



ELEGANT EXPRESS

INCREDIBLE TALES OF PASSION, PURPOSE & EXCELLENCE



MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT ALKA CHATURVEDI

Greetings, RCME Club members! As the year progresses, our collective efforts continue to flourish, and November brings a season of reflection and thanksgiving. Your unwavering commitment to our mission 'Service Above Self' shines brightly as we navigate through this month's endeavours. Let us rally together with renewed energy for the projects ahead, knowing that each contribution fortifies the foundation of our beloved club. As we share our stories and successes through this newsletter, may it serve as a beacon that guides and inspires. As your president, I am thankful for the tapestry of efforts and camaraderie that defines us. Let's carry this spirit of gratitude into our service, strengthening the bonds of our RCME community. Together, we step into November with purpose and pride, ready to create lasting impacts that resonate beyond our club. Here's to a month of meaningful service and shared growth.



BALKAN ODYSSEY: A RCME COUPLES' ADVENTURE

From the heartbeat of Belgrade's bustling streets to the serene whispers of Montenegro's shores, RCME's couples' journey through the Balkans wasn't just a trip - it was an odyssey of love, exploration, and camaraderie. The intoxicating spirit of Belgrade, where ancient cultures seamlessly blend with electrifying modernity, set our souls on fire. We sipped on traditional teas, walked through history-soaked streets, and marveled at the cultural renaissance of a city reborn. The unique quartet performance at Kalemegdan Fortress wasn't just music to our ears; it echoed in our hearts, binding us in shared amazement. But Montenegro? Oh, it was like stepping into a timeless painting! Whether we were relishing wines that told stories of the land, or feeling the wind in our hair during our Kotor Bay speedboat adventure, every moment was magic redefined. We strolled through cobblestoned lanes of medieval towns, sharing laughter and stories, dined under starry skies by the Adriatic, and danced, our spirits as free as the wind, in the vibrant heart of Europe's party capitals. Through all these moments, what truly shined was not just the breathtaking landscapes, but the deepened bonds we forged, the memories we created, and the tales we'd tell for years to come. Here's to journeys that are less about the miles traveled and more about the hearts touched.

UPCOMING EVENTS

3 NOVEMBER
MEHFIL-E-SHAAM
(COUPLE DIWALI PARTY)

16 NOVEMBER
PRE OCV MEET

24 NOVEMBER
AAP KI ADALAT

27 NOVEMBER
PROJECT - FOOD DISTRIBUTION

27 NOVEMBER
OCV MEET

BIRTHDAYS

02 NOV: SAPNA AGARWAL

03 NOV: JAYA BAKHRU

05 NOV: SHIKHA AJMERA

07 NOV: SUNITA MEHTA

09 NOV: SHWETA KABRA

13 NOV: ROCHNA AGARWAL

15 NOV: NEHA JAIN

21 NOV: SUNITA GOYAL

27 NOV: PRIYA PARIKH

28 NOV: MANJARI THANAWALA

30 NOV: SONIA KAPOOR

ANNIVERSARIES

11 NOV: VIBHUTI OHRI

17 NOV: MADHUBALA VIJAN

19 NOV: POOJA JAIN

20 NOV: BELA JAIN & REKHA GOYAL

25 NOV: SUSHITA GUPTA

27 NOV: NITIKA ARORA & NAINA PAREKH

28 NOV: NEETI ARORA, SUDHA BAJAJ,

MALA KABRA & MANISHA PATODIA

29 NOV: MANISHA SARAF

30 NOV: DIMPLE GUPTA

BALKANS *ODYSSEY* DAY 1



BALKANS *ODYSSEY* DAY 2



BALKANS *ODYSSEY* DAY 3



BALKANS *ODYSSEY* DAY 4



BALKANS *ODYSSEY* DAY 5





On the 23rd of October, we embarked on a heartwarming RYLA journey with 100 spirited kids from Asmita Jamnadar Agarwal school. Led by Sejal, our day unfolded with a delectable breakfast at Lonavala, a kind gesture by Sunita Gupta. Kavita & Shraddha imparted wisdom on life and its intricacies, paving the way for delightful games and a fulfilling lunch provided by Anita Pansari. The children's awe was palpable at Kumar Resort's Wax Museum, a marvel rivaling Madame Tussauds! A massive shoutout to our benevolent sponsors: Shraddha, Rachna, Alka, Pratima, Nikita, Kavita, Madhulika, Pallavi, Sejal, Pooja, Madhubala, Seema, and Beeba. And a special mention to PE Nidhika Bahl for her thoughtful contribution: she graciously provided the children with 100 sketch pen sets and mindful mandala coloring activity sheets. Each gesture counts in weaving memories!



RYLA

ROTARACT & INTERACT CLUB OF MUMBAI ELEGANT Inspiring Installation: Singapore International School

Celebrating the splendid installation of the INTERACT and ROTARACT CLUB OF SINGAPORE SCHOOL. Established under the visionary wing of Club Advisor Anita Pansari in 2018 & 2021, it was an honor to be in the company of Sejal Shah, Ruchika Suri, Priya Parikh, Shivani Modi, Savita Dalmia, and Minu Agarwal. Witnessing today's youth in action rekindled our faith in their endless potential. Kudos to our dedicated AG Dharmesh Bothra for embracing the event with his presence. Here's to youthful spirit & empowering guidance!



INSTALLATION

Chak De India

Chak De India! Celebrating our landmark project that resonates with the passion and spirit of sports! We've proudly sponsored 239 pairs of sports shoes, complete with socks, for the budding athletes from 3 government primary and secondary Ashram Schools in Toragan Taluka, Trambakeshwar, Nashik. It fills our hearts with pride to know that these children are representing at the national level. With a total investment of ₹1,43,400, this project symbolizes our commitment to nurturing talent and championing dreams. A special shoutout to club admin Rani Wankawalla for her impeccable coordination and relentless efforts in making this initiative a grand success. Together, let's run towards a brighter future!



