



Rotary Club of Pune Laxmi Road VISION



RI Dist. 3131 Club No C000056289



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Presidential

My dear Rotarians, Anns & friends,
How time flies!!! As I look back on the 365 days goneby memories of speeches, meetings, projects completed, events attended etc. cloud my brain. And here I am, conducting the last meeting!! The year gone by was fun filled and was a great learning experience for me. The journey has helped me grow not only as Rotarian but also as an individual.

My sincere thanks to all the BOD members for accomplishing their assigned tasks with perfection and enthusiasm. I also thank all the club members for their immense support, help and understanding, me and my BOD members throughout the year. It is only because of this contribution by one and all of the club members that RCPLR made its mark amongst the "FIRST FIVE CLUBS IN DISTRICT 3131" and bagged many district awards.

I look forward & urge all to continue the same support to our new club president, Rtn. Dr. Velankar Sir.

Thanking all of you once again.

Yours Sincerely

Rtn. Sandeep Patil, President 2018-19

Our Chief Guest tonight

Lt Gen Nimbhorkar
PVSM, UYSM, AVSM, SM**, VSM



Hailing from a farming family of Vidarbha region of Maharashtra, he did his schooling at Sainik School Satara & was trained at the National Defense Academy and the Indian Military Academy. He has served in Leh, Kargil, Kashmir Valley, Poonch, Rajauri & North East region during his operational scenario. He is among those distinguished serving officers who are honored with maximum number of gallantry service awards at each level of their service. He has been aptly awarded with Param Vishisht Seva Medal, Ati Vishisht Seva Medal, Uttam Yudhha Seva Medal etc. for his distinguished service & gallantry.

He was selected as military observer for UN Mission in Angola and for military course at National Defense University at Washington and Hawaii. He was selected for the National Defense College at Dhaka. He also served as Gen Officer Commanding in Maharashtra, Gujarat and Goa area before taking over the Command of 16 Corps in 2015. Lt Gen Nimbhorkar ji is also Colonel of the Punjab Regiment. It is indeed a fact to be noted that he is only the second Maharashtrian after Lt Gen Thorat to hold this post.

He belongs to an armed force family wherein his brothers are in Air Force and Indian Navy. His daughters are contributing their services in Indian Navy and in the corporate sector of Defense and Aerospace. Spouse Sheela Nibhorkar is involved in welfare activities under the Army Wives Welfare Association and she is the Chairperson of its Ecosystem Committee.

We are indeed very happy & proud to welcome you Sir, on this special occasion of Installation ceremony of 2019-20.

Guest of Honour

Air Marshal, Bhushan Nilkanth Gokhale,
PVSM, AVSM, VM.



He was commissioned into Indian Air Force in June 1968. Since then he has flown over 3500 hours on a variety of combat and trainer aircrafts. He is a qualified flying instructor and fighter combat leader.

For his exceptional contribution & service to nation like in 1971 Indo-Pak war, Siachen operations, Kargil War, he has been aptly awarded by various prestigious medals like - Vayu Sena Medal, Presidential Awards, Param Vishisht Seva Medal, Ati Vishisht Seva Medal etc. A graduate from Defence Services Staff College, he is M. Sc., M. Phil. from Madras University & an Alumni of Air War College USA and Fellow of Aeronautical Society of India.

Post retirement he was appointed as consultant scientific adviser to Govt. of India and to DRDO. For his exceptional contribution over there he was given the prestigious "Agni" Award. He is the Chairman of MES & Maharashtra Mandal Education Society. At present he is also a member of Symbiosis Planning & Monitoring Board and on the Governing Council of Symbiosis Institute of Magt studies.

He is founder member & trustee of Pune International Centre, Chairman Civil Aviation Committee of MCCIA. He is also the Director of Centre for Advanced Strategies studies, Pune.

In July 2016 the Air Marshal has been honoured as **Paul Harris Fellow by the Rotary Foundation**.

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We meet every Wednesday at 8-30 p.m., Deccan Gymkhana Club, Pune 411 004. 25675994

President Speaks

Dear Rotarians & Anns,

It gives me immense pleasure to take over as president of this prestigious club, Rotary club of Pune, Laxmi Road. This is a very active and vibrant club in the district 3131. I am thankful to selection committee and all members of our club for having faith and confidence in me and giving me this opportunity to serve as president for the year 2019-2020. Our club has a rich tradition of having all stalwarts as presidents. I wonder whether I will be able to reach their level but I will definitely try my best to put in hard efforts to come up to their expectations with their support and guidance.

I am fully aware of the fact that it is a huge responsibility to be a president of this club and an uphill task for me although I am confident that with the support and active participation of all our fellow Rotarians in conducting weekly club meetings and carrying out all community projects in stipulated period of time we will easily accomplish this task.

This year the theme given by our R I President Mark Maloney says, "Wherever we are from, whatever language we speak, whatever our culture or tradition, we are here together for one purpose, that is to serve our world better than ever before. We are people of action, people who not only want to change the world but also turn inspiration into real lasting change. Rotary allows us to connect with each other who would never otherwise have met.

Let us begin our journey together with optimism, courage and joy to meet the year that lies ahead with the spirit of service and friendship. Through service, friendship and commitment **Rotary connects the world.**

Yours in Rotary

Rtn. Dr. Pramod Velankar,
President 2019-20



RI President's message

The theme for the year 2019-20 is "Rotary connects the world."

The previous year asked us to "Be the inspiration." So our task has been further defined by the new theme.

R I president Mark Maloney says, "Wherever we are from, whatever language we speak, whatever our culture or tradition, we are here together for one purpose, to build a stronger Rotary so that more Rotarians and rotactors and all in our family of rotary can serve our world better than ever before.

