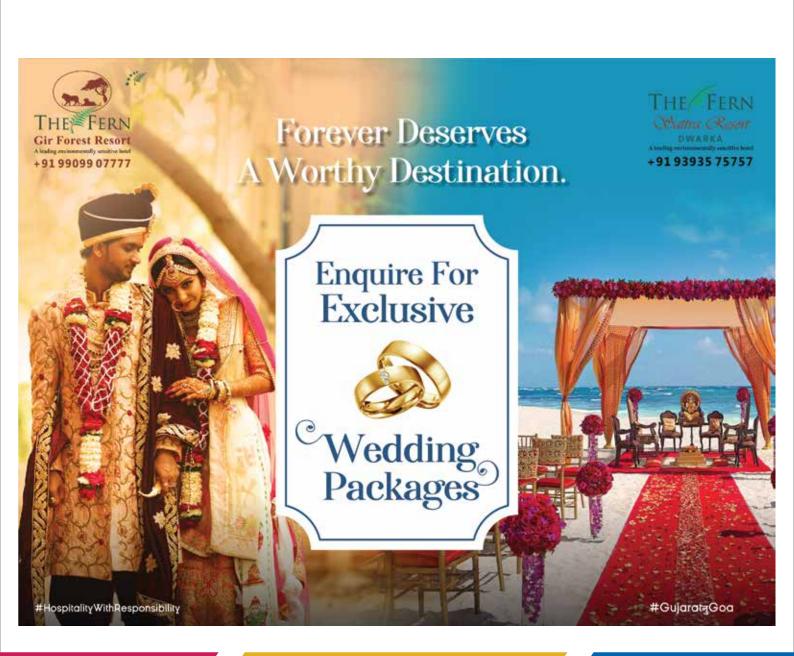




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16-Apr	Ravi	&	Ishita Chhotai	97122 77333	97267 97978
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મા દુર્ગાનું આ બીજું સ્વરૂપ છે. આ સ્વરૂપમાં તેમણે તેમના જમણા હાથમાં એક માળા પકડી હોય છે. અને તેના ડાબા હાથમાં એક કમંડળ ધરાવે છે. નારદ મુનિની સલાહથી માતા બ્રહ્મચારિણીએ શિવને મેળવવા માટે કઠોર તપશ્ચર્યા કરી હતી. સુખ અને આનંદની દેવીની ઉપાસનાને પણ મોક્ષનો માર્ગ ગણાવ્યો છે. એવું માનવામાં આવે છે કે માતા શક્તિએ મુક્તિ પ્રાપ્ત કરવા માટે બ્રહ્મ જ્ઞાનને પ્રાપ્ત કર્યુ હતું અને તેથી જ બ્રહ્મચારિણી નામથી તેમની પૂજા થાય છે.

## નવરાત્રીના ત્રીજો દિવસ - ચંદ્રઘંટા

નવરાત્રીના ચોથા દિવસે દેવી ક્શમુંડાની પૂજા થાય છે. માતાનું આ સ્વરૂપ માતૃત્ત્વને સમર્પિત છે. એવું માનવામાં આવે છે કે જ્યારે પૃથ્વી પર કશું નહોતું અને અંધકાર જ અંધકાર હતો. ત્યારે માતાએ સૃષ્ટિને જન્મ આપ્યો. માતા કુશમુંડાના આઠ હાથ છે. તેથી તે અષ્ટભુજા દેવી તરીકે પણ ઓળખાય છે. તેમનું વાહન સિંહ છે. માતાને શુધ્ધતાને દેવી કહેવામાં આવે છે. તેમની પૂજાથી તમામ રોગો અને મુછેલીઓ દૂર થાય છે.

## નવરાત્રીનો પાંચમો દિવસ – સ્કંદમાતા

દુર્ગામાંનું પાંચમું સ્વરૂપ સ્કંદમાતા છે. તે સ્કંદ એટલે કાર્તિકની જનક પણ છે. તેમની તસ્વીરોમાં માતા પાર્વતી કાર્તિકને પોતાના ખોળામાં બેસાડેલ દેખાય છે. તેમનું વાહન સિંહ છે. તેમની ચાર ભુજા છે. ઉપરના જમણા હાથમાં માતા કમાલનું ફલ ધર્મ કરે છે અને નીચે એક હાથથી માતા વરદાન આપે છે. જ્યારે ડાબા હાથથી માતા કાર્તિકને પકડી રાખે છે.

