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NEXT MEETING

Saturday, 2nd August

Program: School Uniform Distribution Project

Venue: SMC Primary school no 199, Vadod, Surat

Time: 10.00am

*Rotarians and Spouses are welcome

Wedding Anniversary Greetings

PP. Bankim- Nipa Sitwala: August 2

Forthcoming District Events

RYE Inbound Orientation Program

- 30th & 31st August 2025 at Baroda

Birthday Greetings

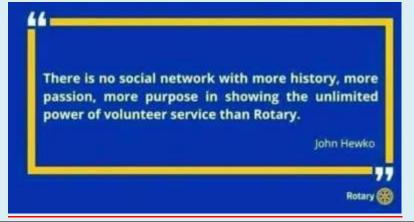
Ann Pooja Amit Gajjar...- August 3

PP. Bhavesh Shah -August 10

PP. Bankim Sitwala.....- August 11

Forthcoming Programs

August 6: Meeting of Club Board of Directors on Zoom platform August 15: Independence Day Flag Hosting at Millennium School, Surat





This month and every month

august is Membership Month, but our commitment to growth and connection is year-round. When we focus on growing Rotary, we grow our ability to serve, to lead, and to bring lasting change.

Membership growth isn't just about numbers. It's about opening doors. It's about inviting more people who are ready to give their time, talent and hearts to a cause greater than themselves. When we welcome new members, we bring in fresh ideas and new energy. We expand our impact, strengthen our clubs, and ensure that Rotary continues to evolve with the world around us.

Remember, there is now great flexibility in fashioning nontraditional club models. I'm inspired when I see these innovative clubs thrive by offering new and prospective members more ways to connect and serve.

In Korea, the growth of satellite clubs has created opportunities for nearly 1,000 new members to find their place in Rotary. In Romania, the close collaboration between Rotarians, Rotaractors, and Interactors has built a pipeline of future leaders. In India, some Rotarians gather around a shared interest — whether it's professional development or a passion for service — and those connections deepen their commitment and their joy in being part of Rotary. And we've seen cause-based clubs thrive in regions as diverse as Southeast Asia, Africa and Europe.

There's a common thread: Where clubs are growing, membership is a priority and there is a willingness to try something new. Rotary is not limited to one structure or tradition. We are a global network of people of action, and that means there is room for many kinds of clubs, many ways to serve, and many paths into our organisation.

This spirit of innovation is also guiding our efforts to reach new communities. In places where there has never been a Rotary club — or where a club once existed and faded — Rotarians are finding ways to grow Rotary. They are identifying areas of potential and building clubs that reflect the character and needs of their communities.

Every member plays a part in this journey. Whether you introduce a friend to your club, support a new meeting format, reconnect with programme alumni, or simply share your Rotary story, you are helping our organisation grow stronger and more vibrant.

No one owns a Rotary club. It is a gift we pass on to the next generation. When we nurture that gift, when we invite others to share in it, we ensure that Rotary continues to be a force for good.

Let's prioritise membership growth — not just in August but every month of the year. Together, through friendship, creativity, and shared purpose, we will grow Rotary and *Unite for Good*.

Francesco Arezzo

President, Rotary International

Our club's Inbound Rotary Youth Exchange student Ana arrives in Surat





Ana Luiza Busanello Veiga (Brazil) arrived on 25th July at Mumbai International Airport Terminal 2 & was received by her host parents President Rtn Dr Parag Shah & Ann Dr Sejal Shah.

Welcome with a floral garland & traditional Arti ceremony made the first introduction to Indian culture & tradition. After staying in Mumbai for a day they reached Surat next day, where her schooling will start at Millennium School from August 1st.

We welcome Ana Luiza to Rotary Club of Surat West & our city Surat.

We look forward to have her a wonderful time ahead, filled with Rotary activities, Cultural exchanges & memorable experiences to cherish lifelong.

Medical Camp and Musical Morning at Hitvardhak Old age home- Sunday, 27th July















Medical Camp at the Old Age Home was a resounding success, where a galaxy of medical professionals gave their voluntary services, with Rotary's spirit of 'Service Above Self', for the senior citizens staying there.

The event chair PP Rtn Dr Paresh Vaidya & his team from Centre for Sight Eye Hospital gave

Ophthalmological services including checking refraction errors & detailed eye examination using various machines. They have extended their help further by offering to provide free treatments at their center to some of them who required.

Dr Kaushal Kakkad & his team from Sumirrow Dental Clinic, extended their expertise with through dental examination of all. They have offered to help further with free treatments & dental procedures, for all of them, under their CSR wing of their clinic.

Dr Chirag Shah, a General & Laparoscopic surgeon & a Rotarian at heart, not only provided medical expertise but volunteered his support in more than one way.

