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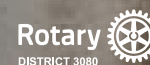
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# Bharat BHAGYA VIDHATA

*vp kalta*

Rtn VP Kalta  
District Governor

India is celebrating its 75 years of independence 'azadi ka amritmahotsav'. Government's call for 15th August 'har ghar tiranga' was religiously followed by every citizen, and in Rotary almost every Club celebrated the occasion with great enthusiasm and fervour. India from the pains of partition, followed by many wars with neighbours and from an underdeveloped Nation has emerged as the 5th largest economy of the world is nothing less than a miracle. As a Rotarian let us serve the community and help the downtrodden, needy and deprived with our best abilities and work towards making our country a developed Nation.

First fortnight of August District Pulse Program was very successful as more than 50% Clubs organized Blood Donation Camps throughout District and we able to collect more than 2500 units of blood. It is indeed a huge number and we will able to save many precious lives through this MAHADAAAN. Second project was about eye and body donation. Many clubs have conducted awareness campaign in and outside Rotary. More than a million visually impaired population are waiting for corneal transplant, and approximately 50,000 new cases are being reported every year. Our hyperactive action can bridge this gap to some extent.

It is said that nearly 1.2 million joined Rotary in last 10 years and almost same number has left. Were we able to retain all those members we would has been just doubled today. August being Membership and extensions month, we gave a call to all Club leaders first to give attention towards retention instead of new members induction as we had enormous and haphazard growth in term of membership previous year. Nearly ten new members orientation programs were conducted in the different Zones of our District and many more shall follow. Despite our earnest efforts we had to lose many members but still happy to share that we had a substantial growth of net membership. First Satellite club of this year has come up at Saharanpur sponsored by Saharanpur Greater. Many more in other parts of District are in pipeline. Few Rotaract, Interact and RCC Clubs have been chartered in this month.

After eradicating polio, the eradication of illiteracy is and should be our primary focus for action in our country and of course in our District as well. Let us work to make our schools Happy School preferably where we have adopted a village. The second and most important work to do in literacy, is to bring back the school dropouts as after pandemic nearly 20 million out of 250 million have permanently stopped coming to schools. As September is literacy month let us bring these dropouts back to school and fulfill our Nations dream to make India 100% literate.

29th September is marked as World Heart Day and Clubs are appealed to observe 2nd fortnight to do the activities like Medical Camps, talk in Clubs by experts, organize walk or cycle rallies or any other awareness camps where community at large can be benefited. Imaginer Club Leaders we are left with less then 10 months to turn our dreams into reality.



CEILING FANS DONATED TO GOVT.SCHOOL RC KURALI



CHAIRS DONATED TO COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE RC SHAHBAD MARKANDA



ADULT LITERACY PROGRAM OF 12 RCCS OF CHANDIGARH. RC CHANDIGARH MIDTOWN



ANNAPURNA FRUIT DISTRIBUTION AT MENTAL HOSPITAL RC SHIMLA MIDTOWN



CH ANNAPURNA RC BHAKRA NANGAL



CH ANNAPURNA RC KARNAL



ANNAPURNA RC SHIMLA



CH CAMP ON MENTAL HEALTH & HYGIENE RC PANCHKULA MIDTOWN

## Club Highlights



CAREER COUNSELLING RC PANIPAT RAINBOW



CEILING FANS DONATION RC E CLUB DOON



CHARTER CEREMONY SATELLITE CLUB RC SAHARANPUR GREATER



CHHAYA PROJECT RC PEHOWA



CLEANLINESS DRIVE RC CHANDIGARH CENTRAL



CLEANLINESS DRIVE RC CHANDIGARH PERIPHERY



CLOTH BANK RC SHIMLA



COVID VACCINATION CAMP RC AMBALA INDUSTRIAL AREA

# Club Highlights



RC DEHRADUN CENTRAL



RC BHAKRA NANGAL



RC DOON SHIVALIK HILLS



RC PANCHKULA MIDTOWN



RC ROORKEE MIDTOWN



RC SHIMLA HILL QUEENS



RC YAMUNANAGAR RIVIERA



SATELLITE CLUB RC SAHARANPUR GREATER

# Tree Plantation

# REMINISCING YESTER-YEARS

Rtn. Ritu Mittal  
Secretary, Rotary Chandigarh City Beautiful



Everybody has a story to tell from the past. The brain takes a series of snapshots and these snapshots become frozen in time - making memories. My earliest memories are those of my school , Loreto Convent School in Shimla..... During the long winter vacations, we would go to Nana-Nani's house in Ambala. Theirs was a household bustling with activity 24\*7. The outhouses had cows, buffaloes and there was a beautiful vegetable garden, supply of fresh milk and vegetables were there in abundance. Pet dogs were well loved and treated as members of the family. But as a young girl my favourite past time was a large collection of Women and Home magazines , well stacked up in the living room cupboard, my best time was spent going through these.

In Ambala, there were close-knit circle of family and friends who loved to play golf. Most of them were active Rotarians. Little did I know that one day I too would become a part of one such family. My husband Rtn. Rakesh Mittal's grandfather, Rtn. H.K.Das was a charter member of Rotary Club of Ambala, one of the oldest clubs in present day District 3080. He was the District Governor of District 308 in the year 1967-68. At that time District 308 extended from Lahore in the West to Allahabad in the East, Srinagar in the North and Bhopal in Central India.

We lived in Chandigarh and my involvement with Rotary began when my husband, A Merchant Mariner, became a Rotarian. Like any other young couple, we threw ourselves with full enthusiasm and dedication to Club projects like tree plantation, blood donation camps, empowering the girl child and women, holding Eye Camps in collaboration with overseas clubs. Some of my best moments of Rotary were to hear Yash Mama address an audience. Yes! You guessed it right. I am talking about PRID Yashpal Das or YP or Yash as he was fondly called by all.

