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Today's Speaker



RUPA CHAKRAVARTI DRAUPADI GLOBALLY

Rupa Chakravarti, spouse of Ambassador Sarvajit Chakravarti, retired, formerly Secretary to Govt. of India, is a global educator, having taught in International Schools in New Delhi, Dhaka, Windhoek, The Hague, Rotterdam, Moscow, Brussels, and Ljubljana. Her expertise includes teaching in Primary, Middle School, Secondary including, IGCSE, O LEVELS, A LEVELS, & IB ENGLISH B. Chakravarti has also taught Business English Cambridge, to executives in multinational corporations like, Janssen - Cilag in Milan.

She graduated with English Honours, followed by a Master's degree in Education and accreditations from Cambridge University, in both English Language and Literature, providing her with examiner status globally. She has served as Advisor / Consultant, (Bridge International



School, Kolkata). A TEDex speaker, she is the author of 3 books. The first, Pilgrimage - supported by Dr. Shashi Tharoor, Ex Foreign Secretary, Ambassador Nirupama Rao, and Shri Jawhar Sircar, is a book of poems, tracing the life of Krishnokoli, through translations of Tagore and her original poems. Her 2nd book, 'Bidisha and Bureaucracy', supported by Member of Parliament, Ambassador Pavan Varma, and Ambassador Shiv Shankar Mukherjee, is a glimpse into her life as a diplomatic spouse. Her 3rd book, 'Teaching Globally : The Untold Story...' is a compilation of pedagogy through narrative and anecdotal references, including 12 world renowned educators, including Dr. Kevin Bartlett, her colleagues, and friends of over 2 decades.

Currently Chakravarti is Executive Member of Bandhan, Konnagar. Having performed globally, her recent premiere in India of DRAUPADI at ICCR, prompts this afternoon's discourse...

SONGBOLA – 22 DEC 2022 AT ROTARY SADAN



Songbola - a name derived from **Song** based **Tambola**, was quite the unique event at Rotary Sadan Lawns on the chilly evening of 22nd December. Hitesh Teckchandani, the ace organiser, entertainer and ideator of the game, made the show extremely lively and interactive. Designed on the tambola game with tickets having song names instead of numbers, Hitesh made a few of our Rotarians sing to his tune notably Rtn HIRAK RAY, Rtn Sriranjani Joshi, Rtn Kanak Dutt, just to name a few. The rhythmic and lyrical lilt also energised some members to shake a leg with Rtn Sanjib Basu, Rtn Pritpal Chauhan,

President Raj Kr Agrawal leading and some more foot tapping with them.

There were prizes for different categories and the



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President's family made a clean sweep with all the major prizes. Truly a Presidential Game. Overall, a well-balanced and fun event which all the members thoroughly enjoyed.

[Reported by Secretary Anand Sharma]

AYODHYA PAHAR SCHOOL VISIT



Past Presidents Haladhar Dey and Saumen Ray visited Ayodhya School on 20 and 21 December. Quotations for staircase with overhead shed and school building fencing have been received

(these are sub activities of the Hostel Building project). These quotations need to be appraised and followed with relevant SOPs for implementation.

Chair Community Service Rtn Arindam Roychowdhury suggested developing footballing talent in the area – to create our own Lionel! Youth Service officer suggested that the Department will be able to organise 30-40 schools in the Sub-division, and representative of each class can be asked to attend a meeting where footballs can be distributed one to each class. Boot's sizes could also be given. There are several girl footballers that we may need to support.

Tree Plantation at Ayodhya School is funded by RC Battersea Park - Sample trees have already been planted but another 200 must be planted too when the planting season starts. However, local representative said he may be arranging for 200 fruit trees free now, which can be kept in the school greenhouse and planted in May next year.

Local NGOs and RC Dhakuria were present. RC Dhakuria lauded the efforts of Rotary Club of Calcutta.



