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BULLETIN OF ROTARY CLUB OF UDHNA

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Next Meeting

Thursday, July 16, 2020 (Virtual meeting) Subject : Diet Concept Speaker : Mrs. Kruti Desai Time : 8.30 p.m.

Forthcoming Meetings

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

. Thursday, July 23, 2020 Subject : My experience of Covid – 19 Speaker : PP. Rtn. Devang Munim

. Thursday, July 30, 2020 Program : Chintan Shibir

Birthdays

July 16 Ann Sakina Ubeyy Lokhandwala 18 Rtn. Anil Jariwala 23 Ann Sejal Chetan Jariwala 23 Ann Jigyasa Manish Shah 30 PP. Rtn. Paresh Shah

REQUEST FOR "CHINTAN SHIBIR":

We have planned CHINTAN SHIBIR (brain storming) planned on 30th July. The purpose of this meeting is to have frank & open discussion on general functioning of Club, programs, meetings & further improve the Bonding / Connect thereby bring out more vibrancy in the Club!

We wish you send inputs / suggestions from each one of you so we can have meaningful discussion. I request you to kindly whatsapp your suggestion / opinion euther to PP. Rtn. Bankim Dave OR me - PP. Rtn. Janak Jariwala before July 23, 2020.

Looking forward to your views / suggestions / opinion...

Stay safe.

- PP. Rtn. Janak Jariwala



INSTALLATION...

It was Thursday, July 02, 2020; 6.30pm – the virtual screen shows presence of 40 persons and seen are the two Leaders – one with the smile of satisfaction the outgoing President (R.Y. 2019–20) Rtn. Manish Naik and the other with a bewitching smile the incoming President (R.Y. 2020–2021) Rtn. Vishal Merchant; both at the Office of SAFEinvest, Surat. Also, on the screen was a very simple but determined, very soft spoken but dynamic and very suave but vibrant Chief Guest – The NJ

Fame Mr. Jignesh Desai while on the other hand was our own vivacious, courteous and erudite Installing Officer – The Subhashito fame DGE Rtn. Santosh Pradhan. While, the screen was scintillating with the presence of PDG. Prafull Bhatt, PDG. Devendra Shastri, PDG. Bharat Solanki, PDG. Himnashu Thakkar, PDG. Kulbandhu Sharma, AG. Chirag Gandhi & AG. Mihir Thakkar and many other District Officers incl. Presidents & Hon. Secretaries of neighbouring Rotary Clubs.

6.35pm – virtual attendance appx. 120 persons; our witty & learned Rtn. Dr. Manish Patel as Master of ceremony took charge & Sgt.-At-Arms Rtn. Pranav Desai called the meeting to order. Outgoing President Rtn. Manish Naik extended welcome to all. Young & vibrant Hon. Sec. Rtn Yayati Desai presented activity report.

In his Farewell address Rtn. Manish Naik expressed sense of satisfaction & appealed all to come forward & take leadership; he further added that he has learnt a lot. A core worker as he is Rtn. Manish requested all to participate & contribute to Community service projects; he conveyed gratitude for help & support to Family of Udhna & for the opportunity given to serve. Wishing the best to incoming President Rtn. Vishal for the R.Y. 2020 – 2021; in his modest style Rtn. Manish concluded, "Hope you remember me as a good President".

Our quiet but confident & a learned CA Rtn. Keyur Mehta referred Mr. Jignesh as an iconic personality with a Civil Engineering degree who is building financial market of the Country. A joint MD of the top financial Group popular known as NJ; he added that they are into diverse field from Insurance to IT to Wellness to Real estate etc.; having presence both in India & abroad.

A technocrat & a famed structural consultant Rtn. Nilesh Shah introduced DGE Rtn. Santosh Pradhan as "DGE – dedicated, Gentleman & Enthusiastic" person having started his career from Aurangabad in 1990 & was a very dedicated Rotaractor then who after shifting to Surat joined R. C. Of Udhna in 2008. A very astute businessman; his Company Tansu Aquatic is raising its success mercury. Having attended all the District Conferences of our R.I.D. 3060 since his induction & R.I. Conventions in Brazil, S. Korea, Canada, USA & Germany. His better half Sunetra, now a Rotarian and Santosh including two daughters





are PHF & have an Endowment Fund in name of his Parents. The couple is Major Donor level Two. Santosh befitting his surname has enjoyed all the leadership positions.

