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president's Message

Celebrating 90 Years of Service

Dear Friends,

AS WE CELEBRATE THE FESTIVAL of lights, let us hope that it brings along new opportunities for us to work together in harmony towards our common goal. Warm wishes to you and your loved ones this Diwali. *Shubh Deepavali!*

I would like to thank the organisers and the planners for the Diwali fellowship who executed everything with so much passion and zeal. We had a record turnout of 197 attendees. Thank you for giving us such a splendid night.

Special thanks to our donors: Balkrishna Industries, who have graciously donated ₹1.80 crore equivalent to US \$ 250,000 towards the up-gradation programme at Masina Hospital.

I would also like to thank Rtn. Manoj Israni for his donation of ₹75 lakh towards the LEED platinum certification and façade lighting at Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Vastu Sangrahalaya.

Our Club is gearing up towards two mega events - Race for Humanity and Corporate Cricket Challenger. We have young teams in charge which are excited and prepped up for these events. We do hope to see you all at the Race for Humanity and the sundowner following that and also to cheer at the Cricket Challenger event.

Thank You

Rtn. Vijay Jatia President





Gaurav Bhatia, MD, Sotheby's South Asia, emphasised on the need to invest in modern artists

Art attack

Audience urged to go beyond established names from Bombay Progressive Artists' Group and take a chance on new talent

LAST TUESDAY'S GUEST SPEAKER HAD AN Oscar moment.

Long after Gaurav Bhatia, MD, Sotheby's South Asia operations, had finished his talk on the meaning of cultural capital, he was still fielding questions from members of the audience.

His time was up and but the audience's engagement with him continued and had to be cut short by PP. Rtn. Ashish Vaid's vote of thanks. A similar system is followed at the Academy Awards ceremony when speakers stretch their

vote of thanks beyond the allotted time and are drowned out by the orchestra.

Lesser known fact - Bhatia was left fielding questions on art even as he left the hall half an hour later and was chanced upon by members in the lobby. A few questions also arrived for him on email the next day. Perhaps the guest speaker would revise his opinion on Indians lacking passion for art but instead urge them to put their money where their heart is?

Bhatia expounded, in his talk, that cultural capital consisted of the social assets of a person that promoted social mobility in a stratified society.

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TODAY: DR. SHAUL SAPIR ON DAVID SASSOON: THE GREAT PHILANTHROPIST

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Next Week: MR VALLABH BHANSALI; TOPIC TO BE ANNOUNCED LATER



President Rtn. Vijay Jatia congratulates Rtn. Tarjani Vakil on her birthday



Rtn. Anita Patel receives birthday wishes



Rtn. Bipin Kapadia greeted on his birthday



Rtn. Nanu Daruvala is all smiles upon receiving birthday greetings



Birthday felicitations for Rtn. Aditya Somani

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As citizens we could build a better India together and contribute towards its cultural capital. We had a rich history and heritage, but how many of us had contributed to it, he asked. Bhatia is an opinion leader in art and luxury and has been published across international media. His opinion is derived from a long-standing experience with Indian art and its patrons past and present.

Bhatia pointed out the urgency in actively sustaining Indian heritage before we turned into relics of a has-been civilization overcome by westernisation and frantic about foreign travel and global fusion. It was necessary to promote the next generation of artists too as the ones presently famous had started out being new too. In this way, legacies could be sustained and new ones created as well.

In the race of doubling GDP, cultural growth was being neglected, he emphasised. Quoting Mahatma Gandhi, he said, "There is more to life than simply increasing its speed'. Bhatia believed, from his experiences, that Indians underestimated cultural capital and the value of art and culture in society.

Museum visits were not a part of our upbringing, so much so that any one could count, on one hand, the number of times most Indians would do a museum visit: once in school, once when his/her children went to school and may be once more with the grandchildren. Museums were seen as dark and boring, and too complex unless one understood colloquial language. However, abroad, museums were the order of the day.

