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MEMBERSHIP & EXTENTION MONTH

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by
Akshat Poddar



Dear Rotary family,

We all come together to talk, laugh and share ideas, but above all we come together for one, overriding goal: Service.

Keeping up with RI President Shekhar Mehta's vision to increase Rotary Membership and August being membership designated month, with focus on reaching

out to the younger generation I'm happy to announce we inducted 3 young and dynamic gentlemen into our Rotary family. As we grow more, we do more. I urge all my fellow Rotarians to share this gift of Rotary with others by introducing new people to the wonderful World of Rotary and also engage the new members. Paul Harris wrote: "Individual efforts may be turned to individual needs, but combined efforts should be dedicated to the service of mankind. The power of combined effort knows no limitation.

The month of September is the Basic education and Literacy Month in Rotary. Achieving the right to Basic education for all is one of the biggest moral challenges of our times, society. With the schools crawling back to life during COVID-19 Pandemic it becomes a responsibility on every one of us, as we Rotarians are not afraid to tackle some of the World's most critical and widespread humanitarian issues. I request my dear Rotarians to support the cause of literacy, come up with innovative ideas to demolish and perish the darkness of illiteracy. Remember this year we 'Serve to change lives'.

- Rtn Vikram Premkumar



Shekhar Mehta
President 2021-22

I am sure you are having an enriching experience as you Serve to Change Lives. One of the ways you can make the greatest change in a person's life is to help them learn to read. Literacy opens up the world to us. It makes us better informed about life in our own communities and opens vistas to other cultures. Reading and writing connects people and gives us another way to express our love for one another.

September is Basic Education and Literacy Month in Rotary. Enhancing literacy skills is critical in our pursuit of reducing poverty, improving health, and promoting peace. In fact, if all students in low-income countries left school with basic reading skills, it would result in a significant cut in global poverty rates.

Without education, illiterate children become illiterate adults. Today, 14 percent of the world's adult population — 762 million people — lack basic reading and writing skills. Two-thirds of that group are women. Literacy and numeracy skills are essential to obtaining better housing, health care, and jobs over a lifetime.

Especially for girls and women, literacy can be a life-or-death issue. If all girls completed their primary education, there would be far fewer maternal deaths. And a child is more likely to survive past age 5 if he or she is born to a mother who can read. Improving outcomes for more people worldwide is possible only if countries remove barriers to education for girls. The

economic argument for doing so is clear: In some countries where schooling is geared toward boys, the cost of missed economic opportunity is more than \$1 billion per year.

Empowering people through education is among the boldest goals we have as Rotarians. We don't have to travel far from our homes to encounter those whose lives are being curtailed because they struggle with reading, rely on others to read for them, or cannot write anything more than their own name.

Starting this month, consider how your club can Serve to Change Lives through literacy: Support local organizations that offer free programs to support adult literacy or local language learning, or that provide teachers with professional development centered around reading and writing. Become literacy mentors, or work with an organization like the Global Partnership for Education to increase learning opportunities for children around the world. Have conversations with local schools and libraries to see how your club can support their existing programs or help create needed ones in your community.

In India, the TEACH program, a successful collaboration between the country's Rotary clubs and its government, has demonstrated how to scale up literacy efforts to reach millions of children. And at a time when schools across India were closed due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the program's e-learning component reached more than 100 million children through national television.

Literacy is the first step out of poverty. As Nobel laureate Malala Yousafzai has noted, "One child, one teacher, one book, and one pen can change the world."

AUGUST IS MEMBERSHIP MONTH



Thoughts from Membership chair
Rtn. Dr. Vanrajsinh Mahida

its strong membership base. This is because of our clear member induction policy and then comes their nurturing and maintenance.

I have been very lucky to have a well experienced membership committee with devoted members like PP Sarosh Ginwala and PP Satyen Shah who have been very meticulous in selecting new members who would be dedicated to our Rotary Theme and Goals.

Friends, nurturing of our members is equally important as selecting them, where comes the role of our whole rotary family. Each and every member of club right from past district governors office bearers, past presidents, board members, Anns and Annets and of course our office staff whose utmost co-operation and selfless involvement have maintained the dignity of our club through fellowship, service projects and donations; thus fulfilling the moto of our organization - well depicted in few words of our " Four Way Test " .

Yours in Rotary,

- Rtn. Dr. Vanrajsinh Mahida
(Membership Chair, R. C. Bharuch)

Dear Friends,

Warm rotary greetings!!!

"Members" are the key of any organization and I am privileged to be the membership chair of our prestigious club—a part of great organization "Rotary International".

Friends, we all know that our century old organization and 60 years old club has been able to survive and grow, standing strong through all thick & thin due to

August at Glance



1st Aug. - Poster release of Breastfeeding week :

"Protect Breast Feeding : A Shared Responsibility " Going with this theme for World Breast Feeding week 1st-7th August 2021, R C Bharuch is supporting and highlighting the links between breastfeeding and survival, health and wellbeing of women, children and nations. Anchoring breastfeeding support as a vital public health responsibility, R C Bharuch kickstarted the week with a huge BANNER release at MIPRYC, situated on the busy Station Road to raise awareness amongst maximum number of people . Rotary Club of Bharuch has designed awareness campaigns highlighting and recognising benefits of breastfeeding in various communities across the country.

