



## RTN. STEPHANIE A. URCHICK

### Message from Rotary International President

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.



## RTN. SHITAL SHAH

### Message from District Governer 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 givings & 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!!!

## Rtn. Shiilpa A Bhosekar Message from President 24-25



### ROTARY THEME 2024-25



RI President-elect **Stephanie Urchick** celebrates the magic of Rotary. She says members create that magic with every project completed, every dollar donated, and every new member of Rotary.

When I look back at how my journey with Rotary began, it was thanks to my friends Anjali Mehendale and Manisha Nehete. They encouraged me several times to attend a 'Know Rotary' session. Eventually, I was invited as a speaker. During the fellowship time, I learned about Rotary's impactful work and realized that this was what I had been searching for since my college days.

In college, I was a part of the National Service Scheme (NSS), which brought me joy and mental peace through social activities. Due to prior commitments, I couldn't attend the 'Know Rotary' session myself, so I sent my husband Ashish and my son Manas. They were equally impressed, and we immediately decided to join Rotary Club of Pune Pristine.

My journey as a Rotarian began with many new terms and topics that were unfamiliar to me. However, my inquisitive nature and love for learning drove me to ask questions and understand more. The following year, I was asked to be the Project Chair. Although I was unsure of what the role entailed, I agreed, knowing I would learn along the way.

The next year, I was offered the position of Membership Director. Understanding that this was another opportunity to learn and make new friends, I accepted the role. The year after that, I was asked to be the Club Secretary. Again, I saw this as a chance to grow and said, "Yes."

Each year brought new lessons, connections, and opportunities to serve society. There were challenging moments, but my joy came from the activities and the learning experiences, not from the obstacles. When asked if I would be the President for the next Rotary year, I hesitated, knowing the responsibility it entailed. I felt I needed more time to learn, so I deferred my acceptance to the following year.

In preparation, I immersed myself in learning and gaining the necessary knowledge. Despite my relatively short tenure as a Rotarian, I am committed to giving my best as President. I believe in the motto, "We, not Me," and will uphold this throughout my presidential year. I welcome feedback and suggestions, as I am always in the learning mode and eager to improve.

Thank you for your trust and support.

# BOD 24-25

## **Rtn. Shiilpa A Bhosekar** President 2024-25



Shiilpa is the Founder-Director of Activense Holistic Solutions Pvt. Ltd., where she oversees the health sector. With over 11 years of experience as a practicing nutritionist, she brings a wealth of knowledge to her

role. Shiilpa holds a degree in Microbiology, a Diploma in Nutrition and Health Education (with a gold medal), and additional qualifications in dietary supplements, sports nutrition, and NLP. She holds dual master's degrees, including an MSc in 'Dietetics and Food Service Management' and a Master of Business Administration.

Her professional background includes providing nutritional consultancy to individuals, organizing health camps at diabetic and gynaecology clinics, conducting health talks at institutes, and engaging with various corporates and social platforms. Shiilpa is dedicated to preventing Type II Diabetes by raising awareness about pre-diabetes through webinars and her book, 'From Pre-diabetes to Health.' Additionally, she served as a columnist for the renowned digital magazine 'Women at Work,' where she authored articles on lifestyle-related health issues. Shiilpa's contributions have been recognized with awards and accolades from various institutions in the field of health and nutrition.

She has been a member of the Rotary Club of Pune Pristine since December 2019 and has served as the projects chair, membership director, and secretary.

Her husband, Ashish S. Bhosekar, is an accomplished IT consultant and entrepreneur with over 36+ years of diverse industry experience. For the past 25+ years, he has focused on IT and has worked for leading organizations, including LTIMindtree, Persistent Systems, and BMC Software. Ashish is the co-founder of Genexa AI, a startup in the field of artificial intelligence. He also serves as one of the directors at Activense Holistic Solutions Pvt Ltd. Additionally, Ashish works as a business consultant for Unimet Gauges Pvt. Ltd.,

a precision measurement company.