In the series of introductions, it was then outgoing President Rtn. Manish Naik who called incoming President as blend of Young & Enthusiastic; a person who likes to take challenges & achieves it with success. Founder & CEO of SAFEinvest in 2003; his domain is Investment & Real estate with their Firm's presence both in Surat & Vodadra.

Incoming President Rtn. Vishal Merchant introduced his team as a mix of young & experienced, enthusiastic & talented and novice but committed Rotarians from PP. Rtn. Kshitij to Rtn. Harshal Desai.

Staying to his image; installing officer DGE. Rtn. Santosh Pradhan started with a Subhashito in Sanskrit and then swearing in



ceremony started with an Oath by Rtn. Vishal as President & Board members. As this was a Installation on Virtual media; the better halves were requested to put the lapel pin while outgoing President Rtn. Manish Naik exchanged the Collar & lapel pin and DGE Santosh Pradhan declared the entire Team as Installed for the R.Y. 2020 – 2021. During acceptance address by President Rtn. Vishal & installation; each member received at their home "a nicely decorated natural mango icecream".

President Rtn. Vishal Merchant read out the resolution appreciating Rtn. Manish Naik as President R.Y. 2019 – 20 and Ann Nirali Naik for all round support; the same was unanimously passed.

The witty MOC Rtn. Dr. Manish Patel inviting President Rtn. Vishal Merchant for his acceptance address referred him as full of enthusiasm, no nonsense attitude, grand vision & a person full of energy.

President Rtn. Vishal Merchant in his address conveyed gratitude to Charter members PP. Rtn. Tarun Dave & PDG. Prafull Bhatt. Talking about RI theme 2020-21 given by R.I. President Holger Knaack; Vishal went down the memory lane and shared a story of a boy not so serious in his life & studies but in the journey with the grace of GOD he became successful which he said it was "ME". He thanked the four most important persons in his life; first lady Ami, daughter Anushree & his



mesihas – Rtn. Niraj Choksi & Mr. Jignesh Desai. Promising that joy & happiness will continue thru fellowship programs he added that Community service project is an opportunity to give back to the Society. Appreciating PP. Rtn. Prakash he said his community service project execution abilities should be emulated; while IPP. Rtn. Manish Naik &



community service project execution abilities should be emulated; while IPP. Rtn. Manish Naik & Rtn. Niraj Choksi are inspiration. He appreciated perfection of PP. Rtn. Bankim – Bulletin Editor and sincerity of Program chair Rtn. Dr. Manish. President Vishal concluded, "I urge for your support; without you I am nothing and with you I am everything".

President Vishal declared donation of Rs.5 lacs from anonymous person to Udhna Rotary foundation trust.

There came a Subhashito in a very familiar voice; DGE. Santosh Pradhan in his address complimented IPP. Rtn. Manish Naik & Ann Nirali for setting a new benchmark; he added that President Rtn. Vishal already has Amrut / Nectar with him in form of first lady Ann Ami, so expectations are high from you. Talking of PDG. Prafull bhai who was also celebrating his

birthday he said for him PDG means Premier Dedicated Gentleman who carries a very good image & relation in District; has abundance Rotary knowledge.

