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# President Reflects



*Rtn. Dr. Bharat Desai  
President  
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The 'Pran Pratishtha' at Ram Mandir (Consecration) was held at Ayodhya on 22 January 2024- most auspicious date for the consecration ceremony. PM Narendra Modi was formally invited to do the 'Prana Pratishtha' of the newly made idol in the sanctum sanctorum.

The gathering of distinguished invitees was addressed by Prime Minister Narendra Modi. He underscored the temple's role in shaping a new India, one based on social harmony, economic prosperity, and scientific progress. He urged citizens to draw inspiration from Ram's ideals to build a strong and vibrant nation.

This event evoked a sense of historical significance, weaving references to ancient texts and past struggles with the present moment of triumph. Ram is a symbol of righteousness and unity, emphasizing the temple as a testament to India's cultural resilience.

After having Ram in Ayodhya let us Hope to have a 'RamRajya' in the country and in the world.

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# Editorial

Once in every four, a day appears,  
To bring us laughter, banish fears.  
It's Leap Year, friends, let's make it count,  
With joy and jest, let's all surmount!

Jump out of bed, with boundless cheer,  
Leap into adventures, have no fear.  
Tackle challenges, with leaps so high,  
And spread laughter, reach for the sky!

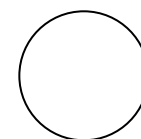
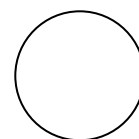
So here's to Leap Year, a day so rare,  
Let's embrace its magic, everywhere.  
For in this extra day, we find,  
A chance for laughter of every kind!

Celebrate the uniqueness of this extra day by spreading positivity and laughter wherever you go. Who knows, your infectious enthusiasm might just inspire others to embrace the leap year spirit too. So go ahead, seize the day (or should I say, leap the day)! After all, life's too short to let an extra 24 hours go to waste.



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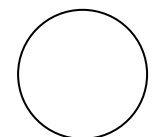
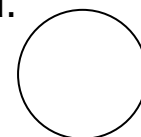
# ROTARY INTERNATIONAL NEWS



Rotary International President-elect Stephanie Urchick announced that the 2024-25 presidential theme is **“The Magic of Rotary”** and called on members to recognise and amplify the organisation’s power to save lives.

“Don’t misunderstand me – we are not going to end polio or bring peace to the world by waving a wand and saying some funny words,” Urchick told incoming district governors at the Rotary International Assembly on 8th January ’24. “It’s up to you. You create the magic with every project completed, every dollar donated, and every new member.”

Urchick urged members to champion Rotary’s Action Plan, find a balance between continuity and change, and work for peace. She plans to host a presidential peace conference in 2025 with the theme “Healing in a Divided World.”





# ROTARY DISTRICT NEWS



It is a very proud movement for RID 3060 and the Rotary World as the film makers have showcased the Rotary Wheel on its film poster and in movie. Requesting Rotarians to help promote Rotary Image by viewing the film along with your friends and family!!!



**Dhamaal Gali** - Bonding time of Rotarians and Non-Rotarians

Time to showcase Rotary Work and to reach out maximum potential members.



# RCBS SPOTLIGHT





## HAEMOGLOBIN TEST CAMP

RCBS organised blood grouping and haemoglobin tests for approximately 100 secondary students of Nutan Vidyalay.

PP Rtn. Dr. Ashwin Shah, Dr. Karan Shah, and Rtn. Minal Shah distributed the blood reports to the students.

Following this, PP Rtn. Dr. Ashwin Shah and Dr. Karan Shah spoke to the students, providing fundamental knowledge regarding the significance of maintaining optimal haemoglobin levels and understanding one's blood group.

Students with below-average haemoglobin levels were encouraged to seek free guidance and, if necessary, treatment from Dr. Karan Shah.

RCBS extends gratitude to PP Rtn Dr. Ashwin Shah for coordinating the testing team.





03 & 25 JANUARY, 2024



## RCBS FLAGSHIP HUMF

Nutrition kit of चना-खजूर... at GMERS maternity ward was given to all New mothers. RCBS executes this permanent project twice a month. Total beneficiaries were 114.

Project was sponsored by Rtn. Sanyogita & Rajesh Pradhan, Rtn. Jatin and Aarti Shah and Rtn. Darshan & Priya Vyas

Project is handled by Ann Bhavana Desai and she was accompanied by PP.Rtn. Minal Shah, Ann Aarti Shah, Ann Hetal Gandhi and Guest Mrs Preksha.



