





Weekly Bulletin of Rotary Club Chandigarh Midtown

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R.I President Rtn. Jennifer Jones

1. Is it the Truth?

Friendships?

2. Is it Fair to all concerned?

3. Will it build Goodwill and Better

**THE FOUR WAY TEST** 

Of the things we think, say or do

4. Will it be Beneficial to all concerned?

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Topic

Balance Sheet of Life
Chief guest
CA Mukul Bansal

Venue: Hotel Shivalikview Sector 17, Chandigarh Date: 31 March 2023 (Friday)|Time: 6.30 pm

### **Kartarpur Sahib - Sharing Experience**

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It was an interesting hybrid meeting on 24th March 2023. President Rtn Dr Sanjay Kalra welcomed Rotarians from Pakistan and India, who joined us virtually on Zoom platform. He also welcomed all those who were physically present - Rtn Sartaj Lamba from Rotary Club Chandigarh, other guests, Rotary members and family of Chandigarh Midtown present in large numbers at Hotel Shivalikview, Chandigarh. Our members who visited Kartarpur Sahib in Pakistan - PP Rtn Ajit Gulati with R'Ann Bir Gulati, PP Rtn Prem Anand with R'Ann Indu Anand, PP Rtn RTPS Tulsi with R'Ann Ranjana Tulsi, Rtn Brig JS Sabharwal with R'Ann Jyotie Sabharwal, Rtn Surjit Mann, Rtn Kulvinder Singh Chhatwal with R'Ann Raspal, daughter Careena and son Sukhdeep, who took all present in the meeting on a virtul tour of Kartarpur Sahib Gurudwara through an impressive Audio/Video presentation. Click here.

In his address keynote speaker PP Rtn Ajit Gulati said, "Guru Nanak Dev ji, the first Guru of the Sikhs founded the Kartarpur town, about five kilometers from the Indo – Pak border, by Ravi River in the year 1504. It is from this place that he ploughed his fields and set up a community kitchen / Langar. He lived here for 18 years until his death on 22 September 1539 in Kartarpur at the age of 70, after proclaiming Guru Angad Dev ji as his successor."











Rotarians of Pakistan and Chandigarh Midtown at Kartarpur Sahib

Guru Nanak Dev was not only Guru of Sikhs and Hindus but also Pir for Muslims. At this Gurudwara Hindus and Sikhs bow their head and Muslims do 'Sajda'. When Guru Nanak died, there was a dispute between Hindus and Muslims. Hindus wanted to carry out his cremation as per Hindu rites whereas Muslims wanted him to be buried. But when both communities reached his dead body, they found only a chadhar and two flowers. They distributed the chadhar half each and the flower. The Kartarpur Sahib Gurudwara has a Samadhi created by Hindus and a Mazar created by Muslims.

Shri Kartarpur Sahib Gurudwara is huge, beautiful, peaceful and well maintained complex, where Guru Nanak Dev Ji lived. He used to bring water from the well to water the fields and has a Sarovar also. The visit to this Gurudwara is an amazing blissful experience.

The reception area or the Darshani Deorri, was a joyful meeting place for Rotarians of India – Pakistan. They were hugging each other, shaking hands and creating everlasting friendship. They were taking photos and exchanging club flags, Twin Club certificates and sweets, creating message of goodwill and peace. It was great interaction of Indian Rotarians with Rotarians from Lahore, Islamabad, Rawalpindi and Faisalabad, including PDG Shehzad Ahmed, PDG Anthony Richards, DGE Masrur Sheik, Deputy Governor Abdul Haleem and AG Raheel Anwar Qureshi, Presidents, Past presidents and many Rotarians and Anns.

The efforts of twinning clubs from District 3080 with clubs from Pakistan process. were in twinning for 8 clubs from Chandigarh, Mohali, Shimla and Parwanoo with clubs from Lahore and Faisalabad, will be done This is initiative of Directors of



the Indus Peace Park Society, one of them being virtually present on zoom was Rtn Anil Ghai from Delhi.

