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We meet every Tuesday at 8.30 p.m. at Dr. Bhacca Rotary Hall, Jeevan Bharti, Surat
All our meets are Dinner meets.

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Memories of the latest meet

8.30 PM, 1ST December 3, 2002 at Dr. Sam Bacca Rotary Hall.....

We had this time round none other than **PP Mahendra Kajiwala & Rtn. Nayan Bhartya** addressing the Club gathering as speakers on a subject of grave concern which should be taken as a wakeup alarm by all Indians '**CHINA - Latest advancements of Chinese Economy**'.

IPP Jugal Singhlot introduced **PP Mahendrabhai** in his unique style citing his manifold achievements.

Rtn. Ankur Marfatia made a formal introduction of **Rtn. Nayan Bharatya** (Honorary member of our club & President of South Gujarat Chamber of Commerce & Industry).

It was now **President Mukund Jariwala's** turn to accord welcome to the learned speakers and set the meet in motion.

PP Mahendrabhai in his charismatic & to the point address gave a brief insight into the advancements China has made - and - is going to make, which was aliened a not many years ago.

Salient points of his speech are:

- > The high cost of living of Beijing & a few developed cities in China - sighting a very good example of the expensive mineral water.
- > The Chinese businessmen are shrewd but unreliable
- > The work culture is much better than in India
- > Their idea of mass production & not quality thereby using cost as selling point strategy
- > Existence of a big market within China.
- > Returning of Hongkong to China has proved to be a very advantageous as it has now in Hongkong a set market outlet with global reach.

Nayanbhai's address sighted the following as the reasons for China's ongoing success:

- > The high awareness levels amongst the people
- > Higher degree of nationalistic feelings and concern for the nation
- > Strict Communist Laws
- > Adherence to Traffic Rules and other civics
- > Good infrastructure including well planned highways and buildings.

There were a few eager questions from the audiences flowing from **Hiren, Divyang & Mukund** responded by both our learned speakers. Notable presence at the meet was of **PDG Praful Bhatt**. **Rtn Hiren Vepari** proposed the vote of thanks.

Why not? China is bound to become the business super power in the years to come by taking at least a niche in the global market and not to forget the full share of its own big internal market. With the advantage of being a Communist State where changes are fast and unopposed, China has nothing to look back. Added to that 'the most favoured nation status' by USA for trade. We can surely witness this by the way China has entered into software snatching big contracts after having a strong foothold in hardware sector.

Really an eye-opener. How many more years do we wait and watch?!

Wedding Bells

- 11.12.02 Ann Usha & Rtn.Dinesh Bachkaniwala
Tel: 3269216-36 @
11.12.02 Ann Jayshree & Rtn.Paresh Dalal
Tel: 322 6863 / 321 0655 @
13.12.02 Ann.Neena & Rtn.Vishal Sinha
Tel: 322 4152 @
16.12.02 Ann Niyati & Rtn Kuldeep Desai
Tel: 323 8669 / 323 5784 @

Thought for the week

It isn't life that weighs us down, it's the way we carry it.

Score Board of Attendance on 03/12/02

Rotarians	: 25
Anna/spouse	: 06
Annets	: 04
Guests	: 02
Total	: 37

This Month is Rotary Foundation Month

News Makers

Ms.Vasundara daughter of Rtn.Dr.Ajay Bhardwaj stood 2nd in 100 mtrs sprint (Sub-Juniors) in the State Level Athletics competition and will represent Gujarat in the Nationals.

Mast.Jainim, son of Rtn.Bankim Vashi represented St.Xavier's School in the State Level Skating competition.

Rotary Ripples congratulate you both wish you good luck in all your future endeavors.

Moved to a new home

Rtn.Anand Acharya has moved to:
A-7, Anand Apartment, Tadwadi,
Rander Road, Surat - 395 009 Tel : 277 5660

Wish the new home brings you and your family good luck and prosperity

Forthcoming Meetings

The Anns of Rotary Surat Riverside have decided to celebrate the **National Day for the Physically Handicapped** with the institution "MAMTA"
On : 8th December 2002, Sunday.
Venue : St.Xavier's High School, GhodDod Rd
Time : 9.00am sharp
Agenda : Fun and games for the children of MAMTA school on the school lawns

There will be an Awareness Program for parents in the Conference Hall of the school with the Director of MAMTA. from 9.30 to 10.30 am.