4th Aug. - Webinar on Lactating Mothers : "SUPPORT BREASTFEEDING FOR A HEALTHIER PLANET " As a part of celebrating World Breastfeeding week, RC BHARUCH in association with BOGS, FOGSI, conducted a webinar for expecting and lactating mother's by Guest Speaker : Dr Prachee Shah on the Topic : " Breastfeeding tips and tricks for new and to be mothers "



4th Aug. - Handing over oxygen concentrators : Our CSR partner TIMKEN, through its CSR initiative has donated 25 oxygen concentrators to RC Bharuch. In presence of Mr Deependra Pareekh, unit head TIMKEN, his team and our own MLA Rtn Shri Dushyantbhai Patel.



5th Aug. - Panjrapole Visit : Visited panjrapole along with MLA Rtn Dushyantbhai Patel. Also had a look on its functioning and how the animals are taken care of. Also had a look on prospective work which can be done there.



5th Aug. - Seminar on Asha Workers and nurses : RC Bharuch organised a Seminar and Workshop for Asha workers and Nurses as part of BREAST FEEDING WEEK CELEBRATION . Dr Shobha Shah & her team from SEWA Rural - JHAGADIA conducted the seminar and workshop on the Topic : "Establishment of successful Breastfeeding in New borns." Dr. JS Dulera , CHDO Bharuch graced the event.



YOG SHIBIR
By
YOG SEVAK SHEESH PALJI
Chairman
Gujarat State Yoga Board

Date:- 6th August (Friday) Time: 6 am to 8 am
Venue:- PD Shroff Rotary Hall, MIPRYC

6th Aug. - Yog Shibir : " YOGA ADDS YEARS TO YOUR LIFE AND LIFE TO YOUR YEARS" RC Bharuch and Inner Wheel Club of Bharuch in association with ' Shiva Shakti education and Charitable trust ' has organised a YOG SHIBIR in presence of YOG SEVAK SHEESH PALJI, Chairman -Gujarat State Yog Board

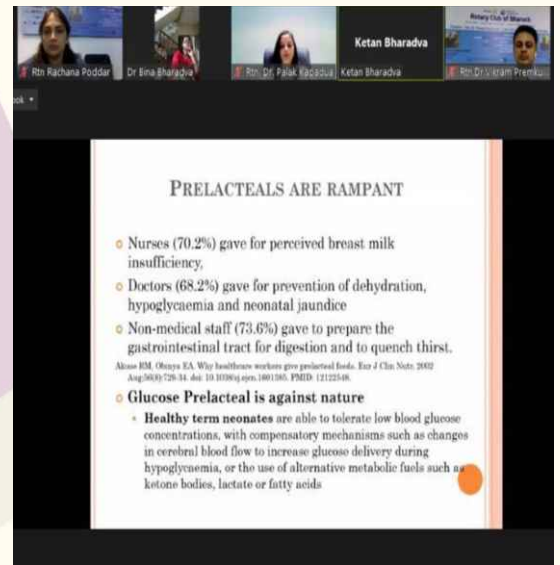


6th Aug. - Speaker on choosing right vaccine by Rtn Dr Vikram Premkumar : President Rtn Dr Vikram Premkumar gave an update to pediatrician of Bharuch on choosing right pneumococcal & Hepatitis vaccine.



7th Aug. - Science and Practice of successful breastfeeding District Webinar : As a part of celebrating " WORLD BREASTFEEDING WEEK " for Obstetricians and Pediatricians.

RC Bharuch along with RC Coimbatore City in association with Bharuch Obstetrics and Gynaecology Society (BOGS) and FOGSI Scheduled Zoom meeting on the same. Dr Ketan Bhardava and Dr Bina Bhardava gave their views on the above topic.



7th Aug. - Beauty Parlor Classes : RC Bharuch and its partner in service RCC Nikora, started beauty parlour classes under " BHARTI SIRISH MODI WOMEN EMPOWERMENT PROJECT " at Varadhabhai Lallubhai Prathmik Shala, Nikora with around 12 beneficiaries.



8th Aug. - Hosted Cyclist Brajesh Kumar on India tour : RC Bharuch had a meet and greet event of Rotarians at MIPRYC Bharuch with record breaking Cyclist Brajesh kumar who was on India wide cycling mission to raise awareness on Plastic use reduction and Benefits of Organic farming.



12th Aug. - Youth Festival : "Youngsters are on the frontlines of the struggle to build a better future for all" On 12th August, celebrated World wide as International Youth Day, RC Bharuch along with Interact Club of Bharuch organised a mega event on " INTERNATIONAL YOUTH DAY " - A day full of bonding, fun and events.



FREE ENTRY

BREAKFAST & LUNCH INCLUDED

EXCLUSIVE PRIZES

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Events:-

- DANCE
- OPEN MIC
- FASHION SHOW

Age Categories:-

- 6 - 12
- 13-18

DATE:- 12TH AUGUST 2021

VENUE:- M.J PATEL ROTARY YOUTH CENTRE





14th Aug. - Unplugged :- Season 2 : The Unplugged - Season 2 ' can be called a true star studded event. RC Bharuch and Rotaract Bharuch jointly organised the season 2 of Unplugged by TedX Golden bridge. 30 odd young artist showcased their talent in singing, dancing, open mic, and music. The event was graced by Chief Guest MLA Rtn Dushyantbhai Patel, Guest of honor Captain Dharamveer Singh and special invited guest AG Tushar Jinwala.