## નવરાત્રીનો છઠ્ઠો દિવસ - કાત્યાયની

મા દૂર્ગાના આ સ્વરૂપનો જન્મ મહર્ષિ કાત્યાયનો થયો હતો. કથા અનુસાર એક દિવસ મહર્ષિ કાત્યાયન મહિષાષુરના અંત માટે તીવ્ર તપસ્યા કરી રહ્યા હતા. ત્યારે ભગવાન બ્રહ્મા, વિષ્ણુ અને મહેશ એક સાથે પ્રગટ થયા. ત્રણે મળીને પોતાની શક્તિથી માતા દુર્ગાને પ્રગટ કરી આથી માતા દુર્ગાનું એક નામ છે મા કાત્યાયની. માતા કાત્યાયની શુધ્ધતાની દેવી માનવામાં આવે છે. માતા કાત્યાયનીના ચાર હાથ છે.

## નવરાત્રીનો સાતમો દિવસ - કાલરાત્રિ

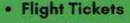
મા કાલરાત્રિને દુર્ગાનું સાતમું રૂપ માનવામાં આવે છે. તેનું નામ કાલરાત્રિ છે કારણ કે, તે કાળનો વિનાશ છે. તેમનામાં એટલી ક્ષમતા છે કે તેઓ દરેક વસ્તુનો નાશ કરી શકે. માતાનો રંગ કાળો હોય છે. તેમના વાળ વેરવિખેર હોય છે અને શરીર અગ્નિ જેવું તેજ હોય છે. માતા કાલરાત્રિના ચાર હાથ છે. તેમનો ઉપરનો જમણો હાથ આશિર્વાદની મુદ્રામાં હોય છે અને નીચે જમણા હાથથી માતા નિર્ભયતા પ્રદાન કરે છે. તેમના ઉપરના ડાબા હાથમાં કટાર અને નીચલા હાથમાં વજ હોય છે.

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આ માતા દુર્ગાનું આઠમું સ્વરૂપ છે. આ માતાનું એક શાંત સ્વરૂપ છે. એવું માનવામાં આવે છે કે શિવને એમતા પતિ



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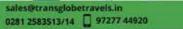
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Avoidable Blindness Chairman - District(3060) Rtn. Dr. Ketan Bavishi તરીકે પ્રાપ્ત કરવા માટે કઠોર તપસ્યાને લીધે દેવી પાર્વતીનો રંગ શ્યામ થઇ ગયો હતો. પછીથી શિવજી જ્યારે પ્રસન્ન થયા, ત્યારે તેમણે માતા પાર્વતી પર ગંગાજળ ચડાવ્યું અને તેમને ગોરા રંગી દિધા. આ પછી માતા પાર્વતી મહાગૌરી તરીકે પૂજાવા લાગ્યા. તેમનું વાહન આખલો છે. મહાગૌરીના ચાર હાથ છે. ઉપલા જમણા હાથથી માતા આશિર્વાદ આપે છે. જ્યારે નીચલા જમણા હાથમાં, માતા ત્રિશૂળ ધરાવે છે, તે જ રીતે, માતાના ઉપલા ડાબા હાથમાં એક ડબરૂં છે અને તે નીચલા હાથથી વરદાન આપે છે.

## નવરાત્રીનો નવમો દિવસ - સિધ્ધિદાત્રી

મા દુર્ગાના નવમા સ્વરૂપ, સિધ્ધિદાત્રીને સિધ્ધિ પ્રદાન કરનાર માતા કહેવામાં આવે છે. એવું માનવામાં આવે છે કે માતા સિધ્ધિદાત્રીના કારણે જે શિવને અર્ધનારીશ્વરનું સ્વરૂપ મળ્યું. તેમનું વાહન સિંહ છે અને તેમની બેઠક કમળનું ફૂલ છે. સિધ્ધિદાત્રીના ચાર હાથ છે. માતા ઉપલા જમણા હાથમાં ગદા અને નીચલા હાથમાં ચક્ર ધરાવે છે. માતા તેમના ઉપલા ડાબા હાથમાં કમળનું ફૂલ અને તેના ડાબા હાથમાં શખ રાખે છે.

- Ann. Shilpa Bhojani

# Meeting Review: "Parva" First Virtual Conference Ever

Perseverance and patience are the key characteristics of our dynamic DG Prashant Jani. After two major venue changes from Jaipur to Silvassa everyone thought that District Conference will not be possible this time but to everyone's surprise our DG found a tech-driven innovative way. In just 14 days Team Parva arranged an amazing Virtual Conference Venue.

When you log-in to parva.rotary3060.org. After logging in, you reach a grand virtual venue garden with digital sign boards and people busy in fellowships. It looked surreal.

Then on clicking on the door, it will take you to Grand Atrium where two Female Rotarians welcome you and there's handing Parva Sign Curtains along with Video Signage showing District Committee, Presidents and Secretaries of all the clubs welcoming you. It was an amazing design and the experience was lovely.

From there, right side was Exhibition Center. All the virtual stalls were set up with audio/video presentation of their products and services and one click whatsapp / email icons. It felt as if you are having a fun stroll at the exhibition center.