Once when I asked Manju Mami the secret of his oratory skills. It did have a lot to do with his schooling. He was an alumni of Lawrence School, Sanawar. Most importantly she informed me, it was because of his perseverance and preparation to achieve perfection in whatever he did. He would wake up in the wee hours of the morning and get ready with the content of what he had to speak and make his talks powerful and poignant.

A few exude so much charm and charisma that Yash Mama did. He lived and breathed Rotary. His energy and enthusiasm were palpable. Intellect combined with vision propelled him on to become the Director of Rotary International for the year 2011 - 13. He also chaired the executive committee of the Board of Directors of Rotary International. In the year 2013, the infamous cloud burst of Kedarnath resulted in a major flash floods, causing widespread destruction in Uttarakhand and led to heavy losses to human life, infrastructure and animals. Yash Mama through Rotary undertook the responsibility of reconstruction and rebuilding of 32 Schools across Uttarakhand.

The wretched Covid-19 did not deter him from visiting the Rotary Cancer Hospital in Ambala. He who had never experienced a day's illness in his life, finally succumbed to this deadly virus. The light went out of our lives but it will continue to illuminate the path of so many of us whose lives he touched. He is sorely missed!

"The planet does not need more 'successful people'. The planet desperate needs more peacemakers, healers, restorers, storytellers and lovers of all kinds." - Dalai Lama

Past Director Rotary International Rtn. Yash Das - his second death anniversary falls on the 22nd of September, 2022  
May his soul Rest in Peace

## TOP 10 CLUBS IN MEMBERSHIP GROWTH

SR.NO	NAME OF CLUB	PRESIDENT	MEMBERSHIP 1-7-22	MEMBERSHIP 31-8-22	NET GROWTH	WOMEN MEMBERS
1	RC SOLAN	ANIL CHAUHAN	47	63	16	3
2	RC PANCHKULA MIDTOWN	PANKAJ KAPOOR	32	46	14	1
3	RC SHIMLA HILL QUEENS	RUCHIRA TANGRI	33	44	11	11
4	RC AMBALA IND. AREA	NEELAM SHARMA	40	50	10	5
5	RC SAHARANPUR GREATER	YOGESH TANDON	9	17	8	1
6	RC MOHALI MIDTOWN	RAVIJIT SINGH	54	61	7	1
7	RC AMBALA	CA NARESH DHINGRA	153	159	6	0
8	RC DEHRADUN	PATRICIA HILTON	56	62	6	1
9	CHANDIGARH PERIPHERY	VINOD MANCHANDA	8	14	6	1
10	RC DOON GANGA CHIDDERWALA	ANURAG SHARMA	19	24	5	0

## ARCH KLUMPH SOCIETY MEMBERS OF OUR DIST.



PRIP Rajendra K. Saboo



PRID (Late) Y.P Das



PDG Subhash Garg

## TRF CONTRIBUTIONS IN AUGUST



PDG Jitendra Dhingra  
Dist. Trainer  
US \$ 2000



DRR Rtr. Shivansh Sharma  
US \$ 1000



Rtn. Krishan Kumar  
RC Chandigarh  
US \$ 550



# INDIVIDUAL RECOGNITION IN THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

**Rotary Foundation Sustaining Member** When you give \$100 or more per year to the Annual Fund.

## Benefactor

When you include the Endowment Fund as a beneficiary of \$1,000 or more in your estate plans or when you donate \$1,000 or more to the fund outright. Benefactors receive a certificate and insignia to wear with a Rotary or Paul Harris Fellow pin.

## Paul Harris Fellow

When you give \$1,000 or more to the Annual Fund, PolioPlus, or an approved Foundation grant. To recognize someone else as a Paul Harris Fellow, you can give that amount in their name.

## Multiple Paul Harris Fellow

When you give additional gifts of \$1,000 or more to the Annual Fund, PolioPlus, or an approved Foundation grant.

## Paul Harris Society member

When you elect to contribute \$1,000 or more annually to the Annual Fund, PolioPlus, or an approved Foundation grant.

## Bequest Society

When you make a commitment for future gifts of \$10,000 or more to The Rotary Foundation, you'll be invited to join the Bequest Society.

\$10,000: Bequest Society pin and an exclusive art piece suitable for framing

\$25,000: Rotary's Promise crystal and named endowed fund, plus all of the above

\$50,000: Separate named endowed funds directed to two areas of focus or districts, plus all of the above

\$100,000: Customized Rotary's Promise crystal, plus all of the above

\$250,000: Posthumous induction into the Arch Klumph Society, plus all of the above

\$500,000: Special seating and registration benefits at the Rotary International Convention, plus all of the above

## Major Donor

When your cumulative donations reach \$10,000. Major Donors can choose to receive a crystal recognition piece and a Major Donor lapel pin or pendant. NOTE: Name recognition is not automatic and needs to be reported to RI staff. Recognition items commemorate giving at these levels:

Level 1: \$10,000 to \$24,999

Level 2: \$25,000 to \$49,999

Level 3: \$50,000 to \$99,999

Level 4: \$100,000 to \$249,999

## Arch Klumph Society

When your cumulative donations reach \$250,000. Recognition includes an induction ceremony and your picture and biography in the Arch Klumph Society interactive gallery at the Rotary International headquarters in Evanston, Illinois, USA. You also receive invitations to society events, along with membership pins and crystals that commemorate giving at the following levels. Learn more about the Arch Klumph Society.

