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MEETINGS

MEETING 23	
Programme	Republic Day Celebration
Date	26th January, 2024 - Friday
Time	8:00 AM
Menu	Breakfast
Venue	D.P.DOSHI ROTARY GREATER AUDITORIUM
Invitee	RTNS., ANNS. & ANNETS

BIRTHDAYS

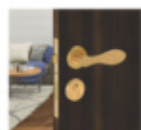
2nd January	Ann. Reena Rajan Kava	9328484684
5th January	Ann. Archana Shyam Ghedia	9376355555
6th January	Ann. Nilpa Manoj Solanki	9824219696
7th January	Rtn. Dr. Rajendra Mehta	9825217969
9th January	Rtn. Jitendra Lakhvani	9824221727
12th January	Ann. Krishna Rajesh Somaiya	9428349293
13th January	Ann. Pratima Dinkar Desai	9825351419
14th January	Ann. Harsha Jayendra Parmar	9824211992
15th January	Ann. Hitesha Amar Bhalodia	9909333381
16th January	Rtn. Narendra Patel	9427213329
16th January	Ann. Isha Rishiraj Dhami	9574799943
16th January	Ann. Shilpa Nilesh Bhojani	9979881923
16th January	Rtn. Hardik Sheth	9879188071
18th January	Rtn. Maulik Shah	9879162678
19th January	Rtn. Ketan Kataria	9825076527
20th January	Ann. Palak Yash Rathod	8140277177
21st January	Ann. Nina Virendra Kothari	9428298894
22nd January	Rtn. Bharatbhai Mangtani	9825838990

GREATER NEWS

- With profound sorrow we inform you of the sad demise of Sarlaben Nagrecha, mother-in-law of Rtn. Sudhir Vithlani and mother of Ann Anjana Vithlani. May the soul of the departed rest in eternal peace. Om Shanti.
- Rtn Dr. Niyati Bhalani & Dr. Pratik Bhalodiya Are Blessed with a Baby Girl. RCRG Family Congratulates the proud parents and the entire Bhalodiya Family.



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WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

3rd January	Rtn. Kishan Kotecha 9638716456	Ann. Margi Kotecha 9879530304
3rd January	Rtn. Pankaj Raiyani 9825075897	Ann. Rita Raiyani 9925466311
3rd January	Rtn. Sarju Patel 9898243200	Ann. Sheetal Patel 9376160540
16th January	Rtn. Maulesh Ukani 9824400900	Ann. Sonal Ukani 8758700900
18th January	Rtn. Apoorva Modi 8000801110	Rtn. Ashini Modi 8000701110
19th January	Rtn. Kushal Mehta 9924246620	Ann. Deval Mehta 8866105817
21th January	Rtn. Chirag Patel 7600055555	Ann. Shilpa Patel 9428156287
21th January	Rtn. Ketan Kataria 9825076527	Ann. Chetna Kataria 9712976527
22th January	Rtn. Ashwin Vasani 9879521101	Ann. Mital Vasani 9712197192
22th January	Rtn. Niraj Mehta 9924611077	Ann. Nidhi Mehta 9624001522

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UPCOMING MEETING

Republic Day Celebration

January 26th 2024, Friday



वतन हमारा ऐसा कोई न छोड़ पाये! रिश्ता हमारा ऐसा कोई ना तोड़ पाए!
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वंदे मातरम!!

On 26th January 1950 we legally became Proud Citizens of India. And the year 2023 marks India's 74th Republic Day.

It is the day to remember the golden heritage of our country and the sacrifice that went into getting us our freedom. RCRG invites you all to unfurl the Flag at Rotary Bhavan on Thursday, 26th January at 08:30 am. Let us get together and spread the message which the tri-colour gives, of spreading peace, humanity and prosperity among everyone. Let us all think of our past and try to build a better future for all of us because it is the duty of every Indian citizen.



