

Grapevine – July-24 Rotary Club of Panvel Mahanagars Monthly Magazine





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From Editorial Desk: Editorial Team

Greetings, Friends!

As we bid farewell to the old team and welcome the new, we extend our warm wishes to the incoming President Rtn. Arun Khedwal & team for a fulfilling year of service.

The past year, 2023-24, was filled with both successes and challenges. Under the leadership of IPP Rtn. Sudhir Chakole, we achieved incredible milestones in Community Service, Peace and Fellowships. Our club received many district awards. We are grateful for the dedication of each Rotarian. Your care for the community and



commitment to living up to Rotary's expectations and responsibilities is commendable. Your engagement and concern make a significant impact.

In this issue of GRAPEVINE, we aim to deliver your ideas, thoughts, and deeds in words and pictures. We encourage Rotarians, Ann's, and Annett's to share their articles with us.

Presenting the first issue of GRAPEVINE for this year. Thank you and regards,

Yours in Rotary, Editorial team

Presidential theme 2024-25: The Magic of Rotary

Chosen as the theme for 2024-2025, "The Magic of Rotary" highlights the transformative power of the organization. It's not about instant miracles, but the incredible things achieved through Rotary's dedication, service, and collaboration.

Imagine Rotarians as magicians of goodwill, weaving acts of kindness and service together. Each project, each donation, becomes a part of the spell, turning dreams into reality and



overcoming challenges. This "magic" brings lasting positive change to communities worldwide, from clean water access to promoting peace.

The theme emphasizes that every Rotarian contributes to the magic. By getting involved in projects, donating, or even inviting new members, individuals create the ripple effects that lead to a brighter world. It's a call to action to embrace the power within Rotary and use it to make a difference.



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Message from RI President 24-25 : Stephanie A. Urchick

Dear fellow Rotary leaders:

As we begin a new year of service, let us not forget the importance of every one of Rotary's members.

We need your leadership now more than ever if we are to make every club and district an irresistible experience. Rotary has a chance to capture the world's attention and realize possibilities beyond our expectations. But we must build on the work that has come before us if we are to reach our goals, such as defeating polio and unlocking the power of girls and women.

Rotary offers people of action a chance to connect and find belonging, and this fellowship gives us the potential to improve our communities and the world. By following Rotary's Action Plan and helping make sure all members feel a sense of belonging in their club, you have a special opportunity to inspire members to new heights of service.

Our ability to create lasting change begins with our family of Rotary. Together, it is within our power to bring healing in a divided world.

Join me in making Rotary a source of strength for those who need it most, within and beyond our membership. Let this be the year we harness The Magic of Rotary, and let Rotary be known as an organization that takes care of its members as well as the people we serve.

It is within your power to help make Rotary a beacon of goodwill and fellowship in every community.



Remember that your work can and will change the world with The Magic of Rotary.

Warm regards,

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Stephanie A. Urchick Rotary International President, 2024-2025



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Message from District Governor Rotarian Shital Shah - 2024-25 - RID 3131

My dear Fellow Rotarian's,

As the new Rotary year 2024-25 sets in, the magical journey of District 3131 begins with "ROTARY CHATRA CHAYA" project - an initiative that will go a long way in engaging members & enhance the public image of Rotary by providing shelter to poor street vendors. I appreciate all Rotary Clubs for overwhelming response to this unique project.

District 3131 is on the rise & our journey has been progressive & impressive year after another. We have set high benchmark's to our Foundation giving & to the quantum of service projects we undertake in all 7 Focus areas. Participation of clubs in youth activities & structured programs has been fabulous. Our reach out to corporate for taping CSR funds for Rotary projects



has been phenomenal. As we move ahead, let us all strive to achieve new milestones for 3131.

RI President Stephanie Urchick has unveiled the theme for RY 24-25 "The Magic of Rotary".

It is the magic when we Rotarian's transform lives by providing education to illiterates, change lives when we provide pure drinking water, develop villages and eradicate dreadful diseases like polio. As a true Rotarian, responsibility lies upon us to continue our service for the deprived communities.

We have thoughtfully launched the Playing 11 initiative under District 3131 thrust area. Activities & projects listed in Playing 11 will create huge impact on communities in every corner of our District . The CHAUKAR & SHATKAR initiatives are well informed in District forums and I expect each and every club participate in this super initiative.

