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president's Message

Dear Friends.

Last week, we concluded the Annual General Meeting for 2018-19. I wish the newly-elected team my heartiest congratulations and best wishes.

I am glad to announce the inauguration of the third Ananda Yaan Centre at Dr. E. Moses Road.

It's the season to be jolly and spread smiles across. Let us share gifts of happiness and love with others this Christmas.

I thank the Rotarians who hosted the Christmas Brunch and also all those who attended and made the fellowship meeting a joyous one. Thank you to the entire team for the wonderful arrangements. Detailed coverage will follow in the next Bulletin.

The Club organised a trip to Odisha from December 3 to 8, 2018, last month. Members enjoyed a wondrous Fellowship. Detailed coverage will follow in the next Bulletin.

We now step into 2019. Let us celebrate as Rotarians; come, join us for our New Year fellowship which will be held on January 7, 2019. Venue to be announced.

Please note our next regular meeting will be on January 8, 2019. There is no meeting on December 25, 2018 as it is a bank holiday. The meeting of January 1, 2019, has been shifted to the Fellowship meeting on January 7, 2019.

See you all in the New Year. Have a

Happy Christmas and a blissful New Year!

Thank You







RIPE Mark Maloney writes back

Dear Club President Vijay Jatia,

Many thanks to you and the Rotary Club of Bombay for your warm hospitality last month during our trip to Mumbai. It was wonderful to meet with local Rotarians and learn about the inspiring activities they are organising!

We also especially appreciate the care and attention you took in arranging for our stay - it was truly amazing to reside in the iconic Taj Mahal Palace Hotel. Gay and I were very honoured to be a part of the inauguration of the Illumination project for the Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj

Inauguration of new Ananda Yaan centre

In-camera event on Christie's landmark auction

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Elders have a day out

Vastu Sangrahalaya Museum. Such an inspirational event!

I'd like to also acknowledge your's and the club's efforts in organising the AKS recognition dinner and the Race for Humanity. Thanks to all for the hard work and dedication that was put into each.

I look forward to when our paths may cross again and wish you all the best in your future Rotary endeavours.

Kindest regards, Mark

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Rtn. Satyan Israni, Rtn. Manish Reshamwala, President Vijay Jatia, PE Rtn. Preeti Mehta, PN Rtn. Framroze Mehta, Rtn. Shernaz Vakil and Rtn. Meera Alreja



Hon. Treasurer Shivkumar Israni, PP Rtn. Ramesh Narayan, President Vijay Jatia, Hon. Sec. Rekha Tanna, PE Rtn. Preeti Mehta, PN Rtn. Framroze Mehta at the AGM last week



Members attend the AGM last Tuesday



President Vijay Jatia welcomes newly inducted member Rtn. Elisabeth Prager



From the President's desk

In response to the circular dated October 9, 2018, sent to all members, the following valid nominations were received for Officers (2019-2020) and four Directors (2019-2021) of the Rotary Club of Bombay.

The nominations mentioned below were scrutinised by the Board of Directors at the meeting held on Wednesday, November 14, 2018 and were found in order, to be a part of **President-Elect Rtn. Preeti Mehta's** team for the Rotary year 2019-20.

TEAM FOR 2019-20

- President-Elect Rtn. Framroze
 Mehta
- President-Nominee Rtn. Shernaz Vakil
- Honorary Secretary Rtn. Manish Reshamwala
- Joint Honorary Secretary Rtn. Satyan Israni
- Honorary Treasurer Rtn. Bimal Mehta

Directors (2019-2021)

- Rtn. Ram Gandhi
- Rtn. Meera Alreja
- Rtn. Vineet Bhatnagar
- Rtn. Peter Born

Since one nomination was filed for each vacancy, the nominees are declared elected unopposed.

My hearty congratulations to you all and I wish President-Elect Rtn. Preeti Mehta and her team the best for the ensuing year.

Third Ananda Yaan centre opens at Dr. E. Moses Road

The Elder Care Committee is proud to share that a third centre of Ananda Yaan was inaugurated at the Panchsheel Cooperative Society at Dr. E. Moses road on December 10. This centre will be functional from 11 am to 1 pm daily.

The inaugural function and snacks were organised by our project partners Dignity Foundation. The event was attended by 150 people.

