



Rotary Club of Surat West

R.I. District 3060 Zone 4-B



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Hon. Club Secretary

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FROM THE DESK OF BULLETIN EDITOR



My dear Rotary Surat West Family,

On 14th March, 1996, Rtn. Dr. B C Naidu, Past President of Rotary club of Udhna was appointed as Governor's Special representative (GSR) to explore the possibility to start One more Rotary club in Surat.

On Sunday, march 17 1996 morning at 10.00AM, First Interest meeting was held at Jeevan Bharati school in which 22 prospective members attended the meeting.

The purpose of launching new club and important information on Rotary was shared. Mr. S. Prasad (GM-ONGC Hazira) invited all prospective members to have next interest meeting in ONGC Guest House..

On Friday, 22nd March evening, 2nd interest meeting was held on the lawns of ONGC guest house in which 28 Prospective members with their spouses were present.

A slide show on "Welcome to Rotary" was shown. There was discussion about possible venues for club meeting, time etc. was discussed. It was decided to meet every Wednesday at 08.30 Pm All meetings will be high tea. The name of the club "Rotary club of Surat West" was unanimously agreed by all.

Rotary club of Surat came forward to sponsor New club. In this meeting President of Surat club Rtn. Nanak Nazar and PDG. Rajnikant Thackar was present. The meeting was preceded by Grand 4 course Dinner on the lawns of ONGC Guest house.

The next meeting was held in hotel Check-mate on Wednesday, March 27 in which Club constitution and Bylaws were adopted. All prospective members were asked to give cheques of Rs. 1500/- each.

On Wednesday, April 03 1996, The Organization Meeting of the club was held at Kapadia Health club. 32 prospective members gave their cheques. It was decided to close the list of Charter members in the next meeting on April 10.

In the meeting on April 10, 1996, the meeting elected Board of Directors of the club to serve for the year 1995-96 and closed the list of Charter members with 38 members and send Charter application to DG for sending it to RI, USA for approval. Thus the Provisional Club, Rotary club of Surat West was BORN. It was decided to hold next meeting as Installation Meeting.

The Installation meeting was held on Wednesday, 17th April at Kapadia health club (regular venue for club meeting) in which DG. Himanshu Thackar installed Rtn. Gyanendra Pandey (DGM-ONGC) as President and his Team for the year 1995-96. Dignitaries present in this meeting were: DGN.Hemant Desai, PDG. Rajnikant Thackar, PDG.Bharat Solanki, District secretary Kulbandhu Sharma and President of Sponsor club Rtn. Nanak Nazr.

The First speaker meeting was held on Wednesday, 24th April. Eminent Consultant Physician Dr.Hemant Parikh was Guest speaker.In the meeting on 1st May, 1996,

PDG. Devendra Shastri announced that our club has been admitted to the membership of Rotary International on 30 April, 1996.

The Charter Presentation Ceremony of Rotary club of Surat West was held on Monday, June 03 1996 at a gala meeting held at Imperial Hall, Hotel Holiday Inn at 08.00Pm. The Chief Guest was RI Director (now Past RI President) Kalyan Banerjee who came with his wife Ann Binotaji. The Hall was full with nearly 150 persons including Rotary District dignitaries, leaders of corporate world of Surat who were all seated in specially designated seats for each invitee in the meeting.

Founder President Gyanendra Pandey accepted club Charter from DG Himanshu Thackar. RID Kalyan Banerjee greeted every Rotarian with their spouse with Rotary literature and flowers. The audience was treated to truly inspirational speech by RID Kalyan Banerjee. Rotary Dignitaries included DGNs Hemant Desai, DGN Dr. Manoj Desai and PDGs. Vaikunthbhai Shastri, Rajanibhai Thackar, Dr. Sam Bhacca, Devendra Shastri, Bharat Solanki, Chandrakant Desai (Bulsar), Navzar Wadia (Porbandar), Pradeep Gohil (Bhavnagar), Vishnu Patel (Vapi) and District officers and club presidents from 17 Rotary clubs.

Please Join in large numbers to Celebrate the Birth Anniversary of our beloved club on 30th April 2024.

Regards

Rtn Mausam Jalan

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Interclub Box Cricket Tournament – 6th April 2024

Team Rotary Club of Surat West contested with Teams from nearby clubs of Surat in Manthan Interclub Box Cricket Tournament at **The Pavillion** in Vesu. Following 6 teams participated in the Tournament

Rotary Club Surat West

Rotary Club of Surat

Rotary Club Surat Tapi

Rotary Club of Udhana

Rotary Club Surat Roundtown

Rotary Club Surat Riverside

Our team Surat West put up a great show, and won both the matches of the group matches.

Team also fought well in the semi finals before letting Riverside go to the final.

Overall a great show !! Super job by Captain PP Hitendrabhai, and team members PP Tinish, PP Ashit, PP Mitesh, President Sonal, Rtn Rakesh, Rtn Archana, Spouse Milind, Ann Shilpa, Hon Secretary Meeta, Rtn Vijay, Ann Madhavi, Rtn Sandeep, Rtn Rajesh Nandwani.