Chief Guest Mr. Jignesh Desai – a very soft spoken person congratulated Vishal. He added that he receives unconditional love from Vishal & team of Udhna. Mr. Jignesh Desai narrated his experience with Vaishnavs with which community persons he has been surrounded for last 20 yrs. Remembering, the legend Narsinh Mehta & his famous poem "Vaishnav jan to tene re kahiye..."; Mr. Jignesh added that the same is in tune with Rotary philosophy & principles set by Founder Late Rtn. Paul Harris. Appreciating Vaishnavs; he said that they practice Rotary's two most mantras, "Service Above Self" & "He profits the most, who Serves the Best". Taking his philosophy of Vaishnavs further, Mr. Jignesh said eradicating Polio from face of the earth is a big service; Rotary treats all as equal poor, rich, down trodden...uses own funds for service to mankind – all these are Vaishnavs. He added, "I consider myself lucky for being in touch with Vaishnavs – the Rotarians". He concluded by complimenting few Rotarians of the Club and hailed President Rtn. Vishal Merchant as, "Gem of a person".

Hon. Sec. the flamboyant Rtn. Chetan Jariwala did his maiden announcement adding that though Hon. secretary is a difficult but will be easy with support of all. Person with admirable business acumen PE Rtn. Manish Shah proposed vote of thanks. Rtn. Vishal Bhandara, a novish Rotarian but wizard in field of Insurance, adjourned the meeting as sergeant at arms. It was the master of ceremony Rtn. Dr. Manish Patel who took us thru the journey of Installation by his lucid voice & master touch within the stipulated time frame.







President Rtn. Vishal Merchant sent one mango ice-cream to residence of each Rotarian at the time of his Installation. Question : Only one ice-cream sent, was it for Ann or Rotarian? We had asked all Anns & Rotarians to send humorous answer only. The few replies received are as under :

- Sent for Ann's so that they don't ask Rotarians to do the dishes at the time of meeting.
 Rtn. Pavan Sharma
- 원l홍식, one ice cream was sent so that all Rotarian, Ann & annet can lick & enjoy the flavour of R.Y. 2020-21 together! – Rtn. Keyur Mehta
- Because our Vaishnav President is more kanjoos n less health conscious PP. Rtn. Janak Jariwala
- Bhai Rotarian ne male k Ann ne, ghee dhoday e to khichdi maaj ne. Rtn. Rakhi Desai
- It's for me, reason is- as a part of maintaining weight, Sangu is avoiding ice cream..! I think it's mostly in everybody's case..! Rtn. Chetan Desai
- As the ice cream reached right on dot, maybe it was just a distraction for the family, so while the family keeps guessing & debating we can attend the meeting & afterwards we can have the ice cream too. DGE. Rtn. Santosh Pradhan
- Received one ice cream. If, one ice cream is for Ann then I have a querry? As we are two Anns in our House!!! If, it was
 for Rotarian, still I have a querry? As we are two Rotarians at Home!!! PP. Rtn. Kshitij Desai (Kshitij, be baira
 chhe???)
- Ice cream was sent to Get naughty & intimate during this difficult times. Rtn. Praveen Kakkar.
- To keep Rotarians together, I (Vishal) have to keep them cool. Rtn. Pranav Desai
- Sent for Ann. પ્રેસિંડેન્ટ સાંહેબ ને ખબર હતી કે હું ઓફિસે એવન ની સેવા માં ઉતો, ને icecream ઘરે મોકલાયવું...બૈરાં આગળ મીઠડાં બનવા હારું કઇરું લાગે છે. Rtn. Dr. Manish Patel
- કામ કાઢવા પ્રેસિડેન્ટ સાહેબે પાણી પહેલા પાળ બાંધી આપી. તો હું ડિરેક્ટર તરીકે વધારે સમય આપું. Rtn. Ami Desai
- બોલો, મને તો આઇસક્રીમ આજે મઇલું. હું તો અળખામણો એટલેં.. (Guess who? call President Rtn. Vishal to find out name of this unlucky / not so favourite Rotarian).
- Ice cream was for Ann. because if goat and tiger are locked down who will get first preference? PDG. Prafull Bhatt

Joint Winners : PP. Rtn. Kshitij Desai & Rtn. Dr. Manish Patel

MAGICIAN SHARDUL ENTERTAINS US...

