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## 1 From the desk of President

Rotary International President-Gordon R. McNally called for members to capture the world's attention and lead the way toward possibilities far beyond our current expectations.

"The goal is to restore hope — to help the world heal from destructive conflicts and, in turn, to help us achieve lasting change for ourselves," McNally said at Rotary's annual training event for district governors.



## The TEAM- 2023-24

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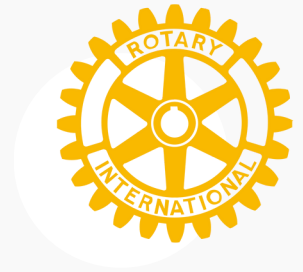
## Installation Ceremony

We are delighted to share the resplendent moments from the recent installation ceremony of new members that took place on the 31st of July at the historic Laxmi Vilas Palace. This magnificent event marked a significant milestone in our journey as we warmly welcomed three exceptional individuals into our close-knit family.

**Ms. Varsha Kothi**

**Ms. Shweta Shah**

**Mr. Darpan Shah**



Greetings Rotarians,

We are thrilled to present the 1st edition of the Rotary Newsletter - Metro Digest of 2023-24, where we bring you stories of impact, service, and fellowship that define our Rotary journey. As we navigate through a world of challenges and opportunities, this newsletter serves as a beacon of inspiration, highlighting the remarkable efforts of our Rotary community.

In this edition, we delve into the heart of Rotary's mission, showcasing the projects and initiatives that are transforming lives and communities. From environmental initiatives that bring hope to underserved areas, to educational endeavors that empower the next generation, these stories reaffirm our commitment to 'Service Above Self'.

The pages of this newsletter also celebrate the power of fellowship and collaboration. As we engage in vibrant discussions, share insights, and connect with fellow Rotarians, we realize that our collective strength knows no bounds.

As we flip through these stories of impact, let us remember that each action we take, whether big or small, contributes to the larger tapestry of positive change. Through our unwavering dedication, we are creating a world where compassion, resilience, and service shine brightly.

We extend our gratitude to all contributors, action takers, photographers, and the entire editorial team for their dedication in bringing this newsletter to life. Your commitment to capturing the essence of Rotary's spirit is truly commendable.

We invite you to immerse yourself in the pages ahead, to be inspired, and to be reminded that together, we are Rotary - a force for good that transcends borders and unites hearts.

Thank you for your continued support and for being a part of this remarkable journey of service and friendship.

In Rotary Fellowship,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Makarand Bhatt".

Makarand Bhatt  
Editor



### New Year.....New Vision

The New Member Installation Event held on July 1st, 2023, marked a significant milestone in the history of our Rotary Club. This event not only celebrated the induction of new members but also witnessed the oath-taking ceremony of the incoming president, secretary, and board of directors. The occasion was a testament to the commitment of our club to uphold the values of service, leadership, and community engagement.

### New Start

The event was a well-organized and dignified affair, attended by current club members, honored guests, and community leaders. The event's proceedings were as follows:

- **Welcome Address:** The outgoing president offered a warm welcome and highlighted the club's achievements over the past year.
- **Introduction of New Members:** The new members were introduced individually, with a brief background and their aspirations.
- **Keynote Speaker:** A distinguished spiritual leader, Swami Deveshanand ji delivered an inspiring keynote speech. He emphasized the importance of leadership in community service and the profound impact leaders can have on local communities.

- **Oath-Taking Ceremony:** The focal point of the event was the oath-taking ceremony. A solemn pledge was made by the incoming president, Rtn Jayesh Jiandani, the incoming secretary, Kina Shah, and the board of directors to serve the community, uphold Rotary's principles, and work tirelessly to improve the community.
- **Address by Incoming President:** Rtn Jayesh Jiandani, the incoming president, delivered a heartfelt address, outlining his vision for the upcoming year. He stressed the importance of collaboration, inclusivity, and innovative approaches to community service.
- **Fellowship and Networking:** Following the formal program, attendees enjoyed a social hour and dinner, providing an opportunity for members, guests, and new inductees to interact, share experiences, and build connections.

The event served as a beacon of inspiration for both new and existing members, reminding us all of the transformative power of collective action and shared values.



Event  
of the Month

distributed 10,000 hopes



### Empowering Education

Education is a cornerstone of progress, and access to quality resources is key to fostering a love for learning. Our initiative to provide 10,000 books to Municipal Schools is a step towards bridging the gap and ensuring that students have the tools they need to explore the world of knowledge.

### Celebrating Progress, Inspiring Action

As we celebrate the distribution of 10,000 books, let us also be inspired to continue our efforts in making education accessible to all. Together, we can break down barriers and build a brighter future where every child has the chance to explore, learn, and thrive.

### A Ripple Effect of Change

Our endeavor goes beyond the mere distribution of books. With each page turned and each idea explored, we believe that a ripple effect of positive change is being set in motion. These books have the power to inspire, to ignite curiosity, and to unlock the potential within every student.

