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From the Editor's Desk

Dear friends,

A rocking installation and family fellowship, a small literacy project and a health camp - all in all a great start to the new century of Rotary in the first month. Look out for more projects and fellowship action this year.

RCHE warmly welcomes Andrea Tompkins, the Youth Exchange student from District 7120 (New York, US).

Thank you - members, anns and annets - for your contribution of articles; please keep them coming.

Mamta Sagar, Editor - The Rising Sun

Events

Installation

District Governor D Goutham installed President Raj Kumar Lohiya and the new board on July 8th.

The Board:

- President : Rajkumar Lohiya
- Secretary : Madhu Babu
- Imm Past President : Binod Sitani
- Vice Presidents : Rahul Agarwal, Surendernath
- Joint Secretary : Sanjay Khendry
- Treasurer : Parsva Kumar Jhabakh
- Sergeant-at-arms : Umesh Asawa
- President Elect : Mohan Reddy
- Club Advisors : JAS Giri, Jawahar V
- Directors:
- Club Service : Sreenivasa Reddy
- Vocational Service : Guru Charan Singh
- Community Service : CJJR Raju
- International Service: Mazhar Pasha
- Membership Extn : Bishwanath Das
- Youth Service : Bhaskar Reddy
- Coordination : Amarnath Prasad
- Club Events : Rohit Kedia

Installation Photo Here

Book Distribution

Books were distributed to students from classes 7-10, as part of the literacy month, at the Govt. High School Jamai-Osmania.



Health Camp

RCHE participated in a 4-day health camp, organised at the AP Union of Working Journalists.



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as their families. The camp was inaugurated by Sri Suresh Reddy, Speaker Andhra Pradesh Assembly.

A diverse range of specialists provided free medical consultation to journalists from print and electronic media as well

need it. I have stayed with Rotary because it has brought hope for better things to many such persons.

View Point

The person who gave us the Hindu law, Sage Manu, has stated; women, drums, scheduled castes and beasts of burden are meant to be beaten. Women have been equated with drums, which are meant for being beaten. One feels sad that our nation with a pantheon of goddesses should meet such a raw deal to its women folk. Women maybe physically weak but are biologically strong and they deserve a better deal.

Why I am a Rotarian?

(By MAT Caparas, Classification - Labour law practice; President, Rotary International, 1986-67; Member of the Rotary Club of Manila, Philippines. Theme: "Rotary Brings Hope" - Courtesy "Rotary Wisdom-Reflections on Service")

My father's Rotary experience greatly influenced my decision to become a Rotarian. He was a past president of his club. Many of his close friends were his fellow Rotarians with whom he often spent happy times. He was much involved and delighted in the community projects of his club. He was proud of his Rotary membership; I knew it would please him to see me become a Rotarian.

Women constitute 50% of the population and they have their own role to play in society. There is need to bring about an attitudinal change. The reservation bill has met with stiff opposition in parliament and the chances of bringing the law into force is receding day by day. The day there is complete equality of sexes the country can progress rapidly. We are witnessing the scenario where very large number of women have entered the academic field and are doing much better than their male counterparts. The girls are showing that they are in no way inferior to the boys and in several cases far better than them intellectually and professionally. This sudden resurgence has not been well received by the opposite sex who feels the supremacy of the male bastion being threatened.

That happy Rotary experience became mine in my own club. Indeed, my wife Nita and I marvel at how much Rotary enriched our lives. Friends whom we did not know - good people whose friendships we came to treasure - came into our lives through Rotary. As we progressed to the district and international levels, our roster of dear friends who touched our lives in beautiful ways grew richer and richer. But what Nita and I most appreciate about my Rotary membership is right there in my Rotary club: the opportunity to serve with persons other than our close friends, beyond our circle of acquaintance, with people outside our church.

There is also a need among women to bring about a change in their way of thinking. The quality of tolerance is good but tolerance beyond a limit is to be deprecated. Women should raise their voice against injustice; resist sexual harassment and a general bias against them. We may have produced a Rani of Jhansi or an Indira Gandhi, but such stray personalities do not give a true picture of Indian women.

