

*Major Projects
&
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1938 - 39

President : **Rtn. N.S.Subba Rao**
Secretary : **Rtn. H..Richardson**

Presented a Deep X-Ray Radium Plant, at a cost of Rs.20,000/- to the Victoria Hospital in Bangalore. The amount was raised through a carnival organised at the Sampangi Stadium.

This was the first major public service project of the Club, and the forerunner of innumerable outstanding services rendered to the community.

1946 - 47

President : **Rtn. J.C.Ghosh**
Secretary : **Rtn. M.N.Mahadevan**

Collected Rs.12,500/- by way of donations and sale proceeds of a benefit dance recital by the internationally famed danseuse Mrinalini Sarabhai. The amount was presented to the Mysore University Council for awarding scholarships to poor students out of the interest

accruing from it. This was to be the nucleus of a fund which was expected to be raised to Rs.1 lakh in the coming years.

Started the Dayanand Maternity Home and Clinic at Bannerghatta for the exclusive benefit of womenfolk from nearby villages. Besides the heavy investment needed to start the Clinic, the members of the Club undertook to contribute towards the expenses of running it, every month.

1947 - 48

President : **Rtn. C.Subramanya Iyer**
Secretary : **Rtn. D.N.Hosali**

Adopted Kadugodi village near Whitefield, and sponsored a Welfare Centre. This was established and handed over to the Club in a flourishing condition by Col. Bennet of the Indian Ordnance and Welfare Depot in September 1947. The Centre had a primary school, crèche, nursery, first-aid clinic, indoor games and adult literacy classes. The Club itself looked after the Centre from 1947 to 1953.

Arranged for water supply to a colony of workers in Whitefield.

Donated Rs.6,000/- to the Punjab Refugee Relief Fund.

1948 - 49

President : **Rtn. D.N.Hosali**
Secretary : **Rtn. N.R.Parthasarathy**

The Club began taking interest in a Hostel for Harijans at Seshadripuram in Bangalore, the foundation for which was laid by Mahatma Gandhi. More than 400 Harijan children of tender age were being educated and maintained in the Hostel. The Club rendered much financial help for running the institution.

Donated Rs.6,500/- to the Welfare Centre at Whitefield.

1952 – 53

President : **Rtn. Walter Sobol**
Secretary : **B.S.Sud**

The Rotary Anns' Club of Bangalore was formed in March 1952. This was the first Club in India for Rotary Anns.

The Rotary Anns assumed responsibility for the upkeep of the primary school at Kadugodi village and teaching the villagers about hygiene, child-care and vegetable gardening. They also presented books to the poor children in the school.

The membership Roster was compiled and published for the first time. A brief history of the Club was incorporated in this.

The Monthly Club Bulletin was re-started under the title The Bangalore Rotarian. The first issue was published on August 15, 1952.

Started the University Students Fund with donations from Rotarians. Financial help was given to needy college students for their fees, etc.

1953 – 54

President : **Rtn. V.S.Natarajan**
Secretary : **Rtn. B.S.Sidhwa**

Launched an ambitious drive to collect Rs.3 lakhs for a 100-bed Rotary T.B. Ward at S.D.S. Sanatorium as a Rotary Golden Anniversary Project. This was inaugurated on April 30 by the Minister for Health, Mysore State, at a concert sponsored by the Air Force Celebrations authorities at the B.R.V.Hall.

His Highness, the Rajpramukh of Mysore was the Chief Patron of the T.B. Fund Project. The Chief Minister of Mysore State, Shri K.Hanumanthiah, inaugurated the Rs.1 lakh raffle at the Puttanna Chetty Town Hall on June 17.

The credit for conceiving the idea and

bringing it to successful fruition through relentless efforts should go to the then President, Air Commodore S.N.Goyal.

1954 – 55

President : **Rtn. S.N.Goyal**
Secretary : **Rtn. B.S.Sidhwa**

The draw of the raffle tickets for the Rotary T. B. Ward took place on April 3.

The 'Pageant of Brides' organized by the Rotary Anns' Club of Bangalore at B.R.V. Theatre, a Race Ball Dance organized by the Bowring Institute and dramas by the Bangalore Amateur Dramatic Society, were some of the programmes held during the year to raise funds for the Rotary T.B. Ward.

The foundation-stone for the Rotary T.B. Ward at the S.D.S. Sanatorium was laid by Shri. T.Channiah, Minister for Health, Mysore State.

Created a Book Bank for the benefit of commerce students.

1956 –57

President : **Rtn. B.S.Sidhwa**
Secretary : **V.S.Bhatia**

R.I.President Juan Paulo Lang unveiled a plaque at the Rotary T.E.Ward at the S.D.S. Sanatorium, in commemoration of his visit.

Donated the Rotary Block, a wing attached to the Ramakrishna Vidyarthi Mandiram at Basavangudi. This consists of four room located in the Western wing on the first floor of the hostel building. A plaque was unveiled in November 1956 by the R.I. President Jauan Paulo Lang, in commemoration of his visit to the Block.

Donated sports materials for indoor and outdoor games to the Beggar Colony on Magadi Road. The gift was received from the Club by Shri Nage Gowda, Minister for Industries, Mysore State, on behalf of the Committee of Management of the Beggar Colony.

A reception was accorded to 60 foreign students including 12 girls who had gathered in Bangalore for a summer camp under the aegis of the Indian Council for Cultural Relations.

1957 – 58

President : **Rtn. K.S.Menon**
Secretary : **Rtn. P.I.Joseph**

Held on January 19, a Mock Session of the United Nations General Assembly – the first programme of its kind in this part of the world.

Among the very many successful and meaningful programmes carried out by

the Rotary Club of Bangalore in the avenue of international service, this was perhaps the most outstanding.

A large number of enquiries came soon after from other clubs in the District and the rest of the country, probably with the intention of organizing something similar in their own clubs. Newspapers acclaimed this as a sparkling success.

Assistance came from practically everywhere - the State Government, the United States Library, universities and colleges.

The venue was the Puttanna Chetty Town Hall, the largest public hall in Bangalore at that time, equipped with proper facilities for seating, stage, acoustics, etc. But even this was found to be small, and the Club had to restrict the representation to 61 countries, each with two delegates.

Shri Vaikunta Baliga, Minister for Law and Legal Affairs, Mysore State, inaugurated the session. The President of the Rotary Club, Rtn. K.S.Menon,

was unanimously chosen as President of the Session. Among those who acted as delegates of the different countries were Mr. V.P.Menon, former Secretary of State to the Government of India; Janab Mohamed Sheriff, former Minister of Mysore State; Justice K.S.Hegde of the Mysore High Court, Mr. Kodanda Rao, President of the Servants of India Society and Principals and Professors from a number of colleges.

An excellent programme meticulously planned and well-executed by Rtn. President K.S.Menon and the dedicated members of the three sub-committees under the International Services Committee.

Adopted the Siddaguntapalya group of villages. The 100-bed Rotary T.B.Ward at the S.D.S. Sanatorium was inaugurated by Dr. K.K.Hegde, Minister for Health, Mysore State on June 5.

Initiated, for the first time, a career advice scheme for school children and pre-university students.

1959 – 60

President : **Rtn. C.R.V.Subban**
Secretary : **K.Eswari Prasad**

Constructed a building for the primary school and a children's playground with necessary amenities at Siddaguntapalya. A community radio, and bags and slates for school children were presented.

Members of the U.S.Trade Mission to India visited the Club and Mr. F.Feston Forbes, leader of the Mission, addressed the Club.

The Club initiated a pioneering experiment in employer-employee relations by bringing together a large number of employers and labour leaders to discuss many problems of mutual interest.

A batch of 7 student members of the Project India (U.C.L.A) team of the University of California was hosted by a Rotarian family during their stay in the State.

Set up the Seva Ashrama Dispensary at Srirampuram as a Silver Jubilee Year project. The southern end of Srirampuram was the bleakest slum area of Bangalore where Deena Seva Sangha, a valiant team of social workers, was battling against disease, poverty and ignorance. This Dispensary was handed over to the Deena Seva Sangha for day-to-day running. A panel of specialist Rotarian doctors attended the Dispensary regularly. A drug bank was established to provide free medicines to the patients.

The Rotary Anns organized a Handloom Fashion Show parade, the proceeds of which helped in the construction of the Dispensary. A donation of Rs.10,000/- was made by Rtn. V.S.Natarajan.

The Club pioneered the Book Bank as a Silver Jubilee Project. Jointly with Ramnarayan Chellaram and Sons Charitable Trust, it sponsored a Students Aid Society for the purpose. The main objective was to assist in the creation of book banks or textbook-lending libraries in engineering, medicine, science, commerce colleges and in polytechnics for the benefit of students from poor families who were unable to buy costly textbooks.

1960 – 61

President : **Rtn. Jagadeesh Prasad**
Secretary : **Rtn. Gangadhara Setty**

Constructed a primary school building on a two-acre plot at Nagadevanahalli in Kengeri on the outskirts of Bangalore. The Panchayat was entrusted with the running of the school. The Government of Mysore contributed 50 percent of the expenditure for the building.

1962 – 63

President : **Rtn. S.Rangaswami**
Secretary : **Rtn. R.Giridhar**

The Foundation stone for the Rotary House of Friendship was laid on June 3. Rtn. PDG. Dr. M.N.Mahadevan, Shri S.Nijalingappa, Chief Minister of Mysore State, and members of the Club turned the first sod to start the construction of the building.

