











# Happy 86th Birthday TO ANUP SINGH JUBBAL OUR FOUNDER (CEO & PRESIDENT) Recipient of multiple honors for service through Rotary and Canadian Eyesight Global

Historical PolioPlus Campaign BIGGEST HISTORICAL EVENT of the Rotary International Humanitarian Award of the Indo-Canadian Chamber of Commerce



"Distinguished Service Award" 1988



Presented by the then
Canadian Minister of Finance Paul Martin
1998

Helping blind see earns Burnaby Rotarian a Medal



Meritorious Service Medal from the Governor General of Canada Rt. Hon. Romeo LeBlanc 1997



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JULY 2021 NEWSLETTER



# Happy 86th Birthday

Anup Singh Jubbal MSM, Founder and CEO-President Canadian Eyesight Global, celebrated his 86<sup>th</sup> Birthday on July 19, 2021.

We wish you a very happy and fun-filled birthday!

May all of your dreams come true. Thanks for being a great friend to the World Another adventure filled year awaits you. Welcome it by celebrating your birthday!

On 8th July Mr. Jubbal was admitted to the Surrey hospital suffering from some minor health issues. He was discharged on 10th July and is home awaiting full recovery.

### **Bombay to Kamloops in Six Months**

By ship from Bombay to Basra ... by train from Basra to Syria, Beirut and Paris... by air from Luxenberg to New York ... Greyhound bus to Toronto and VIA train from Toronto to Kamloops ... An Incredible Journey.

When Anup Singh Jubbal started his 6 months journey from India to Canada, little did he know that he is destined to achieve greater things in life.

He resided in the beautiful city of Kamloops from 1968 to 1986 and developed number of properties in Kamloops. In 1980, he had a set back in real estate investments. He later moved to the Greater Vancouver area in 1986, and founded Project Eyesight-India in 1989, which later became Canadian Eyesight Global. He presently resides in Surrey. BC.

Mr. Jubbal travelled the globe three times in the pursuit of business opportunities. He also managed to find time to take part in Canadian Importers Association trips to Japan, Hong Kong, Singapore, the Philippines, China, Europe and the Middle East Countries. He participated in trade fairs in Chicago, Iran and Kuwait. His work in property investment development was based mainly Kamloops. BC. He later shifted the focus of his efforts to importing and trading goods that were for sale in Canada. His background was published in the B.C. Business Magazine June 1976. He had a huge real estate investments loss in the downturn in real estate in 1980, which changed his future thinking.

During his childhood, the desire to help others inspired Mr. Jubbal to join the Boy Scouts, Saint John Ambulance and volunteer services in the community. He has been a Rotary member since 1986. He raised large sums of money in 1988 for the Rotary International Polio Plus Campaign to eradicate polio, a devastating disease that affects children in numerous countries around the globe.

He is accredited to raising a record for the Rotary Polio Plus amount Campaign at a Gala in 1988 with the support of Rotary Club of Burnaby-Hastings, in Vancouver BC, which was attended by more than 800 VIPs, Rotarians and guests. The Rotary International honored him with "Distinguished Service Award" at this Gala event.

In 1993 The then Rotary international President Clifford Dochterman, presented Mr. Jubbal with "Service Above Self Award", in recognition of his continued service to Rotary's initiatives.

Mr. Jubbal's direct involvement in a number of service initiatives was also brought to the notice of the Government of Canada. In 1997, the then Governor General of Canada, the Rt. Hon. Roméo LeBlanc presented him with the "Meritorious Service Medal", at the Citadel, Quebec City, PQ.

From its humble beginning in 1989, the Project Eyesight-India continue to serve the needy people in India and Canada for more than 32 years.

#### The Greatest Reward!

Anup has enriched his life through the countless blessings from the thousands of needy and helpless people, who regained their eyesight and has been able to see this beautiful world again after the surgeries, since 1989.

Mr. Jubbal, you are a Gift to the World!
The God has hand picked you for His Mission.

INSPIRATION EXISTS, BUT IT HAS TO FIND YOU WORKING FOR THE GOOD OF PEOPLE.

