

## **Dr. Dinker B Rai**

Dr. Dinker B Rai who is presently Chief of Vascular Surgery and Vascular Laboratories at Interfaith Medical Centre in Brooklyn, New York, graduated from Bangalore Medical College and belongs to the 1964 batch. After teaching Anatomy at KMC Manipal India, he came to New York and Completed Surgical training at Brooklyn Jewish Medical Centre and Fellowship in Peripheral Vascular Surgery at the Maimmonides Medical Centre.

As a student he was multifaceted and he was a very gifted cricketer, apart from having been an artist. He was also very proficient in Sanskrit. In his cricketing days he was a contemporary of such greats like Sunil Gavaskar and G R Vishwanath. He captained the Bangalore University team when Sunil Gavaskar was the Captain of Bombay University. He was also captain of the South Zone Universities' Cricket team which won the Rohinton Baria Trophy which is given to the All India University Cricket Champions. Even though he was selected to represent Karnataka in Ranji Trophy Cricket, he had to make the difficult decision of sacrificing cricket for academics.

Cricket's loss turned out to be Vascular Surgery's gain as he went from strength to strength in his chosen speciality. He got certified from the both The American and The Canadian Boards of Surgery, became Fellow of International College of Angiology, Fellow of International College of Surgeons, Fellow of American College of Surgeons, Fellow of Royal College of Surgeons, Canada, Fellow of Phlebology Society of America..... the list is endless.

He has held various positions at Jewish Medical Centre now known as Interfaith Medical Centre. He has authored "Manual of Sclerotherapy and Phlebectomy of Varicose Veins and Telangiectasias for New Practitioners" published by Indian Association of Dermatologists, Venereologists and Leprologists, Bangalore Chapter in 2006. He has also contributed chapters to "Text Book of Angiology" published by Springer Verlag, 2000.

He is on the Editorial Board of International College of Angiology Journal and Tracks Journal. He also holds a Patent for a method to Catheterize venous tree in retrograde fashion.

Dr. Dinker Belle Rai is an Indian American Vascular Surgeon, Medical Researcher, Inventor, Author, Educationist, Sportsperson, Philosopher and Artist.

The Bangalore Medical College Alumni Association deems it a great pleasure to recongize Dr. Dinker B Rai as a Distinguished Alumnus of Bangalore Medical College on the BMC Alumni Day on 15th August 2014.