Constructed a children's playground at Nagadevanahalli School.

Supplied equipment worth Rs.10,000/- to the Children's Dental Clinic attached to the Dental College. Contributed Rs.10,000/- to the National Defence Fund.

The Students Aid Society received 75 valuable books on engineering and science subjects published by McGraw Hill, from District 669 (U.S.A.).

Presented to 8 educational institutions, 45 books on science subjects and 33 on engineering subjects, received from the Rotary Club of New Lynn, Auckland, New Zealand. Twenty science books and 55 engineering books received from District 669, U.S.A. were distributed among 10 institutions. Distributed Rs.3,250/- as examination fees for 105 students.

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The Youth Activities Committee brought off the first Inter-School Swimming Competition. The Rudra rolling Shields for boys and girls, to be awarded to the institutions which scored the highest points, were instituted by Rtn. B.Rudra. (The competition has become one of the most popular annual sports events in Bangalore).

1963 – 64

President : **Rtn. Y.N.Gangadhara Setty**

Secretary : **Rtn. R.Giridhar**

The first Interact Club in Bangalore was set up at the King George's School with Mr. Brij Singh as President. The Club was inaugurated by the President of the Rotary Club of Bangalore, Rtn. Gangadhara Setty.

The second Interact Club was opened at the National Education Society. Mr. N.C.Ranganatha was the President and Mr. M.K.Dattaraj, the Secretary. (Mr. Dattaraj is presently an active member of the Rotary Club of Bangalore).

The Buyer-Seller Relations and Trades Association Sub-Committee under the Chairmanship of Rtn. M.K.Panduranga Setty organized the Ideal Home Exhibition, the first exhibition of its kind in India. This was inaugurated by the Governor of Mysore. His Highness Jayachamarajendra Wodeyar. Shri S.Nijalingappa, Chief Minister of Mysore, released the Buyers Guide published on the occasion. The purpose of the Exhibition was to present the concept of an ideal home to all sections of the community and to provide an opportunity for the manufacturers to display their products. In all, 38 well-known

organizations from all over the country participated. The items exhibited included furniture, home appliances, floor coverings, building materials, sanitary-ware and kitchen equipment. Over 50,000 people visited the Exhibition. A large number of overseas visitors wrote letters of appreciation and tribute.

1964 – 65

President : **Rtn. K.Eswari Prasad**
Secretary : **Rtn. M.S.Kumar**

The Rotary Anns' Club of Bangalore came to be known as The Inner Wheel Club of Bangalore.

The panel listing the names of the Past Presidents of the Club was unveiled on April 25, at the Rotary House of Friendship.

The Students Help and Book Committee presented a large number of book and magazines to the Victoria Hospital for the use of patients.

A Patients' Library was started at the Bowring Hospital. In addition to donating a large number of books and periodicals, the Club arranged for a trolley to carry the books to the bedsides of the patients.

Added a building for a Family Planning Centre at Deen Seva Sangha in Sriramapuram.

1965 – 66

President: **Rtn. Sadanand D. Ubhayakar**

Secretary : **Rtn. M.S.Kumar**

The Book Bank project received the attention of the Government of India's Department of Education, University Grants Commission, Planning Commission and various State Governments. The Films Division of

the Government of India filmed the working of the Book Bank in some colleges, for exhibition as a documentary all over the country. All India Radio arranged for a broadcast on this project.

Distributed 60 very valuable books on various subjects to 16 institutions. These were gifts received by the Students Aid Society from the German Research Association, Bad Godesberg, West Germany, through the German Consulate in Madras. The Emergency Oxygen Service was inaugurated by the Governor of Mysore, His Excellency Shri V.V.Giri on April 1, 1966. The project, with an initial target of 100 cylinders, started with 50 cylinders at a cost of Rs.18,000/-. The project was conceived by Rtn. Dr. V.Visweshariah.

1966 – 67

President : **Rtn. Dr. M.B.Sunder Rao**

Secretary : **Rtn. R.S.Padmanabhan**

The Inner Wheel Club of Bangalore was presented with the Charter on February 4.

A row of four shops was constructed in the Anatha Sishu Nivas at N.R.Colony to provide a regular income for the Nivas which then had 37 orphans. The cost of this was shared equally between the Club and the Nivas.

A group of 11 boys and 11 girls from Amitie Mondiale Interjeunesse, Paris, who had come to a work camp at Nayandahalli in Mysore Road, were felicitated. The AMI is a youth organization started in France in 1963 and has large membership in France and Belgium. Through Social service, AMI fosters international goodwill and understanding.

1969 – 70

President : **Rtn. M.K.Panduranga Setty**

Secretary : **Rtn. Ashok C. Mody**

Organised in collaboration with the Visveswaraya Industrial and Technical Museum, a training programme on scientific hobbies. An exhibition of the various scientific projects made by children was part of the programme. Prizes were awarded for the best entries.

Presented a baby incubator to Vani Vilas Hospital at Basavangudi, Bangalore.

1970 – 71

President : **Rtn. R.Giridhar**

Secretary : **Rtn. C.V.Narayana Row**

Completed the project of supplying drinking water to Sakalavara village under the R.I.World Community Services Programme. Financial contributions came from the Rotary

Club of Mount Royal, and the project was inaugurated by the President of India, Shri V.V.Giri.

Donated Rs.25,000/- to set up the Rotary Club of Bangalore Outpatient Ward of the Sri Venkateswara ENT Clinic at the Victoria Hospital.

Contributed the club's share of Rs.12,500/- help Begur village to get drinking water facilities at a total cost of Rs.2.6 lakh.

Completed the electrification and renovation of the Chinnappa Primary School.

Donated uniforms to students of the Adamar Ashram School on Devanahalli Road.

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Donated books to the Begur Village High School Library.

Provided drugs to the Begur Dispensary and Krishna Seva Ashram.

The Inner Wheel Club joined the International Inner Wheel.

The Rotaract Club organized the first Rotary Science Fair.

A Rs.25,000/- Central Government grant and an additional amount, both aggregating to give an income of Rs.500/- a month by way of interest, were used to start a Child Welfare Trust in a slum area.

A team of six professionals and businessmen was deputed for an eight-week tour of Cleveland, Ohio, U.S.A., under the G.S.E. programme.

Donated mattresses to Anatha Sishu Nivas.

1971 – 72

President : **Rtn. Dr. R.S.Padmanabhan**
Secretary : **Rtn. G.K.Rajan**

Organised a three day career Exhibition-cum-conference for prospective college students, to provide first hand information on the various careers open to them after completing their education or to direct educational opportunities to their taste. This had the co-operation and assistance of the Directorate of Employment and Training, Employment Information and Guidance Bureau, Bangalore University Educational and Vocational Guidance Bureau and the Industrial Training Institute.

Contributed Rs.15,000/- to the National Defence Fund.

1972 –73

President : **Rtn. M.K.Ramachandra**
Secretary : **Rtn. V.Ramachandran**

Organised a full-day Career Guidance Seminar which attracted more than 400 students. Information was disseminated on a wide variety of professions. The Bangalore University Guidance Bureau subsequently published the entire proceedings of the Seminar for the benefit of the student community. In all, 19 professions were discussed by well known authorities in each.

The following were the subjects covered :

I Business Management and connected Career Opportunities

- (a) Business Management
- (b) Banking
- (c) Advertising and Modeling

II The Professions

- (a) Medicine
- (b) Engineering
- (c) Law
- (d) Accountancy
- (e) Hoteliering
- (f) Teaching
- (g) Architecture and Civil Engineering
- (h) Air Hostess
- (I) Nursing

III The Services

- (a) Defence Services
- (b) Public Services

- IV Self-employment Opportunities
- (a) Small Scale Industries
 - (b) Agriculture and Agro-industries
 - (c) Chemicals and Plastics

V Electronics and Computer Technology

Collaborated with the State Children's Welfare Committee and the Dakshina Bharata Mahila Sangham in the construction of the Bal Bhavan and a play ground for children at Kadugodi village.

Sponsored the Interact Club at Kendriya Vidyalaya, MEG Centre.

1973 -74

President : **Rtn. C.V.Narayana Row**
Secretary : **G.K.Rajan**

Established sister club relations with the Rotary Club of Komoro, Japan. An agreement to this effect was signed on October 15 by the presidents of the Clubs. This was the first agreement by

any Rotary Club in India with an overseas club.

Presented an ambulance van costing Rs.45,000/- to St. Martha's Hospital for round-the-clock service to the community. The entire amount for the project was collected in just 87 days.

Arranged for regular water supply at Immidihalli village near Whitefield and Sakalawara village.

A few Rotarian families hosted for a year, a student from Tuaiatin, Oregon, U.S.A., sponsored by the Tigard Rotary Club, U.S.A, under the Rotary Youth Exchange programme.

Donated Rs. 10,000/- to the Navajeevana Nilaya for putting up shed needs for the rehabilitation of lepers.

Organised the face-lift of a school in Bapagram village through Rotaractors.

1974 - 75

President : **Rtn. Ashok C. Mody**
Secretary : **P.T.Kasturi**

Launched the Mid-day Meal Scheme for poor and deserving college students. The Scheme provided for a square meal for day scholars from poor families coming from far-off places, who would otherwise have to go without a meal. Under the Scheme, each donor had to pay Rs.250/- for annual expenses. (The scheme is still being continued).

