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✦ When we met last Sunday 10th Sep - 2024 ✦

(A report by Ann Dr. Aditi Vahia)

The club meeting of RCBJ on 10th September 2024 was unquestionably a fun-filled evening. **Pres. Umed Fifadra** took to heart James Howell's proverb "All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy" and with the help of **PP Rtn Jagdish Thakkar** saw to it that the meeting was all play and least of work.

The programme arranged was Musical Antakshari conducted by **Mr Hardik** and his troupe challenging the artists within the Rotarians and **Ann. After Sgt. At. Arms Rtn Dipak Patel** called the meeting to order, the ball was set rolling with a prayer by First Lady **Usha Fifadra** in her trained melodious voice. The recital of 4 Way Test was done by **Rtn Vivek Duggal** and **Hon. Sec. PP Hemang Vahia** announced the two traditional prizes namely Early Bird Prize – which was claimed by **Rtn. Vivek Duggal** and Lucky Lady Prize which went to **Ann Kalpana Sastry**.

Rotarians Rajal C. and PP Jagdish Thakkar introduced their guests namely **Ms Perin Mehta, Ms Nimisha and Annet Priyanka Thakkar** respectively. These guests, as it turned out, contributed hugely to the success of the programme. After **PP Jagdish Thakkar** formally introduced **Shri Hadikbhai**, the organizer of Antakshari, the latter took over offering a promise of a thoroughly entertaining and enjoyable evening.

Mr Hardik began with dividing the all those present into 8 groups that were named : 'Bahubali', 'Yamla, Pagla, Diwana', 'Yaron Ke Yaar', 'Andaaz Apna Apna', 'Hum Kisi Se Kam Nahi', 'Jor Lagake Haisho', 'Hud Hud Dabang' and 'Jawani Diwani'. What followed was a huge wave of jubilation and fun !!!

The first five rounds were of simple traditional, time tested and ever entertaining Antakshari with each team singing a song beginning with the 'Antim Akshar' of the song sung by the previous team. All teams completed this round with flying colours. But then the fun began! **Shri Hardikbhai** came out with novel ideas to test the knowledge, memory and split-second spontaneity of one and all with regards to old and new music genre of Bollywood. The testing rounds were word based, popular Bollywood on-screen couples based and tune based. The audience literally swayed and danced to the tune of Hardikbhai.

The Winners were Team 'Jor Lagake Haisho' which comprised of **FL Ushaben, Ann Jayshriben, PP Rtn Dr. Devraj Bhanot, Ms Perin Mehta, Ms Nimishaben and Hon. Sec PP Hemang Vahia**. They were offered prizes by Pres. Umed Fifadra. Heartiest Congratulations to them and kudos to ALL the teams for participating with limitless enthusiasm and sportsman spirit.

Back to business, **Hon Sec. PP Hemang Vahia** made his Secretarial Announcements and Rtn PP Chandresh Makhija was invited to offer a formal Vote of Thanks.

The meeting ended with sumptuous dinner with a gujarati menu.

All in all, it was a truly memorable evening as promised !!!

✦ From the desk of ✦

Yours truly

(Rtn. PP Dilip Shah)

Rotary's Commitment to Basic Education

Rotary International has long been dedicated to improve communities worldwide through various initiatives., one of the core focus is promoting Basic Education .

Basic education is fundamental to personal and societal growth, providing the skills and knowledge necessary for individuals to thrive. It lays the foundation for lifelong learning and development. It equips children with essential skills such as literacy, numeracy, and critical thinking, enabling them to participate fully in society. Access to quality education is also a key driver of economic development, social progress, and health improvements.

Rotary clubs worldwide are actively involved in initiatives that promote basic education. These efforts range from building schools and supplying educational materials to supporting teacher training and creating safe learning environments. Rotary's global network allows for collaboration with local communities to address specific educational needs effectively. Some Key initiatives are :

- **School Construction and Renovation:** Rotary clubs often undertake projects to build new schools or renovate existing ones, ensuring that children have safe, conducive environments for learning.
- **Educational Materials and Supplies:** Providing books, uniforms, and other essential supplies helps remove barriers to education, enabling more children to attend school regularly.
- **Teacher Training Programs:** By investing in the professional development of teachers, Rotary enhances the quality of education. Well-trained teachers are better equipped to deliver effective instruction and support student learning.
- **Scholarships and Financial Support:** Rotary clubs offer scholarships and financial assistance to students in need, helping them continue their education and achieve their academic goals.

Basic education is a powerful tool for change, and Rotary's commitment to this cause is making a significant difference around the world. By continuing to support and expand our educational initiatives, we can help build a brighter, more equitable future for all. Together, we are Rotary, and together, we can make a lasting impact.

