

MID-TOWN MUSINGS

Bulletin of The Rotary Club of Bombay Mid-Town

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February is the World Understanding Month

President's Address

Dear Fellow Rotarians,



The Indo-German Youth Exchange Program took place and nine German students were felicitated at the New Year fellowship dinner on January 2, 2013 at the Wodehouse Gymkhana. Mr. Michael Ott, Deputy Consul-General of Germany and Assistant Governor Dr. Rumi Jehangir were special attendees and they addressed

the gathering. The exchange students mingled with Rotarians and their spouses who attended.

On January 3, an 8-member team of Rotaractors of Rotaract Club from Yale University, Connecticut, USA, visited Baste Village, to see our Global Grant project of 'Vocational Training facility for tribal youth of Thane District'. This project is co-sponsored with RC of New London (D.7980) and RC of Charlotte Hall (D.7620). The group also visited our Watershed project at Potkhal/Baste villages and participated in activities which helped them get an idea of life in an Indian village.

On January 9, the Yale Rotaractors gave an audiovisual presentation at our regular meeting at the Taj, giving a glimpse of their activities. Rtn. Julia Khushigian-Secor, Chief Overseas Contact (RC New London) also gave a brief of her visit to R K Mission, and was most satisfied to see the activities there.

Our Club this year sponsored 45 challenged students from NASEOH, (with the generous donations from 15 Mid-Towners) who participated in different race categories in the 'The Dream Run', in the 10th Mumbai Marathon on Sunday, January 20, 2013. People in large numbers came there, cheering the participants en route. Rtn. Naren Mohatta and Rtn. Gaurav Kapadia accompanied me to the venue at CST to cheer the participants.

The 'Punjab-Sindh' Musical Fellowship Night held on January 23, 2013 was a colourful gathering of Rotarians, Rotarianns and their friends. The food was splendid, with wide Punjabi and Sindhi spread to choose from. The hosts had colourful symbolic head-gears, the ladies were dressed in traditional attires and they danced to the *dholka* beats perfectly. The entertainment programme featured foot-tapping melodious songs by our Rtn. PP Rahul Mehta, Rtn. Rajiv Kapur, Rtn. Dr. Anil Tibrewala, Rtn. Dr. Dilip Nadkarni and Rtn. Abhishek Mane. The musicians had demonstrated beyond doubt that music holds no boundaries of language, age and culture. The group dancing was choreographed by Suruchi Chand and Ashok Mehta. I thank all the performers—musicians, singers and our Rotarianns for this fantastic show.

What was noteworthy, was that the attendance was 160 and our Rotarians made it a point to come in large numbers, even though it was a working day. It was most heartening to see the team spirit amongst the Mid-Town Rotarians coming together.

I most sincerely thank the co-hosts for their spontaneous help (especially Rtn. Tilak Mehta), because of which the 'Punjab-Sindh' Musical Fellowship Night a grand success. I am sure all our members who attended enjoyed the entertainment, food and hospitality. It was so wonderful to see the colourful gathering of Rotarians and their friends.

Lastly, I thank the 11 Rotarians who came forward and agreed to donate benches for the 'Beautification Project' of Malabar Hill, Kamla Nehru Park, the benches to be named after their dear ones, shall be inscribed as requested accordingly. I welcome more Rotarians and their friends to come forward, if they would like to send in their donations.

- R. P. Anand

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RI President-elect *Ron Burton* will ask Rotarians to *Engage Rotary, Change Lives* in 2013-14

He unveiled the RI theme during the opening plenary session of the 2013 International Assembly in San Diego, California, USA, the annual training event for incoming district governors.

"If we really want to take Rotary service forward, then we must make sure that every single Rotarian has the same feeling about Rotary that each one of us here has today," Burton said.

"We need to make sure that every Rotarian has a meaningful role to play, that they're all making a contribution, and that their contribution is valued."

Burton said the July launch of The Rotary Foundation's new grant model, "Future Vision", makes it an exciting time to be a Rotarian. He said the new grant model, which has been used by about 100 pilot districts since 2010 (including District 3140), represents a new era for the Foundation, and will help Rotarians get excited about Rotary's ability to change lives.

