

The Midtowner



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Volume XXXVIII No. 02 Dated: July 09, 2013

PROGRAMME

Nutrition and Health

Chief Guest: Dr. Mrs. Nirupa Marwah

Vice Principal, Govt. Home Science College, Sector 10, Chandigarh

Friday, July 12, 2013

Venue: Hotel President, Sector 26, Chandigarh

Report on RI Convention 2013 at Lisbon

Time: 7.00 p.m.

In the first Club meeting of the Rotary year 2013-14 on July 05, 2013, addressing members of our club, President Deepak Sood said, "It is a great honour for me to serve our prestigious club as President. First of all, please accept my heartiest thanks for the trust you have shown in me. I seek God's blessings and then look upon you for your valuable guidance as well as support enabling us to achieve our goals." Deepak pleasantly surprised everyone with a couplet, "Itni shiddat se maine tumhe paane ki koshish ki hai ki har zarre ne mujhe tumse milane ki sajish ki hai."





PDG Shaju Peter presents President's lapel pin to Rtn. Deepak Sood, who presents Past President's pin to IPP Mrs. Ritu Singal

conventions. He observed, "They were young but were impressive and had the capacity to move people to tears." As this was Shaju's 5th RI Convention, he left it to other Rotarians to share their experience. However, Shaju apprised us of the connection between Lisbon and Calicut (Kerala), from where he got his Engineering degree. He talked of Vasco da Gama, the Portuguese explorer, and gave detailed historical facts about Gama's visit to India. One has to fully appreciate Shaju's tremendous memory and excellent knowledge, whether he talks of history, geography or Rotary!

PP Gurdip S. Deep said PDG Shaju Peter is like the 'Pied Piper', and added, "It is because of Shaju we all went to Lisbon because the way he projects everything it looks so beautiful and glamorous, you have to do it." Gurdip talked about the plenary session of the Convention and explained how one prepares for attending the convention. He highlighted the massive arrangements made for hotels, transport facilities, registration pavilion, the eating joints, the house of friendship, the Rotary information pavilion, the world class opera, the European concert etc. Gudip said, "What impressed me the most was that there were 25000 people on a mission of goodwill and everyone were smiling. Everybody wanted to become friends with everybody else, and this went on for four days, and I have not seen this type of ambience anywhere else." He was also pleased to exchange flags with











PDG Shaju Peter, PP Gurdip S. Deep, Rtn. Amarjit Singh, IPP Ritu Singal and R'ann Lovy Peter share their experience of RI Convention at Lisbon through an impressive PowerPoint presentation

President Deepak Sood welcomed PDG Shaju Peter, who recently returned from RI Convention at Lisbon, Portugal, a team of ten Chandigarh Midtowners, others being R'ann Lovy Peter, PP Gurdip S. Deep & R'ann Maniki Deep, IPP Mrs. Ritu Singal and her daughters Ishani & Inayat, Vice President Rtn. Amarjit Singh, Secretary Rtn. Dr. Mrs. Rita Kalra and Dr. Sanjay Kalra.

PDG Shaju Peter said, "We were there in Lisbon in substantial numbers. I don't think there was any club in District 3080, or from anywhere in India who had a team of ten club members and family." He said quality of speakers at the convention were different from earlier

Rotarians from other clubs.

According to PDG Shaju, "Rtn. Amarjit Singh was an explorer of Lisbon which he had done more extensively than all the others put together." Amarjit, for whom it was the 2nd RI Convention after Bangkok last year, said he spent three days in Lisbon. His presentation included the beautiful pictures of the places he had visited in Lisbon, like Europe's longest bridge, 17.2 Km - The Vasco da Gama Bridge which is a cable-stayed bridge that spans the Tagus River in Parque das Nações, the Gateway to Sintra National park - a UNESCO World Heritage Site, well maintained Water Springs on Road side, Pena



The year starts with a bang! PDG Shaju Peter presents a cheque of Rs. 13.38 lakh for hearing aids project to IPP Ritu Singal and President Deepak Sood brings him nearer to becoming a major donor



