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CELEBRATING 86 YEARS OF SERVICE: ROTARY CLUB OF SURAT'S 87TH CHARTER DAY A NIGHT OF INSPIRATION, FELLOWSHIP, AND RECOGNITION

The Rotary Club of Surat celebrated a significant occasion on September 24th, 2023, marking its 87th Charter Day with pride. The evening was a testament to the club's rich history, commitment to community development, and the spirit of fellowship among its members. The event was held at 6.30 pm at Dr. Sarosh Bhacca Memorial Rotary Hall, Jivan Bhar School Annexe, Timaliyawad, Surat-395001.

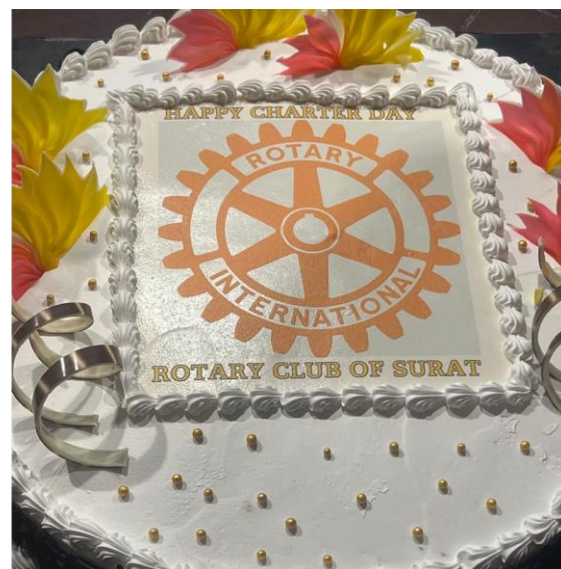
The evening began with a patriotic fervour as all attendees joined in singing the national anthem. Rotary Club President, Rtn. Sandeep Nanavati, warmly welcomed the guests and expressed his gratitude for their presence. He mentioned that 18th September was the Charter Day of RC of Surat and it had completed 86 successful and glorious years of service recently. He set the tone for the evening's festivities.

After the welcome speech, Past President Rtn. Nimish Mehta presented the Rotary Four-Way Test, a cornerstone of Rotary's ethical principles, reaffirming the club's commitment to truth, fairness, goodwill, and beneficial service. Birthday greetings were announced by Rtn. Nayna Mehta, to those members celebrating their birthdays during the week, bringing warmth to the event.

The event was graced by several distinguished guests who have made significant contributions to Rotary's mission. Notable among them was Rtn. Bharat Pandya, Trustee Vice Chair of The Rotary Foundation, who was introduced by PDG Hitesh Jariwala. District Governor for 2023-24, Rtn. Nihir Dave, and First Lady, Smt. Vaishali Dave, and the First Lady for the year 2024-25, Smt. Nehal Shah, added to the evening's charm.

A highlight of the evening was the unique introduction of nine Past District Governors and the current District Governor, each introduced by their spouse in a creative and personal manner except Rtn. Praful Bhatt, who was introduced by PDG Hitesh Jariwala, and a heartfelt message from the spouse of Rtn. Anish Shah, which was read by Rtn. Alpa Madrasi. The honoured PDGs were:

- Rtn. Devendra Shastri
- Rtn. Bharat Solanki
- Rtn. Himanshu Thacker
- Rtn. Praful Bhatt
- Rtn. Devan Thakor
- Rtn. Hitesh Jariwala
- Rtn. Pinki Patel
- Rtn. Anish Shah
- Rtn. Santosh Pradhan



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The Team 2023-24

President : Rtn. Sandeep Nanavati, **President Elect and Secretary :** Rtn. Jai Mistry, **IPP.:** Rtn. Tejas Gandhi, **Joint Sec :** Rtn. Rupesh Jariwala, **Treasurer :** Rtn. Manoj Gautam
Directors : Rtn. Vineet Panchal, Rtn. Mrinal Kothari, Rtn. Jilpa Sheth, Rtn. Alpesh Shetranjiwala, Rtn. Ajay Mehta
Sergeant at Arms : Rtn. Meghal Bakshi, Rtn. Rajesh Desai, Rtn. Umang Dalal **Advisors :** PP. Rtn. Bhupendra Jariwala and PP. Rtn. Nikhil Madrasi

We meet at 7.30 pm on Every Friday at Club Office Address

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A heartfelt salute was extended to all past presidents of RC Surat for their incredible contributions over the years. Their leadership has been instrumental in shaping the club's legacy of service.



