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PROGRAMME Diwali Celebrations

Rotarians & R'anns are requested to attend with their children and grand children to get a traditional welcome to celebrate Diwali with live music, fellowship & dinner, lightening games, flowering diyas and return gifts!

Please note
change in date
and venue

Sunday, November 11, 2012

Time: 6.30 p.m.

Venue: Sip 'n' Dine, Sector 7, Chandigarh



Karva Chauth

In spite of strict fast and not even a drop of water, large number of ladies attended our club meeting on November 2, 2012 to celebrate Karva Chauth, a ritual of fasting observed by them for the longevity, well-being and prosperity of their husbands. Not all

ladies were on fast but most of those who were, deprived themselves of tea, coffee, cake and karva snacks.

Tambola was the first game to be played, with Ritu announcing the numbers, and there was complete silence in the hall. But suddenly nearly everybody present shouted 'yes!', and rushed towards the dais to claim their prize. It was then realized that all numbers were same on the sheets distributed to them. This 'error' may have been intentional to bring so many Rotarians and R'anns to the dais at the same time, to create a feeling of together-ness on this auspicious occasion of karva chauth!

Without wasting any time, President Ritu immediately diverted every one's attention to those who had hundred percent attendance last month, and after a specially designed game for them, hundred percenters award was bagged by Rtn. Maj. Gen. Hardev Singh.

The most exciting game was 'Patni Shingar karo aur prize jeeto'. Couples were called to the dais, and each husband was given 30 seconds to put 'shingar' on his wife. Two couples Rtn. Dr. Mrs. Rita Kalra & Dr. Sanjay Kalra and R'ann Pushpa & Rtn. Vinod Jawa



Rtn. Maj. Gen. Hardev Singh gets hundred percenters award from President Ritu Singal. Looking on are Dr. S.P. Vij and Secretary A.K. Puri



President Ritu Singal presents the award to R'ann Pushpa & Rtn. Vinod Jawa



President Ritu Singal and Secretary Ashok K. Puri present the award to Rtn. Dr. Mrs. Rita Kalra & Dr. Sanjay Kalra



Wedding anniversary gift to R'ann Charanjit & Rtn. B.S. Channi



Rtn. Prof. Dr. S.P. Vij celebrates his birthday with Rotarians



President Ritu presents birthday gift to Rtn. Dr. Jawahar Luthra



President Ritu Singal presents birthday gift to Rtn. Ashwani K. Bhateja



President Ritu Singal presents birthday gift to R'ann Lovy Peter



Rtn. Prof. Dr. I.S. Dua celebrates his birthday with his family



President Ritu presents the scholarship cheque of Rs. 25000/- to Mannohan Singh



President Ritu Singal presents the punctuality award to Rtn. B.S. Channi

were declared the joint winners, as there was a tie!

Others who participated in the 'patni shingar' game were PDG Shaju Peter & R'ann Lovy Peter, IPP R.K. Luther and R'ann Urmil Luther, Rtn. Kanan Diwan & PDG Yoginder Diwan, Rtn. Salil Bali & R'ann Parul Bali, PP Prem Anand & R'ann Indu Anand, Rtn. Arjan Singh & R'ann Parveen, Rtn. Ashok Puri & R'ann Sudha Puri, Rtn. Ashwani K. Bhateja & R'ann Priya Bhateja, Rtn. Dev Jeet Singh & R'ann Manpreet Kaur.

President Ritu Singal's Facet of Peace - Step 15 : How beautiful a song those two life partners can create together

Husband wife should create song together. The husband is not the centre of the relationship, nor is the wife. It is not a question who is the leader or who must make himself or herself a sacrifice for the other's success and happiness. Just as a song is marriage of music and lyric, husband and wife are equal individuals who, at the same time, perform a single melody of life together. What is important, I think, is how beautiful a song those two life partners can create together.

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Scholarship and Two Micro loans

A scholarship cheque for Rs. 25,000/- was given to Manmohan Singh of Chandigarh College of Engineering who is in the seventh semester of Electrical Engineering course. This is the



Girl scholars having tea with Rtn. Arjan Singh

seventh of eight installments committed by Rtn. Arjan Singh's friends Sarah and Tom Sykes of Seattle, USA. Manmohan is doing fairly well in his studies and is hoping for a campus placement.

