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Guest Speaker : Mr. Vivek Attray, Director Public Relations

Venue : Hotel President, Sector 26, Chandigarh

Time : 7.00 P.M.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

RI President Rtn. William Bill Boyd has given this year's theme "LEAD THE WAY" which will motivate all Rotarians to come forward and participate in the fellowship and the projects.

It is my proud privilege to "Lead the Way" during the Rotary Year 2006-07. Rotary Chandigarh Midtown is one of the most vibrant clubs of our District, having a blend of experienced and young Rotarians, who are already leading the way, not only in Rotary, but in their profession and business as well.

Since last over a hundred years on every 1st July the Rotary Wheel has been taking turns, with a new theme and new challenges in its global set up.

Laughter is the best medicine and it does not cost anything. Together we shall "Lead the Way" to bring laughter in the lives of the less privileged, the physically challenged and the needy persons to make them healthy and happy. Emphasis is to Lead the Way to overcome the focused issues like Water Management, Literacy, Health & Hunger, Family of Rotary and New Generation.

Indu and myself look forward to a meaningful and eventful year, with our Rotarians who always smilingly come forward with their support and contributions.



With Rotary Regards,

Rtn. Dr. V.J.S. Vohra

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VALEDICTORY FUNCTION

It was a cool monsoon evening on Thursday 29th June, 2006. There was a soft breeze and "Baithak" wore a bridal look with the colourful string of lights decorating the building all around.

The occasion was the Valedictory Function of the Team 2005-06. Members started coming in at 7:00 pm. Punctual to the dot, at 7:15 pm, arrived the Chief Guest, District Governor Nominee 2008-09, Rtn. Satish Saluja and his gracious wife Mrs. Sunita Saluja. They were received by President R. K. Goyal, Ann Kundbala Goyal & others. The Guest Couple mingled with the members and their Anns and, after a cup of tea, the meeting was called to order at 8:00 pm. Seated on the dais were the Chief Guest Rtn. Saluja, DGN Rtn. Shaju Peter, President R. K. Goyal and Secretary Gurdeep S. Deep. After the National Anthem, the dignitaries were welcomed with flowers and then the lamp of eternal peace and thanks-giving was lit.

able to implement, with the help of the club members. He announced the list of District level awardees from our club. He presented the awards brought home from "Sewa Samman" to them.



PHFs with the Chief Guest

Five new PHFs - PP Rtn. Dr. Balram Gupta, IPP Rtn. Pallav Mukherjee, Rtn. RTPS Tulsi, Rtn. Kanwaljit Singh & Rtn. Viney Aggarwal were presented their citations and pins by the Chief Guest. Also three members - Rtn. D.K. Gupta, Rtn. Mohinder Singh & Ann Manju Jain from the year 2004-05, whose citations were pending, were honoured.

Like a true leader, Rtn. Goyal proceeded to thank and recognize those members who had assisted him during the year. Members who had 100% attendance for all club meetings were recognized. All the Board Members were thanked for their cooperation and support. Those Committee Chairmen who had worked actively during the year were rewarded. The hall reverberated with the continuous thunder of applause as each awardee walked away with his well earned prize. This should serve as an incentive to others to work harder during the next year to get their awards.

The President was grateful to DGN Shaju Peter and his wife Lovy, for their unstinted support during the year. Shaju, in his



"Sewa Samman" Awardees with the Chief Guest

Secretary Rtn. Gurdeep presented a brief report mentioning the major activities completed by the club during the year.

President Rtn. R. K. Goyal began his address by thanking the members of the club for giving him an opportunity to serve. In his humble way, he mentioned the numerous and excellent projects which he had been



The Audience

address, appreciated all the efforts put in by President R. K. Goyal and his team. Shaju was generous in his praise and stated that R. K. justly deserved all the recognition that he had got. He felicitated him and wished him success in the years to come.



Club Directory being released by Chief Guest

PP Rtn. Balram Gupta introduced the Chief Guest. Balram, in his usual clear and flowing style, presented to the gathering DGN 2008-09 Rtn. Satish Saluja and his wife Dr. Sunita Saluja. The introduction stimulated everyone to look forward eagerly to the RY 2008-09, which promises to be really enjoyable under the dynamic leadership of the "to-be DG", Satish.

Rtn. Satish Saluja, in his address to the club, was full of praise for RC Chandigarh Midtown. He said that this club was one of the best in the District. All others look up to it for leadership, support and guidance. He was confident that the club members would continue to follow the Rotary ideals and support all Rotary activities. The President and the First Lady thanked Sh. Saluja and Dr. Sunita Saluja for their visit and presented them a memoir for the occasion.

