



## Report of Meeting on 30 August 2020

### District Service Project Seminar hosted by our Club:

President Dr. Ajay Mahajan received a call from DG Prashant Jani asking him to host online District Service Project Seminar "PRERNA". The President after due consultations with the Board members confirmed to host the event. A team was made for the planning and execution of the event. Office Bearers and Board members were assigned tasks of preparing banners, certificates, communicating with Presidents & Secretaries of all the clubs of the district, District Officers, COG and club members, preparation of the flow chart of the event, coordinating with the District Governor and District Service Project Chair, communicating with the key note speaker etc.

Rtn. Neha Lotwala was assigned the task to recite the Four Way Test.

The event was managed from residence of IPP Tushar Shah. The team thanks him and Nehalben for the arrangements and infrastructure provided for the purpose. Technical and infrastructure set up done by Sachi and Samarth need to be appreciated.

The event was lucidly compered by PN Nehal Shah. A total of about 275 Rotarians participated in the event. The other largely observed and appreciated feature of the event was that there were no glitches and most of the speakers barring a few made their presentations adhering to the time slot allotted to them.

Hon. Secretary Tejas Gandhi who also managed the event as co-host uploading shared screens and appreciation certificates. Not a single miss all the balls were played in style and correctly.

### Event Flow:

Meeting was called to order by DG Prashant Jani.

The Four Way Test was recited by the sweet voiced Rtn Neha Lotwala

President Dr. Ajay Mahajan welcomed all with a philosophical touch to his welcome note.

DG Prashant Jani gave a brief overview of the importance of Projects in Rotary.

DGN Shrikant Indani gave information about regular projects of the club and how to manage them year on year.

DGN Santosh Pradhan discussed about Permanent Projects, its importance and sustainability.

Rtn. Khalil Noorani from RC Vapi West shared his experience of Swaman Store; RTn. Sharad Sheth shared information about LN4 Project; Rtn. Dr. Umang Desai explained about the facilities available in Mammography Van and how it can be utilized

around the district by clubs jointly; Rtn Mitesh Bhatt Chairman WINS provided information about Hand Wash Stations to be provided by the District under WINS. Rtn Manish Shroff informed the members about the Monthly Service Projects; Rtn. Tushar Shah, District Literacy Chair shared information about Notebook Project.

Rtn. Suresh Jain from RC Dondaicha and PDG Dr. Surendrasinh Parmar gave information about their club's success stories of Permanent Projects.

Rtn Nihar Dave, District Service Project Chair gave detail information about various focus areas of Service Projects.

Counsellor PDG Gulshan K Thakral inspired the audience about pursuing Big Projects.

Rtn. Nikhil Madrasa introduced in his unique style the Keynote Speaker Shri Govindbhai Dholakia.

Keynote Speaker Shri Govindbhai Dholakia in his address stressed the importance of Giving back to the society, a small percentage of what you earn. His speech in Hindi with a Gujarati accent was quite interesting.

Rtn Kamal Gandhi proposed the Vote of Thanks.

Meeting was adjourned by the District Governor.

### PP Rtn Kamal Gandhi

Event Chair

### Rtn. Tejas Gandhi

Hon. Secretary



## INCOMING PROGRAMMES

4th Sep 2020 – Weekly Meeting  
India Literacy Mission – PP Tushar Shah

6th Sep 2020 – District Event  
Prasidhi



5<sup>th</sup> Sep – Rtn. Atmaram Tripathi

5<sup>th</sup> Sep – R' partner Tarlika Gokani

5<sup>th</sup> Sep – R'partner Dr. Rupal Nirav Shah

6<sup>th</sup> Sep – Rtn. Premalkumar Shroff

8<sup>th</sup> Sep – Rtn. Nilkanth Barot

11<sup>th</sup> Sep – Rtn. Munish Modi



## August Activity Report

### Club Meetings:

- i) 07/08 addiction --PDG Dr Dipak Purohit
- ii) 14/08 Covid & Cardio Vascular disease Dr. Ramakant Panda
- iii) 21/08 TRF District Level 2 seminar
- iv) 30/08 District Service project seminar. Event hosted by Rotary Club of Surat

### Community:

- i) Distribution of plantar to members house on their birthday /anniversary.
- ii) Covid awareness online campaign, conducting Covid awareness session for industry workers
- iii) Online photography competition
- iv) Plantation of 25 saplings at pal anganwadi
- v) Health awareness session for female.
- vi) Distribution of nutritious food to pregnant ladies under project "Humf"
- vii) Distribution of food packets to 50 kids
- viii) Starting "Swamaan" store 26/08
- ix) Blood donation camp with rotaractors 30/08
- x) Distribution of food kits to 100 needy people by RCC Silver lining.
- xi) Conducting of making of eco-friendly Ganpati by RCC silver lining.
- xii) Participation in online teachers training program held by District. approximately 100 teachers participated through us.
- xiii) Healthy Meals at Pal Anganwadi to 45 children on 22.08 & 29.08.
- xiv) Evening meal to children at Vatsalyapuram.
- xv) Multi Districts, multi clubs Flag Exchange on Friendship Day on virtual platform. PP Chirag Gandhi, PN Nehal Shah & Rtn. Rupal Damani attended the event.

