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President's Message



Dear Innerwheel friends,

The purpose of life is to help someone, somewhere, sometime. I feel there is no other better way to do this, than to be a part of our Innerwheel family which believes in service towards humanity and friendship.

It gives me immense pleasure to communicate with you through this bulletin. Your support has been encouraging & inspiring. Our year started with two very successful projects - tree plantation & Blood Donation Drive - joint projects with RCBA. You all responded well to all my frequent SMPs & calls and have attended the projects and meetings in large numbers. The enthusiasm of the new members is really amazing.

Time has flown. It has been four months already and with your support we have been able to 'HELP bring HOPE.' Our educational, children's and senior citizen projects have brought many a smile. The festival celebrations of Rakhi, Teacher's Day, Independence Day and Dasseera have brought a lot of joy to many. Our one day picnic to Vipassna centre, Himnudi and Utan Resort was a lot of fun and a great fellowship.

We had a fabulous fund raiser, The Rahul Joshi Musical Evening, with house full audience of 350 people. The visual impaired girls from KD Vora Industrial Home also enjoyed the show.

Our Baroda trip was a great success. Our member and hostess, Shobha Parikh, had planned the trip and made it power packed and interesting. We did very good projects and had a vibrant cultural fellowship.

My dream to start an exhibition, a Diwali bazaar 'MAHREYYI', was fulfilled on 5th October 09 with the full support of my team & IW members. It was a grand success and a great fund raiser. I hope it will continue year after year and become bigger and better.

I look forward to all your unstinted support and help for all the oncoming projects on burns awareness, Christmas celebrations, environmental conservation and ofcourse our Varanasi trip to the Triennial in January 2010.

Our club has many generous donors who are always there to support our cause. I am sure you will continue to be supportive and participate whole heartedly in all the future projects and meetings. Thank You.

Pallavi Choksi.

Dist. Chairman's message



Dear Billahs,

It is great to communicate with your near and dear ones. For me IWC Bombay Airport is a family which is full of wonderful people.

I have always admired the consistency and dedication shown by your club all these years. Your club is strong, qualitatively and quantitatively. The Credit goes to all your Past Presidents who laid a strong foundation for your club. Of course, Amita and Himma, the two rising stars are adding more prestige to your club.

You are always open to new ideas knowing needs change with the time. Your appeal to other clubs to join you for joint projects is highly appreciated. For inspiration, we need role models not celebrities. You will be definitely a role model for many.

Remember, success is not hereditary. So put your best foot forward. Prove your skills as a leader. I am sure with your innovative ideas and creativity, you will add new dimension to Inner Wheel objectives. So continue the same path with love, patience and understanding which will take you to the destination satisfaction and Inner Peace.

*May Trials keep you strong, May Sorrows keep you human
May Achievements keep you humble, May Success keep you glowing
May And GOD and Inner Wheel keep you going!*

All the best to you and your club members

Vasudha Chandrachud

Rotary President's Message



Dear Innerwheel Members & Friends,

Greetings for Diwali & New Year,

My year as the President of RCBA has started on a good note, when on the first day itself two projects - tree plantation & Blood Donation Drive were done jointly with IWCBA. With motivated and enthusiastic partners in service, I am sure that rest of the year will see many more joint projects and fellowship meets.

My compliments to President Pallavi for successfully leading her club and to the executive members for providing whole hearted support to her. I am sure that with a dedicated team and involvement of all the members the IWCBA will cross new milestones this year.

With warm regards

Ashmi Parekh

From the Editor's Desk - Himadri Lathia



What a roller coaster ride this has been. This year as a CC under the wonderful leadership of President Pallavi Choksi has been a great fulfilling & momentous year in my life. My learning curve has peaked to an all time high. The committee is committed to give the members a remarkable year and the captain of the ship Pallavi and her team has gone beyond all expectations. I got the opportunity to learn so much that I can't thank her enough. From the word go we are on the roll and nobody is yet ready to even pause for a minute. We have seen a lot of action where I got to organise a project on prevention of sexual abuse on children an avenue close to my heart. We celebrated many festivals and many fellowships brought us all together. Many new members have actively participated and inner wheel family continues to grow. The picnic to the Vipassna Centre, Rahul Joshi fundraiser, the trip to Baroda and the exhibition were the highlights of the year yet only half over. I hope this issue gladdens your heart but "Abhi Picture Baki Hain, Mere Dost.....". A special thanks to Harsha without whose help this issue would not be possible. So watch out folks for lots more in the days to come!!!