Be thankful to all the people in your life. Those who wish us well do mean well and make us what we are today.

The difficult people in our lives have shown us exactly who we don't want to be.

**ALL ARE OUR INSPIRATION!** 



Dear Rtn. Anup Singh Jubbal

Thank you for the June Newsletter which even reported on an eye clinic right here in Ontario. That was great to read as well as all the other stories that Canadian Eyesight Global is caring out in so many different places, THANKS TO THE GREAT WORK OF CANADIAN EYESIGHT GLOBAL!

All the very best.

WILF ILKINSON
Rotary International
Past President (2007-2008)
The Rotary Foundation Trustee
1997-2001 and 2002-2003
Chair of Convention Committee
2005 Rotary International Centennial Convention in Chicago



Dear Rtn Anup

You all are doing great work in Rotary's BLINDNESS PREVENTION PROGRAM!!

GOD BLESS YOU AND YOUR FRIENDS

Warmest Rotary wishes

Always Keep Smiling!

PP BINOD KHAITAN
Rotary Club of Central Calcutta
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Regional Vice Chairman
RLI South Asia Region
(India Nepal, Bhutan, Sri Lanka & Maldives)



An Excellent Newsletter

NELSON A. RIIS, MA, Retired Member of Parliament Director | Founding Member CANADIAN EYESIGHT GLOBAL



Great Newsletter,

CONGRATULATIONS on your Grand Daughter's achievement.

SAM SANGHA President 2020-21 Rotary Club of Surrey



Anup,

Who ever puts this together, A FABULOUS JOB!

DIANNE SEARS Co-President 2021-22 ROTARY CLUB OF SURREY

### THE CORONA WARRIOR

**BALWANT SINGH JUBBAL**, dedicated his 20 golden years of is life in the Langar Sewa in Gurdwara Bangla Sahib. Delhi. He has helped the needy and helpless people in the COVID-19, for providing the Oxygen and food in the Gurdwara Bangla Sahib. Delhi, India. Balawant Jubbal is one in millions. We pray for his long life.



In recognition of his services, the International Sikh Heritage Centre, New Delhi India honored him with the title "Corona Warrior of the Noble Cause of Doing Social work during the Period of COVID-19 and appreciated his services with applause.









Canadian Eyesight Global Mega Eye Camp, Punjab., Inaugurated by Hon. Sardar Parkash Singh Badal, Chief Minister Punjab, pictured Anup Singh Jubbal and VIPs.



Anup Singh Jubbal, brother of Balwant Singh Jubbal, meeting with Kuwait Sheikh Abdulah Al-Jaber meeting in 1977 in Kuwait.



18 AUGUST 2019 Rotary International President (2019-20) Mark Maloney and Anup Singh cutting the cake to mark occasion of 30th Anniversary of Canadian Eyesight Global, watched by Saroop Jubbal and Honorable Minister of National Defence (Canada) Harjit Sajjan

# **Canada designates its first indigenous Governor General**



July 6, 2021

Based on his recommendation, Prime Minister, Justin Trudeau, announced that Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II has approved the appointment of Ms. Mary Simon as the next Governor General of Canada.

The announcement took place at The Canadian Museum of History in Gatineau, Quebec.

As Governor General, Ms. Simon will represent Her Majesty The Queen in Canada as our 30th Governor General since Confederation.

Governor General Designate Mary Simon is an Officer of the Order of Canada, and an Officer of the Ordre national du Québec. She is also a recipient of the Governor General's Northern Medal, the Gold Order of Greenland, the National Aboriginal Achievement Award, the Gold Medal of the Canadian Geographical Society, and the Symons Medal.

Ms. Simon has made it her life's work to increase recognition of Aboriginal rights and northern affairs. Through her diplomacy and leadership, Ms. Simon has gained the respect of many heads of governments and international organizations. She is a valued advisor on important northern issues such as sovereignty, the environment, economic development and social policy.