Programme Director Rtn. Madhusudan Daga conducted the ceremonial opening joined by Chairman PP Rtn. Paul George, Dr. Sheilu Shreenivasan,





(Above) Members of other Ananda Yaan centres perform for their newest inductees (Below, left) Chairman PP Rtn. Paul George with Programme Director Rtn. Madhusudan Daga

Founder President of Dignity Foundation and the Corporator of Worli, Shri Datta Ram. Other committee members, Rtn. Ptn. Ekta Shah, Volunteer Roma Agrawal and trustees of Dignity Foundation Rtn. Pranay Vakil and Gopal Shreenivasan joined in the celebrations.

Members of other Ananda Yaan centres came together to put up a wonderful show with colourful dances, singing joyfully, and sharing their personal experiences to showcase their takeaway from this initiative. This encouraged the new members to look forward to fun and learning through the coming year.

It was heartening to see elders singing *"Yeh dosti hum nahin chhodenge"*. The bond of friendship created at the Byculla centre last year was visible and being celebrated.

Rtn. Madhusudan Daga and PP Rtn. Paul George appreciated their performance in their vote of thanks. Special mention was made of Bhavna and Dilip without whose relentless effort and presence all this would not have been achieved. They announced that new centre will give be given many more opportunities to look forward to, in the years to come, through the Rotary Club of Bombay. Shri Datta Ram, Corporator of Worli, was very appreciative of the project and thanked the Rotary Club of Bombay, adding that he would support this initiative fully.

Everyone present remembered the one person who could not attend: IPP Rtn. Ramesh Narayan. It was his great idea and able leadership that led to the opening of the initial two daycare centres and which has now seen the third one already. The aim is to keep growing as the cause is a worthy one.

Secret Santa visits new Ananda Yaan centre

An anonymous donor organised a fullday outing for members of the Dr. E. Moses Road Ananda Yaan Centre on December 8. Around 50 senior citizens had desired to visit Vajreshwari. The excited elders came all dressed to board the bus and create some memories together.

This turned out to be a great bonding trip for them and they now look forward to meeting at the centre every day. They visited the Ganesh Puri Nityanand Maharaj Samadhi and Vajreshwari Mandir.

This area is known for its hot springs and the seniors took a dip and enjoyed the hot water dip on a wintry morning.

After this, they had a lavish lunch



organised by the donor at Jalaram Ram Ashram. On way the back, the group



stopped at Prati Shirdi Sai Baba Mandir Sai Dham to pay homage to the deity.

They ended the picnic with snacks and evening tea on their way back.

Christie's In-Camera evening at the Kanorias'

Vandana and Ajay Kanoria generously hosted an intimate gathering of Rotarians and spouses at their beautiful residence on the December 4, 2018. The speaker was Nishad Avari, Specialist and Head of Sale for South Asian Modern + Contemporary Art at Christie's in New York, USA.

In May 2018, Christie's had the privilege of handling the Rockefeller Auction, which comprised some of the most significant charity auctions in the history of the art market. Unprecedented in terms of the volume and quality of lots, the extent of the displays, logistics and operations, the number of viewers and bidders globally, and the final amount raised for the earmarked charities, the six auctions held over three days were a landmark event not just in the history of the market, but in that of collecting and philanthropy as well.

The top prices of the series included Picasso's *Fillette à la corbeille fleurie*, which realised US\$ 115,000,000; Monet's *Nymphéas en fleur*, which sold for a record US\$ 84,687,500, and Matisse's *Odalisque couchée aux magnolias*, which was bought for US\$ 80,750,000, another artist auction record.



Rtn. Jagdish Malkani, Rtn. Anil Goyel, Rtn. Tara Deshpande, Rtn. Peter Born, President Vijay Jatia and PP Rtn. (Dr.) Mukesh Batra, et al



Rtn. Pradeep Chinai, Rtn. Ritu Prakash Desai, Rtn. Rahil Shah and Rtn. Ptn. Vasuda Shah and Rtn. Jimmy Pochkhanawalla

The Estate's proceeds from the most significant charitable auction in history will be directed to a dozen philanthropies Peggy and David Rockefeller supported during their lifetimes, for the benefit of continuing scientific research, higher education, support for the arts, sustainable economic development, and land conservation initiatives, among others.



Rtn. Tara Deshpande, PP Rtn. (Dr.) Mukesh Batra, Rtn. Peter Born and Rtn. Ptn. Malti Jain

Nishad Avari's talk was interesting and informative. He showed slides of several items sold at the week-long auction including paintings, crockery, cutlery, duck and swan decoys in wood, furniture and silver. He spoke with knowledge and passion. The evening culminated in a delicious homemade dinner by Vandana Kanoria. It was truly a delightful evening.