### District Events:

- i) PRAVRUDDHI -online membership seminar.
- ii) PRADAN-TRF level 2 seminar.
- iii) PRERNA- Service Project Seminar – Hosted by R C Surat

## Chesley R. Perry: Rotary's first general secretary

Chesley Reynolds Perry, a Spanish-American War veteran and former Chicago Public Library employee, served as Rotary's first secretary and is known as "the builder of Rotary International."

While Rotary's president changes every year, only 12 people have served as general secretary, a role that's equivalent to a chief executive — and at 32 years, Perry served the longest.

In August 1910, the newly formed National Association of Rotary Clubs (now Rotary International) unanimously selected Perry for the role then known as secretary. He accepted the part-time position at \$100 per month, with an agreement that the amount of time he'd devote would remain unspecified. By 1912, the job had evolved into a full-time executive role, and Perry's pay was increased.

Perry's own office on LaSalle Street in Chicago, Illinois, USA, served as the first headquarters of the association. By 1911, Rotary had established an office in the First National Bank Building at the intersection of Dearborn and Monroe in Chicago. Perry concurrently served as editor and business manager of The Rotarian from 1911 to 1928, and he opened Rotary's first international office, in Zurich, Switzerland, in February 1925. He oversaw the expansion of Rotary as it grew during his tenure from 16 clubs in the United States to more than 5,000 worldwide. His title was officially changed to general secretary in 1941-42, his final year in office.



Perry had announced his plans to retire in 1940, but agreed to remain in his post while the organization trained his successor, Philip C. Lovejoy. A number of clubs sought to nominate Perry for RI president in 1942-43, but he declined, saying, "I am gratefully conscious of the high compliment thereby being paid to me."

After retiring, Perry remained a member of the Rotary Club of Chicago, which he'd joined in 1908. But he wasn't done being a leader, and served as club president in 1944-45. In 1954, Rotary offered him the title "secretary emeritus" to honor his years of service, but he again declined, preferring the role of ordinary Rotarian.

Perry died on 21 February 1960 at the age of 87.

"If I can in truth be called the architect, Ches can with equal truth be called the builder of Rotary International."

— Rotary founder Paul P. Harris, "My Road to Rotary" (1948)



## Community Service – Pal Anganwadi

Healthy Meals served to the children at Pal Anganwadi sponsored by Rtn. Neha Vikram Lotwala. Thank you for sponsoring the good cause.



## Rotaract Club of Surat Community – International RYLA



International online RYLA organized by RI District 2232 Ukraine was attended by Rotaract President Akshit, Rotaractors Urav Mehta, Shiv Mehta, Maulin Mehta and Devanshi. A two day online event in collaboration with Rotarians, Rotaractors and United States Peace Corps was organized by Rotary Club of Lviv Ukraine. The highlights of the event being i) Leading through Individual Empowerment ii) Leadership Styles iii) Team Performance and Group Dynamics iv) Group Discussion.

## The Rotary Mission Statement:

The mission of Rotary International is to support its member clubs in fulfilling the object of Rotary by:

- Fostering unity among member clubs;
- Strengthening and expanding Rotary around the world;
- Communicating worldwide the work of Rotary; and
- Providing a system of international administration.

## The Musings of the Heart. - GRATITUDE

Gratitude is not just a mere Thank you.  
The depth of this feeling is known by few,  
The glimpse of its realization births the dew.  
A word that reminds you of the umpteen Blessings bestowed upon you.  
A word that brushes off the complaining mind.  
A word that encourages you to being kind  
Yet it is not just a word,  
It plays the role of a sword.  
To cut the ignorant mind,  
To help it meet the Beloved Divine.  
To the path of righteousness, it leads,  
Un-realization of it, leads your Heart to bleed.  
The half empty glass is filled with SPACE  
This truth is hidden under the sheath of disgrace.  
Recognize the value of this SPACE,  
Have the gratitude for its place.  
Then the Divine will shower his Grace,  
Joy, Love, Peace will come to your embrace.

Courtesy – PP Kamal Gandhi



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Enrich your Service  
**Public Image Seminar**

**SEPTEMBER 06 10.00 AM**  
ONLINE ZOOM PLATFORM

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## Thank You

Thank you Rtn. Kundan Shah & Rtn. Daksha Shah for the kind gesture of gifting 6 chairs to Oldage Home in Vesu. Also Thanks for providing household electronic goods for Swaman Store. Thank you Rtn. Rupal Damani for accompanying them.



## SWAMAN STORE

RC Surat started a Swaman Store in Piplod. This is one pet project of DG Prashant Jani wherein old goods such as electronics, household appliances, clothes, utensils will be sold at a meagre cost after refurbish to those who need them but cannot afford to buy new. Swaman store project chair Rtn Alpesh Shtrenjiwala took the lead and has worked hard to launch the project.



*"Literacy in itself is no education. Literacy is not the end of education or even the beginning. By education I mean an all-round drawing out of the best in the child and man-body, mind and spirit."*  
- Mahatma Gandhi