Rtn. Bharat Pandya delivered an inspiring speech, urging all members to continue their contributions to community development and Rotary foundation. He commended RC Surat for its dedicated efforts and outstanding public projects



The evening's master of ceremonies, R/p. Purvi Chauhan, along with PP Rtn. Nikhil Madrasi, skilfully guided the program. Rtn. Nikhil Madrasi also managed the coordination of music and songs dedicated to the PDGs, adding a musical touch to the celebration.

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Rtn. Jilpa Sheth took the audience on a captivating journey through RC Surat's rich history. The presentation covered the club's inception, the process of obtaining its charter, public projects undertaken, details of past PDGs from RC Surat, families with multiple members serving as RC Surat presidents, meeting milestones, venue changes, and visits by dignitaries, etc.

Our club honored Khush Harish Chauhan, our outbound student, in recognition of his forthcoming Rotary Youth Exchange (RYE) journey scheduled for the first week of October 2023.



The event was not just a celebration for RC Surat but an occasion for fostering fellowship and collaboration. Representatives from sister clubs graced the gathering, emphasizing the importance of Rotary's global network.

The 87th Charter Day celebration of the Rotary Club of Surat was a resounding success, marked by inspiration and recognition. As the club looks forward to its 87th year of service, the spirit of Rotary remains strong, fuelled by the dedication and passion of its members. A cake cutting was done as part of the celebration.

A heartfelt thank you was extended by Hon. Secretary Rtn. Jai Mistry to everyone who joined in celebrating this remarkable milestone, making it an evening to remember. Cheers to 86 years of service!

RAVE REVIEWS FROM OUR GUESTS!

Dear President Rtn Sandip, PP Nikhil and team Rotary Club of Surat.

Nilima and I take this opportunity to thank you most sincerely for inviting us to your club's 87th charter day celebration last Sunday. 🎉🍰🎵👏

The program of the event was innovative, enjoyable. Action packed with enchanting musical evening. Gracious presence of TRF Trustee vice chair PRID Dr. Bharat Pandya and our dynamic DG Nihir Dave was icing on the cake.

We also enjoyed fellowship with colleague PDGs and their spouses and meeting many old friends of your illustrious Rotary club. We convey our best wishes for greater success in making our community a better place to live in.

Kind Regards,
Nilima- Devendra Shastri

Congratulations 🎉 on your 87th charter day and best wishes for the future in Service to Humanity, in building a peaceful and blissful society. Missed the event because of prior commitment of attending India's biggest Girl empowerment project supported by CSR.

Nehal had a great fellowship and she was all praise for the program and special mention of Rtn. Jilpa Sheth for her innovating way of exhibiting legacy of R C Surat. Thank you for your invite.

With Regards
Nehal and Tushar

'LIFE TIME MEMORY '.

Congratulations for excellent celebrations of charter night in an innovative way. It is always pleasure to attend to Surat rotary meeting.

A club with rich legacy and enthusiastic Rotarians. Thanks for the honour and lovely gift.

ANAR AND BHARAT SOLANKI

Thanks I appreciate the Innovative planning of celebrating club charter night. I was delighted listening to your history. It brought home some nostalgic moments of your club.

I am witness to more than 50 years of services to community by RC Surat. I am fortunate as I was able to work with many of your Past Governors over the years at District level. I wish your club eventful years ahead and pray almighty to be with you as you continue to serve community and wipe many tears of needy. May GOD bless you all.

PDG Prafull Bhatt

THE ROOTS OF ROTARY'S POLIO ERADICATION EFFORTS

On 29 September 1979, volunteers administered drops of oral polio vaccine to children at a health centre in Guadalupe Viejo, Makati, Philippines. The event in metropolitan Manila was arranged and attended by Rotarians and delegates from the Philippine Ministry of Health.

When James L. Bomar Jr., then RI president, put the first drops of vaccine into a child's mouth, he ceremonially launched the Philippine poliomyelitis immunization effort.

In a 1993 interview, Bomar reminisced about the trip. He recalled how the brother of one of the children he had immunized tugged on his pant leg to get his attention and said, "Thank you, thank you, Rotary."

The project's success led Rotary to make polio eradication a top priority. Rotary launched PolioPlus in 1985 and was a founding member of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative in 1988. Through decades of commitment and work by Rotary and our partners, more than 2.5 billion children have received the oral polio vaccine.



