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**ROTARY
CLUB BARODA
COSMOPOLITAN**

Friendship with Fellowship

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Rotary Vision Statement

TOGETHER WE SEE A WORLD

WHERE **PEOPLE UNITE**
AND TAKE ACTION

TO **CREATE LASTING**

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IN OUR COMMUNITIES
AND IN OURSELVES



**THE MAGIC
OF ROTARY**



The Spirit of Rotary

ALPA JAIN



On December 4, we gathered for Rotary Sweater Distribution at Sindhrot School. My son Manit was at home, having decided to skip school to prepare for his Accounts exam the next day. The exam was important—especially since he needed to make up for a Math paper that hadn't gone well. Yet, as I reflected on it, I reminded myself that it's more important for Manit to grow into a compassionate, humble person than merely an academically successful one. Once again, Rotary became my ally in instilling these values in him.

Manit and I joined the ever-enthusiastic Rotary team, including Rtn. Vijaybhai, Rtn. Deepali, and Rtn. Mansi Rana. A local villager, brimming with sincerity, guided us to the school. His contentment in performing this simple yet meaningful task was remarkable—it was as though he had been entrusted with the most critical job on earth. In many ways, he embodied the joy of honest, selfless service.

When we arrived, we were warmly welcomed by the Vice Principal, teachers, and 212 smiling children, seated neatly in rows. Their collective greeting, in unison felt like a musical choir prepared to showcase their talent.

Rtn. Vijaybhai's explanation of the Rotary Four-Way Test in crisp, unadulterated Gujarati captivated everyone, including us Rotarians. When Rtn. Deepali announced a competition for the children to recite the Four-Way Test, the excitement was palpable. Thunderous clapping echoed through the school ground as the kids cheered and prepared themselves.

Finally, it was time for the moment we had all gathered for—the sweater distribution. As a few children were called up for a symbolic distribution, their eyes lit up with pure, unfiltered joy. Their happiness was so genuine, so instinctive, it left us all deeply moved. Faces may sometimes deceive, but the eyes never lie—they are the soul's true reflection.

The cherry on top of the bright red sweaters was the attached hoodie, a detail that brought even more delight to the children. The clapping didn't cease for what felt like an eternity. The kids had received exactly what they needed and wanted, and their joy was contagious.

That day, I returned home carrying more than just the gift of smiles and gratitude—I carried a profound sense of fulfillment, the memory of infectious laughter, and the sound of ceaseless clapping that still echoes in my heart.





EVENTS GONE BY

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INTER ROTARY CRICKET TOURNAMENT

The Rotary Club Baroda Cosmopolitan successfully hosted the 4th Inter Rotary Club Night Cricket Tournament on December 1, 2024, at Khanpur Sports Club. Six Rotary clubs from Vadodara city participated, including:

- Rotary Club of Jawahar Nagar
- Rotary Club of Kalanagari
- Rotary Club of Vadodara One
- Rotary Club of Baroda Greens
- Rotary Club of Sayaji
- Rotary Club Baroda Cosmopolitan

The teams were divided into two groups, each comprising of three teams. The winners of both groups, Rotary Club of Sayaji and Rotary Club Baroda Cosmopolitan, clashed in the final match. Rotary Club Baroda Cosmopolitan emerged victorious, defeating Rotary Club of Sayaji by six wickets. The winning team scored 73 runs in 11.4 overs, surpassing Sayaji's score of 72 runs in 12 overs.

Annet Prathit Harsh Rana from RCBC was declared the Player of the Match for the finale.

The tournament was a huge success, with all participating club members enjoying the thrilling matches, snacks, and dinner arranged by RCBC. The final match was a nail-biting finish, with both teams giving their best and keeping the audience on the edge of their seats until the very last ball.

A big thank you to Rtn.Dr Maulesh Dholakia for his remarkable commitment to organising the cricket tournament year after year, bringing joy and excitement to our Rotary community.