15th Aug. - Yog Shibir : As a part of our 75th Independence Day celebration, RC Bharuch had organised YOG SHIBIR in association with Shiv Shakti Education and Charitable trust. Smt. Kaminaben Raj, Senior Coach, Bharuch District Yog Board, gave a wonderful training session to around 100 participants and came up with interesting newer approach to YOGA. A good number of our Rotarians joined the early morning Yog Shibir and gave a healthy start to the Independence Day celebrations .



15th Aug. - Independence Day Celebration "Flag Hoisting" : "Independence Day" - A red letter day in the history of India which took hundreds of years for us to break the shackles of slavery. To celebrate this victory of 75 years, Flag Hoisting ceremony was held at MIPRYC with great pomp in the presence of President RC Bharuch, Rotary Welfare Trust Chairman, MIPRYC Chairman and fellow Rotarians and MIPRYC members.

15th Aug. - Drawing Competition : On the occasion of 75th Independence Day, Drawing and Painting Competition for children was organised jointly with R K County and HDFC bank on category wise themes based on "Independence Day Celebration."

More than 200 children took enthusiastic participation in the competition. Winners were declared and prizes were distributed. This competition had provided an innovative platform to explore the creative potential in the young minds of children. It was a perfect example of Rotary day of action with combined active participation of Rotary Club of Bharuch, Rotaract club of Bharuch & Interact Club of Bharuch.



15th Aug. - Mask Distribution : Continuing with COVID health awareness RC Bharuch distributed 100 masks to the villagers of Valia. We are thankful to PP Vanrajsinh Mahida and Rtn Pratiksha Mahida for their planning and coordination.



15th Aug. - POTLUCK : We have heard of tough luck, blind luck, and beginner's luck, but the best luck of all is... *POT LUCK!!!
With this brilliant idea, RC Bharuch organised a POTLUCK party on Sunday evening, 15th Aug. as happy and fun filled finish to the day long Independence Day celebration at MIPRYC Lawns, Rotary club of Bharuch. It went down the best way with a spoonful of gastronomical feast in style and humour. A good way to celebrate Independence Day with an evening of food, friends, festive fun and wonderful fellowship...!!!



15th Aug. - Food Distribution : When we feed the hungry the happiness that flows is endless... With a firm belief in not letting food to go waste, we distributed the extra food from the potluck dinner to the homeless and hungry. We did not click pics as we got carried away and teary eyed seeing the gleam of smile on the hungry faces. A worthy end to a beautiful day.



Brochure cover page hand painted by **Akshat Poddar**,
Son of Proud parents, Rtn Manish & Rtn Rachana Poddar...

17th Aug. - Planning Meeting For Ophthalmic Grant : Initial planning meeting was held for planning of Ophthalmic Camp

18th Aug. - Small Performance by Stars of Unplugged : A small performance by the Stars of Unplugged event was organised in the general meeting.



25th Aug. - New Members Orientation : New members orientation session was organised to familiarise them with Rotary by our own PDG Devang Thakore. The topic was ROTARY - Nostalgia Revisited. New members of neighbouring club as well as new members of RC Bharuch actively participated.



Rotaract Bharuch Rotary Bharuch Interact Bharuch

jointly organizes

BLOOD DONATION CAMP & AWARENESS TALK ON ORGAN DONATION

Date: 27th August, Friday
Time: 09:30AM to 05:00PM
Venue: Corporate Office Block, Timken, ABC circle, Bharuch.

President RC Bharuch
Rtn. Dr. Vikram Premkumar

Secretary RC Bharuch
Rtn. Rachana Poddar

Event Chair
Rtn. Dr. Suresh Rao

Event Chair
Rtn. Rahil Patel

27th Aug. - Blood Donation Camp : "A few droplets of blood can create an ocean of happiness...!!!" Keeping this in mind, Rotary club of Bharuch has organised "Blood Donation Camp" and Awareness Talk on Organ Donation by Dr.G M Patel at TIMKEN India, Bharuch plant. Through this camp, RC Bharuch highlighted the essential contribution of blood donors and importance of organ donation made to keep the community pulsating by saving lives



27th Aug. - Awareness camp on Organ Donation : RC Bharuch organised Awareness talk on the importance of organ donation by Dr. G M Patel.



Gift of Life Rotary District 3060 SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

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Rotary BHARUCH RI District 3060

WEBINAR
Seminar under district deaddiction vertical

Topic
Addictive behaviour in adolescents and young adults

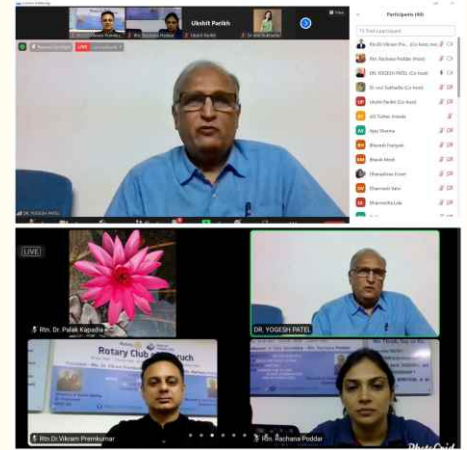
Speaker

Dr. Yogesh Patel
(MBBS, MD (psychiatry))

DATE: 28/08/ 2021 SATURDAY, TIME: 6 TO 8 PM
Event Chairman - Rtn Dr Urvi Sukhadia

Rtn. Dr.Vikram Premkumar, PRESIDENT RC BHARUCH | Rtn. Rachana Poddar, HON. SECRETARY RC BHARUCH

28th Aug. - "Addictive Behaviour in Adolescents and Young Adults " De-Addiction Webinar :

Investing in the health and well being of Adolscents, should be our top most priority. RC Bharuch organised a webinar on ' Addictive Behaviour in Adolscents and Adults ' as a part of District De Addiction programme.