### Join Us in Making a Difference

This achievement is not an end, but a beginning. We invite you to join us on this journey of impact. Whether through volunteering, supporting our initiatives, or spreading the word, every contribution counts. Together, we can write stories of empowerment, knowledge, and change.



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# Event of the Month



## Caring for Our Furry and Feathered Companions

Our bird feeding and pet care project at the iconic Sayaji Baug is a testament to our dedication to the well-being of animals and the environment. This project is not only a way to provide sustenance to our avian friends but also to create awareness about responsible pet ownership and animal welfare.

## Promoting Responsible Pet Care

As part of our project, we also highlight the importance of caring for birds responsibly. We emphasize the need to provide birds with proper shelter, food, and water. We also encourage people to reduce the use of pesticides and protect birds from predators.

## Community Involvement: A Key to Success

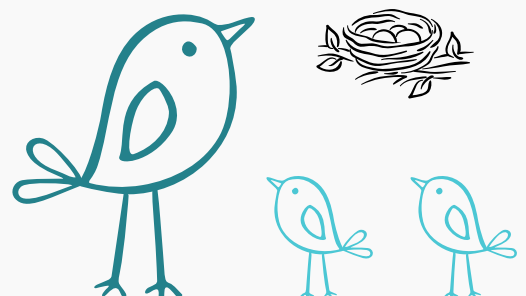
The success of this project would not have been possible without the support and active participation of our Dist. Governor Rtn Nihir Dave, all club members and other Rotary clubs of Baroda. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the Vadodara Municipal Corporation, volunteers, and all those who generously contributed their time and resources to make this endeavor a reality.

## Feeding Our Feathered Neighbors

Sayaji Baug, a haven of greenery and biodiversity, is now welcoming our feathered neighbors with open arms. Bird feeding stations have been strategically set up, providing a safe and comfortable spot for birds to find nourishment. By offering grains and seeds, we are not only supplementing their diet but also creating a space where nature and humans harmoniously coexist.

## Join the Movement

As we celebrate the positive impact of our bird feeding and pet care project, we invite you to join our movement. Whether you're an animal lover, a pet owner, or simply someone who believes in creating a better world for all living beings, your support matters. Together, we can continue to make a difference in the lives of animals and our community.



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# Shedding Light on Conjunctivitis: Seminar on Awareness and Prevention



## The beginning.....

We are delighted to present the post-event report on the "Conjunctivitis Awareness Seminar" conducted by the New Era Senior Secondary School Interact Club. This seminar, aimed at raising awareness about conjunctivitis and its prevention, was a resounding success, with active participation and engagement from students, and teachers.

### Understanding Conjunctivitis: The Pink Eye Menace

The seminar took place on 24th July at New Era Senior Secondary School. The agenda for the seminar included informative presentations, interactive discussions, and practical demonstrations, all designed to enlighten participants about the various aspects of conjunctivitis and its prevention.

### Impact and Takeaways

- Increased Awareness
- Empowered Audience
- Community Bonding

## Aims and Objectives

- Raise awareness about conjunctivitis and its various forms.
- Educate participants about the causes, symptoms, and risk factors associated with conjunctivitis.
- Highlight the importance of personal hygiene and eye care practices.
- Share effective preventive measures to minimize the risk of contracting conjunctivitis.

## Empowering Through Education

Our Interact Club members at New Era Senior Secondary School, fueled by their passion for community service and health awareness, have meticulously prepared this seminar. They delivered informative presentations, engaging discussions, and interactive sessions to ensure that every participant leaves with a deeper understanding of conjunctivitis and the tools to prevent its occurrence.



1. What is conjunctivitis commonly known as?

- a) Eye Glare
- b) Pink Eye
- c) Blue Vision
- d) Eyelid Rash

2. Which part of the eye is affected by conjunctivitis?

- a) Cornea
- b) Retina
- c) Lens
- d) Conjunctiva

# Installing a HOPE in New Generation

## New Era Senior Secondary School



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### HOPE Installed

They were joyous moments from the recent installation ceremony of the Interact Club, which took place on the 28th of July at New Era Senior Secondary School. This significant event marked the official induction of our passionate and dedicated members into this vibrant community of change-makers.

### A Platform for Positive Change

The installation ceremony was an embodiment of our commitment to making a positive impact within and beyond the school's walls. The Interact Club serves as a platform for young minds to come together, channel their enthusiasm, and work towards creating meaningful change in our school and community.

### An Inspiring Affair

The ceremony was a blend of inspiration and enthusiasm, as the new members were welcomed with open arms. The event commenced with a heartfelt welcome address, setting the tone for the day's proceedings. The incoming members, principal Ms. Leena Madam, our President Rtn. Jayesh Jiandani and a Youth Service Director Rtn Makaran Bhatt shared their view, vision and memorable experiences, paving the way for the new members to step into their roles with zeal and purpose.

