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PROGRAMME

Journey of an Unrepentant Civil Servant

Chief Guest:

Mr. Robin Gupta, I.A.S. (Retd.)
Formerly Financial Commissioner
Principal Secretary, Govt. of Punjab

Date: **May 13, 2016 (Friday)** Time: **7.00 p.m.** Venue: **Hotel President, Sector 26, Chandigarh**

Club Assembly

In our regular meeting on May 06, 2016 President Rtn. Kanan Diwan was happy to welcome our members for the Club Assembly. She also welcomed Mr. Shashi Kant and Mrs. Deepali. The President had a pleasant announcement to make that we have received a forwarding note from DRFC Rotary District 5010 Woody Angst which reads as, "TRF in Evanston advised that the funds for Global Grant application 1635463 (that is, our sanitary project) are being released today by TRF through RI office in Delhi for deposit into the designated bank account for the grant." We have already opened the bank account and the transaction will be completed in a day or so. We have to contact our partners and start work on the project.



Pleasant announcement by President Kanan Diwan

President Kanan said, "We are indeed grateful to PDG Shaju Peter for all the support he has given to the grant in spite of his very busy schedule." She added, "We also place on record a very big thank you to DRFC PDG Madhukar Malhotra for taking keen interest and making great efforts to put the project on track and showing us the right way." She also thanked our Partners – Rotary Club of Anchorage, Alaska. In fact

we should have received these funds about 3 months back but due sad demise of their primary contact Past President Jon Diesher some major changes had to be carried out, and hence the delay.

President Kanan further acknowledged, "My grateful thanks to all the members of Rotary Chandigarh Midtown as each one of you has contributed minimum \$ 10 towards this project." She continued, "My very special thanks to PP Indrajeet Sengupta and Malabika without whose major support, we may not have been able to achieve this success within this year. Single handedly he contributed \$ 3182 towards this project which gives him the status of **Major Donor**, for contributing \$ 10000 towards TRF."

Our other contributors to TRF are:

PP B.L. Ramsisaria - \$ 350

Secretary Sanjay Bhatia - \$500

PE Amarjit Singh - \$ 100

Joint Secretary Salil Chopra - \$ 100



National anthem by R'ann Malabika Sengupta and Mrs. Deepali

Vice President Ashok Puri - \$ 200

President Kanan Diwan - \$ 1000

Rotary Chandigarh Midtown \$ 1000

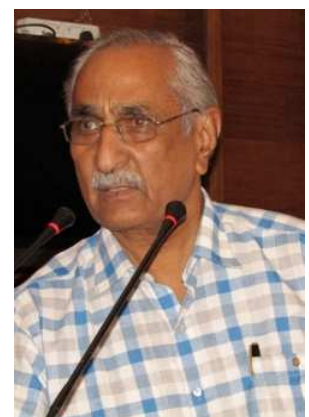
We are already on the job to start the project and hope to achieve some results before the end of the current Rotary year.

Offer by Major Donor PP Indrajeet Sengupta

On becoming a Major Donor with his contribution of \$ 10000 to The Rotary Foundation PP Indrajeet Sengupta has about 4000 points. Out of this he has already offered 300 points to PP B.L. Ramsisaria to make somebody a Paul Harris Fellow. He has given an open offer of giving 300 points to anyone who has already contributed 700 dollars to make him/her a PHF.

Vocational Guidance

On May 06, 2016 a vocational guidance programme was organized for class 12 students at Govt. Senior Secondary School, Mauli Jagran by Director Vocational Service Past President Rtn. R.K. Luther who also addressed the students. President Elect Rtn. Amarjit Singh gave a talk on hospitality, President Nominee Rtn. Dr. Rita Kalra spoke about medical science and Rtn. Salil Bali talked about opportunities in the Legal field.



PP R.K. Luther

This programme was a big success as it was attended by 100 students, 70% of them were girls.
 PP Luther said, "Next week we are organizing a similar programme in Govt. Sr. Secondary School, Manimajra.