30th Aug. - The Oldies Fun : "Age is not how old you are, but how many years of fun you had...!!!"

With the purpose to preserve the cultures, traditions and ethical values from one generation to another, RC Bharuch and IC Bharuch have jointly organised "The Oldie Fun" at Vadilo nu Ghar, near Kasak circle, Bharuch. Members at oldage home had a great time with lot of Games and food and Drinks were Distributed.



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RC Bharuch & IC Bharuch jointly organizes

THE OLDIE FUN
"Let's Spend Some Time With The Oldies"

DATE: - 30TH AUGUST 2021 | **TIME: - 5 PM - 7 PM**

VENUE: - VADILU NU GHAR, NEAR KASAK CIRCLE, BHARUCH



Laughter indeed is the best medicine! No medical practitioner can ever deny it.

When you add the concept of Rotary, the whole therapy goes to next level of maturity.

The whole attribute for this refinement is imbibed through fellowship and like minded people coming forward for service above self.

This is very much evident from the fact that the most onerous tasks are executed with clinical precision when you add a dash of laughter to the process and the onlookers would simply feel amazed by which the task implementation appears so easy.

I have had my share of finest laughter medicine ever since I was a child and used to accompany my parents on purpose of rotary.

I still recount numerous such occasions where we laughed our hearts out for the sheer witty sense of

humour by then elderly Rotarians. I don't wish to name anyone here since it would be a long exhaustive list and if I start penning those lovely occasions then instead of a column I would end up writing a book.

As we grew up and became a member the same spirit of camaraderie is still evident and with changing times has also evolved.

I always look forward to the events of Rotary to meet my most closest friends and share a round of laughter which is enough to last for next few days and recharges me for taking on the day to day perils. In my view the laughter therapy-the rotary way is the biggest stress buster

and I wish as more people get engrossed, the spectrum of amusement too would expand and hence lead to greater positive energy.

- Rtn Prashant Ruia

Updates From Rotary International

by *Ryan Hyland*

Rotary joined its partners in the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI) to mark the first anniversary of a historic public health milestone: the World Health Organization's African region being certified free of wild polio.

The anniversary was celebrated on 25 August during a WHO Regional Committee for Africa meeting, which also addressed current challenges to eradicating polio and new tactics to achieve a polio-free world.

Africa's milestone has already benefited children's health and public health across the continent. The infrastructure and innovations that helped the African region become free of wild polio are playing an important role in the COVID-19 pandemic response and are available to use in future public health emergencies. Polio workers also now conduct other routine immunizations, deliver medicines, and provide other health care services.

The achievement in Africa is the result of a decades-long effort by millions of Rotary members, health workers, government officials, religious leaders, and parents. Since 1996, when wild polio paralyzed an estimated 75,000 children across Africa, health workers have administered more than 9 billion doses of oral vaccine, preventing 1.8 million wild polio cases.

Rotary members have contributed nearly \$920 million toward eradicating the virus in the region, advocated for support from their governments, mobilized communities around National Immunization Days, and conducted events to raise funds and public awareness.

Five of the WHO's six regions, representing more than 90% of the world's population, are now free of the wild poliovirus.

Africa's success in eliminating wild polio proves that the virus can be eliminated under complex circumstances and provides a blueprint for eradicating wild polio in the last two countries where it's endemic: Afghanistan and Pakistan.

Dr. Tunji Funsho, chair of Rotary's Nigeria PolioPlus Committee, says the certification of the African region is a monumental public health achievement, but the ultimate goal of global eradication remains.

"Our job is not done," says Funsho, a member of the Rotary Club of Lekki Phase 1, Nigeria. "Africa still has a

vital role to play in ending polio globally and must continue to reach children everywhere with polio vaccines."

"We also face a final hurdle in ridding Africa of all forms of polio," he adds, citing outbreaks of the circulating vaccine-derived poliovirus type 2 (cVDPV2) variant. These outbreaks, he says, "continue to harm under-immunized communities across the region and paralyze children."

Health officials confirmed 609 cases of cVDPV2 across 20 countries in Africa in 2020, a sharp increase from a year earlier. One factor in the increase in polio transmission was the unprecedented pause in polio vaccination campaigns from March through July 2020 in more than 30 countries in order to protect communities from COVID-19. According to the WHO and UNICEF, 23 million children missed out on basic vaccines in 2020, including polio vaccinations.

Although the African region's anniversary is evidence of what can be achieved, the two countries where wild polio remains endemic are evidence that as long as polio exists anywhere, it is a threat everywhere.