Rotary action plan begins with membership. Adding new members and engaging them in Rotary projects will make our clubs vibrant. Be sure that the member experience matters the most in retaining them.

In the end let me touch upon 4 pillars that will bring the magic of Rotary :- 1) Bringing Youth to Rotary 2) Getting Women in Rotary 3) Tap CSR funds by reaching out to corporate world & 4) Your wholehearted donation to Rotary Foundation.

Wish you all the best for the rocking and the most happening RY 2024-25 !!!

TOP REGARDS & TRULY YIR,

Rtn Shital Shah District Governor, RID 3131



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From the Desk of President 2024-25

Dear Rotarian friends,

Welcome to Your Rotary year 2024-2025!

Our theme this year is "The Magic of Rotary".

Firstly, I would like to sincerely thank the Rotarians of the Rotary Club of Panvel Mahanagar who has worked hard over the past twelve months to make the year a success. This includes the past presidents of the club, Board of Directors, and all the Rotarians.

Thanks to all the leaders who held a position in the district who have brought special laurels to our club, I am indebted to all of you. I would like to focus on and challenge our Club on that one-word Opportunity. My most important goal this year is to attract, retain, and engage new and existing members in and to our Club. We need to tap this Opportunity and try new ways of engaging and increasing our membership.

Without a focus on increasing membership, we will not be able to do our most important work which is service to our District 3131.

The Rotary Foundation in an important pillar of Rotary, Each Rotarian and club can choose the level of Foundation giving that is right for them. When you give \$100 or more per year to the Annual Fund, you can become a Rotary Foundation Sustaining Member.



Multiply that gift by 10 and you are a Paul Harris Fellow — one of those who donate \$1,000 or more to the Annual Fund, the Polio Plus Fund, or approved global grants.

Rotary is a service organization and part of the engagement and attraction of new members is to have a compelling service initiative that stimulates people to get involved. Over the next year, we will be pursuing many service projects which will help the society.

Lastly, we need to promote what we do. Not only what we do locally but what Rotary does as an international organization. Rotary can change the world as we have shown with our efforts around Polio eradication. Who wouldn't want to be part of an organization that can have that kind of impact both locally and internationally?

I'm honoured to be serving as your President and looking forward to an exciting year of transformation, growth and Opportunities.

Thank you,

Rtn. Arun Khedwal | President | Rotary Club of Panvel Mahanagar |RID3131| India



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Message from First Lady 2024-25

Hello,

Dear Rotarians,

As a First Lady I welcome you all in this new Rotary Year 2024-25.

"A strong woman knows she has strength enough for the journey, but women of strength know it is journey where she will become strong". And That is Rotary! This year we are arranging informative weekly meeting and one dinner meeting also special Ann's meeting & picnic.

"Finding the Right Part" to engage each member would be part our core function.

Our club is really Royal club as all the member in this club are Royal. So I wish All the Best for further journey.



Rtn. Shweta Khedwal| First Lady | Rotary Club of Panvel Mahanagar |RID3131| India

Birthday, Anniversary and Project Plan

Birthday and Anniversaries:

Occasion	Date	Name
Birthday	2 nd July	Mahendra Maroo
Birthday	9 th August	Mukund Chaudhari
Birthday	27 th August	Sunita Chaudhari
Birthday	6 th September	Ashish Atre
Birthday	16 th September	Vinayak Shivalkar
Birthday	8 th October	Arun Khedwal
Birthday	18 th October	Snehal Pendse
Birthday	21 st November	Shweta Khedwal

Project Plan:

Date	Project
1 st July-24	Doctors Day
1 st July-24	CA Day
5 th July-24	Mega Medical Camp
6 th July-24	Free Eye Check Up Camp
7 th July-24	DG Installation
7 th July-24	Tree Plantation by IC
1 st to 7 th July-24	Project Chatra Chayya
13 th July-24	Books Donation
14 th July-24	Medical Camp
22 nd July-24	Free Eye Check-up Camp
29th July-24	Free Eye Check-up Camp
8 th August-24	Medical Camp
15 th August-24	Independence Day



