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THAR SUMMIT – JODHPUR



BON VOYAGE DGE

President's Pen

Dear Rotarians,

As we step into January, celebrated as Vocational Service Month, it gives me immense pride to reflect on the impactful work our club has done in this avenue over the years. The Rotary Club of Bharuch has always believed in the power of vocational service to transform lives, and our efforts through the Vocational Service Centres at Valia and Angareshwar stand as a testament to this commitment.

These centers have trained countless beneficiaries, including college students and homemakers, empowering them with skills that enable them to contribute to their families' income and become self-reliant. This noble initiative has been made possible through the generous support of Mrs. Bharti Sirish Modi, whose contributions have been instrumental in sustaining and expanding these programs. I also extend my heartfelt gratitude to Past President Rtn. Kamlesh Udani, whose tireless efforts in mobilizing resources and support have been invaluable.



I sincerely thank all our members for their unwavering support and dedication to our vocational service projects. It is your collective effort that makes these initiatives successful and impactful. As we celebrate this month, I urge each one of you to continue contributing your time, talent, and resources to take our vocational service endeavors to greater heights.

Together, let us uphold Rotary's spirit of "Service Above Self" and strive to create more opportunities that uplift individuals and communities. Your support has been the cornerstone of our achievements, and I look forward to the same enthusiasm and commitment in the days to come.

Warm regards,

- Rtn Rachana Poddar
President - 24-25
RC Bharuch

● The THAR Summit 2024 - Jodhpur ●

Rotary Club of Bharuch Family Shines at THAR Summit 2024 – Jodhpur

The THAR Summit 2024, held in the beautiful city of Jodhpur on 20th-22nd Dec., was an extraordinary gathering of Rotarians from across the region, and the RC of Bharuch family was proud to be part of it.

This grand event provided a perfect platform to connect, learn, and celebrate the spirit of Rotary in an atmosphere of camaraderie and joy.

The summit was meticulously planned and offered a well-rounded experience that left everyone inspired and entertained. The sessions featured renowned and impactful speakers who delivered thought-provoking talks on leadership, service, and community development. Their wisdom and insights ignited a sense of purpose among the attendees, reminding them of the significant role Rotary plays in transforming lives.

Apart from the intellectual engagement, the THAR Summit was a feast for the senses. The evenings were filled with spectacular entertainment programs, where traditional Rajasthani music and dance took center stage, leaving the audience mesmerized. Members and their families thoroughly enjoyed the vibrant performances, which highlighted the rich cultural heritage of the host city.

Adding to the experience was the scrumptious spread of food, which showcased the diverse flavors of Rajasthan and beyond. From traditional delicacies to modern cuisine, every meal was a celebration in itself, creating a delightful gastronomic journey for all attendees.

During the event, the Rotary Club of Bharuch family proudly extended a warm invitation to Rotarians for the upcoming

conference of DGE Rtn. Amardeep Bunet and Kamaljit Kaur Bunet which is to be held at Agra. With enthusiasm and heartfelt hospitality, the members encouraged widespread participation, ensuring the conference would be a memorable and successful affair.

The THAR Summit 2024 was not just an event but an experience that strengthened bonds among Rotarians and families, fostering the true spirit of fellowship. It served as a reminder of the immense impact Rotary has on communities and individuals alike, leaving the RC Bharuch family rejuvenated and motivated to continue their journey of "Service Above Self."

The memories created at the THAR Summit will remain etched in the hearts of all who attended, as they return home with renewed energy, new connections, and countless stories to cherish.



Project at a Glance

BETTER TEETH, BETTER HEALTH : An oral hygiene awareness session was conducted at Bholav Mishra Shala, Bharuch, by Dr. Anju Hariyani. The session educated students on the importance of oral hygiene, correct brushing techniques, and prevention of dental issues followed by an interactive session.

To encourage healthy practices, dental kits containing toothbrushes, toothpaste were distributed to all participants. We sincerely thank Rtn. Pravin Purohit for his seamless coordination with the school, ensuring the program's success and impact.



