

RIVERSIDE RIPPLES

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ROTARY SURAT RIVERSIDE

*We meet every Tuesday at 8:30 p.m. at Dr. Bhacca Rotary Hall, Jeevanbharti School.
All our meets are dinner meets.*

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Cover Story...

Elocution Competition

A lovely evening on the 19th of July with a delicious Chinese Food to welcome everyone at the Elocution Competition was just a beginning. President welcomed all as PP Vishal Sinha introduced us to Shree Manoj Joshi (JUDGE for the EVENING):- In-charge Director of B.R.C.M. College of Business Administration, Surat. A Very Learned and Well Read Person, associated for most part of his career with Pharma Industry, involved with Quality Control & Quality Assurance. He has been active as a Consultant for I. S. O. Certification & System Development for almost 5 years now. All-in-all, a multi-faceted personality, and a very Down to Earth human being who's extremely frank about everything. No qualms in accepting anything that he felt was not his forte. We enjoyed his presence.



Riverside annets at their best

Bang It is 07.30 p.m. in RIVERSIDE WATCH. It is usual evening for people strolling on the road outside Dr. Sarosh Bhacca Rotary Hall, at Jeevan Bharti School, but not for annets of Rotary Surat Riverside and their parents. They were smarting over the fact as to how to outwit the other candidates for Elocution Competition.

Another Change since the announcement was made for the elocution competition and that of changing categories age-bracket wise :

Now they were :

Below 5 Years: My Parents

Between 5 and 10 Years: My School

10 to 15 Years: TV-A Boon or A Nuisance

Above 15 Years: TV-A Boon or A Nuisance

Category I was very sincere in their approach sticking to the rule-book. All of them appeared at the scene and reached the podium with full support of the audience and their respective parents. Two Prizes 1st went to Annet Hriday Malji and 2nd went to Annet Tarit Vepari.

Category II was little innovative, little resistive, some of them never made it to the Competition Room, some made it there but did not budge to go to the podium, some of them were not audible enough (may be shy about their first appearance in front of an audience), some

were pretty clear about what they were talking. All in all, an interesting mixes of budding teenagers-to-be. 11 registered themselves, 11 appeared at the scene, 8 made it to the podium bravely. Aagam Shah took the First Prize and 2nd Prize was shared by Annet Yash Jariwala & Annet Jaimin Vashi.

Category III were feeling pretty senior about the whole affair. They prepared themselves well. You could describe it to be professional in their narration. Took little more than their allotted share of time. 6 registered, 4 appeared, 4 reached

the podium. This was dominated by forceful Annet Parita Vashi and 2nd Prize was won by Annet Shivani Pandya.

Category IV was obviously the most mature among the lot. Age, after all was on their side. So, the thought process was obviously sounding better. 2 registered, both appeared, both talked to us from the podium. There was only one Prize here and it was taken by In-bound IYE Student Jenny Roth.

Congratulations-to all annets who came, appeared, mesmerized us all (including their own parents) & the judge too, AND to their respective parents for the wonderful preparations they had carried out alongwith the participants. It was like they were participants, as well, in absentia (at the podium).

Our Dear Rotarian & Sgt-At-Arms Saifuddin Doola lost his mother and we kept silence for 2 minutes as respect to her and we all prayed to Almighty for a peaceful journey for her soul.

Hon. Secretary Mihir Shukla announced secretarial preaching. He also thanked all and urged everyone to clap for the participants.

'Robust' Bankim Vashi took to the stage like a fish to water and proposed a formal vote of thanks.

President led us all for the National Anthem. We could watch Shree Manoj Joshi enjoying every moment of his time spent with us till the end.

Outside, President made an arrangement for a surprisingly new breed of desert for all present till the end.

F a r e w e l l t o O u t b o u n d I Y E s t u d e n t s

Riversiders were fortunate to have had the privilege of hosting the farewell ceremony of the outbound IYE students from our district on the 23rd of July which was a preponed meeting from the 26th. And with a welcome change in the venue, the AC hall of social welfare centre of the Umra Police Station was filled with Rotarians and parents of the o u t b o u n d students from all over the district.

The meeting which had an unusual schedule of 5:30 to 8:30 started with the

Four Way Test being recited by our evergreen Jugal followed by the welcome address from the host president Divyang who welcomed all the students, and explained them the purpose of the meeting.

It was then the turn of IYE chairman Devang Munim (who has started to fondly being reckoned as the "Bhishma Pitamah" of the IYE program).

He in his candid style threw light on the important aspects of the long term program that



Rtn.Devang Munim with IYE students (LtoR): Dina Jinwala, Simouli Dalwadi, Vasundhra Bhardwaj, Rishabh Sheth, Ravi Dave, Nirali Shah, Harsh Parikh

these young annets were aspiring to undertake. His was a fatherly speech (as everyone present would agree) underlining the "D O s a n d D O N T s" during their stay abroad.