Highlights of the Christie's auction in NY earlier this year



A large Chinese Export 'tobacco leaf' assembled dinner service, Qianlong period, circa 1775. Sold for \$1,152,500 on 9 May 2018 at Christie's in New York — a new auction record for a dinner service



An English wicker picnic hamper, retailed by Asprey & Company, circa 1986. Sold for \$212,500 on 10 May 2018 at Christie's in New York



David Rockefeller's collection of duck decoys was a huge draw for collectors and this Whistling Swan by John Haynes Williams (1857-1937), Cedar Island, Virginia, circa 1910 sold for \$348,500

DONATIONS FOR THE WEEK

Totalling **₹ 15,10,000**

Rtn. Sudha Motwane

Rtn. Mayank Kummar

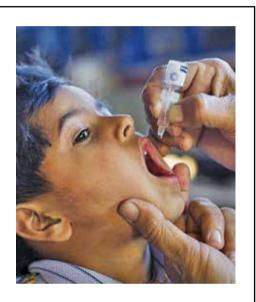
Sarala Basant Birla Param Bhakti Trust through Rtn. Gul Kripalani

IT'S A FACT

1979

The year Rotary began its fight against polio.

It all started with a project to immunise 6 million children in the Philippines. Today, polio remains endemic in only three countries — down from 125 in 1988.



• MERRY • **Christmas** HAPPY NEW YEAR





BELOW ARE DETAILS OF THE PATIENT COUNT AT MEDICAL CENTRES FOR NOVEMBER

Centre Name	Beneficiaries		
Ajit Deshpande Medical Centre	1182		
Phiroze Ratanshah Vakil Eye Centre	1938		
International Women's Association Clinic	305		
RCB Medical Centre (Cotton Green)	697		
Total	4122		

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DECEMBER 25, 2018 No meeting

JANUARY 1, 2019 No meeting

JANUARY 7, 2019 New Year Fellowship. Venue to be announced.

JANUARY 8, 2019 Speaker Professor M. M. Sharma on *The Role of Innovation in Success* at The Taj Mahal Palace

Project Night Study Centre

The Night Study Centres provide students with a quiet and secure environment to study in, which they are unable to get at home. At the centres, we provide books, evening snacks and tutors (to guide students with homework). These centres are set up near their homes and localities. Apart from the NSC classes, an annual get-together is organised for the students. Students get the opportunity to interact with other students of different backgrounds and with different mind sets. It also gives them the chance to showcase their talent and skill.

Average student count at Night Study Centres

Sr. No	Name of the NSC	Class	On roll		Average attendance
			Boys	Girls	
1	Baradev Mun. School	2	26	23	49
2	Abhyuday Nagar Mun. School	2	32	40	70
3	Ahilya Vidya Mandir	1	13	12	25
4	Nadkarni Park Mun. School	2	20	27	45
5	Korba Mithagar Mun. School	2	31	35	65
6	Sewri NSC – 1	1	19	12	30
7	Sewri NSC – 2	1	20	11	30
8	Worli Madraswadi	1	12	16	28
9	Kamathipura Vachanalaya NSC	1	9	23	30
		15	182	199	372



All Directors and Committee Chairpersons

are requested to send their project write ups with high resolution pictures to Rtn. Satyan Israni for publishing in the Gateway at the following email id:

rotary.satyanisrani @gmail.com



MENU (PAN ASIAN) JANUARY 8, 2019

SOUP

Sweet corn soup, Assorted bread rolls & butter

SALAD BAR

Kimchi, Thai glass noodle salad, Smoked chicken shredded pepper, Assorted greens with variety of dressings

VEGETARIAN MAIN COURSE

Garden fresh vegetables in Tobanjan sauce, Stir-fried Pak choy and Chinese cabbage, Exotic vegetables in whole garlic sauce

NON-VEGETARIAN MAIN COURSE

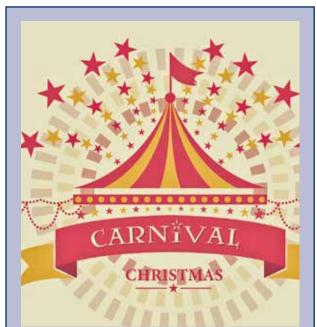
Wok-fried chicken in black pepper sauce, Sliced fish in fresh chilli-coriander sauce

ACCOMPANIMENTS

Stir-fried rice in crunchy burnt garlic, Woktossed Hakka noodles with peppers, onion and bean sprouts

DESSERT

Darsaan, Roasted almond ice-cream



Annual Christmas Carnival ahead

Where does Santa live? In each one of us, if we have the right spirit. Meet our own Santa Claus with a heart of gold!

