



November - December, 2022 IMAGINE





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Introduction of Rotary

District - 3291

Rotary started with the vision of one man - Paul Harris. The Chicago attorney formed the Rotary Club of Chicago on 23rd February 1905, so professionals with diverse backgrounds could exchange ideas and form meaningful, lifelong friendships. Over time, Rotary's reach and vision gradually extended to humanitarian service.

Rotary is a global network of 1.2 million neighbours, friends, leaders, and problemsolvers who see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change - across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves.

What we do:

Rotary members believe that we have a shared responsibility to take action on our world's most persistent issues. Our 35,000+ clubs work together to:

Promote peace, Fight disease, Provide clean water, sanitation, and hygiene, Save mothers and children, Support education and Grow local economies.

Rotary's Mission:

We provide service to others, promote integrity, and advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through our fellowship of business, professional, and community leaders.

Rotary's Vision Statement:

Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change-across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves.

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

First: The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service:

Second: High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;

Third: The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;

Fourth: The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

The Four-Way Test is a nonpartisan and nonsectarian ethical guide for Rotarians to use for their personal and professional relationships. The test has translated into more than 100 languages, and Rotarians recite it at club meetings: Of the things we think, say or do - Is it the TRUTH?, Is it FAIR to all concerned? Will it build **GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS? Will** it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?



WELCOME District Governor MR. AJOY KR. LAW

For The Official Visit and **Charter Night** on 17th March at OUTRAM CLUB from 7.00 pm

The History of the Rotary Bell

In 1922, U.S. Rotarians organized an attendance contest; the challenge was that the losing clubs would join in giving the



winning club a prize. The Rotary Club of New York City was declared the winner and to them was awarded as a prize a bell from a popular patrol boat, which was placed on wood that came from HMS "Victory", Admiral Nelson's vessel at the battle of Trafalgar. Since then, the bell

used in Rotary meetings started to represent, as on the ships, order, discipline and the time to guide us through the weekly hour and a half meetings. The bell informs us with its sound the beginning of the Rotary meeting, at which time people present should stand, same as at the end, in order to salute the national and Rotary flags. The gavel symbolizes the authority invested in the Rotarian elected to the highest position in Rotary, and through him, reminds those present of his authority. When presidents

transmit their positions to their successors at the end of their mandate, they give the bell their last hit turning the gavel over to their successor, symbolizing the transfer of authority.

9th November Rotary UN day

Today is Rotary International- UN Day. Rotary's relationship with UN dates back to 1945 when some 49 Rotarians acted as delegates, advisors and consultants at the UN Charter Conference. Today only Rotary holds a Permanent Seat and Highest Consultative status possible with UN as a NGO.

Chokher Alo gives 2 of Malda family gift of sight, 3 to follow

Malda: Two members of a family of five in Malda's Gazole – all of them persons with blindness, who had to beg on the streets to survive - have got back their vision with assistance from the state government's 'Chokher Alo' scheme, which allowed them to get vision restoring surgeries on Wednesday.

The other three of the family are in the queue for similar procedures. The doctor treating them is confident all of them would get back more than 50% of their vision through multiple surgeries.

Fifty-year-old Biswanath Sarkar had lost his sight after a childhood bout with childhood. His wife, Archana Das, had congenital cataract. The couple have four children: Amit, Sumit, Soma and Sonali. Three of them were blind; only Amit, the eldest, can see. The family had to survive on begging.

It was last year that oph thalmologist Ajit Das noticed the family and took the initiative to check their eyes at the lo-cal health centre. "I found that apart from Biswanath, the other five needed surgery to partially restore their vision," Das said.

In the meanwhile, the project Chokher Alo had started at Malda Medical College and Hospital, under which persons with blindness could get operated for free. Das took the family to Malda and finally, on Wednesday, 15year old Sumit and 12-year-old Soma underwent surgery on an eye each. They were provided lenses and glasses and are now under observation. Their other eyes would be operated on soon. Then, the other three of the family, including Archana, will go under the scalpel.

