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CIRCULAR 30



Programme : Picnic
Date : 23rd April, Sunday
Time : 05:00 pm onwards
Menu : High Tea and Dinner
Venue : Acrolawns
Invitee : Rotarians, Anns and Annets



Programme : Speaker Meet: Dr Deep Vohra
Date : 26th April, Wednesday
Time : 08:00 pm
Menu : Dinner
Venue : D. P. Doshi Rotary Greater Auditorium
Invitee : Rotarians, Anns and Annets



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UPCOMING Meetings

Picnic

23rd April, Sunday

There is something very exciting about a picnic with your friends and family, because who doesn't love a picnic, right? As the summer temperature drops in the evening, and the spirits of the Greater Parivar are up and about, plans are underway for an enjoyable day full of fun for the Greater family. Let us gather on **23rd April, Sunday** at Acrolawns



and enjoy a memorable evening full of **Beautiful Spots, Delicious Food (high tea and dinner), Fun Games like Housie and Excellent Company**. The **highlight** of the evening will be the screening of **IPL match on a big screen**. You won't want to miss it for anything, so get ready for sunshine, joy, happiness, and smiles.

Speaker Meet: Dr Deepak Vohra

26th April, Wednesday



Dr. Deepak Vohra is a well-known name in all of India. A **21st-century Indian diplomat**, he is currently the **special advisor to Indian prime minister Narendra Modi**. He has served in **France, Vietnam, Tunisia, United States, Nigeria, Cameroon, Benin, Chad, Malaysia, Papua New Guinea and Spain** and as **Ambassador of India to Armenia, Georgia, Sudan, South Sudan, Poland and Lithuania**. National and International leaders who have interacted with him have uniformly commented on his **transparent sincerity and integrity**. And it is a matter **Great Pride for RCRG** that he will be interacting with us on **26th April, Wednesday**. His topic for that day will be based on one of his **TedX videos** on **"OUR WORLD @ 2025"**, which has smashed various records. So don't miss this opportunity to meet with such an elegant personality.

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Jaano Khelo Jeeto (Know Your Members)

- Saturday 15th April was a night of fun and games at Rotary Bhavan. This year when **11 new members** and their families were becoming a part of **Greater Parivar**, a session was organised for everyone to know each other. This Game Night was as much for the **Old Members** as for the **New Ones**.
- After the **Rotary Prayer** by new member **Rtn. Hiren Dhakan**, **Hon. Sec. Rtn. Apoorva Modi** made the **Secretarial Announcements**. **President Rtn. Kunal Ashok Mehta** made announcements regarding the **Events** and **Projects** of the month. He also requested all the members to participate in **The Talent Show (Greater Boogie Woogie)** that will take place in June.
- **President Elect Rtn. Nilesh Bhojani** showed a video of 54th Rotary District Conference **Anand Utsav**.



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- The fun began with a **short introduction** of all the **new members** present. The Anns then played a fun game Answer with Alphabets. The Rotarians then played a group game **Human Minefield**, where a blindfolded new member was directed by the rest of the team towards a particular member.
- The final game, **Eat It Challenge** made sure that everyone was left in splits. 8 Teams of 7 were made on basis of sounds made by different animals. Every player in all the 8 teams were made to eat different food items in a particular order. The team to finish first won.
- The games for Jaano Khelo Jeeto were made by **Rtn Priyank Bharad** and **Ann Rajvi Bharad**. The Emcee for the night RCC member **Lovely Thakar** made sure that everyone participated and had a wonderful time.
- The meeting ended with the **National Anthem**.

PROJECT *Review*

Table Tennis Set Donation

Who doesn't like to play games right? Playing games (indoor or outdoor) is important not only for physical fitness but also for mental stimulation. RCRG experience indescribable excitement and joy by **Donating a Table Tennis Table with Rackets and Balls** to **Shri Unique Viklang Charitable Trust** on **Wednesday, 19th April**.



THE BETTER

Halves

ANN. ALPA RAJESH PARSANA

- 1 Spouse Name :** Rtn. Rajesh Parsana
Children's Names : Annet Kush Parsana and Annet Krisha Parsana
- 2 How do you enjoy spending your alone time?**

Helping the elderly people in our area and helping house helps working around our house.

- 3 What is your favorite way to spend time with your family?**
Going for Vacations


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4 Which traits of your parents (mother or father) do you hope to adopt?

My Mother is very religious, enduring, helpful and supportive. She has always helped me and supported me in shaping me as a woman and I wish to do the same for my daughter. My father has seen struggles in his days but he made it a point that me and my siblings are successful in our own ways.

5 If you turn into your partner for a day, what would you do?

I will handle all his work at the Factory.

6 What is a skill that you think everyone should have?

Cooking

7 What movie title best describes your life?

English Vinglish

8 You can have unlimited supply of anything, what should it be?

Time

9 If you could eat one food for the rest of your life, what would you choose?

I am not a Big Foodie, I can eat anything available.

