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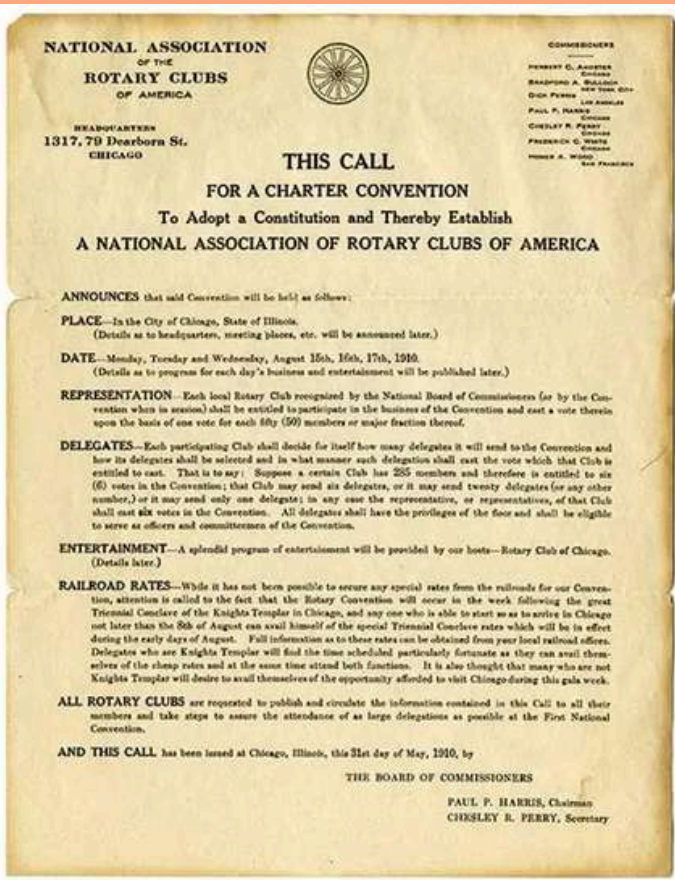
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The first four Rotarians. From left: Gustavus Loehr, Silvester Schiele, Hiram E. Shorey, Paul P. Harris



When the Rotary Club of Chicago published this member roster in October 1905, the club had grown to 21 members, including two honorary members.

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Paul P. Harris: A 28-year-old lawyer in Chicago, Harris is recognized as the founder of Rotary. He envisioned a club where professionals from diverse backgrounds could exchange ideas and build genuine fellowship. Inspired by the sense of community he experienced in his youth, he sought to recreate that spirit in a rapidly growing city. Harris served as the first President of Rotary International from 1910 to 1912 and remained deeply involved in its growth and global expansion until his death in 1947.

Gustavus Loehr: A mining engineer, Loehr hosted the very first Rotary meeting in his office in the Unity Building, Chicago. Known for his practical and grounded nature, he provided the physical space where the idea of Rotary took shape. Although his active involvement lasted only a few years and he did not hold major office, his role in hosting the founding meeting remains historically significant.

Silvester Schiele: A coal dealer by profession, Schiele became the first president of the Rotary Club of Chicago in 1905. His leadership helped establish the early structure and direction of the club. He later served as Treasurer of Rotary International in 1910 (not 1945), contributing to its early organisational development.

Hiram E. Shorey: A merchant tailor, Shorey served as the club's first recording secretary. He played a key role in maintaining records and supporting the organisation during its formative phase. Like Loehr, his time with Rotary was relatively short, but his contribution to its early foundation was important.

Additional Early Contributor

Harry L. Ruggles: Often referred to as the "fifth Rotarian," Ruggles joined shortly after the club's formation. He introduced singing at Rotary meetings—an element that became a cherished tradition in many clubs worldwide. His enthusiasm and warmth helped shape Rotary's culture of fellowship and camaraderie.

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EXTENDING CARE TO THE LGBTQ+ COMMUNITY

RCMSEP conducted a meaningful nutrition kits distribution drive on 31st March in support of The Humsafar Trust, distributing 50 essential kits to beneficiaries and reinforcing its commitment to inclusivity and community welfare. Rtn. Kiran Srivastava and Rtn. Seema personally ensured smooth execution at the Kalina center, and the initiative was deeply appreciated by the Trust for bringing dignity, care, and support to the LGBTQ+ community and their families.



