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SUCH DEDICATION AND COMMITMENT – AND SO MUCH DISDAIN, TOO!

Did you know that one of the members of the Club attended the last meeting against his doctor's orders? That he came to the Club directly from hospital where he had the sutures applied after major surgery for knee replacement removed?

Or that the Club helped one of the women widowed in the Bombay train blasts of 2006 to relocate to New Delhi where it found a job for her? And that the woman in question is now about to get remarried?

Perhaps you are aware that all it took was one appeal and three weeks' time for members of the Club to contribute sufficient funds to acquire office premises in Nariman Point, which boasts some of the most expensive real estate in Asia? You certainly did not know that there is one member who is so dedicated to the Rotary movement that he has committed to contribute a sum of \$25,000 every year to The Rotary Foundation?

And what about the comparatively new Rotarian whose father-in-law and grandfather-in-law were Past Presidents of Rotary Clubs and whose mother-in-law used to be the President of an Inner Wheel Club?

But towering above all these factoids are two crucial questions: (a) are Club members following the Four-Way Test in their personal and pro-

fessional lives? and (b) what's to be done to arrest the fall in attendance at weekly meetings?

All these interesting points came to the fore at the last meeting when a rather crestfallen Dolly Thakore (she is the Programme Chairperson) regretted having been let down by the guest speaker, the transgender Laxmi Narayan Tripathi, who was billed to speak on "Challenges faced by a minority".

When she did not turn up till the last minute (nor did she respond to frantic calls and sms messages from Dolly), President Pradeep Saxena called the meeting to order and invited members to step forward and speak their minds on matters pertaining to the Club and to the Rotary movement.

What followed was a delectable soul-searching exercise in which members of different vintage celebrated their membership of the Club and their association with the Rotary movement.

Interestingly, in stark contrast to the somewhat lax scene at regular meetings, when members can be seen leaving mid-way through a speaker's presentation, those present at the last meeting seemed to be glued to their seats; they heard their fellow members in pin-drop silence and showed their appreciation of the points being made with generous applause.

The impromptu drill was led by PP Haresh Jagtiani who clarified, much to the mirth of members, that "I am not replacing anybody at this meeting".

He was followed by Nirav Shah, Pankaj Baliga, Roda Billimoria, PP Arvind Jolly, Premnath, Dev Thukral, Sidharth Punshi, Kamal Bulchandani, Burjor Poonawala, Hon. Secretary Bipin Kapadia and President Pradeep himself.

The following are vignettes culled from the views expressed at the last meeting



Unbelievable depth

PP Haresh Jagtiani

Let me make it clear at the outset that I am not replacing anyone at this meeting.

I will just touch upon the subject of Rotary, the Rotary movement, how I perceive it and how I would like every one of you to perceive it.

I remember years ago reading a "Peanuts" comic strip featuring Charlie Brown in which Peppermint Patty tells Massey, "I hear that they now allow lady members in Rotary". Massey asks, "What is Rotary?" Patty replies, "I think it's a place where they have lunch and insult each other". And Massey says, "Right! You would fit in there, wouldn't you?"

But that's one perception of Rotary which I think is not quite correct. The way I look at it is this: If you just extract yourself from this Club and see what you have given yourself, it's a movement which is universal, which has a million plus members and has been in existence for over 100 years.

If these statistics don't boggle the mind, nothing will, because it has such tremendous depth. And the best part is that it is characterised by sheer voluntarism. You may be a member of the Rotary Club, you may come, have your lunch and go away, but you're as much a Rotarian as someone like, say, PP Kalpana Munshi who is involved with rain water harvesting, polio funds and so on.

Everyone is a Rotarian and it doesn't really matter what is your commitment. And I think that's the real strength of this Club, that there is such an unwritten code, such bonding.

I remember the time when I was President ten years ago and a thought struck me very early in my term, that we don't have a Rotary office. It seemed so ironical. So I just made an announcement once, I think in August, that we are 350 strong as a Club and between the 350 of us we have probably 400 or 500 offices. But collectively, we don't have a single office of our own.

That went home. Within three weeks, we had enough contributions to buy ourselves an office, which is still going strong.

I'm just pointing out that this is the depth of our Club and it has to be appreciated and admired.

Of course, we do have the odd person who comes, signs the register and is then not visible at all; but we are so broad-minded that we accept him as a Rotarian in the hope that one day he will realise how deep and profound this organisation is – a sentiment that everyone eventually discovers as a Rotarian.



Great happiness

Nirav Shah

I used to be very nervous about speaking at Club meetings from the lectern. I still am.

