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From the President's Desk

Rtn. Dr. Srikanth AVS

I am deeply humbled and honoured to assume the office of President of this wonderful Rotary Club. Over the past 39 years, the Past Presidents have led us in an exemplary manner and made it strong and vibrant, with an amazing canvas of service projects. I salute all of them. And we have had the unflinching support of all our members. I convey my gratitude to them for considering me deserving of being their leader. This is what makes us a truly blessed Rotary Club.

My heart overflows with gratitude towards my Board of Directors comprising of able and passionate Rotarians who agreed to be on my team, which gives me an added conviction that we can not only meet the expectations, but we can even exceed them.



I pay tribute to our retiring President Manoj Agarwal, Secretary Sugunan and the entire team of 2019-20 for an outstanding year of service. A team is as good as its leader. And Manoj, you have been an awesome motivator and set new benchmarks in service.

I would like to thank my proposer Rtn. PP Nagesh Simha for introducing me to the exciting Universe of Rotary. It has been a very fulfilling experience!

I would like to acknowledge the stupendous support of my wife Sowmya and daughter Sheetal. I also pay tribute to my parents and parents-in-law for their blessings and for having moulded my life.

The world is passing through uncertain and difficult times. Rotary has to reinvent itself and this is a very daunting task. I am confident that we will all work together and rise to the occasion.

I think and believe in modesty. Being modest is a virtue. But the modesty is about demeanour, not about vision and goals.

It does not mean the lack of commitment or leadership.

Rather, it is a quiet determination in action to get things done without so much fanfare.

The true measure of success is not how much we promise, but how much we deliver for those who need us most. Given the enduring purposes and inspiring principles of our club, we need not shout its praises or preach its virtues.

We simply need to live them every day: step by step, project by project.

Our RI President Holger Knack has given us a wonderful theme - **Rotary Opens Opportunities**.

He calls upon us to grow Rotary organically by sustenance and by retaining members. Rotary believes in opportunities creation, and Rotary itself is an endless opportunity. Rotary opens opportunities to serve and is an invitation to serve.

The Club's functioning, as in the past, will be totally transparent, open and participative. Our endeavor will be to make the weekly meetings and Rotary experience harmonious, fun packed and unique with speakers from diverse fields. The fellowships will be creative and entertaining.

We will continue with our signature and unique projects under the Community Service Avenue like TEACH, WINS, Vidyadaan – the Scholarship project, Anganwadi refurbishment, BGMS, Netradeep Kolar & Tumkur, Karunashraya, Heart care comprising of Heart Surgeries and Cardiac Rehabilitation Center at Jayadeva, lake rejuvenation, Kotinati, Pediatric cancer support, providing Safe Drinking Water in rural areas/schools and Covid relief, rehabilitation and rebuilding activities.

Under the committee of Cath Lab there is a plan to set up a Cath Lab at Jayadeva Hospital. The global grant for Jain Mission Hospital has been approved and we need to follow up for release of funds.

We will need to focus on forging new partnerships with respect to Crowd funding, Raffle, CSR Funding, and other similar initiatives. Our association of RBI with "Senior Citizens Bangalore", Hoskote Asara Trust, JSS Foundation & "Menda Foundation" will continue.

We will have all the cultural, sports, painting competitions and RYLA which we have been conducting every year, both on the online platform and physically when there are relaxations as per the guidelines of the Government. The office bearers of the Rotaract and Interact clubs will be installed after they reopen.

All the training initiatives, Train the Trainers, Facilitation Workshops, Career Guidance sessions will continue in association with Jeevika Skills and GICET in vernacular languages. Career guidance sessions at our Interact schools, our own schools and Vidyadaan students will be undertaken on the ZOOM platform.

Because of the prevailing uncertainties in fund raising we have set a modest target to raise at least 25,000 USD for the Foundation and 2000 USD for the Polio Fund.