On the left of Atrium, there was Conference Hall. When you enter, it felt as if you have entered a well curated conference hall with Parva branding all over and Rotary Banners. There were two links provided one for Zoom and one for YouTube. All the events were live on Zoom and streamed on YouTube.

09.04.2021 - Day 1

Conference was called to order by DG Prashant Jani and followed by standard Rotary Protocols.







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Bhaishri Rameshbhai Oza blessed the "Parv" with his signature, spiritual bliss which lifted everyone's spirit.

DG Prashant Jani spoke on his journey of service. This year is a year of challenges and he converted the challenges to opportunities. When people think of lockDowns, he thinks of openups. He took risk, accepted the change and took action. He achieved what seems unavailable even during normal times. Magical figure of 5000+ membership mark and 5,450 projects worth 32 Cr. He finds himself lucky to face this challenging times because of which he would like to be proudly called as VDG i.e. Virtual District Governor. He thanked all the Rotarians, Anns, Rotractors, Interactions and RCC for their support and co-operation even in such trying times to achieve which was once unachievable.

PRIP Kalyan Da gave an amazing speech on embracing humanity which took everyone through the essence of Rotary i.e. "Service above self."

Then, Conference GML "Pralekh" was inaugurated by all the dignitaries present at the physical venue.

Smt. Triveni Acharya, a prominent social worker took us to another thrilled first person life experience fighting against prostitution and human trafficking through her rescue foundation. Her each and every word pierced through the audience and the stories told by her brought tears in the eyes of the audience. She is a true example of a woman empowering women.

Director, Writer of blockbuster Gujarati Film "Hellaro", Abhishek Shah, gave insights to what inspired him to write and direct such a subject which looked to be set in pretty old times but still prevails today. He explained his journey, explained all the nuances and shots taken and the essence behind it and also how any rudimentary taboo cannot and should not stop women to be themselves and they should enjoy their right of expression. It was an amazing speech. RIPE Shekhar Mehta shared his vision for 2021-22 and RIP Holger Knaack gave his wishes to DG Prashant Jani for this first ever Virtual District Conference as he also had first ever Virtual International Conference.

## 10/04/2021 - Day 2

DMC Amardeepsingh Bunet gave away awards for the Paul Harris Challenge in which our RCRG became Paul Harris Silver Club and RCRG sponsored newly formed RC Rajkot Prime became Paul Harris Platinum Club. Kudos to Team RCRG. He also gifted 11 new clubs to DG Prashantbhai and were sent for Chartering.

Vikram Agnihotri, India's first double amputee (armless) divyang to get driving licence and has won numerous car rallies. His life story was very inspiring. Nothing can stop you if you don't stop in your mind. That's his mantra. His speech inspired us not to stop even in the toughest times and where there is will, there is a way. Rtn. Ravishankar Dakoju who donated 100Cr from his total wealth of 130Cr gave his thoughts and ideology behind donating such a big amount and living a



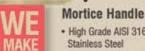


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simple and sufficient life. He has helped in developing 126 Happy Schools in India by his donation of wealth and time. It was truly an enlightening speech.

IPS Amit Lodha gave insights to his life journey and his books "Life in A Uniform" and Bihar Diaries. Soon two series will be aired on OTT platform based on his books. His life story gave us in-depth experience of what change the uniform can bring in your life and how to keep integrity in mellow times.

## 11/04/2021 - Day 3

PRID Dr. Manoj Desai gave an insightful and goal oriented speech on future of Rotary. He is known for his clairvoyance. He spoke on many areas in which Rotary needs to improve and change its strategy. Our club project Skin Bank was showcased at Parva. PP Yash Rathod gave a perfect presentation of the project and the thought behind envisioning this project and the benefit to humanity thereafter. Kudos to Team RCRG. RID Kamal Sanghvi as per his signature style spoke on the topic 'Each One Bring One.' His passion for Rotary is unparalleled and his vision is extraordinary. He communicated in the color of Rotary. He said he will definitely strive to grow Rotary to new record break memberships because memberships enable Rotary Foundation to do what they have been doing effectively and it's all for the betterment of humanity. Dr. Pawan Agarwal spoke on the magic of Dabbawallas. We always see Dabbawallas in Mumbai and it's Mumbai's trademark but for the first time we got to listen and see what goes behind the system that has made major B-School crazy about them. Dabbawallas are the only organization which is 6 Sigma certified. It's a logistical marvel. The technical team behind this Virtual District Conference did an exceptional job. We thank DG Prashantbhai for showing us that what can be done when we decide to do relentlessly, no matter what. It was an experience for very first time for entire District 3060 to be a part of such a Virtual Conference. Thanks to District Conference Chair Yash Rathod and Team RCRG for making this a smooth experience.

