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PROGRAMME

Wear Pink - Spread Breast Cancer Care

Chief Guest: Mrs. Renu Saigal

President, Sahayta Cancer Sahyog, Chandigarh

Friday, October 04, 2013

Time: 7.00 p.m.

Venue: Hotel President, Sector 26, Chandigarh

Vishnu Kumar Gupta Memorial Debate in Memory of Late Rtn. Vishnu Kumar Gupta

On September 27, 2013 in our club meeting, President Deepak Sood said, "I would like to welcome Rotaract teams who are here to participate in Vishnu Kumar Gupta Memorial Debate. I also welcome Rtn. Vijay Kumar Gupta, his brother Mr. Ashwani Kumar Gupta and Ajay Kumar Gupta with their family, who have displayed exemplary

strong views about the topic, for and against motion, which impressed the Rotarians and R'anns of our club. Rotaractors who took part in the competition were Jashan Kang, Paras Bhatia, Deepak Babbar, Bhanu Madaan, Vaibhav, Naunidh, Pankhuri Malhotra, Swati Sharma, Kiranjit Kaur, Harteg Singh, Vasu Sachdeva, Parsoon Sharma and



Mr. Ashwani Kumar Gupta and Rtn. Vijay Kumar Gupta present trophies to the winners

family values in the memory of their father Late Rtn. Vishnu Kumar Gupta, PHF." They are sponsoring Vishnu Kumar Gupta Memorial Debate since 1992 when PDG Shaju Peter was the Club President, who mooted the idea of starting this debate. Shaju said, "Rtn. Vishnu Kumar Gupta had a very big heart and was known for his tremendous contributions for Community Services."

Rtn. Ashok Puri, Director Vocational Service and Chairperson of this competition said, "We had received nine entries from Rotaract Clubs of Chandigarh Midtown, PEC, Soaring Monks and DAV College Chandigarh. Six teams plus one individual participated in this competition."

The topic of debate was 'India can retain the confidence of Global investors when the value of Rupee is lowest against Dollar'. Rtn. Salil Bali, Director Youth Services conducted the debate meticulously. All Rotaractors were given five minutes each in which they expressed their

Vaibhav Pathak. All of them were given certificates for participating in the debate.

Panel of judges consisting of Prof. Arvind Krishan Mathur and Prof. M.L. Dhawan, of Govt. Collge, Sector 46, Chandigarh declared the results for Best Team award, along with individual awards of winner and runners up, which was announced by Rtn. Ashok Puri, Chairperson of the competition. Best team award was won by Rtr. Pankhuri Malhotra and Rtr. Swati Sharma of Rotaract Club of Soaring Monks. Individual prizes were won by Rtr. Paras Bhatia from PEC and Rtr. Kiranjeet Kaur from Soaring Monks.

Concluding the event with expression of gratitude, Rtn. Ashok Puri thanked Rtn. Vijay Kumar Gupta, Mr. Ashwani Kumar Gupta and the Gupta family, the Judges, Rotarians and R'anns for their presence, to make this function a grand success.



President Deepak Sood presents token of appreciation to the Judges, Prof. Arvind Krishan Mathur and Prof. M.L. Dhawan

Rtn. Ashok Puri announces the winners



Rtn. Salil Bali conducts the debate



Mr. Ashwani Kumar Gupta and Rtn. Vijay Kumar Gupta present birthday gift to Rtn. Dr. Col. V.K. Kapoor, who also bags the punctuality award and gets it from President Deepak



President Deepak Sood and PP B.L. Ramisaria handover microloan cheque to PP Prem Anand who will give it to Vinod Singh



Mr. Ashwani Kumar Gupta presents wedding anniversary gift to R'ann Ranjana & PE Rtn. R.T.P.S. Tulsi. Looking on are President Deepak Sood and Secretary Rita Kalra

Micro Loan

A Micro Loan case was presented in the last board meeting. The Micro Loan committee chaired by PP B.L. Ramsisaria, approved a loan of Rs. 20000/- for Vinod Singh, a caterer, for purchase of utensils. The disbursement is being made through Co-Chair of the committee PP Prem Anand.

Installation ceremony of Rotaract Club of Dev Samaj College



The Principal, Rotarians and Rotaractors

The installation ceremony of all girls Rotaract Club of Dev Samaj College was held on 24.09.2013 in the seminar hall of Dev Samaj College for Women, Sector 45, Chandigarh.

The Rotaract President Ms. Anjali was collared ceremoniously in presence of the Principal of the college Dr. Ms. Meera Modi, President Deepak Sood, Director Vocational Service Rtn. Ashok Puri, R'ann Sudha Puri and Director Youth Service Rtn. Salil Bali.

Speaking on the occasion President Deepak Sood encouraged the Rotaractors to use the youth power and involve themselves in service towards the community constructively.

Towards the end a session was conducted in which the Rotaractors posed questions to the present Rotarians regarding the history and objective of the Rotary and clarified their understanding towards the concept of Rotary. Principal Dr. Meera Modi thanked our club for initiating the Installation ceremony of the Rotaract Club, and also hosted the Rotarians in her office for tea and snacks.