10 If you were stranded on an island, what 1 thing and 1 person would you choose to take with you?

Person: My kids Item: A Boat

11 If you had to delete all but 3 apps on your phone, which 3 will you keep?

Whatsapp, Facebook, Instagram, but only for life, health, and fashion related videos.

12 What is the best and worst thing about getting older?

Best: Experience Worst: Aging

13 What does Rotary mean to you?

Samaj Seva

14 What is your fondest memory of RCRG?

When Rotary donated the Dialysis Machine and Mammography Machine for the benefit of people.

15 If you could make one rule in RCRG that everyone has to follow, what would it be?

Come for at least 5 Service Projects in a year.

16 If you could dedicate your life to solving one national or global problem, what problem would you choose?

Mental Health Problems in Women



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SOUL *Talk*

Cooking: A Basic Life Skill!

ANN. VIDHI NATHWANI

What's better than ordering your favourite meal from a take out? Making it yourself! It's easy to outsource our cooking to professionals, but in so doing, we lose a fundamental skill, control over our nutrition, and an exercise that promotes our physical and mental health. And as we know, nothing beats a home-cooked meal! Even if you have never cooked anything beyond Khichdi,

improving your cooking skills can seriously improve your quality of life. Whether you're living on your own or with your family, cooking is a top-tier skill that will last you a lifetime.

But there's a new attitude towards cooking in the young generation that I find troublesome. Both in young men and women. Due to traditional gender roles that have been implicit in our Indian culture, more and more young women regard themselves as careless towards this basic life skill. As if rebelling it and only going to school, work, etc. is somehow a response to the overbearing patriarchy. And this also includes men, who regard it not as a life skill but a duty of women in their lives.

These young minds claim to be independent and blow off their parent's comments about their ability to feed themselves by saying "we'll order from Zomato or we will hire a cook". But is this really independence? Is this how an adult should think?

Cooking should not be a role reserved for a particular gender, and its importance should also not be ignored. As we move into our careers, start families, get married, move out, get our first apartment or move towards other milestones, we should also learn how to cook. It really is a basic life skill we should all learn. Key emphasis on WE as a generation of men and women making strides. Promote the idea of learning to cook in your own circles, throw a potluck. Have everyone bring a dish they haven't tried before, hold a contest, do more to promote the learning of basic life skills in your circle. There is no excuse. We all have the time, we just don't want to make it and think we're above it. If you can go to school for higher degrees, work in the lab, work in the clinic, do surgery, do accounting, do research, work in IT, work as a teacher... you can cook. And it brings a different kind of joy to eat food that is self-made.

CLUB *News*

RCRG announces with great pleasure that **Annet Krishna Rajesh Parsana** will be visiting **Passo Fundo, Brazil** from **April 28th to June 10th** under **IYE Short Term Rotary Exchange Program**. Passo Fundo is a charming city located in the southern state of Rio Grande do Sul, renowned for its vibrant culture, picturesque scenery, and bustling nightlife. We wish Annet Krishna **good luck** for this amazing opportunity.





YOU Critic

Faraaz

ANN. DEVAL MEHTA



Story: Directed by Hansal Mehta, Faraaz is a hostage drama based on the Holey Artisan Bakery, 2016 July Dhaka attack that shook Bangladesh. On the fateful night of 1 July 2016, five heavily armed young and educated boys with guns and grenades took over the Artisan Bakery in Dhaka. They opened fire on the diners killing 20 hostages, most of them foreigners and 2 police officers while taking . They took all the Bangladeshi nationals present in the café as hostage for more than 12 hours.

One of the hostages was **Faraaz**, a Bangladeshi Muslim, from a wealthy, connected family. Showing exemplary courage, he stands up for his companions, one of them an Indian Hindu. The morning after the attack begin, the terrorists gave him a choice to leave with rest of the Bangladeshi Muslim hostages and to leave his friends behind. On refusing Faraaz and his friends are killed. The terrorists are later killed by the Police and Military.

Positives: Mehta tried to addresses a raging debate through his movie — tolerance versus intolerance, religion versus radicalism and humanity over everything else. The film's standout act comes from Paresh Rawal's son Aditya Rawal, who plays the terrorist Nibras. His role demanded him to be both humane and cruel, thoughtful yet blinded with hate, which he portrays perfectly. Zahan Kapoor, grandson of Shashi Kapoor, is balanced and effective in his title role.

Negatives: Words exchanged lack depth and sound more like a Twitter debate. A liberal Muslim schooling a radical Muslim, sounds more preachy than powerful. The comedy punches at times are unnecessary. The portrayal of the nervous energy and anticipation of the terrorists, the hostages, relatives of the hostages, the police department and the military becomes stagnant after a while and never reached its peak.

Overall: The movie makers look like they have ill researched the entire incident. The real incident was as gruesome as the Pan Am Flight Hijack in Karachi or the 26/11 attacks in Mumbai. But Faraaz is not as gut wrenching as Neerja or Hotel Mumbai.



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