All the children will be present with their parents and the staff of the school.

Fr.Xavier, the new Vice-Principal of St. Xavier's School will preside as the Chief Guest.

Annes are requested to contribute Rs.100/- towards the function.

We request all Anns to be present at this function. Rotarians are welcome to join us too.

For details, please contact Ann Hyacinth / Ann Pinky.

Ladies Nite

This meeting will be conducted by the Annes of our club.

On : Tuesday, 10th December '02

At : 8.30 PM

Venue : Dr.Sam Bacca Rotary Hall

Agenda is a surprise. So don't miss the meet. Come & feel the change

Forthcoming Attractions

Christmas Party

The countdown has begun with not many days to go for Christmas....And the Rotary Surat Riverside countdown too has begun with fewer days for the Christmas party to be celebrated

On : Saturday, 21st December'02

At : 7.00pm sharp

Venue : Dr.Sam Bacca Rotary Hall

The mood : **Festive**

Chief Guest : Santa Claus

Agenda : An evening of fun and games

Theme dress colours for children : Red, green or white

This advance information is just to make sure you are there with spouse and the children.

Welcome Sporting talent – Important announcements

Members interested in taking part in following sports events are requested to contact Sports Chairman Rtn. Myden Lokhandwala or President Mukund Jariwala at the earliest to register themselves:

Inter- Club (Surat Area) sports competition:
Table-tennis, Tennis, Badminton, Chess, Caroms

On the 15th December '02, Sunday at Sarita Sagar Sankul

Ames & Annes are also welcome to participate in the events

Fees for participation will be Rs. 120/= (Includes breakfast, tea & Lunch)

District Level Sports Competition:

On the 22nd December '02 in Baroda

Kindly contact Rtn Myden Lokhandwala or President Mukund Jariwala for the exact venue and time.

Rotary Youth Leadership Award

RYLA camp for age group 14 – 18 years has been organised from the 26th Dec '02 to 29th Dec '02 at Dumas

Kindly contact President Mukund Jariwala for the application forms for registering your children. The registration fee is Rs. 500/= per Child.

Rotary India award for Shamji Antala

For his outstanding contribution to water Conservation and Management, Shamjibhai Ananta has been chosen for Rotary India award this year. He is known not only in Gujarat but also in Madhya Pradesh, Orissa and Rajasthan and is acknowledged internationally too.

He will be awarded Rs. 2.00 lakh in cash and a citation at a special presentation ceremony in Chennai on the 8th December '02.

Moved by the four-year-long drought in Saurashtra (1984-88), Antala started a movement to enlighten people on the need to conserve water through well-recharging. In 1993, along with like-minded friends, he founded the Saurashtra Lok Manch with focus on water conservation.

Again in 1997, Antala organized a Jal Sanchay Yatra (Water harvesting rally).

Words to build your vocabulary...

AQUADEXTROUS (*ak wa deks' tru:z*) *adj*

Possessing the ability to turn the bathtub faucet on and off with your toes

CARPERPETUATION (*kar' pur pet u a shun*) *n.*

The act, when vacuuming, of running over a string or a piece of lint at least a dozen times, reaching over and picking it up, examining it, then putting it back down to give the vacuum one more chance

DISCONFECT (*dis kon fekt'*) *v.* To sterilize the piece of candy you dropped on the floor by blowing on it, assuming this will somehow 'remove' all the germs.

ELBONICS (*el bon' iks*) *n.* The actions of two people maneuvering for one armrest in a movie theater.

FRUST (*frust*) *n.* The small line of debris that refuses to be swept onto the dust pan and keeps backing a person across the room until he finally decides to give up and sweep it under the rug.