Dr Prakash Faldu as a General Physician, played a key role in examined all the patients who were suffering from a host of medical conditions including some complex cardiac problems.

Dr Vishal Mandlewala as an Orthopedic surgeon & First lady Dr Sejal Shah as a Dermatologist, examined all & advised appropriate treatments as required testing was supported by Spanee Hospital & Laboratory tests by Metropolis Laboratories.

Hon. Sec. Rtn Anirudh Garg, Ann Sukruti Vaidya, Ann Rakhi Gandhi, Ann Nipa Sitwala, Annet Diya & RYE student Ana - provided their volunteering services to coordinate & compassionately counsel each participant.

In all,

- 31 patients underwent screening & detailed medical examination by 6 different specialties including BP measurement, Eye & Dental checkups.
- 9 patients had their ECG done
- 19 patients had their blood sugar measured.
- 31 patients were advised for their required treatments including laboratory & medicine support.

The Musical Morning program was a super duper hit, where our own Rotarians & Anns sang melodious songs & Garba, to tune in, around 50 senior citizens & everyone present there, to sing along & dance together.



We are thankful to PP Rtn Paresh Vaidya along with Ann Sukruti Vaidya, PDG Devendra Shastri along with Ann Nilima Shastri, PP Rtn Setu Gandhi, Rtn Archana Thakare along with RP Milind Thakare, PP Rtn Tasnim Doctor along with RP Mazhar Doctor, Ann Kajal Nihalani & Kokilaben Shah for sharing their beautiful voices.



Along with them, the event was graciously attended by PP Rtn Bankim Sitwala & Ann Nipa Sitwala, PP Rtn Vivek Goel, PP Rtn Mitesh Bhagat & Ann Kavita Bhagat, PP Rtn Shilpa Shah, Ann Rakhi Gandhi, Rtn Vijay Nilhani, Annet Diya Shah & RYE student Ana.



Event Chair PP Rtn Pareshbhai Vaidya along with Ann Sukrutiben Vaidya, with their hard work of last many days & skillful conduct of the program, made it truly memorable. We are thankful to PP Rtn Vivek Goel for capturing the right moments in his camera. We are thankful to the Old Age Home staff & the musical orchestra team who made it possible.

The rejoice of spending good time with the Senior Citizens, through the medium of Musical Morning, will be remembered in our minds & our hearts for a long time.

We are greatly thankful to PP Rtn Dr Paresh Vaidya as the event chair, for his unparallel dedication in planning, organizing & executing both the programs - the Medical Camp & the Musical Morning, with his equal expertise in both.



Inspite of having fever / infection & on medicines, he not only continued to lead the medical team but also compered the full Musical program, with great poise & commitment. Kudos to him!

The pivotal role of Ann Sukruti Vaidya in registering, coordinating & guiding all the patients during the medical camp, exhibited her humanitarian approach & volunteerism. Her expertise in organizing & coordinating the karaoke program, made it truly memorable.

Report by President Rtn. Dr. Parag Shah

Our RI District 3060 is ranked No. 13 position in Highest Total Contribution to The Rotary Foundation in 2024-25 in Zone-4



TRF ZONE CONTRIBUTION SUMMARY

Top 50 Districts Ranked by Total Contributions and Per Capita
JULY THROUGH JUNE (2024-25)