In addition to her many accomplishments, including the negotiation of the recognition of Aboriginal rights in the *Constitution Act*, 1982, Ms. Simon became the first Inuk to hold an ambassadorial position. She is also known as the principal architect of Canada's northern policy. A true visionary and passionate advocate for Inuit culture, Ms. Simon is a continuous source of inspiration and is committed to the preservation of Canada's northern identity.



Until the Governor General Designate Mary Simon is installed as the 30th Governor General of Canada, His Excellency the Right Honourable Richard Wagner, P.C. will continue his duties as the Administrator of the Government of Canada.



Mary Simon has attained national and international recognition for her work on Arctic and Indigenous issues and as an advocate for Inuit rights and culture.

Born in Kangiqsualujjuaq, Nunavik (Quebec), Ms. Simon began her career as a radio broadcaster with the CBC Northern Service (now CBC North) in the 1970s. Following this, she held a series of executive positions with the Northern Quebec Inuit Association and Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami, centred on negotiating the first land claims agreement in Canada. As President of Makivik Corporation, she was directly involved with the implementation of the James Bay and Northern Quebec Agreement, and with the protection and promotion of Inuit rights under that agreement.

Along with fellow Indigenous leaders, she was actively involved in the negotiations leading to the 1982 patriation of the Canadian Constitution, which formally entrenched Aboriginal and treaty rights in the supreme law of Canada.

She later joined the Executive Council of the Inuit Circumpolar Conference (now the Inuit Circumpolar Council), for which she served two terms as President. She was Commissioner of the Nunavut Implementation Commission and Policy Co-Director of the Royal Commission on Aboriginal Peoples.

From 1994 to 2003, Ms. Simon served as Ambassador for Circumpolar Affairs, becoming the first Inuk to hold an ambassadorial position. During this time, she negotiated the creation of the Arctic Council. Concurrently, she served as Ambassador of Canada to Denmark from 1999 to 2001.

Beginning in 2006, Ms. Simon served two terms as the President of Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami. In 2008, in the House of Commons, she delivered a response on behalf of Inuit to the formal apology on residential schools. She is the founder of the Arctic Children and Youth Foundation and, until 2014, she was the Chairperson of the National Committee on Inuit Education.

In 2017, as the Minister's Special Representative, Ms. Simon delivered a report to the Minister of Indigenous and Northern Affairs on *A new Shared Arctic Leadership Model*, setting the stage for important policy and program development in support of the Arctic and its residents.

Among other distinctions, Ms. Simon is an Officer of the Order of Canada, and an Officer of the Ordre national du Québec. She is also a recipient of the Governor General's Northern Medal, the Gold Order of Greenland, the National Aboriginal Achievement Award, the Gold Medal of the Canadian Geographical Society, and the Symons Medal.



# **ROTARY CONNECTS** THE WORLD



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**DISTRICT 5050 (USA-CANADA)** 



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MARK DANIEL MALONEY **200 SURGERIES COMPLETED** 

**500 IOL SURGERIES IN INDIA** 

IN HONOUR OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

**PRESIDENT (2019-2020)** 

**300 SURGERIES TO BE COMPLETED** AFTER COVID RESTRICTIONS ARE LIFTED



# SPREADING THE LIGHT INDIA-CANADA CONNECTION





# **OUR DEDICATED SUPPORTERS**

**ROTARY CLUBS OF SURREY, BURNABY & NEW WESTMINSTER IN CANADA** SRI GURU HARGOBIND MATA SULAKANI EYE HOSPITAL SOCIETY, AMRITSAR, INDIA



**NIRMALJOT EYE HOSPITAL, AMRITSAR, INDIA SARDAR ROOR SINGH & SARDARNI GURDEV KAUR CHARITY FOUNDATION** 

### **OUR SPECIAL THANKS TO**

- Rtn. Manjit Singh Sawhney, PDG, Delhi.
- Dr. Shamim Ahmed, Mewat. Haryana.
- Mr. Amrajeet Singh, Faridabad.
- Mr. Gurcharan Singh, Faridabad.
- Mr. Sukhdev Singh, Faridabad.
- Rtn. Dr. S.P.S,. Grover, PDG. Jalandhar.
- Rtn. Dr. Amandeep Singh, MS, Jalandhar.
- Rtn. Dr. D.P.S. Chawla, Jalandhar.
- Rtn. Kuldeep Singh, Jalandhar.
- Rtn. Dr. Bhupinder Singh, MS, Amritsar.
- Rtn. Surjit Singh, PP, Amritsar.
- Rtn. K.K Dhand, IPP, Amritsar.
- Mr. Santokh Singh, Amritsar.
- Mr. S.P.S.Lahri, Advocate, Taran Taran.
- Mr. Gian Singh Saggu, Amritsar.