Trustees Circle: \$250,000 to \$499,999

Chair's Circle: \$500,000 to \$999,999

Foundation Circle: \$1,000,000 to \$2,499,999

Platinum Trustees Circle: \$2,500,000 to \$4,999,999

Platinum Chair's Circle: \$5,000,000 to \$9,999,999

Platinum Foundation Circle: \$10,000,000 and above

## Legacy Society

When you promise a gift of \$1 million or more to the Endowment, you'll be listed in Rotary's annual report and invited to exclusive Rotary International and Foundation events. Legacy Society members also receive special recognition items and all the benefits provided to Bequest Society members.



# PROJECT SAHYOG



Rtn. Gaurav Ghai  
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Chairman, RID 3080  
Disability Empowerment

# If you are a Rotarian, are you the same? Privately, Publically, Personally?

*A peep into the concept called Rotary Public Image*

Rtn CJ Singh  
Past President, Rotary Club Chandigarh



There is a popular saying that "be the same person, privately, publically, personally". This is a very loaded statement and explains everything about public image. No wonder the 'public image' has remained misinterpreted and differently understood by different people. The decision as to how you want your organization to be known as, or perceived as, depends upon you as a part of that organization, since no organization exists without its people. And it is the people, the members or the Rotarians, who must live those ethos and values, in every sphere of their life.

Public Image is how others perceive an organization. People perceive an organization not by its lofty buildings, the cars you drive or the home you live in, but what you do. This is the most intrinsic and invaluable part of an organisation's public image.

The other aspect of public image is the tools you use to communicate your work, to the people who are a part of Rotary i.e. our members, and other stakeholders in our organization, and to the outside world.

Every Rotarian as a custodian of Rotary's reputation and its public image must adhere to various guidelines and extensively use the tools to communicate:

- Consistent use of the way Rotary brand logo, and the colors are to be used in all our communications within the organization and with the outside world. It is this consistency and uniformity in design, which can be downloaded on the Brand page of myrotary.org, which builds trust and competence of Rotary in delivering what it promises.
- Every Rotarian has to walk the talk and showcase its work to the world to depict "People of Action" concept, since Rotary symbol today means hope for millions of people in need.
- Internally, we must communicate with our members through club bulletin, social media channels, detail of activities showcased in GML and Rotary Showcase portals, as well as on official magazines, i.e. Rotary News and The Rotarian.
- To the outside world, our website, the media reports, help in building stronger relationship with the local governments, the community, the beneficiaries, and at the same time attract the like-minded professionals and business leaders willing to devote their time, and share their expertise and resources to strengthen Rotary's work.
- A strong public image also helps us in raising funds from philanthropists, corporate and other bodies through their CSR fundings and contributions. Each Rotarian being the ambassador of Rotary's public image and reputation can protect it by following the dictum of Mahatma Gandhi, "Be the change what you want to see in the world." For any further clarification, or help in creating a strong public image in your community, it shall be my privilege to discuss with anyone of you.



CREATION OF NANO JUNGLES RC PANIPAT RAINBOW



DEDICATION OF LIBRARY FOR SLUM DWELLERS RC CHANDIGARH



DENTAL CHECKUP CAMP RC BADDI



DISTRIBUTION OF SCHOOL UNIFORM AND TEXTBOOKS RC MUSSOORIE



DISTRIBUTION OF SCHOOL UNIFORMS RC PANIPAT RAINBOW



DISTRIBUTION OF T SHIRTS IN MENTAL HOSPITAL SHIMLA RC SHIMLA



DONATION OF SEWING MACHINES TO NEEDY RC AMBALA CENTRAL



DISTRIBUTION OF TULSI PLANTS RC PANCHKULA

## Club Highlights



EYE CAMP RC AMBALA



FREE HOMEOPATHY CAMP RC SOLAN



GARDEN INAGURATED AT SCHOOL RC JAGADHRI



HANDING OVER LED AND MUSIC SYSTEM TO ASHRAM FOR NEEDY RC BARARA



HANDING OVER OF SANITARY PADS VENDING MACHINE RC SILVERCITY MOHALI



HONOURING SCHOOL TOPPERS RC RISHIKESH DIVAS



LAUNCHING OF EGG BANK IN VILLAGE SCHOOL RC PANCHKULA GREENS



MEDICAL CAMP AT ANGANWARI SCHOOL RC SHIMLA HILL QUEENS

# Club Highlights



MEDICAL CAMP RC ALAKNANDA VALLEY



MEDICAL CAMP RC CHANDIGARH UPTOWN



MEDICAL CAMP RC DOON SHIVALIK HILLS



MEDICAL CAMP RC MOHALI SILVERCITY



MEDICAL CAMP RC PANIPAT SOUTH



MEDICAL CAMP RC RISHIKESH



MEDICAL CAMP RC ROORKEE



MEDICAL CAMP RC SAHARANPUR CONTINENTAL

# Club Highlights



# EYE DONATION – CHALLENGES AND SOLUTIONS

Rtn. Dr. Ram Lal Sharma  
 Prof. & Head, Dept. of Ophthalmology, IGMC Shimla  
 Member RC Shimla

There is gross deficiency of eye donation in India. On an average the need for corneas for sight restoring surgeries is one lakh per year, only 40 -50,000 transplants are performed every year. 50,000 new cases are added each year to the long list of blind people waiting to be cured. According to the Eye Bank Association of India, the number of eyes collected in 2010 is 41,549. And more important is the fact that of this total, only a little more than 10,000 meet all the criteria of medical standards as per the requirement for quality control of eye banks. Although there are enough qualified surgeons and plenty of potential patients corneal transplantation is rather scarce for want of donor eyes. Nearly 10 million people die in India, every year. Sadly the corneal donation does not exceed more than a few thousand. The reasons for the very low number of eye donation in India are manifold.