Together we see a world where people unite & take action to create lasting changes across the globe, in our communities & in ourselves. We are people of action-people who not only want to change the world but also have the ability to turn inspiration in to real & lasting change.

Rotary allows us to connect with each other in deep and meaningful ways across our differences. It connects us to people who would never otherwise have met. It connects us to our communities, to professional opportunities and to the people who need our help.

In this ever more divided world rotary connects us all. Through rotary we connect to the incredible diversity of humanity on a truly unique footing forging deep and lasting ties in pursuit of a common goal.

We begin our journey together with optimism, courage and joy to meet the year that lies ahead with the spirit of service and friendship knowing that through service and friendship and commitment rotary connects the world.



July Program

- 03 July - Jeevan Sanjeevani, PP Presentation and hands on training by Dr Kashinath Bangar & team.
- 10 July - BOD
- 17 July - Glimpses of Egypt by Dr Mrs Mohini Panase
- 24 July - Talk on euthanasia by Rtn. Dr. prof. Vinayak Kelkar
- 31 July - Family get together.

संपादकीय

रो. मनिषा शास्त्री
संपादक



नमस्कार मंडळी!

हाच तो क्षण आणि हीच ती वेळ!! तुमचा निरोप घेण्याची!!! पुन्हा एकदा आपल्या क्लबच्या वृत्तपत्राची संपादिका म्हणून घेतलेल्या पदावरून पायउतार होण्याची.

यावर्षी - पेपरलेस रोटरी (Paperless Rotary) या ब्रीदवाक्यानुसार आपण लिखित वृत्तपत्राच्या ऐवजी "श्राव्य" वृत्तपत्राचा प्रयोग केला आणि तो क्लबमैबर्सना खूप आवडला देखील. यात गंमत अशी होती की हे वृत्तपत्र अत्यंत संक्षिप्त आणि केव्हाही, कुठेही या पद्धतीत होते. म्हणजे अगदी गाडी चालवताना देखील सर्व महत्वाच्या बातम्या हजर! आधुनिक तंत्रज्ञानामुळे सहज शक्य झालेला हा प्रयोग मी देखील खूप मजेत केला.

क्लबच्या कोणत्याही पदाची (म्हणजे अध्यक्षपद सोडून बर कां) जबाबदारी स्विकारणे म्हणजे एक सुखद आणि इंग्रजीत म्हणतात त्याप्रमाणे "Win-Win" परिस्थिती असते. म्हणजे बघा हं, आपआपले काम, व्यवसाय तसेच

इतर घरगुती जबाबदाऱ्या, सण व इतर कार्यक्रम इ. सांभाळून हे करायचे असते. त्यामुळे आपोआपच - वेळेचे नियोजन, शिस्तबद्धपणा, कार्यान्वयन कौशल्य इ. अनेक गोष्टी आपोआप आत्मसात होतात. त्याचबरोबर सांघटिक कौशल्य व मित्र परिवार वाढतो ते वेगळेच. ह्या सर्वांचा मी खूप आनंद लुटला. माझ्या कार्याची यथोचित योग्य ती पावती व कौतुक देखील केले गेले व त्यामुळे कामाचा कधीच बोजा वाटला नाही. नवीन वर्षात - नवा भिडू, नवे राज्य आहे. नवनिर्वाचित संपादकांना व विविध अधिकाऱ्यांना माझ्या भरभरून शुभेच्छा!!!

पदउतार झाले तरी त्यात खेद नसून नवीन वर्षात दुप्पट उत्साहाने सहकाऱ्यांबरोबर सर्व उपक्रमांना हजेरी लावून माझा खारीचा वाटा उचलण्यास मी उत्सुक आहे. नकळत घडलेल्या चुकांबद्दल क्षमस्व, लोभ आहेच तो दिवसेंदिवस वाढता राहू द्या, ही नम्र विनंती.

सदैव आपली ऋणी

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INTRODUCTION



Col (Dr.) Pramod Velankar (Retd), born in Jan 1946, is a graduate of B J Medical college Pune in 1968. He has done post graduation in Anesthesia from the same college in 1979. He served in Army for 28 years before taking retirement. Since then he has been working as a consultant anesthesiologist in various hospitals. He has professional experience of 47 years to his credit. He joined rotary club in 2007. He has held various appointments in our club such as secretary, editor of our news bulletin and treasurer. He has also actively participated in various medical camps at national and international level such as polio corrective surgery, eye camps and patients requiring various surgeries. He has also actively participated in global grant cervical cancer vaccination project.

Doctors day & Women's Day Celebrations!!!



Activities by Rotract Club - Urja



2018 - 2019 CLUB AWARDS

Green Hand

Rtn. Dr. Paresh Gandhi,
Rtn. Dr. Mihir Suryavanshi
Venkateshwara Trust, Ficci flow
& Mukul Madhav Foundation
Rtn. Ketan & Komal Shah
Rtn. Sunita Shirguppi,
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(Cervical Cancer Vaccination)
Rtn. Bhushan Kanani
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Rtn. Sachin Goyal
Dr. Seema Keswani

Best Couple
Best Rotarian

Best Attendance
Best Director

Best Service Project

Best New Active Member
Best Committee
Evergreen Rotarian
Best Ann.



Birthdays - July

Jitendra Barve -10th

Surendra Shetty - 18th

Pushpa Ghalsasi - 26th

Anniversary - July

Ashok n Alka Joshi - 3rd

Amol n Manisha Karandikar - 5th

Shailendra n Shivani Chepe - 25th

Glimpses of the year

