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PROGRAMME

## Challenges to India's Security - A Holistic Appraisal

Chief Guest: Lt. Gen. Vijay Oberoi (Retd.)

Former Vice Chief of Indian Army

Friday, April 05, 2013

Time: 6.30 p.m.

Venue: Hotel President, Sector 26, Chandigarh

### Holi Celebrations

We had the gracious presence of former Army Chief Gen. V.P. Malik and Dr. (Mrs.) Ranjana Malik for holi celebrations, which was organized by our club in the Park opposite the residences of IPP R.K. Luther and PP Subhash Bindra in Sector 6, Panchkula on March 27, 2013, in association with Residents Welfare Association, Sector 6, Panchkula. President Rtn. Ritu Singal and Mr. J.P. Aggarwal, President of Residents Welfare Association had jointly sent invitation cards, along with the

bulletin, to attract large number of Rotarians and their families to the festival of colors. Dry colors were being used to create an atmosphere of social merriment. Editor PP Dr. V.J.S. Vohra was shooting, with camera, anyone who went towards him with colors! Few like Rtn. Arjan Singh and Rtn. R.T.P.S. Tulsi were sprinkling flowers to promote holi as safe, unique and eco-friendly festival.



Gen. V.P. Malik (2nd from Rt) with (L-R:) PP H.C. Khunger of RC Panchkula, PP B.L. Ramsisaria, PP R.S. Chandgothia, PP Capt. M.S. Kahlon and PP Dr. V.J.S. Vohra (behind the camera)



'Holi meeting' being conducted by President Ritu Singal. Secretary A.K. Puri beats the dhol to announce 'happy holi'



President Ritu Singal gives floral welcome to Assistant Governor (2013-14, Zone 3) PP Ajit S. Gulati



Lady Rotarians and R'anns enjoying the colorful proceedings



Mrs. Khunger, Kund Bala Goyal, Shradha Sachdeva and others in Que



Rtn. Salil Chopra is satisfied that the game of music is under control



PPs Dr. V.J.S. Vohra, Gurdip S Deep, Dr. Kesho R. Gupta and Rtn. Dr. I.S. Dua look out for partners in the game



Rtn. A.K. Sachdeva and Rtn. Arjan Singh run around. Looking on are R'anns Sudha Puri and Pritpal Gulati



PP Dr. Kesho R. Gupta is happy to get his wife R'ann Santosh as partner. PP Prem Anand tries to find his partner



An interesting game was initiated by Rtn. Salil Chopra, which generated lot of interest. It was a sort of musical chairs, but in place of chairs, ladies were lined up, and the music was from the dhol. When the sound of dhol stopped, the gents were to rush

and stand next to the ladies as their partner. Those who could not be paired were eliminated. The couple who continued till the end, Rtn. Dr. Mrs. Shashi Jain and PP Gurdip S. Deep, were declared the winners.



*Rtn. Chandra Parkash, PP Pallav Mukherjee, Rtn. D.R. Agarwal & Rtn. M.K. Handa*



*R'ann Indu Anand, R'ann Maniki Deep, Rtn. Deepa Bhar and Rtn. Davinder K. Singh*



*PP Dr. Balram K. Gupta and PP R.K. Goyal*



*PP Vinod Jawa, R'ann Vanita and Rtn. Vijay Kumar*



*Guess who is with President Ritu and Secretary A.K. Puri? There may be a special gift for the right answer!*



*'Drinkingly abled'! PP Indrajeet Sengupta and PP Anil Mehan with Rtn. B.S. Channi and Rtn. Amarjit Singh*



*Rtn. R.T.P.S. Tulsi, Rtn. Dr. Col. V.K. Kapoor, V.P. Sharma and Rtn. R.P.S. Gulati*



*R'anns Indu Vohra and Sunita*



*New Generation reach great heights*



*R'anns Bir Gulati and Urmil Luther*



*R'ann Preety Anand and PP T.S. Anand*



*R'ann Sunita and PP Saroj Jhawar*



*Rtn. Raj Khattar, President Ritu Singla, PP Ajit Gulati, the winners of 'musical couple' game, Rtn. Dr. Mrs. Shashi Jain and PP Gurdip S. Deep, Rtn. Salil Chopra and IPP R.K. Luther*



*PP Vinod Jawa, PP R.S. Changothia, IPP R.K. Luther, PP B.L. Ramsisaria, Rtn. A.K. Sachdeva, PP Prem Anand, Secretary A.K. Puri, Rtn. D.R. Agarwal, Rtn. Amarjit Singh, Mr. Sita Ram, PDG Yoginder Diwan and Rtn. Dr. Jawahar Luthra*

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## Medical Camp at Faida

Rotary Club Chandigarh Midtown had organized Medical Camp at Faida Village, Chandigarh on 24<sup>th</sup> March 2013. It was inaugurated by Mrs. Madhu Bansal, wife of Union Railway Minister Pawan K. Bansal, in presence of Rotarians and R'anns of our club and Pradhan, Faida and local inhabitants of Faida Village. Apart from this, Mrs. Bansal also visited Sewing and Tailoring Centre and Adult Education Programme for women run by our club in Faida.

Rtn. Dr. Rita Kalra along with Dr Anjali Aggarwal and Dr. Reena Gupta from Chandigarh examined about 300 men, women and children of Faida village and surrounding areas and gave medicines to them free of cost. Rtn. Dr. Jawahar Luthra, Eye Specialist, along with R'ann Indu Luthra checked about 40 patients facing different problems of Eyes.