- Lack of awareness among the general public
- Improper development of infrastructure
- Absence of motivation even among trained personnel
- Social and religious taboos.

**Eye banks** retrieve and store eyes for cornea transplants and research. The first eye bank was founded in 1944. Currently, in the United States, eye banks provide tissue for about 46,000 cornea transplants each year.

## LABORATORY PROCESSING

A sample of the donor's blood is also collected to test for infectious diseases such as HIV, hepatitis B, hepatitis C, human cytomegalovirus, syphilis, and sometimes others. The blood type is also tested, although corneas do not receive any blood supply and match typing is not necessary for transplantation. Causes of corneal blindness include a wide variety of infections and inflammatory eye diseases, congenital disease and traditional eye medicine or home remedies, which often harm the eye rather than relieve the pain or improve eyesight. If the person was a voluntary donor or the relatives of the dead are consenting for donation, after the declaration of death. The eyes should be protected in the body by the time arrangement is made for enucleation, by taking following steps;

- Closing both eyelids gently and putting a paper tape over them.
- Putting the antibiotic eye drops in both eyes
- Wet ice pack wrapped in a gauge piece or gloves are applied over the closed eye lids, care should be taken that eye balls are not frozen.
- Whole body can be preserved in ice packs but eye ball should not be frozen.
- Keep the donor head elevated.

In order to enhance the eye donations; the younger age group should be encouraged and motivated to pledge eyes, as this is the group that is more willing to provide their eyes and can contribute to high quality grade of cornea. Hospital corneal retrieval program can be the main source of eye donations, the program can overcome the difficult topography and climatic conditions that limits the home based retrieval of corneas. Dispelling the myths and beliefs in old and rural population, involving NGOs and encouraging electronic media participation can go a long way in improving the eye donations. To motivate the donation of relatives of deceased, one should convey following information

- This is an act of immortality even after death of an individual.
- A single person can give sight to two living people.
- It just takes 20-30 minutes to complete the procedure and is an act of novelty.
- The eyes can be removed in a medico legal case after the post mortem.
- Since there are less **voluntary donations** in India so the hospital retrieval system not only could be an effective source of eyes but it provides better quality of (higher grade) eyes also, as eyes can be examined before enucleation.

In aiming to eliminate corneal blindness, a multi-pronged strategy needs to be developed. In a country with limited resources and a vast population, optimization of available facilities and prioritization of healthcare commitments need to be proportioned rationally. Control of preventable causes requires extensive public support and community participation. It falls in the realm of public health. Curable or treatable blindness requires a spectrum of care, including medication, optical rehabilitation and corneal transplantation. Overall, continued assessment of the burden of corneal blindness with periodic review of trends is required to effectively plan preventive, promotive and rehabilitative blindness control strategies.

# BLOOD DONATION

Rtn. Bipin Bogra  
Dist. Chairman, Blood Donation



2500 units of Blood was collected in the month of August throughout the district. Blood donation being district Pulse program for this month. Dist. Chairman Bipin Bogra visited majority of camps and he always carries souvenirs to honour Women donors.



RC PAONTA SAHIB



RC RISHIKESH ROYAL



RC RISHIKESH



RC PANCHKULA MIDTOWN



RC ROOPNAGAR





52 UNITS BLOOD COLLECTED RC PANIPAT RAINBOW



RC AMBALA MIDTOWN



RC BADDI



RC CHANDIGARH MIDTOWN



RC CHANDIGARH UPTOWN



RC DEHRADUN CENTRAL



RC DOON GANGA CHIDDERWALA



RC HARIDWAR

# Blood Donation



# Blood Donation

# “What's sculpture is to a block of marble, education is to a human soul”

Rtn Kiran Angra  
President, Rotary Club Ambala Midtown



Famous English author Joseph Addison said:

“What's sculpture is to a block of marble, education is to a human soul”

Education brings about all round development of an individual. It can help one realise full potential as human being. Literacy is the first step towards education and only a literate India can become educated India. Literacy has been associated with socio-economic development and for self-reliance of the individual.

About 80 per cent of the population lives in villages that have the largest concentration of illiterate people. These areas also have maximum gender differentials. Social organisations like Rotary International aim to maximize the efforts taken by government to bring about changes in society.

Rotary India Literacy Mission (RILM) endeavours to promote female literacy. Under different economic conditions, and under the influence of specific historical, cultural, legal and religious factors, gender bias and marginalization of women can be seen from their exclusion from certain jobs and occupations. Women belonging to lower classes, lower castes, illiterate, and the poorest region have been marginalized more than their better off counterparts. In our Indian Society traditionally, women manage the house business, day to day economic affairs, and control the family budget. In this sense, a woman if equipped with basic education would be able to manage the home budget more efficiently which finally affect their economic growth and overall development of the family and the country as well. They can participate and contribute to the democratic process and take benefit of various government schemes as well which would finally raise the graph of national development. To overcome the situation where women need to be empowered it is most important that they should be literate first. Woman empowerment would automatically lead to Girl empowerment. Rotary India Literacy Mission is committed to equip children to the best of their ability for securing a meaningful place in society.

Through literacy RILM not only aims to alleviate poverty from society but also wishes to equip children from dispossessed groups with knowledge . To achieve that, RILM have designed a comprehensive program called "T-E-A-C-H", where T stands for Teacher Support, E for E-learning, A for Adult Literacy, C for Child Development and H for Happy Schools. Happy School Program aims to provide/upgrade the infrastructural and co-scholastic facilities in state funded schools, to make them secure, attractive and happy learning places for students and teachers. Since the inception of the TEACH program, RILM have successfully transformed 3,112 government and government-aided schools across the country through Rotary clubs and districts.