| Total Contributions | | | | Annual Fund Per Capita | | | |
|---------------------|----------|------------------------|--|------------------------|----------|------------|---|
| Rank | District | Total Contributions | District Location | Rank | District | Per Capita | District Location |
| 1 | 3141 | \$6,229,872 | INDIA(part of Maharashtra - the revenue | 1 | 5360 | \$617.67 | CANADA-(parts of Alberta and Saskatchew |
| 2 | 6960 | \$4,571,062 | USA-(Florida) | 2 | 3501 | \$424.45 | (part of) TAIWAN |
| 3 | 3131 | \$3,136,875 | INDIA(part of Maharashtra - the revenue | 3 | 3700 | \$409.47 | KOREA-(Daegu) |
| 4 | 3011 | \$2,903,308 | INDIA(part of National Capital Region - 5 | 4 | 5150 | \$405.00 | USA(California) |
| 5 | 5330 | \$2,901,690 | USA-(California) | 5 | 7600 | \$367.75 | USA(Virginia) |
| 6 | 3523 | \$2,337,788 | (part of) TAIWAN | 6 | 3502 | \$359.40 | (part of) TAIWAN |
| 7 | 3502 | \$2,328,036 | (part of) TAIWAN | 7 | 3661 | \$357.70 | KOREA-(Busan) |
| 8 | 3522 | \$2,093,778 | (part of) TAIWAN | 8 | 5040 | \$354.24 | CANADA-(British Columbia) |
| 9 | 3501 | \$2,089,952 | (part of) TAIWAN | 9 | 5870 | \$348.26 | USA(Texas) |
| 10 | 5020 | \$2,062,083 | CANADA-(part of British Columbia), USA | 10 | 3620 | \$347.99 | KOREA-(part of Chungcheongnam) |
| 11 | 5150 | \$2,024,935 | USA(California) | 11 | 3750 | \$347.58 | KOREA-(part of Gyeonggi) |
| 12 | 3170 | \$1,908,752 | INDIA-(Goe and parts of Kamataka and | 12 | 5890 | \$345.66 | USA(Texas) |
| 13 | 3060 | \$1,872,528 | INDIA(Union Territory of Daman & Diu, p | 13 | 3523 | \$345.46 | (part of) TAIWAN |
| 14 | 3142 | \$1,858,969 | INDIA(part of Maharashtra - the revenue | 14 | 6960 | \$304,68 | USA(Florida) |
| 15 | 5170 | \$1,772,516 | USA(California) | 15 | 5240 | \$300.43 | USA-(California) |
| 16 | 3590 | \$1,724,755 | KOREA-(part of Gyeongsangnam) | 16 | 3690 | \$299.55 | KOREA-(part of Gyeonggi) |
| 17 | 3490 | \$1,670,679 | TAIWAN | 17 | 5170 | \$293.90 | USA(California) |
| 18 | 6400 | \$1,621,713 | CANADA(part of Ontano), USA(part of | 18 | 3590 | \$290.30 | KOREA-(part of Gyeongsangnam) |
| 19 | 3150 | \$1,599,874 | INDIA(part of Andhra Pradesh and Telar | 19 | 3740 | \$286.96 | KOREA-(Chugcheongbug) |
| 20 | 5340 | \$1,595,438 | USA(California) | 20 | 3522 | \$286.82 | (part of) TAIWAN |
| 21 | 5360 | \$1,595,015 | CANADA-(parts of Alberta and Saskatche | 21 | 5950 | \$284.85 | USA(Minnesota) |
| 22 | 3234 | \$1,585,546 | INDIA - part of greater Chennai corporatio | 22 | 7610 | \$283.40 | USA(Virginia) |
| 23 | 3750 | \$1,578,418 | KOREA-(part of Gyeonggi) | 23 | 3610 | \$276.98 | KOREA-(Jeongranam) |
| 24 | 5890 | \$1,554,443 | USA(Texas) | 24 | 6890 | \$275.26 | USA(Florida) |
| 25 | 3610 | \$1,543,358 | KOREA-(Jeongranam) | 25 | 5340 | \$273.68 | USA(California) |
| 26 | 7680 | \$1,515,927 | USA-(North Carolina) | 26 | 5280 | \$266,81 | USA-(California) |
| 27 | 3620 | \$1,494,652 | KOREA-(part of Chungcheongnam) | 27 | 5230 | \$266,14 | USA-(California) |
| 28 | 3630 | \$1,468,857 | KOREA-(part of Gyeongsangbug) | 28 | 4420 | \$265.00 | BRAZIL-(part of Sao Paulo) |
| 29 | 3700 | \$1,450,029 | KOREA-(Daegu) | 29 | 5160 | \$257.02 | USA(California) |
| 30 | 3201 | \$1,447,564 | INDIA(parts of Kerala and Tamil Nadu) | 30 | 3670 | \$256.49 | KOREA(Jeongrabug) |
| 31 | 7620 | \$1,427,966 | USA(District of Columbia, part of Maryla | 31 | 5470 | \$254.33 | USA(parts of Colorado) |
| 32 | 3012 | \$1,350,572 | INDIA-(part of National Capital Region - | 32 | 3510 | \$252.89 | TAIWAN |
| 33 | 3482 | \$1,340,662 | (part of) TAIWAN | 33 | 5030 | \$249.04 | USA(Washington) |
| 34 | 5240 | \$1,290,932 | USA(California) | 34 | 5010 | \$247.10 | USA(Alaska) |
| 35 | 3481 | \$1,287,006 | (part of) TAIWAN | 35 | 6980 | \$246,55 | USA-(Florida) |

Data as of 19-Jul-2025

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Zone Contribution Summary R00121.2309

"Spark" joins Rotary Surat West family in conveying our warmest felicitations to IPDG Tushar Shah, DRFC PDG Prashant Jani and Team RI District 3060 for year 2024-25 for highest ever record-breaking contribution US \$ 1.872 Million to The Rotary Foundation.

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Scholarships by Rotary District 3060

Rotary 3060 Governor Amardeep Ji has entrusted the responsibility of higher education support to me Rtn. Vikram Sanghani. We are launching a scholarship project which will likely benefit about 100 students every year. We will support the selected scholars for all 4 years of their undergraduate college education provided they demonstrate need and outstanding merit. We have launched a website for obtaining applications from needy students.

