Lead to Inspire Summit

On September 29, 2018 it was a great honour for our District 3080 to have RI President Barry Rassin, accompanied by First Lady Esther, as the Chief Guest at the Intercity at Chandigarh Judicial Academy, Sector 43, Chandigarh, to inspire a large gathering of Rotarians and their spouses from our District. This intercity was hosted by all Rotary Clubs of Chandigarh Tricity. District Governor Praveen Goyal acknowledged the gracious presence of PRIP Rajendra K Saboo with Usha ji, PRID Yash Das with Manju ji and a galaxy of PDGs with their spouse. DG also gave an impressive presentation of the projects carried out by the clubs of our District. First Lady of our District Basu Goyal was also present to assist the DG.

Speaking on the occasion PRIP Rajendra K Saboo formally introduced RI President Barry Rassin, who had earned an MBA in health and hospital administration from the University of Florida and is the first fellow of the American College of Healthcare Executives in the Bahamas. He recently retired after 37 years as President of Doctors Hospital Health System, where he continues to serve as an adviser. He is a lifetime member of the American Hospital Association and has served on several boards, including the Quality Council of the Bahamas, Health Education Council, and Employer’s Confederation.

July 2018, The Bahamas Government recognized Barry Rassin as an Officer of The Order of Distinction. A Rotarian since 1980, he has served Rotary as Director and Vice Chair of The Rotary Foundation Board of Trustees. He was an RI training leader and the aide to 2015-16 RI President KR Ravindran. He has received Rotary's highest honor, the Service Above Self Award, as well as other humanitarian awards for his work leading Rotary’s relief efforts in Haiti after the 2010 earthquake there. He and his wife, Esther, are Major Donors and Benefactors of The Rotary Foundation.

In his address RI President Barry Rassin complimented DG Praveen for the wonderful projects undertaken in 3 months of current Rotary year. He strongly felt Rotaractors should join Rotary in large numbers, which is very low at present. To inspire Rotarians he quoted an African saying, “If you touch a rock it impacts the past, if you touch a flower you beautify the present, and if you touch the life of another human being you change the future.”
On September 29, 2018 it was a great moment for our Club when RI President Barry Rassin and World First Lady Esther visited our project at Govt Model High School, Manimajra, and were pleased to see the support our Club is giving to this school by providing hand washing station, modern toilets, microscopes, projector for e-learning, water filters and coolers.

Large number of our members was present at the school to welcome the RI President and his wife, who were accompanied by PRIP Raja Saboo, DG Praveen Goyal and District First Lady Basu Goyal. They were greeted with Punjabi dhol and traditional dancers. Our President Ashok Puri welcomed the RI President by garlanding him and others presented rose buds. They went around the school and were impressed as they interacted with the students, who responded in fluent English. RI President and his wife danced with the gidha troupe. Alongwith PRIP Raja Saboo and DG Praveen Goyal, they also planted trees.

President Ashok Puri thanked all Rotarians and spouses of our Club and AG Ritu Singal for extending full support and joining this wonderful program of RI President and his wife’s visit to our project, and making it a grand success. He had special word of thanks for IPP Dr Rita Kalra, Secretary Salil Chopra, Joint Secretary Nitin Kapur, DCS Dr Sanjay Kalra, Rtn Shuchi Thakur and for assistance by the school staff.
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Swachta campaign

Secretary Rtn Salil Chopra gave a talk at Tata Strive Skill Development Center, Mohali. On 28.09.2018 at Village Balongi swachhta drive was held along with 60 students and teachers of Tata Strive to clean the lanes and create public awareness.

Annapurna divas

Very satisfying moments with children of Samarpan run by Mrs Ravi and her colleagues for 140 children. Food and sweets were served on behalf of our Club, sponsored by PP Rtn Subhash Bindra.

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R'ann Kalpana Aggarwal  October 07
R'ann Harpreet Bhatia  October 11
R'ann Dr Shaveta  October 11

Birthday of Rotarians
Rtn Sanjay Bhatia  October 09
Rtn Darshan Singh Kalsi  October 11

Wedding anniversary
R'ann Shradha & Rtn AK Sachdeva  October 08
Rtn Renu & Rtn Salil Chopra  October 10
R'ann Sushma & Rtn Mohinder S Kamra  October 11

Sanitation and self hygiene
Program by Rotaract Club of Dev Samaj College and distributed soaps at Govt Primary School Sector 41, Chandigarh