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**CLUB SERVICE.
WOMEN EMPOWERMENT**

AN INSPIRING INTERACTION WITH RIPE OLAYINKA BABALOLA

On 5th April, RCMSEP participated in an exclusive women's interactive session at the Rotary Centre, Juhu, featuring Rotary International President-Elect Olayinka Hakeem Babalola. The session fostered meaningful dialogue on women's roles in Rotary and was attended by several club members. A touching performance by specially-abled children added to the inspiring and memorable experience.



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VASTRA MELA “A MELA OF HOPE, DIGNITY & IMPACT”

RCMSEP, in partnership with Gur Samarath Foundation, successfully organized Vastra Mela 2026 on 3rd and 4th April, offering quality clothing and essentials at nominal prices to support the underprivileged communities while promoting sustainability. The event saw an overwhelming response, raising significant funds (including nearly ₹40,000), all of which will be utilized for meaningful community initiatives.



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DONATIONS FOR RURAL COMMUNITIES



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COMPASSION IN ACTION: PROJECT RAW

On 2nd April, the Rotary Club of Mumbai Sher-E-Punjab (RCMSEP) responded to an urgent red alert call under Project RAW (Rotary Animal Welfare) to support a stray dog in need of emergency surgery. Demonstrating compassion and swift action, the club members came together to raise funds for the life-saving procedure. The initiative reflected the club's deep commitment towards animal welfare and care for the voiceless.



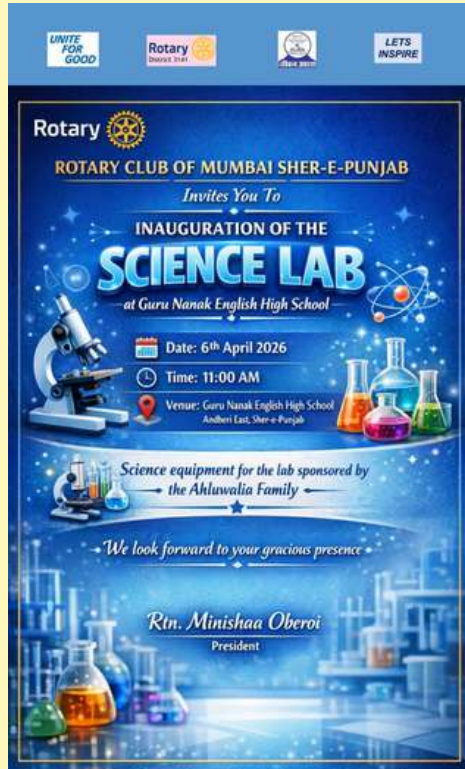
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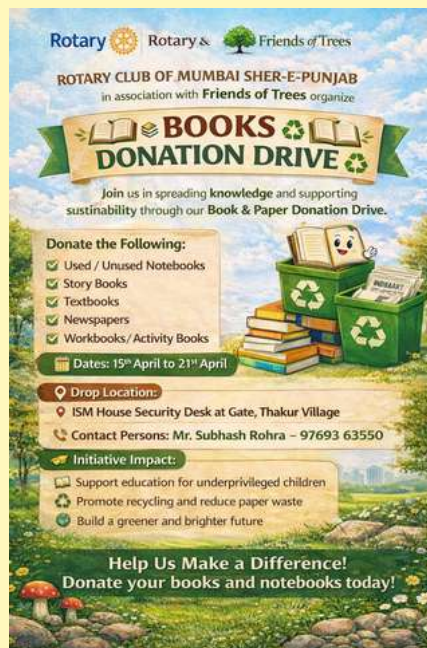
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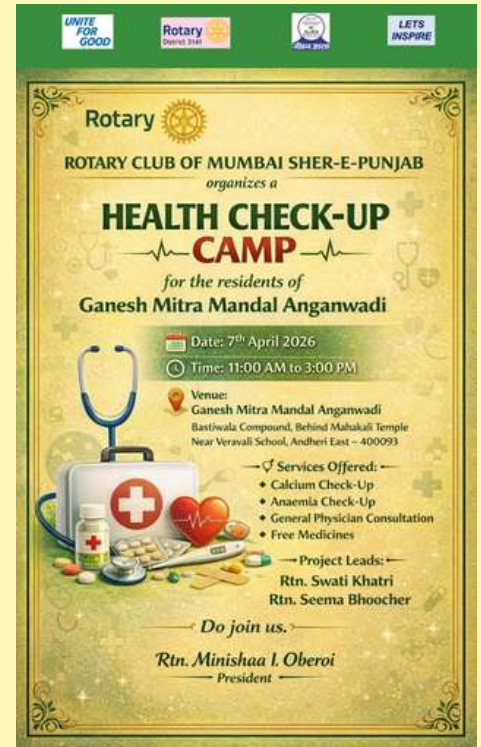
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ROTARY CLUB OF MUMBAI SHER-E-PUNJAB
Invites You To
INAUGURATION OF THE SCIENCE LAB
at Guru Nanak English High School
 Date: 6th April 2026
 Time: 11:00 AM
 Venue: Guru Nanak English High School, Andheri East, Sher-e-Punjab
 Science equipment for the lab sponsored by the Ahluwalia Family
 We look forward to your gracious presence
Rtn. Minishaa Oberoi
 President