It was wonderful meeting of Rotarians of India and Pakistan at Kartarpur Sahib in Pakistan on 4th March 2023.

It was a great opportunity for international peace and understanding for Rotarians of both countries to interact in person with each other, in true Rotary spirit and making new bond of friendship and fellowship.

This goodwill meet was coordinated by AG Rtn AP Singh, District 3080 from India and Deputy Governor Rtn Abdul Haleem, District 3272 from Pakistan.

Thanks to Rtn Sartaj Lamba for helping everyone with the registration process and the formalities for the visit to Kartarpur Sahib.



Following message was read in our meeting by Rtn Brig JS Sabharwal, which was received from Past President Maqbool (Max) Babri of Rotary Club Lahore Midtown, who was also present in the meeting on Zoom.

"We had an excellent visit to Kartarpur Sahib. We were five Rotarians from the Rotary Club of Lahore Midtown and three non-Rotarian guests. It was wonderful experience meeting fellow Rotarians from across the border specifically the Rotarians from RC Chandigarh Midtown, our sister club in India. It was exciting to interact with fellow Rotarians from Chandigarh Midtown and speak with each other in Punjabi. We exchanged gifts, handcrafts and a flag from RC Lahore Midtown, and name tags and Rotary pins for all our members from RC Chandigarh Midtown. We promised to continue our contacts and consider doing projects together while also exploring the possibilities to visit each other and provide home hospitality to each other as well as influence our respective Governments to facilitate visa applications. It was really wonderful to connect with fellow Rotarians as well as fellow Human Beings interacting in Punjabi and promising to serve humanity everywhere in the world.

Rtn Maqbool (Max) Babri PP and Club Foundation Chair Rotary Club of Lahore Midtown, RI District 3272 Pakistan"





PDG Anthony Richards and PP Max Babri, attending our meeting on zoom from Pakistan



Indus Peace Park Society
Director Rtn Anil Ghai from Delhi



Welcome address by President Dr Sanjay Kalra







Rotarians of Chandigarh Midtown interacting in Punjabi with Rotarians of Pakistan in Kartarpur



PP BL Ramsisaria presents token of appreciation to Rtn Sartaj Lamba. Looking on are President Dr Sanjay Kalra and Secretary Anupam Jain











At Kartarpur







We thank all the Twinned Clubs of RID 3080 & RID - 3272. along with other Rotary Clubs for making Twin Sister Clubs

> Meet up very successful at Kartarpur On 4th March 2023.

Our special gratitude to the Organisers,

RC Chandigarh & RCL Garrison

who made possible this historic event.

Indus Peace Park Society & Rotary Twin Sister Clubs.



Meeting called to order by PP Rtn RK Luther



National Anthem by R'Ann Jyotie Sabharwal and Rtn Dr Indu Luthra



Invocation by R'Ann Bir Gulati - 'Peer Jagat Guru Baba'



Address by keynote speaker PP Rtn Ajit Singh Gulati



Rtn Brig JS Sabharwal reads message from PP Max Babri



Audio/video presentation by Rtn **Kulvinder Singh** 



PP Rtn Kanan Diwan receives Punctuality award from President Dr Sanjay Kalra



PP Rtn Amarjit Singh announces PHF recognitions



PP BL Ramsisaria presented PHF pins and certificates



Vote of thanks by PP Rtn Prem Anand



Zoom host Jt Secretary Rtn **Anup Sharma** 



Live streaming on Facebook by Editor PP Dr VJS Vohra



Flags of Rotary Clubs of Pakistan presented to President Dr Sanjay Kalra by PP Prem Anand



**Presentation by Rotaractors** 







# Rtn शशि जैन से रूबरू दिल से दिल की गुफ़तगू



PP Rtn Dr Vanita Gupta is a medico by profession and has made a significant contribution to Rotary through her profession. I had the opportunity to peak into her Rotary journey.