OCTOBER PROJECTS

Taare Zameen Par

Our 'Taare Zameen Par' project couldn't have embodied this sentiment more beautifully. As the pictures bear testament, it was a day filled with joy, hope, and festivity. To mark the auspicious occasion of Diwali, we gleefully distributed snacks, chikkis, and refreshing mango drinks to 300 radiant children of Nehru Nagar, Juhu. A heartfelt shoutout to Euro Foods for their generous sponsorship and to Rani Wankawalla for her impeccable vision and coordination. Together, we believe in lighting up the world, one child at a time.



Learning Desks

2023 has been a testament to the unwavering spirit of service that flows through our members. A heartfelt shoutout to Madhulika @amadhulika who embodied this spirit in a profound way. By generously donating 42 tables complete with workstations and drawers from her old office, she not only made a difference but took it a step further by covering transportation and refixing costs. Here's to the countless ways our members shine and uplift communities!



OCTOBER PROJECTS

Wings

Echoing the words of MS Dhoni, the spirit of cricket goes beyond just guidelines. Similarly, the heart of service knows no boundaries or fear. As India celebrated its win, our Elegant women showcased true courage, walking the lanes of Nehru Nagar Slum. Distributing sanitary napkins, they gave wings to young women and girls, ensuring they soar high. A heartfelt thank you to Shweta Malpani, Manisha Saraf, Rachna, Nitika, and Rani Wankawalla for their relentless dedication.



Seniors Smile



In the heart of Vrindavan, at the Maitri Griha Vidhwa Ashram, we took a step further in our service journey: Sponsored the food expenses for 82 resilient widows. Donated 6 sewing machines, empowering them to craft and financially sustain. Assisted 35 ladies in the soulful morning dwar puja at the revered Banke Bihari Temple. A huge round of applause for our member Reena Agarwal whose generosity made this project possible. Thank you, Reena, for touching the lives of our treasured seniors and illuminating their world.

NAVRATRI IN VADODDARA



FELLOWSHIP

Áye Halo: A Nostalgic Look Back at Our Vadodara Fellowship Journey

As we sift through the vibrant snapshots of our 'Áye Halo' Vadodara fellowship trip, the memories come alive with the vivid colors and dynamic rhythms of Gujarat. From the moment we set foot in the majestic Laxmi Villas Palace, we were enthralled by the opulence and history that wrapped around us like a royal embrace. The flavors of an authentic Gujarati thali still dance on our tongues, a delectable testament to the region's culinary heritage that we savored with gusto. Evenings were a whirlwind of color and sound as we joined hands and hearts in the United Garba, a true reflection of Gujarat's soulful spirit. Our shopping forays into the local bazaars, where we hunted for treasures and trinkets, added to the tapestry of tales we brought home. Each picture, spins the story of our collective adventure—a tapestry woven with laughter, camaraderie, and the shared love for discovery. As the echoes of 'Áye Halo' softly fade, we hold tight to the splendour and warmth of Vadodara, a city that welcomed us with open arms and left an indelible mark on our hearts. Join us in reminiscing the unforgettable moments of this magnificent journey.



Fireside

By Alka Doshi

Hats off to the ever-dazzling Alka Doshi for orchestrating a fireside meeting that was nothing short of enchanting. Detailed dialogues seamlessly flowed into the heartwarming tunes of her songs. Swati's dance added a captivating rhythm, while Anu's voice painted the evening with melodies. And let's not forget those delectable snacks and treats that danced on our taste buds! Alka, our hearts brim with gratitude for crafting such a delightful and memorable evening. Cheers to many more!

FIRESIDE MEETINGS

Fireside By Nina J

Magical moments and culinary delights at the fireside high tea hosted by the incredible Nina J. From the flavorful Quinoa salad to the sweet surprise of chocolate jalebi, every bite was a testament to your exquisite taste and hospitality. Nina Ji, your warmth and dedication truly turned this gathering into a feast of joy and camaraderie. Thank you for being the heartbeat of our community and for spoiling us with such a delectable spread. Here's to more gatherings filled with love, laughter, and scrumptious bites!



Thank YOU!

TEAM OCTOBER & NOVEMBER

The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others.

Alka Doshi	Neha Bajaj
Alka Modi	Neeha Khetan
Anusha Agarwal	Nidhika Bahl
Asha Kedia	Nina J
Chhaya Parikh	Pooja Jain
Deepa Vohra	Poonam Tibrewal
Disha Bathija	Rani Wankawala
Jaya Bakhru	Reena Agarwal
Kajal Kumar	Rippy Dhingra
Komal Shah	Shweta Malpani
Madhu Gupta	Sunita Mehta
Manisha Saraf	Swati Kotak
Neeta Parekh	Vibhuti Ohri
	Yogita Jain



OCTOBER DONORS

The joy of giving is unmatched; it touches lives and spreads happiness.

Alka Chaturvedi
Anita Pansari
Beeba Ghura
Jaya Bakhru
Kavita Mungi
Madhubala Vijan
Madhulika Agarwal
Nidhika Bahl
Nitika Arora
Pallavi Agarwal
Pooja Soni
Poonam Tibrewal
Pratima Shah
Rani Wankawala
Reena Agarwal
Sangeeta Jain
Seema Ganerwal
Sejal Shah
Shraddha Agarwal
Shweta Malpani
Sunita Gupta

STAR OF THE MONTH

**OCTOBER
SHWETA MALPANI**

This accolade is presented each month to monthly team members who have made the most significant contributions during that specific month.