6th April



Rotary & Friends of Trees
ROTARY CLUB OF MUMBAI SHER-E-PUNJAB
 in association with **Friends of Trees** organize
BOOKS DONATION DRIVE
 Join us in spreading knowledge and supporting sustainability through our Book & Paper Donation Drive.
Donate the Following:
 ✓ Used / Unused Notebooks
 ✓ Story Books
 ✓ Textbooks
 ✓ Newspapers
 ✓ Workbooks / Activity Books
 Dates: 15th April to 21st April
Drop Location:
 ISM House Security Desk at Gate, Thakur Village
 Contact Persons: Mr. Subhash Rohra - 97693 63550
Initiative Impact:
 Support education for underprivileged children
 Promote recycling and reduce paper waste
 Build a greener and brighter future
 Help Us Make a Difference!
 Donate your books and notebooks today!

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ROTARY CLUB OF MUMBAI SHER-E-PUNJAB
 organizes a
HEALTH CHECK-UP CAMP
 for the residents of **Ganesh Mitra Mandal Anganwadi**
 Date: 7th April 2026
 Time: 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM
 Venue: Ganesh Mitra Mandal Anganwadi, Bastiwala Compound, Behind Mahakali Temple, Near Veravali School, Andheri East - 400093
Services Offered:
 • Calcium Check-Up
 • Anaemia Check-Up
 • General Physician Consultation
 • Free Medicines
Project Leads:
 Rtn. Swati Khatri
 Rtn. Seema Bhoocher
 Do join us.
Rtn. Minishaa I. Oberoi
 President

7th April



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 ★ **ROTARY CLUB OF MUMBAI SHER-E-PUNJAB** ★
 cordially invites you to witness a meaningful initiative under
Project: Urban Vocational Upliftment
 Under the dynamic leadership of Inspire DG Dr. Manish Motwani, and the guidance of Group Avenue Head Rtn. Rajendran Unnikrishnan,
Proudly Sponsors
₹1,00,000 To Support 10 Students in Pursuing
Certificate in Nursing Care Course (1 Year)
 Date: 15th April 2026
 Time: 2:00 PM
Tech Mahindra Foundation
 Auxilium Convent School
 6 Pail Hill, Nargis Dutt Road, Rajendra Kumar Chowk, Bandra (West), Mumbai - 400050
 We look forward to your gracious presence.
Rtn. Minishaa I. Oberoi

15th April



WalkAbout x **Rotary Club of Mumbai Sher-E-Punjab**
Finances for 55+: Smart Planning for the Years Ahead
 Friday, 17th April, 5 PM
 Yogesh Dusane (22+ years at HDFC AMC) shares how to identify hidden financial risks and make smarter decisions around mutual funds, insurance, and wealth planning.