"It takes everything that is wonderful about Rotary and raises it to a new level — by encouraging bigger, more sustainable projects while providing increased flexibility for local projects, both of which address the needs of the community being served," he said.

*(Courtesy: PP Rtn. Arrow Sinha Roy
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Sakuji Tanaka, President, Rotary International 2012–2013

Membership is something that, we are always talking about in Rotary. The bigger Rotary is, the stronger we are. But a larger membership is not the only goal. Just bringing new people into Rotary, for the purpose of having more members will not make Rotary stronger. We will make Rotary stronger when we bring in people who do not just join a Rotary Club, but who become Rotarians.

We have to show prospective members that Rotary is a wonderful organisation to join, and that they will be happier because of Rotary. All of us have benefited from Rotary. All of us love Rotary. We want others to join Rotary because we want them to experience, the same happiness that we have found.

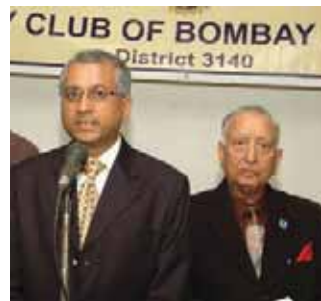
It is clear to me that, the day I joined the Rotary Club of Yashio, was a day that I put my first step, on a

different path in life: one of greater connection, greater satisfaction, and a deeper sense of fulfilment and peace. This is a feeling that I want to share with others. And I know that one way to do it is to invite them into Rotary membership.



An approach that I suggest is to write down the five greatest strengths of Rotary — these will be the reasons you joined Rotary — the things that enriched your life. Share these with friends and colleagues and ask them to consider becoming Rotarians.

It is every Rotarian's privilege to share the benefits of being a Rotarian with others. It is every Rotarian's responsibility to see that his or her Rotary Club grows and that members remain active and engaged in the work of Rotary.



Germany & India 2011-2012: Infinite Opportunities



The Director General of the Indo-German Chamber of Commerce, Rtn. Bernhard Steinruecke gave the Rotarians a splendid overview of the Indo-German relations and also gave an insight into various programmes that took place during the Year of Germany in India, which carried the motto "Germany and India 2011-2012: Infinite Opportunities", and explained how these programmes helped and expanded the ties that exist between the two countries.

On the occasion of completing 60 years of Indo-German diplomatic relations, a collaborative celebration titled "Germany and India 2011-2012: Infinite Opportunities" was held in India. The programme started in September 2011 and is scheduled to continue till early 2013. Dr. Angela Merkel, Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany and Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker of Lok Sabha, India jointly inaugurated the fifteen-month collaborative celebration.

The heading chosen for this special year: 'Germany and India 2011-2012: Infinite Opportunities', is not a mere slogan, it spells out a simple truth: Our opportunities are indeed infinite if seized jointly and in unison! They are soundly based on decades, if not centuries of mutual fascination, co-operation and partnership. The famous Mobius Strip, selected as the logo for the Year of Germany in India, symbolises this partnership brilliantly: No inner or outer edges, just an infinite continuum of interrelations on an equal footing.

Germany — the 'Land of Ideas' — presented itself as an innovative and creative partner, a country that has joined hands with India in addressing future issues. The project aimed at highlighting the Indo-German collaboration and provided impetus for new joint ventures. The project covered the fields of politics, business, education, research, science and culture and targeted India's urban, education oriented and English speaking younger generations.

With a thematic focus on 'StadtRaume — CitySpaces', the programme series across India was launched with a view to broach the implications of rapid urbanisation and challenges posed by the enormous changes the cities of both countries face today. Issues such as mobility, energy, sustained city development, architecture, cultural spaces and education were prominently featured, touching genres such as performing and visual arts, science, education, technology



and business etc. The project showcased the entire spectrum of the Indo-German collaboration in the spheres of politics, business, culture, education, science and research.

