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👏 Hello Rotarians

April is Maternal and Child Health Month. This theme brings you immediate emotions and remind me of the quote "The true measure of society can be found in how it treats its most vulnerable members" The relationship between mother and Child is one of nurturing-physically mentally and socially. If mother's are empowered and healthy so are their families. Through Rotary Projects in India and world we must expand access to quality care, so mothers and children everywhere can have the same opportunity for healthy future.



PRESIDENT
RAJUL DOSHI

With able guidance of PP Rtn Aslam Merchant as Convenor, Rtn Hima Dalal and Rtn Tejas Sura as Co-convenor we are looking forward to hosting an informative and innovative District Learning Assembly on 14th April. Pl register in large numbers for special price for our club. Looking forward for wonderful time at DLA
 Enjoy Rotary

Programs of Scale grant-winner Together for Healthy Families in Nigeria helps families by focusing on the fundamental needs of women

- By Diana Schoberg

In March 1994, at the Anaheim Hilton and Towers, Emmanuel Adedolapo Lufadeju and Robert Zinser struck up a conversation. The two men were district governors-elect, and they had traveled to California — Lufadeju from Nigeria and Zinser from Germany — for Rotary's annual International Assembly. As they spoke, the men discovered that their interests overlapped. Zinser listened intently as Lufadeju described a visit he'd recently made to a hospital maternity ward in Nigeria. At the time, five out of 100 babies in that country died in their first 28 days. Lufadeju had learned that the high rate of newborn fatalities resulted, in part, from poor prenatal and maternal care.

Zinser spoke up. "I can help."

In 1995, Lufadeju and Zinser started a small maternal and child health-care project in Nigeria's northern state of Kaduna. Today, their interventions have spread across the country and are changing the lives of millions of families — all because of that serendipitous encounter 28 years ago. "The story of our project is a story of Rotary friendship," Lufadeju says. "I thought it was something I would do as governor and go away. But it has lasted the better part of my life."

In June, The Rotary Foundation announced that the program, known as Together for Healthy Families in Nigeria, is receiving the Foundation's second \$2 million Programs of Scale grant, an award that will build on the program's past success to accomplish even more in the future.

"This is really about changing the way societies and health systems address the fundamental needs of women," says John Townsend, chair of the Rotary Action Group for Reproductive, Maternal, and Child Health, and chair of the ethical review board at the Population Council. "And that's important because women are the drivers of family and development. If a woman dies or is seriously disabled, the entire family is affected."

Ultimately, Together for Healthy Families in Nigeria wants to reduce maternal and neonatal mortality in the target local government areas by 25 percent. To do so, it aims to improve maternal health and access to family planning services while strengthening health systems at the national, state, and local levels. It also aims to increase the use of maternal care and family planning services by educating community members about their benefits, and to train health care workers to improve skills and track data on maternal and neonatal deaths so that interventions can be tailored to specific needs.

UDAT ABEEL GULAL



It was a one of a kind Sanskruti Setu project encouraging the performing Arts, held at Bhavan's Cultural Centre on 9th March and organised by RCBW with support from sponsors and a few co-hosts. The vocals and instrumentals performed a unique fusion of music from Kashmir to Kerala, Santoor, Veena, Harmonium, Tabla and Mridangam, all played by doyens in the craft, to perfection, Hindustani and Carnatic vocals in an amazing fusion... a delight for music enthusiasts. The Holi thumri fusion of vocals with Kathak and Odissi were the icing on the cake... the Kathak dancer was par excellence and brought a delightful energy to the evening with her bhaav and expressions... the sound and decor were impeccable too...



Three cheers to President Rajul and everyone who was part of the managing, organising, sergeant's desk, coordinating, sponsoring and creatives as well as the yummy snacks... Special thanks to Gaurang sir and Prakash sir for their hand holding and guidance. Just lovely decorations by the Inner Wheel members - they are unmatched really! Take a bow Club Secy Kinny Kaul for all your commendable efforts and creatives. Tejas, PP Samapti, Hima, Brinda, Dr Bhavna for your untiring efforts and contribution...