Their son, Manas A. Bhosekar, holds dual master's degrees from the UK. He earned an MSc in Applied Neuropsychology from the University of Bristol and an MSc in Research Methodology in Neuropsychology from the University of Sterling. Currently, Manas is engaged in the field of 'Special Education Needs' in Bristol and aims to utilize his experience for the advancement of 'Neuropsychological Research' in India."

## **Rtn. Devendra Saralkar** Secretary



Devendra is Advocate by profession. After basic Schooling in Mumbai came to Pune to pursue education in ILS law College, Pune. Joined chambers of Advocate PP Paralikar, senior lawyer in Pune and was working with

late Rtrn. Adv. Kershasp Irani. Presently a Practising lawyer in District and Civil Courts, Pune. During practice met Ashwini, who is also a lawyer and both work together. Their son, Anumit Saralkar has completed his Masters from IISER, TRIVANDRUM and is doing further research in same institute. Apart from being a lawyer Devendra is also a vivid theatre artiste. Worked as a child artist and thereafter many awards in inter College competition. Also associated with Grips theatre activity which promotes theatre for children and youth. He is Rotarian since 2015.

## **Rtn. Vishwas Bokil** Treasurer



Vishwas is Company Secretary, practicing in Pune for 25 years. He is heading Bokil Punde Associates, a leading firm of Company Secretaries in Pune since 2013.

His wife Smita wife is Commerce Graduate and has been looking after accounts in his firm. They have two daughters Nivedita, has done BBM (IB) and Post Graduation Course and has been with Maersk in Exports Department in Pune. Rohan, son in law has done Masters in Media & Communication Studies and has been working

with a leading Jewelry Corporate House from Pune. Priyanka, the younger daughter is B-Tech Computer Science and has been working with LTIMindtree.

## Rtn. Anup Bandishte

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Anup is associated with Rotary since 2004. He is a charter member of RCP Pristine and has held various positions in Rotary as President, Secretary, Director Membership, Director Service Projects.

Rtn. Anup is Computer Engineer & working in the field of communication for last 20+ years. His firm BLISS Creations provides Advertising, Branding & Signage's services. BLISS is a Authorised Advertising Agency of all leading media houses. BLISS is also Certifying Authorities for issuances of Digital Signatures.

Ann Mayuri is Fine Arts Graduate & home maker. They have daughter Manva, who is studying in school. Anup & Mayuri both are Paul Harris Fellows.

## Rtn. Amod Phadke

Director - Administration



Amod is a Developer and Civil Contractor. He is hardworking. Amod is Rotarian since 2018 and active in various social activities. Amod has done his graduation in Civil Engineering. He is working as developer and civil contractor

since last more than 30 years and has successfully completed many development projects in and around Pune.

His wife Asawari has completed her DHMS and she is Homoeopathic Doctor practicing in Pune. They have son Ashwin, who has completed B.Com. from Pune University.

## Rtn. Sunaya Apte

New Generation Director and President Elect



Sunaya is associated with Rotary for more than 15 years, including more than four years as Rotarian in two stints. Before this position, she has worked as Club Secretary in RY21-22.

Rotarian Sunaya has multi-disciplinary academic background and work experience. She has graduation in Commerce and Post graduate diploma in Tax Law. She has studied ICWA and have also graduated in French. Recently she completed Jyotish Visharad and Jyotish Pandit from Pune Jyotish Parishad. She has more than 20 years of Finance and Admin experience in Saraswat Bank, RPG Group and their family businesses Innovision Research Company and Offshore Insights. Sunaya loves reading, listening to music and have built good skills in drawing and painting in various mediums.