The centrepiece of the project was the 'Mobile Space', a set of modern multi-purpose pavilions, designed especially for the Year of Germany in India by renowned German artist Markus Heinsdorff. The pavilions combined state of the art steel and textile technologies from both the countries. The 'Mobile Space' was set up for ten days each in Mumbai, Pune, Chennai, Bangalore, Hyderabad, Kolkata and New Delhi, and it hosted interactive presentations by various German corporations and organisations on topics and solutions related to 'StadtRaume — CitySpaces'.

Date: Wednesday, January 16, 2013

Speaker: Rtn. Bernhard Steinruecke

Subject: Germany and India 2011-2012: Infinite Opportunities

Introduced by: Rtn. Rajiv Kapur

Vote of Thanks by: PP Rtn. Rahul Mehta

—Report by Rtn. Sunil Gautam

Club Launches Global Grant Project of \$38,000 for Vocational Training of Tribal Boys and Girls of Thane District – 'Primary Overseas Contact' Rtn Julia Khushigian–Secor of RC New London visits us



Rtn. Julia with first batch of Paramedic Trainees from Baste village



Swamiji demonstrating the cut-out section of a truck engine

January 10, was a special day for us. Rtn. Julia Khushigian-Secor took time off from a whirlwind tour to visit our centre for 'Vocational training of tribal boys' at R.K. Mission, Sakwar. Having attended our Club meeting the previous day, she wanted to familiarise herself with the project features. PP Rtn. Arrow and Rtn. Yogesh Pandya obliged and drove her to Sakwar. En route, Arrow explained the major 'Watershed Area Development' project to her with the aid of sequential photos. She was also briefed on how — apart from finding a permanent solution to the water problem — our Club had tackled parallel needs of environment, health, nutrition and better education facilities, apart from real financial sustainability of the project.

"Vocational Training" for the tribal youth forms the last link in the chain of development — ensuring that the next generation in the impoverished community takes off on a much higher plane of incomes and professional qualification.



Over 750 tribal patients fill this area on Sundays for Medical aid



The vast kitchen garden provides self-sufficiency

Thus, 'Vocational Training' for the tribal youth forms the last link in the chain of development — ensuring that the next generation in the impoverished community takes off on a much higher plane of incomes and professional qualification.

Julia was introduced to Swami Avadhhotananda Maharaj, who has been heading this outstanding 'Rural Outreach Centre' of Ramakrishna Mission at Sakwar village on the Mumbai-Ahmedabad highway. Apart from short dissertations on Indian Philosophy and cultural values, Swamiji took her on a guided tour of the existing residential Vocational Training facility for the boys. Julia was thrilled with the curriculum which ensures all-round character development — not just training in one of six vocational disciplines (carpentry, welding, motor driving, motor engine mechanic and tailoring). Julia was briefed

on the new equipment that the centre would soon be able to obtain with our grant money and the benefits it would derive.

She was also shown how the centre has designed a completely self-sufficient system of farming, agriculture, dairy and biogas utilisation in a cyclical manner. The comprehensive medical facilities were also shown to her, catering to about 1,000 tribal patients every Sunday.

As far as the training for tribal girls is concerned, a brand new facility will soon be constructed by Rotary Club of Bombay Mid-Town. PP Arrow explained that since Rotary International policy does not allow construction of buildings for such purposes, the Club had privately raised about \$30,000 to build such a facility. Due to complex land-use laws and other obstacles, a plot measuring 10,000 sq ft., gifted by a villager from Baste, could not be utilised. Instead, it has been decided to seek the R K Mission's approval and construct the girls' training centre inside the Sakwar complex itself, with some trainee girls commuting daily from their villages and a few others from villages further away, staying in rented premises at Sakwar village. The formal approval of the Club's proposal is expected shortly from R K Mission, which will eventually manage and run the new centre. The Global Grant has financial allocation for equipping it; buying the training equipment and also funding the training programmes that will be started here, such as computers, tailoring, embroidery, specialised welding, etc. A 'Paramedic and Nursing' course already exists here and Julia was introduced to six girls who have already signed up from Baste village. The 'Growing Hearts, Growing Minds Foundation' of Allegheny College is paying for their outfitting, initial kit expenses, etc. Within days of their arrival, a remarkable transformation is evident in their growing self-confidence, interpersonal communication, etc.