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Anand Utsav - The District Conference

January 5th - January 7th 2024

The new year began on a fun note with the 54th District Conference of District 3060 Anand Utsav at Sheraton Grand Palace - Indore from 5th - 7th January 2024. Dynamic DG Nihir Dave and his charismatic wife First Lady of District 3060 Rtn. Vaishali Dave and their team welcomed 40 Members of Rotary Club of Rajkot Greater along with President Rtn. Nilesh Bhojani and Hon. Sec. Rtn. Jaydev Shah who attended the conference. It was an extra ordinary event with esteemed Speakers from various fields:

B K Shivani Didi - Keynote Speaker

Shri Mangubhai Patel - The Hon Governor of Madhya Pradesh

Major General G D Baxi - Retired Indian Army Officer

Dr. Deepak Vohra - Special Advisor to the Prime Minister of India

Maninderjeet Singh Bitta - Chairman of All India Anti-Terrorist Front

Shazia Ilmi - TV Journalist and Politician

Mayank Gandhi - Social Activist and many more.

RCRG members reached a day early and had a wonderful dinner at Eden Unplugged. Prior to the start of Anand Utsav members of RCRG went on to Mahakaleshwar Jyotirlinga in Ujjain on January 5th. The temple is dedicated to Shiva and is one of the twelve Jyotirlingas, shrines which are said to be the most sacred abodes of Shiva.

The evening on December 5th was when the main event started with a bang. There was a parade of Chief Guest, Guest of Honour, Other Dignitaries and Team Saarthi on the beats of the Army Band (Mhow). It was a moment of great pride for the Greater Family because once the Conference was called to order, the Four Way Test prepared by RCRG was played for all members of Rotary District 3060. RCRG also received the Platinum Award for being the Four Way Winner Competition of District 3060.

The inaugural session was quite informative and entertaining with addresses by dignitaries from and outside of Rotary. The session ended with a Shahi Rangat where everyone enjoyed Happy Hours and a Gala Dinner. Everyone from RCRG was decked in beautiful traditional attire for the cultural evening performed by Purva Matri and her team. The night however did not end that early for members of Greater Parivar who went on the enjoy a feast of street food of Indore at the famous Sarafa Bazaar.





The next day was equally informative and entertaining with various speakers who made everyone present stay put on their seats with great speeches. It was on this day that Our Club won the Platinum Award for Cluster 1 Highest Anand Gram Projects. Congratulations to President Rtn. Nilesh Bhojani, Hon Sec Rtn. Jaydev Shah, Project Chairs PP Rtn. Ashwin Lodhiya and PP Rtn. Mehul Nathwani and every member of the Greater Parivar for this award. The entire day was spent with knowledgeable people from all walks of life sharing their personal and professional experiences. The day ended with Happy Hours, Gala Dinner, and Retro Themed Bollywood Musical Melody Night with performance by Nishad Shah and team. At night RCRG members gathered for a fun time at Effotel by Saiyaji where Rtn. Pravin Patel made a beautiful poem about every member of RCRG that were present for Anand Utsav 2023-24.

The last day of conference was a short one with Cultural Dance, Opening Remarks, Rotary Awards and Recognitions, Concluding Address and Concluding Remarks. The beautiful event ended with Felicitation of Unsung Heroes of Rotary District 3060 namely:

- Rtn. Rajnikant Marfatiya for the impactful "Directed Gift" of \$120000 to Create Hope in the World and leaving an enduring legacy of compassion and support.
- Rtn. Sharadbhai Shah for his Financial Philanthropic activities contributing through the instrument of global grants for Rotary Clubs across District 3060
- Rtn. Niraj Choksi and Rtn. Nirali Choksi for their unflinching supports, untiring efforts and unwavering faith in the Literacy outreach programmes of Rotary District 3060.
- Rtn. Dr. Sachin Mungle for the exceptional services rendered by him at Rotary Netralaya, Manjusar for the last few decades.
- Rtn. Umang Desai for his continual services for a healthy and happy society through his contribution in medical camps.
- Rtn. Pratiksha Mahida for being instrumental in creating and implementing effective and scalable Vocational Training and Education Centre models and Construction Programs.
- Shri Chetram Pawar who has worked incessantly for many years and dedicated himself for the upliftment of tribes in Maharashtra and Gujarat.
- Shri Hussain Virdelwala for his leadership in organising Rotary Community Corps of specially abled individuals in the society.
- Shri Navnit Parmar for his exceptional liasoning with Rotary Club of Vadodra One and the Government of Gujarat in the construction and beautification of a lakefront in his village.