FUTURE IS BRIGHT, SEE IT CLEARLY : Rotary Club of Bharuch is delighted to announce the successful distribution of spectacles to girls of Gayatri School, Mandva, who underwent eye check-ups at Sevaashram Hospital. This initiative aimed to enhance their vision and quality of life, empowering them to excel in their studies and daily activities.

A heartfelt thanks to Rtn Dr. Amit Sethi and the entire team at Sevashram Hospital for their invaluable support and dedication to this noble cause. Their efforts and collaboration have made a meaningful difference in these young lives.



Project at a Glance

ACCEPT THE NATURAL TRUTH AND RAISE AWARENESS : Rotary Club of Bharuch successfully organised a Menstrual Hygiene Awareness Session at Gayatri School by Ann Aneri Shah, a certified nutritionist and health care provider. The session included an interactive discussion where girls were educated on the importance of menstrual hygiene, breaking myths, and adopting healthy practices. Sanitary pads were also distributed as part of our initiative to ensure their well-being and confidence.

RC Bharuch is grateful to Ann Aneri Shah for her expertise and empathetic approach, which made the session both informative and engaging. Together, we aim to empower young girls with the knowledge and resources they need for a healthier future.



READ, LEARN, GROW : Rotary Club of Bharuch is delighted to share the successful completion of initiative to promote the habit of reading among students by donating portable library pouches to two schools - Bholav Mishra Shala and Gayatri School, Mandva. These thoughtfully curated pouches, aims to spark curiosity and foster a love for reading among young minds.

This initiative reflects our commitment to enhancing literacy and empowering students with the gift of knowledge. We are confident that these portable libraries will serve as a stepping stone for countless children to explore the world of books and expand their horizons.



Project at a Glance

BE A LIFE SAVER - LEARN CPR : Rotary Club of Bharuch successfully organized a CPR training session for Aanganwadi workers, at Asha Sammelan organised by District Health Society. The session was conducted by Dr. Kalpesh Jain. The session provided hands-on training on life-saving techniques, equipping participants with the skills to respond effectively during emergencies. This initiative aimed to empower Aanganwadi workers to better serve their communities. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to Rtn. Virag Thakore for his invaluable support and coordination, ensuring the smooth execution of this impactful program.



BHULKA MELA - 2024 : Bhulka Mela - an event organized by the ICDS Branch, Jilla Panchayat, Bharuch, was successfully held on 4th December 2024 at Baba Saheb Ambedkar Bhavan, Bharuch. The event witnessed enthusiastic participation and engagement from all Aanganwadi Children. Rotary Club of Bharuch proudly supported this meaningful initiative by contributing lunch boxes for approximately 150 students who participated in the event.

RC Bharuch extends heartfelt gratitude to the ICDS team for their excellent organization and for allowing us to contribute to this noble cause. Together, we look forward to continuing our collaborative efforts to benefit the community and support impactful initiatives like this in the future.



Project at a Glance

ORGAN DONATION DRIVE & CPR TRAINING : Rotary Club of Bharuch extends heartfelt gratitude to everyone who joined us for the Organ Donation Awareness Session and CPR Training Program held on 11th December 2024 at J.P. College of Arts and Science. The event was a resounding success, spreading awareness about the life-changing impact of organ donation and essential life-saving CPR skills. A special thanks to the speakers Mr Girish M Patel who shared the importance of Organ Donation and Dr Kalpesh Jain for equipping participants with essential life - saving CPR skills. Together, we have taken a meaningful step toward building a more informed and empowered community.



SWEATER DISTRIBUTION- GIVING AWAY WINTER ESSENTIALS : RC Bharuch is delighted to share the successful completion of the Sweater Distribution Project at Gayatri School, Tavra. With immense joy, we distributed sweaters to 285 children, spreading warmth and smiles during this winter season. "No one has ever become poor by giving." the selfless contributions and participation of RC Bharuch embody this spirit of giving. Heartfelt thanks to all Rotarians and volunteers who made this project truly impactful.