I am confident that by the end of the Rotary Year we would have raised three to four times of this modest target. Our efforts to seek funds for the foundation will be unrelenting. Our efforts to do so will not stop despite the current difficult times.

We will continue to scout for projects and international partners and coordinate new Global Grant applications as per RI guidelines. Our efforts to monitor the ongoing GG projects as per RI guidelines will continue as ever.

I am always open to new initiatives, new people, and new cooperation.

I am an optimist, and I am full of hope about the future of our global Organization.

Let us work together for a better, healthy and empowered community.

Rtn. Dr. Srikanth AVS
President, Rotary Bangalore Indiranagar

Rotary International President's Message

Rtn. Holger Knaack's Message for Month of July 2020

Dear Rotarians, Rotaractors, and friends,

This does not seem like a time for great optimism, but it has to be. Long before Rotary was founded, the world dealt with great crises that tested humankind's ability to progress and endure. In the age of Rotary, the world has faced many more catastrophes; however, we have survived, and every step of the way, Rotary has helped the world heal.

Every great challenge is an opportunity for renewal and growth. I revealed the theme of Rotary Opens Opportunities at the International Assembly in San Diego just as the COVID-19 crisis was beginning, but these are words that I have believed for many years. Rotary is not just a club that you join; it is an invitation to endless opportunities. We believe in creating opportunities for others and for ourselves.

We believe that our acts of service, large and small, generate opportunities for people who need our help, and that Rotary opens opportunities for us to live a richer, more meaningful life, with friends around the world, based on our core values.



Governments and institutions are gaining a greater appreciation for the types of public health partnerships that are critical to our work. People stuck at home, eager for greater connections and hungry to help their communities, are now embracing the values we have promoted since our beginning.

All of this is positive news, but just because there are greater opportunities than ever for Rotary to thrive does not guarantee that we will succeed. The world is changing rapidly — and was doing so even before this crisis. People were starting to move away from regular lunch meetings and toward online gatherings.

Friendships were being cultivated and revived in social media relationships even before most of our meetings moved to Zoom and Skype. Younger generations have a strong desire to serve — but have questioned whether they could play a meaningful role in organizations like Rotary or whether they might make a bigger impact forming different types of connections.

Now is the time to put everything on the table, test new approaches, and prepare Rotary for the future.

The COVID-19 crisis has forced all of us to adapt. This is good, and our new Action Plan specifically calls on us to improve our ability to adapt. But adaptation is not enough. We need to change, and change dramatically, if we are to face the challenges of this new age and provide the Rotary that the world so desperately needs.

This is our great challenge, not just in the next year but into the future. It is up to us to remake Rotary for these new times — to wholeheartedly embrace the ideas, energy, and commitment of young people eager to find an outlet for idealism. We must become an organization fully enmeshed in the digital age, not one that simply looks for online ways to keep doing what we have always done.

The world needs Rotary now more than ever. It is up to us to make sure that Rotary Opens Opportunities for generations to come.

HOLGER KNAACK
President, Rotary International

Message from the District Governor

Dear Sky Rockers,

Warm Greetings to you from RI President Holger Knaack & Susanne!!

I would like to congratulate TEAM DAZZLERS for their Dazzling Rotary Year. Despite these challenging times, the team has put together a wonderful year.



A true Rotarian is one who contributes to the community, especially during the times of need to make the world a better place. While the nation was under lockdown, our COVID warriors of 3190 were out on streets providing - meals, dry ration, clothes, toiletries, masks, sanitisers and other essentials to the stranded and the needy. Your club's committed participation in the recovery and reconstruction for our society is undoubtedly appreciated.

While COVID-19 imposed many challenges, we ensured to transform these challenges into new opportunities. For instance, the training programs for the year 2020-21. While in-person training was not possible, we organised video conferencing calls for majority of our training programs. I appreciate and applaud the Sky Rockers Team for adapting to these online training programs. Furthermore, I am proud to mention that RID 3190 was the first District in the entire world of Rotary to conduct full-fledged training programs online. Congratulations to District Trainer PDG K P Nagesh for successfully completing all the mandatory training programs and many more. I thank each one of you for your active participation in it.