Kudos to all the RCBW members, Ann's and their guests who could make it as they added to the positive energy and a packed hall with some taking the stairs to sit! Everything works well when team work happens, let's keep that going in RCBW.



- Rtn. Usha Jayachandran



Speaker meeting on 13th March by Krishna Kumar - GoMo Tech, Founder & CEO, Sept 2012 onwards spoke about failure and fallings as a stepping stone. He is Passionate, Thoughtful, Self-Driven with Business Acumen and Entrepreneurial Zeal.



Wonderful Women's DAY CELEBRATION



On 27th March 2024 Wonderful Women's Day celebration took place at RCBW.

National badminton champion Ami Ghia was felicitated by the Club with a Lifetime Achievement Award and she spoke very inspirationally about her journey with the sport ...wonderful way to celebrate women. Two women achievers were inducted as Rotarians today, each bringing their zest for social work to the Club - Mangala Dembi and Paulomi Mehta - we welcome you both to RCBW and look forward to knowing you both better too...

Super attendance with women outnumbering the men this evening...keep it up ladies. Flowers to welcome the ladies and then thoughtful and sweet return gifts for them too... Thankyou President Rajul for your lovely gift too. Very thoughtful and memorable event President Rajul, Secretary Kinny and team, much appreciated all the ladies felt very special and happy floral decoration at the entrance was lovely too.

- Rtn Usha Jayachandran



WELCOME NEW ROTARIANS



Mangla Dembi

Educational Qualifications:

Masters in Mgmt. studies (MNIT)

Business/ Profession

Healthcare Administration

Name and Address of the company / Firm/ Institution:

Nanavati Max Superspecialty Hospital, S.V. Road, Vile Parle (West), Mumbai 400056.

Position/ Designation:

Sr. Vice President & Head

Hobbies:

Music, Reading, Oration



Paulomi Mehta

Educational Qualifications:

LLB, Solicitor, M. A. (USA), MA (Gold medalist, Mumbai University), BA (Mumbai University), Diploma (Journalism)

Business/ Profession

Advocate (Civil/ Corporate/ Commercial law)

Name and Address of the company / Firm/ Institution:

Trilegl, One Forbes, 2D, 2nd Floor, Kalaghoda, Fort, Mumbai 400001.

Position/ Designation:

Senior Associate

Hobbies:

Singing, Reading, Cooking, Outdoor Activities



PROJECTS

Following Urmilji's footsteps our Rtn Nalini Puri distributed writing pads, two pens and compass box to 17 students of 10th standard at Dixit road school municipal school on 26th Feb. 2024. Heartiest congratulations and appreciation Rtn Nalini. For completing an excellent educational project



Rotary Club of Bombay West conducted first aid training project at our Shruti school on 25th Feb. 2024 which the children enjoyed. Project partner IWC of Bombay West Chair Dr Bhavna Patel conducted by Dr. Jagruti Sanghvi paediatric and also committee member Of IAP. 6 members of IWC and 3 members of RCBW were present.

To empower our girls and women and to protect their self-dignity, IAP-MUMBAI presented a SELF-DEFENSE session by blue belt champion in Taekwondo Ms. Nyla Khan, who taught techniques of self-defense to our girl students on 26th March 2024 (Daughter's Day) between 2-4 pm at SNTD college, Santacruz. Program Coordinator was Dr. Bhavna Patel



NATION BUILDER AWARDS



SHRUTI SCHOOL

ANNUAL DAY

Really amazing KDN Shruti School Annual Day celebrations always leaves one with a feeling of wow and admiration for the determination and dedication of the school and the children. The whole event was meticulously planned out by the school and the performances of the children were with different themes every year, delightfully executed and planned and taught by Ms Madhavi and teachers. The compering to the vote of thanks, every word is planned, scripted and delivered to perfection again WOW.

