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ACTIVITY OF THE MONTH



Ortho-Medical Camp at Ulhasnagar

We meet every Thursday at 6.15 p.m.
at Matunga Gymkhana, Matunga, Mumbai 400 019
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Meetings and Activities of the Month

Thursday, 6th January 2011

Solar Project

Rtn. Sachin Kulkarni



Dist. Avenue Co-Chair for Solar Projects, Rtn. Sachin Kulkarni from Rotary Club of Thane North made a presentation on Solar Energy, its advantages and limitations. He also spoke about the project undertaken by our

tribal homes with the help of Solar Energy.

He informed that so far 250 tribal homes were provided Solar sets and 20 solar street lights had been erected in their villages.

Sunday, 9th January 2011

Drawing Competition

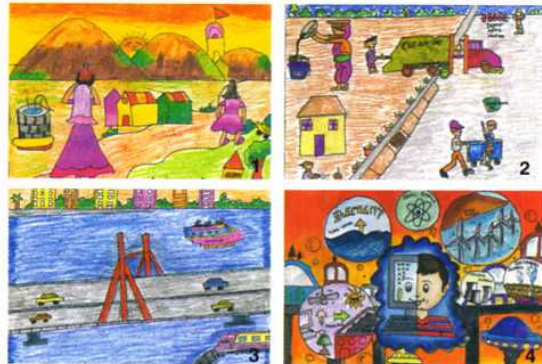
Annual Event of our Club, the drawing competition was held in gusto at the Sion Fort under the able leadership of our dynamic IPP, Rtn. Pratap where more than 100 children from the schools in Sion and Dharavi area participated.

The children were divided in 4 groups, their entries were judged and winners were awarded prize money at the end of the function.

Thanks to R/Ann Jyoti Chande food packets were given to every participant. The event was made possible with support from many Club members.



Participants with our members, R/Anns and R/Children



Prize winning entries: (Gr1) Ms. Prachi Khandol, I. H. Bhatia English Medium School, (Gr2) Mast. Dhruva Raja, Our Lady of Good Counsel High School, (Gr3) Mast. M. Ravindra, Sion Koliwada Municipal Night School, (Gr4) Ms. Monica Jadhav, Little Angels' High School

Monday, 17th January 2011

DAUD - District at Ur Doorstep

The WAMA Group - Rotary Clubs of Mandvi, Mahim, Sion and Uptown - held the DAUD meeting at Matunga Gymkhana where Dr. Sunil Keswani and Laxmiraj Shah made presentations on Rotary Medical and Nonmedical Projects. The meeting was presided over the Rtn. Jhankar Gadkari.

The meeting was attended by more than 60 members of the 4 clubs.



Rtn. Jhankar Gadkari addressing the WAMA Group seen from L-R: Rtns. Laxmiraj Shah, PNS Sivan and Dr. Sunil Keswani

Meetings and Activities of the Month

Saturday 22nd-Tuesday 25th, January 2011

Ortho-Medical Camp



PDG Dr. Peter Iblher and Dignitaries at the camp at Ulhasnagar

The major project of our Club, the Ortho-Medical Camp with Matching Grant Partners, Rotary Clubs of Freital and Nurnberg-Sigena, Germany was held at Swami Sarvanand Hospital, Ulhasnagar. DGN, Dr. Bal Inamdar specially took out time and inaugurated the camp on 22nd January 2011.

More than 150 patients benefited from the camp where Jaipur Foot, Callipers, Crutches, Wheelchairs and Tricycles were provided to the physically challenged people from the lower strata of rural population.

The Jaipur Foot, Callipers, and Crutches were provided by Mahavir Vikalang Sahayata Samitee team led by Mr. Vyas. 18 Orthopedic surgeries on patients of age 3 to 30 years were conducted by Dr. Taral Nagda and his team during the camp.

A preliminary check-up camp for selecting patients for surgeries was held at the Primary Health Centre at Somta Phata near Palghar on Sunday 8th January 2011.

Dr. Jaideep Dhamele, Dr. Ms. Chasnal Rathod and their team examined over 70 patients at the Somta check-up camp.



Rtns. from Germany (R-L): Ms. Antje Hermenau, Mr. Clemens Burschky and Mr. Albrecht Hartge

The camps, both at Somta Phata and Ulhasnagar were ably supported by the team of NGO, Impact India, led by Mr. Pius Moras, which provided logistics for movement of patients from remote rural areas of Jawhar, Wada, Mokhada, etc.

Mr. Balani and his team at the Swami Sarvanand Hospital made arrangements not only for conducting the camp and providing hospital infrastructure, but also the medicines and food for patients, their relatives as well as volunteers and Rotarians.

Our past President Himat Advani was the guiding force in arranging the camp at the Swami Sarvanand Hospital. He even arranged for the stay of our volunteer Rotarians at the Old-age Home.