Anand Utsav was in all its true sense full of Anand and Utsav. Everyone who was part of this event had a gala time from morning till evening. There was Fun, Frolic, Food and Fellowship all day every day. Lastly a big shoutout to the Conference Chair Rtn. Yash Rathod for all the wonderful arrangements!

PROJECT REVIEW

Medical Check up for RCRG members

December 26th 2023 – January 21st 2024

RCRG has been doing a lot of work for the needy section of the society especially in the field of health. But an idea came up where it was felt that RCRG could also work for the health and wellness of the club Rotarians and Anns, least of all a Medical Check-up.

This idea was embraced and given wings by Rtn. Anil Savaliya who had offered to conduct medical tests worth Rs 800 for a nominal charge of Rs 300 at his laboratory. RCRG had further decided to bear Rs 150 out of Rs 300 for Rotarians and Anns. All the club members could get the following medical tests done at Dr Anil Savaliya's Arpan Diagnostic Centre for only Rs 150 between 26th December 2023 to 21st January 2024:

CBC, FBS, SGPT, CREATINE, URIC ACID, LIPID PROFILE and TSH

Project Samruddhi: Book Talk - The Magic of Thinking Big

December 30th 2023, Saturday

200 Girls

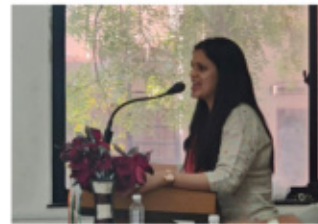
Speaker :

Rtn. Ishita Chhotai

School :

Kansagra Mahila College, Rajkot.

Attendees: Ann Shilpa Bhojani, Ann Mayuri Tratiya, Rtn. Nilesh Bhojani and Rtn. Jaydev Shah.



Project Samruddhi: Grahak Suraksha Awareness Seminar

December 30th 2023, Saturday

200 Girls



Speaker:

Dignitaries of Rajkot Jilla Grahak suraksha Mandal.

Venue:

Kansagra Mahila College, Rajkot.

Attendees: Ann Shilpa Bhojani, Ann Ishita Chhotai, Ann Mayuri Tratiya, Rtn. Nilesh Bhojani and Rtn. Jaydev Shah.



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દિવ્યાંગ પતંગ મહોત્સવ -૨૦૨૪

January 7th 2024, Sunday



રોટરી ક્લબ ઓફ રાજકોટ ગ્રેટર,યુનિક વિકલાંગ ચેરીટેબલ ટ્રસ્ટ અને રાજકોટ નાગરિક સહકારી બેંક ના સંયુક્ત ઉપક્રમે યોજાયેલા પતંગોત્સવ માં બાલભવન રેસકોર્ષ ખાતે દિવસ દરમિયાન પ્રયાસ , સ્નેહ નિર્જર , એકરંગ, વિરાણી બહેરા મૂંગા શાળા સહિત શહેરની ૧૫ થી વધુ સંસ્થાઓ ના ૯૦૦ થી વધારે દિવ્યાંગ બાળકો એ આજે તારીખ ૦૭ જાન્યુઆરી,૨૦૨૪ ના બાલભવન ગ્રાઉન્ડ, ખાતે સંગીત ના સથવારે ખુબ હોશ અને હરખથી પતંગો ચગાવી, કુગ્ગા ઉડાડ્યા સાથે સવારનો નાસ્તો અને બપોરના ભોજન નો આસ્વાદ માણ્યો. રોટરી ક્લબ ઓફ રાજકોટ ગ્રેટર તરફથી રો. રવિ છોટાઈ, ઋષિત નથવાણી, વિપુલ કોટક, વિમલેશભાઈ શાહ, ચિન્મય પટેલ,કિલ્લોલ કારીયા, અપુર્વ મોદી, કુશલ મહેતા અને રવિ ગણાત્રા એ ઉપસ્થિત રહી બાળકોનો ઉત્સાહ વધાર્યો.

National Youth Day

January 12th 2024, Friday

રાષ્ટ્રીય યુવા દિવસના સ્વામી વિવેકાનંદજી ના જન્મદિવસ નિમિત્તે રોટરી ક્લબ ઓફ રાજકોટ ગ્રેટર અને એન. એસ. એસ. કણસાગરા મહિલા કોલેજ દ્વારા કણસાગરા મહિલા કોલેજ ખાતે વિવિધ કાર્યક્રમો નું આયોજન કરવામાં આવ્યું હતું. જેમા વિદ્યાર્થીનીઓ ની રેલી, નિબંધ સ્પર્ધા તથા રાષ્ટ્ર નિર્માણ અંગે પ્રવચન આપવામાં આવ્યા હતા.