29 JANUARY , 2024



## MENSTRUAL HEALTH & HYGIENE

Rotary Club of Baroda Sayajinagari held Menstrual Health and Hygiene awareness programme in association with P&G at Nutan Vidyalaya Subhanpura .

The girls were shown a video clip covering various aspects of menstruation, including proper disposal methods for sanitary napkins and debunking myths surrounding periods. Additionally, they received education on the facts about menstruation. Free samples of sanitary napkins were distributed, benefiting a total of 198 girls.





RCBS

JAMBOREE





7 JANUARY, 2024



## ANAND UTSAV

The year 2024 commenced on a positive note with the Rotary Club of Baroda Sayajinagari (RCBS) winning the award from District 3060. RCBS Vadodara, being one of the oldest and consistently top-performing clubs in District 3060, earned this recognition. It is truly an privilege to win the Gold Award in Service Project in the category of 50 to 75 members from July 23 to December 23. The club owes its success over the past 30 years to the dedication and contributions of all its members.



26 JANUARY, 2024

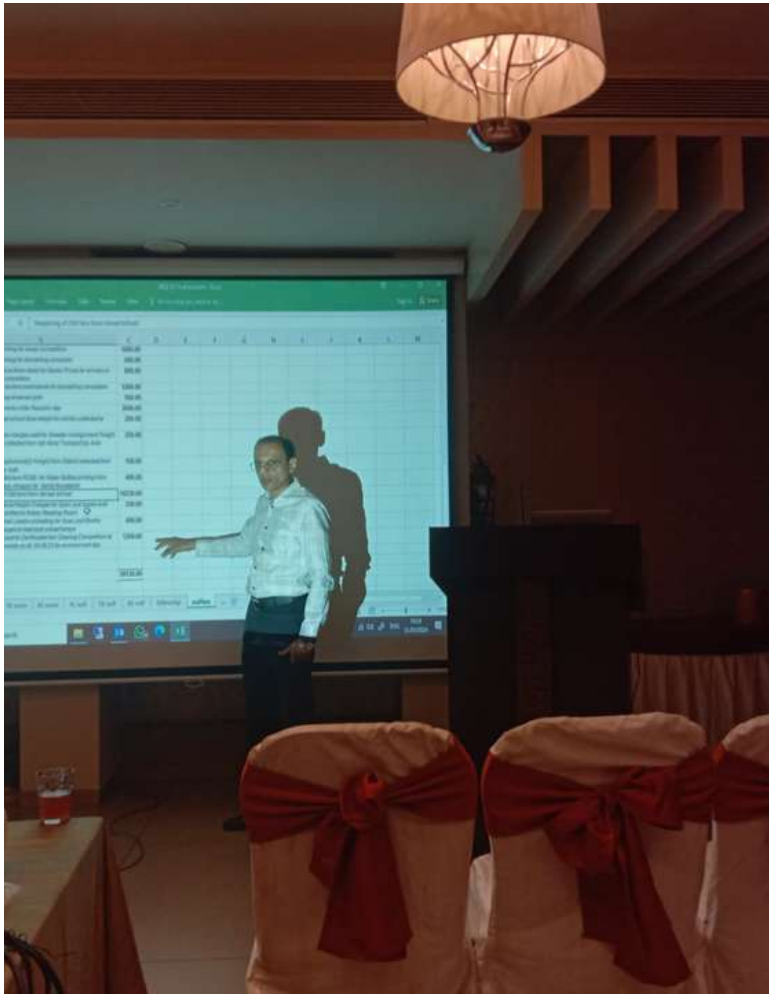


## REPUBLIC DAY CELEBRATIONS

The Republic Day flag hosting ceremony at Sonarkui School was a proud and memorable event. The dances performed by the school children, without the assistance of a choreographer, were particularly impressive. Among the highlights of the event were the heartfelt lines recited by the school children, which resonated deeply with all those in attendance.