Our Club thanks Dr. Taral Nagda and his team of doctors for their unstinted support for the Project and conducting 18 Ortho surgeries on 25th January 2011. We also thank Impact India Team for looking after patient needs.



A 4 member team from Germany, PDG Dr. Peter Iblher, Mr. Albrecht Hartge, Mr. Clemens Burschky and Ms. Antje Hermenau visited the camp. They were accompanied by Dr. Mrs. Gundel Iblher and Mrs. Monica Burschky. The visiting Rotarians were hosted by PDG Kishore, IPP Pratap, PP Emkay and PP Gopal of Uptown.

Monday, 24th January 2011

Joint Meeting with German Rotarians



Dr. Peter addressing the Joint Meeting

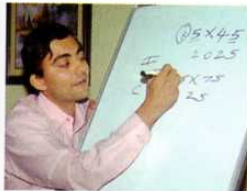
Meetings and Activities of the Month

A joint meeting with RC of Uptown was held in the Rotary Garden at Wadala, where our PP Dinesh and AG Neena Kalra made presentations on the activities undertaken by their respective clubs. PDG Dr. Peter Iblher responded commending the good work being carried out by the Rotary Clubs in our District.

Thursday, 27th January 2011

Mathemagic Show and Memory Development

Mr. Minoo Jokhi



Mr. Minoo Jokhi thrilled the audience with his exceptional ability of naming the days for any birthday in the last four hundred years.

He is a specialist teacher for maths and has conducted over 500 workshops for children. Rotarians, R/Anns and children all enjoyed asking him to tell the day on which they were born. In all, a very enjoyable and entertaining meeting.



Before the speaker took the stage we had the induction ceremony for Rtn. Vikkasini Hemmadi. Members present were happy to have her again in their midst.

Saturday 29th & Sunday 30th January 2011

District Conference

12 Rotarians and 1 R/Ann attended the Dist. Conference held at the Renaissance Hotel, Powai. The District Conference was addressed

many illuminaries including spiritual leader, Ms. Jaya Row, Member of Parliament, Mrs. Supriya Sule, TV journalist, Prabhu Chawla.

The arrangements for the delegates were excellent with members of the RC of Mulund ensuring that everyone was comfortable and well looked after under the able leadership of Conference Chairman, PP Sharad Shah.

On of the important subjects discussed during the conference was the proposal for bifurcation of District 3140, which was rejected by voice vote.

Kudos



"A VISION OF THE FUTURE"

The District Rotary Quiz (Part of the DAUD Program introduced this Rotary Year) after couple of postponements, finally commenced at 4.00 pm on the 2nd day of the District Conference.

Our Club was one of the six participating teams at the finals. In the finals, each team was asked 6 Questions. Though initially it looked as if it would be a tie between Mumbai Sion and Borivli East, the final scores told a different story with our Club under the stewardship of PP Ashwinkumar Shetty and the able assistance of PP Mahendra Chheda were the winners with a margin of 25 points and received the 'No.1' trophy at the hands of DG Jayant Kulkarni. To add to the celebrations, our 'rising star' Suhas won a 'Mobile Phone' in the Lucky Draw.

The Quiz Masters were Rtn. Harjit Singh Talwar and Rtn. Kumar Despande who had a 'Bank' of well researched Questions.

Mark Your Diary

Thursday, 3rd February 2011

PP Rtn Sunil More on "Fun with Illusions"

Thursday, 10th February 2011

Samson Sequeira - Marathon Training for Every Indian

Thursday, 17th February 2011

Sebastian Audureau on "Strategic management for Non Profit Organisations"

Thursday, 24th February 2011

Smt Meenakshi Balasubramanian on "Rehabilitation of the Disabled"

Joke of the Month

Time to go Home!

During fellowship, a Rotarian kept looking in his pocket, cringing and then taking another drink. He gulps down, looks in his pocket again, cringes and takes another one.

This goes on.

Finally another Rotarian, bursting with curiosity, says, "Yaar, I know it's none of my business, but I have to ask. Why do you look in your pocket and cringe before taking another drink?"

"Well," slurred the Rotarian, "There's a picture of my wife in my pocket. When she starts looking good, then it's time for me to go home."



Many Happy Returns!



Birthdays

Rtns

Jaywant K. Shah	Feb. 9
Kishore D. Jobalia	19
Capt. Anil K. Gupta	26

R/Anns

Anuradha Gautam Dey	10
Radha Sivan	15
Deena Mukesh Kothari	17

Children

Vinit V. Mody	3
Sangeeta P. Lalwani	5
Narendra A. Puranik	8
Kartikeya B. Damany	9
Suraj B. Dever	10
Jayneel J. Vora	11
Akshay L. Chadha	12
Chintami V. Kale	14
Yasmin R. Surti	25

Wedding Anniversaries

Kishore - Sudha Jobalia	20
Tushar - Roopali Shinde	21

Our '100 Percenters' during January 2011

Arulprakash K.	Pritam Lalwani
Ashwinkumar Shetty	Rohinton Surti
Balakrishna Dever	Dr. S. Natarajan
Dr. Bharat Damany	Samvar Mavani
Dinesh C. Shah	Satish Kulkarni
Ganesh N. Shanbhag	Sharad Shah
Mahadev K. Kulkarni	Suhas Masurkar
Mahendra Chheda	Sunil More
P. N. S. Sivan	Vijay Mody
Pratap Chande	Vishnu Dingwaney
Prem Aurora	

We would like to see your name in the '100 Percenters' list and request you to sign the attendance register as well as mention in case you have done 'Make Up' elsewhere.