Speaker:

Pranvarthananda Swami of Ramkrishna Ashram

Venue: Kansagra Mahila College, Rajkot

Beneficiaries: More than 250 Girl Students of College were present in this lecture

Attendees: Rtn. Nilesh Bhojani and Rtn. Jaydev Shah



Felicitation of Naval Officers from Fit India Movement

January 12th 2024, Friday



Under the "Fit India" Movement, 10 officers from Indian Navy have started a Cycle Tour from Lonavala (Maharashtra) to Jamnagar-Valsura (Gujarat) and back to Lonavala. They will cycle approximately 2000 kilometres in 20 days. On 12th January, these brave young men reached Rajkot. RCRG and Bharad Schools received them at the Bharad Vishva Vidyapith Tramba campus and were felicitated and honoured for their great initiative.



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These Navy Officers took a session for the students at BVV and appealed them to join any wing of the India Defence Force. They also urged those students who cannot join the Defence due to any concrete reason should at least help India to become self-reliant by producing spare parts required to make defence equipments for our country's defence forces. RCRG is thankful to Rtn. Priyank Bharad who organized such a great program at his school campus.

Project Anandgram: Makarsankranti Kit Distribution

January 12th 2024, Friday

રોટરી ક્લબ ઓફ રાજકોટ ગ્રેટર દ્વારા પ્રોજેક્ટ આનંદ ગ્રામ અંતર્ગત દેવળા પ્રાથમિક શાળા ના બાળકો માટે મકરસંક્રાંતિ નિમિત્તે સીંગની ચીકી ૪૦૦ ગ્રામ, દાળીયાની ચીકી ૪૦૦ ગ્રામ, તલની ચીકી ૪૦૦ ગ્રામ, અડદીયા ૪૦૦ ગ્રામ, ખજૂર ૫૦૦ ગ્રામ તથા પતંગ અને દોરા સાથે ની કીટસ વિતરણનું આયોજન કરવામાં આવ્યું હતું.

Venue:

Primary School, Deula Village

Beneficiaries:

67 Students of Anandgram Deula School

Attendees: Ann. Vidhi Nathvani, Ann. Shilpa Bhojani,

Rtn.Mehul Nathvani, Rtn. Manish Patel, Rtn. Vimlesh Shah,

Rtn. Nilesh Bhojani and Rtn. Jaydev Shah



ગ્રેટર રોટરી પતંગોત્સવ 2024

January 13th 2024, Saturday

રોટરી ક્લબ ઓફ રાજકોટ ગ્રેટર મકરસંક્રાંતિ નિમિત્તે જરૂરીયાતમંદ પરિવાર ના લોકો સ્વાભિમાન પુર્વક તહેવાર ની ઉજવણી પુરા ઉત્સાહ અને ઉમંગ થી કરી શકે તેવા શુભ આશયથી નીચે મુજબ ની વિવિધ આઈટમ્સ ની કીટ નું વિતરણ ગ્રેટર ભવન ખાતે થી ૧૩ જાન્યુઆરી ના રોજ કરવામાં આવ્યું હતું.

આમ કુલ ર.૧ કીલો ગ્રામ વજનની કીટ નું ફક્ત ૧૫૦/- રુપિયા ના રાહતદરે વિતરણ કરવામાં આવ્યું. આ કીટસ તૈયાર કરવા માટે રોટેરીયન્સ ને યથા શક્તિ અનુદાન આપવા નમ્ર અપીલ કરવામાં આવી હતી જેના ફળસ્વરૂપ RCRG એ ૧૦૦૦ કીટ્સ તૈયાર કરી હતી.

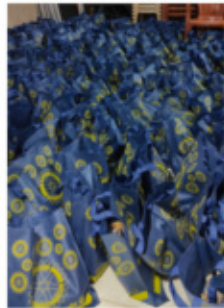
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મસાલાને ઠંડકમાં દળાય છે
એટલે એમના ગુણ જળવાય છે.



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