We are continuously in touch with our sponsors and partners in India and Canada. It is our commitment to continue our charity work after we are all free of the Covid-19 pandemic. We thank our beneficiaries for their patience and understanding.

We reassure you that we will continue the Free Eye Camps and Eye Clinics as planned when the respective governments have lifted the restrictions.



# Canadian Eyesight Global's free eye health clinic at Khalsa Diwan Society in Vancouver

THE CANADIAN EYESIGHT GLOBAL, supported by the Rotary Club of Surrey-Guildford and the Rotary Club Burnaby, sponsored and crosspired a supported free eye health clinic at the Wholes Divergence of the Challes Divergence of the

organized a successful free eye health clinic at the Khalsa Diwan Society in Vancouver on Sunday, June 25. A team of eye surgeon Dr. David R.S. Neima and Dr. Warren Whitford participated. Tanveer K. Sohal, Chairperson of Community Services, Canadian Eyesight Global, organized the clinic.





Patients with major eye problems were referred to the specialist eye surgeons and doctors for further investigation and treatment. Free eye -drops were given to needy patients. There was even a healthy 100-year-old patient who turned up for an eye check.



Volunteers included Satwant K. Ginder Sangha, Kulwant Sekhon and Peter Beynon, members of Rotary Club Burnaby; President Norman Gluck with his wife and children; Garry Sass and Ashok Bhagnari, members of Rotary Club Surrey-Guildford; Dr. Ashish S. Grover, Dr. Shivans K. Grover, Saroop K. Jubbal, Darshan Mann, Gurmel Dhaliwal, Narendra Jubbal, Amarjit S. Sidhu and others. Two volunteers with vision loss from Canadian National Institute for Blind (CNIB) participated by setting up their table. They explained the programs of CNIB and distributed flyers.

Canadian Eyesight Global thanks President Malkit Singh Dhami and the administration of Khalsa Diwan Society, and the dedicated team of doctors and volunteers for participating in and supporting the free eye health clinic.

Non-Resident Indians (NRIs) interested in sponsoring a free eye camp for restoration of eyesight for needy and helpless people in their village in Punjab or any part of India, may contact:

Anup Singh Jubbal, President, Canadian Eyesight Global, at 604-582-0579 | Canadian Eyesight.org | info@CanadianEyesight.org









**BEVERLY HARRINGTON**DISTRICT GOVERNOR 2021-22

Bev grew up in San Mateo, California, and lived in the same house until she left for college with a stay-at-home mom and a dad who worked two jobs to provide for her and her three brothers. It was a happy time with summers spent camping and water skiing. After returning from a year in Austria as an exchange student, she attended the University of California, Berkeley, until marrying and starting a family.

Bev and her husband Dick live in Burlington, Washington. They have a blended family of four adult children: Suzie (Eric) living in Canada, Danielle (Ray) living in Bellingham, Scot (Lani) living in Mount Vernon, and Shannon (Aaron) living in Bellingham. They have been blessed with nine "grands" and three wee "greats."

Bev joined Rotary in 2005 due to its focus on Service Above Self and the opportunity to join with others to make a difference locally and internationally. She is a graduate of the Rotary Leadership Institute and served as her club's president in 2016-2017. Because "Doing Good in the World" requires financial resources, she is a member of the Paul Harris Society and a Major Donor of The Rotary Foundation.