President R. K. Goyal continued to work till the last day of his tenure. This was obvious when he announced the induction a new member into the Rotary family. Mrs. Ritu Singla was pinned by the Chief Guest and welcomed to RC Chandigarh Midtown. She has been proposed by PP Rtn. Dr. Vanita



Fellowship being enjoyed by Rotarians



New Member Ritu Singla inducted

Gupta. She was introduced to the gathering day by PP Rtn. M.S. Kahlon.

PP Rtn. R. S. Chandgothia got the Club Directory released by the Chief Guest. It is a beautiful piece of work. Rtn Chandgothia has even organized the funding for the directory himself. The club is extremely grateful to him.

The vote of thanks was given by Rtn. Atul Grover.



Maj. Gen. A.S. Kahlon & Dr. B.C. Gupta, IAS in a happy mood

Fellowship, Friendship, Merriment and well deserved celebrations continued long into the night. It was a wonderful evening! The food was delicious, the drinks were stimulating, the conversation was friendly and the weather was perfect!! CONGRATULATIONS, President R.K. Goyal and Team 2005-06, and THANK YOU from the MIDTOWNERS!

Reported by PP Dr. Vanita Gupta.



Happy B'day Boy PP Dr. Balram Gupta

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DGE Shaju - Where Are You !

DGE Shaju Peter was the chief guest at the annual awards ceremony of Rotary Club of Chandigarh Central on June 23, 2006 at Chandigarh Club. Giving away the recognitions to achievers and performers of the club during the year on behalf of President Sanjeev Checker, Shaju complimented the club for fulfilling all the criteria laid down by the Rotary International of an effective Rotary Club and wished every member a great year of service in 2006-07.

On June 24, the next day, Saharanpur Midtown celebrated their Silver Jubilee. Present on the occasion were DG Dhian Chand and DGE Shaju as guests of honour and PDG Hemant Arora as the chief guest.

On Sunday, June 25, Shaju was at Jagadhari to cheer President R.K. Goyal on his receiving various district awards for outstanding performance by our club. He had to rush back to Chandigarh to inspire the new team of the Rotaract club of Chandigarh, installed at RVTC, Sector 18 later in the evening. In his address to Rotaractors, Shaju lauded the sterling qualities of the outgoing president Rtr. Misha Pratap as a club leader and wished the incoming president Harkirat the best of everything for a meaningful year of service.

Shaju and Lovy found themselves at Panipat on Wednesday, June 28, at the Valedictory Function of Panipat Central. Impressed by the performance of the club under the leadership of Dr. I. M. Tikku, Shaju described the club as a model for others in the district and reminisced about his presence at their charter ceremony nine years ago. His remarks in chaste Hindustani drew spontaneous applause from the audience. Present on the occasion were all the three past governors from Panipat- Devinder Kalra, Ranjit Bhatia and Pramod Vij with their Anns.

A very hectic schedule indeed, Shaju !

Installation of IW President Jatinder Rai

Mrs. Jatinder Rai was installed as President of the Inner Wheel Club Chandigarh Midtown on June 28, '06 along with her team - Mrs. Asha Gupta (Secretary), Mrs. Rama Gupta (Treasurer), Mrs. Shashi Gupta (I.S.O.) and Mrs. Joginder Mukherjee (Editor).



Distt. Chairman Mrs. Neeru Khattar was chief guest on the occasion along with Rotarians, Inner Wheel dignitaries, members and guests. IPP Mrs. Deepa Sahib Singh honored the members, Rotarians and guests who helped her to complete all the projects successfully with funds and service.

Incoming President Mrs. Jatinder is a unique blend of beauty, brains and dedication and with her amazing abilities and qualities, she will take her club to greater heights. She highlighted some of the projects to be undertaken during her term:

1. Adoption of Govt. High School in colony no. 4 with following projects in the school:
Oral Hygiene Check-up, Immunization MMR, cleanliness, scholarships for the needy students and their physical fitness.
2. Drug De-addiction Awareness
3. Blood Donation camps
4. I.O.L. Surgeries
5. Water Conservation

She also expressed full faith in support and guidance of the members of her club as well as the Rotarians.

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS :

Rtn. Madhu Sudan Manaktala	July 08
Rtn. Dr. Arvind Goyal	July 11
PP Rtn. Indrajeet Sengupta	July 12
Rtn. C.J. Rai	July 13

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY GREETINGS :

R'ann Kaumudi & Dr. Inder Mohan	July 09
R'ann Nirmal & Comdr. A.S. Nagra	July 10

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PP Rtn. Dr. Balram K. Gupta

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