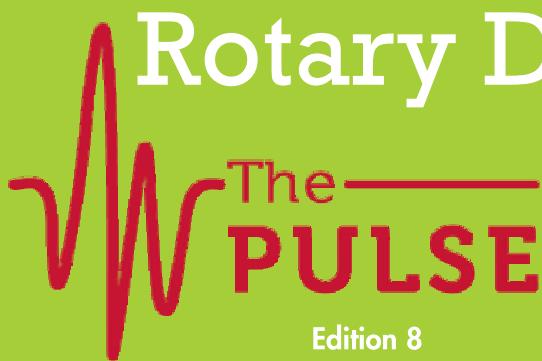


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Enjoyment is an incredible energizer to the human, says John C. Maxwell. The more positive we approach our life, the more we enjoy it. The year 2017 has started off on this note wherein we have tried to bring in joy through our Rotary movement and in the process be a catalyst to others to enjoy while enjoying ourselves. Service above self should be our way of life but we should also enjoy every moment we do this. A moment lost never comes back! January 2017 was an interesting month which started with an enjoyable district event like DISCON followed by engaging speakers at our regular meeting and ended with a very positive and vibrant OCV.

DISCON 2017 was held on 7th & 8th Jan and was a well-crafted event with a mix of business sessions, recognitions and fellowship. Some of the speakers were par excellence and there was an array of celebrities who added glamour to the show and created excitement in the audience. Highlight of the show were the recognitions given to various unsung Heroes working towards worthy causes for the upliftment of our society! Our own Jhankar Gadkari was the main architect behind conceiving the program, inviting great speakers and identifying excellent achievers unknown to the public. He coordinated for bringing all of them together under this forum, in spite of his personal challenges! Congrats Jhankar!

We also had very good speakers who spoke on different subjects like perfumes to invisible biological forces, which made the meetings interesting, interactive and educative. We also conducted "Republic Day celebrations at DKL" along with Rotary Club of Thane North and had some senior cadets from the armed forces join us in these celebrations!

The Pre OCV and OCV went very well. Thanks to each and every Rodeo who contributed in their own way towards our Rotary Deonar. The DG appreciated our meticulous record maintenance, regular monthly bulletins, meetings and their minutes and also the overall report for its contents and

presentation. The interaction with our partners in service was very interesting and comprehensive. The interactors of Gregorios school conducted themselves very well with poise and grace and explained their projects with full confidence and conviction. The Interactors had collected used clothes and woven 5 decorative carpets with them. These were really awesome and the first piece was auctioned at Rs.10,000/- and the balance 4 also would fetch a good price. The funds collected through this auction exceeding Rs.50,000/- would be utilized for conducting Paediatric heart surgeries, a contribution by our Interactors! The Rotaractors presented their projects with a lot of enthusiasm which was well received by the DG. IWC had compiled their projects very well and presented to the DG. He was very happy with the IWC initiatives like Happy School, Sugran and others and promised full support from the district for scaling up and expansion. RCC members also interacted with the DG and spoke to him on their projects.

And to make the OCV even more memorable, we inducted Ms. Sunita Bhuyan who is one of the doyens of music world and has been recognised world over for her contribution to music therapy and also management sessions in HR. She has committed to work along with us on our projects and has volunteered to conduct a music therapy program for Rotarians on 1 April 2017.

With such a great start, we now move on to February wherein we plan to conduct some more exciting projects and enjoy the process of touching lives and create some memorable experiences!

A. V. Suresh
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5th Jan 2017: Rtn. Amit Vira on Perfumes:

Rtn. Amit Vira spoke to us on the magic of perfumes starting from the meaning of the word " perfume " and taking us through the journey of evolution of perfume. He also described the basic ingredients of perfumes and how each perfume has different impact on different skin and textures. It was an interesting session and there were intriguing questions about the impact of perfumes on the opposite sex and the ways to attract attention.



7th & 8th Jan 2017 : District Conference DISCON 2017

DISCON 2017 was yet another well planned conference with an array of celebrities, great speakers and renowned personalities like Subramamiam Swamy. There were more than 1,200 Rotarians at the Sahara Convention Centre in Santa Cruz. There were 17 Rodeos representing our club in the conference and had a good time. The mega fashion show event by Archana Kochhar and the special appearance of Shahrukh Khan, Sanjay Dutt, Juhi Chawla, Alia Bhat, Esha and many others added glamour to the conference. It was a heartening experience to listen to the achievements and contributions by many people who fought the challenges in their life and came out victoriously and were felicitated with Nisparichit Chehere awards. The recognition of the people who really served the community at the grass root level was a humbling experience. On the whole, it was another DISCON which was very well conceived, planned and executed. Our very own, Jhankar Gadkari, was the key person for planning and getting the speakers and was there in spite of a personal bereavement. Kudos and salute to our Jhankar Gadkari!