Organised an Exhibition on Self-Employment Careers which was visited by over 2,000. Many small-scale entrepreneurs, Karnataka State Finance Corporation, leading banks, Directorate of Small Industries Service Institute of the Government of India, Employment Guidance Bureau and Consultancy Services participated.

Opened a Blood Donation Centre at St. Martha's Hospital in commemoration of the 70th anniversary of Rotary, to benefit both private and Government hospitals. This was a

programme conceived by Rtn. P.T.Kasturi. The first blood collection for the Centre was arranged at the Rotary House of Friendship on February 22, 1975, coinciding with the 70th anniversary of the Rotary movement. The Club was awarded the Indian Red Cross Rolling Shield for the largest contribution of blood during 1975.

Presented a large amount of equipment to benefit mentally challenged pupils at Baldwin Girls High School.

Received and hosted three Youth Exchange students from U.S.A.

Inaugurated the Interact Club of Bishop Cotton Boys High School. Inaugurated the Road Safety Patrol at Bishop Cotton Boys High School. Gave Rs. 50/- each, for books or educational aids to provide for the wholesome development of college

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students who in return would undertake to do social service like giving free tuition to school children and visiting slums to render help.

Donated essential equipment like an oxygen cylinder, refrigerator and weighing machine for babies to the combined dispensary at Kadugodi village.

Reconstructed the buildings, where looms were installed, at Navajeevana Nilaya for the rehabilitation of lepers. Also rebuilt a well, provided pump and a roof for the poultry shed. The carpentry section was improved. Provided capital equipment to enable self-sufficiency.

Donated Rs.50,000/- for a library and reading room at the Poorna Prajna Education Centre at Sadashivanagar.

1975 – 76

President : **Rtn. H.C.Ramanna**
Secretary : **Rtn. M.P.Talwar**

Presented the Citizen Extraordinaire Award to Dr. R.Marthanda Varma, Director of the National Institute of Mental Health and Neuro Sciences, for his outstanding contribution to the community.

Rtn. M.K.Ramachandra led the G.S.E. Team to District 511, USA.

1976 – 77

President : **Rtn. G.K.Rajan**
Secretary : **Rtn. M.P.Talwar**

Established the Rotary Centre for Work Experience to encourage school children to learn through experiments, not by classroom studies alone, and in turn to develop their creative faculties. The Centre was formally inaugurated by Shri Mallikarjuna Kharge, Minister for Primary and Secondary Education, Karnataka State, on October 8. To mark this, a Work Experience Contest was organized and about 60 models made by children were displayed at the

Club.

This Centre is part of the Work Experience programme introduced earlier by the Club in St. Joseph's Boys High School, Bishop Cotton Boys High School, St. John's High School and Vijaya High School. Subsequently, 16 Corporation Schools were included. The proposal was to train 20 teachers and 40 children from 20 schools initially. For the other areas of the State, teachers were to be trained and they, in turn, were to motivate the students.

Even to this day, the Centre remains the only one of its kind in the country.

The table below indicates the growth achieved by the Centre :

Average per year	
No. of schools	25
Classes per week	125
Students covered per week	5,625
No. of instructors	18
Science classes	70
Students covered	3,250

Skills classes	40
Students covered	1,800
Electronics classes	18
Students covered	800
Special school classes	5
Students covered	225

No. of students on an average of 25 schools per year from 1976-77 to 1984-85 is 45,625. Initiated the Centre for Human Development. This is programmed to educate the mentally challenged, exceptionally brilliant and normal children, all under one roof. The Centre is to be divided into two sections. Section A will train children to move into further vocational and educational set-ups. Section B will look after those needing longer, more careful attention.

The Centre will be on a 30 acre plot at Bethalsur in Yelahanka, donated by Rtn. G.Ramarathanam.

The project, based on R.I. President Ernesto Imbassahy de Mello's theme 'Dignify the Human Being', was formally launched on December 20.

This is now being looked after by a Trust specially formed for the purpose. The Trust has already started two skill training centers in Bangalore to develop vocational skills among the mentally challenged. These will eventually merge with the Centre at Yelahanka, when the buildings are ready.

Conducted a Workshop on Standards and Quality Evaluation for small-scale industrialists.

Established sister club relations with the Rotary Club of Petalingjaya in Malaysia. The agreement was signed on April 14.

Adopted Tavarekere village on Bannerghatta Road. The school building was renovated and the students were given slates and books.

Organised the first combined meeting of all the Rotary Clubs in Bangalore in honour of Rtn. George Uhlig, First Vice-President of Rotary International (1973-74).

Presented a mobile medical van costing Rs.56,000/- to Anatha Seva Ashrama Trust, Malladihalli in Chitradurga District.

After a survey, the Trust entrusted Rtn. Bimaji to handle the project. Two villages, Thathaguni and Vasanthapura on Kanakapura Road, were selected. Ever since, a team of four doctors with Rtn. Bimaji has been going to the village every week.

1977 – 78

President : **Rtn. Dr. N.R.Narayan**
Secretary : **Rtn.P.Jagannath**

Sponsored the Interact Club in St. Joseph's Indian High School.

R.I. President Jack Davis who made a stop over at the HAL airport on his way from Bombay to Mangalore, was given a reception.

1978 – 79

President: **Rtn. P.T.Kasturi**
Secretary: **Rtn. C. Vijayam Jagannathan**

At Tavarekere, a school building costing Rs.60,000/- put up by the Inner Wheel Club and Rotaractors, was inaugurated on October 2. The Rotaractors had earlier renovated the existing building and provided drinking water facilities for the village. The School was handed over to the Corporation of the City of Bangalore which runs it now.

The Club received the Significant Achievement Award from Rotary International.

An intensive study was made of the sales tax, octroi and other taxes payable on different consumer products. Charts were made available at retail shops to give an idea to the consumers of the exact taxes payable.

Mr. N. Lakshmana Rau, former Administrator of the City Corporation of Bangalore, was presented with the 'Citizen Extraordinaire Award' for the significant contribution he had made to the development and maintenance of Bangalore.

Rtn. Pres. P.T.Kasturi led the G.S.E. Team to District 777, South Carolina, U.S.A. A candidate sponsored by the Club was a member of the team. Received and hosted a team of Rotarians from the Rotary Club of Komoro, Japan.

A student from Australia, sponsored by the Rotary Club of Alburry North, District 979, was hosted for a year by a few Rotarian families.

1979 – 80

President : **Rtn. M.P.Talwar**
Secretary : **Rtn. K.S.Krishnamurthy**

As a major project during R.I.'s 75th Anniversary, constructed 15 janata houses each at Begur and Kodichikkanahalli, and donated them to poor and deserving families. Earlier, a detailed survey was carried out in 18 villages around Bangalore to ascertain the degree of backwardness, education, medical facilities, essential supplies, housing, etc.

Instituted the Amco Shield for the Best Employer Employee Relations, to be given to the industrial unit in Bangalore which maintained the best employer-employee relations. A

comprehensive, interesting and educative questionnaire was prepared and the results judged with the assistance of the Indian Institute of Management, HMT and HAL.

Introduced elocution and essay competitions in schools and on an interschool basis. Four-way Test plaques were presented to participating schools.

A Youth Exchange student from Tellenghatta, District 979, Australia, was hosted for a year by a few Rotarian families.

Sent one Youth Exchange student to Melbourne for a year and goodwill delegation to the sister Club at Petalingjaya in Malaysia.

Presented the 'Citizen Extraordinaire Award' to Mr. Prakash Padukone who won the World Cup in Badminton.

Received and hosted the G.S.E. Team from District 777, South Carolina, U.S.A.

1980 –81

President : **Rtn. M.Sreenivasa Rao**
Secretary : **Rtn. P.B.Bharda**

Completed the construction of the Kodichikkanahalli Maternity Annexe and Rural Dispensary costing about Rs.2 lakhs and handed it over to the Government of Karnataka to run.

Approach roads from Begur to Kodichikkanahalli were cleared and made motorable. Painted the village school and all the houses donated at Kodichikkanahalli.

A Youth Exchange student from Melbourne, Australia, was hosted for a year by a few Rotarian families.

Sister club relations were established with the Rotary Club of Bathurst, Australia.

A candidate sponsored by the Club was a member of the G.S.E. Team to District 575, Oklahoma, USA.

Received and hosted the G.S.E. Team from District 575, Oklahoma, USA.

Donated four bus shelters for the benefit of commuters. Sponsored the Interact Club at Bishop Cotton Girls High School.

Instituted the Johnson Trophy for the winner of the Inter-School Four-Way Test Essay Competition and the Kapoor Trophy for the winner of the Inter-School Four-Way Test Elocution Competition.

Gifted four wheel chairs to Zambia.

Received the Interact Club at the St.Joseph's Indian High School.

Donated Rs.8,000/- to students of blind schools in South India. The collection was made through a charity film show.

1981 – 82

President : **Rtn. R.K.Baliga**
Secretary : **M.V.Talwar**

Organised Rotolite '81 , the first-ever talent contest for blind children from all over South India.

Donated beds and equipment costing Rs.40,000/- to the Chinmaya Mission Hospital at Indiranagar, Bangalore, to start a Burns Ward.

Presented books worth Rs.10,000/- for the Library at Maharani Laxmi Ammanni College for Women, Malleswaram, Bangalore.