Amazing fellowships during last few days of practice, among the players; and among our whole west family, as well as with other Rotarians from Surat area - during the tournament !!!

The T Shirts were sponsored by Aarohi Investments. Thanks to PP Bhavesh.

Kudos to PP Hitendra Modi for heading two very different events in a row. The cheers, banter and laughter by all our West family members in large numbers have added a huge comfort and energy to our club. Super appreciation for all of you.

Congratulations to President Sonal, Hon Secretary Meeta, and team for the memorable event ..

Super job!!!!!!



Team Rotary Club of Surat West





...TOURNAMENT
... Saturday, 2024
... pm Onwards
... of
... Nathan Chandresh Sheth
MISS YOU
SUPPORTED BY:
WEST RC UDHNA RC SURAT TAPI
...OUND TOWN RC SURAT RIVERSIDE
...et Turf, Vesu Canal Road,
... Savani School, Vesu



Board Cum Business Meeting – 10th April 2024

Rotary Club of Surat West held a Board Cum Business meeting at Richi Rich Restaurant to Discuss the future leadership of the Club and ways to take the club forward. 30 Members attended the meeting.

After a heathy discussion it was finalized that the following members would be leading the club as The President of Rotary Club of Surat West in the Rotary Year 2025 – 26 till 2028 – 29.

Rtn Dr Vijay Shah

Rtn Dr Parag Shah

Rtn Dr Nirav Mandlewala

Rtn Anirudh Garg.



Visit to Bachpann Day Care Centre at GIDC Sachin on 15th April 2024.

Members of RCSW visited the Bachpann Day Care centre at GIDC Sachin along with Deputy Commissioner of Police Shri Parmar Saheb on 15th April 2024.

Bachpann Day care centre is joint venture between GIDC Sachin Police station and Rotary Club of Surat West to take care of the Children of Mill Labourers of GIDC Sachin when they are at work.

Club Leadership Learning Seminar

(earlier -DTA)

We are pleased to Invite you for the Club Leadership Learning Seminar. (DTA) at Surat on 4th and 5th May 2024.

Please register on the following link:

<https://zfrmz.com/4wR1K2cYcSTe0kA5Tapo>

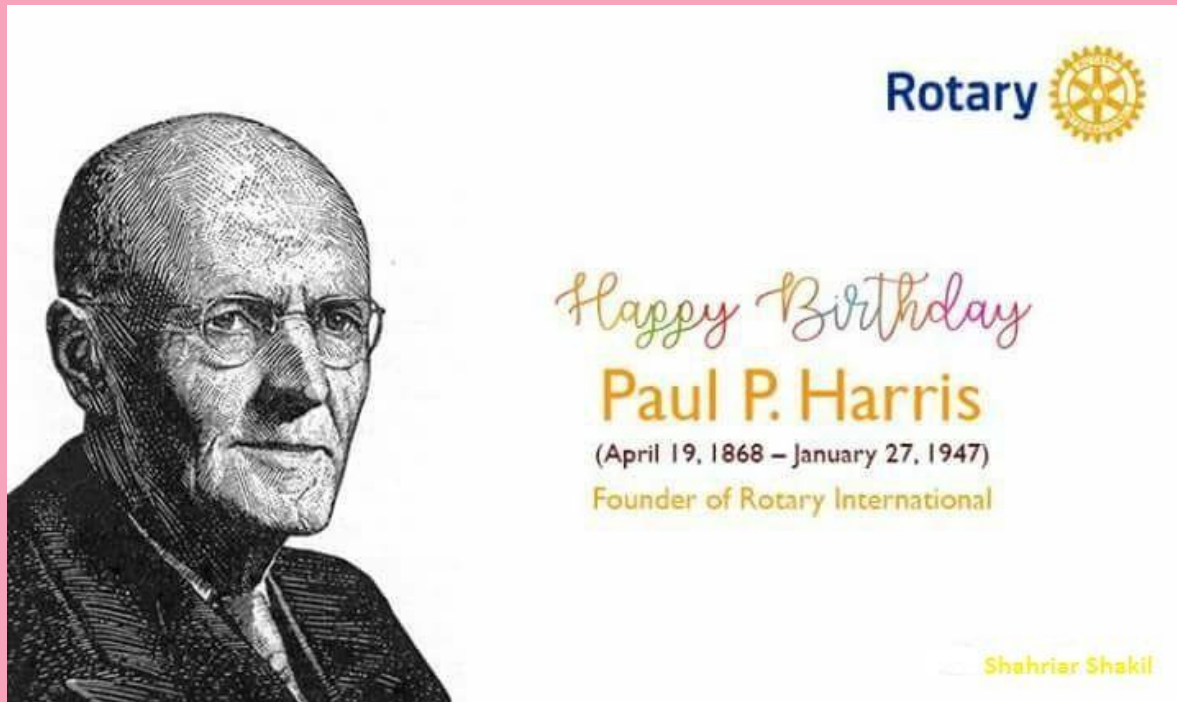
Thank You

With Regards

Tushar Shah

District Governor 2024-25

Paul Harris: Rotary's Founder



Rotary started with the vision of one man — Paul P. Harris.