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12th Jan 2017: Rtn. Dr. Ganesh Kamath on "Invisible Biological Forces"

Our Rodeo, Dr. Ganesh Kamath explained to us how enzymes and micro-organisms impact us in our daily lives. The subject of the talk was "Invisible Biological Forces". Though the subject was scientific and sounded complex, he made it look simple for a layman and explained about the biological organisms in our day to day to life. Ganesh is a PhD from Temple University, and has worked in various capacities in the area of pharmaceutical sciences. He founded and runs his company Organica Biotech, here in Deonar itself, and the company has been recognised amongst the Top 20 Environment Biotech companies. Ganesh went on to explain how he and his team have cleaned up ponds and lakes and also provided biological solutions for waste water treatments in India and across the world.



19th Jan 2017: Pre OCV and Club Assembly:

The Pre OCV was a precursor to the annual Official Club Visit of our District Governor. Our AG Radhakrihanan was present and went through the various reports and documents of our club. He commended our club for the various projects done over the years, upkeep of records and accounts, contribution towards TRF and fellowship and comradeship amongst our members. This was followed by our club assembly to share and approve the expenses and plans.

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21st Jan 2017: Xpressions

Xpressions is one of the flagship projects of our Rotaractors and this time they had more than 2,000 underprivileged children participate in various activities to show case their skills, express their talents and latent potential. Congrats to Sneha and her team for working on this relentlessly, generating funds for the event and creating awareness across the community!



26th Jan 2017: Republic Day Celebrations at Dharti Ke lal
We celebrated Republic Day at DKL along with Rotary Club of Thane North. It was a well organised program with good participation from both our clubs, presence of defence personnel, school

children and the Enfield Club bike riders. The Dharti Ke lal monuments to salute our war heroes and the surrounding was very well maintained and decorated for the event and this was followed by a motorcycle rally by the Enfield Bikers club. This is one of our pride points to show our respect to the war heroes who protect us and enable us lead a happy and peaceful life. Would like to appreciate and applaud Cdr. Jana and Ramesh Wadhwani for their relentless contribution to this project and celebration

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28th Jan 2017: Official Club Visit (OCV)

The official club visit of our District Governor went very well and he appreciated the various projects and initiatives taken up by Rotary Deonar and our partners in service namely, Interactors, Rotaractors, IWC and RCC. He was particularly happy about our book keeping and project-wise micro accounting and congratulated Kashinath for the same. All the Rodeos showed their bonding and fellowship which is the hallmark of our club. The DG gave some good suggestions for further improvements and way forward which would take our club from strength to strength. We also inducted our honorary member, Ms. Sunita Bhuyan, a renowned musician and doyen in the world of music. She expressed her desire to serve the community.



IMPACT MADE SO FAR

Month	Project Name	Lives touched
July 2016	Blood Donation Camp at VES Polytechnic College	60
July 2016	Diabetes Camp at VES Polytechnic College	90
July 2016	Operation Restore	24
July 2016	Skin Donation Awareness Talks	250
Aug 2016	RYLA	75
Aug 2016	Taare Zameen Pe	400
Aug 2016	Water Cooler Installation at Govandi Police Station	140
Sep 2016	NID Polio Immunization Camp & Diabetes Camp	400
Sep 2016	ISKCON Midday Meal	120
Sep 2016	Diabetes Screening Camps	400
Oct 2016	Taare Zameen Pe	200
Oct 2016	Pediatric Heart Surgery	20
Oct 2016	Fat Man Challenge	30
Nov 2016	Bhavishya Yaan at Shri Rajaram Seth School	150
Nov 2016	Annual Talent Fiesta	175
Nov 2016	Project Nirbhaya - Self Defence & Protection Training Program	80
Dec 2016	Mega Medical Camp at Balkalyan Nagari, Mankhurd	147
Dec 2016	Mega Medical Camp at Subhash Chandra Bose Vidyamandir, Mankhurd	1450
Dec 2016	Operation Restore	18
Dec 2016	Psychiatric Counselor for De-addiction Camp	64
Dec 2016	Swaranandanwan - Musical Orchestra by Differently abled people	200
TOTAL LIVES TOUCHED		4,493

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29th Jan 2017: NID Polio

The National Immunisation day was held on 29 January and our Rodeos, Jayadeep and Parbodh Sharma participated in these events on our behalf. Thanks Jayadeep and Prabodh!



