



Rotary Opens Opportunities

R.Y. 20-21

R.I. Dist.
3060

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Club No
15204



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BULLETIN OF ROTARY CLUB OF UDHNA

FOR PRIVATE CIRCULATION ONLY
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Note : All meetings shall be virtual on zoom / Google meet till further instruction.

Next Meeting

Thursday, January 07, 2021

Subject : Education in a Krishnamurti School, 1ST Hand Exp.

Curator : Rtn. Bhaveen Savlani

Forthcoming Meeting

Thursday, January 14, 2021

NO MEETING - UTTARAYAN

Friday, January 22, 2021

Program : DG. Prashant Jani Governor's Official Visit

Note : This is shifted from Thursday, Jan. 21, 2021.

Thursday, January 28, 2021

Subject : Traffic Awareness

Birthdays

Jan. 01 Rtn. Dr. Pritesh Parekh
04 Ann Sumita Sachin Shah
07 Ann Jasmin Jay Randeria
09 Rtn. Dr. Manish Patel
11 Ann Ami Vishal Merchant
11 Ann Urvashi Manish Patel
14 Rtn. Chetan Desai

Obituary...

Ann Veena Rajani Timbawala lost her mother **Mrs. Chandanben Ishwarbhai Patel** on Dec. 16 at the age of 80. Our prayers to GOD Almighty to rest the noble soul in peace in heaven. Family of RCU is with you Veena & Rajani in this difficult time.



WISHING YOU ALL
A HAPPY NEW YEAR
BLENDED WITH
PEACEFUL, FRUITFUL & PROSPEROUS 2021

KUDOS TO R. I. DISTRICT 3060

DG. PRASHANT JANI DESERVES ACCOLADES

Congratulations

THE PINNACLE

RI District 3060 Achieves
First Position In India
For Service Project In November 2020

PAN INDIA

Sr No.	Zone	District	No. Of Project
1	4	3060	2692
2	7	2981	2523
3	7	3202	2254

ZONE 4

Sr No.	District	No. Of Project
1	3060	2692
2	3142	1071
3	3080	927

Rtn. Prashant & Hita Jani
District Governor
District 3060

ROTARY CODE OF CONDUCT



As a Rotarian, I will

1. Exemplify the core value of integrity in all behaviors and activities.
2. Use my vocational experience and talents to serve Rotary.
3. Conduct all my personal, business and professional affairs ethically encouraging and fostering high ethical standards as an example to others.
4. Be fair in all dealings with others and treat them with the respect due to them as fellow human beings.
5. Promote recognition and respect for all occupations which are useful to society.
6. Offer my vocational talents: to provide opportunities for young people, to work of the relief of the special needs of others, and to improve the quality of life in my community.
7. Honor trust that Rotary and fellow Rotarians provide and do not do anything that will bring disfavor or reflect adversely on Rotary or fellow Rotarians.
8. Not seek from a fellow a privilege or advantage not normally accorded others in a business or professional relationship.

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77 TABLETS (COMPUTER) DONATED TO RANGPUR PRIMARY SCHOOL...



During his tenure as President IPP. Rtn. Manish Naik visited various Schools & collectively had decided to donate Tablets (Computer); alongwith PP. Rtn. Prakash Patel, IPP. Rtn. Mansih Naik and President Rtn. Vishal Merchant re-visited the Schools. PP. Rtn. Prakash Patel explained the entire scheme befitting the students and thereby the School; accordingly on December 22, 2020 Principal of Rangpur Primary School, village : Rangpur, Taluka : Vansada, District : Navsari was invited at NJCT, NJ Centre, Udhna when a presentation of NJCT website was given and our Club donated 77 Tablets (Computer) to the School.

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION AT THREE ANGANWADIS...



On December 22, 2020; Christmas Celebration was organised at three Anganwadis sponsored by our Club; all arrangements to make the Children enjoy were meticulously done by Annet Anushree Vishal Merchant, Rtn. Nirali Naik, first lady Ann Ami Merchant, Ann Nirali Choksi, Hon. Secretary Rtn. Chetan Jariwala and President Rtn. Vishal Merchant – who all were also part of the celebrations.