SWEATER DISTRIBUTION AT SINDHROT PRIMARY SCHOOL

On December 4, 2024, our club successfully distributed 212 sweaters to the students (aged 5-13yrs) of Sindhrot Primary School. These sweaters were part of the 500 received from the District, courtesy of generous donations from Rtn. Dipak Shah, Rtn. Govind Pande, Rtn. Manish Shah, Rtn. Hiral Shah, Rtn. Dr. Parag Buch and Non-Rotarian Dr. Rakesh Luhana. The students' faces lit up with joy when they saw that the sweaters were with hoods. We appreciate the support and presence of Rtn. Alpa Jain, Rtn. Mansi Rana, Rtn. Vijay Vora, Rtn. Deepali Dholakia, Annet Manit Alpa Jain.



SWEATER DISTRIBUTION AT JALARAM PRIMARY SCHOOL

190 sweaters were distributed to the students of Class 1 to 5 at Jalaram Primary School on 6th December. Students were excited and glad to see their new sweaters with hoodies and their faces lit up with joy, and they couldn't wait to wear them. It was a heart-warming moment to see the students' happiness and gratitude. These sweaters were part of the 500 sweaters received from the District, out of which 36 were donated to students of Paathshala School and 212 to the students of Sindhrot Primary School. We are grateful to our Donors - Rtn. Dipak Shah, Rtn. Govind Pande, Rtn. Manish Shah, Rtn. Hiral Shah, Rtn. Dr. Parag Buch and Non-Rotarian Dr. Rakesh Luhana. The students' faces lit up with joy when they saw that the sweaters were with hoods. We appreciate the support and presence of Rtn. Ami Shah, Rtn. Hiral Shah, Rtn. Jignesh Ray, Rtn. Vijay Vora and Rtn. Arpit Bharal.



SWEATER DISTRIBUTION AT ABHI SIDDHI VIDYALAYA

In the heart of Vasma's labourers' confined area, Ms. Purvi's pioneering initiative shines bright. Abhi Siddhi Vidyalaya provides free education to labourers' children, aligned with the NOCL education system. This remarkable journey began two years ago with just four students; Today, the school proudly supports 22 students aged 4-17. Beyond academics, the school empowers these young minds with essential life skills and nutritious, customized meals – a welcome respite from their previous struggles with tobacco addiction. On 9th December, we had the privilege of distributing Rotary sweaters to these deserving students. Their beaming smiles as they wore their new sweaters were truly priceless! Thank you Rtn. Vijay Vora for your support as always.



INSTALLATION OF 4 WAY TEST IN GUJARATI

Rtn. Vijay Vora explained the significance of our 4-Way Test to the students of Sindhrot Primary School and the students of Jalaram Primary School. They then recited it in Gujarati. Rtn. Deepali Dholakia encouraged the students to learn and participate in the 4-Way Test competition in their school early next year. The schools will now display the 4-Way Test on their school wall, serving as a reminder of our shared values.

FOLLOW-UP OF SWEATERS (2023-24) AT ITOLA PRIMARY SCHOOL

To ensure our sweater distribution drive is creating an impact on the beneficiaries, we followed-up with the Itola Primary School and we were so glad to see our previous year's sweater recipients proudly wearing their warm and cosy sweaters again this year!

However, we also noticed a few students without our club sweaters, either because they had outgrown them or were new admissions. To ensure that no one is left out, we distributed our last remaining lot of 38 sweaters to these deserving students!





RCBC ANNUAL SPORTS DAY: A RESOUNDING SUCCESS!

RCBC hosted its Annual Sports Day on December 15th at the Suncity Club. The event featured a range of exciting sports, including Pickle ball, Table Tennis, Badminton, Carrom, and Cricket. Members and their families participated in large numbers. They were divided into two teams - Red and Blue. The event was a perfect blend of fun, fitness, and fellowship. Congratulations to Team Blue for winning the Cup! Individual winners received plants as a token of appreciation.

A huge thank you to all Cosmotarians for making this event a grand success. Special appreciation to our fantastic sports committee - Rtn. Milap Parikh, Rtn. Jeet Vin, Rtn. Pratiksha Shah, Rtn. Yogesh Nimkar, Rtn. Shital Parikh, and Ann Shruti Bharal - for their meticulous planning and execution. Thanks to Rtn. Vijay Vora for efficiently managing the registration desk. Our sincere Gratitude to Rtn. Poorva Nimkar for arranging a wonderful venue and delicious food.