The GPEI's new 2022-26 polio eradication strategy aims to overcome the remaining hurdles and finish the job by introducing innovative tools and tactics to reach more children with vaccines. The strategy includes the broadening distribution of a new vaccine to address outbreaks of cVDPV2. This novel oral polio vaccine type 2 (nOPV2) protects children against polio while being more genetically stable and less likely to regain strength and cause the vaccine-derived polio. It has already been introduced in several African countries, including Benin, Chad, Liberia, Niger, Nigeria, the Republic of Congo, and Sierra Leone.

The new strategy will expand the regional rapid response teams that quickly start work in areas with outbreaks. Health workers will also have more access to electronic surveillance technologies, which expedite the detection of cVDPV2.

The program will broaden an initiative that has helped more than 250,000 health workers access digital payments for their work in as little as two days. And the program calls for digitization with real-time data and automated dashboards that will help health workers plan more effective campaigns.

Words for the future

Rotary is forging a path to full literacy in India

by **Vanessa Glavinskas**

Long before he became Rotary International's president, Shekhar Mehta was known for setting ambitious goals.

His reputation for successfully tackling difficult problems is why, in 2014, former RI president Kalyan Banerjee asked him to lead an effort to make India fully literate — a goal that has eluded the Indian government as well as many NGOs.

"I realized making a country literate is no easy task," says Mehta, who defines full literacy as an overall rate of 95 percent or above for those aged 7 and up. (The government of India estimates India's current literacy rate among that group at 78 percent.) "But I strongly believe in Gandhi's view that if you find the goal, the means will follow."

An accountant and real estate developer, Mehta didn't enter the endeavor with any experience in education. "I had no clue, no background in education at all," he says. He spent about nine months learning from experts before founding the Rotary India Literacy Mission (RILM), a nonprofit that aims to strengthen and standardize Rotary clubs' literacy initiatives across India.

To accomplish this, RILM created a program of service projects that it encourages clubs across India to take on with the nonprofit's support and mentorship. The projects are built around the acronym TEACH, which stands for teacher support, e-learning, adult literacy, child development, and happy schools (which focuses on infrastructure improvements). "We think every school should be a school where our own children would be happy to study," says Kamal Sanghvi, who was an RI director from 2019 to 2021 and chairs RILM now that Mehta is RI president.

"Rotarians understand that for any nation to achieve greatness, you need a high literacy level."

Following the model that made India's polio eradication campaign a success, coordinators promoted the TEACH program in Rotary zones and districts in the country. RILM staff created manuals and organized trainings, and now

nearly every club in India works on a project to support at least one aspect of the TEACH program. "The momentum picked up so beautifully," Sanghvi says. "Rotarians understand that for any nation to achieve greatness, you need a high literacy level."

The combined efforts of hundreds of Rotary clubs, plus their partner organizations, have added up to large-scale results. To date, an estimated 7 million children are benefiting from RILM's teacher training component alone. The program's overall reach is enormous.

"Training, standardization, and developing partnerships — these are the three things that make the program work," Mehta says.

Rotary members in Nepal, Pakistan, and Bangladesh are all working on literacy programs modeled on the Rotary India Literacy Mission. (Members in Togo also recently expressed interest in the program.) "This is something that can be replicated anywhere," Shekhar Mehta says.

Photos courtesy of Rotary India Literacy Mission (RILM).

Due to its impact, Rotary India Literacy Mission gained name recognition, which recently led to its largest initiative yet — working with the Indian government to create and distribute free e-learning content to children who were out of school because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Where are literacy programs needed?

The following countries have adult literacy rates below 50 percent:

- Afghanistan
- Burkina Faso
- Chad
- Guinea-Bissau
- Mali
- Sierra Leone
- South Sudan
- Benin
- Central African Republic
- Côte d'Ivoire Guinea
- Liberia
- Niger
- Somalia

* Source: UNESCO

"In a lot of areas in India, internet penetration is very poor," explains Biswajit Ghosh, RILM's chief operating and strategy officer. "And the government was struggling to provide online education for the masses." That's when Ghosh says Rotary "put up its hand" and offered to facilitate the creation of high-quality multimedia content for grades 1-12.

RILM worked with a video production company to create the content, covering the cost through donations and sponsorships so that e-learning would be free to the nation.

In 2020, India's government began broadcasting the Rotary-sponsored content on several TV channels — one per grade — in both English and Hindi. The lessons were available to about 100 million students across India, Ghosh estimates.

The goal now is to get the same multimedia curriculum translated into more of India's languages and to provide the software to every public school in India. "The level of education in the villages is far lower than in the cities," explains Sanghvi. "In the city,

they simply have better access to technology and knowledge."

But while a large-scale rollout of e-learning could help lessen this disparity, it will only work if teachers know how to use the software. That's where the "T" in TEACH comes in. "We're training teachers across India," Sanghvi says, adding that the urgency to do so became apparent as soon as India went into its pandemic lockdown. "Many teachers didn't know how to start a Zoom," Sanghvi says.

Increased literacy is especially important for women and their communities. Educated women have a better chance of escaping poverty and improving the standard of living for their families and communities.

Photo courtesy of Rotary India Literacy Mission (RILM).

The nonprofit works with partner organizations to provide the e-learning training and also offers an award to teachers who excel — as judged by their students and the school principal. It works like this: Rotary clubs survey local

students, and that feedback is the basis on which a teacher is selected to win a Nation Builder award. Teachers who score poorly are targeted for future club-sponsored training programs. "We learn which teachers are outstanding and who needs to get their skills upgraded," Sanghvi says. "It's a win-win for us."

