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Conference of Sharing - Briefing on Assigned Responsibilities

Venue: - Hotel President, Sector 26, Chandigarh

Time : - 6.30 PM

District Conference - *CONFERENCE OF SHARING* - Countdown Begins



The Grand Venue



DG Shaju elaborating the Schedules

The weekly meeting on Friday, 08 February was held at the venue of the District Conference, the grand Auditorium of the newly built Indra Dhanush Complex in Sector 5 of Panchkula. The meeting was attended by the hosts. Rotary Club Chandigarh Midtown, and all the supporting Rotary Clubs of the tricity.

President Sandeep Sandhu welcomed the Rotarians from the supporting clubs and thanked Rotary Club Panchkula for their generous help and offers to help the Conference in various ways.

Conference Chair, PP Rtn MS Kahlon, explained the

status of the preparations for the Conference in all its functions, events and aspects. He said that all the strings are being laced up to tie together a very well formed and a well oiled set up for the smooth functioning of the Conference. There were some hitches in the transportation system, which were smoothly knitted together by the Transportation Chair PP Rtn Pallav Mukherjee who assured the District Governor that the transportation system, with ample reserves, will be in place.

District Governor Rtn Shaju Peter went through the whole substance of the preparations, with the



DG Shaju making a point

functional chairs of each event, in detail, and tied up all the loose ends together. He also laid out a detailed, step-by-step, course of action to ensure that all goes well, smoothly and decently through out the



Happy Day

conference and the events leading to the inauguration day.

PP Rtn Harish Sethi raised a few issues on the management and layout of the venue, which were discussed in detail and the District Governor and PP Rtn Subhash Bindra leveled all kinks.

The President and Chairman Decorations, PE Rtn Saroj Jhawar, went around the venue and took lot of photographs to get ideas for the signage and the decorations. District Governor and the President with the representatives of the fashion show saw the various parts of the venue to meet the special requirements of the fashion show.

The District Governor gave a clarion call to all those present and to the readers of the Mid Towner to work for a 100% registration and promised an interesting, entertaining and fruitful two days of the Conference.



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Theme for the Year 2008-09 - Make Dreams Real

Rotary International President-elect Dona Kurn Lee addressed incoming district governors at the 2008 International Assembly, urging them to use their resources to help curb child mortality. Lee said he was in disbelief when he learned that 30,000 children under the age of five die every day from preventable diseases such as pneumonia, measles, and malaria.

"Once I understood the issues behind that terrible number, I knew what I needed to do," Lee said. He told the incoming governors that Rotary will keep the service emphases of recent years - water, health and hunger, and literacy - but asked them to focus their efforts in each of these areas on children.

"In 2008-09, I will ask you all to *Make Dreams Real* for the world's children," he said. "This will be our theme, and my challenge to all of you."

"Children are killed by illnesses that become deadly in combination with poor sanitation and malnutrition," Lee said. In addition, families stricken by extreme poverty are trapped in a cycle that only leads to more unnecessary deaths. "It's a cycle that is not interrupted because there is no access to education."

He challenged the audience to do their part to give children "hope and a chance at a future" by reducing the rate of child mortality in the world.

"We will bring clean water to their communities and create sanitation projects that keep children healthy," Lee said.

As the incoming governors begin preparing for the year ahead with the training and inspiration they receive at the International Assembly, Lee reminded them of Rotary's power and encouraged them to use their resources efficiently to maximize the good done around the world.

Governor-elect Geoffrey Mathis, of District 9930 in New Zealand, thinks the upcoming RI theme allows Rotary to dream big. "*Make Dreams Real* will be an easy theme to sell around the world. We all like challenges; Lee has allowed us to put our dreams to practice."

Rotarians can improve children's health, Lee said, even in small ways, such as delivering mosquito nets, rehydration salts, vitamins, and vaccines. "So much more can be done with just a little more: a trained birth attendant, a simple clinic, a school feeding program, a visiting nurse," he continued. "These are simple and direct ways to save children's lives."


In 2008-09, Rotarians will be asked to open their eyes to the needs of children in communities near and far, Lee said.

"Children die not because nobody can help them, but because too often, nobody does. But you and I, here in this room, are Rotarians, and helping is what we do best," he said, adding that "our job is to *Make Dreams Real* for children. If every one of us does this, at the end of our year, we will all have achieved something wonderful."

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Here's a mathematical formula that might help you answer these questions:

If: A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z is represented as: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17

18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26.

Then: H-A-R-D-W-O-R-K

$8+1+18+4+23+15+18+11 = 98\%$

and K-N-O-W-L-E-D-G-E

$11+14+15+23+12+5+4+7+5 = 96\%$

But A-T-T-I-T-U-D-E

$1+20+20+9+20+21+4+5 = 100\%$ and

??-?-K-I-S-S-I-N-G

$2+21+12+12+19+8+9+20 = 103\%$

And, look how far ??? kissing will take you,

$1+19+19+11+9+19+19+9+14+7 = 127\%$

So, one can conclude with mathematical certainty that while Hard Work and Knowledge will get you close, and Attitude will get you there, it's the Bullshit and ??? Kissing that will put you over the top.

Bring your gang together - do your thing. Start Your Group.

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