Whether we talk about adult literacy or female literacy social organisations like schools and NGO'S have a big role to play. As a part of its future goals RILM plans to employ student volunteers for building a child tracking system and holding awareness workshops with parents to ensure that they send children to school . It also plans to provide gap classes to drop out children so that they get enrolled in their age-appropriate grade. Rotary clubs must come forward and take this program to the masses to make India Literate.

“ In such an endeavour Rotary Club Ambala Midtown , under the leadership of President Dr. Kiran Angra has initiated a new project “Chalo school ki aur” for ragpicker children. Rag pickers play an important, but usually unrecognised role in the waste management system of Indian cities. By empowering ragpicker children it aims to coordinate manual labour with mental ability” - Editor



## GENESIS- DISTRICT ASSEMBLY

**“Every sunset is an opportunity to reset. Every sunrise begins with new eyes.”**

To embark the new tenure for the year 2022-23, Genesis - The District Assembly was conducted by the Rotaract District Organization 3080 on 5th August, 2022 at CII Northern Region Headquarters, Chandigarh. The ceremony was hosted by Rotaract Club Chandigarh Midtown.

Rotaract



## GROW GREEN, GROW STRONGER

**“The future will be green or not at all”- Jonathon Porritt**

In the near future, indiscriminate human tree-cutting due to greed will cause some serious issues. Climate change has become a global crisis and the need for action has been felt like never before.

With this Vision of the Month for August, Rotaractors felt the need to band together to fight global warming, to make conscious choices and pledge for a sustainable living. Their out of the box eco-friendly enthusiastic initiatives aimed to leave 'Green Imprints'

The Rotaract clubs in District 3080 came together to make the environment more green and more safe. Rotaract clubs from all over the district conducted various tree plantation drives and awareness programmes in the month of August to support the monthly vision.



Rotaract 

# CLUB INSTALLATIONS

Interact 

# CLUB INSTALLATIONS





80 BENCHES - RC LADWA



80 BENCHES RC CHANDIGARH



20 BENCHES RC RISHIKESH RC RISHIKESH DIVAS



RC PAONTA SAKHI



RC PANIPAT RAINBOW

## Samman Ke Saath Shiksha

# DOWN THE MEMORY LANE

*PDG Dr. Manmohan Nath  
Dist. Governor 3080 (1988-89)*



May I tell all the Rotarians that to serve as a District Governor is not only a crown in the basket of Rotary, but it also has an opportunity to develop life time friends. I was persuaded to contest for the post of District Governor by my seniors. Such as late PDG H.K.Das, PDG Laxmi Sagar, PDG Mahajan & PDG O.P.Shingla.

I do not know why I was chosen by my seniors to be a District Governor. I think it may be because of my tenure as president of Rotary Club of Ambala. As President I had served with great enthusiasm and some major projects that come to my mind are Rotary Welfare School for Deaf, opening an outlet to give fresh & pure condiments to the society, besides number of other projects such as adopting a village namely Salar Hari.

To serve as a District Governor in a District like R.I. 3080 is a privilege and pleasure. Before serving as a District Governor, Rotarian himself must be acquainted with the District and the Rotarians of the district, for that I visited all the clubs where I was spontaneously greeted. During that year I managed to persuade Yash Das to be the leader of GSE Team. I am happy to see that Rotarian Y.P.Das went on to serve Rotary with enthusiasm. He became a R.I. Director.

I had different experiences of my visits to clubs to narrate a few, I once went to a club where I was profusely greeted and offered a cup of tea. At the bottom of the cup there were small ants, Rotarian accompanying me wanted to complain and bring it to the notice of the host, but I stopped him and told him not to do so because at that moment we were there to build goodwill & friendship not to complain.

I went to another club. A Rotarian in that club was very respectful and greeted me with all the warmth and made me sit on the chair, he told me that I respect you but do not expect me to support you for District Governorship. Actually that was the main purpose for the visit. I asked him what his reason is for not supporting me. He very candidly told me that the Past District Governors are completely different from Rotarian. He said that PDG's meet amongst themselves only and their spouses also mix among themselves, and since you are my friend, I do not want to lose a friend, when you become the Governor.

I went to Rotary club of Shahbad on an official visit on 31st of August 1988 and while coming back I had an accident because of which I was bed ridden for six months, During the period of my illness the fellowship and willingness to help me in my duties as a Governor was immense. Every Rotarian came forward in my support. I feel the Rotary itself is based on the fellowship & service which was exhibited by each Rotarian. When I look back I feel as Rotary Governor, besides service you develop international friends and they shall always remain cherished treasure.

I shall always cherish the memories of my year of service and shall always be grateful to my friends who helped me. In the end the fellowship and friendship achieved during that year shall always be etched in my memory. I thank each and every Rotarian who helped me serve the District. I wish R.I. District 3080 to build a new milestone in the service to community and develop friendship & fellowship.

**To summarize the following few lines come to my mind:-**

I slept and dreamt life is pure joy  
I awoke and found life is service  
I served and realized that service is pure joy



85 LETTERS FROM ROTARIANS SENT TO SOLDIERS ON BORDER RC SILVERCITY MOHALI



CHANDIGARH CENTRAL



DEHRADUN CENTRAL



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RC CITY BEAUTIFUL CHANDIGARH