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Installation ceremony of the Rotaract Club of Vidya Jyoti



The Chief Guest, Rotarians and Rotaractors

On 27.09.2013 the Installation ceremony of the new team of Rotaract Club of Vidya Jyoti was held in the campus of Hotel and Catering Management Institute, Dera Bassi. Rtn. Dev Jeet Singh, Director of the Institute, on behalf of the club organised a tree plantation drive in the campus. Saplings were planted by the Rotarians which included President Rtn. Deepak Sood, Secretary Rtn. Dr. Rita Kalra, PDG Shaju Peter, Jt. Secretary Rtn. Jeetan Bhambri, Directors Rtn. Ashok Puri, Rtn. Maj. General Hardev Singh and Rtn. Salil Bali. Mr. Tilak Raj, HCS was the Chief Guest. The ceremony was attended by numerous enthusiastic Rotaractors. Our thanks to Rtn. Dev Jeet who hosted the Rotarians in the restaurant of the Institute with mouth watering delicacies prepared by the students.

Computer education for needy children by Rtn. Munish Jauhar and his GrayCell Team

GrayCell Technologies Exports, lead by its CEO, Rtn. Munish Jauhar, has joined hands with the Tricity Chapter of CII's Young Indians (Yi) Project. Yi Vividha which has been set up to promote education for the under privileged children in Kaimbwala village, near Chandigarh. Rtn. Munish Jauhar and his GrayCell Team has planned to hold basic computer education classes for the children on weekends which will help in promoting learning and igniting their passion for computers and building a better future. The first class was held on Saturday, 21st September 2013 and it has been scheduled on a weekly basis to teach them how to operate a computer, save a file, connect to the internet and basic word and paint skills. The 'easy to learn' fun filled approach was applied to generate interest. Gifts and chocolates were distributed at the end.



Rtn. Munish Jauhar and his GrayCell team imparts computer education for needy children

Dr. Rita Kalra bags gold and silver medals and attends Rotary meeting in Colombo



Dr. Rita Kalra exchanged flags with President Sulochana in Colombo. Back home, she presents the flag to President Deepak Sood



Secretary Rtn. Dr. Rita Kalra attended the weekly meeting of Rotary Club of Colombo Uptown on 23rd September 2013 during her visit to Sri Lanka for participating in the athletic meet. Dr. Rita exchanged flags with President Rtn. Sulochana.

Congratulating Secretary Dr. Rita Kalra, President Deepak Sood said, "She had represented India in an International Athletic meet and won a gold medal in 400 meters and a silver medal in 800 meters."

Deep Condolences

Our heartfelt condolences to Rtn. T.L. Verma on the sad demise of his wife R' ann Manjit ji. Bhog and antim ardas was held on Saturday, 28th September 2013 at Sector 8 Gurudwara Sahib.

PDG Manpreet Singh Gandhoke lost his father, Mr. Gurbachan Singh Gandhoke. Bhog and antim ardas was held on Sunday, 29th September 2013 at Gurudwara Sacha Dham Sahib, Phase 3B1, Mohali.

As a mark of respect to the departed souls, one minute silence was observed in our last club meeting.

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Blood Donation Camp organized by Rotaract Club Chandigarh Midtown

On 28th September 2013 Rotaract Club Chandigarh Midtown organised a Blood Donation Camp at University Institute of Hotel Management and Tourism (UIHMT) on occasion of World Tourism Day. The Event was done in collaboration with UIHMT. Blood Bank department of GMCH -32, Chandigarh had supported the Blood Donation Camp, which was a huge success with a total of 41 blood donors proudly coming forward for this great and noble service to save the lives of others.



Director Youth Service Rtn. Salil Bali and President Rtr. Kanika Sharma supervise the Blood Donation Camp

Acknowledgment with thanks

Donations for Disaster Relief:

Rtn. Chandra Prakash Rs. 2500
Rtn. Wg. Cdr. Kamal Nath Rs. 2500
Rtn. Dr. (Mrs.) Shashi Jain Rs. 2500

Donations for Club Projects:

Rtn. Dr. Col. V.K. Kapoor Rs. 5000
PP Rtn. Subhash Bindra Rs. 2100
PE Rtn. R.T.P.S. Tulsi Rs. 1100

Punctuality Draw

Won by Rtn. Col. Dr. V.K. Kapoor

Birthday of Spouses

R'ann Manju Jain October 04
R'ann Gagan Meet October 04
R'ann Herpreet Gill October 06
R'ann Kalpana Aggarwal October 07



Birthday of Rotarians

Rtn. Rajesh Mahajan October 04
Rtn. Sanjay Bhatia October 09



Wedding Anniversary

R'ann Shradha & Rtn. A.K. Sachdeva October 08
R'ann Anita & Rtn. Prem Kumar Garg October 09
R'ann Renu & Rtn. Salil Chopra October 10



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