Our apologies if your name is missing from the above though you have attended all meetings or made up for the same. Let us know and we will correct the error.

Natarajan's Notes



Dear Rotarians!

Greetings!

The year has gotten off to a great start with news pouring in from various clubs in the district about their success in various project. The sheer enthusiasm and dedication of our fellow rotarians is awe inspiring.

We are looking forward to a great year of service in Rotary.

Dr. R. Srinivasan, Managing Trustee of Aditya Jyot Eye Research Institute has offered to all Rotary Clubs in District 3140 to reimburse the cost of cataract surgery upto Rs.1500/- per cataract surgery. All the rotary clubs should send their monthly bills thro' the District Rotary office for claiming reimbursement. Individual clubs can fix Ophthalmic doctors/hospitals according to their convenience. DG, Dr.Jayant Kulkarni has circulated this news to all the Club Presidents.

I am ending my note with the following Thirukkural(Kural: 242 - Chapter 25);

Nallartan nati arulalka pallaral, Terinum akte tunai.

It means the search for virtue's path, cutting across all religious and moral teachings, will lead invariably to spiritual deliverance, through compassion.

The search for virtue and moral fulfillment, whatever be the channel along which it is directed, culminates in the ultimate finding of God through human compassion. That is why an English poet wrote;

*I searched for my God, my God I could not see;
I looked for my soul, my soul eluded me;
I sought out my neighbor and in him found all three.*

Warm Regards,

Rtn. Dr. S. Natarajan

"The very thought of wrong-doing frightens good men;
Bad men do not possess this precious quality."

Tirukkural: 201 Chapter 21



Handing over the wheelchair



Fixing the Jaipur Foot



DGN Dr. Bal Inamdar at camp



Handing over the Tricycle



A patient undergoing surgery



Our Dr. Damany with a patient



Our Hon'ble Drs Suhas (Civil) & Prem (Metallurgy) in action



Some of our Rotarians at Swami Sarvanand Hospital

Rotary Information

DID YOU KNOW????

- The Canadian couple Margaret & Murray Dryden who formed the organization 'SCAW' (sleeping children around the world) in 1969-70, got the idea of distributing free slumber kits to poor children after Margaret tripped on a child sleeping on the street of a city in India - the City of Pune.
- The induction of the Rotary Club of Base Marambio in Antarctica in May 1997 was an important landmark in the growth of Rotary - As Rotary now had presence in all Continents.
- The first Rotary meeting was held in Room 711 of the Unity Building on Dearborn Street in downtown Chicago. The room, the office of mining engineer, Gus Loehr was restored to its original condition for RI's 75th anniversary in 1980. When the building was demolished in 1989, Rotarian members of the Paul Harris 711 Club removed and preserved the room's flooring, wood trim, office equipment and furnishings. In 1994, the room was re-created at RI World Headquarters in Evanston. Hundreds of Rotarians visit the office every year.
- Although Rotary's early focus was on fellowship and business networking, members incorporated the elements of Service. In 1906, Donald M. Carter (who later became known 'The father of community Service') proposed an amendment to the Club byelaws: "An organization that is wholly selfish cannot last long. If we, as a Rotary Club, expect to survive and grow, we must do some things to justify our existence. We must perform a Civic Service."



Ashwinkumar Shetty

Editorial

Realities of Rural India



The 4-day ortho-medical camp at the Swami Sarvanand Hospital organized by our Club jointly with two Rotary Clubs from Germany brought forth many stark realities of life.

Seeing patients, mostly children and many grown-ups, during the preliminary check-up camp at the primary health center in Somta phata near Manor, which preceded the main camp, was painful. So many people with virtually no source of income, came for the camp with hope that physical deformities of their relatives and dear ones would be corrected and they can live life like others.

Almost 75 patients were screened in one day by the team of four doctors, who said that many of these patients, particularly the children could have been cured of their deformities in a very short time, if they were treated immediately after birth or within first 6 months.

It is unfortunate that both the Government and the people themselves are responsible for this pathetic situation. The Government has created primary health center facilities at many places across the country, considering our population, these are utterly inadequate. And people still uneducated and poor, believing their fate, make no efforts to approach the medical facilities in time for treatment.

On the other hand, we living in Urban India, who are lucky to have almost world class medical facilities, sometimes behave like animals in herds to damage and destroy such facilities created for their benefit.

What a paradox!

Sunil More

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