Profile of Sunita Bhuyan:

Sunita Khaund Bhuyan is a violinist and HR professional on Wellness, leadership and change through the medium music and has around 20 years' experience in the field across leading corporations / business schools globally. Sunita has conducted various workshops and master classes for Strategic Human Resource Management, TED Talks, NHRDN, Learning and Development Roundtable Asia, CII, Commonwealth HRICT, Asia Scotland Society Edinburgh, Edinburgh Business School, and many more!

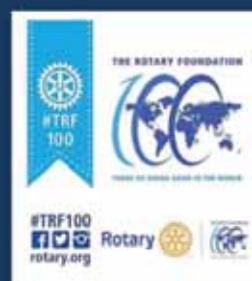
A MBA in Human Resources and a Master of Music, she is a disciple of her mother violinist Minoti Khaund and maestro Padmabibhushan Pandit V. G. Jog of Kolkata. A recipient of the Indira Gandhi Priyadarshini award for excellence, the Rotary International "Woman of Abundance" award, the woman of the decade award by the Women Economic forum, The Giants International award for women's leadership, The IWLF award on Innovation, amongst many others. She is the ambassador of the South Asian Women's Fund , on women's rights and a REX Karmaveer global awardee and fellow. As a "Joy of giving" Ambassador for Don Bosco, she has received the blessings from His Holiness Pope Francis at the Vatican for her work on music therapy and was recently invited as a special guest for Mother Teresa's Canonisation. Sunita recently performed with Grammy award winner Pt. Vishwa Mohan Bhatt for the Honourable PM and his delegates at Vibrant Gujarat Investors Summit.

As a concert musician, her album " Bihu Strings" by Times Music is the only album of folk on the violin in India and she is passionate about her collaborations in UK and Europe on inclusive world music.



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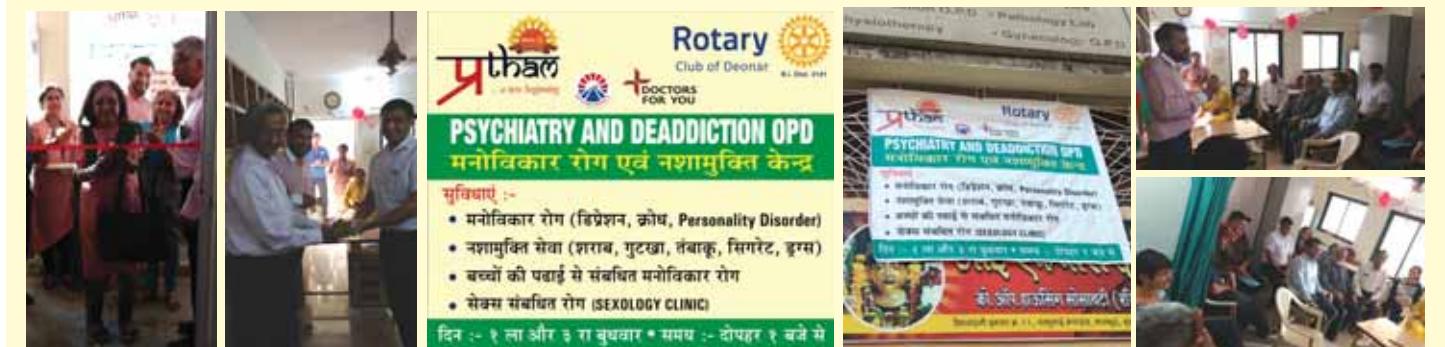
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February 4, 5 Saturday, Sunday	Musculo Skeletal Camp at Sastur
February 9, 2017 Thursday	Cdr. Jana on Relevance and Importance of National Flag and IPP Ajit Pappu on his Himalaya Trekking experience
February 16, 2017 Thursday	Mr. Anil Agarwal on enviro friendly products (www.pappcoindia.com)
February 16, 2017, Thursday	District TRF seminar at Hotel St. Regis, Lower Parel
February 23, 2017 Thursday	Investor awareness on budget implications
March 2, Thursday	" Memoirs of New Zealand visit " by Naresh Shenoy
March 9, Thursday	No meeting
March 16 Thursday	Rescheduled to March 19, Sunday.. Charter Day Lunch at India Bistro, Chembur.. Capt Raghuraman induction
March 23, Thursday	Rescheduled to March 25, Saturday, Blue Ribbon awards function
March 30, Thursday	Rescheduled to April 1, Saturday, Music Therapy by Sunita Bhuyan at Acres Club, Chembur