Her husband Sudin is Graduate in Mechanical Engineering, Post Graduate in Management Science and have done ICWA. He is renowned IT professional and strategy consultant. He has advised many Fortune 500 companies and top IT companies. Past President Sudin is charter 5 President of Pristine and have worked at various senior district positions such as District Secretary, multiple District Directorships for Foundation, Grants, Club Extension (New Clubs), Thrust Area Projects, Foundation Endowment and Major Gifts, and Assistant Governor. He was most decorated President in his tenure and got First Award for Club and First Award for President. He has also received multiple Best Director Awards and have received Governor's special citation for four years in row. He is recipient of prestigious "Meritorious Service Citation" of The Rotary Foundation.

Sunaya and Sudin are strong Rotary Foundation supporters and are multiple level Paul Harris Fellow/Society Member. They are Major Donor Level 4 and they have donated over US\$ 140,000 so far across Annual Fund, Directed Gifts and Polio.

## Rtn. Rajdeep Mule

Director - Service Projects



Rajdeep Mule was born in Solapur and raised in Pune. He was brought up in Pune and is a true Puneekar with a great passion for food, he is currently pursuing a degree in Architecture. He completed his secondary education at the

Bishops Co-Ed School in Undri and his higher secondary education at Abasaheb Garware College.

Rajdeep joined Rotaract at the age of 19, becoming a member of the Rotaract Club of Pune Pristine at the end of RIY 19-20. With great enthusiasm, he quickly became an active member and was awarded the Best Event Chair for the event Covaraise at the club level. He then chartered the Rotaract Club of Pune Pristine Paradise in RIY 20-21 with the support of Rotary and Rotaract Pristine.

In his charter year, Rajdeep sponsored and chartered the Rotaract Club of Pune Wisdom, making Rotaract Club of Pune Pristine Paradise one of the first clubs to sponsor another Rotaract Club, supporting the Elevate Rotaract movement.

In RIY 22-23, he was elected to the council as an AZR for Zone 7. He also served as the chairperson for Pehraav, which was later declared the best event under International Service by the district. He also won The People's Choice Award for the Best Project in International Service Avenue in South Asia by RSAMDIO for Pehraav.

In RIY 23-24, Rajdeep was selected as the District International Service Director for RID 3131. He led the Mega Inter District Youth Exchange, hosting 23 districts and over 92 delegates. He brought RID 2223 (Russia) to the district for IDYE for the first time.

Now, for RIY 24-25, Rajdeep is joining the Rotary Club of Pune Pristine as the Service Projects Director and has also been appointed as the District Foundation Chair for Rotaract District 3131.

## Rtn. Pooja Khanwale

Director - Membership



Pooja has done her school & college in Panvel and Mumbai. She has done B.Sc from Mumbai University and in 1981 started working with BOI, and retired as Chief Manager in 2020.

She was married in 1982, her husband Sunil was also working with BOI in Pune.

Their daughter's name is Kadambari, she is married and working with Netflix, USA as a Manager and son in law Rahul working with Dell. Both are software engineers and have two kids. Pooja has joined Rotary in 2022.

## Rtn. Poonam Kanmurde

Director - Public Image



Poonam is commerce graduated. She lived extensively in Germany and USA for 18 years. Blessed with two daughters and a son. Currently residing in Pune and working as a full time farmer.

Poonam is Winner of Mrs. Maharashtra 2022, Mrs. Achiever, Mrs. Talented and Diva Excellence Awards Krishikaram @ Diva Pageant. She is Rotarian since 2023.

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**Rotary Club of Pune Pristine has proudly completed 600+ Pediatrics Heart Surgeries**

**Rotary Club of Pune Pristine has proudly supported 250+ Pediatrics Cancer Treatments**

**Rotary Club of Pune Pristine has proudly supported 500+ School Children**

**Rotary Club of Pune Pristine has proudly launched Rotary Health Card for 5000+ Rotarians & there family members**

**Rotary Club of Pune Pristine has proudly Organised session on High Impact BEL Projects of PDG Carolyn Johnson for fellow Rotary Clubs**