Rotary Opens Opportunities. The current situation has brought to light unique events that can be conducted to serve the community. Therefore, let's join together to focus on environment and agriculture to create a positive impact and make a difference in the society. We have lined up various projects for the Rotary year 2020-21. Some of them being - Kamadhenu, Kalpavruksha, tree planting, blood bank, school benches, solar lamps, lake rejuvenation, vocational training programs, RYLAs, women empowerment. As RI President Holger Knaack says, "Everything we do opens another opportunity for someone, somewhere". I would like to invite you for your active participation in these projects to create a significant outlook for the rest of the community.

RI President Knaack wants "clubs to focus on keeping current members engaged and adding new members who are the right fit for your club". I appeal to all of you to work towards 100% retention while looking for organic growth of your Club membership. Let us also encourage Youth in Rotary, Women in Rotary and support our Rotaractors and Interactors in their activities.

I request your whole-hearted support for the District Conference "Darbar" and Bandhana, ICGF registrations, fellowship & learning opportunity that would get the show on road as soon as the pandemic comes to a halt.

Rtn. Meera Prasad and I wish you success in all your endeavours and assure you the best of our support.

Stay Safe,
Yours in Rotary,

Rtn. Nagendra Prasad
District Governor, RI Dist 3190.



Our Sky Rocker President

Dr. Srikanth is qualified with a postgraduate degree in Forensic Medicine and Clinical Research.

In a distinguished career spanning over three decades, he was involved in guiding major hospitals in medico-legal cases as a Senior Consultant.

He is associated with 15 leading hospitals in Bengaluru City like Vikram Hospitals, Rangadore Memorial Hospital, Ramakrishna Group of Hospitals and SS Hospitals.



He was instrumental in starting the medico-legal department at Manipal Hospital where he worked for 14 years.

He is a Clinical Research Advisor to the Dept. of Molecular Medicine, St John's Research Institute, St John's National Academy of Health Sciences, Integrated Global Regulatory Services, which offers regulatory expertise to export oriented Pharmaceutical companies, and Genei Labs Bengaluru.

He was at Triesta Sciences a clinical research company and was involved in conducting observational clinical studies for validating molecular markers in Cancer.

As an expert in Medical Data Management, he has set up departments with EMR in various hospitals.

He joined Rotary Indiranagar in 1992 and has held various positions in the Club. He also served as the District Zonal Chair for the Pulse Polio Program. He was part of the team that set up Netradeep Eye Hospitals in Kolar and Tumkur.

He started Raagalahari – a competition of music and dance, in the memory of his parents.

He is happily married to Sowmya who is an accomplished classical singer, creative artist and animator (Sowmya has designed, conceptualized and executed the Rotary District 3190 mascots – “Rotree” last year and “Hasiru” this year).

Their daughter Sheetal is an IP Lawyer, and is working as an associate at Argus Partners in Bangalore.



The Mascot for RID 3190, released by District Governor B.L. Nagendra Prasad, at his Installation, has been designed by our very own, First lady, Ann Sowmya Srikanth. Indeed a proud moment for Rotary Bangalore Indiranagar! This is the second time in succession that Sowmya has designed the mascot for the District.

Congratulations, Sowmya!!!

People at the Helm



Immediate Past President Rtn. Manoj Agarwal

IPP Manoj Agrawal has had one of the most challenging Rotary years anybody could have had. Despite this, he managed and executed great projects, especially for COVID-19 relief. IPP Manoj, after a hectic year, can now enjoy his shayaris and music.

Rtn. Fazal Ur Rahaman

A man of few words, Fazal lets his work speak for himself. He not only stands tall physically, but stands even taller as a Rotarian. He is the President Elect this year and will be fully equipped to take over as the President in the year 2021-22.