Early on in her career, Bev was a credit union CEO. Over the years she was the Director of Finance for a high-tech company in Seattle, Business Manager/ Accountant at the Seattle Girls School, and Chief Financial Officer at the Pacific Northwest Trail Association in Sedro Woolley. She also served as the

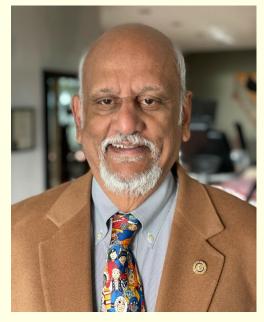
Manager of the Burlington Chamber of Commerce, taking it from a box of records without an office to a fullfledged operation. She has owned and worked in her own business since 1988, Skagit Auto Licensing, providing vehicle titling and licensing services to the local community for the State of Washington. In 2007 she obtained a Career & Technical Education Career & Certificate from the State of Washington and was the initial instructor of the Academy of Finance at the Northwest Career & Technical Academy.

Service has been a life-long endeavor since being trained as a Development Educator by the World Council of Credit Unions and USAID. Bev has served on the Burlington City Council, the Washington Credit Union League, the Credit Union National Association, and as a volunteer financial consultant in the Gambia, West Africa. In order to learn more about her community and its needs, she completed Leadership Skagit in 2016.

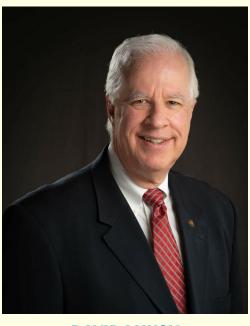
Bev developed the Rotary Youth Engaged in Service (YES) program in 2007 to involve high school youth in local and international service. She was a Group Study Exchange Team Leader to Ecuador in 2009. She has served on the RYLA committee, cochair of the District Vocational Committee, and was the 2019 District Conference Chair.

Bev is a recipient of Rotary International's "Service Above Self" award.

### BEVERLY'S TEAM 2021-22



SRINIVASAN 'RAJ' RAJAGOPAL
District Governor Elect



DAVID LUKOV
District Governor Nominee



CAROL TICHELMAN
Immediate Past District Governor



### JULY IS ROTARY'S NEW LEADERSHIP MONTH.

Congratulations to all the new Club Presidents! Rotary has designated months to help clubs develop meeting agendas, projects, or public image campaigns based on these special occasions.

### **Rotary Zones 28 and 32**

### **EXCITING NEWS!**

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION OF CANADA has made an historic gift of \$1 million dollars to the End Polio Now campaign. The Foundations gift is matched by Gates Foundation 2:1, so benefiting the Rotary International Foundation

million.

Incoming Foundation Trustee Chair, John Germ, says that we are now "this close" to reaching the \$50M goal this year.

Thanks for your exceptional leadership in giving and for all that you do to help achieve a polio free world.



### NORTH DELTA ROTARY CLUB Celebrating its first Centurion

Douglas Denyer, a member since 1984, turned 100 on June 16, 2021. Douglas is a RCAF veteran and served protecting the coastline of BC during WW II. He owned his own drug store in the early years in North Delta and was a sales rep for Proctor and Gamble. Doug is very active with the North Delta Rotary Club and is now living in Langley at Harrison Point Lodge.

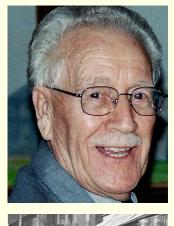
A fly-by has been arranged by the members of the North Delta Rotary Club over the Langley airport with a banner wishing Doug a Happy 100th.

North Delta Rotary Club has its own Foundation and donations can be made in Doug's name for local organizations at https:// www.canadahelps.org/n/55895/



Douglas Denyer, seen here at a 2018 vintage Douglas Denyer walks with his wife car event at Harrison Pointe

**ROTARY CLUB OF** 





Dorothy, who passed away at 90.

**Pictures by LANGLEY ADVANCES TIMES** 

# **Rotary District 5050 News EXCITING NEWS!**

The Charter for the Rotary Club of Golden Ears Sunrise was approved May 19, 2021, and a Club event was held May 27th.