### A Promise of Purpose

As we witnessed the ceremony, we were reminded of the transformative potential that lies within each member. Together, we stand united in our promise to serve, to lead, and to create a better world for ourselves and those around us.

### QUIZ TIME

1. What is the primary focus of Interact Clubs?
  - a) Environmental preservation.
  - b) Academic excellence.
  - c) Leadership development, community service, and international understanding.
  - d) Cultural exchange programs.
2. Who can join an Interact Club?
  - a) Only students with high grades.
  - b) Only students interested in sports.
  - c) Any young person aged 12-18 who is enrolled in a school or college.
  - d) Only students with prior volunteer experience.
3. What is the motto of Interact Clubs?
  - a) "Service Above Self"
  - b) "Leadership Through Action"
  - c) "Together We Serve"
  - d) "Youth Empowerment"

# Learn - Unlearn - Relearn

## Welcome to Rotary School of Self Learning



### Learning paradigm

Feeling excited to share insights from the dynamic Rotary training program led by the esteemed PP Rtn Dr. Agam Shrivastava. This engaging and enlightening session aimed to enhance our leadership skills, foster a culture of collaboration, and inspire us to create meaningful change within our community.

### A Catalyst for Growth

The training program, led by Dr. Agam Shrivastava, proved to be a catalyst for personal and professional growth.

Dr. Agam Shrivastava's extensive experience and expertise in leadership development provided a unique opportunity for our members to refine their skills and broaden their horizons.

### Key Takeaways

As we reflect on the enriching experience of the Rotary training program, we are inspired to implement the learnings in our initiatives and projects. The training has equipped us with tools to create a more connected, innovative, and compassionate community.

- Leadership Fundamentals
- Collaborative Spirit
- Innovation and Creativity
- Inspiration to Action
- Back to basics

### Continuing the Journey

Let us carry forward the spirit of collaboration, empathy, and action that we imbibed during this training. Together, we can make a tangible difference in the lives of those we serve.



1. What is the motto of Rotary International?
  - a) We Serve
  - b) Service Above Self
  - c) Making a Difference
  - d) Empowerment Through Action
2. What is the highest honor a Rotarian can receive?
  - a) Service Medal
  - b) Rotary Star Award
  - c) Rotarian of the Year
  - d) Paul Harris Fellow
3. What is the name of Rotary's magazine that highlights Rotary's activities, projects, and global impact?
  - a) Rotary Voice
  - b) Rotary Journal
  - c) The Rotarian
  - d) Rotaract Chronicles
4. What is the goal of Rotary's "Rotary Foundation"?
  - a) Promote global tourism
  - b) Provide scholarships for international students
  - c) Support Rotary's international service projects
  - d) Organize cultural exchange programs



**Why did the executive bring a pencil to the meeting?**

*Because they heard it was a "write" way to make decisions!*



**Student:** "Teacher, can you tell me the difference between ignorance and apathy?"



**Teacher:** "I don't know and I don't care!"

### The Mysterious Doors

You find yourself in a locked room with no windows and only two doors. One door leads to certain death and the other door leads to freedom. There are two guards, one in front of each door. One guard always tells the truth, and the other guard always lies. You don't know which guard is which or which door leads to freedom.

You have just one question to ask one of the guards to figure out which door leads to freedom. What question should you ask?

Take your time to think creatively and come up with a solution!



The question you should ask is:  
"If I were to ask the other guard which door leads to freedom, what would he say?"  
Then, choose the opposite door of what the guard tells you. Let's consider the two possibilities:  
1. If you ask the truthful guard, he will truthfully tell you that the lying guard would point you to the door of death. Therefore, the truthful guard would point you to the door of death.  
2. If you ask the lying guard, he would lie about what the truthful guard would say, which means he would also point you to the door of death.  
So, regardless of which guard you ask, they would both indicate the door of death. Therefore, you should choose the opposite door to find your way to freedom.

### The Door Key

- **"Jadibuti"** Divas Celebration on 4th August in association with "Patanjali Yog Samiti."
- Official Club Visit by Dist. Governor on 10th August @ LVP, Vadodara
- **Independence Day** celebration on 15th August at Dajipura School.
- Interact Installation ceremony at Delhi Public School, Kalali on 21st August
- **"Rakshabandan"** Celebration with Intellectually Challenged Children on 29th August at "Killol" School.
- **Birthdays :**
  - Dr. Agam Shrivastava - 3rd August
  - Jitendra Jain - 4th August
  - Swati Jain - 4th August
  - Dr. Jigar Mehta - 8th August
  - Meet Patel - 11th August
  - Dr. Sharmisthaben Desai - 18th August
  - Ishan Agarwal - 26th August
- **Anniversary :**
  - Naresh Asnani - 24th August

UPCOMING  
EVENTS