After this wide difference between the museums in India and abroad, Bhatia pointed out that modern buildings which had turned to into modern-day museums such as the Taj Mahal Hotel, had some of the finest artworks of India's biggest artists. As such, Taj was the pioneer of art collection and its promotion. About 2 lakh people who stayed at the hotel were exposed to this art every year at no additional cost.

Nationally, however, the current budget

reflected the marginalization of art in financial planning. Despite all the darkness, there was a ray of hope with citizens like Sunil Munjal (Serendipity art festival), Sanjay Reddy (GVK, CSIA), and the Jindals who had adopted Hampi and more.

In order to create responsible citizens sensitive towards art and culture, education was key. Bhatia also brought notice to the facts comparing China and India in terms of culture.



Recently inducted Rtn. Puneet Chhatwal fields guest speaker Gaurav Bhatia's suggestion that The Taj Mahal Hotel invest in patronising modern artists



Bhatia called out to the audience to support contemporary Indian art, give their heart to museums, promote the traditions of India because we were what we consumed.

He continued to appeal to members and collectors of rich art to visit as many art exhibitions and auctions as possible, discover and learn about artists and follow their passion.

There was no deeper pleasure than living with a beautiful work and creating your own legacy. A society without art was a society bereft of national identity, he said.



Thank you, hosts



(L to R) Rtn. Ptn. Parveen Jehangir, PP. Rtn. Rumi Jehangir and Rtn. Pankaj Baliga



PP. Rtn. Nandan Damani, Rtn. Madhusudan Daga and Rtn. Rajesh Shah



(L to R) Rtn. Ramesh Mehta, Rtn. Meera Alreja, Rtn. limmy Pochkhanawalla and Rtn. Ptn. Indira Kotak



President Rtn. Vijay Jatia giving the Diwali games his best shot

Rotarians enjoying festivities and catching up with each other in less formal settings

Rtn. Farokh Balsara, PP. Rtn. Sandip Agarwalla and Rtn. Ramesh Mehta

Cracker of a party

DIWALI FESTIVITIES WERE ORGANISED BY the Fellowship Committee on October 31st, 2018 at Four Seasons Hotel. It was a lovely evening with fun games, cocktails and dinner, attended by around 200 Rotarians and their partners. The attendees enjoyed a scrumptious dinner with Indian and Pan Asian dishes on the menu. A high energy entertainer kept guests busy.

President Rtn. Vijay Jatia thanked gracious hosts Abhinav Aggarwal, Ajit Surana, Alok Sekhsaria, Ashok Jatia, Ashok Minawala, Hiren Kara, Madhusudan Daga, Manish Reshamwala, Manoj Patodia, Mehul Sampat, Mohit Jain, Nandan Damani, Pranay Vakil, Pritam Sanghai, Preeti Mehta, Pulin Shroff, Purnima Sheth, Rajesh Shah, Sheila Bulchandani, Ulhas Yargop, Vikram Daiya as well as members of the Fellowship Committee who had organised the evening.

Attendees had a wonderful time and wished their Rotarian friends a very Happy Diwali.

WHAT BRINGS LIGHT INTO YOUR LIFE?

Rotarians look within



Being as fortunate as we are, it would be a criminal waste of resources if we did not give back. We come together with like-minded people to give back to a plethora of causes. **Rtn. Zeenia Master**



My mother recited this poem: life is an echo; it all comes back, the good, the false, the true. Give the world the best you have and the best will come back to you. **PP. Rtn. Mukesh Batra**



Have to have the courage to follow your conviction. Back yourself and believe in yourself all the time. Rtn. Mahesh Khubchandani



Our club is doing awesome work; the range of activities we do and the depth we go into... We always say we both socialise and work hard. **PP. Rtn. Ashish Vaid**





SALAD DAYS WITH A FELLOW ROTARIAN

Rtn. Tara Deshpande Tennebaum launches a new book

IN AN INDIAN SENSE OF SALAD: EAT Raw, Eat More, Rtn. Tara Deshpande Tennebaum shows how to use fresh, local, easily available Indian vegetables, fruits, nuts and seeds, natural sweeteners and cold-pressed oils to prepare raw and partially-cooked salads from around the world. Tara de-constructs classic Indian dishes to their raw form, creating salads that make healthy and satisfying meals.