District Governor Carol presented the Charter, Assistant Governor Al Stjernegaard inducted the members, and Governor Elect Bev Harrington installed the incoming Board.

Congratulations to Charter President Urma Mollema and all the new members of our Rotary family.

### CHARTER PARTY TO BE ANNOUNCED SOON



**SEMIAHMOO** initiated a Global Grant with the Rotary Club of Hermosillo Desierto to provide 40 specialized wheelchairs along with spare parts to disabled children in Hermosillo Mexico. This project has been recently successfully completed. Under normal circumstances, Rotarians would have been in Mexico to help with the distribution but for 2021 they were distributed by CRIT, a countrywide children's rehabilitation organization.





LANGLEY CENTRAL ROTARY CLUB President Annette Borrows with some of the nurses and Drs. from the Langley Memorial Hospital COVID cohort. Annette is presenting a Medal of Honour to the hospital for their ongoing efforts against COVID.







# MESSAGE FROM ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT



Shekhar Mehta President2021-2022 Rotary Club of Calcutta-Mahanagar West Bengal, India

### Our new president, Shekhar Mehta, envisions Rotary's next chapter – and is ready to make it a reality

**JULY 2021** 

I wish each of you and your families a great Rotary New Year! Together, let us make it the best year of our lives, by making it a year to *grow more and do more*. Let this be a year of changemakers, and let us begin with our membership.

That is precisely why the Each One, Bring One initiative is so important. During this year, I urge you to dream of new ways in which Rotary can expand its reach into your community and therefore the world. If each member introduces one person to Rotary, our membership can increase to 1.3 million by July 2022. So, let's just do it!

Imagine the change we, as Rotary members, can make when there are so many more of us! More people to care for others, more people to *Serve to Change Lives*. Think of the impact we can have through *grow more*, *do more*. More members will enable us to

embark on bigger and bolder service projects. And each of us can also continue to serve in our own personal ways, responding to needs in our communities.

The beauty of Rotary is that service means different things to different people around the world. One element, however, that we can incorporate into all of our service initiatives is *empowering girls*. Unfortunately, even in this day and age, girls and young women face disproportionate challenges all over the world. We have the power to lead the charge for gender equality. Empowering girls and young women to have greater access to education, better health care, more employment, and equality in all walks of life should be embedded in every Rotary project we launch. Girls are future leaders, so we must ensure that we help them shape their future.

The biggest gift we are given Is the power to touch a life,

To change, to make a difference In the circle of life.

If we can reach out With our hand, heart, and soul,

The magic will start to happen As the wheel begins to roll.

Let's turn the wheel together So all humanity thrives,

We have the power and the magic To Serve to Change Lives.

These are challenging times, and I compliment each of your efforts in grappling with COVID-19. No challenge is too big for Rotarians. The bigger the challenge, the more passionate the Rotarian. Look at what we can do when we take on a colossal challenge such as eradicating polio. Look at the millions of lives we improve by strengthening access to water, sanitation, and hygiene. Look at what we do every year to promote peace in places where it seems unimaginable. Our basic education and literacy programs have nation-building impact.

This year, let us challenge ourselves to do more such projects and programs that have national reach and impact.

# THIS YEAR, LET US SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES.

Meeting patients at an eye hospital founded by the Rotary Club of Calcutta-Mahanagar.



Mehta's club has constructed some 7,000 toilets in villages where people don't have toilets in their homes; here, he and fellow members (from left) Pranay Agarwal and Sandeep Shah help build one .



As part of the TEACH program to increase literacy rates in India, Mehta often visits schools that are part of the program, which are known as "Happy Schools." Rotary members in India have transformed more than 3,000 schools into Happy Schools. The Rotary Club of Calcutta-Mahanagar supports this girls' school in Kolkata, Bhowanipur Arya Vidya Mandir, with a daily break-fast for more than 1,000 students.

Shekhar's programs and ideas are larger than life, but he always walks the extra mile to make Rotarians feel at home.

RAVI VADLAMANI Rotary Club of Guntur, India Governor 2001-2002 of District 3150