Past President R.K. Luther, President Elect Amarjit Singh, President Nominee Dr. Rita Kalra and Rtn. Salil Bali conducting vocational guidance programme at Govt. Sr. Secondary School, Mauli Jagran



Glimpses of the week by Secretary Rtn. Sanjay Bhatia



President Kanan presents Punctuality award to PP Rtn. Gurdip S. Deep. Looking on is Rtn. Salil Bali



Club service report by Rtn. Salil Bali



The guests Mr. Shashi Kant and Mrs. Deepali enjoying the fellowship

Our Club's Valedictory Function on 17th June and District Award Function on 26th June

Director Club Service Rtn. Salil Bali informed that Valedictory Function is being planned for Friday, 17th June 2016 and the venue is CII, Sector 31, Chandigarh. Please block your dates for this important event of our club.

Another important event during the end of every Rotary year is the

District Award Function. District Governor David Hilton has given the honour of hosting this function to our club. The date would be Sunday, 26th June 2016. The venue would be intimated as soon as it is decided. We would be needing the cooperation of all members of our club to make this event successful.

Successful heart surgery



A satisfied Rotarian PP Deepak Sood with the patient at Fortis

With the efforts of PP Deepak Sood, heart surgery of Babli has been successfully performed at Fortis Hospital under the Heartline project of Rotary Chandigarh. It is a great initiative by Deepak who made an appeal in our regular meeting on April 15, 2016 resulting in collection of Rs. 45000/-, and as published in our bulletin No. 42 dated 19th April 2016, this amount was equally contributed by President Rtn. Kanan Diwan, Secretary Rtn. Sanjay Bhatia, Rtn. Mohinder Singh, PP Rtn. Deepak Sood, PDG Rtn. Shaju Peter, Rtn. Salil Bali, Rtn. Dr. Rita Kalra, R'ann Urmil Luther and Rtn. Salil Chopra.

MC Panchkula support for Swachh drive

Our Vice President Rtn. Ashok Puri and Jt. Secretary Rtn. Salil Chopra once again met Mrs. Upinder Ahluwalia, the Mayor of Panchkula who was impressed with our swachh abhiyan in Panchkula. She asked us to repeat our visits to Sector 20 Panchkula market and speak to rehriwalas who have obtained a stay against their removal, and that we speak to them so that they



Rtn. Salil Chopra, Rtn. Ashok Puri and Interactors having their second meeting with the Mayor of Panchkula, Mrs. Upinder Ahluwalia

maintain cleanliness. The Mayor accepted our request for 2 officials from Municipal Corporation who would accompany us during our routine visits and their presence would mean official support from the Municipal Corporation. They may even be empowered to impose penalty to defaulters. This would result in the much needed positive approach towards the swachh movement.



Swachh drive in Sector 20 market, Panchkula with participation of MC

On May 08, 2016 there were 17 persons including 8 Interactors, Rtn. Ashok Puri, R'ann Sudha Puri, their guests, Rtn. Jeetan Bhambri and Rtn. Salil Chopra. We were also joined by MC employee Mr. Ved Parkash who warned rehriwalas to avoid throwing garbage in the park otherwise they would be challaned and penalized. MC official's presence with our team did create the desired impact.

Rtn. Sanjay Bhatia

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Haryana CM and Rtn. Dr. Rita Kalra



Hon'ble Chief Minister of Haryana Mr. Manohar Lal Khattar distributing fruits on his birthday at Civil Hospital, Panchkula, being assisted by our President Nominee Rtn. Dr. Rita Kalra

Invitation from First Lady 2016-17 to Rotary Anns for District Training Assembly

My dear & Distinguished Smiling Rotary Anns,
Rotary Greetings!!

I am much delighted to extend a very warm and personal invitation to you all to be integral part of upcoming District Training Assembly - Lalshay scheduled on 15th May at The Vivaan, Karnal.

I am very happy to share with you all, that a few talent hunt competitions are being planned to provide wings to your hidden talent and creative imagination. We are holding a Salad Making and Flower Decoration Competition. The judgement will be based on presentation, hygienic and nutritious values and creativity.

Dear friends, start gearing to stretch your imagination and creativity to the fullest and believe me we have some amazing prizes for the participation as well.

Look forward to welcome you personally.

Meenu Aneja



2016 Rotary International Seoul Convention

Saturday, 28 May ~ Wednesday, 1 June 2016 / KINTEX - Goyang-si



Nine registrations from Chandigarh Midtown

Birthday of Spouses

Dr. Bhushan C. Gupta May 14

Wedding Anniversary

R'ann Chanchal & Rtn. C.J. Rai May 17

R'ann Guninder & Rtn. Prof. Dr. I.S. Dua May 19

Punctuality Draw:

Won by PP Rtn. Gurdip S. Deep

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