Students need to apply online on www.rotary3060scholarship.org



SCHOLARSHIPS

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT

A scholarship amount of Rs. 25,000 per year will be granted to selected students for all 3/4 years of their degree programme, subject to scrutiny, successful performance in exams and annual review interview.

ELIGIBILITY

- · Class XII 90 percentile or more
- Admission obtained in Bachelor's Degree in Govt Engineering, Govt Medical Colleges, Other Reputed Universities, Pursuing CA
- Strong financial need with low family income
- Not receiving any other Quota Benefits or Scholarships

Awards will be announced after medical admissions are completed tentatively in November 2025

APPLY ONLINE www.Rotary3060Scholarship.org

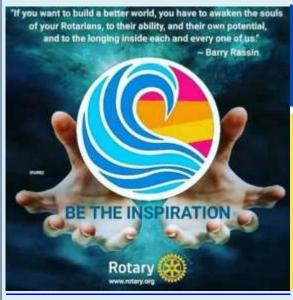


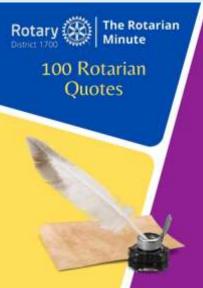
Events that makes the NEWS





Rotary Wisdom

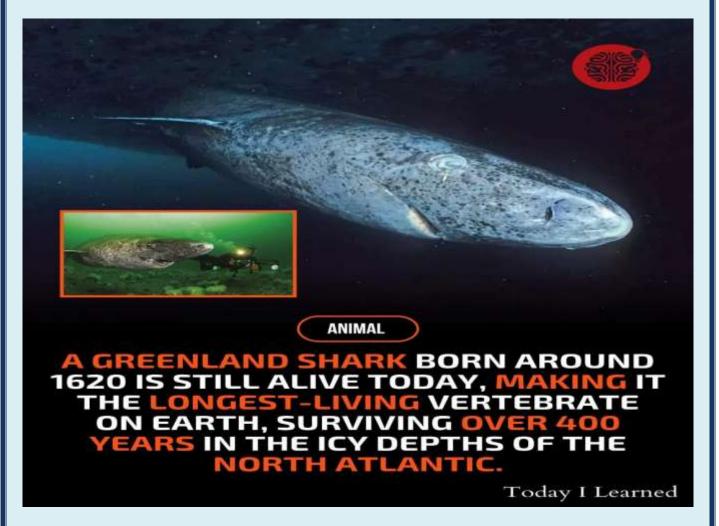




"Rotary is a force for peace, promoting understanding and tolerance among all people."

Ray KLINGINSMITH Rotary International's 2010/2011 President

GREENLAND SHARK



Born in the 1600s and still alive this Greenland shark has seen four centuries of history from beneath the sea

Somewhere in the icy waters of the North Atlantic swims a creature older than the United States, the French Revolution, and even the invention of the lightbulb. It's a Greenland shark likely born around 1620 and it's still alive today. At nearly 400 years old, this female shark holds the title of the longest-living known vertebrate on Earth, surpassing even the mighty bowhead whale, which can live up to 211 years.

Greenland sharks grow painfully slow about 1 centimetre per year and don't reach sexual maturity until they're around 150 years old. Scientists estimated this shark's age using a fascinating method: radiocarbon dating of the proteins in her eye lenses, which are formed at birth and never change. The results placed her birth between 1501 and 1744, with the most likely date around 1620 meaning she's lived through centuries of global transformation, all while gliding through deep, frigid waters in near silence.

But this epic lifespan comes with vulnerability. These sharks were once hunted heavily for their oil-rich livers, and because they mature so slowly, many of the individuals alive today are still biologically "teenagers." Their future recovery could take another century. This story isn't just about longevity it's about resilience, fragility, and the urgent need to protect Earth's slowest, oldest wanderers from the faster-moving threats we've created

Courtesy: PP. Bankim Sitwala

Laughter- The Best Medicine

पत्नी :- तुम तो कहते थे कि तुम "शादी" के बाद भी मुझे ऐसे ही "प्यार" करोगे ??

पति :- मुझे ये कहाँ पता था कि "तुम्हारी" शादी मुझसे ही हो जाएगी...!!!!

पत्नी - सुनो जी, यह पर्सनल, सीक्रेट, और टॉप सीक्रेट क्या होता है?

पति - तुम मुझे पसंद हो, ये पर्सनल है

तुम्हारी सहेली मुझे पसंद है, ये सीक्रेट है,

और

तुम्हारी सहेली को भी मैं पसंद हूं ये टॉप सीक्रेट है।

पति अभी लापता है..



Me : Apki pic send karo na ji :)

She : Kaiku kya karna hai??

Me : Chote Bacche ku daraake sulana hai

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