HOUSIE... adds to the attendance tally...while Housie maestro PP. RTN. PARESH SHAH conducted with panache'...

Thursday, December 17, 2020 on the virtual platform, it was fellowship time with fun and when it comes to Housie game who can be better than our own poet at heart, nimble as the host and a simple person **PP. Rtn. Paresh Shah**.

The dynamic **President Rtn. Vishal Merchant** sent two Housie tickets per Rotarian a day prior at home of each Rotarian alongwith a pack of **“Dudhi no Halvo” & “Kachori”**.

After welcome by President Rtn. Vishal and birthday & wedding anniversary greetings; he invited cheerful and energetic **Rtn. Ameet Desai** to tell about herself under “Know Your Rotarian”. After the announcement by charged dynamo Hon. Sec. **Rtn. Chetan Jariwala**; PP. Rtn. Paresh Shah was in driver's seat who took us all on a joy ride as he hosted the Housie in his own charismatic style; starting with explaining the rules and the various prizes. **The winners with respective prizes are as under :**

Breakfast	: Annet Mahzarin	Lunch	: Rtn. Pranav Desai & Ann Sumita Shah
Dinner	: Rtn. Vishal Merchant	1 st line	: Rtn. Bhalchandra Desai
2 nd line	: Ann Bhakti Tushar Shah	3 rd line	: Hon. Rtn. Gayatri ben Jariwala
Young	: Ann Bhakti Shah	Old	: PP. Rtn. Bilal Memon
Full House 1	: Rtn. Dr. Manish Patel	Full House 2	: Hon. Rtn. Gayatri ben Jariwala
Full House 3	: Rtn. Bhupendra Bhatt	Full House 4	: Ann Jayshree ben Amit Nanavati
Full House 5	: An Tejal Devang Munim & Rtn. Sunetra Pradhan		

Senior & seasoned **PP. Rtn. Yogesh Chorawala** proposed vote of thanks.

Meeting was adjourn.

WISH HIM SPEEDY RECOVERY...

PP. Rtn. Dipesh Shah was operated for Hernias on Wednesday, December 30, 2020. He is stable & taking rest at home.

PRESIDENT RTN. VISHAL MERCHANT FEEDS MEMBERS WITH VARIETY FOOD...

As all the regular weekly meetings are conducted on virtual platform including installation of President & his Team; our President Rtn. Vishal has come up with an innovative food palette sent to each member at home which has quantity enough for the family; as under :

- August 2020 MotiChoor Laddu & Khaja
- September 2020 Mohan thal & Dhokla
- October 2020 Ghari, Pohva Chevdo & Muthiya
- December 2020 Dudhi no halvo & Kachori

Thank you President for pampering our craving for authentic, healthy food during this Covid time.

ANNUAL MEETING...

Thursday 24 of December 2020 we had our Club's Annual meeting wherein sharp at 8.30pm after calling the meeting to order, the same was adjourn for 10 minutes due to lack of quorum and it was announced that the Annual meeting will take place on the same virtual platform with the same agenda and the members present shall be considered as quorum. After the given time, **President Vishal** once again called the meeting to order amidst good attendance and welcomed all announcing that as this is a Annual meeting of the Club only Rotarians shall attend. Hon. Sec. **Rtn. Chintan Jariwala** read the minutes of the last Annual meeting of December 2019 and the same was approved. President Rtn. Vishal Merchant informed the members that the Nominations received in the Close business meeting held in November 2020 was put before the Board of Directors in its meeting and all the nominations including Nominee and proposers were scrutinized and all were found in good standing. Further, he informed that due Notice was sent to all members and as no objection is received; it was his pleasure to declare the following nominees with the respective post mentioned as elected for the term 2021 - 2022:

POST	NOMINEE
Club Directors	Rtn. Hiral Desai
	Rtn. Pooja Khatiwala
	Rtn. Chetan Desai
	PP. Rtn. Janak Jariwala
Treasurer	Rtn. Harshal Desai
Hon. Secretary	Rtn. Chetan Jariwala
Vice President	Rtn. Pravin Kakkar

For the post of President Elect (President for R. Y. 2022 – 23) **Rtn. Yayati Desai** was declared elected. President also congratulated **Rtn. Manish Shah** (President-Elect) who will lead our Club as President in the R. Y. 2021 – 22.