ROTARIAN MAKING WAVES

SANJIV SARAN MEHRA, recognised for his role as Championship Director (2009-2018) by QPR Trust, and South Mumbai Junior Soccer Challenger – India's largest community football championship by Amit Bhatia, Chairman Queens Park Rangers Football Club, London.



Learning new tricks

DUFF AND PHELPS AND CONNECTFOR ORGANISED an Elderly Engagement with Dignity Foundation on October 26th, 2018 for Ananda Yaan members at the Byculla centre.

Several fun activities were held from 11 am to 1 pm. The elderly participated in the musical quiz, team art activity and an entertaining game with straws and glasses.

Elders enjoyed playing the games and competed with each other just like they might have in their childhood.













CONNECTING BOUNDARIES

Inaugural Rotary Corporate Cricket Challenger 2018 to kick-off on November 17, 2018

CORPORATE INDIA IS GEARING UP for the Inaugural Rotary Corporate Cricket Challenger 2018 which kicks off on November 17th at the Western Railway Sports Ground, Mahalakshmi, Mumbai.

The games will be held on November 17th and 18th, 2018 in a day-night format.

In an exciting seven-a-side format which will encourage boundaries galore, the rules have been modified. The boundary will be shortened and each innings restricted to seven overs; restrictions on the bowler's run-up and positioning of the wicketkeeper will make it an easier level of play, overall.

Matches will be played on a league and knock-out basis with each team getting to play a minimum of three matches.

Based on their performances in the league stage, the teams qualify either for the Super Cup, Plate or Bowl categories.

Do come and cheer participants.

PP. Rtn. Sandip Agarwalla (Head, FRP, Rotary Club of Bombay) and Rtn. Sanjiv Saran Mehra (Championship Director)



DEAR RCB MEMBERS,

ANOTHER GREAT CHANCE TO MAKE OUR
ROTARY FAMILY PROUD IS HERE!
WE ARE SO PROUD TO HOST THE RACE FOR HUMANITY
JOINTLY WITH ROTARY CLUB OF MUMBAI - NARIMAN
POINT.

WE ARE GATHERING OUR SOCIAL MEDIA ARMY TO SPREAD THE WORD SO THAT WE GET THOUSANDS OF VISITORS TO ATTEND THE EVENT.

PLEASE DO LOG IN THE RCB FACEBOOK PAGE DAILY AT 10:30 AM AND 5:30 PM TO REPOST, COMMENT AND SPREAD THE INFORMATION WE ARE CURATING FOR RFH. THE MORE YOU SHARE IT, THE MORE OTHERS CAN SEE THE AMAZING MOVEMENT WE ARE ALL A BIG PART OF. WE APPRECIATE THE ENTHUSIASM AND THE SUPPORT.

CHEERS RCB SOCIAL MEDIA TEAM

BY embraces an eco-friendly Diwali



Primary students of grades 3 and 4 at G K Marg vowed to keep the environment pollution-free this Diwali.



They promised to spread the message of an eco-friendly celebration of the festival of lights. Primary children were made aware of the harmful effects of fire crackers, as a result, children took a pledge: 'Say no to fire crackers'.



Children were taught how to make festive, eco-friendly decorations like paper lanterns, flower *rangolis* and handpainted *diyas* to decorate their homes and discourage plastic use.

Rotary chips in at TMH

RCB has aided bereavement support for grieving parents since 2011

Buldhana resident
Suresh Manjulkar lost his
13-month-old son Dhanraj
to blood cancer at Tata
Memorial Hospital in
Parel, in 2011. Hospital
social workers helped
Suresh and his wife Jyoti
carried out last rites for
the child at Shivaji Park
Crematorium as Suresh
had barely a few hundred
rupees with him.