✦ SECRETARIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS – HON. SEC. Rtn.PP HEMANG VAHIA ✦

(Tuesday – 10.09.2024)

1. On Saturday 7th September '24, **President Umed & Usha Fifadra, Rtn.PP Ashok & Nita Shah, Ann Heena Udeshi, Hon.Sec.Hemang Vahia & Annet Pranati Vahia** along with the members of the Inner Wheel Club of Jawaharnagar & the members of the Samarpan Trust distributed @ 35 Food Kits to the victim of the recent floods in the Diwalipura area of Baroda. A Big Thanks to the Inner Wheel Club of Jawaharnagar & the Samarpan Trust for making all the arrangements.
2. On Monday 9th September '24, **President Umed Fifadra, Rtn.PP Dilip Shah & Hon.Sec.Hemang Vahia** visited the Warasia area and distributed @ 90 Food Kits to the victims of the recent floods in the area. A Big Thank you for making all the arrangements and co-ordinating with the Officials of the Vadodara Municipal Corporation to **Rtn.PP Dilip Shah**.
3. Another round of distribution of the Food Kits will be done shortly.
4. 28 Rotarians came forward to contribute 117 Food Kits for the families of slum dwellers costing @ 1500 each. The rest 83 kits were funded by the Rotary Club of Jawaharnagar Charitable Trust under the able guidance of **Rtn.PP Jagdish Thakkar** thus totaling to 200 Kits costing Rs. 3,00,000=00. Rotarians of RCBJ came forward spontaneously and the numbers were achieved in record time. A Big Thanks you to all the donors.
5. Please register for the forthcoming 55th District Conference scheduled at Jodhpur on 20-21-22 December '24.
6. **Rtn.PP Chandresh & Ann Hemal Makhija** have applied for the The Rotary Friendship Exchange programme for the current Rotary Year 24-25 as announced by the District. The interviews for the same will be held at Surat on Sunday 15th September '24. RCBJ wishes them the Best of Luck.
7. RIPE Mario Cesar Martins De Camargo & His wife Denise De Camargo members of the Rotary Club of Santo André, São Paulo, Brazil, will be visiting our District on Thursday 26th September '24. The meeting is at Surat and the time is 7 pm. **President Umed Fifadra, Rtn.PP Chandresh Makhija & Hon.Sec.Hemang Vahia** have registered for this programme. Those interested may please contact me.
8. A District Level Online Antakshari has been organized. The Central Zone online auditions will take place on 21st September '24. The Semi Final and Finals Round will take place on Sunday 13th October '24, here at Baroda. Those interested, may please register themselves by clicking on the Google link sent in our RCBJ Business Group. (The google link is also embedded in the flyer). The flyer containing complete information has also been pasted on the RCBJ Business Group today.
9. Friends, a maiden attempt has been made to update the profile Pic of RCBJ Business Group with details of the Next Meeting of RCBJ. You can always refer to the profile pic as a ready reckoner of our Next Meeting.
10. We have also started updating the Pics of Meetings & Projects on the Facebook Page of our Club. The Page is in the name of Rotary Club of Baroda Jawaharnagar. Those who have not joined this page are urged to do so.

✦ Birthday Greetings ✦

12th Sept : Ann Jaimini K. Shah
13th Sept : Rtn.PP Hemant Desai
13th Sept : Ann Dr.Hima Mahuvakar
15th Sept : Rtn.Rajal C.
15th Sept : Ann Sneh Gupta
19th Sept : Rtn.Amitabh Gupta
20th Sept : Rtn.Hemant Udeshi
20th Sept : Ann Hemal Makhija
21st Sept : Rtn.PP Dilip Shah



✦ Anniversary Greetings ✦

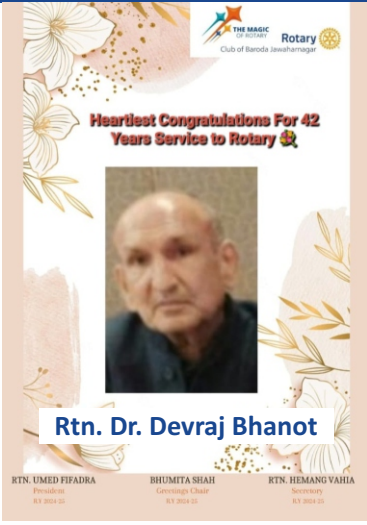
No Wedding Anniversaries for this period.



✦ FORTHCOMING MEETINGS ✦

Our Next Meeting will be a Joint Meeting with the Rotary Club of Bombay North on Monday 23rd September 2024 here at Hotel Surya Palace. The RC Bombay North Team alongwith our Members will be visiting the Muni Seva Ashram Vocational Training Centre Function scheduled to take place on the same day in the morning. Details will be sent on our WhatsApp Business Group.

✦ Long Service Award ✦



✦ Public Image ✦

રોટરી ક્લબના ઉપક્રમે પૂરપીડિતોને કિટ વિતરણ કરાયું



રોટરી ક્લબ ઓફ બરોડા જવાહરનગર દ્વારા દીવાળીપુરાના પૂરપીડિતોને સહાય અર્થે કીટનુ વિતરણ કરવામા આવ્યું હતુ. જેમાં ક્લબના પ્રેસિડેન્ટ રોટેરિયન ઉમેદભાઈ પીપાદરા, રોટેરિયન દીલીપ શાહ સહીત અન્ય સભ્યોના હસ્તે અંદાજે ૧૫૦૦ રૂપિયાની કિંમતની ૨૦૦ ઉપરાંત કીટનુ વિતરણ કર્યું હતુ. ક્લબ દ્વારા પૂરપીડિતોને તબક્કાવાર સહાય કરવામા આવી હતી.