Harris was born on 19 April 1868 in Racine, Wisconsin, USA

At age 3, he moved to Wallingford, Vermont, where he grew up in the care of his paternal grandparents. He attended the University of Vermont and Princeton University and received his law degree from the University of Iowa in 1891.

In 1896, Harris settled in Chicago and opened a law practice. Four years later, he met fellow attorney Bob Frank for dinner on Chicago's North Side. They walked around the area, stopping at shops along the way. Harris was impressed that Frank was friendly with many of the shopkeepers. He had not seen this kind of camaraderie among businessmen since moving to Chicago and wondered if there was a way to channel it, because it reminded him of growing up in Wallingford.

"The thought persisted that I was experiencing only what had happened to hundreds, perhaps thousands, of others in the great city. ... I was sure that there must be many other young men who had come from farms and small villages to establish themselves in Chicago. ... Why not bring them together? If others were longing for fellowship as I was, something would come of it."

What is Rotary ??

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@RCDFSEW

THE PILLARS OF ROTARY

THESE ARE THE FIVE PILLARS: INTEGRITY,
SERVICE, LEADERSHIP, DIVERSITY, &
FELLOWSHIP. ALL ARE EQUALLY IMPORTANT
IN ROTARY'S STRUCTURE.

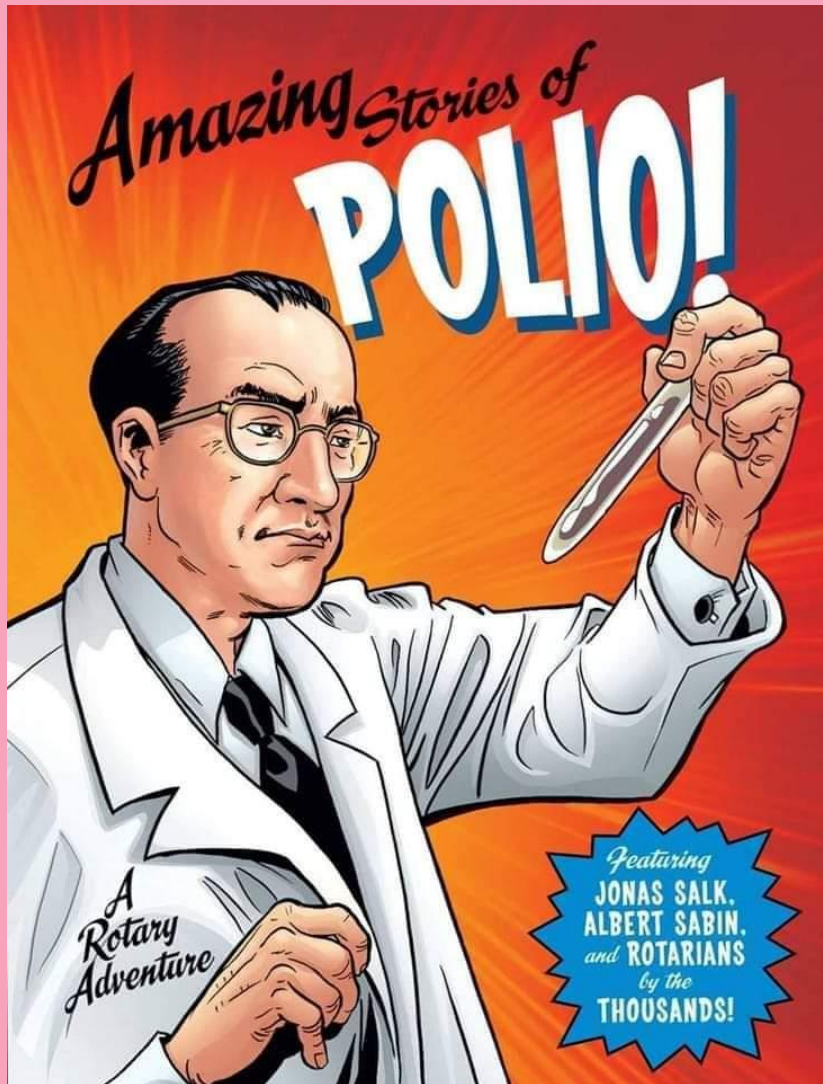


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ROTARY



Here are the five components of what we're all about in a nutshell: **Service, Integrity, Leadership, Fellowship, and Diversity.** They are our core values.

Amazing Stories of Polio..



On April 12, 1955, international headlines rang out "Victory over Polio" when the vaccine developed by Jonas Salk and his team at the University of Pittsburgh was declared "safe and effective" after the largest medical field trial in history. And 68 years later, the triumphs of this vaccine are still helping millions of children worldwide.

Let's finish the fight for global polio eradication

www.endpolio.org

Rotary International Information :

Courtesy PDG Rtn Devendra Shastri

**With 35,000 clubs in
200 countries filled with
members of all races,
religions and ethnicities,
Rotary is the most diverse
organization in the world.**



CIRCLE OF LIFE

**You come with Nothing ,
You go with Nothing ,
In between you can create Magic ,
Bring Smiles and Happiness ,
Create a Legacy - Enjoy Rotary**



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