There were a couple of

experienced exchange students present in the meeting. Diana Martin and Neha Dhamanwala our own annets took over the stage and enlightened the audience with their experiences, and instructed the outbound students about things they should be careful about.

Neha's wonderful presentation was a perfect example of the miracles such an exchange program can do in grooming one's personality.

Then it was the turn of the faculty of IYE in the form of PP Raju Pandit, PP Hitesh Jariwala and Ann Sumita Shah to guide the students with the finer aspects of the program. It turned out to be a one to one interaction with the students as well as their parents who were seemingly concerned for their children. Our expert panel very patiently assured all of them about the smooth execution of the program throughout the year.

How could a farewell meeting end without our traditions? Rtn. Rajesh Patel bid all the outbound students farewell as Ann Nita Dhamanwala blessed them with 'tika' 'shreefal' and Rs.11/-. Mixed feelings of anxiety, apprehension, excitement and gratitude towards Rotary reflected from every student's face as was evident from annet Vasundhara's speech. They all vowed to give their 100% to serve as ambassadors of goodwill and friendship. All the incoming IYE students were also greeted with flowers at this juncture.

At this juncture, Ann Poonam Parag Shah (RC Bharuch) came up with a surprise element as she urged all parents to avert themselves from pampering or over protecting their children in hard times during their stay as she believed that these hurdles test the real mantle of our children and subsequently groom them to take on bigger challenges in life. After all isn't this the very purpose of the exchange program?

Everyone was contended with the meeting as Mihir Shukla made his secretarial announcements. It seems Pres. Divyang has formed a habit of throwing up delightful surprises as the excellent Gujarati Dinner served at the spacious campus crowned the meeting as "Sone Pe Suhaga". This, in fact, compelled all Riversiders present there to consider the place as our regular meeting venue, and almost everyone made their intentions clear with the President who promised to make the long awaited (venue) shift possible if things fall in place without any major hurdles.



Laughter the best medicine



The definition of Cricket as explained to a foreigner :

You have two sides, one out in the field and one in. Each man that's in the side that's in goes out, and when he's out he comes in and the next man goes in until he's out. When they are all out, the side that's out comes in and the side that's been in goes out and tries to get those coming in, out. Sometimes you get men still in and not out. When a man goes out to go in, the men who are out try to get him out, and when he is out he goes in and the next man in goes out and goes in. There are two men called umpires who stay all out all the time and they decide when the men who are in are out. When both sides have been in and all the men have been out, and both sides have been out twice after all the men have been in, including those who are not out, that is the end of the game! Simple!



-Contributed by Rtn. Mukund Jariwala

Dear Friends,

For those who missed out the last bulletin, or for those lazy logs, our President would like to remind that the scheme for the lucky draw (to get the first term fees for 06-07 waived off) is still on. This is your last chance to grab this golden opportunity. Please pay this year's FULL YEAR fees before 31st of July and stay in the run to win this Once-In-A-Life time reward.

I'm sure our members, even if not lured into trying their luck, will register their dues, for the sake of enabling our club to cruise into top gears and to help our President in taking our club to newer heights.



 **TIT - BITS** 

A Woman ... ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

An angel of truth & dream of fiction,
a woman is a bundle of all contradiction

She is afraid of a wasp, will scream at a mouse,
but will tackle her hubby alone in the house

She'll take him for better, she'll take him for worse,
She'll break open his head & then be his nurse

Beautiful, keensighted & blind,
crafty & cruel, simple & kind

She'll call him a king then make him a clown,
raise him on a pedestal, then flat down.

She inspires him to deeds that enable a man or,
make him a lackey to carry her fan

She'll run away from him and never come back,
but if he runs away, she'll be on his track.

You fancy she's this but she's that,
She plays like a kitten but bites like a cat.

In the morning she'll sing, in the evening she'll not,
she always does the contrary to what she ought.

Sour as vinegar, sweet as rose,
kiss you one minute, then turn up her nose.

She'll win you in rags, enchant you in skills,
she is stronger than brandy but milder than milk.

In fact revengeful, merry & sad,
hates you like poison but loves you like mad!!!

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 **FORTHCOMING ATTRACTIONS** 

2nd Aug' 05

Fellowship meet with a difference

A brain storming session to enhance:

- 1) Effective ways to increase individual Rotarian's participation in enhancing the club's image.
- 2) Development through self satisfaction.
- 3) Policies & programmes-Rotary year 2005-06

A must-attend for every member esp. the Anns

Time: 8:30 p.m

Venue: Jeevanbharti Rotary Hall



  **Birthday Bums...**  

31-07 Samar Jhaveri 9374514612

01-08 Divyang Parikh 9825121344

06-08 Asmita Desai 2211695



 **OBITUARY**

Our Sergeant-at-arms Rtn. Saifuddin Doola has lost his mother. Riverside Ripples joins all members to pay condolences to the bereaved family and pray that may GOD rest the departed soul in peace.