Rtn. AK Sugunan

Sugunan is known for his dedication and perseverance. Time and again he has displayed his keenness in creating new ventures which didn't exist earlier. This year, as the Vice President, he will yet again prove himself to be worthy of his position.

Rtn. Balakrishnan Narayanan

Secretary Balki, as he is fondly known, is an informal leader. We call him Thalaivar, which in Tamil means, The Boss. Known for his quick wit and presence of mind, those of us who have worked with him on Rotary projects, know how well he plans and executes them with finesse.



Rtn. Supriya Kandhari

Ever smiling Supriya has been associated with Rotary since her student days and was the President of the Rotaract Club. Since joining Rotary Bangalore Indiranagar, Supriya has worked in almost all avenues of service. She joins the Board as the Jt. Secretary.

Rtn. Vipin Labroo

A sincere, unassuming and conscientious Rotarian, Vipin from the day he joined Rotary Bangalore Indiranagar, has shown remarkable qualities of achieving the objectives set. As the Club Service Director he can be depended upon for keeping the Club shining.



Rtn. Philip George

Philip's passion for service makes him an extremely reliable Rotarian of Rotary Bangalore Indiranagar. He supports and participates in all the activities of the Club whole-heartedly. Undoubtedly, he will excel as the Community Service Director this Rotary year.

Rtn. Manju Varma

Manju is the financial expert of our Club having been a banker by profession, she has been the treasurer for Rotary Bangalore Indiranagar in the past. As the Dy. Director of Community Service this year she is sure to be of great assistance to Rtn. Philip George.



Rtn. Gopinath Narayanan

Gopi is a computer savvy person who contributed towards the Rotary Bangalore Indiranagar website. As the Vocational Service Director last year, he fulfilled his objectives in an admirable manner. This year, he takes up the responsibility as the Director of Youth Service.

Rtn. Narssimhan Kannan

Apart from being a great singer, Narsi is passionate about rendering service to the less fortunate. His genuine compassion was very evident during the COVID-19 relief efforts. As the Vocational Service Director this year, undoubtedly he will excel in achieving the set objectives.

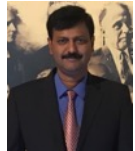


Rtn. Ambica Motupali

Ever helpful Ambica is always willing to take up any challenge or assignment given to her, which she does with total dedication. She is the chosen one this year and without a doubt, she is certain to excel as the Director of International Service.

Rtn. Kasturi Saravanan

Having been involved with testing in his working life, Saravanan is a quality and standards person. Being a very recent entrant in Rotary Bangalore Indiranagar, Sgt-at-Arms will be his first assignment. He will surely be an asset to the club in the years to come.



Rtn. Bhaskara Moorthy

His first assignment was as Sgt-at-Arms last year, a job which he did in an exemplary manner. As the Treasurer, he will keep up the tradition of Rotary Bangalore Indiranagar by maintaining flawless accounts.

Rtn. Kavita Kekre

Her presence and involvement are always seen in all the activities of Rotary Bangalore Indiranagar at all times. With her enthusiasm, dedication and passion for service she has made a mark for herself in the hearts of all RBI members. Kavita joins the Board this year as the Bulletin Editor.



Rtn. Ram Mohan Menon

This civil engineer is a Builder by profession and singer by passion. He is known for his networking skills and has always been a great support for fund raising activities. Travelling is his hobby. He is the Fund Raising Chairman this year.

Past President Rtn. Dr. S N Simha

The mentor for many, he is also fondly known as the 'Bheeshma Pitamah' of RBI. He champions the cause of palliative care in India and is a co-founder of Karunashraya. He is the Rotary Guru for the President and a co-opted Director.



Past President Rtn. Karthikeya Reddy

Energetic and ever smiling, he is a well-known figure in the District, and the co-opted Director, Karthik has recently fathered a new baby called Rotary Bangalore DISHA.