At the end of the day, Julia was all praise for the wonderful atmosphere, the committed training personnel and facilities set up at Sakwar by Swamiji and his team. She would be awaiting news of how the girls' training project evolves. She also assured us further help with securing financial support for our next Global Grant project: Vocational Training for tribal women through 'Self Help groups' and Micro-Credit'. She was only sorry that time constraints prevented her from visiting Potkhal and Baste village to see our 'Watershed Area Development project' at first hand. It was a real pleasure having a dedicated and totally involved Rotarian like Julia with us. We look forward to a close association with her and her New London club in the future.

—Article and photos: PP Rtn. Arrow Sinha Roy

The 'vision' ahead...



The Dadar School for the Blind completed 112 years of service to the community. Set up originally by the American Marathi Mission to serve the children blinded by the Sholapur famine at the turn of the century, it has since been catering particularly to visually challenged girls, even from beyond Maharashtra. The story of Dadar School for the Blind has been one of continued challenge. It grew steadily, servicing many a vicissitude, to become one of the foremost centres of education and rehabilitation for visually challenged girls.

From the modest one room in 1920, it moved to its own building, which houses the school and hostel. To expand educational amenities and hostel facilities, two new buildings were constructed on the school campus and the name of the school was changed to Smt. Kamla Mehta Dadar School for the Blind in the year 1986.

The school imparts academic education from pre-school to S.S.C. and college going students, along with hostel facility, to visually impaired girls coming from varied socio-economic background without discriminating against any caste, creed or religion. From June 1998, hostel facility is provided up to graduation.

Mid-Town Club has been associated with this Institution since the past 21 years. As of now, about 193 girls have been and are being catered to. It is the only NGO in Mumbai which exclusively supports girls.





The school has various departments at its large premises in Dadar. These include Braille classes, hobby centre, home science section, laboratories, gymnasium, language training centre, recreation, music and dance amongst others.

President Rtn. R.P. Anand, R/Ann Binaifer Hilloo and several Rotarians paid a visit to the school on Thursday, January 10, 2013. They were highly impressed by the dedication of the staff and the help given to these underprivileged girls.

A donation of ₹1,01,000 to support visually challenged girls was handed over by President R.P. Anand to the Director Smt. Suparna Ajgaonkar. Further donation would be given when a group of students from the school shall be invited to give a music-cum-dance performance later this year. A similar performance last year was well received.

– Report by Rtn. Naren Mohatta

YALE ROTARACT CLUB team arrives — into the homes and hearts of our villagers, and our hearts too...



One big happy 'family'

Led by President Enrico Ferro and PP Pooja Mehta, an 8-member Rotaract Club team from Yale University, Connecticut, USA, arrived for a visit in the first week of January. This Rotaract club took the initiative to co-sponsor our Global Grant for 'Vocational Training facility for tribal youth of Thane District' with RC of New London (D.7980) and RC of Charlotte Hall (D.7620)

Between January 3-6, the group visited our Watershed project at Potkhal/Baste villages. They also participated in activities which helped them get an idea of life in an Indian village. They spent three nights in a hotel near Manor, and Yogesh, Dinyar and I spent time with them.

The first day began with a guided tour to see some of the prominent features of the 'watershed area development' project. Arriving in Baste, under a splendid colourful *shamiana* was a welcome celebration, in which the 20 youngsters of the Indo-German Exchange programme under leadership of Club Secretary Manoj Jalan, also joined in. It was very touching to hear the welcoming speech in which the

villagers emotionally spoke of the many ways that the Rotary Watershed Project had impacted on their lives. PP Arrow and Rtn. Manoj then addressed them, followed by Pres Enrico of Yale Rotaract club. Pres-Elect James Brunner presented the first set of new shoes to the children of the four 'Balwadis' (pre-schools) of Potkhal and Baste.

The ice was broken and soon the American and German students were being taught first steps of the 'Garba', which they joined in with a will. PP Arrow then demonstrated the challenge of drawing water from a well and carrying head-loads home! Our guests understood the tremendous physical strain which women in rural India have to undergo three times a day, walking an average of five hours daily in summer.