RC ALAKNANDA VALLEY



RC AMBALA MIDTOWN



RC AMBALA

# Independence Day Celebrations





IDC RC BADDI



RC BARARA



RC BHAKRA NANGAL



IDC RC DEHRADUN



RC DOON GANGA CHIDDERWALA



RC DOON VIKAS



RC HARIDWAR



RC JAGADHRI

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RC KAITHAL



RC KARNAL MIDTOWN



RC KARNAL



RC KURALI



RC LADWA



RC MOHALI



RC MORINDA

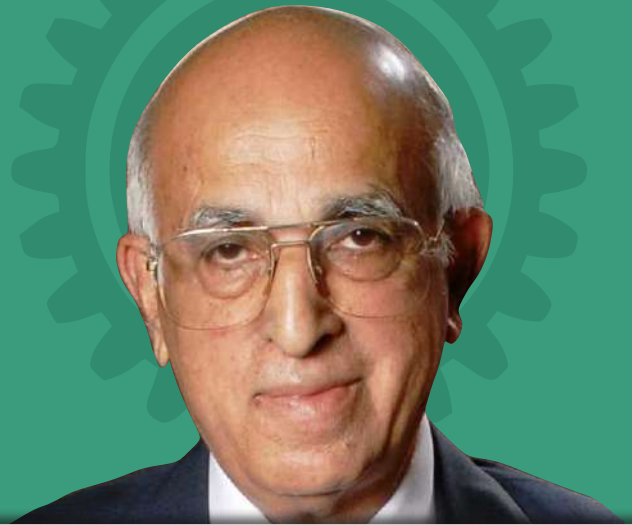


RC PANCHKULA MIDTOWN

# Independence Day Celebrations

# DOWN THE MEMORY LANE

*PDG Prem P. Bhalla Dist Governor 310 (1978-79)*



I was just 40 years old when I was elected governor at Raja Saboo's conference at Talkatora Indoor Stadium, New Delhi. A year and a half later I took over as the district governor.

R.I. President Clem Renouf gave us the theme: **Reach Out**. To strengthen our efforts, I added: let us do it with '**Simplicity and Sincerity**'.

To make it possible, I prepared a Weekly Meeting Handbook for presidents and a Membership Record File for club secretaries, and also circulars to make service activities simple and meaningful. Besides the presidents and secretaries, I had a district setup of just 40 senior Rotarians.

On July 1, I took over 60 clubs, added 16 new clubs, and terminated one club. I could have added more clubs, but I followed the simple principle: No new club is worthwhile if it is accepted hesitatingly by Rotarians.

Besides two clubs, I made official visits to all the clubs before the district conference. I would spend one full day with each club. Every month, on the 25th, I would issue a 8-page GML written by me. I succeeded in doing so throughout the year, with a District Report circulated on June 30.

Great emphasis was given to club attendance. Most of the clubs would strive for 100% attendance months by making absentees attend meetings in nearby clubs.

Among service projects most clubs preferred to organize Blood Donation and Eye Relief camps. Almost the whole district was affected by floods in September, and besides immediate relief supplies, the clubs provided follow-up services.

Since the Rotary Cancer Hospital was to be made in the premises of AIIMS, New Delhi, and we had to contribute our share, all Rotarians and their families were encouraged to save money by putting coins in piggy banks provided by a generous Rotarian.

12 Intercity meetings were held in different parts of the district to involve the maximum number. The district conference named: Goodwill Conference, held at Hardwar, attracted over a thousand participants. Clubs participated wholeheartedly in the cultural programme by Rotarians for Rotarians.

I handed over an enthusiastic district to my successor at the FICCI Auditorium, New Delhi, which was filled to capacity with some even sitting on the steps. It was a memorable year. Two of my club presidents and two district chairmen went on to become district governors. Even after 44 years, I have fond memories of one of the greatest years in my life.

## Zonal Meet of 3-4-5-6 Zones



The Interzonal joint club meeting –“Discovering new Horizons”- of Rotary clubs of Zone 3,4,5,6 was hosted by Rotary Chandigarh Midtown on 26th August to celebrate the Rotary fellowship and understanding .

The event was presided by DG V.P.Kalta and was co-Presided by PDG Shaju Peter and attended by office bearers from 19 clubs , the event saw presence of galaxy of 4 PDG & 3 AG .

## Zonal Meet of 3-4-5-6 Zones



Rotary Club Chandigarh hosted a multi zonal meeting for orientation of new members from nearly 15 clubs of 4 zones on 27th August 2022. The event was organised by AG of Zone 4 Rtn. AP Singh and DG VP Kalta was the chief guest. Over 100 participants took benefit of resource speakers- PDG Shaju Peter, PDG Madhukar Malhotra, PDG Praveen Goyal ,AG Manish Tomar, AG Harjit Singh and Assistant Trainer Brig. D.S.Dhillon, it was a delightful exposure for new entrants to the world of Rotary hearing it from accomplished speakers.



New members orientation meet and seminar of zone 8 was organised by AG Shubh Adesh Mittal on 26<sup>th</sup> August

All six clubs attended the seminar. Asst. Trainer Brig. D.S.Dhillon was the key note speaker.

### Zone 8

New members orientation meet and seminar



MEDICAL CAMP RC SAHARANPUR



NATIONAL PLAYERS HONOURED RC DEHRADUN



PAINTING COMPETITION RC KARNAL MIDTOWN



SCALING OF MT. KILIMANJARO RC MOHALI MIDTOWN



SCHOLARSHIP TO MERITORIOUS STUDENTS RC AMBALA



SCHOOL FEES TO NEEDY GIRL CHILD RC RISHIKESH ROYAL



SENIOR CITIZEN DAY RC RISHIKESH DIVAS



SENIOR CITIZENS DAY CELEBRATIONS RC ALAKNANDA VALLEY

## Club Highlights



SOLAR ELECTRIFICATION OF VILL BIR GHAGGAR RC CHANDIGARH MIDTOWN



SPORTS MEET RC BADDI



SPORTS MEET RC PEHOWA



TALK ON EYE DONATION RC SHIMLA HILL QUEENS



TRACKSUITS TO HANDICAPPED CHILDREN RC RISHIKESH CENTRAL



TREATMENT OF LUMPY SKIN DISEASE RC KAITHAL



TREATMENT OF LUMPY SKIN DISEASE RC KARNAL MIDTOWN



WATER COOLER INSTALLATION RC JAGADHRI

# Club Highlights



CAMPAIGN RC AMBALA IND AREA



RC DOON GANGA CHIDDERWALA



RC GANGOH



RC KHARAR



RC MOHALI MIDTOWN



RC MOHALI MIDTOWN



RC MORINDA



AWARENESS RC POANTA SAKHI

# Traffic Awareness



# Rotary's two official mottoes

Service Above Self and One Profits Most Who Serves Best, Rotary's official mottoes, can be traced back to the early days of the organization.