"Flying Rats" - New Epidemic

Feeding the birds is an Indian traditional culture since years. While this may seem harmless but alongwith bringing blessings , there are some serious health concerns related to PIGEONS . Many people call them "rats of the sky" as they can carry more diseases than rats therefore they pose a serious health hazard.

Pigeons are a common sight in many urban cities. There has been a tremendous increase in Hypersensitivity pneumonitis (HP) in India because of repeated exposure to these pigeon droppings causing the so called "Pigeon Epidemic". Pigeon droppings contain certain fungi that can trigger allergic reactions in some people.

When pigeon droppings dry out, they can become powder and can be inhaled. Exposure to these can cause severe allergic reaction.

Pigeon droppings can cause symptoms ranging from mild respiratory issues to severe conditions like ILD/ Lung Fibrosis, pneumonia, especially in people with weakened immune systems and may worsen existing conditions like Asthma, COPD and bronchitis.

Indian registry for ILD (interstitial lung disease) showed HP as the second most common ILD in India (24% of total ILD) where majority of them were females and home-makers (living in flats).

While pigeons are a part of our urban landscape, it's crucial to be aware of the potential health risks associated with their droppings. By taking simple preventive measures such as ensuring cleaning of areas where pigeons are likely to come & wearing a mask or gloves while cleaning the pigeon dropping avoiding direct contact. Also, there are many protective measures available to avoid pigeon sitting on windows.

If you suffer from long time dry cough/ breathing difficulty, please consult your Pulmonologist. You may be advised Lung Capacity Test, CT scan of chest, Skin Prick test (Allergy test), 6 minute walk test and few blood reports. Any kind of Allergy can have a permanent solution depending on SPT's results by Immunotherapy/ Allergy vaccine.

Lets protect our lung health and ensure a safer environment for everyone by understanding risk and taking simple precautions.

- Ann. Dr. Bhuvneshwari Gohil

Project at a Glance

"A December to Remember"

RC Bharuch spouse Christmas gathering, beautifully hosted by Ann. Aarti Ruia, Ann. Farida Ankleshwarita, Ann. Shilpa Thakkar, and Rtn. Dr. Khushboo Modh, was nothing short of magical! From stunning decorations to mouthwatering food, it was an evening filled with joy, laughter, and festive vibes.



Rotary projects around the globe

- By **Brad Webber**

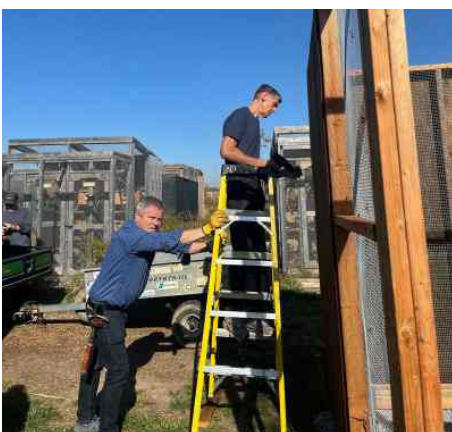
United States



After New Orleans signed a sister cities agreement with its French namesake, Orléans, in 2018, Rotary clubs in the two cities forged their own international ties.

Looking to celebrate the connection, the New Orleans club discovered that both cities have Joan of Arc festivities and select a high school student to represent the French national heroine in parades and events, says Gayle Dellinger, a member of the Louisiana club. In true Rotary fashion, the clubs decided to create an exchange opportunity for their cities' "Joans." In June, the American "Joan," Marley Marsalis, a member of the legendary jazz family and a pianist herself, visited Orléans as a guest of French Rotarians. This month, the American Rotarians will host the French "Joan," Maÿlis Boët. The Joans ride in each other's parade and visit historical sites. "It gives you hope for the future and gets you excited," New Orleans club member Sarah Dickerson says. "It's so uniting for absolutely everybody involved."