Mrs. Madhu Bansal inaugurates the Medical Camp

Our special thanks are to PDG Yoginder Diwan and Rtn. Kanan Diwan who had provided medicines for the inhabitants of Faida Village. In addition to this, President Ritu Singal, Secretary Ashok Puri and R'ann Sudha Puri, PP Ajit Gulati & R'ann Bir Gulati, Rtn. Mrs. Kanan Diwan, Rtn. Major General Hardev Singh, Rtn. Dr. Rita Kalra, Rtn. Dr. Jawahar Luthra & R'ann Indu Luthra, PP Vinod Jawa and R'ann Neena Verma, wife of Rtn. P.K. Verma were present in the camp and worked together to make this medical camp a grand success. Mr. Mohinder Singh Choudhary, Pradhan Gram Panchayat along with other people of the Faida Village had whole heartedly supported all activities of the medical camp. The camp closed around 2 p.m. after distribution of special 'Holi' sweets to the children.

## Ron Burton inaugurates Seminar at Chennai



PDG Shaju with RI President Elect Ron Burton and RI Director Elect P.T. Prabhakar

A member of the Executive Committee of the Rotary News Trust, PDG Shaju Peter attended the meeting of the Committee on March 26, 2013 at Hotel Taj Coromandal, Chennai. He stayed on in Chennai to attend the Inaugural Function of the Asia

Pacific Regional Magazine Editors' Seminar hosted by India for the first time. The two-day Seminar attended by Magazine Editors from Australia, Korea, Philippines, Taiwan and Thailand, besides Mr. John Rezek, Editor of The Rotarian was inaugurated by RI President Elect Ron Burton on March 27.

Among the Rotary leaders present on the occasion were Past RI President Kalyan Banerjee, RI Directors Yash Das and Shekhar Mehta, RI Director Elect P.T. Prabhakar, TRF Trustee Ashok Mahajan, and past RI Directors Panduranga Shetty and K.R. Ravindran.

## Welcome our New Fellow Rotarian




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## **RI Presidents receive honorary degrees in recognition of Rotary's good work**



*Past RI Presidents Rajendra K. Saboo and Kalyan Banerjee, and RI President Sakuji Tanaka at convocation ceremony in Jaipur*

RI President Sakuji Tanaka and Past RI Presidents Rajendra K. Saboo and Kalyan Banerjee accepted honorary doctorate degrees on 25 March 2013 in Jaipur, on behalf of Rotary International from IIS University in Jaipur, in recognition of the service to society provided by Rotary and by the professionals, community and business leaders who join together for action in Rotary Clubs around the world, and for their efforts towards the eradication of polio, Rotary's top priority for over two decades.

Dr. Ashok Gupta, Vice Chancellor of the University, said "There are thousands of Rotarians of the world who are contributing ceaselessly to the welfare of mankind."

## **RI President Elect Ron D. Burton at Intercity of Fellowship & Warmth in Ambala on 31.3.13**

It was a delightful experience to meet Rotary International President Elect Ron D. Burton & Jetta along with PRIP Raja Saboo & Usha ji, RI Director Yash Das & Manju ji and DG Manmohan Singh & Rajwant Kaur in the Intercity of Fellowship & Warmth on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2013 at Ambala. President Dr. K.K. Jain of Host Rotary Club of Ambala, welcomed Rotarians and R'anns from all over RI District 3080 and neighboring Districts. The dignitaries included DGE Rakesh Aggarwal, DGN Col. D.R. Patnaik, DGNN David Hilton, a galaxy of PDGs & their spouses and District Secretary T.K. Ruby.

Saboo gave an inspiring address and talked of the great change in technology, saying that the end product has remained the same, and that this is true for us as Rotarians. We have to remain committed to the cause and ideals of Rotary.

RI Director Yash Das formally introduced RI President Elect Ron D. Burton, who is a member of the Rotary Club of Norman, Oklahoma, USA. In his address RIPE Burton appreciated the work being done in Rotary Ambala Cancer and General Hospital. He said the theme 'Engage Rotary, Change Lives', aims to initiate social acts which will change the lives of individuals.



*PRIP Raja Saboo & Ushaji with RIPE Ron Burton & Jetta*



*DGE Rakesh Aggarwal, PE Deepak Sood, RIPE Ron Burton & Jetta and Bir & AGE Ajit S. Gulati*

DG Manmohan Singh highlighted the meaningful projects undertaken in the District during the current year. PRIP Raja

Amongst PHF recognitions were our club President Ritu Singal (for her daughter Inayat), Secretary A.K. Puri and Rtn. Jeetan Bhabri (for his wife Kadam). Others who were also present to represent our club were R'ann Lovy Peter, PE Deepak Sood, AG Elect Ajit S. Gulati & R'ann Bir, PP B.L. Ramsisaria, PP Indrajeet Sengupta & R'ann Malabika, PP Pallav Mukherjee, PP Dr. V.J.S. Vohra, PP Prem Anand, Rtn. Kanan Diwan and our new Rtn. Ashok Sharma.

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#### **Birthday of Rotarians**

Rtn. Praveen Aggarwal April 09  
Rtn. Vijay Kumar April 11



### **Wedding Anniversary**

R'ann Seema & Rtn. Dr. Dinesh Sahajpal April 06  
R'ann Pritpal & Rtn. R.P.S. Gulati April 07  
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