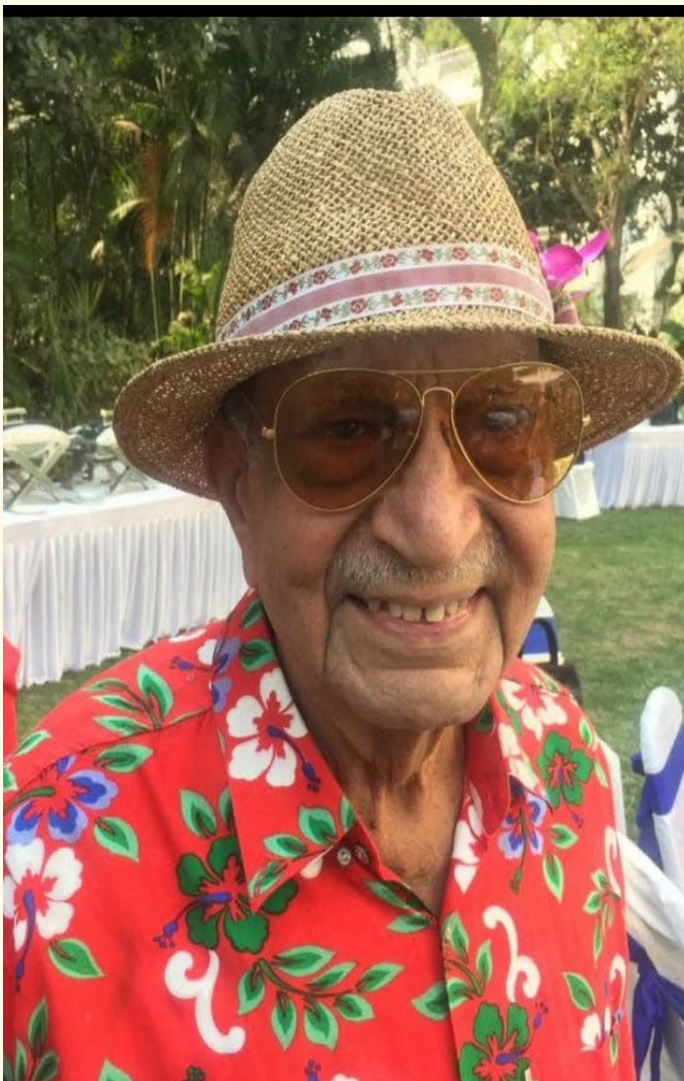


THE MIDTOWNER

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LAL HIRANANDANI - Larger than Life A memorial issue



Rotarian since 1987

To laugh often and much;
To win the respect of intelligent people
and the affection of children;
To earn the appreciation of honest critics
and endure the betrayal of false friends;
To appreciate beauty,
to find the best in others;
To leave the world a bit better,
whether by a healthy child,
a garden patch,
or a redeemed social condition;
To know even one life has
breathed easier
because you have lived.
This is to have succeeded.

Author Unknown, Research shows
inspired by Ralph Waldo Emerson

Having known Lal for many years, I can only confess that there was never a dull moment, and he was constantly a picture of energy and passion for life.

For many of us, he indeed symbolized how one should enjoy life while aging gracefully, despite the many challenges.

While his refreshing and creative dressing for events and occasions has been a hallmark of his persona, he had once mentioned that he spent a lot of time studying and preparing for the same.

His enthusiasm for life and drive to live life to the fullest will remain a beacon for all of us, as we chart our individual journeys through life.

Rtn. S Ravi



Kiran and I are incredibly saddened about the passing of our dear Rotarian Lal Hiranandani. He was always so thoughtful and kind. Working with him in our Rotary Club was a privilege and honor. Lal Ji was such a wonderful special person. He was a very sincere and dedicated True Rotarian, always full of energy and enthusiasm. I will always cherish the wonderful memories I have with Lal Ji. He will be truly missed.
Om Shanti

Rtn. Dr. Surinder K Kapoor

It's not an unheard-of observation that the older generation teaches us how to live life.

From the time I met Lal Ji and during each and every interaction of mine with him, I was enamored by his sheer style and love for life.

Lal Ji I hope you're in a better place, you sure did teach us quite a few things about how to celebrate every moment the Almighty has showered upon us.

You serve as an inspiration.

RIP

Rtn. Ankush Khanna

The indomitable spirit passes away... the ever-cheerful and bright smile is gone. The jovial soul and prancy feet now rest.

Very heart-breaking news.

May he find eternal peace.

Heaven today is a much colourful place.

Au revoir my youngest friend.

Om Shanti

Rtn. Samir Prasad



It is the small things that matter – a warm smile – a healing touch – a few words of encouragement. Lalji epitomised the above. A larger-than-life presence and a down-to-earth approach. We have lost a noble soul and a true Rotarian.

Rtn. Rakesh Sahni

Lalji, a person ever-smiling, always with a twinkle in his eyes and the warm handshake with which he greets everyone can never be forgotten. He was so generous in his praise for any good work done by any Rotarian that his words provided motivation to keep doing more.

