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ROTARY SURAT-RIVERSIDE

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R.I. DISTRICT - 3060
CLUB NO. 31734

**ACT WITH
CONSISTENCY,
CREDIBILITY,
CONTINUITY**

PRESIDENT :
DR. SUNIL D'SOUZA

SECRETARY:
MDYEN LOKHANDWALA

IN RETROSPECT :

The last meeting was the meet of togetherness - joint meeting with Rotary Club of Surat Roundtown. On 8th evening at 8 PM. members of the two clubs were together at Rotary Hall for the meeting. The meeting was called to order. Rtn Bastawala from Surat Round Town recited the four way test. Rtn. Arvind Kumar welcomed the visiting Rotarians for this joint meet. This incidently is the fifth Surat club holding joint meet with our club.

President Sunil D'Souza chaired the meet thereafter. He thanked the office bearers and members of the RC of Surat Round Town for sparing their valuable time and joining hands. Dr. Sunil, amidst claps of appreciation, declared that our club has found overseas partners for two matching grant projects proposed by our club.

After club briefings, a slide show was presented by Mr. Trivedi and Mr. Mehul Shah from "India Outdoors", an upcoming nature trail and adventure group Mr. Trivedi of the 'India Outdoors' presented the breathtaking slide show. Their adventure club conducts tours to various destinations in Himachal Pradesh, Western UP, Himalayas, Nepal, Bhutan and the North East. The trek and expeditions also include popular sports like kayaking, white water rafting, river crossing, rock climbing and other adventure sports.

*This year, the trek is to Dalhousie - the queen of hill stations and Khajjiar - the green lush meadow with pine trees lined up on the periphery of a lake full of lotus giving it a typical red colour. A dream tour for those who love unspoilt nature and would like to savour it all with adventure of trekking and camping in the whispering meadows with swaying pines. The song of winds with rhythm of mountain stream rolling down the valley - ensconsed in womb of mother nature - a treat for only a lucky few. Get in touch with Rtn. Sunil D'Souza for more details. And beat the summer heat !
The meet and the slide show concluded with a vote of thanks by Rtn. Anand Acharya.*

CLUB NEWS :

District Representatives invited from our club: It is indeed a matter of great pride that two of our prominent members have been selected for higher responsibilities at the district level. Club President Rtn Sunil D'Souza has been appointed as the GGR for Rotary Club of Surat, RC Udhna and RC Roundtown. PP Rtn. Vishai Sinha is selected as Co-chairman for TRP Information. Kudos from all of us for this achievement. We all wish you grand success in the new endeavour and we are always there to support for the noble cause.

International Partners for Matching Grant Projects: Indeed it is a matter of great pride that both the matching grants proposed by our club have found international partners. The RC of Davenport, IOWA - USA, District 6000 have joined us for the project on 'Rotary Surat Riverside Computer Training Center for Rural Girls'. The polio immunisation team to India from RI District 6000- IOWA - USA are the partners for the project of "Upgradation of toilet blocks to suit physically handicaps at Parvatibai Leprosy Hospital, Surat ". This achievement is an excellent epitome of team work and we can look ahead for more achievements in the near future.

The **BOARD MEETING** is scheduled on 19th Feb (Saturday) at 6.30 PM at the Coil Club, Essar Colony, Hajira. Board members are requested to keep themselves available for the meet as few very important issues are to be presented. For any details, contact Rtn. Sunil D'souza ph. 665989 or Rtn. Arvind Kumar - ph 860559.

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CLUB DUES:

A few members are yet to pay their second term dues. Please do so at the earliest. Treasurer Rtn. Sanjay Pandya is not a happy man now because of defaults. He would be pleased to hear from you.

CLUB ATTENDANCE:

100% attendance for Jan 2000 - Rtn Amrish, Rtn Anand, Rtn Bhaskar, Rtn Dharmendra, Rtn Jitendra, Rtn Joy, Rtn Jugal, Rtn Mdyen, Rtn Rajesh, Rtn Siddharth, Rtn Stanley, Rtn Sunil and Rtn Vishal.
Zero attendance - Rtn. Amit, Rtn. Kulin, Rtn. Manoj, Rtn. Garg, Rtn. Tarey, Rtn. Zarir.

DISTRICT NEWS :

Our club desires a 100% plus attendance at the "Rotary Festival 2001" - the District Conference at Vapi - Daman. You are requested to pay the early bird fee for the conference which is Rs. 750/- per member. Failing this for which the last date is 15th Feb., the fees gets raised to Rs. 950/- and then to Rs. 1500/-. So get the early bird benefit and send in the amount to Rtn. Sanjay Pandya. He will be more smiling and happier if he hears from you about this.

Congratulations :

W/A Rtn. Phiroze & Rashna Madan : 16th February : Ph-639923-644064
Wishing you all God's Choicest Blessings!!

Share a smile.....

A Priest was walking down the street when he came upon a group of about a dozen boys, all of them between 10 and 12 years of age.

The group surrounded a dog. He was concerned that the boys were hurting the dog, he went over and asked "What are you doing with that dog?"

One of the boys replied, "This dog is just an old neighborhood stray. We all want him, but only one of us can take him home. So we've decided that whichever one of us can tell the biggest lie will get to keep the dog."

Of course, the Priest was taken aback. "You boys shouldn't be having a contest telling lies!" he exclaimed. He then gave them a ten minute lecture against lying, beginning, "Don't you boys know it's a sin to lie," and ending with, "Why, when I was your age, I never told a lie."

There was dead silence for about a minute. Just as the Priest was beginning to think that the whole group had understood what he had to say, the smallest boy gave a deep sigh and said, "All right, give him the dog."

**What you give, you have;
What you spent, you had;
What you are keeping, you are losing.**

**We meet every Tuesday - 8.30 pm
at Dr. Sarosh Bhacca Rotary Hall, Timaliyawad Surat.**

Our Next Meeting

VENUE :- Dr. Sarosh Bhacca Rotary Hall, Timaliyawad, SURAT.
TIME :- 08.30 pm (sharp)
DAY-DATE :- Tuesday - 15th February 2000
AGENDA :- FELLOWSHIP -HOUSIE GAME.