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Forthcoming meetings

May 10, 2011

Dr. Aashish Contractor, preventive cardiologist at the Asian Heart Institute, to speak on "Is heart disease really reversible?"

May 17, 2011

Public holiday. There will be no meeting.

Beware of the people's ire, warns Pankaj Baliga

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But today I want to speak about one project with which I was involved thanks to PP Ajay Kanoria.

It was in the aftermath of the bomb blasts in Bombay's suburban trains in 2006. And Ajay told me that my job was to find jobs for about 200 people who had been affected by the blasts. I was to work along with Pradeep Chinai.

Of those 200 persons, I was assigned the responsibility for ten. But it was a very difficult task. I tried the Piramal organisation, with which I am involved, and several other places, but it was not easy to find jobs.

One of the affected persons was a woman with a child. She had nowhere to go. And she was crying all the time. I sent my managers to try and assess her needs, requirements and abilities. Finally, we had to relocate her in Delhi where we managed to get her a job with Tribhovandas Bhimji Zaveri Jewellers, my in-laws.

Today, after three years, thanks to Rotary she is getting married again. The man she is marrying has three children. Getting such people married is never easy. But it is happening.

I feel such great happiness as a Rotarian, thanks to PP Ajay Kanoria. I thank him for making me part of that project.



Keep flame alive

Pankaj Baliga

I'm one of the back-office kind of guys, but sometimes when I feel strongly about something, I am able to say a few words.

Recently, when I viewed the happenings in the Middle East, I told some of my politician friends not to take them lightly because it appeared to be a kind of movement that was taking place and politicians had to be very careful about what could happen to them. Either go straight (stop being corrupt) or you can be sure you're going to be in trouble.

And sure enough, what happened in the Middle East created awareness May 10 to May 16, 2011

among the people here. Even though we are a democracy, people feel that what should be happening is not happening and that they do not have what they should be having.

Whether it's corruption, whether it's inefficiency in the bureaucracy, the people are affected – and we still have about 400 million people who are at the bottom of the pyramid (below the poverty line).

We have an index that compares the wealth of the top 20% of the population with that of the 20% at the bottom and the difference is huge... there is huge inequality.

I believe that a wave has started against corruption and we should do whatever we can as Rotarians to ensure that we keep this wave going. It's going to be very critical and we must play whatever role we can to ensure that this flame is kept alive.

Anna Hazare is just a catalyst who got us all together and created this wave, but I think at each stage there are going to be hurdles; they (the establishment) will try and make sure that it doesn't happen (that the anti-corruption wave recedes); they may make excuses that it will be very difficult for the government to function in the face of a stringent Lokpal Bill.



Thank you, Rotary

Roda Billimoria

Dolly Thakore had asked me to propose the vote of thanks today, but since Laxmi Narayan Tripathi (the guest speaker) has not turned up, let me take this opportunity to thank the Rotary Club of Bombay.

I thank the Club because it is such a wonderful organisation. And I feel exceedingly sorry for those who are members of Rotary but don't take it seriously.

Where will you get an opportunity to meet so many people from so many walks of life every week? Where will you get an opportunity to listen to such a variety of speakers? To be introduced to people you could never have imagined you would meet? To

be introduced to so many Fellowship programmes and lovely organisations? Where would you get such an opportunity? I, for one, am delighted that I have not only become a Rotarian, but I am a member of this Club. I take this opportunity to say thank you to Rotary.



Don't just sign and go

PP Arvind Jolly

Everyone has been praising Rotary and even I am one of those dedicated to Rotary. That's why I contribute a sum of \$25,000 every year to The Rotary Foundation. That's my commitment to Rotary.

I do appreciate the good work that's being done, but I feel that we need to question ourselves whether we are going in the right direction and doing the right things?

The one thing that worries all of us, especially seniors and Past Presidents, is attendance. It has fallen to 100 or 103 members. I'm one of those who have been excused from attendance but I meet at least 15 to 20 Rotarians who have just signed and gone away, I don't know why; why do they come, first of all? Only to sign? This is something we need to introspect and find out, why do people come, just sign and go away? It looks so bad.

President Pradeep, I think our Attendance (Chairperson) and Sergeant-at-Arms need to be a little more persuasive. We can understand that attendance has fallen because the rules have become more lax than before, you can make up meetings and so on. But at least those who have signed the register should attend the meeting.

When I talked to a few people, they said the programmes were not up to the mark. But let me tell you that I have been a member for 30 years and I feel that the programmes over the years have improved. Even this year, some of the programmes have been very good. So that's no reason we should give for not coming.

Most of us came to Rotary about 20 years ago in order to meet people.

