,  
Improving community.  
Pepping up the senior folk,  
Doing work for charity.  
God bless our Rotary family.....And society.

All day all night Rotary,  
Working with the poor for equality. ....



### *BIRTHDAYS IN JULY*

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Rtn. Ajay Gupta	01 July
Rtn. D.V. R. Rao	03 July
Rtn. Pradeep Lal	07 July
Rtn. J Vishwanath	07 July
Anne Ranjana Gopinath	07 July
Rtn. S.K. Chakraborty	07 July
Anne Gayathri Chandrashekar	08 July
Anne Veena Sawhney	11 July
Rtn. Samartha Srinivasa	11 July
Rtn. Deepak Agrawal	12 July
Rtn. Badri Prasad R	13 July
Rtn. P.M. Bhansali	13 July
Rtn. Ghanshyam Agrawal	13 July
Anne Meenakshi Venkataraman	13 July



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Chitra & N. Krishnamurthy	01 July
Penelope & Jeremy Johnson	01 July
Savita & R N Hegde	02 July
Chandra & Lalit K Anand	07 July
Dr. Deepika & Dr. Lokesh Kenkre	30 July