Every child was smiling and enjoying himself/herself on stage without an iota of stage fear... RCBW is indeed blessed to be a part of such a project where we endeavour to enhance the lives of special children and get to learn a lot from their approach to life by just watching them. While we can support financially, the actual work and its execution to bring education and co curricular activities to special children is immense.

A million and more salutes to all those involved, Principal Devila Ma'am, teachers and staff and our PP Dr Ramesh Oza the pioneer and guide. Three cheers to RCBW and Shruti School.

- Rtn Usha Jayachandran





On 5th March 2024 KDN Shruti School celebrated Millet Mahostav as a part of women's day. Parents made millet items and one lecture was given by Shilpaben. The program was organized by Rtn. Bhavna Patel.



On 4th and 6th March within two days General body checkup was done by Dr. Archana Mehan with our 100 students.



HOLI CELEBRATION

at KDN Shruti School



On 19th March Rtn. Shahin Merchant gave lecture on Yoga and stress management for our Mothers training program, to our mothers.

CONGRATULATIONS



Dear fellow Rotarians,
I express my greatest pleasure in conducting the Pre OCV with the board members of RC Juhu beach on 19th March 2024 and congratulations to them for excellent presentations by President Rtn Udayan Bhatt , Secretary Rtn Roopa Icewala and their dynamic board. They have passed with flying colours.



We are now looking forward to receiving Our Honourable District Governor Rtn Arun Bhargava on 26th March at The Emerald opposite Sea Princess Hotel Juhu Tara Road at 7.00 pm for the OCV with other District Officers. Followed by dinner.

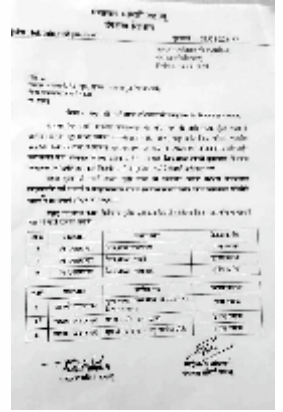
- **Rtn Harmindar Singh Patheja**
AG CC to DG, DS, AT



Wow!! Heartiest congratulations to PP Gautam Chande #1 Tennis club of Maharashtra. We are proud of them.

जि.प.शाळा.शंकरपाडा got first prize in "व्यवस्थापन सुंदर शाळा" ह्या तालूका लेवलच्या स्पर्धेत. 26 schools participated

- Rtn Pratima Kodkani



When it comes to reducing the global average individual carbon footprint from 6.3 tons (2020) to 2.1 tons in 2030 as recommended by experts, home energy is a significant area of opportunity. Act now!



Do your bit. Bike travel results in drastically lower greenhouse gas emissions



BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARY GREETINGS



Rotarian Birthdays

20-Mar : Rtn. Nayan Chheda
26-Mar : Rtn. Deepak Joshi
27-Mar : Rtn. Vasant Zarpkar
30-Mar : Rtn. Haituk Desai
04-Apr : Rtn. Mahesh Kokate
09-Apr : Rtn. Gaurang Mehta

R/Ann. Birthdays

18-Mar : R/Ann. Dr. Rupa Vipul Doshi
22-Mar : R/Ann Nirmala Ashok Deorah
30-Mar : R/Ann. Aditi Nayan Chheda
04-Apr : Mr. Manoj Viswanathan

Anniversaries

17-Mar : Rtn. Hima & Jayesh Dalal
20-Mar : Rtn. Ameet & Forum Shah
28-Mar : PP Rtn. Mohan & Geeta Joshi
31-Mar : Rtn. Minoo & Annie Lalvani
01-Apr : Rtn. Yazdi & Thrity Tantra
08-Apr : Rtn. Keyuri & Aniljit Singh



UPCOMING
EVENTS

10th APRIL
CLUB ASSEMBLY 04
Rotary Centre

26th APRIL
CHARTER NIGHT
WITH MUSICAL FELLOWSHIP