Rtn. Suresh Agarwal, as Vice Chairman of Entertainment Committee of CCI Club, is organising a mega Christmas Carnival at CCI Club lawns.

He has been doing this for the last seven years and is back again this year by popular demand. This will be his eighth year hosting this carnival.

The carnival will be from December 21st to 23rd, 2018, at the CCI club lawns.

Over these three days, 2,000 underprivileged children from different NGOs registered through Rotarians will get a chance to celebrate Christmas in its festive spirit.

These NGOs are registered with different Rotary clubs. The Rotary Club of Bombay is thankful to Rtn. Suresh Agarwal for the opportunity to 1,200 plus children and teachers under its Bhavishya Yaan, Lighthouse project and Night Study Centre programmes.

Rtn. Suresh Agarwal will gift each child a school bag with pencil box, books, tiffin, water bottle and crayons. Plenty of thrills, food and entertainment have been organised for the kids too.

The total cost of this generosity is over Rs 10 lakh. All Rotarians are welcome to meet and greet the kids on any of these days, between 11 am and 2.30 pm.

Next week: Prof. Man Mohan Sharma

Professor Man Mohan Sharma is amongst the world's foremost experts in chemical engineering. He has dedicated his life to the fields of chemical science, engineering and technology. A celebrated consultant

who has advised some of the top companies in the world including Dow, DuPont, Reliance and Sabic, Prof. Sharma is an institution himself.

He is a highly decorated UDCT (Institute of Chemical Technology, Mumbai) alumnus who counts the Padma Bhushan (1987), Padma Vibhushan (2001), the 1977 Moulton Medal of the Institution



Prof. Man Mohan Sharma

of Chemical Engineers at the top of his list of numerous awards and recognitions for his contribution to research.

He remained Professor at UDCT for

33 years, along with eight years as its Director. He has been honoured with honorary doctorates by several universities including the IITs. Prof. Sharma was the first engineer in India to be awarded the Fellow of Royal Society of London (FRS).

Prof. M. M. Sharma will be speaking on *The Role of Innovation in Success.*



DECEMBER 18TH, 2018 TO JANUARY 7TH, 2019

ROTARIAN BIRTHDAY

DECEMBER 18 Rtn. Shailesh Patkar **DECEMBER 19** Rtn. Sanjiv Saran Mehra **DECEMBER 24** Rtn. Zinia Lawyer **DECEMBER 25** Rtn. Ishrag Contractor **DECEMBER 25** Rtn. (Dr.) Mala Jagtiani **DECEMBER 25** Rtn. Sameer Tapia **DECEMBER 26** PP Rtn. Harry Singh Arora **DECEMBER 26** Rtn. (Dr.) Anish Shah DECEMBER 28 Hon, Rtn, Ratan Tata **DECEMBER 29** Rtn. Chiranjilal Joshi **JANUARY 1, 2019** Rtn. Satya Bansal **JANUARY 1, 2019** Rtn. (Dr.) Dinesh Daftary **JANUARY 2, 2019** PP Rtn. Nalin Parikh **IANUARY 6, 2019** Rtn. Arvind Agarwal

RTN. PTN. BIRTHDAYS

DECEMBER 19 Rtn. Ptn. Kanan Fotedar Rtn. Ptn. Meghal Jhaveri **DECEMBER 20** Rtn. Ptn. Sheila Kripalani DECEMBER 22 Rtn. Ptn. Komal Israni Rtn. Ptn. Gautam Mehta **DECEMBER 26** Rtn. Ptn. (Dr.) Nafisa Contractor Rtn. Ptn. Shakuntala Lulla



Club Members	59		
Rtn. Partners	01		
Visiting Rotarians	0		
Guests	0		
Rotaractors	0		
Total	60		
SERVICE BOX COLLECTION	₹1100		

DECEMBER 30 Rtn. Ptn. Binaifar Nazir **JANUARY 1, 2019** Rtn. Ptn. Zarina Mehta Rtn. Ptn. Aziz Zaveri JANUARY 3, 2019 Rtn. Ptn. Gauri Jatia Rtn. Ptn. Dhvanika Thakkar January 5, 2019 Rtn. Ptn. Aparna Ramaswamy Rtn. Ptn. Asha Shah **JANUARY 6, 2019** Rtn. Ptn. Sushmita Bluemel Rtn. Ptn. (Dr.) Sandesh Mayekar **JANUARY 7, 2019** Rtn. Ptn. Snehal Shah

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