Club Projects/Activity



25.11.22 Cornea recipient Ms Sanchari Dutta



23.12.22 School bags Distribution at Green Leaves School



Deepawali Get together 19.11.22



26.11.22 Suchita 11 toilets handed over



Children and Community festival on 26.12.22. Yuvis were lead club



Cancer Screening 09.12.22



26.11.22. Vinod Lahoti became Major Donor Level 2



Blanket and Net distributed on 31.12.22



Excursion tour Purulia 16-17.12.22



A Computer Lab opening on 10.12.22



Mosquito nets distribution 13.11.22



03.12.22. Dogs for Sterilisation



Cyclothon on 11.12.22



03.12.22 Upskilling Project for Beneficiaries of Vocational Course Soundarya batch II

Projects and Events Organised by the Club

4th November- Guest peaker was Retika Shah, She is a young Animal rights activist. She is taking care of 50+ animals, treatment & sterilization, of her locality with her own money, despite facing resistance.

She is a 3rd generation Yogi from her maternal side. For her day job she is an Yoga lecturer working for National Institute of Fitness Studies and a YOGA Instructor working for several gyms and Tollyganj Golf

She has been awarded for her contribution towards animal rights and she has been working in this field for last 15

MP shared with house the annual event of students of Green Leaf school to Nicco Park after a gap of 2 years. They had pick & Drop from school itself. 32 students participated and 4 teachers accompanied

They received some Goody bags and overall they had a good time.

13th November - 50 mosquito nets received from District were distributed at Howrah through 'Synaari', an affordable local center of Holistic healing center. Attended by V B Verma, P Jain, D Verma, M Krishna, R Thakur.

19th November - Diwali Party held at The Conclave". It was a joyful event with Anns and lot of games & activites.

25th November - Parents of A special guest, a Cornea receipent for her right eye -Ms Sanchari Dutta from Krishnanagar, spoke about how her world changed. MP Birla Counciloor - Ms. Soma Chaoudhury, and Cornea implant Marketing Incharge Mr. Ramesh K Singh were also present.

Ms. Soma shared that now Sacnchari is much more cheerful and her get up has changed.

Ramesh and Soma shared the process of Cornea collection (withing 6-8 hours), evaluation (Donor test, Cornea evaluation, calling patients as per waiting list) implantation and waiting list and charges. Now 1 cornea can be can benefit 3 patients compared to previous 2.

26th November - Suchita: 11 Low-cost toilets have been handed over to identified beneficiaries in Bhangar. Members present were H Sekhsaria and S Pasari.

Summary of November

Total RWM - 4, Board Meeting - NIL Projects - 7, Total Attendance - 11 Break up of 7 projects -1) Club project (Physical) - 1, 2) District project - 2 3) Visit for ongoing project - 3, 4) Other project - 1 (Zoom Seavus)

2nd December - A Guest Speaker, Pinaki Chandra - Dy GM - Corporate Affairs, Narayana Hrudyalay Hospital, Howrah, spoke about what hospital can do and also offered Discount Cards for Members and family which entails discount across NH hospitals in Kolkata. He offered support to conduct awareness sessions and camps. Members inquired about Mental wellness session, Session about effects of mobile usage and Thallesemia awareness camps and tests.

"Care for the Voiceless" - 24 female dogs have been sterlised and returned to their area by Chhaaya. 25th female dog has been retained for further treatment.

3rd December - Upskilling project - for beneficiaries of Vocational course Saoundarya Batch II – was taken by R Thakur.

It was attended by Meenakshi, Neena and M Agarwal. There were 16 participants and 2 teachers.

Topics covered were about self-awareness, Customer, selling skills and pricing. It further included how to practice,

how to collaborate. It included importance of Listening skills and punctuality.