Past President Rtn. Shashank Kekre

He is known as a foodie with a great sense of humour in Rotary circles and is the back bone of our fellowship events. An invaluable advisor, he is on board as the co-opted director.



Past President Rtn. N Krishnamurthy

Charter member Kittu, as he is fondly known, still holds the record of being the youngest President of Rotary Bangalore Indiranagar. As an advisor, he ensures that the succession planning of the club is smooth and effective.

PDG Rtn. Badri Prasad

Highly respected, PDG Badri Prasad, is also known as the Anil Kapoor of District 3190. He will be the President's advisor this year. His smile is as pleasant as the fragrance of his agarbattis.



PDG Rtn. Suresh Hari

A very cheerful and ever helpful person in his friend's circle, this PDG as an advisor will guide the President to achieve his goals for the Foundation.

Past President Rtn. Mahesh Parikh

Extremely meticulous and knowledgeable, this food technologist will bring in his own flavour to the board as an advisor and chairman of Strategic Planning and Global Grants.



Past President Rtn. Harish Anand

The original Mr. Cool who loves to play golf, enjoys old hindi songs and sweets, will bring in his rich experience as the Coordinator for Club Service.

Past President Rtn. Col RV Subramaniam

Widely known for his passion for the TEACH program in District 3190, this strict fauji, who has a heart of gold, will be the coordinator for Community Service.



Past President Rtn. Shirish Mathur

Ever smiling and ever helpful, young at heart and a perfect gentleman, Shirish will be the coordinator for Youth Service.

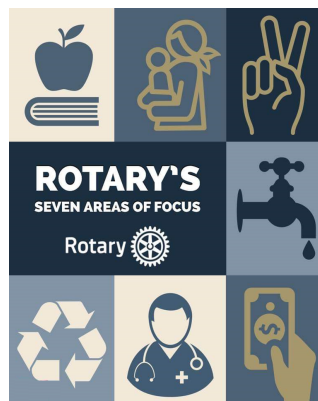
Past President Rtn. Jagadeesh M

As coordinator of Vocational Service, this large hearted, task master and perfectionist, will ensure that the Vocational Service avenue gains prominence.



Past President Rtn. Prabhakar Bothireddy

Architect by profession and a golfer by passion, Prabhakar is ever ready to help whoever approaches him and will be the coordinator for International Service.



The Shining Stars of RBI



PDG R Badri Prasad

PDG Rtn. Badri Prasad was recently bestowed with the Rotary Foundation Distinguished Service Award for exemplary service to TRF. A few years earlier, he had received the Rotary Foundation Citation for Meritorious Service. And the pinnacle was being bestowed with RI's highest award; the Service Above Self Award. With this, he has received all three possible awards for a Rotarian.

We are delighted and warmly congratulate PDG Badri for this well-deserved distinction.

PP Rtn. Suresh D Patel

5 Avenue of Service Award is a Rotary International recognition to a club member who has served club activities in all five avenues of service with distinction. The award is recommended by the Club President & submitted by the District Governor. For the year 2019-20 it has been conferred on Past President Rtn. Suresh Patel for his immense contribution to all five avenues of service.

Congratulations Suresh Bhai!



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"Everything we do opens another opportunity for someone somewhere."



Welcome to our Chief Guest

PDG Rtn. Ravi Vadlamani

PDG Dr. Ravi Vadlamani is a chartered Accountant by profession and Senior Partner in M/s Umamaheswara Rao & Co, a social entrepreneur, philanthropist, past District Governor RI Dist. 3150, President Round Table India, Chairman Indian Red Cross Society, Guntur. He has held several senior executive positions in Professional and Social Service organizations such as Round Table, Red Cross Society and Rotary International.

He has been decorated many times over by Professional organizations, Rotary International, Round Table Associations, Association of Chartered Accountants, Governments and Civic Associations.