Despite RILM's success in improving literacy among

children, India will not be able to achieve total literacy without addressing its estimated 287 million illiterate adults, who make up about one-third of the world's illiterate-adult population.

Sanghvi says that illiterate adults have not been served well by government efforts to increase India's literacy rate. So RILM facilitated the publication of a small workbook and primer that will help adults take the first step toward "functional literacy" — being able to read street signs and write their name, among other basic skills.

Local clubs distributed this primer to students, and asked that "each one, teach one" — in other words, a child with a family member who cannot read or write could use this primer as a tool to teach them the basics. "The schoolchildren were excited," Sanghvi says. "They'd say, 'Oh gosh, I'm going to become a teacher!'"

RILM's goal is to make every Indian citizen at least functionally literate — able to engage in the everyday activities in their community that require basic literacy. The pandemic forced RILM to extend its deadline by two years. The group now hopes to achieve this goal by 2027.

It's an ambitious goal, Mehta concedes, but "Rotary is thriving in India," he says. "So, we need to dream."

This story originally appeared in the September 2021 issue of Rotary magazine.

Proud Moment of RC Bharuch

LITTLE GENIUES



Manasvi Patel, daughter of our new Rotarian Pooja Patel, won the title for writing with both her hands simultaneously in India books of records. She is the only kid who made this record.

Heartiest congratulations to Manasvi and proud parents

“ROTARIANS RUNNING FOR A CAUSE”



Rotarians of RC Bharuch, Ketan Desai and Kishore Shahdarpuri joined Actor, Model and film producer Milind Soman as a part of 'Run For Unity' series with the purpose of motivating and inspiring people to run as a tribute to Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel who played a key role in uniting India after Independence.

Rtn Ketan Desai, Joined Actor for Run upto 40kms Truly a Proud moment for us.

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14th Aug. - TEDx Golden Bridge Unplugged Season 2: The Unplugged Season 2, initiative by TEDx Golden Bridge was a massive success. “The Unplugged” is a platform for young artists that serves as an opportunity to take a step forward in showcasing their talents. More than 30 artists had participated. The event had various dance performances, musicians, stand-up comedians and speakers, who kept the audience engaged consistently throughout the show. The audience as well as the performers thoroughly enjoyed the event.



14th Aug. - Welcoming Captain Dharamveer Singh : Our Honourable guest Captain Dharamveer Singh was warmly welcomed by the Rotaractors. He was the Chief Guest of the TEDx Golden Bridge Unplugged Season 2 Event, organised on 14th August'21 and was also invited for the Independence Day Flag hoisting ceremony. The Rotaract Club of Bharuch gladly organised a visit to the Statue of Unity for Captain Dharamveer Singh.

15th Aug. - Independence Day Flag Hoisting Ceremony : Our 75th Independence Day was joyously commemorated at the Rotary Club of Bharuch. The Flag hoisting ceremony took place in the presence of President RTN. Dr Vikram Premkumar, Secretary Rachna Poddar, Captain Dharamveer Singh, MIPRYC Chairman RTN. Ketan Shah, Rotaract Secretary RTR. Harsh Thakkar and several club members.



15th Aug. - Drawing Competitions at R.K. County : The Rotary Club of Bharuch and Rotaract Club of Bharuch, in collaboration with HDFC Bank, jointly organised a drawing competition for children of ages 4-18. The competition was organised to commemorate our 75th Independence Day. More than 200 children had participated in the competition.



19th Aug. - Rotaract Club General Meeting : The 2nd General Meeting for the current year was held on 19th August'21. A report of Rotaract's past projects was shared and the potential future projects were discussed in the meeting. The ROTA BOOKSHARE project was launched in the meeting.



19th Aug. - ROTA BOOKSHARE project launch : Books, as widely known, are the biggest source for personal development. The ROTA BOOKSHARE project, newly launched by the Rotaract, aims to nurture a culture of sharing among the club members.

27th Aug. - Blood Donation Camp : The Rotary Club of Bharuch along with Rotaract Club of Bharuch and Interact club of Bharuch organised a Blood Donation Camp at TIMKEN. 92 blood units were collected for the civil blood bank of Bharuch.



27th Aug. - Awareness Talk on Organ Donation : An Awareness Talk on Organ Donation was delivered by G M Patel at TIMKEN, Bharuch.

28th Aug. - Webinar on Addictive Behaviour in Adolescents and Young Adults : An engaging webinar on the topic "Addictive Behaviour in Adolescents and Young Adults" was delivered by Dr Yogesh Patel (MBBS, MD). the webinar was hosted by Rotactors along with the parent Rotary Club of Bharuch. It focused on recognising the conscious or unconscious addictive behaviour in young adults and spread awareness about it.



28th Aug. - South-East Asia Rotaract Information Centre Installation : Our club president Rtr. Nishant Sonawala along with club secretary Rtr. Harsh represented Rotaract Club of Bharuch at the National Rotaract event of SEARIC. SEARIC is a Multi-District Information Organization (MDIO).