Thursday, July 09; in our virtual meeting we had magician Shardul to entertain us. As Sgt.-At-Arms Rtn. Vishal Bhandara called the meeting to order; President Rtn. Vishal Merchant welcomed all describing it, as his first speech in a regular weekly meeting. He then announced greetings, wishing for birthdays & wedding anniversaries. PP. Rtn. Devendra Lalwala with his stylish oratory skills introduced Mr. Shardul. The tricks, the magic, hallucination and an apt background charged the screen with the skills & speed of the magician. Starting with the message for Covid 19 to stay back home – safe & a sanitizer; Mr. Shardul then lighted an unplugged bulb to a participative big size 52 cards to a balnk book converted to black & white sketches, suddenly turning to colourful sketches then a pack of six cards though discarding three cards, the count remains of six cards only to a game of a Chit in an enclosed jar carrying a pre-written text. Asked members to reply; President Vishal wanted to go outstation on 14-12-2020, while Harshal asked of destination replied Jaipur, with whom Ann Prasanna said Deepika Padukone, on asked what to eat with Deepika – Chetan jariwala wanted to eat Butter Chicken, while what would be the bill amount & how would it be paid – Bhupendra replied Rs.5500 & would pay by credit card having no.1675; this to surprise of all; when the jar was unlocked was written on the paper!!! Evening full of entertainment. Hon. sec. Chetan briefed about the recent "mask distribution" project & then made announcement for the next meeting. While our ever smiling, young and smart Rtn. Pooja Khatiwala in her eloquent style propose an apt vote of thanks. In Pooja we found one more good Orator. Rtn. Vishal Bhandara adjourned the meeting. Virtual attendance appx. 80.

KNOW YOUR ROTARIAN...



Rakhi Desai

Apart from being an Architect and an Entrepreneur, since childhood I had an inclination for dance too. I have learnt Bharat Natyam and Kathak both and I have inherited this art from my Mom. So, not letting this passion down gave me an opportunity to participate and represent India at the International folklore festival at Switzerland in 2017 under "UTKARKS DANCE ACADEMY LLP SURAT".The success of this festival inspired me to participate again at "DANCAS DO MUNDO"@PORTUGALin 2018.

This festival gave me an opportunity to explore new people, culture and region. The amazing part

of the festival was the parade which gets applauded by the cheering crowds on the either sides of roads. Living with completely unknown people under one roof was challenging in the beginning but parting with them was the hardest and this is what I feel is "WORLD HARMONY" which is much much needed especially in this difficult time.





An Untold Story - by Rtn. Rakhi Desai

1. How "FRUIT EXOTICA" was born?



In the year 2011 my mum dad visited USA and there they celebrated their Anniversary, where dad gave mum a fruit stick instead of flower and that gave an instant spark to my machine and henceforth in the year 2011 Feb. I made my first bouquet. To be precise I made it on 19th Feb for a friend's Anniversary and this was the day when I was wholeheartedly appreciated. This is a small story how "FRUIT EXOTICA" WAS BORN!!!

2. What do we make at "FRUIT EXOTICA "?

"FRUIT EXOTICA" is a brand!!!A brand in exotic fresh fruit and dryfruit bouquets. We at fruit exotica care for your health and your well-being so, we have a wide range of Fresh cut-uncut fruit bouquets. NO BAKE ONLY FRUIT CAKE. FRUIT PIZZAS and healthy seeds

and nuts bouquets.

3. Why fruit bouquets?

We at fruit bouquet care for your health and so gifting fruit bouquets will be a great gesture towards the societies wellness.

It is an healthy option to chocolate bouquets and also over the calorie loaded cakes. Fruits, Nuts and Edible Seeds have nutritional value and are best for health. So one must gift fruit bouquets over chocolate bouquets and cake. Apart from this I would like to Enlighten you all regarding the nutritional value in certain fruits. Apples, Limes, Berries, Malta etc are rich in "VITAMIN C".

Certain fruits like strawberries, raspberries, Kiwi, Durian etc are Anti Oxidants and are fruits which prevents cancer. There are fruits like Kiwi, Cherries, Plums, Peaches, Amla etc are immunity boosters and are rich in Carbohydrates too.

Apart from these there are palm green dates available in red and yellow colours are rich in fibre and they boost the digestion.