Q. How did your Rotary journey start?

A. My journey with the Rotary Organisation started in 1975 when I was a student of medical college and a Rotractor. I still remember the thrill of moving from floor to floor of the Mumbai skyscrapers collecting old newspapers and magazines to sell them to raise funds for our medical camps. Since then serving in medical camps has been my passion. Later, I was fortunate to get an International exposure to Rotary when as a member of GSE team I went to USA in 1990 and experienced the Rotary event closely. By now I was so much motivated and joined Rotary Club Chandigarh Midtown in 1992

Q. You were the first Women President of the club; how was your experience?

A. As the Millenium President in 2000-01, I was the first women President of this Club. It was a phenomenal vear. Every member rallied around me. Every Ann got busy! Some of the innovative projects taken up were; toilets for community in Sarangpur, Night school for children of labourers, Vocational training for young girls, Cataract Surgery camps, Leprosy detection and treatment camps and safe drinking water at Kot Billa.

Q. What are the various positions held by you at the District level?

A. I was the District Assistant Governor in 2004-05 and District Sergeant-at-Arms in 2005-06. I also have the satisfaction of doing my assignments as Chair Community Service, AIDS Control, Women in Rotary and member of District Training Programme well. My passion for community service led me to join District Medical Missions to Baripada, Neemuch, Modena and Madagascar. I am grateful to Rotary for all the learning and opportunities for community service.

Wishing you a more enjoyable Rotary journey.

### Fellowship in regular meeting on 24th March 2023 was sponsored by

Rotary Friendship Team to Kartarpur Sahib:

PP Rtn Ajit Gulati

PP Rtn Prem Anand

PP RTPS Tulsi

Rtn Brig Jaswinder Singh Sabharwal

Rtn Surjit Mann

Rtn Kulvinder Singh

### **Scholarship Donations**

## List of Donors - Non Rotarians and Scholarship Beneficiaries

	Rs
Manisha Sahni	50,000
Aartika Bansal	7000
Shameem	500
Kanika Mittal	7000
Prinka Gupta	7000
Khushbu Gupta	7000
Shilakha Luthra	14000
Sundari Mehtab Kaur	10000

### **Birthday of Spouse**

R'Ann Sandhya Khandelia 03 April

**Wedding Anniversary** 

R'Ann Seema & Rtn Dr Dinesh Sahajpal 06 April

### **Extracting Happiness Implanting Smiles by Rtn Raj Khattar**

- Friend 1: वो लडकी कौन थी कल तेरे साथ ?

Friend 2: वो मेरी cousin थी

Friend 1: 2021 में वो मेरी cousin थी

Friends 1 & 2 burst out at each other: Ha ha ha ha!!!!!

- Boy: शादी करनी है, कोई शार्थ

Girl: हंजी, तूने बरतन भी धोना है, कपड़े भी तूना धोना है और खाना भी तूने बनाना है

Boy: शादी को गोली मारो, तनखा क्या दोगो ?

- टीचर: एक बात बताओ, तुम PUNJAB वाले पढाई में ध्यान क्यों नहीं देते?

एक PUNJABI छात्र: क्योंकि पढाई सिर्फ दो वजहों से की जाती है।

1st डर से. 2nd शौक से..... और.

फालतू के शौक हम PUNJAB वाले रखते नहीं और डरते तो किसी के बाप से नहीं

#### **Thought**

- If nothing in this world is permanent, what are we attached to?
- Life is a game of Chess. You cannot undo the moves but you can make the next step better.

### Thought for the week by Rtn Col. JS Chandoak

He that loses his conscience has nothing left that is worth keeping.