## We are very thankful to Rtn. Mihir Modi for detailed 3 days reporting.

First ever virtual 'District Parva 'was a great event. Within such a short span of 14 days, they orchestrated the show very well. Nice topics, excellent speakers and perfect time management along with pleasant audio visual system were the reasons for its success. I would suggest the conference should be partly virtual, so we can get the world class speakers.

Hearty congratulations to team Parva and the members of District 3060.

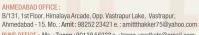
We are very thankful to Rtn. Dr. Yogesh Mehta for his inputs.

## **Project Update:**

Corona Vaccination camp was organized by Rajkot Municipal Corporation with Rotary Club of Rajkot Greater at D.P. Doshi Greater Auditorium on 7.4.2021 where more than 58 people were vaccinated for 1st dose.







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Mammography Machine at RAJKOT CANCER HOSPITAL





## **Club News:**

Mind-Ripple PDEU takes an immense pleasure to bring to you an exciting Marvel vs DC Online quiz in collaboration with Rotary Club of Rajkot Greater, for all the Marvel and DC fans in the house. So get ready to raise the roof and engage in a battle of wits. The details about the quiz have been circulated to more than 8000 students in colleges such as CEPT, Nirma, AU, IIM-Ahm, and various others in the country. The maximum number of participants will be 200-250.

Date - 17-18th April

Time - 4 PM onwards on 17th

Platform - MS Teams

For any further details

Kindly contact our Annet Priyansh Tratiya on 94089 90628.



### **Good News:**

Dr. Juhi Nilesh Bhojani has successfully cleared her MBBS exams. RCRG family wishes her good luck for her future endeveours.

### Saluting the heroes

Our Rtn. Dr. Ketan Bavishi and Rtn. Vimlesh Shah, true to their spirit of humanity, donated blood in midst of COVID19 crisis. Rtn. Vimlesh Shah has donated 4 times and Rtn. Ketan Bavishi has donated 3 times. They are setting an excellent example. There are many in our RCRG Family who have donated blood or plasma in these critical times of Covid19. RCRG family acknowledges and appreciates the valuable donation to the society and also urges all the members and their families to come forward and donate blood or plasma to save valuable lives.

### **Sad News:**

With profound grief, we wish to inform the sad demise of Shri Rameshchandra Chotalal Rajvir elder brother of Rtn. Kirit Rajvir who passed on 6.4.2021.

Om Shanti

## Interesting History of 1st April - April fool's Day

In 1752 Britain decided to abandon the Julian calendar in favour of the Gregorian. By doing so, 3 September instantly became 14 September - and as a result, nothing whatsoever happened in British history between 3 and 13 September 1752. Many people believed their lives would be shortened. In the Julian calendar, which was followed earlier; the year started from 1st April and







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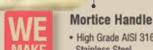
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HDR Brachytherapy Cancer Treatment Centre









ended in 31st March. After the transition to Gregorian calendar, which is the calendar used currently; the year is from January to December but the general public still did not celebrate New Year's on the 1st of January. So the King announced that whosoever celebrates New Year's on 1st of April is a fool. And as the years passed, people started celebrating as April fool's Day for pranking their friends and family!

- Rtn. Nilesh Bhojani

## **Lockdown Memories**

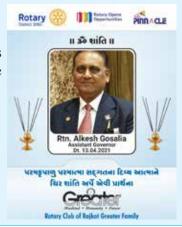
It probably sounds crazy that my friends and I had planned the things we wanted to do after our board exams long before we even started 10th grade but it's not crazy if you long for a time when instead of asking, 'How are you?', people focus on asking how the preparations for 10th boards are going. But unfortunately (or fortunately?) all those plans of going to restaurants and to the movies with my friends were cancelled because of obvious reasons. The first few days of the lockdown were spent by me doing practically nothing (except maybe eating and sleeping) but thanks to my parents, I remembered that sleeping and eating are not my only favorite hobbies (sleeping and eating are hobbies and no one can convince me otherwise). So I continued my favorite hobby of drawing sketches in my sketchbook and I am really pleased with the results. And I am not going to forget to thank my sketchbook. And before this turns into one of those thank-you speeches celebrities give after receiving an award, I'm just going to change the subject to dancing. Recently my sister and I choreographed a short dance for our dance group - Kankan which at first I really didn't want to do (because - have you seen my sister's controlling behavior in emergency situations? I really hate it when she is angry (time to say 'aww' in unison). So I did it and it turned out to be pretty good. So I would say that this really unexpected vacation was a really good time for all of us to explore the things that we love to do.

- Annet Riddhi Nilesh Bhojani

# Tribute to a true Rotarian

It was with great sadness that we learned of Rtn. Alkesh Gosalia's passing. To family we pass our heartfelt condolences and we hope that in a small way they help through these trying times.

May the departed soul rest in eternal peace.







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