There followed a very colourful *rangoli* competition amongst the villagers. After that, our guests tried their own hands at doing *rangoli*, amidst a lot of laughter. There was close bonding and instant rapport with the village folk, irrespective of age or gender.

During the following two days, Yale Rotaract team members bonded with the villagers, participating in various activities such as learning to make plates, cups and head gear out of leaves, ploughing the fields with oxen, enjoying bullockcart rides, joining in tribal dancing, applying the *mehendi*, serving at community lunches. They visited the Baste Middle School, gifting students ball pens. The highlight was their presentation on 'Hygienic water handling', through illustrated charts, to spell-bound villagers. In this task they were aided by our Paramedic Trainees, who helped with the Marathi translation.

It was a very emotional and touching scene, when they had to say goodbye to the Baste villagers after three days.

On the fourth day, the Rotaract Team were taken on a guided tour of the R K Mission facility at Sakwar village, which would be the main starting point for the recently sanctioned Global Grant: 'Vocational Training for tribal boys and girls'. The Yale team saw the facilities and infrastructure for themselves, and were deeply impressed by the entire atmosphere and approach to training, formulated by Swami Avadhootananda.

Finally, the Rotaract Team attended our club meeting on January 9 and made a presentation — not only about Yale University and their club's activities but also on their 'village experience'. Rotarians were held spell bound by the personal experiences related by each Rotaractor. Many were moved to tears as one by one they spoke about what a life-changing experience it had been to visit the Baste village project and also the R K Mission. Here are a few extracts:

a) "...This trip has revived our pride in India — as this is the country some of us hail from. For the first time, we could see what a powerful life-transformation agent a Rotary Club like Bombay Mid-Town can be. We now understand the positive force that 'Rotary' is, around the world. I will become a doctor, but I promise you — I will devote a lot of my time to helping the poor and needy, now that I have been so inspired..."

b) "...And there was this lady Vanitha, who had become close as family to me. When the time came to part, she embraced me and said "I love you, but I know I have to let you go — just as a mother has to helplessly bid goodbye to her daughter, as she leaves for her husband's place after marriage"..."

c) "...Yes, we had many issues in our minds as we were coming on this trip. But you know what? Almost instantly, it seems, I found a lost family of my own here in Baste village. There was a mother who each morning hugged me and told me to 'Be careful' — so sincerely, as no one else in the world had, before that. There was

this younger sister of mine who lovingly kept removing a lock of hair that kept falling into my eyes as I worked. And there was this younger brother who, typically, fled with my camera and returned it only after teasing me!"

Yes, the views expressed by this group were very moving and we felt we had learnt a lot from these outstanding young minds. It was a privilege having them with us, and we are sure our ties will be stronger in the coming months.

—(Photo credits: PP Rtn. Arrow Sinha Roy and Rtn. Yogesh Pandya)



Learning the first steps of tribal dancing



Welcome song on arrival at Baste



Group photo with PP Arrow, Yogesh, Usha and NIRID reps

A Thorough Gentleman

They have only been members for five years, but Yogesh and Usha Pandya have in such a short time have become a part of the Rotary family. Yogesh has contributed greatly to our Club's philanthropic activities. As a couple, it is clear that they enjoy life and make the most of what life has to offer. Here's a glimpse into their lives.