Sandesh Dt. 13.09.2024

રોટરી ક્લબ ઓફ બરોડા જવાહર નગર દ્વારા કિટનું વિતરણ કરાયું

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રોટરી ક્લબ ઓફ બરોડા જવાહરનગર દ્વારા દિવાળીપુરા અને વારસિયા વિસ્તારમાં જરૂરીયાતમંદ લોકોને ફૂડ કિટ્સ વિતરણ કરવામાં આવ્યું હતુ. રૂ. ૧૫૦૦ની કિંમતની વિવિધ ખાદ્ય સામગ્રી સાથેની ૨૦૦ થી વધુ કીટનુ વિતરણ કરવામાં આવ્યું હતુ. આ પ્રોજેક્ટ અંતર્ગત કીટ વિતરણના કાર્યક્રમમાં કુલ ૨૦૦ રોટરી ક્લબ ઓફ બરોડા જવાહરનગર વડોદરા ક્લબના પ્રમુખ ઉમેદભાઈ દીક્ષાદ્રા, આર.ટી. પી.પી.દિલીપ શાહ તથા અન્ય રોટરીના સભ્યો ઉપસ્થિત રહ્યા હતા.

Loksatta Dt. 15.09.2024

✦ Musical Antakshari – by Versatile Singer Shri Hardik Shah & his Group ✦



✦ Joint project with Inner Wheel Club of Jawaharnagar - Food Kits Distribution Project ✦
07.09.24 - Diwalipura & 09.09.24 - Warasia

Rotarians Present: President Rtn. Umed Fifadra, Hon Sec Rtn. Hemang Vahia, PP Rtn. Ashok Shah | Inner Wheel Members Heena Udeshi, Usha Fifadra & Nita Shah



✦ Scratch Your Brain ✦

Q.1 THING - NIGHT
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Q.2 He's not a strange creature, part man and part tree, hates the termite as much as the flea. His tracks do not match, and his limbs may detach..... Who is he ?

A Special prize for those who give correct answer on first come first serve basis.



✦ Honesty is the foundation of Trust and Integrity ✦

A farmer lived in a small village needed a water source for his farm. He decided to buy a well from his neighbor. However, the cunning neighbor refused to let the farmer draw water from the well, claiming that the well was sold, not the water within it. Feeling cheated, the farmer sought justice from the emperor.

The emperor summoned Birbal, his wisest courtier, to resolve the dispute. Birbal questioned the neighbor, pointing out that if the well was sold, the water belonged to the farmer. Faced with Birbal's logic, the neighbor apologized and realized the consequences of his deceit.

Moral : Cheating may provide temporary advantages, but the truth always prevails. Honesty is the foundation of trust and integrity.

✦ Rotary Informaon ✦

Contributed by Rtn. Vivek Patel

Creating inclusive meeting spaces - A commitment towards DEI

An inclusive meeting space is one where all members feel welcome and valued. Creating this kind of environment includes ensuring that the location is accessible to all, providing translation services if needed, and having an atmosphere where everyone feels comfortable sharing their ideas.

- Agreeing on practices that promote respect and active listening can help make meetings more productive and inclusive.
- From DEI Advisory Council Chair Valarie Wafer, here are some ways to facilitate inclusive meetings:
- Ensure diverse representation: Include members from various professional, cultural, and demographic backgrounds.
- Promote inclusive leadership: Rotate the meeting roles to give different members the opportunity to lead.
- Consider the meeting environment: Choose accessible venues and consider the cost and people's dietary needs.
- Use technology to help: Offer hybrid meeting options and use features such as closed captions.
- Be culturally sensitive: Use inclusive language and acknowledge significant holidays and religious events.
- Offer ways for people to give feedback: Establish channels for members to share their thoughts and opinions.
- Provide education and training: Ask members to identify topics of interest and organize DEI workshops based on feedback.
- Engage with your community: Partner with local organizations focused on diversity and inclusion.

By considering these details, we can make every member feel like they belong. We invite you to submit any questions about inclusion or share your stories about making your club or district more inclusive. Send them to askdei@rotary.org. Your experiences and inquiries can help all learn and grow together!

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Best Vocational Project Award

Awards Criteria

- What was the project impact / Fund raised. Total No. of Beneficiaries
- No. of Vocational Projects / Vocational service discussion workshop / Inviting in regular meeting / Workshops, Hosting classification talks, vocational training etc.
- Tour member's workplaces - Vocational visit by members.
- How many of the Club's Rotarians were involved in the vocational project?
- Establish a service project using your member's vocational expertise.

Nomination Period:-1-7-24 to 30-6-25

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Rtn. Dharmendra Jain
Chair - Vocational Service

We make a living by what we get.
We make a life by what we give