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# **TIMES**

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**CIRCULAR 26**



Programme : Go Gir Sasan  
 Date : 11<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> March, Saturday - Sunday  
 Venue : Sasan Gir  
 Invitee : Rotarians, Anns and Annets



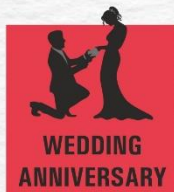
Programme : Musical Night 2.0  
 Date : 18<sup>th</sup> March, Saturday  
 Time : 08:00 pm onwards  
 Menu : Dinner  
 Venue : D. P. Doshi Rotary Greater Auditorium  
 Invitee : Rotarians, Anns and Annets



11<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Mar : Sasan Gir Trip  
 18<sup>th</sup> Mar : Musical Night 2.0  
 23<sup>th</sup> Mar : Rotary Ullas



13 <sup>th</sup> Mar	: Rtn. Ashok Surelia	9825074980
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16 <sup>th</sup> Mar	: Rtn. Rajeev Zaveri	9825375749
17 <sup>th</sup> Mar	: Ann. Dipti Bhavesh Pabari	9904146099
17 <sup>th</sup> Mar	: Ann. Dr. Rupali Chetan Mehta	9825335296
18 <sup>th</sup> Mar	: Rtn. Aashish Joshi	9426900500



13 <sup>th</sup> Mar	: Rtn. Dipak Kothari and Ann. Geeta Kothari	
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13 <sup>th</sup> Mar	: Rtn. Jayesh Jogia and Ann. Kusum Jogia	
	Rtn : 9870296456	Ann : 9870296456
14 <sup>th</sup> Mar	: Rtn. Dr. Rajendra Mehta and Ann. Saroj Mehta	
	Rtn : 9825217969	Ann : 9016995609
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# UPCOMING

# Meetings

## Sasan Gir Trip

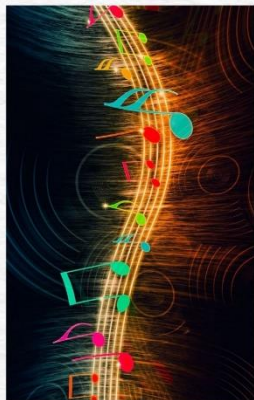
11<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> March, Saturday-Sunday

With **Winters ending** and **Summers just starting** it is right time to enjoy a **Mini Vacations**. And after our successful **Go Goa Greater Trip**, it is time for another rocking, this time a **Short and Sweet** one. Yes, this time is is **Go Gir Greater**. This weekend will be dedicated to **Fun, Food, Safari, Play, Dance, Music, and Great Company**. The trip will start from Rajkot on **Saturday, 11<sup>th</sup> March**. The day will be spent at **leisure at a beautiful resort, getting refreshed** from hectic schedules. The next day **Sunday, 12<sup>th</sup> March** everyone will get back to their bases **refreshed, full of happy memories** and **waiting excitedly** for the next Greater Trip.



## Musical Night 2.0

18<sup>th</sup> March, Saturday



Doesn't an evening full of **Good Music, Bright Lights** and **Great Friends** sound great? **Rotary Club of Rajkot Greater** along with **Rotary Club of Rajkot Prime** is organizing **Musical Night 2.0** for all its members at **Rotary Bhavan** on **Saturday, 18<sup>th</sup> March**. It will be a **soulful night** for you to experience the **strongest form of Magic**, that is **Music**. In the world full of **Bollywood, Hip-Hop and Rap**, let us enjoy a fine night of **entertainment, culture and socializing** and keep the **essence of odes alive**. So don't miss this gala night full of **fun, fellowship, and food** to create **beautiful memories** for years to come.

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## Kitty Party

- Women are **strong, powerful and invincible**. With thousands of mantras encouraging women's existence every day, a special day is indeed a necessity to celebrate women's achievements in all aspects of life.
- So on **Saturday, 4<sup>th</sup> March**, the **Anns of RCRG** got together to celebrate **International Women's Day** at **Size Zero Rooftop Lounge**.