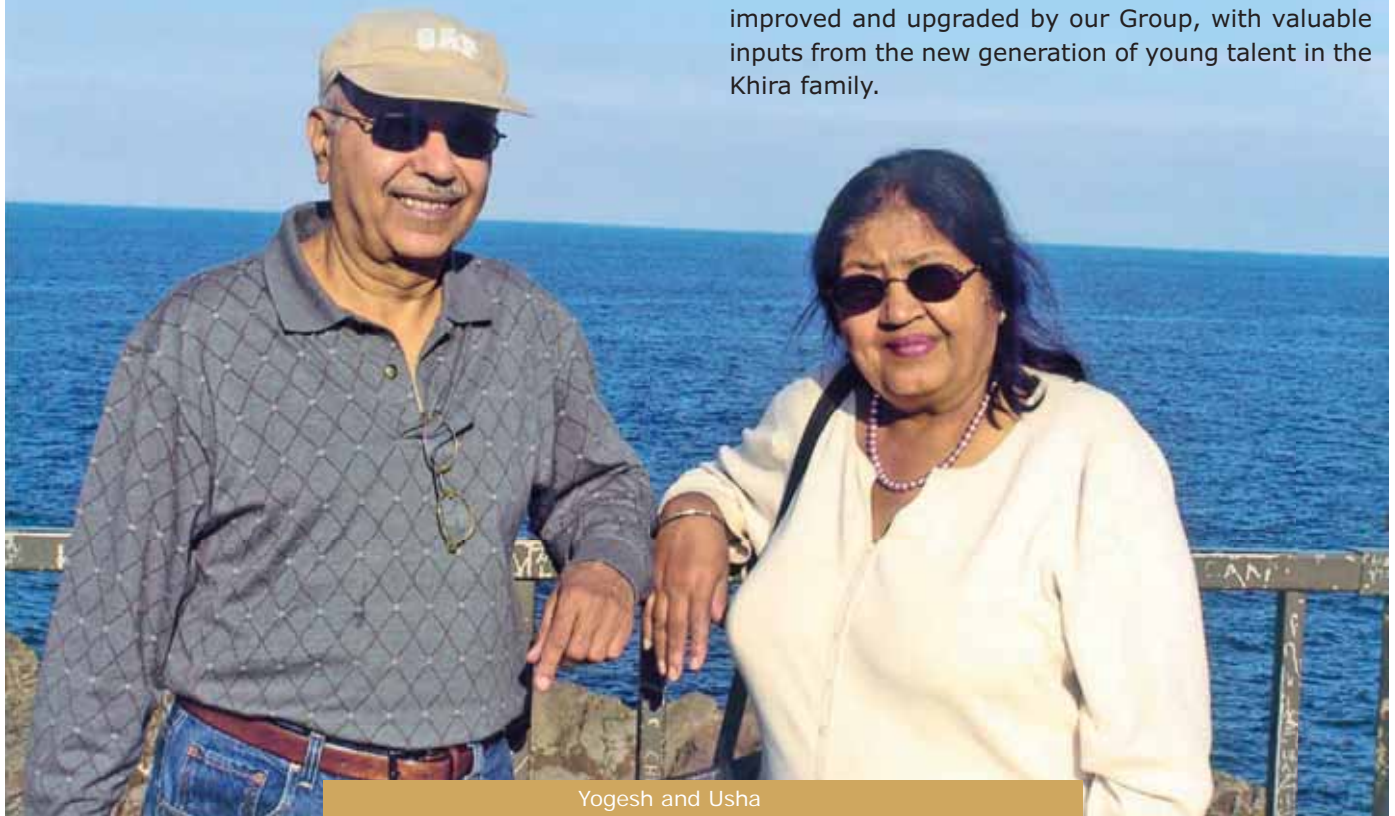
Could you tell us something about your professional background?

My family's business was importing textiles from Japan and spectacle frames from Germany. I chose a different profession and graduated in Engineering. I went to Germany for my Industrial Engineering and practical training, after getting married to Usha. On returning to Mumbai, I joined my brother-in-law Rtn. Bhasker Khira's company, 'Khira Steel'. My job was Project Planning and Engineering. The first project was manufacturing wooden furniture which was in a knockdown condition, based on western concepts. After that I went on to another project — 'Domestic pressure cooker'. I set up a factory which manufactured Marine shipping steel containers — a first in the industry. The last project



Krish, Usha, Yogesh, carrying grandson Yash, Sunali and Jenny

was of Industrial Storage Systems and Modular office furniture. These are, presently, our mainstay. These products are now highly perfected and have been improved and upgraded by our Group, with valuable inputs from the new generation of young talent in the Khira family.



Yogesh and Usha

Where did you grow up, and what are the fondest memories of your childhood?

