



# MID-CITY SAMACHAR

## Diwali Edition of Health & Happiness



### Note from President

Dear Mid-City Family

We are back with October edition but I would rather call it Diwali Edition and I have reason for it. Diwali, also known as Deepavali, is one of the most significant and widely celebrated festivals of our country. It is a festival of lights that symbolizes the victory of good over evil, light over darkness, and knowledge over ignorance.

The origins of Diwali can be traced back to ancient India, and it is associated with several legends and mythological stories. One of the most popular legends is the story of Lord Rama's return to Ayodhya after 14 years of exile, after defeating the demon king Ravana. The people of Ayodhya lit lamps to welcome their beloved king, and this is believed to be the origin of the tradition of lighting lamps during Diwali. Another legend associated with Diwali is the story of Lord Krishna's victory over the demon Narakasura. Krishna's victory symbolizes the triumph of good over evil, and it is celebrated with great fervor in many parts of India. Diwali is also associated with the goddess Lakshmi, the goddess of wealth and prosperity. It is believed that Lakshmi visits homes that are clean and well-lit, and people decorate their homes with lamps and flowers to welcome her.

In brief this festival of light is simply tell us to remember that dharma always win, good karma prevails irrespective of adversity, and hence Diwali is celebrated with great enthusiasm and joy not only in India but across globe. Our club also come together to remove darkness of illiteracy, demon of poverty and evil of plastic pollution by supporting the society in need. We celebrated the Diwali festivals in great spirit, joy and empathy to celebrate our deed.

Wishing you my entire family member a happy & prosperous happy Diwali. Jai Ho.

AJAY MISHRA



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### ENVIRONMENT

Date: 2-10-2024

2nd October is no more celebrated as only Gandhi Jayanti but also Swachhta divas. On this occasion and national movement our club donated 100 bags, 50 pens and 50 clip board made from recycled plastic & waste to upcoming nurses of the Holy spirit nursing college. Deekho bhi and seekho bhi campaign is to create awareness in society hence touching all section and all types are equally important. The educational institute is pillar of future generation and hence awareness with them ensure future is ready about the challenges we will face.

Special thanks to Rtn. Ratana Betala & Ashmita ji from District for project coordination with Holy Spirit Nursing College.

This project was supported by: PACE FOUNDATION



### ENVIRONMENT

Date: 2-10-2024

2<sup>nd</sup> Project on the Swachhta Divas was with Railway officials and Mumbai Central Railway Station. Our club Co-hosted the project with RC Queen City where we create awareness about plastic waste and recycling benefit through musical program, Skit by Rotractors and distribution of cloth bag to passengers. It was an excellent event attended by DG Chetan, PDG Rajendra Agarwal and many club presidents.

Members present: Rtn Ratnaji, Bharat Shah, IPP Mahesh and Rtn Nilesh



### MEDICAL

Date: 7-10-2024

Monthly project of blood donation drive to support blood banks of city

No of Units collected: 58

Support to Jagjivan Ram Railway Hospitals blood bank

Venue : Dadar railway station

All co-presidents were present to support the blood donation drive.

### ENVIRONMENT

Date: 9-10-2024

Our awareness program about plastic waste and recycling under Dekho Bhi and Seekho bhi campaign continued and this time with more than 125 gardeners and staff of the ZOO (Jijamata Udyan, Byculla) of Mumbai. This ZOO has also thousands of trees and each year millions of people visit. We distributed 125 Cloth bag and T shirt made from recycled plastic, created awareness about what benefit society can get by properly collecting & recycling of plastic waste.

The event was Chaired by Superintendent of the Garden (Mumbai) Shri Jitendra Pardesi and Co Chaired by Director of Zoo Shri S Tripathi. Our President gave a lauding speech on conservation and benefit of recycling.

From our Club Rtn Ratana Ji, Rtn Bharat Shah, Rtn Mmona were present.







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### EDUCATION

Date: 25-10-2024

Schools & Children impacted:

1. City of Loss angels School -86
2. New L J road-39
3. Dharavi T C 'Municipal School-284
4. Royal City English High school-105
5. Brihan Mumbai Mahanagar palika School-88

Total Students Covered 602.

Our Club has adopted Dharavi Schools to support the 602 students of 10<sup>th</sup> grade in their exam preparation. Through district help we have tiedup with one mobile application platform which can support the 10<sup>th</sup> students in their preparation for exams. Mobile application were made available to 602 students of above school free of cost. This mobile application has Q&A, preparation sheets of all subjects for the 10<sup>th</sup> exam in both English and Marathi. This is made with help of professional teachers & educators. The Idea is that these students can learn and prepare themselves while school is on leaves. They get their answers available with them whenever they need instead of waiting for schools to open and teachers available.

Each Mobile app download costing Rs. 1500/- plus GST however the same were made available to us @65/- only through district effort. Total value of the Project is worth 1065540/- . Special thanks to our Rotarian Dr. Nagendra Sardespande for supporting the entire project.

Projected Coordinated and supported by Rtn Ratna Ji and Rtn Mmona Sheth





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### FELLOWSHIP-DILWALO KI DIWALI EVENING





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Date: 27-10-2024

Mesmerizing fellowship: A Diwali festival in lightening spirit, a pure joy with lot of fun

Festivities started with the Laxmi ji ki Aarti , prayers and greetings to each other.

The real fun begins with Dumbsharads game. The events hosted by Dr Laila and 1<sup>st</sup> lady Sonali Mishra. Identification of the songs gave lot of jhatkas to the Matkas & latkas.

Winners of the game were more interested on the floor than their gifts. As soon as game got over, musician captured the mood and dancers rocked the floor. We got Garba specialist, Thumka master , Bhangra beaters and offcourse Nagin dancers. Not to forget our own DJ-president himself in dhoti which he was treating like lungi.

The evening was pure joy and ended with delicious food.



### ANNAPURNA

Date: 29-10-2024

Dhanteras is not just accumulating but also sharing.

Our club decided to celebrate the Deepavali with the underprivileged Adivasis of Dharampur village. Rtn Ratna Betala organized the event by carefully selecting 10 poor family and donated food grains. She and her team put all efforts to reach them handed over the kit full of rice, pulse, oil, flour etc.





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### Birthdays of the Month

14<sup>th</sup> October: Juhi Suchak

28<sup>th</sup> October: Dr Nagendra Sardespande

Birthday celebrated on style



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU ALL**

**THANK YOU**