That opportunity was dramatically brought home to me by the first immunization drive against polio under 3-H, the forerunner of PolioPlus. President Jim Bomar, who was RI president at the time, started it with the first two drops of oral polio vaccine he administered to a child in my country. I had the pleasure of doing the same to a second child. That experience made me realize the tremendous good that persons of goodwill can do through Rotary.

It is time to bring about a change. Women should give the lead in this campaign and men should protect the interest of the sex to which their mothers, sister and daughter belong. Changes should occur. One cannot sell social values for changes, which cause one to relegate his creator to the background. Social values have been corroded and if this corrosiveness is not checked then the dividing line between man and beast may vanish.

Nita and I have since seen many other fine things that Rotary does to ease the human condition for many people. As one coming from the Third World, I know that the multiplication of Rotary's size and effort would bring that kind of relief to so many more people who

Women do deserve something far better than what they are getting. Ideally, women should be empowered so that they do not need any reservation. It is difficult to imagine that women will be properly empowered in the foreseeable future. Women should fight for an effective voice. "They should decide for themselves whether they want to be the sword, or the hand that wields the sword."

Ann Medha

The RCHE Family

Sriram, Our YE at the Chicago Conference

The exchange program itself is like a huge opportunity to a new experience. This happens to be my most memorable event because of small reasons such as being a very recent one and also that I remember quite well. My 2nd host family, the Neidrich's, and 2 other couples drove down together to Chicago. Boy! It was a long 10 hour drive. As soon as we reached we registered and attended the Rotary Centennial Parade.



I wore my blazer for the conference and was asked by a lot of people "Can we take a picture of you?", because I had some very unique car licence plate (gifted by a Rotarian) on my jacket which caught the eye of people around me. Then we got to do a lot of sightseeing that day. The next day we attended the Rotary plenary and did some

more sightseeing later. Well I was glad that I got to taste Chicago's well-known stuffed pizza, which was really filling. On the whole I consider myself to be lucky to be one of the exchange students during the Centennial Celebrations. A special thanks to my host parents who had seen to it that I could attend the conference despite their busy schedule.

Annet Sriram (Rtn Nagesh & Ann Sandhya)

Annet's Corner

Holidaying in US

The real excitement started as the sun began to give way for the moon. It was in the second week of April. Dad was late home as usual. He announced that our summer vacation will be a month long trip in US and we would be leaving in a fortnight's time. Dad had some work there and we would be joining him for a vacation. I was really surprised at my father's decision. Just the thought of it brought smiles on my face. The next few days went extremely slow. At last, the day came. It was the 6th of June this year. We were to leave in the evening. We arrived at the airport by around 9pm.

We reached New York via Dubai where we booked a hotel in downtown near the famous Time Square. It

was a 14-hour journey. A shift from the hot Hyderabad summer to the cool chilly air was truly refreshing. Our New York tour began. We went through the Circle Lines boat ride, which takes us around New York for a four-hour trip with a guide introducing us to the New York's history and architecture. Our guide was David, a nice funny guy. He made us laugh with his humorous quotes. We went to an Art Museum, and for first time I boarded a Concorde, which was on display at Intrepid (a Naval Submarine docked for show). It was wonderful to be on board of fastest airliner in the world.

We also went to the world famous theatre district and saw the latest Theatre flick, which is popularly called "Hairspray". It was a very unique experience and we really enjoyed the live presentation, an experience of life time in a world famous Theatre.

From NY we went to Washington DC where we were visited the White house and witnessed The House of Senators and The House of Commons. We were in the visitor's gallery and watched the proceedings in the House of Senators. Incidentally that day there was topical discussion on Rotary as it was the centennial year and my father was pleased to be there. We went to Mount Vernon, to the large 8000 hectares farmhouse of George Washington, and his palatial house. We learnt how he had grown from a farmer, to become the first president of America.

Next day we saw the Wright brothers' aircraft, the first aircraft in the world. It was lifetime experience for me to see something that we read all through in our schoolbooks. We also witnessed historical space ships, we read in books.



We moved on to Orlando, the famous Disney world. We were lucky to be at Disneyland, when they were celebrating, "The Happiest

Celebration on Earth" and the whole place was lit up and decorated beautifully. I felt like it was the true time for celebration, especially after my schooling.

