



VASCOWHEEL

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After taking the stage to the tune of "California, Here I Come," RI President-elect Ray Klinginsmith announced the 2010-11 RI theme, *Building Communities --*

Bridging Continents, during the opening plenary session of the 2010 International Assembly .

Klinginsmith said he arrived at the theme after reviewing RI themes of years past. He noticed that only a few spoke to non-Rotarians.

"As a result, I decided to search for a briefly stated theme that would fulfill two objectives: the first to explain Rotary to non-Rotarians, and the second to validate our work for Rotarians," he said. "The words I have selected to describe Rotary's current mission and to highlight our achievements are what we do best: *Building Communities -- Bridging Continents*. "



The president-elect described how his 50 years of Rotary experience have contributed to his focus on communities at home and abroad. For example, as a Rotary Foundation Ambassadorial Scholar, he studied for a year in South Africa, becoming the first student from his small town of Unionville, Missouri, USA, to study abroad.

The timing of the theme announcement, which took place in the evening, was a break in tradition from past assemblies and a reflection of Klinginsmith's willingness to embrace change. He encouraged district governors-elect to reexamine traditional procedures that were no longer best practices and to begin new traditions where appropriate.

He also paid homage to Rotarians of the past who helped raise Rotary to a place of prominence on the world stage. He urged district governors-elect to meet the past RI presidents and other former officers in attendance to deepen their connection to Rotary's past.



DG Mahesh Raikar popularly known as Mahesh in our District. He is post Graduate in Medical Microbiology. He is dynamic and multifaceted entrepreneur. He started his career as research man in multinational companies at Baroda, Surat and Mumbai, After serving for few years he has established a diagnostic centre at Hubli in the year 1983 by name "Auro Diagnostic Laboratory and Blood Bank, catering the needs of entire North Karnataka in 25 years he has established many other business establishments and become successful in his career. He is a self made man.

Mahesh joined Rotary movement in the year 1986. He was the president of Rotary Club of Hubli Vidyanagar in the year 1995-96. He has served the club in various capacities before assuming office of the President. He has achieved many laurels during his Presidentship, such as Best President, Highest in TRF per capita contribution, Best in District Polio Plus, Innovative Community Projects, Outstanding Public Relation etc.

He has served Rotary District 3170 in various capacities. He has worked as GGR. District Chairman Coordinator for various committees. District Secretary, Assistant District Governor and excelled every area of Rotary work in the District. He has participated in many District events as Moderator, Group Discussion Leader and Trainer etc.

Rtn. Mahesh has to his credit The Four Avenue of Service Award, District Service Award of The Rotary Foundation. He is recipient of Citation for Meritorious Service Award and Distinguished Service Award, the highest award from the Rotary Foundation. He is a Major Donor.

TRF TRUSTEE CHAIR Carl-Wilhelm Stenhammar, of the Rotary Club of Göteborg, Sweden, was the President of Rotary International in 2005-06.

Stenhammar, a marketing manager for international food products, is the former owner of Gust. F. Bratt AB. In addition, he has been a member of the boards of several companies and served as chairman of the board of a local private school.



A Rotarian since 1974, Stenhammar served on the RI Board of Directors in 1996-98. He has also served RI as district governor, committee member and chairman, and task force general coordinator.



Committees 2010-11

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Public Relations: Rtn. Santosh Lotlikar

Rotary Foundation: Rtn. Viraf Bharucha

New Generations: Rtn. Rohit Jain

Wedding Anniversaries

Piyush & Anita Sinha on 5-Jul

Birthdays

Prity Bharucha on 5-Jul

Prakash Alfonso on 6-Jul

Liza Viegas on 9-Jul



Programme for the month:

9th July – Club Assembly – sharp 7pm at Rotary Hall

16th July – Girl Child Scholarship

23rd July – Guest Speaker – YOGA

28th July – Board meeting

30th July – Distribution of sewing machines

PRIORITIES FOR 2010-11

Club Service

- Lively meetings
- Guest speakers
- Fellowship Nites
- Membership growth of 10%

Community Service

- Keep Vasco Clean - A mega-project being planned
- Safe Drinking water stations at 3 locations - to cater for 10000 people living in slums
- Assistance to Special schools.

Vocational Service

- Revival of the Career Information Fair with NEW IDEAS
- 4 - way test poster competition
- Vocational awards

International Service

- Hosting of GSE Team
- Attending the International Convention at New Orleans
- Family Exchange trips
- Every Rotarian every Year \$100

New Generations Service

- Uniforms to students
- Girl Child scholarships
- Active Rotaract & Interact Clubs

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