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PRESIDENT'S PULSE

Rtn. Sumita Shah



Dear Members, I will be away for the next three weeks. Please be assured that all club activities and plans will continue smoothly without any disruption. Our Vice President and Secretary will be in charge during this period and will handle all responsibilities efficiently. I remain reachable if needed and look forward to reconnecting with you all soon. Thanks for your support and co-operation!

EDITOR'S CORNER

Rtn. Dr. Manish Patel



As Bulletin Editor, I am delighted to present this April issue with gratitude and enthusiasm. The Rotary blue colour theme symbolizes trust, stability, and service, reflecting the values of our Rotary family. May this edition inspire fellowship, purpose, and positivity, bringing warmth and meaning to all members.

PROGRAMS REWIND

Charter Night Celebrations (5th Mar):

The club marked 61st Charter Night by paying tribute to its Past Presidents in a spectacular celebration. The event proficiently hosted by Rtn. Mahazarin transformed into a melodious award night, showcasing appreciation for the dedication and contributions of past leaders. The evening was filled with joy, laughter, and cherished moments.

Women's Day Celebrations (12th Mar):

A captivating evening of engaging conversations with talented Anns - Tejal Munim, Tejal Dave, Reena Desai, Ami Merchant, Nisha Kachiwala, Priyanka Desai, Sangeeta Desai, and Priyanka Modi - who shared inspiring insights on balancing life, work, and creativity. The session masterfully

IPP. Rtn. Praveen Kakkhar



anchored by Ann Bharti Kakkhar was filled with laughter, wisdom, and connection.

Movie Fellowship (24th Mar):

The Club enjoyed watching Dhurandhar 2 that sparked good conversations and brought the members together.

Fire-side Fellowship (28th Mar):

The Club enjoyed wonderful fire-side fellowship program thanks to tremendous efforts put in by PP. Rtn. Chetan Jariwala. Kudos to hosts: Pranav – Prasanna Desai, Bankim – Tejal Dave, Rakhi – Kashyap Desai, Kshitij – Hiral Desai, Ami – Anil Merchant, Dr. Bhavin – Dr. Bijal Lashkari, Chetan – Sejal Jariwala, Anil – Hina Jariwala, Dipesh – Smruti Shah, Dharmesh – Nisha Kachiwala & Sumita – Sachin Shah for treating the guests with the wonderful hospitality and sumptuous food.

ROTARY LANDSCAPE

PDG Rtn. Santosh Pradhan



For more than 120 years, Rotary has addressed the needs of communities across the globe. To recognize these efforts, Rotary honors **six** sustainable and scalable initiatives annually through the People of Action Honors program. This year's **Six (6) 'Champions of Tomorrow'** are:

Maria Grazia Rava (Italy) – A Rotaract member, created How to Save a Life, a first-aid training program for teens in Northern Italy and San Marino.

Vansh Saini (India) – A Rotaract member, has turned a basic life skills program into a comprehensive initiative to support multiple facets of learning & development for poor Kids (6-13 yrs)

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ROTARY LANDSCAPE (Contd.)

Raymond "Arky" Manning (Philippines)- A Rotary member, has transformed his community's justice system to be more innovative, economical, and inclusive.

María Manuela Córdoba Aguirre (Colombia) - A Rotary member, has brought young Rotarians & deaf youth together to develop communication and leadership skills.

Olivia Raley (USA) - A Rotary member, has helped combat the stigma around mental health in a rural community in Kentucky.

Derrick Kabuye (Uganda) - A Rotaract member in Kampala, has turned a rural school facing multiple challenges into a thriving educational facility.

DESI DELIGHTS

Rtn. Maharukh Chichgar



ગરમી, સંબંધો અને વિશ્વની રાજનીતિ



આ ઉનાળો તો એવું લાગી રહ્યું છે કે સૂર્યદેવ પણ "ઓવરટાઈમ" પર છે. પરંતુ સાચી ગરમી તો હવે દુનિયાના સંબંધોમાં છે. ઇરાન અને અમેરિકા વચ્ચેની તણાવભરી પરિસ્થિતિએ તો દુનિયાને "માઈક્રોવેવ મોડ" પર મૂકી દીધી છે.

અમેરિકા કહે: "અમે શાંતિ લાવીએ છીએ", દુનિયા કહે: "થોડું AC પણ લાવો!"

અમેરિકા પોતાને વિશ્વમાં શાંતિ લાવનાર તરીકે રજૂ કરે છે, ખાસ કરીને જ્યારે તે અન્ય દેશોના મુદ્દાઓમાં હસ્તક્ષેપ કરે છે, ને દુનિયા શાંતિ ની, ઠંડક ની યાચના કરે છે. આ રાજનીતિ એવી છે કે જ્યાં મિત્રતા પણ "ટેમ્પરેચર કન્ટ્રોલ"માં આવે છે.

આપણે તો રોટરીમાં શીખીએ છીએ - સંબંધો ઠંડા અને મીઠા રાખવા.