If there are just 100 coming in and only 60 or so remaining, then that's not the true, real spirit of Rotary. We are missing out something because the main reason for coming to Rotary is Fellowship and that is not served if people just sign and go away.

Another point is that we have collected a lot of money for Rotary. Over the years the collections have gone up. Our members are far more generous than they were 20 or 30 years ago. But what about administrative expenses? How much are we spending on administration? How much is actually going to charity, to the person who actually needs it?

We know that the government has said that only ten paise out of every rupee reaches the person who actually needs it. But in Rotary have we ever conducted this exercise to see how much we have collected, how much has gone to the corpus, how much is the interest earned and out of that interest how much has gone to administration and how much is given to those who need aid?

I am not making an insinuation or anything of that sort, but this is something that we need to look into. It's something we are all concerned about... While we all praise Rotary and say nice things about it, let's ensure that the flag (of Rotary) flies higher.

Anil Goyel, who was sitting next to me, was speaking about the killing of Osama bin Laden and wondering why India cannot take out its most wanted criminals hiding in Pakistan. So if anybody has any ideas about how to plan an attack on Pakistan to nab the people who attacked this city and this very hotel (on 26/11)... that needs to be looked at.



Take it seriously

Premnath

I value Rotary very much; after joining Rotary, I changed my attitude, my outlook and many things. I very seriously and truthfully apply the Four-Way Test in my life.

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KALPANA THANKS ALL POLIO DONORS

P Kalpana Munshi, who is the District Chairperson for the \$200 Million Challenge (to wipe out polio from the face of the earth), requested members at the last meeting to help Rotary International achieve its target of collecting \$200 million to match the contribution of \$355 million made by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.



We still have miles to go before we eradicate polio, says PP Kalpana Munshi at the last meeting. She has repeated her request to all members to donate at least Rs. 1,000 each to help give a final push to polio

Birthday donations

President Pradeep Saxena announced at the last meeting the receipt of birthday donations from several members.

Suhaail Nathani had sent a cheque for Rs. 11,000 and contributions of Rs. 5,000 each were had been received from Shom Jagtiani and Sitaram Shah. Similarly, Dr. Darius Soonawalla had donated a sum of Rs. 3,000.

Pradeep thanked all the members for their generous donations.

The total amount of \$555 million would be used to buy vaccines to inoculate millions of children around the world against the dreaded disease polio.

Rotary International had already collected \$168 million, thus leaving a gap of \$32 million which remained to be filled.

Several members of the Rotary Club of Bombay had made significant contributions for the cause, with Jetu Lalvani alone having donated a sum of Rs. 11.50 lakhs in the name of his father, PP the late Taru Lalvani, but it was essential for the others to also chip in so that the target could be achieved.

Kalpana pointed out that since January 1, 2011, there had been only one reported case of polio so far in India. However, this did not mean that the end of polio was at hand. India would have to complete three years without a single case of polio being detected/reported before it could be declared that polio had been wiped out from the country.

Repeating her appeal to all members to donate at least Rs. 1,000 each, she said that the list of those who had already made contributions to the \$200 Million Challenge was published in the issue of *The Gateway* dated April 26, according to which the Club had collected nearly Rs. 13.55 lakhs.

Apart from Jetu, donations had also been received from PPs Vithal Palekar, Mahendra Sanghi and Vikram Kamdar and from Jehangir Katgara, Homi Katgara, Sam Katgara, Vikram Daiya, Gaurav Nevatia, Hariprasad Nevatia and (Dr.) Ram Tarneja.



Ashok Minawala and the Fund-Raising Committee have been working in earnest on the annual campaign to raise funds for the forthcoming programmes and projects of the Rotary Club of Bombay. This year, the Club will hold an evening of exciting live music and dance styled 'Soiree Latino'. It will be held in the Regal Room of the Trident from 7 pm onwards on Friday, June 24. The programme will feature an auction of paintings, jewellery and watches from some of the best artists, designers and brands. More details will follow



Bonding during Fellowship hour before the meeting. Nirav Shah and Pradeep Chinai (right) flank Vijay Meghani at the last meeting. In the picture at right, the President meets the next President. President Pradeep Saxena snapped at the last meeting with Junaid Khan, the incoming President of the Rotaract Club of H.R. College, and Niharika Chawla (right)



At the last meeting

(Held on May 3, 2011)

PRESIDENT Pradeep Saxena called the meeting to order and welcomed the guest speaker, the Visiting Rotarians, Rotaryans, guests and others.

BIRTHDAYS

Members and spouses celebrating their birthday during the week were felicitated.