My family migrated from Surat, Gujarat in 1914 to South Mumbai. As a child, I have fond memories of Mumbai as a less populated, clean, well-organised city, disciplined and with well managed traffic. My memorable experience is of attending a prayer meeting presided over by Mahatma Gandhi at Birla House, and the last stage of our independence struggle. Also, watching Test matches against the West Indies at the superb Brabourne Stadium.

How did you and Usha meet?

I used to meet Usha with some common friends, but my liking was one sided. Then a common friend told her about my interest. She thought I was a Parsee. After months of courtship, we officially got engaged and married in 1963.

You and Usha are a fun-loving couple (I know first-hand!) Tell our members what you enjoy, and how you enrich your life?

Luckily, we are both flexible and have many common interests, like music, travelling, socialising, cooking, and helping people around us whenever they are in need. Usha enjoys cooking and has perfected many of my mother's recipes. We both love to meet people, and learn their good points.

Tell us about your lovely family.

We are a small cohesive family. My mother had always stayed with us, and that was of great benefit for us and our children. She was a great help for everyone. She taught us all about the wisdom of religion, traditions and old values. She also taught us and the children to be self-sufficient, and to help others. Raising children was the most exciting experience. Along with their city upbringing, we saw to it that they also travelled, and stayed in small towns for some time, and learned to enjoy nature, wildlife, art, music etc.

How do you relate to your grandchildren — do you have any words of wisdom for them?

We have a very good interactive relationship with our four grandchildren. Usha makes them happy by serving them the food of their choice at any time, and friends are always welcome. I enjoy teaching them physics, chemistry and history. Our common interests are a football team, and music like soft and hard rock. They never stop asking questions and I am happy to give them answers in detail.

You joined our Rotary only five years ago and it's commendable that you have contributed so much in such a short time — tell us about your activities.

The Rotary club of Bombay Mid-Town means so much to me. Even though I became a member five years ago, I became

attached to this club right from the first charter night, where I was Rtn. Bhasker Khira's guest. My plans for the next five years are to focus on community services and enjoy fellowship.

You have done a lot for Rotary. What do you think Rotary has done for you?

Rotary has given me the opportunity to fulfil my desire, to utilise my time and energy to help the needy. It has given me satisfaction and joy through good interaction and fellowship.

I believe you are a health-nut. What do you do, and can you give us a few tips?

I am happy that right now I am doing precisely all the things that I missed out on in the past. I am thoroughly enjoying community service, travel, music, wildlife, nature, a bit of cooking, and concentrating on health. I feel wellness is extremely important. It is important how well you live. The simplest fitness regime is a combination of workouts such as cardio, yoga and light-weight training.

Did you have a plan for your life — a roadmap, or did you believe in letting things take their own course?

I firmly believe that there is a higher energy, ready to help you when you need it. The only thing is, you should be ready to receive it. And you should consistently try to have good sincere relationships with every human being, and share your resources of time, energy and money in a balanced way in order to benefit the needy.

— Interview by R/Ann Manika Krishnamurti



Son Krish daughter in law Jenny, Yogesh and daughter Sunali

NASEOH's participation in Mumbai Marathon, 2013

A team of 55 people comprising persons with disabilities, employees, volunteers and well-wishers participated in the 10th edition of the Mumbai Marathon on January 20, 2013 and ran for NASEOH. The team was sponsored by the Rotary Club of Bombay Mid-Town with a donation of ₹1,75,000 and co-sponsored by Coastal Marine Construction & Engg. Ltd. with a donation of ₹1,40,000. In addition, there were many other donors who contributed and NASEOH was able to generate a total amount of ₹5,20,000.

The occasion was a platform for NASEOH to not only spread the awareness about the issues of disabilities but also an experience for many youngsters to be part of an international event of huge magnitude and impact. The participants from NASEOH participated in the wheelchair event, half marathon and dream run categories.

NASEOH is deeply grateful to the President, Rtn. R.P. Anand and all the other Rotarians of the Rotary Club of Bombay Mid-Town for their financial support and personal involvement in encouraging NASEOH in this immensely fruitful and pleasurable event.