तन पे वस्त्र स्वदेशी  
मनन में होवे भाव स्वदेशी  
घर में होवे ठाट स्वदेशी  
मर के पेहनो खफन स्वदेशी

# 31 JANUARY, 2024

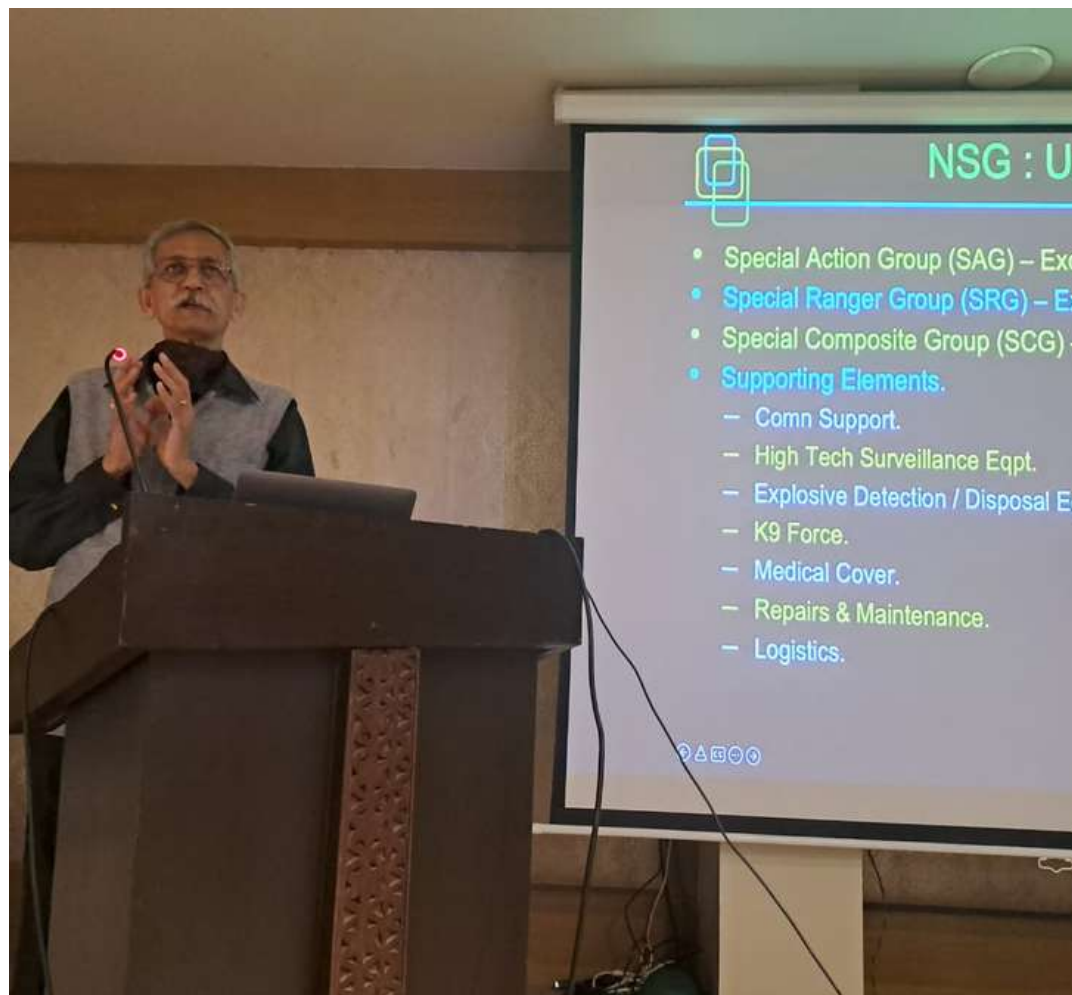


## CLOSE BODY MEETING

The RCBS Close Body meeting started with the recitation of the prayer by Rtn. Sandip Patel, setting a reverent tone for the proceedings followed by recitation of the 4 way Test by Ann Sonal Amin. The meeting led by PP Rtn. Malay Bhayani, the present members conducted the physical verification of Fixed Deposits (FDs), ensuring financial transparency and accountability. Approval was granted for the financials of RCBS accounts for the 2022-23 fiscal year, with the board discussing the budgeted deficit and resolving to set off the difference in Rotary International (RI) Dues hike using interest on FDs. Norms for the Rotary Youth Exchange program for non-Rotarian candidates were discussed, including membership fees and deposit amounts. An Advisory Committee consisting of three Immediate Past Presidents was proposed and approved to guide President Elects. Additionally, the club conditionally approved sponsorship from non-Rotarians, companies, and outsiders in fellowship programs, with terms and conditions to be determined via an online poll. The meeting concluded with a Presidential Address, setting the agenda for the next session.



31 JANUARY, 2024



SPEAKER MEET



The Black Cat Commandos, also known as the National Security Guard (NSG), are among the most elite forces in our nation, revered for their courage, skill, and unwavering dedication to protecting our country's integrity and sovereignty. These brave men and women undergo rigorous training and are prepared to respond swiftly and decisively to any threat against the nation.