- The day was slightly breezy and the Rooftop atmosphere was **cosy, inviting, aesthetically pleasing** with **great views** of the city.
- To **bond better** and **have fun** the Anns **played interesting as well as engaging games**. The winners were given prizes.
- **Delicious** and **soul satisfying food** was served for all our beauties because **good food means good mood**.
- The **great music** added to the **mood for dancing**.
- Our **beautiful Girls Gang** had a great time **playing, dancing, laughing and chitchatting** celebrating themselves and each other and we would specially like to thank **Ann. Grishma Nathwani** and **Ann. Vidhi Nathwani** for coming up with **various games** and **beautiful theme** for the day.

## Project Pankh

Informative session of **Project Pankh** was conducted on:

**Date:** 21<sup>st</sup> February, Tuesday  
**Time:** 11:00 am to 12:00 pm  
**Venue:** Mahatma Gandhi School (Gujarati Medium)  
**Beneficiaries:** 30+  
**Speaker:** Rtn. Ashini Modi  
**MOC:** Ann Monika Mehta



The seminar delivered **crisp yet clear information** about **Menstrual Hygiene Management, Good Touch Bad Touch** and **Cancer Awareness**. To help the girls become **physically and mentally fit, tips and tricks regarding Balanced and Healthy Diet** and **Yoga Asanas** were also given. Members from our dedicated MHM team were also present to prove the tagline of Project Pankh, **Hum Sab Saath! Taboo ke Khilaaf!**



## SOUL Talk

**ANN GRISHMA NATHWANI**

### Everyday Is Women's Day!

As well know, a few days ago the world celebrated **International Women's Day (IWD)**. Celebrated annually on **March 8<sup>th</sup>** it is a global day celebrating the social, economic, cultural and political achievements of women. The day also marks a call to action for accelerating gender parity. The day is one of the most important days of the year to celebrate women's achievements, to educate

and awareness raise for women's equality, to call for positive change advancing women, to lobby for accelerated gender parity and to fundraise for female-focused charities.

The IWD theme for 2023 was **#EmbraceEquity**. To **embrace equity**, means to deeply believe, value, and seek out difference as a necessary and positive element of life. Everyone needs to challenge gender stereotypes, call out discrimination, draw attention to bias, and seek out inclusion because collective activism is much needed to bring change. But why should we do something for women just once a year on IWD. Why not make small changes every day to make Women Empowered:

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- o Educate your friends about women empowerment by celebrating your favourite women, women leaders, or feminist achievements all around the year online and offline.
- o Donate to your favourite feminist cause and women NGOs
- o Educate the women around you, because if you educate a man, you educate a person. If you educate a woman, you educate a nation

*Everyday is women's day, they never expect the special day wishes; instead give them the respect that they deserve.*

— soulspeaks



## FROM WHERE I Stand

### Rotary International Theme for 2022-23



As you all know, during the start of 2023, **Rotary International President Jennifer E. Jones** (who is also our first female president) had selected the theme for the year **2022-23** as **Imagine Rotary**. The theme has been selected to **"Imagine, a world that deserves our best, where we get up each day knowing that we can make a difference."**

The theme graphic is designed by an **Australian artist Riki Salem** to link with the Melbourne Convention in 2023. There is a deeper meaning behind each element of the design. Some of the symbolism includes:

- Circle signifies connections to one another
- Dots around it signifies our people
- There are 7 Dots for Rotary's 7 areas of focus
- Circle + dots around it in totality describes a navigation star, our guiding light
- Green solid line symbolises a digging stick (used when doing hard work); for us it's People of Action, represents the tools for getting things done
- The colours purple, green & white - celebrate diversity, equity and inclusion Freedom to express ourselves differently but still with a special connection
- Purple is also the colour of Rotary's Polio campaign
- Green represents the Environment
- White stands for peace; it also represents Empowerment and Newness and also the colours were utilised for the women's movement, highlighting the opportunity to grow our female membership.

# CLUB News

## Happy News:

**Rtn. Dipen Patel** and **Ann. Komal Patel** are happy to announce that their daughter **Shreeti** has decided to share her life and love with **Alekh**, son of **Mr. Amit Mehta** and **Mrs. Hema Mehta** on **4<sup>th</sup> March 2023**.