ATTENDANCE

Members	89
Visiting Rotarians	3
Spouses/Rotaryans	4
Total	96
Svc. box collection	Rs. 5,250

A SWINGING TIME AT THE P



Those members who could not make it to the President's Fellowship at Alibag on April 16 missed out on an unusual event, for it was a Fellowship with a difference. First off, they missed the balmy ride on the catamaran 'Maldar' from the Gateway of India



Of course, they also missed the natural green ambience 'arranged' for them by President Pradeep Saxena at his bungalow. As for those who did accept his invitation, any inconvenience during the journey was soon forgotten, thanks to the 'chilling' arrangements at the destination



The President called it a 'Day Out at Alibag' and that's what it turned out to be, a day when the cares of the world were left behind on the mainland, a day to rest and recuperate from the toils of the world, a day to bond with fellow Rotarians and their families



Another short list of things that the members who could not make it to the Fellowship missed – the garden, the lawn, the flowers, the innumerable swings, the outhouse, the swimming pool, the prayer spots and the outdoor gymnasium, to name just a few

PRESIDENT'S FELLOWSHIP



Pradeep and First Lady Sunita went to great lengths to ensure that the arrangements for the Fellowship picnic were just right, if not perfect. Not only did they make their friends feel at home, they also ensured that all kinds of comforts were made available to them



There was no 'Man of the Match' as such, but PP Ashish Vaid could be said to have been the life and soul of the party. It helped that he had to travel the shortest distance to the venue – he has a bungalow almost next door to Pradeep



And then it was time for the Sunday brunch. Extensive arrangements were in place and the luncheon spread featured several sumptuous dishes and something special to excite almost every palate. With heady aromas wafting all around, all dietary restrictions were temporarily suspended



When it was time to allow the digestive juices to perform their mandatory task, members lounged all over the place, rather unwilling to leave the spot. But when it was time to leave, they got together for this lovely group photograph

LET'S STRESS ON CONTINUITY AND THE FOUR-WAY TEST, PLEADS KAMAL

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I have resolved many issues with my counterparts, whether Rotarians or non-Rotarians, by applying the Four-Way Test. I am very careful about my attendance, too, particularly when there is talk about people coming, marking their attendance and going.

Let me share some information with you. I had gone for a major operation for total knee replacement, just two weeks back. Today, the stitches were removed and I have come here straight from the hospital to attend the Rotary meeting.

I asked my doctor whether I can go for the Rotary meeting and he said no; but I said I will go because I take Rotary very seriously. I hope everybody takes Rotary as seriously.



Revealing a secret

Dev Thukral

Let me share a secret that was revealed a few years ago.

If you remember the 1971 war (which led to the creation of Bangladesh), there was a momentous occasion when the American naval fleet had entered the Bay of Bengal (in support of Pakistan) but suddenly, just 48 hours later, it all fizzled out.

That happened because a hot-line was established between New Delhi and Moscow.

As a result, when the American fleet was entering the Bay of Bengal, it was surrounded at exactly 5 miles radius by 24 Soviet nuclear submarines. They surfaced at the time when the American satellites were above and vanished.

Just two days later, the war was over.

Difficult act to follow

Sidharth Punshi

I'm a relatively new member of the Club and it's quite humbling to be here, just hearing of the efforts everyone makes to come here, to May 10 to May 16, 2011

participate, about the Fellowship and so on... It makes me reflect, in my first year in Rotary, on how do I carry on?



It was quite easy when I joined. I had an office on the third floor (of the Taj), so there was no reason for me not to be here every week. Unfortunately, now my office is in Kalina and it has become a bit more challenging.

What really moved me and some of the other new members was seeing how members try and come here every week and also try through Fellowship to become more active. And I'll be the first to say that I haven't done what I would have liked to do.

It's even more difficult for me... my father-in-law and his father both were Past Presidents in Rotary and my mother-in-law has been Inner Wheel President, which means more pressure for me, but it's the right pressure.

But I feel that if I can participate then, in ten or 15 years, I will have done as much as most of the people in this room, not just outside of Rotary but by giving to Rotary – and not just through sponsorships. If I can participate in the activities in the new year, I would like to do that.

And Pradeep, for making me speak, I'll make sure you buy my lunch!

What about continuity?

Kamal Bulchandani

Although I endorse the views of all those who have spoken before me, especially Haresh and Roda, I have two observations to make; one is about the lack of continuity and the second about whether we are following the Four-Way Test.

I had the privilege of being a Director of the Club under Kalpana Munshi and later Ajay Kanoria. As Directors we were assigned certain tasks. Towards the end of the tenure of Ajay, some plots of land were to

be negotiated and talked about at Talwada for a school and a hospital.