LACTOMANGULATION (*lak' to man gyu lay' shun*) *n.* Manhandling the "open here" spout on a milk container so badly that one has to resort to the 'illegal' side

PEPPIER (*pehp ee ay'*) *n.* The waiter at a fancy restaurant whose sole purpose seems to be walking around asking diners if they want ground pepper.

PHONESIA (*fo nee' zhuh*) *n.* The affliction of dialing a phone number and forgetting whom you were calling just as they answer.

PUPKUS (*pup' kus*) *n.* The moist residue left on a window after a dog presses its nose to it.

TELECKASTINATION (*tel e kras :m ay' shun*) *n.* The act of always letting the phone ring at least twice before you pick it up, even when you're only six inches away.

President Mukund Jariwala

Status of Polio Cases

Year 2001 - 268 wild Polio cases from 63 Revenue Districts

Year 2002 - 854 wild Polio cases as on November 2, 02
from 107 Revenue Districts as compared to 178 wild Polio cases from 55 revenue Districts as on 30 November, 2001

In response to the brochures and pamphlets distributed by Antala, the villagers started collecting rain water and crated canals to divert excess rain water to the base of hand pumps and diverting rain water in peak season to several wells to raise the ground water table.

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Strange Coincidence

Abraham Lincoln was elected to Congress in 1846.
John F. Kennedy was elected to Congress in 1946.
Abraham Lincoln was elected President in 1860
John F. Kennedy was elected President in 1960.
The names Lincoln and Kennedy each contain seven letters
Both were particularly concerned with civil rights.
Both their wives lost their children while living in the WhiteHouse.
Both Presidents were shot on a Friday.
Both were shot in the head.
Both were shot in the presence of their wives.
The Secretary of each President warned them not to go to the theater and to Dallas, respectively.
Lincoln's Secretary was named Kennedy.
Kennedy's Secretary was named Lincoln.
Both were assassinated by Southerners.
Both were succeeded by Southerners.
Both successors were named Johnson.
Andrew Johnson, who succeeded Lincoln, was born in 1808.
Lyndon Johnson, who succeeded Kennedy, was born in 1908.
John Wilkes Booth, who assassinated Lincoln, was born in 1839. Lee Harvey Oswald, who assassinated Kennedy, was born in 1939.
Both assassins were known by their three names. Both names have 15 letters.
Booth ran from the theater and was captured in a warehouse. Oswald ran from the warehouse and was captured in a theater.
To cap it all off, Booth and Oswald were assassinated before their trial.
What do you think: Mystery or a statistical coincidence?

Rtn.Amit Adiya

Believe it or not

Do you know that India is the richest country in the world !!!

Right now....India is the richest country in the world !!! Ask how???

Really amazing. It is due to Mr. G Vaidyaraj who donated all his wealth, about which he too was not knowing He is a descendent of Raja Krishnadeva Raya from Mysore District... From last 300 years or so three stones were worshiped in his house, but nobody tried to see what it was, except this person who is a lawyer by profession....

One day, incidentally, when there was nobody in his house, he took the stone out to see what it is that we worship. Due the dust deposited on it from many years, it looked only like a simple stone... but when he touched it some portion of the stone was cleansed, and he saw a bright ray of light. He saw some thing, which attracted his attention, and he was amazed when he cleaned all of them. The whole room was filled with light. He discovered the diamonds of about 4600 carats each. He informed the Govt. of India and the news is censored with its security.. it is now deposited in Swiss Bank.. The cost of single diamond exceeds the GDP of USA + UK, India can buy virtually 7 developing nations. Even World Bank does not have enough money to buy it. One diamond costs thrice the debt of World Bank over India. One such diamond can buy 10 Bill Gates to you and World Bank has proposed the Indian Govt. that it can pay India in Installment if it wishes to do so. India's GDP is 34.25 billion dollars and Bill Gates property is 95 billion dollars approximate so that is the way "nature changes".. Mr.Vajpayee has refused to sell it. He said it would be sold or mortgaged for credit when we need it. Otherwise right now we have no problems. You can go through Times of India with a small column on it a week ago. Star TV presented a 115 min documentary on it about 15 days ago. The Hindu with its half page article in it. After that it was censored classified.

Reported by Rtn.Bankim Vashi