17th April

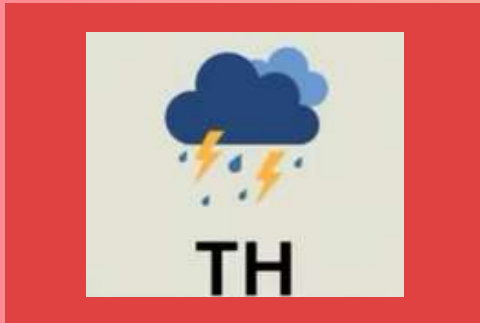
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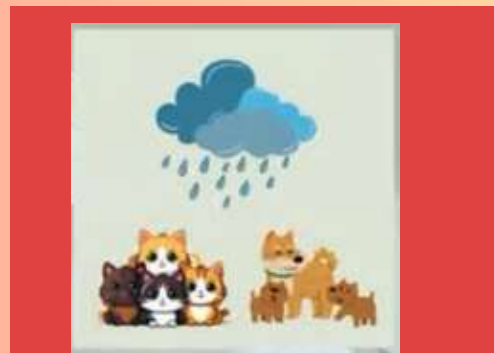
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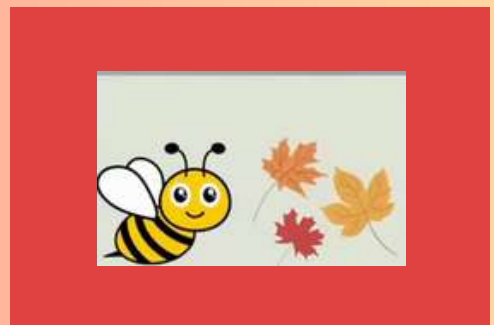
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Flavours of Fellowship

Cheese & Olive Skewers


Ingredients

- Cheese cubes (cheddar or mozzarella)
- Olives
- Cherry tomatoes
- Herbs (optional)



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Instructions

1. Thread cheese, olive, and tomato onto skewers.
 2. Sprinkle herbs or chili flakes.
 3. Serve immediately or chill.
-  Perfect finger food for parties.

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🧀 Cheese & Olive Skewers



Recipe by :
Rtn. Kiran Srivastava

- 🌿 *Olives are ancient! They've been enjoyed for over 7,000 years and were a staple in the Mediterranean civilizations*
- 🧀 *Cheese + olives = perfect pairing because the saltiness of olives enhances the creaminess of cheese—your taste buds love contrast 😊*

Get your recipe featured in next Aashyein Weekly Magazine!

Contact Rtn. Seema Bhoocher

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ANSWERS:

WHAT WORD CAN FOLLOW ALL THREE BLANKS?



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1 Air _____
Dead _____
Head _____

Line

2 Lime _____
Sand _____
Key _____

Stone

3 Pop _____
Rock _____
Film _____

Star

4 Class _____
Team _____
Room _____

Mate

5 High _____
Sub _____
Path _____

Way

6 Foot _____
Swim _____
Night _____

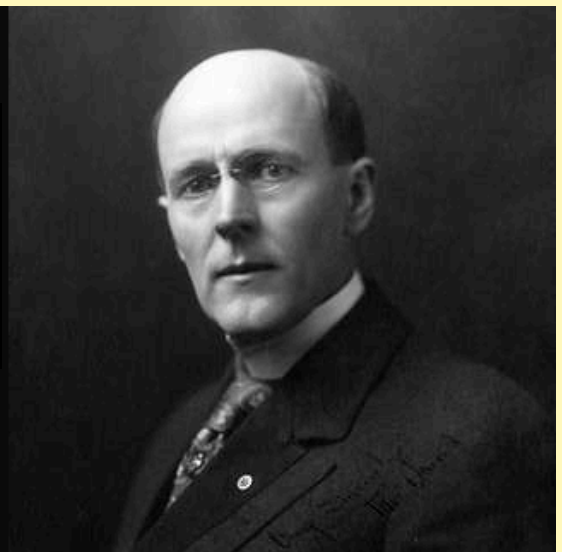
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Quote of the Week

“Service, when given with sincerity, becomes the truest form of leadership.”

Paul Harris
Rotary Founder



Thank you for being a Rotarian

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