Meeting was than adjourn with vote of thanks to the Chair.

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION SITES

Information is taken from the FB page of **PDG. Rtn. Devendra Shastri**. Thank you for keeping us update.

#Cities which host the #International #Conventions are tentatively selected well in advance. Convention sites already selected are as follows:

- 2021 Taipei, Taiwan
- 2022 Houston, Texas, USA
- 2023 Melbourne, Australia
- 2024 Singapore
- 2025 Calgary, Canada

#Courtesy: PRIP K R Ravindran

KNOW YOUR ROTARIAN...RTN. BHAVEEN SAWLANI



Born in Surat and till grade four studied in St. Xavier's High School, Surat; after which went to Sahyadri School, Pune, a residential school under the Krishnamurti Foundation India and competed tenth grade from there. In 2004 went to Japan on a Long-Term Exchange program (IYE) sponsored by the Rotary Club of Udhna. Graduate in English Literature and completed Masters in English Literature (Hons.) from Mumbai University.

Started career as a video editor in Mumbai for a couple of years and after that moved to Surat to work in the family business. In 2019 decided to enter the teaching profession and am currently teaching at a residential school near Chennai- Pathashaala. This school is also a Krishnamurti Foundation School and is a sister school of Sahyadri School.

Love nature and also enjoy listening to music. Playing guitar is a passion.

MORE ABOUT ME...RTN. BHAVEEN SAWLANI...

Currently I am working in a small residential school- Pathashaala. It is a unique school in many ways. To begin with it is a small school. The number of students is limited to 120- through grades 5th to 12th there are in total 120 students. There are about twenty teachers in school. (This number (150) is called Dunbar's number and many corporations also work with it). We call ourselves ELs, short for Educator-Learners and the students LEs, short for Learner-Educators. This is more than just a naming convention as everything we do in school reflects this philosophy. We truly believe that while the teacher holds knowledge and has responsibility to ensure that learning takes place, he/she is not the sole custodian of knowledge. Learning is a collaborative act- much learning in the classroom happens from peers. There is something to learn from each and every member of the school. The small number allows us to focus on each child and everyone knows everyone. They are not anonymous entities.

I enjoy trekking. I have been on five high altitude Himalayan Treks. The last trek I went on was in 2019 to Sandakphu in West Bengal. It is the highest peak in West Bengal and the trek offers serene views of the Kanchenjunga range. The route also meanders through the Singalila National Park. For much of the trek one is walking along the porous border between Nepal and India. We camped in a village in which the place where we ate was in India and the Lodge where we slept across the road was in Nepal. There was a temple which if you were to circumambulate you would cross into Nepal and come back in India. Looking at a tree which stood tall on one side and whose roots ran deep into the other side one wondered about how borders didn't affect animals and nature. A bird peacefully circled in the sky oblivious to the stones marking the border. There was also a surprise treat- a sight which upon seeing brought me to tears. It was night time and very cold. I woke up to use the washroom and when I opened my tent I saw the Kanchenjunga range illuminated by the moonlight. The sight took my breath away- pristine white snow-clad mountain shimmering in the moonlight.

I have taken up the sport of Paragliding and over the past few years have been training in the sport. Paragliding is a nature/weather dependent sport - in it we don't use a motor to fly. Flight is achieved using the wind. In it we study the weather, geography (terrain) and physics to understand flight. I recently purchased my own glider and am able to independently take-off from a hill and land in a pre-determined area.



The first rays of the sun illuminate the Kanchenjunga