Five wheel chairs were presented to the Rotary Club of Kitwa, North Zambia.

Constructed two rooms for the government Telugu School at Murphy Town.

Received and hosted 23 Rotarians from the Rotary Club of Komoro and Miami Saku .

1982 – 83

President : **Rtn. C.S.Seshadri**
Secretary : **Rtn. T.K.Sreenivasa Setty**

The highlight of the year was the visit of R.I.President Hiroji Mukasa and his Ann Kiyoko, and his address to the Rotarians in District 319 at a joint meeting.

A major project of the year was the publication of “What Next”? , a comprehensive reference book on career information covering a large number of vocations.

Another useful publication was “Hotline to Services”, a handbook containing phone numbers of essential services (oxygen, blood, hospitals, fire service, police, electricity, water etc.) in Bangalore.

Both the publications were released by R.I.President Hiroji Mukasa. They received excellent reviews from newspapers.

Launched the SCRUB (The School Children's Rotary Uniform Bank) programme for providing two sets of uniforms and a hygiene kit each to needy and deserving school children in Bangalore.

Rtn. Dr. Prithvi Raval was selected by R.I. to work as a volunteer dentist at the Philippine Refugee Processing Centre in Morong, Philippines under the 3-H Programme.

Compiled a list of volunteer blood donors in Bangalore in co-ordination with St. Martha's Hospital.

Presented four wheel chairs to the Rotary Club of Petalingjaya in Malaysia.

Received and hosted the G.S.E. Team from District 640, USA.

A candidate sponsored by the Club was a member of the G.S.E. Team to District 640, Michigan, USA.

The Club received the Raja Saboo Trophy for the Best Club in District 319 for the significant achievements made in all avenues of service.

Won 12 shields and 4 certificates at the District Conference, for the excellent work done in different fields.

1983 – 84

President : **Rtn. Phiroze Bharda**
Secretary : **Rtn. K.Shankar**

The Inner Wheel Club constructed a Medical Centre and Community Hall at Tavarekere at a cost of Rs.1,18,000/-. Shri M.Chandrasekhar, Minister for Urban Development, Karnataka State, inaugurated the building. Shri Sunder Raj, Mayor of Bangalore, undertook to run a health center there.

Presented a three-wheeler costing Rs.30,000/- to the Navajyothi Trust.

Major Projects & Events

A Youth Study Exchange student from Crawford, Nebraska, U.S.A., was hosted for a year by a few Rotarian families.

Sent a Youth Study Exchange student to Cleburne (District 579) in Texas, U.S.A. and another to Ogallala in Nebraska (District 563), U.S.A.

Organised an Indonesian Music and Dance Evening through Alliance Francaise.

Felicitated the G.S.E. Team from Sheverpor, Louisiana, U.S.A. (District 619).

Rtn. G.N. Sunder Raj was the leader of the G.S.E. Team to District 695, Florida, USA.

Foundation stone was laid for the Burns Ward at the Chinmaya Mission Hospital.

A candidate selected by the Club was awarded the Georgia Rotary Student Programme Scholarship for higher studies in the U.S.A.

Initiated an annual contest for the Best House Magazine of the Year, published from Bangalore. A large number of institutions competed for the Parade Rolling Trophy.

Donated Rs. 14,000/- to the Shradhanjali Integrated School for the Handicapped, to provide post-operative requirements like calipers.

Total blood collection during the year was a record of 1,500 bottles. The Indian Red Cross Society presented a Cup to the Club and a Citation to Rtn. M.R. Doraiswamy Iyenger, Chairman of the Medical Services Sub-Committee for the outstanding performance.

Organised a Teacher Education Programme for 75 teachers in collaboration with the Council on Dental Health.

Instituted the Yadalam Nanjaiah Setty Rolling Shield to be awarded to the best speaker on consumer protection. A large number of college students participated in the context.

Distributed collection boxes to all members of the Club to collect a corpus amount for the Golden Jubilee Year. From the amount thus collected 25 to 50 scholarships were proposed to be offered every year to deserving students.

The Club won 11 shields and 2 certificates at the District Conference for the excellent work done in various fields of Rotary activity.

1984 – 85

President : **Rtn. S.V. Rangaswamy**
Secretary : **Rtn. Dr. Prithvi Raval**

The year was a Golden Jubilee Year. R.I. President Rtn. Carlos Canseco, inaugurated Golden Jubilee Celebrations, to commemorate 50 years of glorious service in Bangalore. Honourable Chief Minister of Karnataka, Sri. Ramakrishna Hegde,

presided over the function.

Burns Ward at Chinmaya Mission Hospital and voluntary Blood Bank by Bangalore Medical Services Trust were inaugurated.

Brooke Bond India Limited donated a Mobile Van for collection of Blood. This was handed over to Bangalore Medical Services Trust.

The Club sponsored Rotary Club of Doddaballapur. The Charter was presented in June 1985.

The Club sponsored a Seminar on Public Transport System in the City. Public and Private organizations such as Indian Railways, Department of High Ways, Bangalore City Corporation and Bangalore Development Authority participated in the Seminar.

The Club honoured three of our prominent citizens Dr. H.Narasimhaiah, Dr. Veena Doraiswamy Iyengar and Sri. G.V.Iyer.

1985 – 86

President : **Rtn. S.G.Sundaraswamy**
Secretary : **Rtn. V.Vijaya Raju**

The Club sponsored Rotary Club of Bangalore Central. The Charter was presented in September 1986.

The Club organized an Inter-city meet on International Service on 22nd December 1985. Children's Day was celebrated at Town Hall. Over 1000 children participated, each child was given a memento.

The medical Centre at Kodichikkanahalli was upgraded to provide better medical facilities to the villager. This Centre was built during the 75th Year of Rotary International.

The Club took up various community service projects, such as Immunization, Eye Camps, Dental Camp, ENT Camp and Blood Donation Camp.

1986 –87

President : **Rtn. K.Shankar**
Secretary: **Rtn. S.S.Mani**

The Club sponsored Rotary Club of Bangalore Central. This was inaugurated on 25th October 1986.

The Club's Meeting Hall was renovated at a cost of Rs.4.5 lakh. The hall has beautiful wooden paneling, good acoustics and excellent décor fit for conferences.

A Jugal Bandi programme was organized at Chowdaiah Memorial Hall on 14th August 1986. Noted artist Sri. Balamurali Krishna and Pandit Bhimsen Joshi participated. This was a part of National Integration Day Celebrations. An income of Rs.53,000/- realized was utilized to rehabilitate 100 disabled children.

Rotary Ambedkar Primary School was

built at a cost of Rs.2.15 lakh at K.G.Byderahalli Village. The school was handed over to Bangalore City Corporation.

R.I.Dist. 125 Donated 14,000 books to be distributed to various educational institutions.

An Ambulance Van was presented to St. Martha's Hospital. The van costing Rs. 1.03 lakh was donated on 22nd June 1987.

Swami Chinmayananda spoke on World Understanding & International brotherhood on 27th February 1987.

'Good Bye Polio' – a Programme to eradicate Polio by 2005 – was taken up all over Bangalore in association with all the Rotary Clubs of Bangalore. 1,60,000 children were immunized against Polio in 14 centres between November 1986 and February 1987.

A Dance programme by Miss Sudha Chandran was organized at Chowdaiah

Memorial Hall. An amount of Rs.63,000/- was donated to Bangalore Medical Services Trust. Rotarians sponsored several disabled children to witness this programme, wherein the artist herself was a disabled person.

The following members of our Club were goodwill ambassadors during the year:

1. Rtn. Dr. Prithvi Raval - Rotary Dental Volunteer to Philippines.
2. Rtn. PDG. P.T.Kasturi - Instructor to Rotary International Assembly
3. Rtn. PDG. M.K.Panduranga Setty - R.I. President's Personal Representative to District Conference of R.I.Dist. 159 and 146.
4. Rtn. Dr. G.V.K.Rao - Leader of the F.A.O. team to Latin America and Asia to assess U.N.Programmes.

1987 – 88

President : **Rtn. Dr. Prithvi Raval**
Secretary : **Rtn. K.Arun Kumar**

The Club built a first floor to the home for the orphans 'Anatha Sisu Nivas' at a cost of Rs.1.25 lakh. The home is managed very well and is at Bull Temple opposite to B.M.S. College of Engineering. The new building was required to house library for the children.

Financial Assistance to an extent of Rs.20,000/- was given to various people & Institutions.

An exquisite display of 405 Club banners, representing 405 Rotary districts were collected. This project which took the Club little over a year to collect, was displayed at the District Conference. A first of its kind project in Rotary history, all these flags are now displayed in our Club premises.

The Club collected a record sum of Rs. 6,31,707/- towards Polio Plus. This was a little over 400% to the previous year's collection.

The Blood Bank project with the T.T.K. Group was officially named Rotary-TTK Blood Bank and its Trust Deeds were approved by the General Body.

3000 children were immunized against Polio in the Whitefield Area. Five camps were held with the help of Rural Development Centre.