Some of his Rotary Awards

- Service Above Self Award
- Best Rotarian in Rotary District 3150 - 1989-90
- Presidential Citation, Rotary for Four Avenues of Service - 1998
- Best DG in the World - 2001.
- Certificate of Meritorious Service by TRF
- Member of the Arch Klumph Society

Round Table awards

- Best Floor Tabler, Round Table India - 1991
- Best Area Chairman of Round Table India - 1995
- Distinguished Service Medallion by Round Tables Association of Arabian Gulf
- Louis Marchesi Fellow

Other

- Honorary Doctorate - "Doctor of Letters" Honoris Causa by Acharya Nagarjuna University for his Service to the Society as a Social Worker

B.Com from Andhra University, Chartered Accountancy, A.C.S., F.C.A., Fund Management & Merchant Banking by UTI. Fellow Member, The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India and Member, The Institute of Company Secretaries of India.

He started his career as a CA with Umamaheswara Rao & Co. and has handled tax matters of Corporate, Non-Corporate, Not-for-Profit Organizations and represented clients at different levels of the IT Dept of GOI. He has conducted audits for various Indian public sector banks that include SBI, Canara Bank, Pinakini Grameena Bank and Indian Bank. He has led teams conducting official audits for several public sector corporations like Power Grid Corporation of India, NTPC, HPCL, Visakha Refinery and NMDC.

He represented the 5 Southern States as Regional Council Member of ICAI from 1988 to 1991. He has been Chairman, Professional Development Committee of ICAI's Southern India Regional Council and been on the Company Law Committee of Southern India Regional Council of ICAI. He has served as the Chairman, PR Committee of Southern India Regional Council of ICAI, and Vice-Chairman, Guntur Branch of the Southern India Regional Council of The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India.

From 1998 to 2002 he was Member, Taxation & Corporate Laws Sub-Committee of FICCI.

PDG Ravi and spouse PDG Raaji (RI Dist 3150) are Level-4 Major Donors of the Rotary Foundation.

For more information on PDG Ravi please visit https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ravi_Vadlamani



Curtain Raiser

Club Assembly

An online, business like Club Assembly to deliberate upon the objectives for the Rotary year 2020-21, was held on Sunday June 21st, 2020, in the presence of the then DGE Rtn. Nagendra Prasad and AGE Rtn. Ritesh Goel. Over 70 members attended, demonstrating their commitment to service in these uncertain times.

President Elect Dr. A V S Srikanth shared his vision and projects for the year 2020-21. Incoming Directors, Vipin Labroo, Philip George, Gopinath N, K. Narssimhan and Ambica Motupalli presented the objectives under various committees. It was an impressive plan, ensuring continuity, and embarking on new areas of service.

Projects under TEACH, Heart care, Eye care, Scholarships, Anganwadi renovation and our flagship project Karunashraya will continue to receive our focus. Initiatives like Cardiac Rehabilitation Centre, Cath Lab, Jain Mission Hospital that are in various stages of implementation will progress towards completion during the year. New initiatives under Lake rejuvenation, Drinking water and Covid-RRR (Relief, Rehabilitation and Rebuilding) will expand the range of our projects and address urgent needs of the society. Sports and Cultural events, activities of Rotaract, Interact, RYLA and Vocational Training programs that require physical congregation will be taken up after the present situation eases or will be done online if necessary.

DGE Nagendra Prasad in his remarks noted that the Club's objectives broadly align with the District goals and was appreciative of our plans.

