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**R.I. President** Ray Klinginsmith **District Governor** Dr. Jayant Kulkarni Club President Dr. S. Natarajan

### **ACTIVITY OF THE MONTH**



**Vocational Awards Function** 

We meet every Thursday at 6.15 p.m. at Matunga Gymkhana, Matunga, Mumbai 400 019 www.rotarysion,org

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# **Meetings and Activities of the Month**

#### 7th October 2010

A Happy family - The Feng Shui Way

Mrs. Sarita Jain



Mrs. Sarita Jain dispelled our myths about Feng Shui in her talk explaining that the bells, tortoises, bamboo shoots and waterfalls are not all about Feng Shui.

She informed about a unique and an unknown aspect of Feng Shui, where happiness can be brought in homes and families made happy. In the interactive session after her speech, she used numerology concepts to explain the relationships between couples.

She was introduced by Ketna and Rohinton proposed the vote of thanks.

#### 13th October 2010

### **Dental Checkup Camp**

We conducted a dental check up for I.E.S new english school (Bandra) students (junior k.g., senior k.g. & primary students) on 13th October 2010.\_ The team of doctors able led by our own Dr. Tushar Shinde checked a total of about 2200 students and out of which from each class 3 students with best set of teeth and oral hygiene were given prizes.

The following doctors participated in the camp -\_ Dr. Shaurin A. Bhuta, Dr. Smit Shah, Dr. Hrishikesh, Dr. Harshit Vora, Dr. Akash Jain, Dr. Arsalan Ansari,

Dr. Sameer Kande, Dr. Madhur Hulkopkar, Dr. Mitalee Shah, Dr. Vanita Krishnan, Dr. Kavita Bade, Dr. Aashu Chauhan, Dr. Kinjal Gathani, Dr. Sneha Jain and Dr. Sana Bangi

#### 14th October 2010

### Rotary in Canada and our IYE

Rtn. Satish Kulkarni



Our own Satish visited Canada for 43 days and spoke on the 3 Rotary Clubs which he visited and also on the 10 days that he spent with Stacey Brown in Hazelton, BC. He addressed the Rotary Clubs of Calgary Olympic and Kitimat on the subject 'A promise kept' - a

promise he made to Stacey to attend her wedding and then to meet her son Caleb.

He also visited RC of Skeena Valley for making up. He explained with pictures the Rotary meetings in Canada and then gave a detailed description of how our IYE Stacey Brown, who was hosted by our Club in 1986-87, lives in Hazelton.

Sunil introduced Satish and Sharad Shah proposed the vote of thanks.



The birthday boys - Pankaj Tanna, President RC of Worli with Vishnu on left and Mahendra on right

# **Meetings and Activities of the Month**

#### 18th October 2010

#### **DAUD - District at Ur Doorstep**

We had a good attendance of over 40 Rotarians at the DAUD meeting hosted by Rotary Club of Bombay Uptown inspite of heavy rains. Rotarians came albeit a little late and as is the custom in Uptown club, we first had dinner and then the meeting.

Raghunath Rajan of Rotary Club of Deonar spoke on Vocational Service whereas Radhika Srinivasan of Bandra Kurla Complex spoke on International Service.

#### 28th October 2010

#### **Vocational Awards Function**



This year we had 8 awardees selected for the Vocational Awards. The entire programme was handled by Director Dhaval Mehta and executed in style. The Chief Guest for the evening was our own Hon. Rtn. Dr. Mrs. Sandhya Kamat.

The recipients were:

- Dr. Uday Khopkar, Dermatologist from KEM Hospital
- Dr. Ajay Gaikwad, Homeopath and Yoga Guru
- Mr. Surendrakumar Jaiswal, Assistant Commissioner of Police
- Mr. Binodkumar S. Jha, Agriculturist
- Mr. Kirti Solanki, Master Sagar Fashions
- Mr. Tarachand Dada Satre Painting Contractor
- Mrs. Shalaka S. Dhongde, Beautician
- Mr. Vijay Khatu, Eco-friendly Idol maker

The awardees were introduced by R/Ann Mamatha Shetty and Rtn. Amarendra Mulay. R/Ann Mamatha had interviewed the awardees whom she was going to introduce in advance and in her own lucid style emphasised the highlights of their careers. Rtn. Amar Mulay made special efforts to introduce

the awardees in Hindi and Marathi to ensure that they were comfortable and understood what was being said about them. This guesture was very much appreciated.

The chief guest was introduced by IPP Pratap Chande and Samvar Mavani proposed an apt and complete vote of thanks.



Mr. Tarachand Dada Satre being felicitated



IPP Pratap Chande introducing the Chief Guest



Rtn. Samvar Mavani proposing the vote of thanks



Pres. Dr. Natarajan presenting memento to Dr. Sandhya Kamat With the active support of our Sion team comprising R/Ann Jyoti Chande, Madhu Dingrani and Radha the programme was a grand success. The dinner which ended with Gulab Jamuns and Vanilla ice-cream ensured that there was a perfect icing to the entire programme.