The following distinguished people were honoured by making them Paul Harris Fellows :

1. Sri. Sunil Gavaskar
2. Sri. Prakash Padukone
3. Sri. Ravi Shastri
4. Smt. M.S.Subbulakshmi
5. Prof. U.R.Rao
6. Smt. C.N.Mangala
7. Rtn. PPC.S.Seshadri
8. Smt. Rukmini Varadarajan
9. Smt. Lakshmi Nazamuddin

1988 – 89

President : **Rtn. T.K.Sreenivasa Setty**
Secretary : **Rtn. Capt. V.V.K.Mani**

The Club built a 5 room school building at Nagadevanahalli Village next to Bangalore University Campus. The school is built in 1.5 acre land at a cost of Rs. 4 lakh. This was inaugurated on 28th June 1989 by His Excellency the Governor of Karnataka.

Drinking water facility was also provided by putting up a borewell and an overhead tank in the school premises.

A mobile Science Van 'Aunty Ethel' equipped with the latest Science equipment, computers and planetarium was released by His Excellency, the Governor of Karnataka. This van was built at a cost of Rs. 10.5 lakh. This was a matching grant project conceived by Rtn. PDG. M.K.Ramachandra, with District 125 England. Rotary Club of Brighton & Hore Soivee donated 10,000 Pounds and our Club gave an equivalent amount. R.I. granted a

matching sum of 20,000 Pounds . Rtn. Ian Dodi and Rtn. PDG. M.K.Ramachandra were responsible for this project.

A Polio Vaccine buffer center was inaugurated on 7th May 1988. A deep freezer to store vaccines was gifted by R.I.Dist 125. This facility is utilized to store and carry Polio Vaccine safely to distant villages at a short notice.

A roof top to the side corridor of our premises was put up to make fellowship more enjoyable during rainy reasons.

A 3.5 kva diesel generator set was installed to overcome frequent interruption to our weekly meetings, because of power cut down by KEB. This project was supported by members of our Club.

A Consumer Co-operative Society was started by the Rotary Village Corps of K.G.Byadarahalli.

This was a self-financed project of the Society and well managed by them.

Under World Community Service Project, our Club donated books for a Library in Manila. Books worth Rs.16,000/- were presented.

1989 – 90

President : **Rtn. Hari**

Parameswaran

Secretary : **Rtn. H.R.Suresh**

A quick guide to essential services 'HOT LINE'S TO SERVICE' Book let was released on January 18, 1990.

Sri. K.L.Nanjappa was honoured as Citizen Extraordinaire.

Mr. N. Ram of The Hindu, was presented 'Outstanding Journalist of the Year' on 12th March 1990.

Rtn. PDG. M.K.Panduranga Setty was honoured on being elected as

R.I.Director for 1991-93 from Asia Zone II.

A Community Based Interact Club at Sri Aurobindo Bhavan was sponsored on 4th June 1990.

Emergency Oxygen Centres were revived at the following centers : Dynam Engineering Coporation, Ulsoor, United Breweries, The Hindu, Margosa Polyclinic and Krishna Flour Mills.

'Keep the City Clean' - a Garbage clearing project - was taken up at Lavelle road by providing plastic bags to all the residents.

The Club sent 500 T Shirts to the refugees at PRPC Camp Philippines. This was a World Community Service Project.

1990 – 91

President: **Rtn.M.R.Doraiswamy**

Iyengar

Secretary : **Rtn. Vikash Goenka**

The Club donated 10 specially made cots with Aluminium top to Nirmal Hriday – Old Age Home on October 5th 1990.

The Club provided houses under the Housing Board Scheme at the Byadarahalli Slum Area. The Club did liaison work and supervision of the entire project.

Two specially fabricated fibre glass water tanks of 3000 litre capacity were donated to the Jawahar Bal Bhavan to provide drinking water to children.

A sum of Rs.5000/- was donated by the Club to the Family Planning Association of India, Magadi Project, for running Balwadies in the Magadi area.

Blood Donation Camp, Cancer Detection Camp, Polio Immunization Camp, Eye Check up Camp were other service projects undertaken by the Club at various villages.

The Club set up a Blood Bank in co-ordination with Sushrutha Medicare Trust of India at No.151, Adarsh Bhavan, Malleswaram, Bangalore. The Club donated the required equipment to the Blood Bank through the Matching Grant programme with Burlington Club, Iowa, U.S.A.

The Club sponsored Rotary Club of Down Town. The Charter was presented by R.I.Director Rtn. Dr. Sabino Santos on July 28th, 1990.

Donated Rs. 10,000/- to the Rotary Club of Ramanagaram for use of its Dental Sector of Rotary Hospital.

A set each of medical oxygen cylinder and equipment were donated to Rotary Hospital at Ramanagaram and Sushrutha Blood Bank.

Major Projects & Events

The Club started five Rotaract Clubs and one Interact Club and Charters were presented to the following clubs :

Rotaract Club of Sri Aurobindo Bhavan

Rotaract Club of Whitefield

Rotaract Club of Jayamahala

Rotaract Club of Yalahanka Satellite Town

Interact Club of New Horizon School

Corporate Citizen Award was presented to Mr. J.S.Sabharwal, Managing Director, Brooke Bond India Limited. This award on Ethical Trade Practice was initiated during the year. The shield was donated by HMT Limited. This will be an annual feature and Brooke Bond was agreed to sponsor this award.

The work on the construction of the Blood Bank at Indiranagar was started. An amount of US \$100,000 was sanctioned by the Rotary Foundation towards equipment under 3H Programme.

AMCO Shield for the Best Industrial Relations was awarded to KAR Mobiles on May 27th, 1991. Rtn. Dr. Prithvi Raval went to Santaram, Brazil, as a Rotary Volunteer under R.I. 3H Programme.

1991 – 92

President : **Rtn. Capt. V.V.K.Mani**
Secretary : **Rtn. K.N.Prabhashankar**

An Environmental Library, the first of its kind in this region, was started with a view to provide knowledge and create awareness on Ecology & Environment. This is an International Project set up with the assistance of Rotary Club of Komaru, Japan and Rotary Club of Buena Park, U.S.A.

Established new sister club relationship with Rotary Club of Cinnamon Gardens, Sri Lanka.

India Mission, U.S.A., visited our Club and 102 Eye operations were performed. Our Rtn. Dr. S.G.Ramnarayan Rao was part of this team in performing operations.

The Golden Jubilee Project of the Club – Rotary TTK Blood Bank - was inaugurated on 21st December 1991 at New Thippasandra by R.I.President Rtn. Raja Saboo and Ann. Usha Saboo. Mrs. Lata and Mr. Jagannathan of TTK Group were specially thanked by R.I.President for their co-operation in undertaking this project – an example of exemplary dedication for a humanitarian cause.

'A Celebrities Evening' was organized to raise funds for the Rotary TTK Blood Bank. An amount of Rs.1 lakh collected was donated to the Blood Bank.

Corporate Citizen Award was presented to MICO. A corpus funds

amounting to Rs.50,000/- was collected for this award.

Citizen Extraordinaire Award was presented to the Grand Old Man Mr. M.A.Srinivasan. He was the minister in the erstwhile Old Mysore State and Dewan of then Gwalior State between 1943 and 1948.

At K.G.Byadarahalli, several projects such as Housing, Adult Literacy, school uniforms for children were completed.

Three Polio Plus campaigns were conducted. Over 700 children were immunized.

A Garbage Clearance Campaign at Koramangala was launched in co-operation with the local residents.

Major Projects & Events

Smt. Sakuntala Narasimhan, Asst. Editor, Femina, was presented Late Shri K.S.Aiyar Memorial Award for the Best Journalist of the Year. This award has been instituted by Rtn. S.Ramanathan in memory of his late father Mr. K.S.Aiyar, which carries a cash award of Rs.3,000/-.

The AMCO Rolling Shield instituted for Best Industrial Relations was awarded to ASEA BROWN BOVERI LTD.

1992 – 93

President : **Rtn. H.R.Suresh**
Secretary : **Rtn. K.Bettaiah**

Rotary-TTK Blood Bank - the best equipped Bank in this part of the country – was dedicated to the City of Bangalore. The keys of the Blood Bank were formally handed over to the Worshipful Mayor of Bangalore,

Shri. Lakkanna. Deputy Chief Minister S.M.Krishna presided over the meeting. The Blood Bank had the unique distinction of having three R.I.Presidents visiting this excellent facility.

The Corporate Citizen Award was presented to India Tobacco Company, for its concern for Customers, Society, Environment and Employees.

Diamond Jubilee Celebrations Committee was formed during the year to consider a project of suitable social service for being inaugurated during the Diamond Jubilee Year.

The Best Journalist Award was presented to Smt. Bhargavi Nagaraja, a Freelance journalist, for her articles on Social themes relevant to the social problems of today.

Prof. Dr. C.N.R.Rao, Director, Indian Institute of Science, was honoured 'Citizen Extraordinaire for his outstanding contribution to society in the field of Science and Technology, particularly in the area of

superconductivity.

A medical clinic at Gundur Village was inaugurated by R.I. Director Rtn. Ramesh Pai. This was a project in association with Inner Wheel Club & Rural Trust of Admar Mutt.

Rs. 50,000/- was donated to Nagadevanahalli School. This amount was sanctioned for repairs to the school building, fencing, furnishing and tree planting.

Several Community Service Projects were completed at K.G.Byadarahalli and Nagondanahalli.

Rtn. Ben Bazeley from U.K. visited our Club. The Books sent from U.K. to the Centre of Environment Education, Infantry Road, was received.

Two additional room were added to Rotary Ambedkar School at K.G.Byadarahalli.