BLOOD DONATION CAMP IN COLLABORATION WITH L. P. SAVANI GROUP OF SCHOOLS

The Rotary Club of Surat's ongoing efforts to organize blood donation camp and contribute to the noble cause of saving lives through blood donation. The collaboration with local organisations demonstrates a strong spirit and commitment towards society and public health. Safe Blood saves lives. There is no substitute for human blood.

A tiny drop can give others Second Chance to Live Life – Blood.

On Sunday, 24 September 2024, Rotary Club of Surat in collaboration with L. P. Savani Schools at Pal and Dabholi organised the blood donation camps wherein 2000 pints of blood was collected. Blood donation camp is a remarkable achievement and can potentially save numerous lives. Every drop of blood collected is indeed a second chance at life for someone in need.



Rotary Club of Surat highlights the importance of community engagement and the power of collective action addressing one of the health care requirement facets.

Hon. Sec Rtn. Jai Mistry, Rtn. Alpesh Shetranjiwala, Rtn. Rajesh Desai, Rtn. Umang Dalal, Rtn. Vineet Panchal, Rtn. Jilpa Sheth attended the event to make it success.

Rotary Club of Surat is grateful to all the volunteers of the school including teachers, students and management staff, donors and supporters who contributed to the success of the camp. This achievement sets a positive momentum for the commitment to 'Service above Self'.

IMPORTANT LINKS TO FOLLOW

 **RC Surat Facebook Page:**

<https://www.facebook.com/RCSURAT?mibextid=ZbWKwL>

 **RC Surat Facebook Profile:**

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100093960544210&mibextid=ZbWKwL>

 **RC Surat Instagram Profile:**

<https://instagram.com/rcsurat?igshid=NGExMml2YTkyZg==>

WELCOMING OUR NEW MEMBER RTN. ADV. NAINESH MASTER



Rtn. Adv. Nainesh Master is a practicing Advocate in the field of Civil, Revenue n Banking by profession. His wife Zankhana Master is indulge into parting art n craft sessions and is an expert in fusion art forms. She is interested in creating new art forms in the field of drawing and loves to articulate it with art n craft creative techniques.

They are blessed to have a joint family around them with his father, who is an Ex-banker and his mother, who is guide to them, a home maker. They are blessed with a son, Rudra who is a primary school goer.

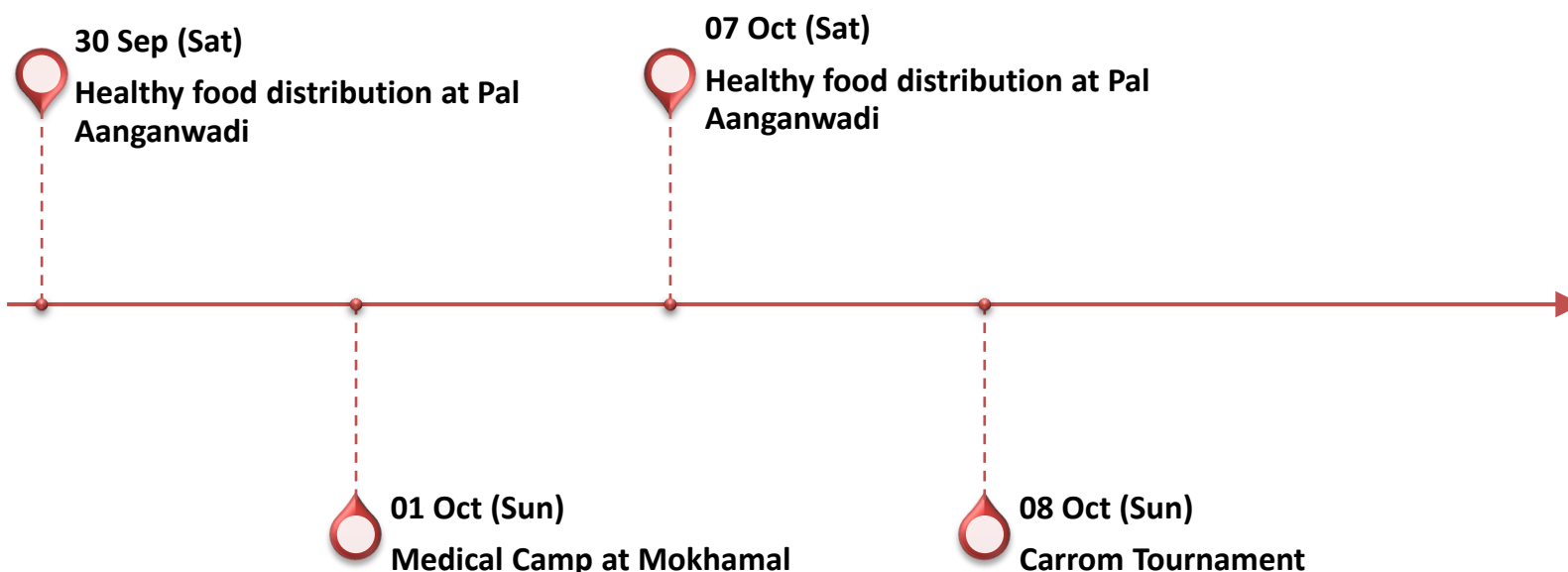
They came to know about Rotary Club thru our existing member Rtn. Ajay Mehta and joined the Rotary Club of Surat with a view to serve and help the people in need by supporting them by means of being part of club collective service activity initiatives.