This was regarding the fruits similarly various nuts and edible seeds which we use at "FRUIT EXOTICA" are health healers. Some are good for immunity, some for weight loss, insomnia, rich in fibre and above all good for health.

4. Whom we serve?

We serve to the society for its well-being. **Because we at "FRUIT EXOTICA " care for you** . "FRUIT EXOTICA" is also associated with various MNCs, Jewellers, Gift shops, Investment Firms etc.

5. What types of bouquets do we have?

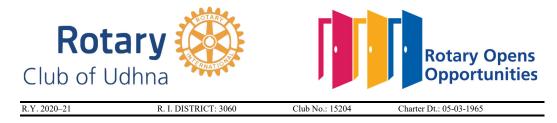
- Full Fruit Bouquets
- Cut Fruit Bouquets
- Mongrams with Cut-Uncut Fruits
- No Bake Fruit Cakes
- No Bake Fruit Pizzas
- Whole Fruits Hand Bouquets
- Dry Fruits Bouquets
- Dry Fruits Hand Bouquets
- Dry Fruits Platter
- Edible Seeds Hand/Basket Bouquets

6. We do customise bouquets too.

It's a pleasure to customize bouquets for our clients. We have customized bouquets for wedding give away's for Baby showers, Bridal Showers, Birthday Parties, Kitty parties and many more.

To wrap up with I would love to see more and more people become health conscious and care for themselves.

AS IT IS RIGHTLY SAID "HEALTH IS MUCH MORE DEPENDENT ON OUR HABITS AND NUTRITION " HEALTH IS WEALTH.



From the Desk of Chairman, Program Committee

Date: 12th July, 2020

Dear Friends,

It gives me immense pleasure to come back to you with the summary of the findings from the survey we had conducted in RY 2019-20 to identify program preferences as well as collective view on other related issues from the members.

Now is a very opportune time to share the findings, as "Chintan Shibir", an upcoming regular weekly meeting on 30th July, 2020 approaches faster. To galvanize the members and thereby the club to make it even more happening place, the findings may also be discussed in this brainstorming program and can be deliberated upon.

The summary presented here consists of two parts-

- (1) Summary of Finding: Program preferences
- (2) Summary of Findings: Important Issues

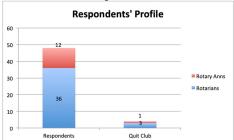
The data has been presented in graphical format so that all can comprehend it easily. This will enable us to draw collective conclusions from the findings and may decide upon future course of actions after deliberating on them in above-mentioned brainstorming event.

Yours truly,

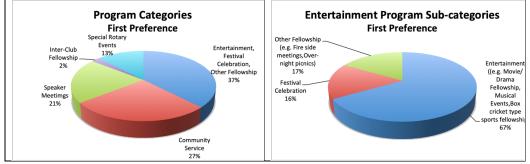
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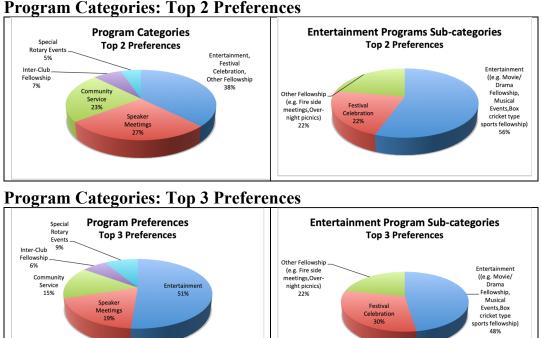
Summary of Findings on Program Preferences

Profile of Respondents



Program Categories First Preference

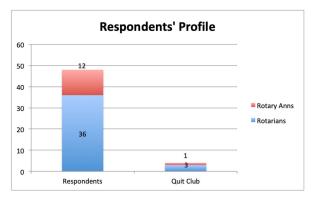




Program Categories: Top 2 Preferences

Summary of Findings on Important Issues

Profile of Respondents



Purpose of Joining Rotary (Top 5)