The TEAM 2009 - 2010

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Rotary - Birmingham Convention

In the morning of June 21, 2009, my husband Shachin and I walked into the Birmingham Convention Centre. This was my first exposure to an International Convention of any kind. I had heard a lot of about the spirit at conventions but had never imagined the magnitude of it at the convention. 18000 delegates from all over the world under one roof, many of them attired traditionally. The mood was festive more than like business as if the whole centre was charged with energy. After registration we walked around the Hall of Friendship. There were exhibitions and many stands (Stalls) displaying Rotary projects. While I was walking through them, I spotted a stall numbered 298 and out of the blues, I saw Kamala, the Immediate Past International Inner Wheel President. I never expected to find her there so easily. I introduced myself and Kamala welcomed me saying "Come, help us, more the merrier." And I felt at 'Home'. Then she introduced me to others who were at the stand with her. And to my utter surprise one of them was International Inner Wheel President Elect 2009-10 Anne Fryer. For the next four days I almost spent all my time at the stand. Meeting Inner wheel members from all over the world was great motivation and fun. I presented more than 20 flags of our club to Kamala, Anne, other Past District Chairmen, Association Presidents, National Representatives and Presidents as well as members of the Clubs from number of countries. I also presented Kamala & Anne with our district flag and souvenir. Friends, I experienced Inner Wheel friendship and realized how easily one can converse at one to one level even with strangers. Inner wheel was the only link. I am thankful to Kamala, for welcoming me so warmly and introducing me to so many inner wheel personalities. It was a great learning experience as well as fun. My faith in Inner Wheel friendship has become much stronger.

Himadri Nanavati (PP and Dist Editor)



Chalo Maitreyi Bazaar

Hi friends,
 I have immense pleasure in reporting a historical event in our club. A thought that was lingering in my mind for the last couple of years culminated into reality. I am referring to "MAITREYI" the exhibition giving platform to craftsmen budding as well as established - was organized on 5 October 2009 at our Rotary Centre. The way exhibitors were requesting for stalls was phenomenal to say the least and we really felt sorry that we had to say no to some of them. In all we had 33 exhibitors ranging from real jewellery, outfits, footwear, handbags and bedroom accessories. Visitors were also praised for providing them with snacks. I would specially mention efforts put in by Indiraji and Bimlaji for providing lip smacking dishes. Smt. Mitali Singh was gracious enough to find time for inaugurating Maitreyi. We were honored to have presence of district dignitaries Vasudha Chandrachud, Dr. Shobha Ahuja, Amita Timbada and Hima Nanavati. We were further enthused by the presence of other club presidents and members. It was very heart warming to see the people of Maswn and Bombay brave heavy rains and attend our show and over 500 people visited. I wish to end by hoping that becomes an ongoing project for future Presidents.

Dr. Roopa Doshi.



SNAPSHOTS FROM THE ALBUM



Installation



Rakshabandhan



15th August at SaneGuraji



Dr. Manjet Singh - Disaster Management



Visit to Vipassana Ashram & Utan Resorts



Medical Camp at YMCA



Arpan Workshop



Missionaries of Charities



Osteoporosis Camp



Dr. Rahul Joshi - Fun Raising



Polio Pulse with Rotary DG Raju



Quiz Competition at Disha Karna Badhir School



Jam Making at Udaan School

ever remain etched in our memories.

Dr. Snigdha M



A Museum Visit



Navratri - United Ways



Exchange of Flags



At the Eye Hospital



A Visit to the Palace



At the Muni Ashram

This year having taken the post of ISO, I wanted to thoroughly relish the experience. The moment there was a talk of us visiting Baroda during Navratri I wanted to be part of the group.

I contacted my counterparts in the IW clubs of Baroda Main and Jawaharnagar through my friend and our IW member Mrs. Shobhatrikh, to see if we could meet them and contribute to their ongoing projects while we were there. We had a traditional lunch with the residents of IWCs of Baroda Main Mrs Shobha Shah of Jawahar Nagar Mrs Anju Shah and of Anand Round Town Mrs Vastee Panchani along with a few of their members. We exchanged our flags and gifts. Later on we visited Arpan, a school for mentally challenged people with members from Jawahar Nagar club. The teachers and other volunteers are doing a wonderful job here. Our club donated Rs. 1500 to the school and we bought greeting cards and diyas made by them. The next stop was a recently built Manjushar Eye Hospital where we donated Rs. 5,000 for cataract surgeries. This is constructed and run by the Rotary club of Baroda with matching grants from the Rotary International. This hospital is fulfilling the needs of neighbouring villages. We thanked the IW members for their hospitality. We then headed towards the world renowned Garba at The United Ways of Baroda by Rutumbhra Group. The entry to this coveted venue was a gift again from our own gracious friend Shobha! And the only way to describe it is MAGNIFICENT. At the stroke of 12 the unbelievable garba came to an end and we headed back for some rest. Next day was also very promising, with the visits to Muni Ashram and National Heritage sites at Champaner!

The whole purpose of my sharing this article with you is fulfilled if you can believe in yourself and strive ahead to fulfill your dreams!