1993 – 94

President : **Rtn.K.N.Prabhashankar**
Secretary : **Rtn. M.K.Ananth**

Rotary Muthappa Attavar Memorial Hospital at Channasandra Village near Utarahalli was inaugurated by Honourable Minister for Higher Education Sri. S.M.Yahya on 19th June 1994. The cost of the Project is Rs.15 lakh.

Prof. U.R.Rao, former Chairman of ISRO, was honoured with the title ' Citizen Extraordinary' on Monday, 16th May 1994.

'Corporate Citizen Award' was presented to Widia (India) Ltd. for their wide-ranging community works taken up such as Family Planning, School Project, Improving conditions of existing school, Green land shopping, etc.

The school building at K.G.Byadarahalli was extended to accommodate 5th to 7th Standard classes, by adding one more floor at a cost of Rs.2.5 lakh.

200 school benches at a cost of Rs.1 lakh was donated to needy schools.

Rotarians from Rotary Club of Cinnamon Gardens, Sri Lanka, visited our Club for 5 days from 23rd February 1994 to 1st March 1994. The group consisting 12 Rotarians, 6 Anns and 2 Annets were provided Home Hospitality and were taken to important places of Historical interest & leisure. This was a programme under Family Exchange Programme.

Rotary Mobile Dental Van was launched by R.I.Director Rtn. Ramesh Pai on 26th July 1993. This clinic on wheels was handed over to Bangalore Dental Services Trust.

The Club collected a sum of Rs.62,000/- and sent to District 3130, Sholapur, to be spent to give relief to the victims of Latur Earthquake in Maharashtra.

Rtn. Dr. Prithvi Raval was honoured by our Club, for receiving the 'Rotary Service Above Self Award' from the Board of Directors of Rotary International in recognition of his devotion and exemplary efforts rendered as a 'R.I. Volunteer Dentist'.

1994 – 95

President : **Rtn. A.N.Balasundaram**
Secretary : **Rtn. S.S.Ramdas**

Equipped a Rural Hospital at Sonahalli with medical equipment worth Rs.1 lakh. It serves about 5000 people in several villages around Hospital.

The Club donated Rs.25,000/- to Karnataka State Welfare Association Trust, Rs.20,000/- to Inner Wheel Club towards construction of a school and sweaters worth Rs.12,500/- was presented to mentally retarded children.

Past R.I. President Rtn. Hugh Archer visited Rotary –TTK Blood Bank in December 1994. The Club submitted a matching grant application for purchase of cell separator costing approximately Rs.2,50,000/-.

The Club donated Rs.25,000/- towards Jaipur Foot Project. Rtn. Sita Bhateja gave this donation.

Twelve Rotarians and their spouses visited Ceylon, as an International Good Will Exchange Programme. Club hosted a GSE team from Mexico and 16 Rotarians from Rotary Club Petlingaya our sister club.

Diamond Jubilee of our club was celebrated in June 1995. Shri Ramakrishna Hegde former Chief Minister of Karnataka, chief guest, released the Commemorative Volume.

Bharat Electronics Ltd was awarded Corporate Citizen Award. Club won 13 shields & 5 certificates at the District Conference.

1995 – 96

President : **Rtn. R.Sundaram**
Secretary : **Rtn. A.V.Rajaram**

The Inaugural function was a grand affair, Shri. Cho S.Ramaswamy, Theatre Director, Journalist & Playwright was the chief guest. The Inaugural Issue was released by former Chief Minister of Karnataka Shri. Ramakrishna Hegde and Sri Anant Nag, cinestar released the Club Roster.

The outstanding project of the year was 'Shankara Rotary Library', at a cost of Rs. 15 lakh, a modern High Tech Library. A three storied building, with an area of 3000 sq. ft. A Matching Grant application was made to equip the library with Rs. 10 lakh worth of equipment.

Major Projects & Events

A Literacy School for the caddy boys of Karnataka Golf Association was opened by the Club. The school teaches elementary education to poor boys in the age group of 8 to 12 years.

'WHAT NEXT' an Important publication most useful to youth was brought out.

Renowned Carnatic musician Sri. R.K.Srikantan was honoured by awarding him 'Citizen Extraordinaire'.

Canara Bank was awarded 'Corporate Citizen Award'. Sri J.V.Shetty, Chairman & Managing Director received the award.

Under Matching Grant Project, Rotary-TTK Blood Bank, the latest model of cell separator was inaugurated.

Other projects that were successfully completed were, Manali Dental Clinic, donation of children's story books to APH School. Rotary Club of

Shrewbury, U.K., was our partner, Donation of Brail books, Audio cassettes, Brail Typewriter to 'ABILITIES' a teaching institution for the Blind.

During the year many interesting programmes were held. Notable speakers who spoke were Dr. Rtn. Verma, Smt. Vani Ganapathy, Swami Sukhbudanand, Sri. Matur Krishnamurthy & Sri. Swami Dayananda Saraswati.

Rtn. PP. Capt. V.V.K.Mani was elected as District Governor Nominee & Rtn. M.K. Panduranga Setty was honoured with 'Golden Century Citation' by Rotary International.

1996 – 97

President : **Rtn. K.Bettaiah**
Secretary : **Rtn. A Karunakara Shetty**

The major project of the year was the construction of Rotary Seva Bharti Vidyalaya at Nagadevanahalli. The first phase of this project was completed at a cost of Rs.12 lakh. The

built in area is 2220 sq. ft.

Rotary International President Nominee. Rtn. James Lacy unveiled the foundation stone for 'Paul Harris Memorial Centre' at Rotary Seva Bharati School, Nagadevanahalli.

To meet part of the teacher's salaries at the school, a Corpus Fund of Rs.1.5 lakh was created. The interest accrued would go towards salaries.

During Independence Day, a stall was set up at Lalbagh. This was to create awareness & educate people on AIDS, Drug Abuse, Polio, Family Planning etc.

Medical Camp and Polio Plus Camps were conducted.

Under Matching Grant Programme, our Club received grants worth US

\$23,522/- This amount is for medical equipment for ORGAN TRANSPLANT for Rotary Bangalore-TTK Blood Bank.

A 'Conference for New Generations' for Self Development, Human Values & the 21st Century was conducted. Over 180 participants were involved in the discussions.

Padma Vibhushan Sri. Satish Dhawan, former Secretary, Govt. of India & Former Director, Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore was honoured 'Citizen Extraordinaire'.

Infosys Technologies Ltd was awarded 'Corporate Citizen Award'.

Club hosted Rotarians from Rotary Club of Cinnamon Gardens, Colombo, our sister club.

At the District Conference, the Club was given awards for excellent work done in fellowship, Club Bulletin, Community Service & Support at the District Conference.

1997 –98

President : **Rtn. S.S.Ramdas**
Secretary : **Rtn. Dr. Pradeep M. Rao**

The inaugural function was very special. Rtn. Capt. V.V.K.Mani was installed as District Governor. Governor Mani installed Rtn. S.S.Ramdas as President.

The major project of the year was adding an additional 2200 sq. ft. of build up area to Nagadevanahalli School Project. This second phase was inaugurated by Justice Sethi, Honourable Chief Justice of Karnataka.

Club donated Rs.36,000/- to Bangalore Medical Service Trust.

Most memorable event of the year was the Tour of Cricket Playing Rotarians & their Spouses to New Zealand. Anns served as cultural ambassadors. Rtn. Gopal Ramaswamy was the Captain.

A Rotaract Club of Bangalore was

formed by a group of 20 young men & women at Association of the Physically Handicapped.

Dr. A.Ravindra, Commissioner, Bangalore Mahanagara Palike was awarded 'Citizen Extraordinaire'.

'Corporate Citizen Award' was presented to 'ASEA BROWN BOVERILTD'.

'Pride of Workmanship Award' was presented to 3 auto drivers and two teachers of mentally challenged children.

Eminent people such as Shri. Mator Krishnamurthy, Sri Nittoor Srinivasa Rao, Shri. Prakash Padukone, Shri. N.R.Narayana Murthy of Infosys, Shri. Suresh Heblikar, Shri. A.P.Venkateswaran etc. addressed our Club on various topics.

A record number of 20 awards in all

were presented to our Club at the District Conference. In addition the Club was adjudged the 'BEST CLUB' in the District.

1998 – 99

President : **Rtn. Dr. S.G.Ramnarayana Rao**

Secretary : **Rtn. Dr. K.G.Ghorpade**

His Excellency Shri. Khurshid Alam Khan, Governor of Karnataka State was the Chief guest at the Installation function. District Governor Madhura Chatrapathy installed Dr. S.G.Ramnarayana Rao as President & his team of office bearers.

Major project of the year was the inauguration of 'Mobile Laser Eye Unit'. This is a Matching Grant Project in partnership with Rotary District 3310, Singapore and Rotary District 9750, Sydney, Australia. The cost of this Diode Laser Unit is Rs. 13 lakh. Various Rotary Clubs in our District are making use of this Mobile Unit.

A website of our Club on the internet was inaugurated. The design is very informative and attractive.

'VISTAS', an inter school literary festival for children of class 4, 5, 6 & 7 was successfully conducted. A two day event with debates & elocution in Hindi, Kannada & English and creative writing in English & Quiz.

Padma Bhushan Prof. G.Padmanabhan, Former Director of Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore was awarded 'Citizen Extraordinaire'.

WIPRO Limited, Technology Solutions was awarded 'Corporate Citizen Award' an award in recognition of for outstanding contribution to Community Service.