Birthdays



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| Rtn. Ajay Gupta | 1 st July |
| Rtn. Pradeep Lal | 7 th July |
| Rtn. J Vishwanath | 7 th July |
| Anne Ranjana Gopinath | 7 th July |
| Rtn. Gayathri Chandrashekar | 8 th July |
| Anne Veena Sawhney | 11 th July |
| Rtn. Samartha Srinivasa | 11 th July |
| Anne Archana Dilip Surana | 11 th July |
| Rtn. Badri Prasad R | 13 th July |
| PDG Rtn. Dr. P.M. Bhansali | 13 th July |
| Rtn. Ghanshyam Agrawal | 13 th July |
| Anne Meenakshi Venkataraman | 18 th July |
| Rtn. Prakash Rao H | 21 st July |
| Anne Lakshmi Saravanan | 22 nd July |
| Spouse Rajeev Singh Patial | 23 rd July |

Anniversaries



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| Chitra & N. Krishnamurthy | 1 st July |
| Penelope & Jermey Johnson | 1 st July |
| Savita & R N Hegde | 2 nd July |
| Chandra & Lalit K Anand | 7 th July |
| Sabita & Naresh Kumar Agarwal | 20 th July |
| Lakshmi & K. Saravanan | 22 nd July |
| Dr. Deepika & Dr. Lokesh Kenkere | 30 th July |

Disha Finds Its Way

Rotary Bangalore Indiranagar Charters a New Club

Sometime in the beginning of January, President Manoj spoke to me and asked me to initiate the process of chartering a new club. He requested me to be its New club advisor (GSR). Rotary Indiranagar in its 39 years of existence had chartered four clubs. The GSR's of these clubs were all stalwarts: Uday Kumar, PM Bhansali, Badri Prasad and Suresh Hari to be more specific. These clubs are some of the most vibrant clubs of the district and continue to thrive. I was overwhelmed by this honour.



The first provisional meeting of the club was held on February 8th. The first five meetings were physical meetings and were held every Saturday at the Rotary House of Service. Unfortunately, due to the Covid-19 lockdown, the weekly meetings that followed were held virtually on the Zoom platform. Nonetheless, the prospective members had the privilege of listening to eminent speakers such as our DG Sameer Hariyani, PDG Badri, PDG Yoga, Dr. Simha, Gurmeet, Raja Kaura, OP Khanna and other club members at the weekly meetings. They spoke on topics related to Rotary and their experience.

Some of the highlights of the club are: The club had 15 weekly meetings even before the charter was applied for. Diversity in membership vis-à-vis age, gender and classification. Decisions through consensus including, the name of the club, Rotary Bengaluru Disha as well as the choice of the Charter President and Charter Secretary and the adoption of bye laws.



The name Rotary Bengaluru Disha was perfect considering the current uncertain situation due to Covid and was an unanimous choice. Disha means direction in Sanskrit or "the way forward". The members felt that the positive name is a step in the "right direction", be it through meaningful service projects or bonding through fellowship. The members also nominated Naresh Bhandia (shown above) as its Charter President. President Naresh proved his mettle by being a Covid warrior. The Charter Club Secretary, Mohit Agarwal (shown here), was a perfect choice because of his prior experience as the Rotaract secretary. He also happens to be the Annette of President Manoj Agarwal. We also have three other Annettes, Nikhil Agrawal the Charter treasurer, son of Rtn. Ghanshyamji, Ritika daughter of Rtn. Supriya Khandhari and Nithin son of Rtn. George Pearson.

I would like to thank Manoj for giving me this opportunity to be the new club advisor. Also, my sincere appreciation to our Indiranagar Rotarians for introducing members to the club, especially Sugunan and Sanjay Dugar. My thanks to all the senior Rotarians in the club and the new club members, for guiding me in the last 3-4 months. I'm sure in the times to come the new club will do wonders and will set the "Disha" for other clubs to emulate.



~ PP Rtn. Karthikeya Reddy - 30th June 2020

Future Events at RBI

- 13th July – Installation of Community based Rotaract Club
- 27th July – Installation of Community based Interact Club



Our Anne Prema Aiyer, will be taking over as the President of the Inner Wheel Club of

Bangalore on the 13th of July! Congratulations!!!





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