Canada



Since 2020 the Rotary Club of Toronto has supported the Toronto Wildlife Centre, which rehabilitates 300 species of sick and injured animals. The club has donated more than \$18,000 to

construct enclosures for bats, mourning doves,

woodpeckers, water birds, squirrels, and groundhogs. Hammers and drills in hand, club members Kurt Kroesen, Stuart Muirhead, and Michele Guy joined other volunteers and employees in October to assemble a structure for red squirrels. Nathalie Karvonen, the organization's founder and executive director, lauds the Rotarians for their devotion. "Their generosity is giving hundreds of wild patients each year a safe space in which to prepare for a healthy life back in the wild," she says.

England



A cavalcade of 120 vintage vehicles, including tractors, steam lorries, and penny-farthing bicycles, rolled into the Mortimer Fairground in June for a fundraiser of the Rotary Club of Reading Matins. The Transport Through the Ages

event drew about 4,000 people and raised more than \$13,000 for charities. The idea came from similar shows held during celebrations of the Platinum Jubilee of Queen Elizabeth II and the coronation of King Charles III. "We are delighted at the success of the event and the amount of money raised for the charities we feel so passionate about," says Club President Valerie Robinson. The resulting fanfare has encouraged the Rotarians to reprise the fundraiser in the future, says club member Carrie Wise.

India

After heavy rains triggered flooding and landslides in India's northeastern state of Tripura in August, the Rotary Club of Agartala City and the Rotaract clubs of Agartala City and Agartala Central mobilized to help. The clubs set up relief camps providing food, clothing, health care, and

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medicines in Agartala, reaching 400 people. During a second phase, club members distributed groceries and sanitary pads among 125 families in a remote village

that was devastated by the floods. “Villagers lost all their belongings. Farms and agricultural crops were destroyed,” says Agartala Rotary club member Anannya Das. Rotary members also organized clinics in the region where patients could see pediatricians, eye specialists, dermatologists, and general practitioners, including Rotarian doctors.

Philippines

Members of the Rotaract Club of Calumpit are passionate about supporting young people with disabilities through skill development and advocacy. As part of their Breaking Barriers initiative, they’ve recorded podcasts on the rights and challenges of people with disabilities. In August, Rotaractors and

members of the Rotary Club of Calumpit visited an elementary school, offering hygiene kits, medicine, and school supplies to 160 students with disabilities, as well as mentoring in reading, writing, and art. “The event was met with overwhelming positive feedback



from participants, who appreciated the thoughtful activities and valuable resources provided,” says Rotaract Club President Daniel Balingit. A session for caregivers was especially well received, he says. “It offered a safe space for mothers to share their experiences and gain insights into managing the mental health and psychological needs of their children.”

This story originally appeared in the January 2025 issue of Rotary magazine.

K4Knowledge: Facts to make you smart

“Wichita's drone light festival”

Wichita's drone light festival is an unforgettable evening where the technology meets art and the sky becomes the canvas. Event combines three incredible experiences into one : (1) 300 synchronized drones will illuminate the night sky with dazzling live music-choreographed formations. (2) Each guest will receive a floating water lantern to decorate and set if floating on museum's reflection pond. This creates a stunning display of light and reflection. (3) Visitors can immerse themselves in a captivating live concert where talented musicians perform with soft light of more than 2000 candles. Visitors can explore local cuisine and activities with food trucks and vendor lineup. This year, the event was held on September 20-22, 2024.



A Grand Success – Spice of Bharuch 4.0



RC Bharuch is happy to share the incredible success of Spice of Bharuch 4.0 held from 27th-29th Dec. 2024 at the SVMIT Football Ground, Bharuch. Over three magical evenings, the event welcomed an astounding 13,000+ visitors, making it a true celebration of flavors, culture, and community spirit! This much-awaited event brought together people of all ages to experience: Unique Culinary Delights that

tantalized taste buds. Mesmerizing Performances that captivated hearts. Community Interactions that strengthened bonds.