PDG Shaju Peter presents a two sapphire PHF pin to Rtn. Ashok Kumar Puri, which

Palace built by Don Fernando II (1819 - 85), Sintra Town Castle of the Moors on Hilltop. Atlantic Ocean from Cabo da Roca Hell's Mouth cliff (Boca do Inferno) and Atlantic Ocean caving in the rock. Many Rotarians from various countries became friends of Amarjit, which included District Governor Tulsi R. Mahajan of RI District 7510 Somerville, New Jersey (USA), District Governor Uwe Bartl of RI District 1841 (Germany) and District Governor Christof

Hottenroff of RI District 1820 (Germany).



PDG Shaju Peter presents wedding anniversary gift to R'ann Nirmal & Rtn. Lt. Comdr. A.S. Nagra



PDG Shaju presents birthday gift for R'ann Parul Bali to Rtn. Salil Bali. Looking on is President Deepak Sood



PDG Shaju Peter and R'ann Purnima Sood present birthday gift to R'ann Charanjit Kaur



R'ann Manjit & Rtn. T.L. Verma



PDG Shaju and President Deepak PDG Shaju presents birthday gift for presents wedding anniversary gift to R'ann Chanchal Rai, received by her son, Rajinder and Rtn. C.J. Rai



Punctuality award won by PP B.L. Ramsisaria, and he is happy to receive it from Shaju

Photos clicked in Lisbon



PDG Shaiu Peter and R'ann Lovy Peter



R'ann Maniki Deep, PP Gurdip S. Deep, IPP Ritu Singal and her daughters



Rtn. Amarjit Singh with Rotarian couples from Brazil and their driver cum guide

IPP Ritu Singal was immensely inspired by attending the Convention at Lisbon. She said, "My first RI Convention has been a great experience." She was impressed with the speakers at the Convention. She was glad to meet Rotarians from all over the world and was pleased to exchange flags with some of them. She also described as amazing and beautiful the places of interest she and her daughters had visited in Lisbon. Ritu also shared the experiences of her daughters. Ishani had said, "It was a completely life transforming experience. This convention has self empowered me to bring a change in the society." Inayat said, "I am determined to form an Interact club in my school to bring that change in the society."

IPP Ritu Singal thanks all our Rotarians for Awards received from District

As reported in our bulletin No. 01, our club received number of awards at the District function on 30th June 2013, including Rtn. Ritu Singal getting the award as Best President in the District. Ritu acknowledged the support of Rtn. Ashok K. Puri as Secretary and thanked all Rotarians of our club for being with her during the year, due to which our club has received so many awards. 'The Midtowner' awarded as the best bulletin in the District, Ritu and PDG Shaju Peter appreciated the efforts of Editor PP Dr. V.J.S. Vohra for bringing out the bulletins in time, even when he was out of Chandigarh, and these bulletins are available online from our website, to be read sitting anywhere in the

The awards were presented to the awardees by Shaju in our club meeting on 5th July 2013.



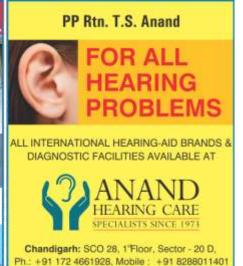
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Best President in District 3080 and Outstanding President in Zone 2 awarded to Rtn. Mrs. Ritu Singal



Best Bulletin in District 3080, 'The Midtowner', awarded to Editor: PP Rtn. Dr. V.J.S. Vohra



Award of Excellence to Rtn. Ashok Kumar Puri



Award of Gratitude to PP Rtn. T.S. Anand



Award of Gratitude to PP Rtn. B.L. Ramsisaria



Award of Gratitude to Rtn. Mrs. Kanan Diwan

Other awards were Award of Gratitude to Rtn. Dr. Rita Kalra, Outstanding Club in Zone 2 and also RI President Citation for our club.