Most importantly, thank you to all participants - Team RCBC, you rock! Your enthusiasm and sportsmanship made this event truly unforgettable.



HUMF

Our Monthly Service Project, Healthy Uterus Mother Foetus was organised at Padra Health Care centre on 18th December. We distributed 50 packets of Chana-Khajur to pregnant and lactating mothers. We are thankful to our donors this month Rtn. Shubhra Singh Mehta-Rtn. Arjun Singh Mehta for their generous donation. Thanks to Rtn. Vijay Vora and Rtn. Shubhra for their presence and support.



SUDAMA NI JHOLI

This month's Sudama Ni Jholi was organised at Kushnapara Village, Sindhrot, on 18th December, wherein we distributed a month's grocery to 27 widows in the village. We are Grateful to the donors Rtn. Shubhra Singh Mehta and Rtn. Arjun Singh Mehta for their generous contribution. Members Rtn. Shubhra Singh Mehta, Rtn. Arpit Bharal and Rtn. Deepali Dholakia were present at the event. We are thankful to them for their presence and support.



THE THAR SUMMIT

The Thar Summit, hosted from 20th to 22nd December, in the enchanting Blue City of Jodhpur, was a grand success. Held at the prestigious Amritam Palace, the event welcomed over 1500 Rotarians, Anns, and Annets creating a vibrant and memorable gathering.

Our club was proudly represented by: President Rtn Arpit Bharal and First Lady Shruti Bharal, Club Secretary Rtn Deepali Dholakia, PP Rtn Dr. Maulesh Dholakia and PP Rtn Sandeep Bhalla.





GIFT OF JOY: SPREADING CHRISTMAS CHEER

On December 24th, the Interact Club of AVV Cosmopolitan, in collaboration with RCBC, distributed Christmas gifts to approximately 200 students of Jalaram Vidyalaya, classes 6-10. The gifts, worth ₹1, 11,601, were generously donated by Rtn. Rajvi Makol and Ann Nidhi Makol.

The Interactors not only brought joy to the students but also sang Christmas carols together, creating a memorable experience. Attendees included Interact President Intr Shikha Dholakia, Interact Vice-President Intr Aishwarya Rao, Interact Function Committee Chair Intr Punyada, Interact International Relations Chair Intr Krishiv Nimavat, and IYE Student Timoleon.

RCBC Club Secretary Rtn. Deepali Dholakia briefed the students about the upcoming 4-Way Test recitation competition, scheduled for next month during DG OCV's visit. We extend our gratitude to the school Principal Mr. Dhaval, Mrs. Ami and the teachers for their support and kind gesture of gifting our Interactors.



UPCOMING EVENTS

CLOTHING THE COMMUNITY	(To Be Decided Later)
OCV	19 th January
INAUGURATION OF WATER COOLER AT JALARAM SCHOOL	17 th January
SUDAMA NI JHOLI	19 th January
GOLF TOURNAMENT	26 th January
HUMF	(To Be Decided Later)

The FOUR Way Test

1 IS IT TRUTH?

2 IS IT FAIR TO ALL CONCERNED?

3 WILL IT BUILD GOODWILL AND BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?

4 WILL IT BE BENEFICIAL TO ALL CONCERNED?

Anniversary

Rtn. Dr. Maulesh and Deepali Dholakia	4th January
Rtn. Himanshu and Priti Shah	24th January
Rtn. Nishit and Monal Jiwan	26th January
Rtn. Vishal and Shital Parikh	30th January
Rtn. Udit and Gauri Talati	30th January

Birthdays

Rtn. Himanshu Shah	6th January
Rtn. Neha Patel	6th January
Rtn. Udit Talati	9th January
Annet Naman Parikh	10th January
Annet Rishit Jain	15th January
Rtn. Dr. Sumit Shah	16th January
Annet Pranav Vora	16th January
Annet Heer Shah	22nd January
Late Usha Vora	23rd January
Rtn. Nimesh Gosalia	26th January
Ann Nital Patel	30th January
Rtn. Dr. Rumin Shah	31st January

Happy New Year  2025