Such an outstanding achievement would not have been possible without the tireless efforts of the Rotaract Bharuch Team led by RCC Chair Rtn. Gunjan, Rotaract President Rtr. Jeet, Hon. Secretary Rtr. Priyanka, Project Chair Rtr. Dixil Waghela, and Co-Chair Rtr. Karmrajsinhji Raulji, along with Rtr. Harsh, Rtn. Nishant, Rtn. Vipul Thakkar, Rtn Manish and Rtn. Kishan Patel.

We extend our special thanks to Rtn Jivraj Patel for generously providing the venue, which played a pivotal role in the event's success.

The dedication, passion, and seamless coordination of the team turned this vision into reality and created an event that will be remembered for years to come. A heartfelt thank you to all our supporters, participants, and visitors who added to the vibrance of Spice of Bharuch 4.0. Your enthusiastic participation made this event a resounding success!



Partners in Service

Interact Club of Bharuch



Human Rights Day : Itr Past Secretary Himani Jaiswal made a video on Human Rights Day—a reminder that every person, everywhere, deserves dignity, equality, and freedom.

Certificate Distribution : The Interact Club of Bharuch proudly presented certificates of appreciation to our generous donors who contributed to our clothing drive!



With the scent of kindness and charity, Interact club of Bharuch had donated books in pustakghar library.

The Interact Club of Bharuch awarded Best Interactor of September Itr. Abhivansh Sareen in recognition of their outstanding contributions, dedication, and commitment to the club's values and activities.




The Interact Club of Bharuch is thrilled to have Volunteered at the 'Spice of Bharuch' event, organized by the Rotaract Club of Bharuch!

Our Interactors had an absolute blast, making unforgettable memories during the 3-day event (Dec 27-29)! Kudos to the Rotaract Club for hosting such a wonderful event!

Interact club distributed study items to poor kids, joining along with Change Bharuch club of Bharuch who works towards educating the youth, those who cant afford it. Interactors also played fun games with them as a part of sports week. It was a great experience and a wholesome moment to connect with the kids.





100% Attendance

Rtn Bhavesh Hariyani	Rtn Dr Suketu Dave
Rtn Ketan Desai	Rtn Manish Poddar
Rtn Sarosh Ginwalla	Rtn Vipul Thakkar
Rtn Zubin Jambusarwala	

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મનમંથ દેનિક - દિશા ગાંધી દ્વારા - રોટરી કોમ્યુનિટી કોર્પ તરફથી આજ રોજ રોટરી કલબ ભચ્ચના પાર્કિંગ સ્થળ ખાતે NGO સંસ્કૃત્ત અગ્નિ સુરક્ષા માંથી આવેલ જવાનો શ્રી તાજભાઈ કેઝાન અને શ્રી વિવેકભાઈ શર્મા એ પ્રેક્ટીકલ અને થીયરીટીકલ ખૂબ જ રૂઝી માર્ગદર્શન આપ્યું હતું, અને આકસ્મિક જરૂરિયાત હોય ત્યારે શું કરવું-શું ન કરવું તે અંગે ખૂબ જ જરૂરી જાણકારી આપી હતી, સંસ્થા આ પ્રોગ્રામના પ્રોજેક્ટ ચેર વૂંદભાઈ પટેલનો પણ આભાર વ્યક્ત કરે છે, આ પ્રોગ્રામની સમગ્ર ટીમ જેમના સહયોગથી આ પ્રોગ્રામ સફળ રહ્યો તેઓના નામ. ઝીલ ભટ્ટ, મીત મહેતા, નંદિતા ચૌહાણ, ટેવલ મહેતા, ધુવભાઈ ચક્રવર્તીલાલાનો આભાર વ્યક્ત કરે છે. પ્રમુખ: ડી. હચબેન મોદી એ પ્રોગ્રામની સફળ બનાવ્યો હતો, આભારવિધી સેક્રેટરી: કમલ શાહે કરી હતી.