In 1911, the second Rotary convention, in Portland, Oregon, USA, approved He Profits Most Who Serves Best as the Rotary motto. The wording was adapted from a speech that Rotarian Arthur Frederick Sheldon delivered to the first convention, held in Chicago the previous year. Sheldon declared that "only the science of right conduct toward others pays. Business is the science of human services. He profits most who serves his fellows best."

The Portland gathering also inspired the motto Service Above Self. During an outing on the Columbia River, Ben Collins, president of the Rotary Club of Minneapolis, Minnesota, USA, talked with Seattle Rotarian J.E. Pinkham about the proper way to organize a Rotary club, offering the principle his club had adopted: Service, Not Self. Pinkham invited Rotary founder Paul Harris, who also was on the trip, to join their conversation. Harris asked Collins to address the convention, and the phrase Service, Not Self was met with great enthusiasm.

At the 1950 Rotary International Convention in Detroit, Michigan, USA, two slogans were formally approved as the official mottoes of Rotary: He Profits Most Who Serves Best and Service Above Self. The 1989 Council on Legislation established Service Above Self as the principal motto of Rotary because it best conveys the philosophy of unselfish volunteer service. He Profits Most Who Serves Best was modified to They Profit Most Who Serve Best in 2004 and to its current wording, One Profits Most Who Serves Best, in 2010.



Arthur Frederick Sheldon, the Rotarian whose convention speech inspired Rotary's secondary motto, One Profits Most Who Serves Best



A name badge from the 1928 Rotary International Convention features Rotary's mottoes.

## Rotary History



RC PAONTA SAHIB



RC PEHOWA



RC RANIPUR



RC RISHIKESH CENTRAL



RC RISHIKESH DIVAS



RC RISHIKESH



RC ROORKEE UPPER GANGES



75 वें स्वतंत्रता दिवस के अवसर पर कुष्ठ आश्रम रुड़की एवं सिविल हॉस्पिटल में रोटरी क्लब रुड़की द्वारा किए गए कार्यक्रम।

RC ROORKEE

# Independence Day Celebrations



RC SAHARANPUR CENTRAL



RC SAHARANPUR CLASSIC



RC SHAHBAD MARKANDA



RC SHARANPUR CLASSIC



RC SOLAN



RISHIKESH ROYAL



ROORKEE CENTRAL



ROORKEE MIDTOWN

# Independence Day Celebrations



RC PANIPAT RAINBOW



RC RAMPUR BUSHAHR



RC KALA AMB

## Governor Visits



RC RISHIKESH



RC NAHAN SANGINI



RC PANIPAT PREMIER



RC AMBALA MIDTOWN



TB Mukt Bharat - Himachal

@mukt\_tb

Health camp organized by Rotary in Nahan. Community was made aware about the tuberculosis and screened for the disease.

#TBHaregaDeshJeetega

#TbMuktBharat

**Tweet by H.P.Govt.**

## TB Awareness Camps

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If you can Imagine it, you can achieve it.  
If you can dream it, you can become it.  
For any organization, your Imagination for success is the most important goal to achieve. As it moves ahead in years, it sets new benchmarks of achievements. The bar is raised higher and the objectives widen the expanse of activities. Newer horizons and vistas open up bigger possibilities for the future. Opportunities give the impetus and momentum to stride ahead. The institution grows in status and stature and gains the knowledge, skills, expertise, experience and wisdom to manage its resources in a better way. Thus both, Imagination and the resources to turn that imagination into reality need to grow with time.



ATUL TANGRI  
GML JULY EDITION EDITED & COMPILED  
BY DISTRICT EXEC SECY.

Rotary Clubs around the District are doing great projects. Not an iota of doubt in that. But we encourage you to Imagine more. Turn your dreams into reality.

Imagine BIG,  
Think BIG,  
Dream BIG,  
Believe BIG,  
and your results will be BIG

In Rotary International, the organization is represented at the club level all over the world. And clubs need to grow, in numbers and in quality, in profile and in character, in efficacy and in management. The resources that support Rotary International also need to grow.

Green is the colour of growth, life, environment - friendliness, development and action. We need to work towards a GREENER ROTARY.



PARIKSHAT MEHOUDIA  
DISTRICT SECY.

Blue is the colour that shows that the entity is seamless, boundless and limitless. It's the colour of the sky as well as water. The Rotary Foundation is the blue side of Rotary.

Yellow is the colour of action, brightness, wisdom, intelligence, energy and heat. It's the colour of the sun as well as fire. Clubs are the yellow side of Rotary.

When the two colours unite, they produce green. They showcase growth. Thus, a greener Rotary is possible if clubs grow in size and stature, with quality members involved in service. A greener Rotary will become more visible and attractive to the world and its public awareness and image will rise positively.