The ceremony was to install PDRR Kaushal Sahu as the president Of SEARIC MDIO. The collar exchange ceremony was conducted in air on a private plane. Then the further proceedings of installation were done in a swimming pool of a luxury resort. The whole event was hosted & organized by Rotaract club of Surat Diamond City.



30th Aug. : Inter-District Youth Exchange Visiting Team RI district 3011 : 3 Rotaractors along with DRR RTR. Neeranjan from RID 3011 visited the Rotaract Club of Bharuch on 30th August'21. The visitors were warmly welcomed and entertained at our Secretary Rtr. Harsh Thakkar's home. The visitors were taken to Nilkanth Mahadev Mandir and Gayatri Mandir at Banks of Narmada River. They also visited the Chadi Festival and took a tour of the Golden Bridge. An interactive session with Rotary President RTN Dr Vikram Premkumar was organised as well. At midnight, all the members celebrated Janmashtami.



30th Aug. : General meeting with IDYE team : The Rotaract Club of Bharuch organised a General Meeting with the Inter-District Youth Exchange team and Rotary club of Bharuch, in addition exchanged various potential project ideas.



30th Aug. : 13. Pin& Latter HeadExchange with IDYE Team : The Rotaract Club of Bharuch and the Inter-District Youth Exchange team exchanged their pins and Latter Head, the ceremonial token of association, fellowship, and remembrance, to mark the memorable occasion.



INTERACT CLUB OF BHARUCH

Youth Festival, A Multi-event competition on Account of Youth Day

“Youngsters are on the frontline of the struggle to build a better future for all”. On 12th August, Celebrated world wide as International Youth Day, Interact club of Bharuch along with Rotary Club Bharuch organized a mega event full of fun and events. There were 3 different competitions held at the M.I Patel Youth center. 1) Fashion Show, 2) Open Mice & 3) Dance competition.

More than 100 Participants took part in the events and enjoyed the event a lot. Morning Snacks, lunch and dinner was arranged for the participants and Parents as refreshments. The Chief guest of the event was President of Rotary Club Bharuch Rtn. Dr. Vikram Premkumar.

The event was also Published into two news articles i.e Times applaud & Times News



30th Aug. - Old Age Home Visit : It is believed that the future of the world belongs to the youth of the world and with that comes many social responsibilities. One such responsibility is towards seniors citizens specially the ones who have been abandoned. It must come into our prime duty to make them feel connected to the world around them. And let them know that they are not left out and that someone cares for them too.

In an attempt for the same we the Interact club of Bharuch in association with Rotary club of Bharuch, on account of Janmashtami visited the old age home (GahidaGhar) at Kasakcircle, Bharuch. Food packets and drinks were distributed and everyone played garba, fun games and did many more things.



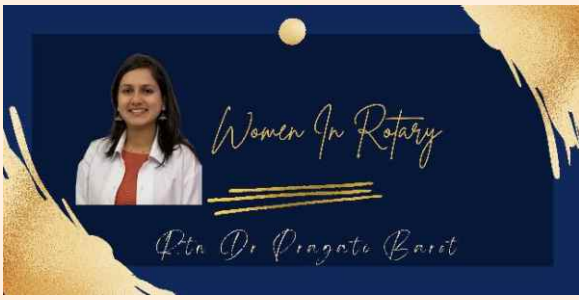
RCC BHARUCH

On the Rakshabandan : Members have gathered at Soneri Mahel Police Station to celebrate Rakshabandan along with Police Station staff members who are always remain on duty for the Service to the people during covid for their long life.



On the Janmastami : RCC members celebrated Janamastami at Zadeshwar. Almost all Board members were present during the celebration between 3.00 pm to 5.00pm.





Rotary in future...visualization of new gen Rotarians

Growing up in the family where serving the community is considered as one's moral responsibility, to fulfill it we feel that there is no other better platform than rotary. We joined Rotary almost a year back. We were overwhelmed by the support, care, respect and warmth we have received by fellow Rotarians. We immediately felt connected with almost all the

members of the club. Soon we were exposed to the different projects of the Rotary where we have observed meticulous planning, systematic approach and endless efforts of the committed Rotarians to achieve the desired goals. One more unique thing to Rotary is that it heavily focusses on sustainability in its humanitarian work that's why Rotary services transform lives and communities. We have seen respected Rotarians actually living up to the motto of organization "service above self".

After involving in various projects of the club and getting the first hand experience of the community service, Rotary has changed our view point towards life and has made us believe that "good intension, meticulous planning, systematic approach and untiring efforts can fetch you a desired success". It has broadened our perspective and created an impact on the way we pursue our objective and make decisions. Rotary gave us access to people, opportunity and experiences we would never have had otherwise. Being a Rotarians serving the community we feel more confident and accomplished.

Being a doctor by profession we wish our community to maintain utmost health. As a Rotarians we would like to extend our efforts in that direction. We wish to have "Rotary Community Clinic" where almost all the basic health related issues will be resolved for all the needy patients at affordable charges. We think that it will act as a catalyst in the process of improving community health.

"Prevention is better than cure" considering it we would like to run awareness campaigns for various health issues through various mass communication means. It will have huge impact on Rotary's public image.

In this globally challenging time we strongly feel the urge of NGO like Rotary which actually brings the change in people's life and opens up the opportunity. Proud to be Rotarians.

- Rtn Dr Pragati Barot

Elite ROTARIAN OF THE MONTH

Rtn Dr Palak Kapadia
We are thankful for your outstanding services.