કવિ મેહુલ પંત કહે છે, ગરમી સૂરજની વધે તો છાંયો શોધીએ, સંબંધોની આગ વધે તો પ્રેમથી શાંત કરીએ.

દુનિયા યુદ્ધમાં ગરમાય ત્યારે સમજીએ એક વાત— "હસતાં રહીએ, કારણ કે હાસ્ય જ સાચું ફૂલિંગ સિસ્ટમ છે!"

SPOTLIGHT ON THIS MONTH'S SPONSOR



His leadership in community service projects is nothing short of inspiring. From mobilizing donations to overseeing seamless execution, and from coordinating with our district officers and international partners for DDF, **PP Rtn. Prakash Patel's** dedication has driven some of our club's most impactful initiatives, galvanized other persons, and ignited the essential spark to turn vision into reality.

Beyond his impressive achievements, it is his warmth and empathy that leave a lasting impression. Fondly known as "Kaka", Prakashbhai listens with genuine understanding. During interactions, his voice resonates— not just with wisdom, but with sincere love and respect. He offers guidance selflessly, without ever patronizing.

His considerate nature ensures everyone feels valued, respected, and heard. His impact goes far beyond titles or positions. He embodies the spirit of Rotary in every action, fostering unity, compassion, and purpose within our ranks. He is happily married to **Pratibha Patel**, a true guiding light and true strength behind the "The Force Majeure" of our club.

OUR TINY BIT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE



MCH-HUMF District Project (March 10), A heartwarming initiative under our District's Maternal and Child Health (MCH) project brought joy to 10 mothers and 22 children at the Aanganwadi in Piplod. IPP Rtn Praveen Kakkhar, Rtn Amit Gribnawazwala, Rtn. Ami Merchant, and Ann Dr. Bijal Lashkari distributed the nutritious treats, including almonds, peanuts, gud chikkis, biscuits, roasted channa and bananas.



Blood Donation & Thalassemia Screening Camp (March 11) was jointly organized with Shree Surat Panjrapole at BAPH hall, Ghod Dod Road. Kudos to PP Rtn. Prakash Patel for all the efforts to make it a great success.



RID3060 Scholarship Award Function (March 19) was hosted jointly with 12 other Rotary Clubs from Surat, wherein scholarship of Rs. 25,000 each was awarded to 30 students from Surat to empower them to build bright future. The event was graced by DG Amardeep Singh Bune as Chief Guest, Mr Jignesh Desai (Joint MD - NJ Group) as Guest of Honor. The donors were also honoured for their contributions.



Inauguration cum Handover Ceremony (March 31) of CT-Scan machine, Dental Department Equipment, Sonography machine, X-Ray machine, Echocardiogram machine, and OT Complex was organised at Dinbandhu Charitable Hospital, Kholvad in presence of Shri Jignesh Desai and Rtn Neeraj Choksi (Co-Founders, NJ Group), IPDG Tushar Shah, DGN Nilesh Shah, DGND Vipul Patel and Rtn. Chatur Chhhabhaaya from our International Partner (RC of Emory Druid-Hills, USA).

ON THE HORIZON

2ND APRIL

Shifted to **Fire-Side Fellowship** on 28th March 2026.

9TH APRIL

Fellowship with **Game of Housie**

16TH APRIL

Fellowship at a **Cafe**

23TH APRIL

Yet to Decided

30TH APRIL

A program on RYE to be Conducted by PP. Rtn. Devang Munim

IPP. Rtn. Praveen Kakkhar



Community Service

7TH APRIL

MCH-HUMF at aanganwadi, Piplod.

HUMOUR IN ROTARY

- The official Rotary tradition: start late, end late, and call it fun-filled fellowship.
- A Rotary meeting is the only place where "just a few minutes more" can quietly become the whole evening.

MEMORIES



PP. Rtn. Harshal Desai

Birthdays

Bhupendra Bhatt	6 Apr
Trupti Parekh	9 Apr
Smita Varma	11 Apr
Archana Lalwala	30 Apr

Wedding Anniversaries

R.K. - Sunita Mishra	20 Apr
Dharmesh-Nisha Kachiwala	22 Apr
Dr. Naitik - Dr. Ekta Mehta	23 Apr
Kshitij - Hiral Desai	29 Apr
Neeraj - Niral Choksi	29 Apr
Prakash - Pratibha Patel	29 Apr

ACCOLADES

Rtn. R.K. Mishra Won Gold Medal & Trophy in Industrial Badminton



Tournament in Men's Singles event (50+) was organized on 1st March 2026 by HAEP, held at Kribhco, Hazira, Surat.



Rtn. Bhavin - Ann Bijal Lashkari won RID 3060 Antakshari competition on 21st March at Bharuch

Many Congratulations!

HEALTH UPDATES

Rtn. Jitubhai Bhagat had undergone by-pass surgery on 27th March & PP. Rtn. Devang Munim had eye surgery on 29th March.

We wish them a very speedy recovery.