A Medical Check-Up Camp, Blood Donation Camp, Hepatitis 'B' Vaccination Camp. Epilepsy Clinic Cataract Operations were conducted during the year.

'Pride of Workmanship Award' was presented to 3 women.

New sister Club relations with Rotary Club of Detroit, Michigan, USA & Rotary Club of Tel Aviv, was completed.

Club hosted District Assembly 1999-2000.

1999 – 2000

President : **Rtn. M.K.Ananth**

Secretary : **Rtn. K.V.Pradeep**

Dr. K.Kasturi Rangan, Chairman, ISRO was the Chief Guest at the Installation Ceremony. District Governor Narasimhan Ramji installed Rtn. M.K.Ananth as President & the new office bearers. A maternity center was set up at Muthappa Attavar Hospital. This was a Matching Grant Project in partnership with Rotary Club of Hollywood , Western Australia. RI

President Elect J.Devlyn inaugurated this project.

A fund of Rs.1 lakh was collected by IFCR. The interest of this amount will be awarded once a year to a suitable physically impaired person towards equipment & travel for sports events.

Pride of Workmanship Award was presented to three teachers.

An exhibition of the young investors works was held. Rs. 2 lakh was contributed to conduct this exhibition. 19 schools participated. Major donors to this project was Intel Corporation. Rtn. Arjun Menda & Rtn. Hayagriv.

Sri. G.R.Vishwanath, well known cricketer and former Chairman of National Selection Committee was honoured and awarded 'Citizen Extraordinaire'.

A 'Day Care Centre' for Senior Citizens 'Rotary Ashvasan' was inaugurated by Sri. S.M.Krishna, Honourable Chief Minister of Karnataka. The Centre serves as a short stay home, where care givers can leave their elders to be cared for, when they have to go out of station.

2000 – 01

President : **Rtn. Amarnath Kamath**
Secretary : **Rtn. Sanjay Malik**

The Inaugural function was a colourful one. Mr. K.N.Shenoy, Chairman of ABB Ltd was the Chief Guest. Rtn. Dr. Prithvi Raval was installed as District Governor by outgoing District Governor Narasimhan Ramji., DG. Dr. Prithvi Raval in turn installed Rtn. Amarnath Kamath as President and other members of the Board.

The Club initiated a number of Community Service projects due to a large magnanimous donation of Rs. 60 Lakh in the first phase. The projects that were taken up & completed were donating 12 Dialysis Machines. The

hospitals were Baptist Hospital-4 machines, Mahaveer Jain Hospital-4 machines and Sindhi Hospital-4 machines.

During literacy month, 75 Scholarships were distributed to deserving students.

Bhagawan Mahaveer Jain Rotary Eye Bank was set up at Mahaveer Jain Netralaya at a cost of Rs. 15 lakh. A Rotary Exploratorium was inaugurated at Rotary Shankara Library.

Interact Club at RBNMS School was started.

Mrs. Deena Sufia Ahamed made another donation of Rs. 50 lakh, which was utilized to subsidise 250 patients for patients needing surgeries at Narayana Hrudayalaya.

Club collected Rs.7,95,253/-to supply emergency relief supplies for Gujarat Earthquake Relief.

Major Projects & Events

In association with Association for Voluntary Action & Services & Karnataka Kolageri Nivasigala Sanghatane, completed construction of 35 houses under shelter project.

Ms Kiran Mazumdar, founder of BIOCON INDIA was awarded 'Citizen Extraordinaire' Award.

The Himalaya Drug Company was awarded Rotary 'Corporate Citizen Award'.

2001 –02

President : **Rtn. Dr. Pradeep M. Rao**

Secretary : **Rtn. Y.V.S.Vinod**

Rtn. Dr. Pradeep Rao was installed as President & other office bearers at a glittering ceremony. Prof. M.G.K.Menon, Chairman, Raman Research Institute was the Chief Guest.

The premier project of the Club 'National Wheel Chair Games 2002' was successfully held at Kanteerava Stadium.

Osteoporosis Check-Up Camp was conducted at Rotary House of

Friendship.

'VISTAS' Inter School two day Literary Competition was successfully held. 25 Schools participated in this event.

Wonderful Fellowship Programme were conducted during the year. One of them was 'LUCKNAVI NAVABS' Mehafil for the Hasya Shayasi & Qawali Night.

Eleven Rotarians & their Anns visited & participated in the District Conference at Malaysia. Rotary Club of Petlingjaya our sister Club hosted them.

Medical Camps, Pride of Workmanship Award, Corporate Golf Tournament, Intercity Rotary District Carnival, ROTARY – APD Computer learning Centre were other projects completed.

Our Rtn. K.N.Prabhashankar was elected District Governor Nominee 2003-04.

Sri. Anil Kumble, Test Cricketer was awarded 'Citizen Extraordinaire'.

'ASTRA ZENECA Pharma India Ltd was awarded ' Rotary Corporate Citizen Award'.

A Matching Grant Project with ROTARY ANKARE, TURKEY, "STATE of the ART EYE BANK' was inaugurated 'MAHAVEER JAIN EYE BANK'. The cost of the project was Rs.20 lakh.

The Club won 5 awards at the District Conference.

2002 – 03

President : **Rtn. G.Manohar Row**

Secretary : **Rtn.**

G.V.Radhakrishnan

Mr. Nandan Nilekani , C.E.O., Infosys was the Chief guest at the installation ceremony.

The highlight of the year was planning for one project a week & successfully completing it on time.

Some of the important projects were:

'ROTARY VISTAS' Inter School Literary Competition was held, Donation for a telephone equipment for an STD booth, 58 pairs of shoes to students of Corporation Girls School, Mahwar Pet, "Older's Day", Carpentry Training, Osteo Arthritis Camp.

Inauguration of 35 houses built for a slum behind NGEF under shelter project.

Rotary Golf Tournament. Feeding programme at Vasanthnagar Slum for 30 Senior Citizens & presenting them stainless steel plates & tumblers. Bowling Tournament.

Inauguration of Dialysis Centre at Mahaveer Jain Hospital.

Rtn. K.C.Desai & family donated Rs.20 lakh to Bangalore Hospice Trust through our club.

Shri. Suresh Heblkar was awarded 'Citizen Extraordinaire'. TITAN INDUSTRIES & LOTUS ENERGY SYSTEMS were awarded 'Rotary Corporate Citizen Award'.

2003 –04

President :**Rtn. Dr. Elizabeth Zachariah**

Secretary : **Rtn.C.K.Sreenathan**

Shri. Ravi Uppal, Vice Chariman & M.D., ABB Ltd. was the Chief Guest at the inaugural function. At this special function Rtn. K.N.Prabhashankar was installed as District Governor & he in turn installed Rtn. Dr. E.Zachariah as President.

The year focused on Women & Children. President Elizabeth Zachariah being the first woman president of the Club.

'VISTAS – 2003' a literary festival for Junior & Middle Schools, an Annual Event of the Club was held in July. 400 bright & young students participated.

Major projects of this year

- a) School Building for Sahasra Deepika International for Education
- b) Infrastructure facilities at Rotary Muthappa Attavar Memorial Hospital
- c) Mobile Lunch Van for Akshaya Patra Foundation. This van will carry midday meals to schools.
- d) In association with Essae Foundation, providing 250 children Midday meals at Rotary Seva Bharati Vidyalaya, Nagadevanahalli.
- e) A ventilator for Neo Natal Care Unit at Bhagavan Mahaveer Jain Hospital - at a cost of US \$8750. This is a Matching Grant Project – Partner, Rotary Club of Cinnamon Gardens, Coloumbo, Sri Lanka.

Medical Camps were conducted. Also completed several projects in all avenues of service. G.E. Technologies were presented Corporate Citizen Award.

The Club sponsored a New Club 'Rotary Kalyan' representing North Eastern Region of City of Bangalore.

At the District Conference, the Club received Governor's Citation in all avenues of Service and Outstanding Performance Award for all round activity. The Club scored a total matrix of 2180 points and was judged joint winners of Best Club Award with Rotary Club of Indiranagar.

Major Projects & Events

2004 – 05

President : **Rtn. K.V.Pradeep**
Secretary : **Rtn. V.S.Ranga Rao**

This is Centennial Year of Rotary International.

Poojya Swamiji Shri Dayananda Saraswati was Chief Guest at the installation ceremony. District Governor S.R.Yogananda installed Rtn. K.V.Pradeep as President and other office bearers.

Centennial Project of the Club – To build ground & two floors with provision of TEN Class Rooms and all amenities required for a high school such as Laboratory, Library, Staff Rooms with open spacious corridors & court yard for interaction. Bhoomipuja was done in August 2004. Rs.55 lakh were collected towards this project.

Ms. Alice Jennings left behind in her will a sum of Rs.32 lakh to be used for education & other activities. Her

family from Australia were present at our club meeting to participate in handing over this donation.

A Matching Grand Project worth US \$25,000/- (largest grant) was received to provide a Custom Built Van to Akshyapatra Foundation to carry 4500-5000 balanced piping hot vegetarian meals to nearly 15 Schools every day. Rotary Districts 6330 and 3190 and Rotary Club of FLINT, USA are partners.

To help people affected by Tsunami, Club Rotarians contributed Rs.7.61 lakh. A truck load of medicines & utilities were sent to Nagapatinam.

