

LAST WEEK'S WAKE UP CALL – ECOLOGICAL BANK BALANCE

Mr. Vijai Nanda our guest speaker for the Club's Environment Evening, in the 35 minutes of time available to him, made the talk into very interesting interactive session, appealing for efforts to be made towards awareness building. The all important question was raised – what do we receive from nature and what do we give back - do we take from nature its greatest gifts, air and water, pollute it and give it back? Most unfortunately – Yes – we do.

He highlighted the world-wide phenomenon of pollution in the form of degradable and non- degradable wastes which pollute air, ground and water. Closer home he quoted the figures of 19000 and 7500 metric tons of garbage produced per day in the cities of Mumbai and Pune. Agreed, efforts are on to curb the menace but a lot more needs to be done. The more alarming area where both awareness and follow up efforts are lacking is water conservation. It is possible that the next world war would be fought for control of water resources and not Oil. For a start, Mr. Nanda strongly urged everyone to come forward and involve themselves with water harvesting and vermiculture – a humble but a good beginning. Rtn Arti Bayas proposed a vote of thanks.

Before the meeting, PUC check up of 18 vehicles belonging to Rtns and club members' was carried out in the Turf club car park, organized by Rtn Pranay Patwardhan. Director Rtn Ramesh Arora was present throughout. During the meeting, Environment Awards were presented by the President to three dedicated citizens of Pune, Mrs Lata Shrikhande, Mr Darshan Mundada and Mr Gopi Shetty, Director of the Ocean Cadet Academy, Akurdi. Chairman Rtn Rajan Vir, read out the citations, assisted by RAnn Uma Choudhury.

Rtn Jai Kapil, Co-Chairman - Environment Committee(1)

Next Week

A Business meeting led by our President Rtn. Rajendra Shah will be the order of the day. Different issues will be discussed so please come prepared with your questions and doubts

Notice

About 29 members of our club have yet to pay the club dues (overdue for more than 6 months) and also the contribution to the charity trust. As per the by laws of our club, both contributions are mandatory for continuing membership. As a final reminder we will be publishing the names of the members who have yet to pay the dues in the next bulletin.

This Week

A fun filled evening, totally organized by the Ladies of Innerwheel and RCPC, is promised by RAnn Uma More in the last meeting and we are sure that's what its going to be! A musical extravaganza followed with games which is going to be presented by Mrs Mulay and her group.

A food festival from different states is promised which will us wanting for more and more while our stomachs protest! People who will miss today's meeting will surely sorely miss something which we all who are present will remember for a long time to come.

**SEGREGATION OF GARBAGE
DEMO - 11.00 am, SUNDAY 25
MARCH**

The Environment Committee (1) is conducting yet another Demo on segregation of dry and wet garbage and the use of bio-sanitizer at the Water Gradens society in Kalyani Nagar at 1100 hrs on Sunday 25th March. Rtn Shashi Talwar, who resides in that society, has taken the initiative to organize it. Mrs Sheila Christian and RAnn Gita Vir will conduct the Demo.

All Rtns and RAnns are invited to attend the Demo, especially those who live in or near Kalyani Nagar and those who are still not segregating garbage in their homes, which is now a mandatory requirement. Please spare a little time and attend.

Rtn Rajan Vir
Chairman, Environment Committee(1)



Early Act Club of Dhruva- P M C School , Paud Road

About 80 members from the above club with the teachers and Rtn Anil & Ann Mangal Bora visited the Energy Park at Peshwe Park, Pune on Tuesday 13th March . The visit was on their request to study more about how the electricity is generated by different methods and to understand the principles behind it.

RCPC had sponsored a Science Lab at this school last year where volunteers of a local NGO , Youth Age have associated with our Club for the weekly visit to this school . They teach them Science , Maths, English and guide them on other subjects.

The visit was an outcome of the curiosity of the students to learn more about energy making.

The students enjoyed this very much and thanked RCPC for this help.

Visit to Pravin Masalewale Factory by Interact Club of Jagruti Blind Girls School, Alandi

On Sunday 25th Feb, about 50 girls from our Jagruti Interact Club with their teachers and Rtn Anil & Ann Mangal Bora visited the factory of Pravin Masalewale at Hadapsar, Pune.

The students were given a warm welcome by the Company Officials. After a brief interaction about the company and the people behind it, they were taken around the plant for 2 hrs to see how the spices are manufactured and packed. They also saw the quality control measures followed.

The company people were surprised with the questions asked by the students and the enthusiasm shown by them.

There was a joke -telling session with prizes given to the winners. This made the visit more enjoyable.

The students are now looking forward for their visit to L G Plant making Mobile Phones.

Drishti film show

The film DRISHTI produced by our club was screened at Bal Shikshan Mandir School, Pune. it was enjoyed by students of various classes.

The film depicts the plight of a small girl who is blind. The girl gets an eye donated by a kind hearted person and gets her vision back.

The cast of the film includes veteran actors like Vikram Gokhale, Deepa Shriram among others.

If any Rotarian wishes to show this film to a gathering, say the housing society, club, he or she may contact Dr Shekhar.

The film show can be used to generate awareness as well as to raise funds for the eye donation program of our club.

Nital bags prestigious BEST FILM award

The film NITAL , was declared the BEST FILM of 2006 and was given a prestigious V SHANTARAM AWARD. Our Rtn Dr. Shekhar Kulkarni was the main lead actor in the film. Dr. Kulkarni was also nominated for the best actor in this film.

It won A TOTAL OF 9 awards-

BEST DIRECTOR, BEST SCREEN PLAY, BEST DIALOGUES, BEST MUSIC, BEST LYRICS, BEST FEMALE SINGER, BEST MALE SUPPORTING ACTOR, BEST MAKE UP.

Three Men

Three men were sitting together bragging about how they had given their new wives duties and tasks. The first man had married a woman from New Delhi, and bragged that he had told his wife she was going to do all the dishes and house cleaning. He said it took a couple days but on the third day he came home to a clean house and the dishes were done.

The second man had married a woman from Bombay. He bragged that he had given his wife orders that she was to do all the cleaning, dishes and the cooking. On the

first day he didn't see any results, but the next day it was better. By the third day, his house was clean, the dishes were done and he had a huge dinner on the table.

The third man had married a Punjabi girl. He boasted that he told her that her duties were to keep the house cleaned, dishes washed, lawn mowed, laundry washed and hot meals on the table for every meal. He said the first day he didn't see anything, the second day he didn't see anything but by the third day most of the swelling had gone down and he could see a little out of his left eye.

God may have created man before woman, but there is always a rough draft before the masterpiece.

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Birthdays

Rtan Marcia Jaipal	24 Mar.
Rtn Zarine Boyce	26 Mar.
Rtn Col Sunder Gidwani	26 Mar.
Rtn Vasudeo Bhojwani	27 Mar.

Anniversaries

Rtn Lalit & Vidhu Vij 28 Mar.

CALENDAR

Today	Ladies Night to be Co-ordinated by Rtan Neelima Borawake, Rtann Uma More & Rtann. Prema Rathi, Venue - New Club
31-Mar.	Business Meeting President
7-Apr.	Magazine Month - Rotaract Day To be co-ordinated by Rtn Akhilesh Agarwal
14- Apr.	FELLOWSHIP DINNER Group Leader Rtn.Munir Chenoy