Besides his profession as an advocate, he likes to write short poems. For him, as Rtn. Nainesh says 'Writing is my passion n Practice is my profession'. He is recipient of Best Actor award by Rang Puja Art theatre at State level Drama competition. During his schooling, he has received a certificate of participation by Bournvita Quiz Contest held on National Level.

The couple, Mrs. and Mr. Master are member of NGO – Samarpan, who helps needy students of society in facilitating education to build a better future. They both like to travel, explore new places and are great fan of dancing at Garba.

As expressed by them, they are having a wonderful experience since they have joined Rotary club where they met many new people extending their connections while being helpful to the society.

UPCOMING PROGRAM – SEPTEMBER – OCTOBER 2023



PEOPLE OF ACTION - WEEKLY PROJECT NUTRITIOUS FOOD DISTRIBUTION

A Bal Anganwadi is a vital establishment that plays crucial role in the early childhood development and care of the children below 6 years. Every week, the Child Anganwadi Food drive serves a beacon of hope, raising awareness and providing essential nutrition to these innocent youngsters.

As Rotarians we live by mantra "we share because we care". For these children, Saturdays are eagerly awaited, filled with dreams of delightful surprises in the form of a variety of delicious and nutritious meals.

On the 23 September '2023, Saturday, nutritious food was made possible through the generous sponsorship and volunteer of Rtn. Vineet Panchal, R/P, Mehali Panchal and little chap Jahaan Panchal.



This act exemplifies Rotary Club's unwavering commitment to uplift these young souls in the best possible ways, offering the youngest members of our community a chance at brighter future.

Investing in the nutrition and well-being of these children is an investment in the future of humanity. By providing them with the nourishment they need, we empower them to reach their full potential and contribute to society in meaningful ways paving the way for a brighter and promising tomorrow for all.



CELEBRATING EXCELLENCE KHUSH CHAUHAN'S GLOBAL JOURNEY

In a moment of pride and excitement, we extend our heartfelt congratulations to Khush Harish Chauhan, the son of Rtn. Dr. Harish & R/p Purvi Chauhan, as he embarks on an incredible journey to the USA.

Khush will represent RC Surat in the Rotary Youth Exchange (RYE) program, an opportunity that transcends borders to promote global connections and mutual understanding.



GREETINGS !



Birthdays :

Rtn. Mukesh Kumar Bothra	01/10
R/P. Rima Sukani	02/10
Rtn. Meghal Baxi	03/10
R/P. Harshida Punjabi	04/10
Rtn. Indravadan Shetranjiwala	10/10
R/P. Asha Jariwala	12/10
R/P. Anand Sheth	13/10
Rtn. Bhairav Desai	13/10
Rtn. Kamal Gandhi	15/10
Rtn. Sumant Jalan	15/10



વિજ્ઞેશ્વર ના આગમન ની રાહ જોતા વીતી ગયું આખું વર્ષ...
આગમન ની તૈયારી કરતા સમાતો ન હતો ભક્તો નો હર્ષ...

ઉમંગ અને ઉત્સાહ થી થયો બાપ્પા નો મંડપ તૈયાર...
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સૌ એ સાથે મળી કરી ઇષ્ટદેવ ની આરાધના...
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અશ્રુભીની આંખે આજે કરશું ગણેશ વિસર્જન...

- નૈનેશ માસ્તર