ROHIT KAROL  
DISTRICT TREASURER



Best Assistant Governor  
Rtn. Subhash Sapra  
Zone 16



Best President  
Rtn. Pankaj Kapoor  
RC Panchkula Midtown



Best Secretary  
Rtn. Dr. S.C. Saini  
RC Radaur



**STARS  
OF  
AUGUST  
MONTH**



Outstanding President  
Rtn. Neelam Sharma  
RC Ambala Ind. Area



Best Rotarian  
Rtn. Sumit Mittal  
RC Panipat Rainbow



Outstanding Female Rotarian  
Rtn. Dr. Asha Maria  
RC Shimla Midtown



**BEST PROJECT: RC SHIMLA HILL QUEENS**

**\* 100 % EYE DONATION PLEDGE**



“Start by doing what's necessary, then what's possible, and suddenly you are doing the impossible.”

– “Imagine Rotary at the next level.”

Dear Friends

Congratulations to you all for successfully completing the 2nd month of RY 2022-23. It is always a pleasure to serve you and to be with you all in all your noble projects. Do consider doing more and more for the world and you will realize your contributions have made this a much better place to be in.

In one of Rotary's spouse event anchor asked one common question to all, what does Rotary mean to you? When came my turn to reply I said honestly speaking I don't know much about Rotary, but Rotary to me is all happiness, content and broad smile I see on my husband's face when he comes back to home from a Rotary project or event.

Now we both have been travelling constantly in the District for more than two months and could see that happiness, content and broad smiles on the faces of those needy, downtrodden and Beneficiary for whom our clubs are striving day and night to work the best and now I realise that Rotary can't be described in one line or can be penned-up in one paragraph.

Yours in Rotary,  
Rtn. Veena Kalta

THOUGHTS- FIRST LADY OF THE DISTRICT

## BETWEEN THE LINES - A BAG OF COOKIES

A woman was waiting at an airport one night, with several long hours before her flight. She hunted for a book in the airport shops, bought a bag of cookies and found a place to drop.

She was engrossed in her book but happened to see, that the man sitting beside her, as bold as could be... grabbed a cookie or two from the bag in between, which she tried to ignore to avoid a scene.

So she munched the cookies and watched the clock, as the gutsy cookie thief diminished her stock. She was getting more irritated as the minutes ticked by, thinking, "If I wasn't so nice, I would blacken his eye."

With each cookie she took, he took one too, when only one was left, she wondered what he would do. With a smile on his face, and a nervous laugh, he took the last cookie and broke it in half.



He offered her half, as he ate the other, she snatched it from him and thought... Oooh, brother. This guy has some nerve and he's also rude, why he didn't even show any gratitude!

She had never known when she had been so galled, and sighed with relief when her flight was called. She gathered her belongings and headed to the gate, refusing to look back at the thieving ingrate.

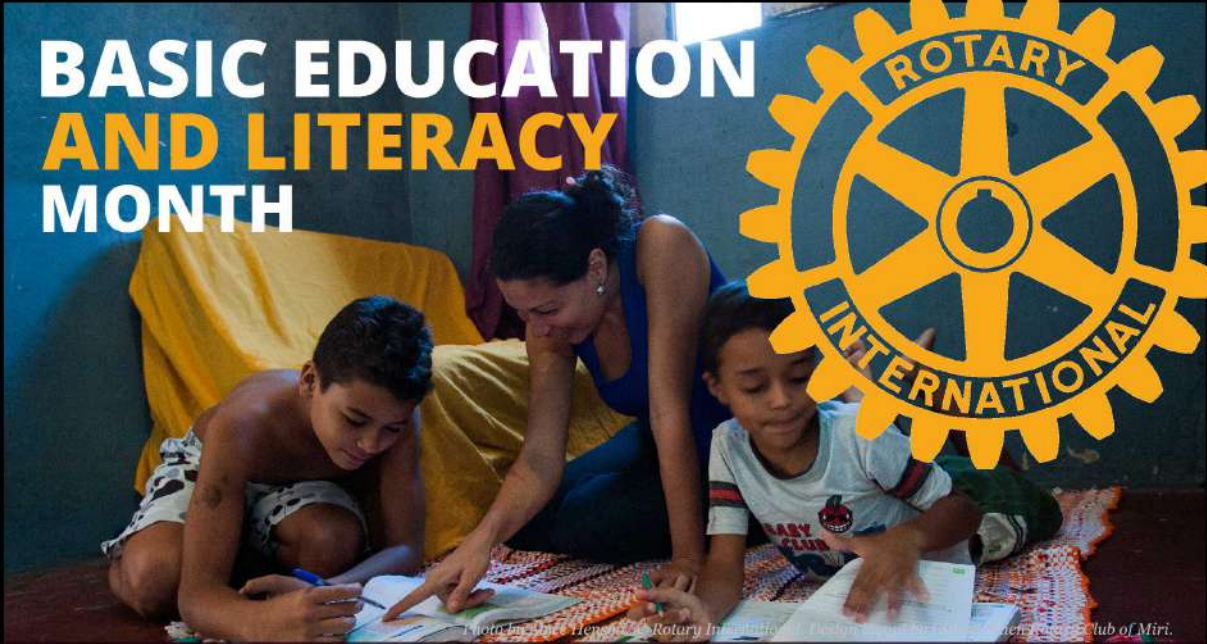
She boarded the plane, and sank in her seat, then she sought her book, which was almost complete. As she reached in her baggage, she gasped with surprise, there was her bag of cookies, in front of her eyes.

If mine are here, she moaned in despair, the others were his, and he tried to share. Too late to apologize, she realized with grief, that she was the rude one, the ingrate, the thief.

Rtn. Aman Puri  
RC Shimla

# SEPTEMBER IS

## BASIC EDUCATION AND LITERACY MONTH



"To read is to empower, to empower is to write, to write is to influence, to influence is to change, to change is to live."

Jane Evershed



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