Files were handed over to me and negotiations were going on. But the term ended and the files were called back. It was painful. We were given certain assignments as Directors; are we not supposed to carry them out irrespective of the time assigned? This is something that the Presidents to follow should take up seriously, so that continuity is maintained.



Secondly, we interact amongst ourselves both as Rotarians and in our respective professional lives. I would not like to pinpoint any particular instance, but just to make my point I would like you to keep your hand on your heart and ask whether, when we meet each other in our professional capacities, we abide by the Four-Way Test?

We call ourselves Rotarians following the Four-Way Test, we take a solemn oath on it when we are inducted (apart from attendance, contributions and so on). But I think it is our actions that matter more and if we fail in our deeds to abide by the Four-Way Test, which is the golden rule, then I think we have failed as Rotarians.

Please do not take this as criticism, these are my personal views; rather than only talking in glowing terms about Rotary, we can maintain the standards of Rotary if we abide by the Four-Way Test.

You can't be both!

Burjor Poonawala

Talking about the Rotarians who come, sign and walk away, I have categorised them into two types: those who attend the meetings fully, come on time and leave on time, they are not so busy people; and those who come, sign and go out, are very busy people.

This means that either you are good in Rotary or good in your business, it can't be both!

On the Four-Way Test, having been Chairman of the Four-Way Test Committee I remember that it used to be an active Committee. But these days we just hear about the Four-Way Test, that it exists, without perhaps practising it.

We used to have debates at least once a year, and yes, we had a play by PP Dadi Engineer; there was also such a thing as a fireside chat where Rotarians used to be invited to a meal over a fireside, to chat about the Four-Way Test.

I think debate is absolutely necessary; these days, we are always asking whether we are following the Four-Way Test. I believe everybody would like to follow it, but is it practical in real life? Sometimes it is necessary (not necessarily easier) to bend with the wind because you can't fight them all.



Given the situation in Delhi, the Lokpal Bill would be a very interesting subject to debate on, how it should be drafted, are we for it, are we against it, or do we see something in between, a compromise? It's all about being honest and truthful, about transparency and minimising corruption. I think that would be a good subject to debate in one of our meetings.



Ad-libbing at its best!

President Pradeep Saxena

Thank you very much! This has been wonderful.

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‘We know what we have to do; we just have to do it’

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This is what ad-libbing is all about and yet the thoughts were so deep...

Bipin Kapadia has a list in which Rotarians are classified by the amount of time they spend here. Would you like to elucidate on that?



Hon. Secretary Bipin Kapadia:

Yes, there are Rotarians who come in before 1 o'clock, sign and go away. There are those who come between 1 and 1.30, sign and go away. And there are Rotarians who come in at ten to two and go away at ten past two; we call them "Ten to two, ten past two".

I don't know how to motivate them to give more of their time to Rotary; only your signature is not enough, what is essential is participation in the weekly meetings, in Committee activities and in the other programmes of Rotary.

Some do turn up at Fellowship functions, for wine and cheese, but that's not enough.

Pradeep: I don't want to belabour the point. I think others have spoken about the Four-Way Test. "Is it the Truth?" is the very first question. It

has to begin with you. If you are going to do that yourself (sign and go away), how can you expect anybody else to follow the rules? But as I said, I don't want to belabour the point. I think we know what we have to do, we just have to do it.

Bipin: I have been given the task by the Office-Bearers to contact and locate 24 Rotarians whose record is very bad on weekly attendance. I have to motivate them and to assure the Club that they will do better in future. I did that last November-December and they had promised that they would do it. But they have not.

What do I do now? Do I tell them to go away, to resign? Do I tell them that the Board will terminate them? I don't know what to tell them. How do I motivate them once again?

Pradeep: I think the best way to do that is to post the list on the notice board.

Bipin: Which notice board? Do you want to publish it in *The Gateway*?

Kamal: The Board has the powers to terminate

Bipin: But do we want to terminate 24 members at one go? Yes, the law permits it, but we will lose 24 Rotarians.

Pradeep: We have agonised over this for a very long time, but... yes, that's a good idea, Ashok (Ashok Chinai). Let's first find them and then fine them!

Finally, let me say that this has been an outstanding meeting, with members sharing their views... sometimes, when there are speakers, members drop off (go away), but today no one has dropped off – and that's very good! Thank you.

Happy Birthday



Dr. Ramnath Nayak
May 11



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May 14



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May 14



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THE FOUR-WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say or do

1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **GOOD-WILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

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