Having the opportunity to hear firsthand accounts from a real-life hero like Rtn Col. Milind Gogate offers invaluable insights into the challenges faced and triumphs achieved by these remarkable individuals. Their stories not only instill pride but also deepen our appreciation for the sacrifices made by our armed forces in service to the nation.





**GEN-Z**

**TIDINGS**



12 JANUARY, 2024



## KITE DISTRIBUTION



To celebrate the joyous occasion of Makar Sankranti, the members of ICBS organized a kite distribution event at a local school attended by underprivileged children. Each member generously contributed 10 kites, ensuring that every child received four kites to enjoy the festivities of kite flying. The sight of the children's radiant smiles upon receiving the kites filled everyone's hearts with joy and warmth, knowing that they would partake in the celebration wholeheartedly. The members themselves were deeply gratified to give back to society and be part of spreading happiness among the children.



27 JANUARY, 2024



## LEARNING ABOUT RAMAYANA

The ICBS hosted a vocational event with columnist Rtn. Deval Shastri, known for his association with newspapers like Sandesh and Divya Bhaskar. The event began with a collective prayer, an introduction by Secretary Keshvi Patel, and the announcement of the 4-way test by Interactor Naman. Rtn. Deval's engaging icebreaker on the Ramayan led to insightful discussions. He shared stories from the Ramayan and the film 'The Door', imparting valuable life lessons. The interactive session included specific Q&A, making it highly productive. President Aryaveer Nair concluded with a vote of thanks and a memento for Rtn. Deval.





JANUARY, 2024



## EMBRACING COMPASSION - BRIDGING THE AGES

The Billabong High International School Interact Club's ongoing project fosters responsibility and empathy among students while promoting respect for the elderly. Weekly visits to the old age home create a haven of shared stories and smiles, bridging past and present. Selected grandparents serve as mentors, offering wisdom beyond textbooks. This initiative benefits both the elderly, who find solace and companionship, and students, who gain a deeper understanding of life's complexities and human experiences.



JANUARY, 2024



## BILLABONG PERMACULTURE

The Billabong High International School has initiated a vegetable garden near the canteen, offering students access to fresh, organic produce. This greenery not only enhances the school's aesthetics but also provides students with valuable knowledge about various vegetables and their optimal growth conditions.

The vegetables are seasonally cultivated, including lemongrass, sugarcane, cauliflower, cabbage, butterfly pea plant, fenugreek, basil, rosella, drumstick, cucurbita, pineapple, and tomatoes. Accompanied by their Biology teacher, students learn about the significance of these vegetables in their diet and gain insight into cultivation methods.



**ZOOMER**

**TIDBITS**





## KITES OF JOY



13 JANUARY, 2024



The primary goal of the "Kites of Joy" project, spearheaded by the Rotaract Club of Vadodara Sayajinagari, was to spread joy and celebrate the Makar Sankranti festival by distributing 200 kites to underprivileged children, cultivating a sense of belonging and celebration within the community. in Vadodara. This community-driven initiative aimed to create memorable experiences and bring happiness to those who might not have had access to such festivities otherwise.

26 JANUARY, 2024



REPUBLIC DAY



On January 26th, the Republic Day of India, the RCVS initiated a distinctive project to intertwine patriotism and environmental consciousness. The project involved the distribution of 200 Seed Flag Badges at a local green park, where members of the club engaged with the community to encourage sustainable practices. The Seed Flag Badges, meticulously designed to resemble the Indian national flag, served a dual purpose. Apart from being a symbol of national pride, these badges were embedded with seeds, allowing them to be planted to grow into plants. The initiative aimed to convey a powerful message – nurturing the environment is akin to nurturing the spirit of the nation.