– By Rtn. Gaurav G. Kapadia



Stained Glass Work Exhibition by Mrs Ila Sonawala

Mrs. Ila Sonawala, wife of Rtn. Kamlesh Sonawala has been doing Stained Glass Work for more than 25 years. She is one of the Pioneers



of Stained Glass Art in India. She has done many small and big panels, lamps, murals, skylight, doors, windows, dividers, etc., and her work has been used in the Private collection of many Industrialists and prominent personalities.

Her latest work uses a new technique where she paints on glass and by special heating technique, adds different colours and shades to the work. She has also done three dimensional flowers, leaves, birds, etc, in Stained Glass for enhancement. She paints in silver, gold and decorates the work with white and coloured jewels. She had exhibited her contemporary work, as well as her very latest panels which she will be donating to Nathdwara Hindu Temple Trust, near Udaipur, which is being managed by Mrs. Kokilaben Ambani. This whole project is being implemented under the stewardship of Mr. Niranjana Hiranandani.

PLAYBOY CLUBS IN INDIA TO HAVE AN 'INDIANISED' LOOK FOR THE BUNNIES!



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THE 'INDIANISED' LOOK PATRONS HOPED FOR...

AND THE LOOK THEY WILL GET!

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RIGHT... THE FEMALE HORMONE SHOT IS READY TO CURE HIS LIBIDO...



ABOUT TIME 'BRIBING' WAS RENAMED 'LOBBYING'. AFTER ALL, IT SO OFTEN TAKES PLACE IN HOTEL LOBBIES!



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February

Wedding Anniversary

01	Shernaz-Zulfiquar
03	Sonali-Manoj Jalan
10	Nehal-Dr. Prafulla Sabadra
11	Farida-Pankaj Udhas
15	Suman-Kirtilal Doshi
16	Gomatidevi-B.R Barwale
17	Sandhya-Anil Kamath
17	Siloni-Ashok Sharma
18	Neeta-Rohit Patel
20	Rita-Dr. Nilesh Shah
21	Zeba-Rajesh Kohli
26	Hansa-Santosh Kejriwal
26	Suman-Shreeprakash Agarwal
26	Supriya-Dr. Shashi Kapoor
27	Shivani-Anand Didwania

Spouse's Birthdays

02	Rita Nilesh Shah
02	Sunil Choksey
14	Usha Yogesh Pandya
16	Ranju Moorad Fazalbhoy
20	Sapna Vicky Punjabi
25	Nehal Prafull Sabadra
28	Manika Mahesh Krishnamurti

EVENTS IN FEBRUARY

2 Saturday and 3 Sunday

The District Conference 2013
Venue: The Aamby Valley City, Lonavla.
All Officers & Directors to Register

6 Wednesday

CCC&B @Wodehouse
Gymkhana, @7.00 p.m.

12 Tuesday

"The Rotary Foundation Seminar " at the
Grand Salon, Hotel Sofitel , Bandra Kurla
Complex. TRF Trustee Chair PRIP Rtn Wilfrid
J Wilkinson consented to be Chief Guest

13 Wednesday

Pre OCV with Assistant Governor
and III Club Assembly from
11.30 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.

Speaker : Visit of the Colorado
Team, who will address our club
@1.15 p.m. @Taj Mahal Hotel

20 Wednesday

Ms Farzana Contractor will speak
on 'Street food of India and Irani
cafés'@The Taj Mahal Hotel
@1.15 p.m.

8th Board of Directors Meeting
@2.30 p.m. @Taj

27 Wednesday

Ms. Bijal Doshi will speak on the 'Art of Jewellery
Designing' @The Taj Mahal Hotel @1.15 p.m

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Birthdays



08 FEBRUARY
Vaibhav Sanghi



12 FEBRUARY
Parag Parikh



17 FEBRUARY
PP S.B. Anand



18 FEBRUARY
PP Atul Premnarayan



19 FEBRUARY
Zeba Kohli



21 FEBRUARY
PP Sam Daruwala



24 FEBRUARY
Rajesh Tandon



25 FEBRUARY
Ananya Goenka



27 FEBRUARY
Rajiv Kapur