# **Our 100 Percenters**

Our '100 Percenters' during October 2010

Ganesh Shanbhag Samvar Mavani
Mahadev Kulkarni Satish Kulkarni
P. N. S. Sivan Suhas Masurkar
Pratap Chande Sunil More
Rohinton Surti Vijay Mody

Dr. S. Natarajan Vishnu Dingwaney

Sharad Shah

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.



All the awardees with President Dr. Natarajan, Hon. Secretary Ganesh Shanbhag and Chief Guest Dr. Sandhya Kamat

## **Mark Your Diary**

### Thursday, 4th November 2010

No meeting due to Diwali Holiday

### Thursday, 11th November 2010

Rtn. Om Prakash Kothari "Know your Rotarians"

### Thursday, 18th November 2010

District at your doorstep - Venue & Timing to be announced later.

### Thursday, 25th November 2010

Club Assembly

## Joke of the Month





A President of a Rotary Club was attending a function, when he bumped into another guest. The two introduced themselves and then talked on various topics from politics to cinema, family to business etc.

While they exhausted all topics and had nothing more to talk, suddenly the guest remembered and said, I am a Rotarian and member of such and such Club.

The President was startled and exclaimed, My Goodness! I am the President of that Club!

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# Natarajan's Notes



My Dear Rotarians

It is that time of the year once again when the festival of lights fill our hearts with joy & happiness. There are several stories associated with

this celebration in different parts of India. The common theme is the triumph of good over evil. It inculcates a very valuable lesson in all of us and teaches us that truth always wins.

The celebration also fosters a sense of oneness as people from all walks of life, young & old, rich & poor, of various castes & languages celebrate Deepavali with great joy & verve. It creates a great sense of camaraderie which is what we at Rotary strive to do. I urge you all to utilize this opportunity to encourage people to join hands with Rotary in its various service projects.

I quote Tiruvalluvar, the saint poet of Tamilnadu

Tirukkural number 211

"The benevolent man should serve society seeking no return, for,

How can the earth recompense the bounty of the rain clouds?"

I wish a HAPPY & PROSPEROUS DIWALI TO ALL OF YOU!

I also urge you to use crackers with caution & practice safety at all times.

Warm regards

Rtn. Dr. S. Natarajan

For help rendered, not as return for benefits already received, all the gifts of earth and heaven cannot compensate.

Thirukkural: 101 Chapter 11



Dr. Uday Khopkar being awarded



R/Ann Mamatha Shetty introducing ACP Mr. Surendrakumar Jaiswal



Rtn. Amar Mulay introducing Mrs. Shalaka S. Dhongde



Mr. Kirti Solanki receiving the certificate from Dr. Sandhya Kamat

### **Rotary Information**

### Selecting and Planning Projects

In the previous issue (Oct 7, 2010), we discussed selection of a project. In this issue we discuss suggested steps in developing a world community service project.



### **Suggested Steps**

- Get ideas from Rotary Web site (WCS ProjectLink) or people who have visited a foreign country.
- Try to select something IMPORTANT that will interest the club members.
- Present the idea to the club's International Service Committee who will report to the Board of Directors.
- If approved, make contact with Rotary club or district in the target country to seek cooperation.
- Get estimates of project cost with cooperation of partner club/district.
- Consider if visit to other country desirable/ necessary. If so, discuss ways of financing travel, including possibility of Volunteer Service Grants.
- Develop budget for project with partner club/ district. Estimate source of funds – sponsor club, district contribution, partner club, matching grant funds, outside support etc.
- Get approval of budget by all sources of support and begin preparation of matching grant applications.
- Process matching grant applications and execute project.
- Keep club informed of progress of project. Have pictures taken, etc. for publicity within district, to outside media, etc.
- Thank those who supported project.

**Ashwinkumar Shetty** 

### **Editorial**



# Blessings usually come in Disquise

November, friends, is a month of festivities! We have Diwali followed by Eid and Christmas in December is not far behind. Festivals are some of those times

during which we seek blessings. And many a times they come in disquise!

I am reminded of a story of the only survivor of a shipwreck washed up on a small, uninhabited island. He prayed feverishly for God to rescue him, and every day he scanned the horizon for help, but he could see nothing.

Exhausted, he eventually managed to build a little hut on the island out of the driftwood to protect him from the elements and to store his few possessions.

But then one day, after scavenging for food, he arrived home to find his little hut in flames, with the smoke rolling up to the sky. The worst had happened; everything was lost.

He was stung with grief and anger. "God, how could you do this to me!" he cried.

However, early next day, he was awakened by the sound of a ship that was approaching the island. It had come to rescue him.

"How did you know I was here?" asked the weary man of his rescuers. "We saw your smoke signal," they replied!

So friends! Watch out! The blessings may be coming to you. You have to only remember to recognize them as these may come in disguise!!

Have a great time during Diwali, Eid and Christmas!

**Sunil More** 

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