A Van was donated to Sahasra Deepika International for Education.

VISTAS', a literary competition for School Boys & Girls, Corporate Golf Tournament & Other Projects in all avenues of Services were completed.

Dr. Latha Jagannathan, Managing Trustee, BMST, and, Medical Director, Rotary-TTK Blood Bank was awarded 'Citizen Extraordinaire' Award.

Sr. L.C.JAIN, Renowned Magasaysay Awardee, and, former ambassador to South Africa was honoured with 'INTERNATIONAL PEACE AWARD'.

Corporate Citizen Award - Biocon Limited and Timken Eng. was given to Research India Ltd.

2005 – 06

President : **Rtn.**
G.V.Radhakrishnan
Secretary : **Rtn. N.S.Srinivasa**
Murthy

Justice Venkatachalaiah was the Chief guest at the colourful installation ceremony. Rtn. S.S.Ramdas was installed as District Governor & he in turn installed Rtn. G.V.Radhakrishnan as President & other bearers of the Club.

The Women's Empowerment and Stroke Rehabilitation Committee was started with the assistance from Lakeside Hospital. Training of girls from Goripalya Slum for Nurses training, particularly for home care of Senior Citizens and Invalids. Creche and crafts training are also being given to ladies of this slum.

'VISTAS ' an Inter School Literary festival in its 14th year was successfully completed. 500 students from 20 ICSE Schools participated.

Major Projects & Events

A custom built VAN Project initiated last year was handed over to Akshya Patra Foundation. This Van, built at a cost of Rs.11.50 lakh, will carry 4500-5000 meals to schools every day.

Another major project initiated this year was 'Education Fund'. A beginning was made in setting up this project for schooling of needy children for 8 years by collecting Rs.25 lakh - The interest accrued will be spent on scholarship.

Another major project was putting up a Testing Centre at Rotary-TTK Blood Bank. A Centre for Youth was set up on the second floor of the Blood Bank at a cost of Rs. 24 lakh. The purpose of this center is to create awareness and counseling of adolescent youth on HIV & AIDS.

The Centenary Project - School Building at Rotary Seva Bharati School was completed.

The other projects that were completed are educating 100 orphans in the next Five years, Aids Walkathon, Rotary Corporate Golf Tournament, Ramanarayan Chellaram Quiz, Medical Camps, Blood Donation Camps.

A Matching Grant Project - To provide a Stroke Rehabilitation Centre at St. Martha's Hospital at a cost of Rs. 16.86 lakh. This project is partnered by Rotary Club of Fonddocac & District 6270.

Developed infrastructure facilities for three Schools in Rural Areas at a cost of US \$17,000.

Donated Relief Supplies to Earthquake Victims in Pakistan through Rotary Club of Karachi, our sister Club.

Cleft Palate Correction - Matching Grant Project at a cost of US \$11,000 at St. John's Medical College Hospital. The partner is Rotary Club of Gauting, Germany.

At the District Conference, Six awards were given to the Club.

2006 – 07

President : **Rtn. Dr. K.G.Ghorpade**
Secretary : **Rtn. Dr. K.S.Ganapathy**

The Inaugural function - Shri. Sreenivasan Jain, Managing Director of ND TV was the Chief guest. District Governor Srikant Chatrapathy installed Rtn. Dr. K.G.Ghorpade as President & other office bearers of the club.

The year focused on Education, Health Care, Community Service, Vocational Service, to mentally challenged and water management.

As Bannerghatta Govt. Higher Primary School needed a new building for its class rooms, six class rooms were constructed in place of the old ones at a cost of Rs.25 lakh. Voluntary organization in USA were partners in this projects.

'VISTAS' Inter School Literary Competition amongst School Children was completed.

Right to Information Act, a seminar, was successfully held in association with Bangalore BIAS.

Rotary Scope National Wheel Chair Games was held in February 07.

At Padarayanapura, Govt. Urdu Primary School was provided with concrete sump tank of 8000 litres capacity. It was built at a cost of Rs.50,000/-.

A donation of Rs.42,000/- was given to Vijayanagara Disabled Welfare Association towards cost of acquiring physiotherapy equipment.

Major Projects & Events

At Rotary Seva Bharati Vidyalaya, Nagadevnahalli, Essae Foundation set up a full pledged computer laboratory at a cost of Rs. 4.4 lakh. The laboratory is equipped with eleven net-worked stations.

The other projects that were completed were providing desks, computers, furniture etc. to different Schools in Rural areas, Medical Camps, Blood Donation Camps, Cataract Surgery, Pulse Polio & Limb-a-day project.

Rotary year 2007-08

President : **Rtn. Lal H. Bhatia**

Secretary: **Rtn. S. Vijayarajan**

After many years, started the tradition of installation night started at Rotary House of Friendship thereby dramatically improving on the participation by members and their spouses and also in the process cutting costs significantly for the club.

Platinum Jubilee Celebration Committee was constituted under the chairmanship of PRID Rtn. Panduranga Setty and Platinum Jubilee Fund Raising Committee with PDG Rtn. K. N. Prabhashankar.

Board resolved and the same approved by the general body that each member contributes Rs. 15000 towards Platinum Jubilee Project which was to construct 2nd floor with 8 additional class rooms and an amphitheatre on the terrace at Nagadevnahalli School owned by Rotary Club of Bangalore Charitable Trust.

The project foundation stone was laid by then RI President Elect Rtn. Lee. The project was expected to be completed by September, 2009.

The first ever RCC was established by us at Hoskote and Rotary Club of Hoskote was invited to partner in supervising various projects carried out by RCC, Hoskote. Health camps, Adolescent Education Camp and Veterinary camps were conducted in various places

An effective Farmers' Education Camp was conducted along with local Taluk level officers for farmers in teaching them drip irrigation for efficient and effective use of water as also other agro inputs like fertilizers.

Partnered with rural Rotary Club of Maddur in providing school benches

under DDF matching grant and conducted medical camp as also adolescent education program for girl students.

With German and Australian aid, built 'Rotary-Roadsign Primary School' at Gangapura.

Established in all 9 Interact Clubs, 3 Kinderact Clubs and 5 Rotaract Clubs during the year.

For the first time in cooperation with 'Janagraha' , started 'Bal-Janagraha' in schools with an idea to create involved citizen of future.

Sponsored 4 district radio programs on FM Station to communicate to the society in general about the major initiatives of Rotary Club of Bangalore in past 73 years. Also, assisted the district in sponsoring 100 FM radios to be distributed to visually challenged people through Indian Blinds Association.

Motivated 4 Rotarians to become Major Donors to the Foundation and in the process gave 44 full PHFs (highest ever) during the year.

Hosted 3 medical students for 4 weeks from Australia as suggested by our sister Rotary Club in Melbourne to give them exposure in tropical diseases and our health care system.

Initiated the establishment of new Rotary Club in the gated community of Diamond District which then received RI Charter during 2008-09.

2008 -09

President : **Rtn. K.Vjayakumar**
Secretary : **Rtn. Purnimaa Ranganath**

Charter presented to the 22nd daughter Club, Rotary Bangalore Diamond District on 24-11-2008

Platinum Jubilee Celebrations started on the morning of October 20, 2008 with Press Conference and Release of first day cover by Chief Post Master General

In the evening - re - enactment of the 'Charter Nite 1934'

The Kite Flying Program for the physically challenged children was held on 4-1-2009 at the Manekshaw Parade Ground. To see these children from APD frolic in joy with their kites soaring high was an outstanding success.

A new wing for the Sakalvara Government School was inaugurated on 1st March 2009. This is a joint venture of Rotary Club of Bangalore and ICICI Lombard GIC Ltd. In a super example of NGO – Corporate partnership, this joint project of about Rs. 17 lakh has been completed to benefit the poorest section of society and in line with the year's RI Theme of helping children, the beneficiaries are under privileged school going children.

Our Club helped SPANDANA, a centre working for treating mental illnesses, by providing a mobile van, which can be used to shift patients to the care centre. This is a matching grant project.

The Youth Activities Committee was very active this year. They installed and encouraged active participation in 5 Rotaract Clubs, 4 Interact Clubs and 1 Kinderact Club. Most significant was the 8 RYLA Camps during the year.

2009 – 10

President : **Rtn. C. K. Sreenathan**
Secretary : **Rtn. Ram Kumarr Seshu**

As part of the Platinum Jubilee Project the club has completed construction of the additional ten class rooms and one multi-purpose utility hall at the Rotary Seva Bharathi Vidyalaya, Nagadevanahalli, at a cost of Rs.100 lakh. The project was dedicated to the school children at a colourful function, by RI President Elect Ray Klinginsmith, along with RI Director K.R.Ravindran and Trustee, TRF William B.Boyd on September 21, 2009.

Major Projects & Events

The Platinum Jubilee Commemorative Volume, "THE PLATINUM CLUB" has been released on September 21, 2009.

To improve the learning abilities of children studying in the Primary Section of the school IBM provided ten kid-smart computers, costing Rs.15 lakh on September 21, 2009.

A special program to empower students studying in Government Schools by conducting RYLA programs is under way. This year the club proposes to conduct a total of 100 RYLA camps.

During the year the club is in the process of building two more schools

in Hoskote called the Road Sign Schools costing Rs. 22 lakh donated by two German corporates.

Plans are on to build a full-fledged Vocational Training Centre for the under privileged during the year.