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THANK YOU DONORS

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Rtn. Krishna Kumar Kothari	21,000.00
Rtn Sonal Worah (For Biscutes)	11,000.00
Rtn. Sharmistha N Koya (For Toys)	44,000.00
Rtn Anand Vardhan Bhuwalka	5,000.00
Rtn. Shiv Ratan Goenka	Soft Drinks
Rtn Sanjeev Agarwal	10 nos Bus
Grand Total	4,12,500.00

[Compiled by Co Editor AB4 with inputs from PP Saumen Ray]

SAMARTH MELA DONORS**THANK YOU DONORS**

Particulars	Amount (Rs)
Rtn. Arindam Roychowdhury	74,200.00
Rtn. Dr. Sourabh Khemani	1,48,400.00
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Rtn. Nandita Sen	25,000.00
Mr. Biswajit sen	25,000.00
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Rtn. Amit Ghosh	15,000.00
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Rtn. Indrajit Banerjee	5,000.00
Rtn. Ashok Kumar Basu	5,000.00
Rtn Shampa Ghosh	3,150.00
Rtn. Purnendu Roychowdhury	20,000.00
Rtn Heena Gorsia	5,000.00
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R I DISTRICT 3291 CONFERENCE - 2022-23 – “ANANDADHARA”

R I District 3291 Conference – 2022-23 “ANANDADHARA” will be held from Friday, 6th January to Sunday, 8th January, 2023 at Nicco Park, East Side Pavilion, Salt Lake City, Kolkata.

Registration Charges are Rs. 6,000/- per person. You are requested to kindly register your name with the Club Office.

NO WEEKLY MEETING

There will be no Regular Weekly Meeting on Tuesday, 3rd January, 2023, as the said meeting will be held on Sunday, 1st January, 2023 at 6.30 p.m.

ROSTER - 2022-23

Members' Roster 2022-23 is available. Members are requested to collect their copy from Club Office.

PDG SPEAKS – PDG Sudip Mukherjee

“In my 21+ years of Rotary I have never seen service project of such magnitude in our district. One was of AOF “Disease Prevention and Treatment” and another AOF “Community Economic Development”. Kudos President Raj. Made us proud!!!”

REPORTING & ANNOUNCEMENTS**ATTENDANCE REPORT (27.12. 2022)**

Total Members	:	244
Members Present	:	41
Exempted Members	:	67
Visiting Rotarians & Guest	:	22

**ONE WORLD**

We remember with good wishes Rotary Club of Calcutta Victoria, India, R. I. Dist. 3291

Birthdays

Dr. Sandip Chatterjee 29th December

Suksham Singh 31st December

Wish you many happy returns of the day

TODAY

Speaker : Ms Rupa Chakravarti

Global Educator, Author, Poet, Artist and Choreographer

Topic : “Draupadi Globally”

NEXT MEETING

Next Meeting on Sunday, 1st January, 2023

103rd Charter Day celebration along with Regular Weekly Meeting at 6.30 p.m. at Rotary Sadan followed by fellowship and dinner.

REPORTS

Club organized “Songbola - a Musical Tambola” with Mr. Hitesh H. Teckchandani.

103rd CHARTER DAY CELEBRATION on 1st January, 2023

The Club will celebrate its 103rd Charter Day along with Regular Weekly Meeting on Sunday, 1st January, 2023 at 6.30 p.m. at Rotary Sadan followed by fellowship and dinner.

You are requested to kindly note the date and attend with your spouse.