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President	Rtn. Arun Balkrishna Khedwal	
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Secretary	Rtn. Mukund Chaudhari	
Treasurer	Rtn. Snehal Vidyadhar Pendse	
IPP	Rtn. Sudhir Chakole	
President Elect (2025-26)	Rtn. Vinayak Anant Shivalkar	
President Nominee (2026-27)	Rtn. Dharmaraj Basappa	
	Machigar (Resigned)	
BOD -2024-25		
Positions	Directors	
Club Trainer	Rtn. Dr. Dipak Tukaram Khot	
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Peace Service	Rtn. Rohini Padmakar Katre	
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Foundation Polio	Rtn. Sudhir Chakole	
Service Projects (Medical)	Rtn. Dr. Devendra Pandurang	
	Jadhav	
Service Projects (Non Medical)	Rtn. Sunita Mukund Chaudhari	
Youth & New Generation	Rtn. Puransingh Jeetsingh Mehra	
International Service	Rtn. Sudhir Chakole	
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Sports	Rtn. Kishor Narkar	
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Water, Sanitation and	Rtn. Ashish Prakash Atre	
Hygiene		
Vocational	Rtn. Mahendra Maroo	



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Vocational Awards and August Gathering







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Story Time: The Seed

The Seed

A successful business man was growing old and knew it was time to choose a successor to take over the business. Instead of choosing one of his Directors or his children, he decided to do something different. He called all the young executives in his company together.

He said, "It is time for me to step down and choose the next CEO. I have decided to choose one of you.. "The young executives were Shocked, but the boss continued. "I am going to give each one of you a SEED today - one very special SEED... I want you to plant the seed, water it, and come back here one year from today with what you have grown from the seed I have given you. I will then judge the plants that you bring, and the one I choose will be the next CEO."

One man, named Jim, was there that day and he, like the others, received a seed. He went home and excitedly, told his wife the story. She helped him get a pot, soil and compost and he planted the seed. Every day, he would water it and watch to see if it had grown. After about three weeks, some of the other executives began to talk about their seeds and the plants that were beginning to grow.

Jim kept checking his seed, but nothing ever grew. Three weeks, four weeks, five weeks went by, still nothing. By now, others were talking about their plants, but Jim didn't have a plant and he felt like a failure.

Six months went by -- still nothing in Jim's pot. He just knew he had killed his seed. Everyone else had trees and tall plants, but he had nothing. Jim didn't say anything to his colleagues, however.

He just kept watering and fertilizing the soil - He so wanted the seed to grow.

A year finally went by and all the young executives of the company brought their plants to the CEO for inspection. Jim told his wife that he wasn't going to take an empty pot. But she asked him to be honest about what happened. Jim felt sick to his stomach, it was going to be the most embarrassing moment of his life, but he knew his wife was right. He took his empty pot to the board room. When Jim arrived, he was amazed at the variety of plants grown by the other executives. They were beautiful -- in all shapes and sizes. Jim put his empty pot on the floor and many of his colleagues laughed, a few felt sorry for him!

When the CEO arrived, he surveyed the room and greeted his young executives.

Jim just tried to hide in the back. "My, what great plants, trees, and flowers you have grown," said the CEO. "Today one of you will be appointed the next CEO!"

All of a sudden, the CEO spotted Jim at the back of the room with his empty pot. He ordered the Financial Director to bring him to the front. Jim was terrified. He thought, "The CEO knows I'm a failure! Maybe he will have me fired!"

When Jim got to the front, the CEO asked him what had happened to his seed - Jim told him the story.



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The CEO asked everyone to sit down except Jim. He looked at Jim, and then announced to the young executives, "Behold your next Chief Executive Officer!

His name is Jim!" Jim couldn't believe it. Jim couldn't even grow his seed.

"How could he be the new CEO?" the others said. Then the CEO said, "One year ago today, I gave everyone in this room a seed. I told you to take the seed, plant it, water it, and bring it back to me today. But I gave you all boiled seeds; they were dead - it was not possible for them to grow.

All of you, except Jim, have brought me trees and plants and flowers. When you found that the seed would not grow, you substituted another seed for the one I gave you. Jim was the only one with the courage and honesty to bring me a pot with my seed in it. Therefore, he is the one who will be the new Chief Executive Officer!"

- * If you plant honesty, you will reap trust
- * If you plant goodness, you will reap friends
- * If you plant humility, you will reap greatness
- * If you plant perseverance, you will reap contentment
- * If you plant consideration, you will reap perspective
- * If you plant hard work, you will reap success
- * If you plant forgiveness, you will reap reconciliation
- * If you plant faith in God , you will reap a harvest
- So, be careful what you plant now; it will determine what you will reap later.
- "Whatever You Give To Life, Life Gives You Back"

- Thank you-



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