## Sad News:

With profound sorrow we inform you of the sad demise of **Subhadraben Jayantilal Kothari, mother of Rtn. Dipak Kothari**. May the soul of the departed rest in eternal peace. Om Shanti.

With profound sorrow we inform you of the sad demise of **Manjulaben Harilal Bhojani, mother of Rtn. Nilesh Bhojani**. May the soul of the departed rest in eternal peace. Om Shanti.



## YOU Critic

FARZI



### ANN. AVANI BHARAT MANGTANI

The new eight-part **Amazon Prime** series “**Farzi**” is being discussed everywhere. It is developed and directed by the dynamic Indian filmmaking duo **Raj Nidimoru and Krishna D.K.** (famous for their spy thriller show **The Family Man**). The series which revolves around **Counterfeiting of Currency**, comes up with a ready reckoner on things most of us didn't know much about– the kind of paper a genuine note uses, the artistry involved in the design, the printing and distribution, and the deadly danger involved in the whole operation. **Shahid Kapoor** plays **Sunny**, a gifted sketch artist, who faces constant humiliations of having too little. He starts seeing a humble currency note as a challenging work of art. As his ego and ambition get the better of him, Sunny gets sucked into a black hole as we get an insight into how a man gets consumed by circumstances. The other main character is the hot-headed yet committed **Michael Vednayagam** (South Indian Actor Vijay Sethupathi) who heads the law enforcement unit which is busy tracking the dastards responsible for this 'financial terrorism'. **Kay Kay Menon** chews up the scenery with his trademark flourish playing Mansoor, a reptilian figure who gives wings to Sunny's imagination and ambition for his own purpose. In *Farzi*, the creators have pulled off a terrific supporting cast consisting of **Amol Palekar, Raashi Khanna, Kubra Sait**, who



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provide good reasons to watch it. **Bhuvan Arora** definitely steals the show as Firoz keeping up a steady stream of irreverent comedy that lightens the mood.

On the whole, Farzi is engaging. Splendid performances, good writing, stylish action scenes, and comedy are its advantages. Barring the length and slow pacing at times, the show is a good watch this weekend.

## FREE Wings

### Maybe later

Anything that we do regularly because it gives us joy and happiness can be termed as a hobby or passion. So, after much deliberation I have concluded that “sleeping” and “being lazy” are my hobbies/passions. The word that aptly describes me was coined in the 16th century, 1588 to be exact, I am a **Procrastinator**.

For example, I had to complete an assignment and I started to surf the web (for research purposes) but I ended up reading an entire article on cryptocurrencies, followed by a YouTube spiral beginning from “How to develop a Russian accent” to “Kim and Kourtney Kardashian have a fist fight” and as my screen time increased so did my BuzzFeed Quiz score. Then I roamed around the house to make sure if the walls were still beige and checked the fridge for the 13th time to make sure the contents hadn't changed (which to my disappointment, hadn't.)

This is how I ended up not completing the assignment that day but I gained a lot of knowledge on Roger Federer's “secret” serve and “What kind of a Disney Princess I was” Becoming a true Procrastinator comes with following a strict regime of delaying, doodling, loitering, staring into the abyss, watching TV, sleeping and then repeating it all, despite experiencing guilt, anxiety and facing failure at regular intervals. This schedule never seems to cease. Tough, huh?

Life does not seem to be working on terms with the procrastinator regime, so the only thing that seems to break our slumber is “Panic” created by *Deadlines*. Therefore, when we procrastinators face deadlines, we complete 4 months of work in 3 days and that is when we pull out the aces, *All Nighters*, like 3 days with only 4 hours of sleep. (if you are making a comparison between superman and a procrastinator, go right ahead!) ( Fair Warning: Muggles should not try this as it can and will be injurious to health)

Do not be disheartened fellow procrastinators, we are not the only ones. Everybody is a procrastinator. We all run away or avoid certain things or people, it could be anything, a problem, a reality, a cold harsh truth that we'd rather run from than face or come to terms with. Therefore, I part with this free piece of advice, Carpe Diem or..... Maybe later.

A true blue procrastinator.

**Keshavi Ranpara**  
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