Of all the places I liked Orlando, the most, because that's where Mickey and his friends live. We first went to 'The Magic Kingdom' where we saw Cinderella being crowned the Queen, and met all the amazing characters Disney has come up with. All the characters including Aladdin, Jasmine, Goofy, Donald, Daisy, and Mickey of course, were there for us. It was like magic, cartoons coming alive like a dream in reality. I don't have enough words to describe how excited I was.

We visited the MGM studios, Universal studios and saw live presentation of the flick "Raiders of Lost Ark", a fight scene enacted with live characters; we also saw Jaw's performed in a theatrical atmosphere. We were then taken to THE MUMMY caves where we witnessed the characters come alive. It was as though you were standing besides them and enjoying the sequences along with the characters. We also saw Shrek in 4D, went through all rides and had a lot of fun with the Disney dudes we loved to watch on Cartoon Network. It was surprising to see elder people enjoying it along with the children. I often used to tell mummy that even elders can enjoy watching cartoons, but she would ask me to let go watching 'those silly cartoons' (as she put it). But here I played the role of a guide introducing Mummy and Daddy (who did not watch Cartoon Network) to the cartoon world and explained them about characters they did not know.

We also went to Mall of America at Minneapolis. Dad showed me his office at MNP. We also went to Detroit and up to the Canada border. It was an amazing sight to see a different country just across a lake. Canada was about half a mile away and visible right there. This trip truly was a wonderful one that would remain afresh in my memory for a long time.

...That's all for now folks and more to come soon. I was asked to write a crisp and small article, but I got so engrossed remembering the wonderful moments that I lost count. I thank the RCHE bulletin team for encouraging Annets like me interested in sharing experience and ideas with others. Waiting for your feedback ...

Annet Sameer Sohrab (Rtn Mazhar & Ann Jameela)

Announcements

Condolences

It has been a sad month at RCHE; Ann Babita Jhabak lost her father, Rtn. Surendernath father passed away; after prolonged illness and Dr. Ravi Rao's brother-in-law suddenly expired. Our heartfelt condolences go to members of the bereaved families and we pray to give them the courage and fortitude to bear the irreplaceable loss; we are thinking of you.

Welcome

Annet **Sriram** (Nagesh & Sandhya) from his YE stint at district 7120 (NY, US) and **Andrea Tomkins**, inbound YE student from RI district 7120.

Bon Voyage

Annet Shivani (Ram & Medha) outbound to US for her under grad program

Awards

Rtn Uday Shankar has been awarded by the IIA, AP chapter for Institutional Design.

Rtn Gururaj has been awarded by the IIA, AP chapter for Commercial Interior Design

Birthdays

5-Aug	Vineet (Nageshwar Rao & Sandhya)
6-Aug	Surendernath Mekala
10-Aug	Mohan Reddy B
11-Aug	Jeet (Parsva Kumar Jhabakh & Babita)
21-Aug	Suryabir (Gurucharan Singh & Rosie)
24-Aug	Jawahar Vadlamani
24-Aug	Aishita (Sreenivasa Reddy & Radhika)
25-Aug	Sreenivasa Reddy M
28-Aug	Nageshwar Rao
29-Aug	Shivani (Rammanohar Rao & Medha)
30-Aug	Siddanth (Guru Raj & Chandrika)

Anniversaries

12-Aug	Sreenivasa Reddy & Radhika
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Missing Links

Rtn Gopinath Reddy also attended the International Conference 2005 at Chicago; this was missed in the previous issue.

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End Note

Past RI Director Joseph A. Caulder has put together this collection of early Rotary history where one can read about early, but, now, little-known, *Rotary heroes*. He provides a unique opportunity to view Rotary's early history through the eyes of an involved individual. This collection puts forth his friendship with all of the first fifty presidents and other early Rotarians, and his willingness to share his observations and mementos with others, provides a unique look at early Rotary in an honest, straightforward and direct way. Although collected and written by Joe Caulder in the 1950's and 1960s, these information books contain a wealth of information and insights that is relevant in today's Rotary. Find this online at: www.nlis.net/~freedomi/rotary/caulder

Attention RCHE Rotarians, Anns & Annets: With a strong focus on family of Rotary we look forward to your contributions to "The Rising Sun".

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