Since then, the hospital has provided emotional and financial bereavement support to financial weak parents of the deceased and Rotary Club of Bombay was the first, in 2011, to contribute

towards this initiative.

Additionally, paediatric social workers ensure that one of them is beside the parents after a child dies. This is being undertaken by ImPaCCT (Improving Paediatric Cancer Care and Treatment) which also ensures financial help to those who do not have money for treatment.

RCB's aid, all way back from 2011, becomes all the more vital in the background of the difficulties faced by ImPaCCT in raising funds. Says Shalini Jatia, secretary of ImPaCCT, "Most donors want to contribute to curative purposes, while some contribute towards palliative care. Getting funds for bereavement support is most difficult."



RCB apart, two NGOs — Helping Hands Foundation and Anjeze Charitable Trust — have been regular contributors to ImPaCCT

Dr. Shripad Banavali, head of medical and paediatric oncology at TMH, adds that there are four to six monthly cases requiring bereavement support. He said, "At TMH, we aim to offer holistic care that covers cancer treatment and financial, educational and nutritional support. Donors play a major role; we need many more donors to come forward."



Totalling 76,09,000

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Our deepest gratitude...

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LEED certification is sought by museums undergoing renovation or new construction, for the environmental benefits derived from achieving it as well as the cachet it lends.



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THE TAJ MAHAL PALACE

MENU (PAN ASIAN), NOVEMBER 13, 2018

Soup

Noodle soup with vegetables, assorted bread rolls & butter

Salad bar

Pickled cucumber, Som Tam salad, Gado Gado

Vegetarian main course

Water Chestnut, zucchini, baby corn and tofu in garlic pepper sauce, Stir-fried vegetables, Vietnamese potatoes, Tsing Hai mushrooms and babycorn

Non vegetarian main course

Diced chicken in chilli mustard sauce, Sliced fish hot garlic sauce

Accompaniments

Mixed vegetable fried rice, Veg hakka noodle

Apple fritters, Orange and chocolate ice-cream





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Next week: Vallabh Bhansali

Vallabh Bhansali is a well-known thought leader and investment banker. He is the co-founder of ENAM group, a reputed home grown investment banking and long-term investor group of the country. ENAM is known for their knowledge and ethics-led track record and have inspired innumerable others in their own trade and outside.

He is the founder and chief mentor of Desh Apnayen Sahayog Foundation which instills active citizenship amongst school and college students. He is also the founder Director of FLAME University - India's innovative Liberal Arts University.

He is President at FIEI (Federation of Jain Educational Institutes) with education institutes, schools and colleges founded by Jains. His vision is to use this platform to help the 2,500 plus institutions to upgrade, transform and induct courses attuned to the future which will make an impact on the country.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES FROM NOVEMBER 6TH TO 12TH, 2018



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Thought leader Vallabh Bhansali

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NOVEMBER 8

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NOVEMBER 9

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NOVEMBER 12

Rtn. Ptn. Yasmin Divecha

NOVEMBER 13

Rtn. Ptn. Bharti Gandhi

ANNIVERSARIES

NOVEMBER 7

Rtn. Ptn. Kamal & Rtn. Dinshaw **Pandole**

NOVEMBER 10

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NOVEMBER 11

Rtn. Ptn. Sushmita & Rtn. Christopher Bluemel

Rtn. Ptn. Ayesha & Rtn. Darius Soonawalla

NOVEMBER 12

Rtn. Ptn. Shailaja & Rtn. Samir Mogul

Rtn. Ptn. (Dr.) Soonnu & Rtn. Farokh Bàlsara

STATISTICS FOR THE LAST MEETING

Club Members	89
Rtn. Partners	05
Visiting Rotarians	0
Guests	0
Rotaractors	02
Total	96
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