Herbal Garden set up at General Hospital, Panchkula on 01.7.2013 - report in bulletin No. 01











President Deepak Sood, Secretary Dr. Mrs. Rita Kalra, First Lady Purnima Sood, Rtn. Salil Chopra, Rtn. Prof. Dr. I.S. Dua and PP Prof. Dr. S.K. Sharma planting saplings with staff of General Hospital. Rtn. Ashok Puri is behind the camera. Others present were R'ann Indu Anand & PP Prem Anand, R'ann Sudha Puri, R'ann Parul Bali and Rtn. Jeetan Bhambri

Micro Ioan

Rtn. Arjan Singh has informed that a Micro loan of Rs. 20,000/- has been given to Mrs. Parveen Dhanda of Parwanoo. She will use the money to upgrade her beauty parlour and training centre. The loan

has been referred and guaranteed by PDG Yoginder Diwan. Rotarians are requested to look around and refer any deserving borrowers that they may come across.

Get Well Soon

Rtn. B.B. Bahl fractured his leg & is admitted in PGI, Chandigarh. We wish him a very speedy recovery.







Appeal by President Deepak Sood for relief in Uttarkhand

President Deepak Sood said, "All of us are aware that we are starting our new year with a big challenge to help the victims of Uttarkhand and Doda disaster. I appeal to each and every Rotarian to contribute on your own as well as all other possible sources." He quoted the example of Rtn. Salil Chopra, who called up from Lucknow for his contribution of Rs. 10000/-, and now, his secretary asked for our account number for sending the contributions of the staff members.

Deepak further informed, "In the District Award function, PRIP Raja Saboo, had taken a commitment from all the Rotary leaders to arrange a contribution of minimum Rs. 2000/- and Rs. 500/- per Rotarian for Utarkhand and Jawan's relief fund respectively. Till now, we have received contributions from following persons."

1. PP Indrajeet Sengupta deposited Rs. 21,600/- with the District

- 2. Rtn.Salil Chopra --- Rs.10,000/-
- 3. Rtn. Dr. Col. V.K. Kapoor --- Rs.10,000/-
- 4. Rtn Ashok Puri --- Rs. 5100/-
- 5. President Deepak Sood --- Rs.5100/-
- 6. PP Vinod Kumar Java --- Rs.2100/-

As a result of President Deepak's appeal more contributions started pouring in for disaster relief, which are acknowledged with thanks. Rotarians are requested to make payment by cheque in favour of 'Rotary Club Chandigarh Midtown Welfare Trust', which will also attract tax exemption under section 80-G of Income Tax Act, 1961.

Acknowledgment with thanks

| Donation for Disaster Relief received on 5 th July 2013: | | | |
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| Rtn. T.L. Verma | Rs. | 10000/- | |
| Rtn. Rajesh Mahajan | Rs. | 5100/- | |
| Rtn. Lt. Comdr. A.S. Nagra | Rs. | 5000/- | |
| Rtn. Tejmohan Singh | Rs. | 2500/- | |
| PP Rtn. R.K. Luther | Rs. | 2500/- | |
| Rtn. A.K. Sachdeva | Rs. | 2500/- | |
| Rtn. J.S. Bawa | Rs. | 2500/- | |
| PP Rtn. Dr. Vanita Gupta | Rs. | 2500/- | |
| Rtn. Ashok Sharma | Rs. | 2500/- | |
| Rtn. Surjit Kumar | Rs. | 2500/- | |
| Rtn. Arjan Singh | Rs. | 2500/- | |
| Rtn. Maj. Gen. Hardev Singh | Rs. | 2500/- | |
| PP Rtn. B.L. Ramsisaria | Rs. | 2500/- | |
| PP Rtn. Pallav Mukherjee | Rs. | 2500/- | |
| PP Rtn. Prem Anand | Rs. | 2500/- | |
| PP Rtn. Dr. V.J.S. Vohra | Rs. | 2500/- | |
| Mr. V.P. Sharma | Rs. | 2500/- | |
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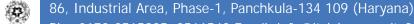
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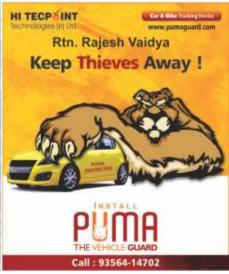


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