# *Special* **OCCASIONS** of *RCBSians*

## **BIRTHDAYS**

**8 FEB, 2024**

RTN HITESH MALI

**15 FEB, 2024**

ANN MINAL AGGARWAL

**21 FEB, 2024**

RTN SANJAY SHAH

**28 FEB, 2024**

RTN JAY SHAH

## **ANNIVERSARIES**

**3 FEB, 2024**

RTN NEETA - KALPESH SHAH

**4 FEB, 2024**

RTN SNEHA-NISHANT RAMANI

**5 FEB, 2024**

RTN KOKILA-PANTUL KOTHARI

**7 FEB, 2024**

RTN AMIT -ANU SHRIVASTAV

**11 FEB, 2024**

RTN VAISHALI - RTN KALPESH SHAH

**13 FEB, 2024**

RTN KAMAL-MINAL AGGARWAL

**14 FEB, 2024**

RTN DEVAL-ANN HEMA SHASTRI

**20 FEB, 2024**

RTN SHAMIT-ANN MAMTA PATEL

**22 FEB, 2024**

RTN SANJAY- ANN PRANJAL SHAH



# *Upcoming Meetings*

**7 & 28 FEB 2024**

HUMF

*at GMERS*

**22 & 23 FEB 2024**

*PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP*

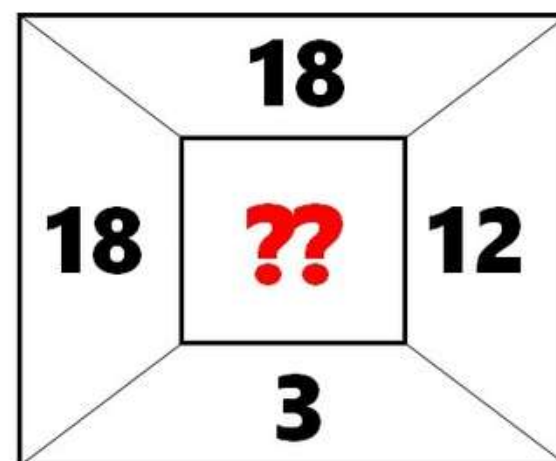
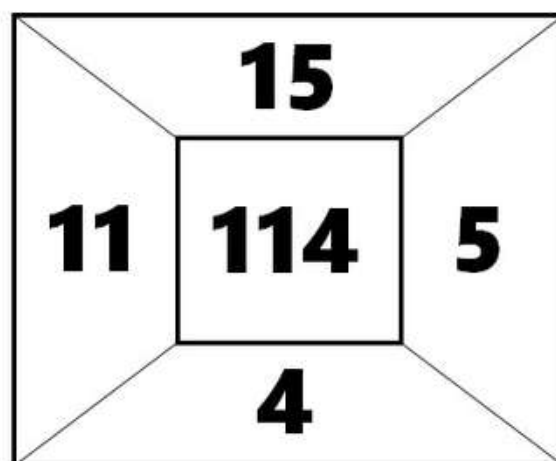
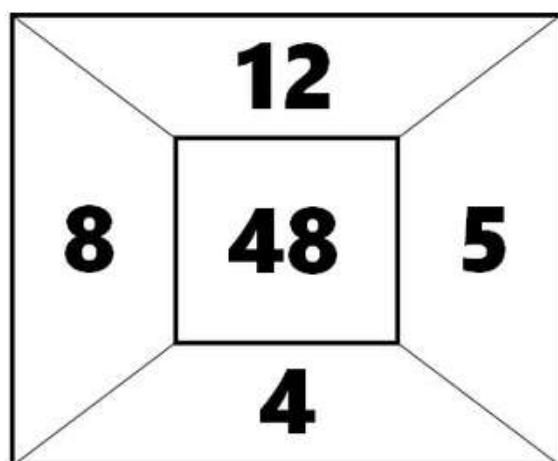
**25 FEB 2024**