9th December - Cancer Awareness session was arranged by Medica and was led by Ann Archana. It was attended by 40 women

from Vyom, 7 Anns and 2 lady staff of Vyom. 2 Doctors from Medicare were there. SG was there to start the project.

10th December- A Computer lab was inaugurated at Baidyapara High School for Boys with 10 computers.

It was attended by A Agarwal and P Jewrajka. It was on CSR budget of RSH Global.

16th and 17th December - Annual excursion held at Kushalpalli, Purulia.

23rd December - School bags distribution at Green Leaf School

25 December 22 and 1st January 2023 -Children and Community festival Lead Club Calcutta Yuvis

31st December - Blanket and Net distribution

Achievements :-

November: - 1) 100% RWM attendance - 2 members, J K Goyal, Rolie Thakur), 2) Overall 100% including makeup - 7 members. D. Verma, H Sekhsaria, J K Goyal, M Pasari, P Jewrajka, R. Thakur and S. Pasari.

December: - 1) 100 % RWM attendance - Rolie Thakur, 2) Overall 100% including makeup - 6 members, A.Poddar, H. Sekhsaria, M.Krishna, P.Jewrajka, R.Thakur, S.Jain.

Summary of December

Total RWM - 5, Board Meeting - 1. Projects - 9, Total Attendance - 15, Break up of 9 projects -1) Club project (Physical) - 3, 2) Project Rotaractors - 1, 3) Project with Other club - 2, 4) District project - 1, 5) Visit for ongoing project - 1,

6) Other Awareness project- 1

Achievement - For Yuvis – Rtn VL became Major Donor- Level 2, who handed over a cheque equivalent to USD 5100/- and was felicitated specially by the District leadership.

District and Other Rotary Event

Orientation meet for RY 2023-2024 was attended by Ashis Agarwal and Sanjay Pasari.

Rotary Foundation Seminar on 26th November @ Salt Lake, City Center 1. Attended by R Thakur, V Lahoti. There were many good speakers who spoke about different aspects of

Rotary foundation, fund, etc. Also about Polio status worldwide and funding.

11th December - Cyclothon was organised by the Rotary Club of Urbana. And we were co-host for the

From Yuvis - H Sekhsaria, R Shroff, P Jewrajka, A Agarwal and S Jain attended the same. There were about 50-60 cyclists participating for a 15km ride. S Jain participated in 15 km ride and was among the top 20 cyclists.

HOW DO WOMEN FARE IN THE THREE MILITARY WINGS ARMY, NAVY AND **AIR FORCE?**

ARMY

Began inducting women in short service commission (SSC) in 1992 In 2008, 11 Army women filed a petition challenging the ineligibility of women to get permanent commission. "The policies for a woman in the Army not only dis- criminate her against male officers but also lower her status to that of a jawan/ junior commissioned officer, whom she has been leading for 14 years. She is simply thrown out of the organisation after 14 years - not on the basis of poor performance but due to her gender- and left to fend for herself," said Lt Col Seema Singh (who was then a Major), petitioner in the Supreme Court.

In 2020, the Supreme Court ruled in favour of the women in the forces. Here's a look at what the apex court stated in its landmark judgement that allowed women to command units:

'To cast aspersions on gender is an affront to their dignity and to the country. Time has come that women officers are not adjunct to their male counterparts'

'Physiological features of women have no link to their rights. The mindset must change' 'Women work shoulder to shoulder with men. The centre's submission is based on gender discrimination and stereotype. Women Army officers brought laurels to the county

'It is an insult to women as well as the army when aspersions are cast on women, their ability and their achievements in the Army' 'Soldiers must have the physical capability to do one's role. Women in the Army is an evo-lutionary process'

Women were allowed to hold command roles only since January 2023 Women still ineligible for combat roles, such as in the infantry, Armoured Corps and mechanised infantry.

A peaceful mind can think better than an exhausted mind. Allow a few minutes of silence to the mind everyday & see how it shapes your life.



Happy Birthday to you all















































Happy Anniversary to you all



























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