MINUTES OF THE 4879th REGULAR WEEKLY MEETING HELD ON 22ND DECEMBER, 2022 AT 6 P.M. AT THE ROTARY SADAN

- 1 President, Raj Kumar Agrawal welcomed all the Members and Guests and called the 4879th Regular Weekly Meeting of the Club to order.
- 2 National Anthem was led by PP Rtn. Sujata Pyne.
- 3 Minutes of the 4878th Regular Weekly Meeting of the Club held on 18th December, 2022 was confirmed.
- 4 President informed the members that there was no speaker on that day as the Fellowship Committee organised "Songbola - a Musical Tambola" with Mr. Hitesh H. Teckchandani and welcomed Mr. Teckchandani.
- 5 President also welcomed all visiting Rotarians and Guests who attended the meeting.
- 6 **President Reported the followings :**
On 18th - Regular Weekly Meeting followed by Breakfast held on Sunday, 18th December, 2022 at the Residence of Rtn. Lata Bajoria.
- 7 **President Announced :**
- i) The Club would celebrate its 103rd Charter Day along with Regular Weekly Meeting on Sunday, 1st January, 2023 at 6.30 p.m. at Rotary Sadan followed by fellowship and dinner and requested members to kindly note the date and attend with your spouse.
- ii) R I District 3291 Conference – 2022-23 "ANANDADHARA" would be held from Friday to Sunday, 6th to 8th January, 2023 at Nicco Park, East Side Pavilion, Salt Lake City, Kolkata.
Registration Charges are Rs. 6,000/- per person and requested members to kindly register their names. For registration please contact Club Office.
- 8 Hony. Secretary Rtn Anand Sharma thereafter conducted the Club business :
- a. He welcomed all Members and Guests.
- b. He then announced the names of Rotarians, celebrating their Birthdays during the week ending 26th December, 2022 and conveyed best wishes to them.
- c. He then informed members that the next Weekly Meeting would be held on Tuesday, 27th December, 2022 at 1 p.m. Speaker : Ms Rupa Chakravarti, Global Educator, Author, Poet, Artist and Choreographer. Topic : "Draupadi Globally".
- d. He also informed that Members' Roster - 2022-23 was available and requested members to please collect their copies from Club office.
- 9 President informed members that at the regular weekly meeting of the Club held on 22nd November, 2022 Nominations were sought from members for Election of the Board of Directors of the club for the year 2023 – 2024. The following nominations were received :-
- Rtn. Kanak Dutt for the post of President for RY 2023-2024 was proposed by Rtn. Raj Kumar Agrawal
 - Rtn. Dr. Debnath Chattopadhyay for the post of Vice-President for RY 2023-2024 was proposed By Rtn Subrata De
 - Rtn. Sonal Worah for the post of Hony. Secretary for RY 2023-2024 proposed by Rtn. Anand Sharma
 - Rtn Renuka Shah for the post of Hony. Treasurer for RY 2023-2024 proposed by Rtn Shampa Ghosh
 - Rtn. Anand Sharma for the post of Director for RY 2023-2024 proposed by Rtn. SonalWorah
 - Rtn. Purnendu Roychowdhury for the post of Director for RY 2023-2024 proposed by Rtn. Kanak Dutt
 - Rtn. Sujata Pyne for the post of Director for RY 2023-20224 proposed by Rtn. Nilima Joshi
 - Rtn. Sriranjani Joshi for the post of Director for RY 2023-2024 proposed by Rtn. Renuka Shah
 - Rtn. Nilima Joshi for the post of Director for RY 2023-2024 proposed by Rtn. Kanak Dutt
 - All the above all nominations were duly seconded.
- As no other nominations were received, the nominations were closed. President then thereby declared that the said members have duly been elected uncontested to serve the Club's Board for the Rotary year 2023-2024. The President Elect, Rtn. Kanak Dutt will automatically take over as the President of the club from 1st July 2023. President also announced the name of the Board for the Rotary year 2023-2024.
- BOARD OF DIRECTORS -2023-24**
- President : Kanak Dutt
President- Elect : Subrata De
Vice-President : Dr. Debnath Chattopadhyay
Imm. Past President : Raj Kumar Agrawal
Hony. Secretary : SonalWorah
Hony. Jt. Secretary : Suman Chakraborty
Hony. Treasurer : Renuka Shah
Hony. Jt. Treasurer : Indrajit Banerjee
Directors : Anand Sharma
Sujata Pyne
Sriranjani Joshi
Nilima Joshi
Purnendu Roychowdhury
- Advisor to the Board : Abhijit Kolay
- On behalf of the Club President heartily congratulated the Board Members.
- 10 Sunshine Box collection Rs 1,000/-with special contribution from Rtn. Kanak Dutt and Rtn. Kirit Patel.
- 11 The Club remembered with good wishes Rotary Club of Calcutta Greens, India, R. I. Dist. 3291
- 12 President requested all to join fellowship and dinner. Before adjourning the meeting, on behalf of the Club, he thanked Rtns Yogesh Dasani, Probir Gupta, Pranab Sarkar, Bablu Kolay, Sashi Bhargava, Dr. Asok Kumar Ghoshal and Kanak Dutt for Co-hosting Fellowship and Dinner on that day.
- 13 At the request of the President, Mr Hitesh H. Teckchandani organised "Songbola" programme.
- 14 Meeting was adjourned at 6.40 p.m.

Raj Kumar Agrawal
President

Anand Sharma
Hony. Secretary