Perfect Attendance



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| Rtn Ankit Shah | Rtn Rizwana Zamindar |
| Rtn Bhavesh Soni | Rtn Sarosh Ginwalla |
| Rtn Dr Amit Sethi | Rtn Talkin Zamindar |
| Rtn Dr Gary Chen | Rtn Zubin Jambusarwala |
| Rtn Dr Palak Kapadia | Rtn Ami Shah |
| Rtn Kalpesh Soni | Rtn Rut Parikh |
| Rtn Ketan Shah | Rtn Umesh Moria |
| Rtn Manish Poddar | Rtn Rajshekhar Deshnavar |
| Rtn Mukesh Chadderwala | Rtn Rahil Patel |
| Rtn Parinda Shah | Rtn Dr Urvi Sukhadia |
| Rtn Pooja Patel | Rtn Dr Vihang Sukhadia |
| Rtn Prashant Ruia | Rtn Dr Pragati Barot |
| | Rtn Dr Parth Barot |

Late PDRR Rtn Bhumik Shah

People may leave for heavenly abode but their memories and good deeds always live.

Our Late PDRR Rtn. Bhumik being remembered at the South East Asia PDRR and DRR meet and installation ceremony at Surat today.

It's a moment of pride for parents Rtn.Dhimant Shah, Ann Sudha Shah and RC Bharuch.



Know Your Rotary Family



Rtn Dr Vikram Premkumar **Kapadia Clinic- Mother & Child care Hospital**
 Consultant pediatrician & Pediatric Allergy, Asthma & Respiratory disease Specialist at Kapadia Clinic
 Proud Rotarian Since 2013

Vijay Trading Company

CNF of Vadilal Icecreams
 Proud Rotarian Since: 2017

Rtn Rachana Poddar



Rtn Anish C. Parikh **Parikh Group of Companies**
 Chemicals & Pharmaceutical Manufacturing
 Proud Rotarian Since 2004

Sukriti Hospihal

Super Specialist of Face, Jaw and Mouth Surgeries since past 8 years
 Proud Rotarian Since 2016

Rtn Dr Vihang Sukhadia



Rtn Umesh Moria **STN Water Tech**
 Dealing in Industrial and Domestic RO business Retail and Oem.
 Proud Rotarian Since 2013

Microsystems

Automation Business
 Proud Rotarian Since 2017

Rtn Kamaljit Kaur Bunet



Rtn Dr Palak Kapadia **Kapadia Clinic- Mother & Child care Hospital**
 Practicing Gynecologist / Obstetrician
 Proud Rotarian Since 2013

B A Hariyani & Associates

Chartered Accountancy Firm and Eduprenuer
 Proud Rotarian Since 2014

Rtn CA Bhavesh Hariyani



Rtn Talkin S A Zamindar **Media Infocom**
 Distributors at HP, Vibranium Anti virus, Finger Computer Peripheral & resellers of many Products. Along with Sales and Services of Computer Products.
 Proud Rotarian Since 2006-2007

Parishram Pathology Laboratory

Various Laboratory testing
 Proud Rotarian Since 2001

Rtn Dr Vanrajsinh Mahida



Rtn Vipul Thakkar **Vipul Corporation**
 Distributor of Coca Cola & Vadilal Ice-cream
 Proud Rotarian Since 2000.



5-Sept.	Rtn. Bhavesh Hariyani	9898295007
5-Sept.	Rtn. Prerak Patel	9825337000
6-Sept.	Rtn. Archana Patel	7600020600
7-Sept.	Dr Kolain Chen	9824183604

10-Sept.	Rtn. Dr.Pragati Barot	9428175116
11-Sept.	Rtn. Rajesh Goyal	9824150572
14-Sept.	Rtn. Dr.Sunil Shah	9825029749
16-Sept.	Rtn. Bhaveshkumar Soni	8000644636
17-Sept.	Ann Alka Tambedia	9428687365
20-Sept.	Rtn. Kamlesh Udani	9898766888
21/Sept.	Ann Malti Bhalodwala	9824722334
22-Sept.	Ann Jalpa Desai	8000607527
23-Sept.	Rtn. Rahil D. Patel	8460244840
25-Sept.	Ann Urvi Desai	9824350122
27-Sept.	Rtn. Amit Prajapati	9824113237
27-Sept.	Ann Dr Vandana Sethi	9227667115
28-Sept.	Rtn. Anish Parikh	9998014006
28-Sept.	Ann Heena Dalmia	9712398093
29-Sept.	Rtn. Kalpesh B.Shah	9825029928



Rtn Ukshit Parikh



Rtn Hitarth Parikh



Rtn Satish Parmar



Rtn C D Bhanushali



Rtn Purvesh Shah



Rtn CA Niraj Surti



Rtn Dr Ketan Doshi



Rtn Nishant Kadakia



Rtn Rachana Poddar

ROTARY BHARUCH PERMANENT PROJECTS



M. I. Patel Rotary Youth Centre



Pay & Use Toilet



Shroff Poonamchand Devchand
Rotary Diagnostic Centre



Reverse Osmosis Plant Sustainable
Water & Sanitation Project



"Romakadu" A Toy Library



Women Empowerment Project



"Hum Honge Kamyab"



Project "Aadhar"



Critical Care Ambulance