His affable nature, his love for Rotary, his affection towards members, all these qualities made him all the more, a lovable person. RC Midtown will miss Lalji forever.

Rtn. Neeraj Agarwal

My first thoughts about Lalji had always been a helpful, kind, and friendly Man. Lalji's love and enthusiasm for life cannot match anyone. As the President I learned a lot from him, he was always ready to help whether it was organizing dinner for the installation, or any meeting that we had in Saturday Club. A wonderful, wonderful person who will always be heavily missed.

Rtn. Mayuri Mody Doshi



Lal uncle, a charismatic man, full of life and eclectic energy has left us and we all need to celebrate his beautifully lived life. He always used to dress up authentically for each occasion and was the showstopper of any event. Many a times he made coffee for me whenever I visited him. He used to show his love for the environment by not using plastic and sending tiffin to any restaurant to get food delivered. He was the key person in getting the menu for our meetings and fellowship in place. Midtown has lost a great Rotarian. My love to uncle. May his beautiful' soul attain liberation.

Rtn. Preeti Agarwal

Editor Speak

As Abraham Lincoln said, *"In the end, it's not the years in your life that count. It's the life in your years"*.

Lalji truly lived life on his own terms. Finding joy and happiness in all the little things. A friend's friend. Midtown has lost a good soul and guide. We can take heart in the fact that Lal ji in his own way taught us to look at the positives in everything we do. Lal ji, you will be missed.

Rtn. Radhika Sahni

Minutes of the Meeting

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Minutes of the 2113th Continuous Meeting and 14th for the year 2022-2023 of Rotary Club of Calcutta Midtown held on Sunday, the 22nd of January 2023 at 12 noon at The Belvedere Estate.

Meeting called to order: President Rtn Mayuri Mody Doshi called the 2113th continuous and 14th meeting for 2022-2023 to order.

National Anthem: The National Anthem was sung by all.

President Mayuri Mody Doshi welcomed all the members, Annes and guests.

Confirmation of previous meeting minutes: The 2112th continuous and 13th meeting minutes for the year 2022-2023 were passed and seconded by Rtn Narendra Gulati and Rtn S. Ravi respectively.

Confirmation of 48th Annual General Meeting minutes: The 48th AGM minutes were passed and seconded by Rtn Dr. Surinder Kapoor and Rtn Nirmal Agarwal respectively.

Appointment of Sergeant at arms: She appointed Rtn Bhupesh Kapoor as the sergeant at arms.

Address by President Rtn Mayuri Mody Doshi: She called upon the conveners of Kolkata Kettle 4.0, Rtns Priti Agarwal and Ruchira Bhuwalka. to come upfront to be recognised by all. She requested all to give them a huge round of applause for the hard work they have put into the annual fund raiser. She also informed that due to the efforts by the conveners and all involved, the club had made a profit from the event. She also recognised some other members of the KK team who had done a great job for this event:

Rtn Radhika Sahni: Our social media publicity queen.

Rtn Rakesh Sahni: Our Press convener who did a great job.

Rtn Sanjay Choudhry: Our Trouble Shooter, always there to solve problems.

Rtn Rashmi Choudhry: The back end adviser to KK4.

Rtn Vikram Poddar: for all the samosas and food pkts

Rtn Shalini Agarwal: Our Data keeper for KK4 but also helping wherever needed.

Rtn Sonali Gupta: For getting the jute used in making the stalls sponsored

Rtn Vikram Gupta: For his help with picking up Nayanika

Rtns Hitesh Dani and Sonali Gupta: For Account keeping.

A big thank you to Annes Sarika, Chetna, Yogita, Sulbha and Rtns Suchi Narula, Sahil Desai, Yogesh Ajitsaria, Neeraj Agarwal for all their assistance on the day of the event. She also gave a special Thank you to Rtn Yogesh Gupta for getting Nayanika's air fare sponsored and a special mention for Rtn Samir Prasad who helped with the music and collecting money on the last day.

She then thanked all the senior members for being present in good numbers at the event all day.

Matrishakti : The Hinglegunj project was done on 21st Jan.

- 38 grocery packets were distributed
- 3 new Candidates were added

A big round of applause for Rtn Suchi Narula for attending the project all alone.

Along with the next Matrishakti project a medical camp is also being planned on 25th & 26th of February. An overnight stay fellowship is also being planned at

Secretary's Report:

Birthdays:

23th January- Raja Garg
26th January -Rtn Pramod Agarwal
28th January- Rtn Ankush Khanna
2nd February- Rtn Nitesh Agarwal
7th February- Rtn Ravi Kedia

Anniversaries:

29th January - Rtn Raja Garg and Anne Ritu
29th January -Rtn Narendra Gulati and Anne Nirmal
1st February - Rtns Rakesh Sahni and Radhika Sahni
9th February-Rtn Hardeep Singh and Anne Bilan Singh

Attendance: 19 Members / 36% attended the meeting.

Vote of Thanks. President Mayuri Mody Doshi thanked everyone for attending closed the meeting

Rtn. Shalini Agarwal

Secretary

2022-2023