Two micro loans were given this week. One loan of Rs.30,000/- was given to Nawabudin of village Khuda Ali Sher for starting a business of selling paints used in houses. The second loan of Rs. 25,000/- was given to Ajay Verma of village Raipur Khurd. He will be selling mobile phones from his mobile repair shop.

Arjan also stated, "This Sunday I invited our girl scholars home for a morning tea, to celebrate the job offers that Naina and Shilakha have got. Both have been placed with IT companies. The third girl Anuradha, is waiting for companies to visit her campus. She will get her degree in Food Technology. All the girls are very excited about this new phase in their lives."

Appeal for donations for heart patient

In response to an appeal for replacement of heart valves of poor old lady, following Rotarians of our club have confirmed their contributions;

1. PDG Shaju Peter	Rs. 5000/-
2. PP Pallav Mukherjee	Rs. 5000/-
3. President Ritu Singal	Rs. 2500/-
4. Secretary Ashok Puri	Rs. 2500/-
5. PP. R.K.Luther	Rs. 1000/-
6. PE Deepak Sood	Rs. 2000/-
7. Rtn. Arjun Singh	Rs. 1000/-
8. Rtn. Vinod Jawa	Rs. 1000/-

As per doctor of PGI, total expenditure is Rs. two lakh. Out of this, Rs. 1,25,000/- has already been collected by her family and our Rotractors. We appeal to all Rotarians of our club to contribute generously towards this noble cause of providing a new life to this patient. You may send your contribution to Secretary Rtn. Ashok Puri.

RYLA - Great experience for youth with disabilities

It was a great learning experience for 55 young persons with disabilities who attended RYLA, hosted by Rotary Club Chandigarh Central at Indira Holiday Home, Sector 24, Chandigarh from 3rd to 5th November 2012, which was inaugurated by PRIP Raja Saboo.

This was the first time that RYLA was organized for disabled persons, which was inspired by our District Governor Manmohan Singh to give an opportunity to these special youth to develop personal leadership skills and become self respected citizens to face challenges with confidence and lead a dignified life.

Chandigarh Midtown sponsored four young disabled persons for this unique event. It is hoped that RYLA for disabled youth, which had a very good response, becomes a regular annual program of RI District 3080.

Get Well Soon

PP Dr. S.K. Sharma had a dengue fever attack in last week of October 2012 and now he is in process of fast recovery. Similarly few days back PP Capt. Manmohan Singh Kahlon had mild dengue fever and he has recovered well. Both of them are at home. We wish them a very speedy recovery.

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6 months Refrigeration and Air Conditioner training program

Refrigeration training program was inaugurated at Khuda Ali Sher. Director Vocational Training PP Prem Anand welcomed the 18 trainees and their Instructor, Partap Singh. He thanked President Ritu Singal for inspiring the project and for her able guidance.

President Ritu advised the trainees to take up the program seriously as such vocational training can be very beneficial to earn a reasonably good livelihood. She said, "The opportunities derived from such training programs are even better than those who are holding high degrees."

Our Rotary Community Corps President Bhupinder Singh pointed that those who have been trained in our club's Vocational programs

since 2005-06, are doing very well by being self employed, and are earning Rs. 25000/- to Rs. 30000/- p.m. He introduced one of them, smartly dressed young man, Ravinder Singh, who recently purchased a new Alto car.

The role played by Youth Club President Gurpreet Singh and Zila Parishad Member Gurdial Singh for holding these programs, was also appreciated.

PP Pallav Mukherjee also had a brief quiz session, with the intention of distributing chocolates, even for the wrong answers!

PP Dr. V.J.S. Vohra, PE Deepak Sood and Secretary A.K. Puri were also present to motivate the trainees.

Birthday of Spouses

R'ann Dilpreet	November 10
R'ann Indu Vohra	November 11
R'ann Veena Bindra	November 14
R'ann Anita Garg	November 14
R'ann Tavinder Chopra	November 15



Birthday of Rotarians

PP Rtn. Ajit S. Gulati	November 10
Rtn. Dev Jeet Singh	November 12
Rtn. A.K. Sachdeva	November 15



Punctuality Draw

Won by Rtn. Balbir Singh Channi

Wedding Anniversary

Rtn. Dr. (Mrs.) Shashi Jain & Mr. Naresh K. Jain	November 11
Rtn. Kanan Diwan & PDG Rtn. Yoginder Diwan	November 12

PDG Rtn. Shaju Peter

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