Organised the Fire and Safety programme at MIPRYC



Seminar on diabetes disease by Dr. Bhadresh Zaveri



Distribution of school bags to the students of the Bholav Aanganvadi




Celebration of Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar punyatithi at Railway station Bharuch



Distribution of Blanket to the needy people at Kabirvad



Breakfast distribution and Tea to Narmada Prikrama Sadhus at Chamunda Temple

Rotary  **The Four-Way Test**
of what we think, say or do

1. Is it the truth?
2. Is it fair to all concerned?
3. Will it build good will and better friendships?
4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

Birthday Greetings

Happy Anniversary

02 Feb	Ann. Hiral Varia	9427335001	01 Feb	Rtn. Dr.Paresh Trivedi	9825097449	15 Feb	Rtn. Alpesh Hariyani	9924011551
03 Feb	Ann. Darshana Sheth	9824917551	01 Feb	Rtn. Kishan Patel	9428444211	15 Feb	Rtn. Jugal Kishore Ruia	9898045900
03 Feb	Snehlata Tibdewal	8866801399	02 Feb	Rtn. Dr.Dhirajkumar Sathe	9820704524	15 Feb	Rtn. Rajiv Tibdewal	9375646739
05 Feb	Rtn. Dushyant Patel	9898045399	03 Feb	Rtn. Amar Shahdarpuri	9913067776	16 Feb	Rtn. Mukund Rao	9825050692
08 Feb	Rtn. Dr.Amit Sethi	9227667114	04 Feb	Rtn. Kalpesh B.Shah	9825029928	18 Feb	Rtn. Dr.Gary Chen	9427144339
09 Feb	Rtn. Alpesh Tolat	9825045945	04 Feb	Rtn. Gautam Patel	9824376724	19 Feb	Rtn. Kiran Patel	9825275011
17 Feb	Ann. Kailas Nilesh Parekh	9978556878	05 Feb	Rtn. Dr. Dutt Modh	9974705249	20 Feb	Rtn. Moksha Udani	7043057100
18 Feb	Rtn. Girishchandra Mithaiwala	9925030534	05 Feb	Rtn. Zubin Jambusarwala	9824547481	22 Feb	Rtn. Rahil D. Patel	8460244840
20 Feb	Rtn. Dr.Ashok Kapadia	9824113830	07 Feb	Rtn. Ankit-Rtn. Nitisha Shah	9879104761	23 Feb	Rtn. Dr. Hasmukh Gadhavi	9979891251
20 Feb	Rtn. Dr.Suketu Dave	9428025009	08 Feb	Rtn. Parveen Goyal	9824150571	23 Feb	Rtn. Dr.Sunil Shah	9825029749
21 Feb	Ann. Nidhi Rathore	9227436550	10 Feb	Rtn. Bhaveshkumar B Soni	8000644636	26 Feb	Rtn. Vital Patel	9898472111
23 Feb	Rtn. Jivraj Patel	9898263333	10 Feb	Rtn. Devang Thakore	9824183994	27 Feb	Rtn. Aanand Bhalodwala	9924420202
27 Feb	Rita Dave	9377211313	10 Feb	Rtn. Nishant Kadakia	9898542489	28 Feb	Rtn. Dr.Kirtirajsinh Gohil	9998962309
28 Feb	Rtn. Dr.Vihang Y.Sukhadia	9825323602	13 Feb	Rtn. Yash Modi	7622009963			
29 Feb	Ann. Khushboo Nirav Shah	9624722112						



ROTARY BHARUCH PERMANENT PROJECTS



M. I. Patel Rotary Youth Center



Shantivan Crematorium



Project Adhar



P.D. Shroff Rotary Diagnostic Center



Pay & Use Toilet Blocks



Ambulance & Morgue Vehicle



Women Empowerment Project



Mobile Toy Library - Ramakdu



Hum Honge Kamyab - Literacy



Clean Drinking Water