*OUTDOOR FELLOWSHIP*

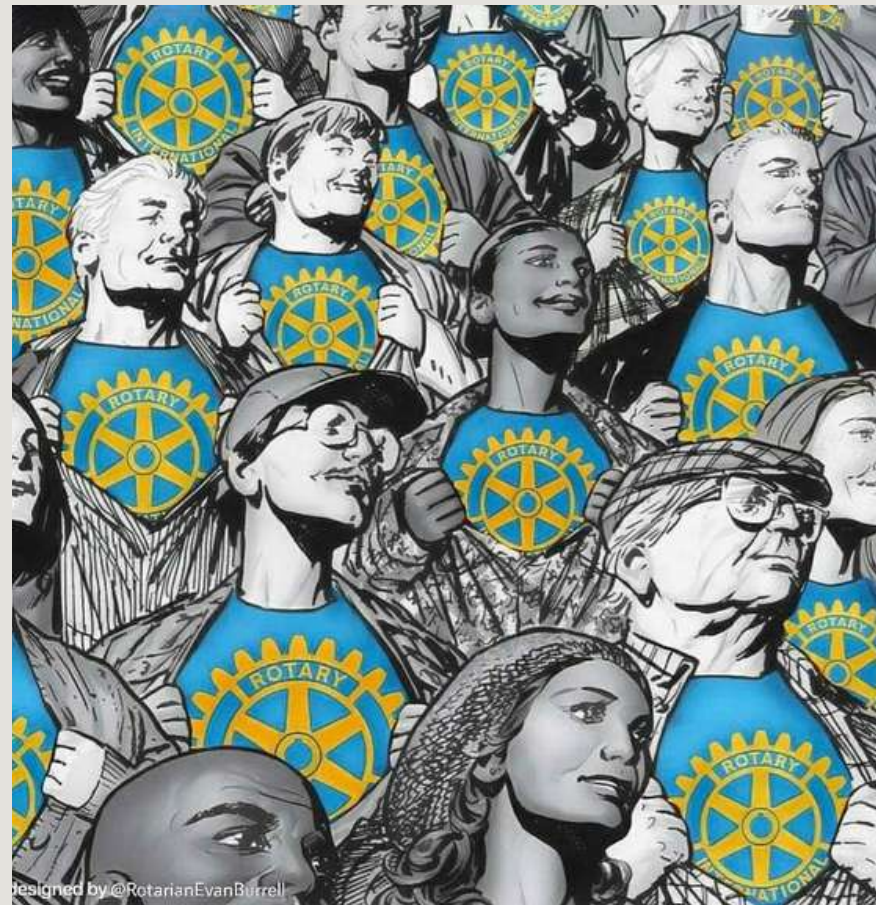
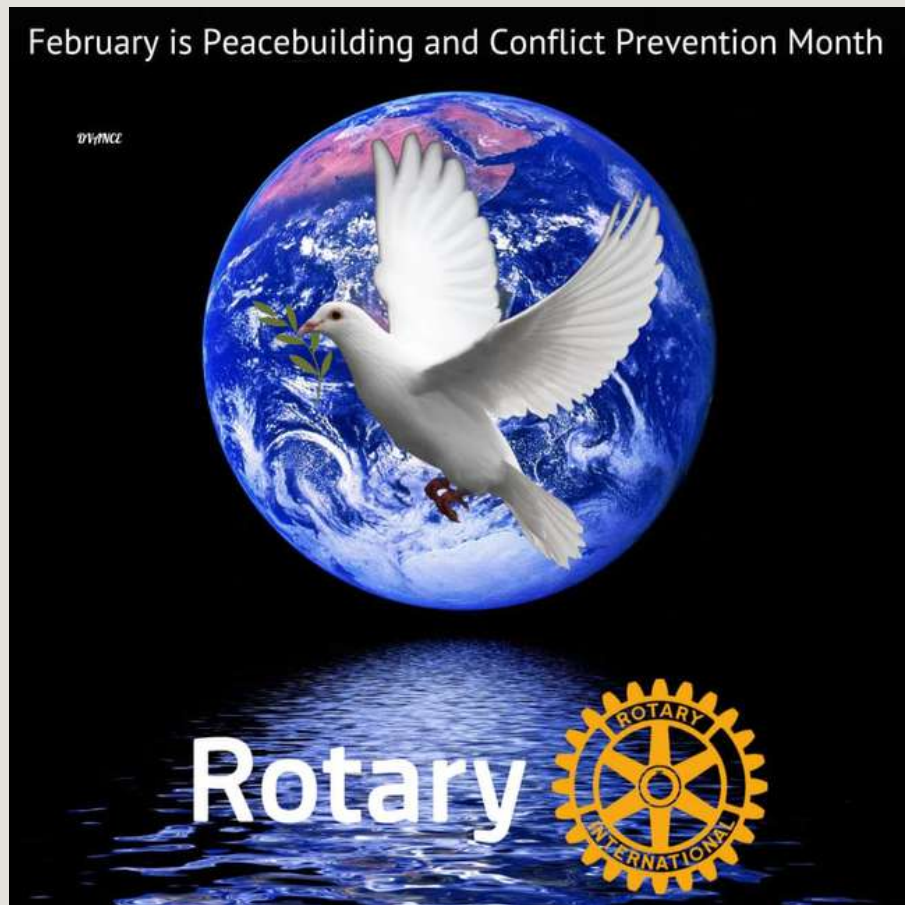


# *Boggle your Brain*

FIND THE MISSING NUMBER







**Every day, more than 1.4 million people conduct humanitarian and community service projects around the world and in their local communities.**

**Some people call them heroes .....  
We just call them ROTARIANS!**

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