---- Caussi









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#### **Gifts from Pakistan**







Gifts for President Rtn Dr Sanjay Kalra, Secretary Rtn Anupam Jain, President Elect Rtn Jeeten Bhambri and Secretary Elect Rtn Anup Sharma, handed over by PP Rtn Dr Balram Gupta and PP Rtn BL Ramsisaria

### **PHF Recognitions**

PP Amarjit Singh announced the following PHF recognitions;

- 1. R'Ann Sarabjit Kaur Bawa
- 2. Dr Gurveer Singh, son-in-law of PP Amarjit Singh
- 3. Ranvir Singh, son of PP Amarjit Singh

Major donor crystal for PP Rtn Sanjay Bhatia and PP Rtn Ritu Singal.



PDG Yoginder Diwan presents Major donor crystal to PP Sanjay Bhatia. Looking on are PP Amarjit Singh and President Dr Sanjay Kalra



R'Ann Sarabjit Bawa presented PHF pin and certificate by PP BL Ramsisaria. Looking on are Rtn JS Bawa, PP Amarjit Singh, President Dr Sanjay Kalra and Secretary Anupam Jain



Ranvir Singh presented PHF pin and certificate by PP BL Ramsisaria. Looking on are PP Amarjit Singh, President Dr Sanjay Kalra and Secretary Anupam Jain







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### Inauguration of Jaquar TB Hut at Civil Hospital, Panchkula







Rotary Chandigarh Midtown's signature project Rotary Jaquar TB Hut was inaugurated on 28th March 2023 by Mr Kunwar Shamsher Singh, Head CSR Jaquar in the presence of Dr Mukta Kumar, CMO Panchkula and Dr Umesh Modi PMO Civil Hospital 6 Panchkula. The project was completed by the CSR Grant of Rs 30 lacs provided by Jaquar on the 1200 sq ft land allotted by the civil hospital. The Rotary Jaquar TB Hut will provide services like sample collection, free medicines to the TB patients, distribution of high protein diet to the adopted TB patients under Nikshey Mitra, online uploading etc., all under one roof for the convenience of patients coming to the hospital from Panchkula district.

President Dr Sanjay Kalra welcomed the guests and gave a brief review of Project objectives and flow of services in the TB hut, first of it's kind in Haryana and the country. Kanwar Shamsher Singh appreciated the efforts of Rotary in partnering with Jaquar for the cause of TB elimination. He expressed gratitude to the Health department for giving opportunity to Jaquar to serve the community. Project Chair IPP Salil Chopra elaborated the efforts of Rotary in response to the call to Action by Prime Minister of India to end TB by 2025.

Talk on millets was given by Aparna as part of poshan pakhwara to generate awareness about Millets which are rich source of proteins, mineral and fibre. 25 TB patients adopted under Nikshay Mitra were also given millets in their food baskets besides nutri and protinex.

CMO Dr Mukta Kumar said that community connect is essential for success of Public health problem and TB, like Polio needs to be eliminated. She proposed expansion of the project to make it more inclusive. Over 50 people including a galaxy of Rotarians, Jaquar officers and officials from health department Panchkula participated.



#### **Project Astha for Cervical Cancer**



Vaccination of 100 adolescent girls from Govt Schools empowering girls with protection against cervical cancer

#### **Lecture on Millets**



Lecture by Rtn Prof Dr IS Dua on Connecting millets with health at GMSH, Dhanas

**Vocational Skilling** 



Vocational skilling Program in Sewing and Tailoring at Maloya for 21 girls

#### Fear never builds the future, But FAITH and HOPE does.

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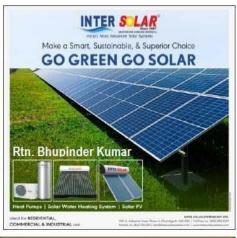
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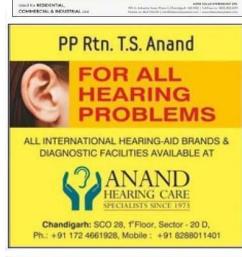


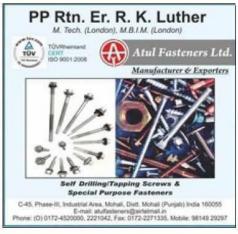






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