

President's Message

Dear Friends,

Rotary Greetings !!

*How will this blood get into another person?
Will it hurt my Mom?
Where will this blood go?*

Innocent but very pertinent questions that the 10 year olds were asking during our blood collection drive at their school. Children were visiting the camp to observe while their parents were donating blood. The feeling of pride in their eyes and the curiosity won over all present.

Our members very gladly interacted with children trying to satisfy their curiosity. At the end of the day we felt very happy that children were exposed to such lessons. The learnings at this impressionable age will stay forever and these children will grow into more sensitized individuals.

Another proud moment for our club was when the two 20 KW solar plants installed by our club through CSR funding at NGO Earth Saviours Foundation were inaugurated by DG Rtn Ashok Kantoor. The erratic power availability during extreme weather conditions was making life difficult for residents living at Sewa Dham. Safety issues at night were additional challenges being faced by them. The new solar plants will fulfill their needs as they will power each residential unit fully for lights, fans, medical equipment and other devices.

This was second large solar project for our club this year. Previously, a solar plant was setup at NGO DoAr in rural area of Gurgaon. Setting up solar plants for NGOs in the remote is a step towards making them self-reliant while also saving the environment. Solar energy, a renewable source of energy will not only reduce their Carbon footprint but will also save on electricity bills in the long run.

Our club's initiative in supporting environment projects which are directly impacting lives of underprivileged children and abandoned senior citizens and mentally challenged persons has been a very fulfilling and satisfying journey.

Arti Agarwal
President RY 22-23



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Events of the Month (February 2023)

Earth Saviours Foundation, Mandawar

Inauguration of 2x20 KW Solar Plants with IGT Solutions Pvt Ltd.

A truly historic day. Our club's flagship project and the largest till date, the Solar Plants, at Mandawar shelter of the Earth Saviours Foundation for abandoned senior citizens and mentally challenged persons was inaugurated by DG Rtn Ashok Kantoor. The simple ceremony was attended by Mr. Jas Kalra, Director – ESF, Rotary District Team Members, sponsors IGT Solutions' Officials and a large number of club members and ESF Staff.

DG was very appreciative of our project for helping the not so fortunate fellow human beings and applauded the presence of our members in large numbers to support the cause. Each solar plant that we have installed will power one double storey shelter



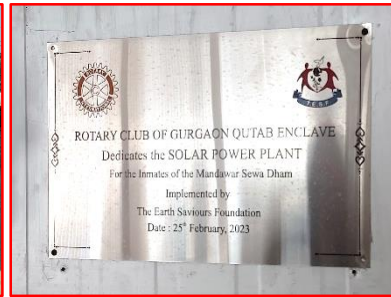
home housing around 100-125 people to operate all the electrical points / gadgets and medical equipment. Two plants will impact almost 220-250 lives directly. This project was accomplished by raising CSR funds to the tune of 24 Lakhs from IGT Solutions Pvt. Ltd. The officials from the company present in the function were presented a GRATITUDE TROPHY,

Ribbon Cutting by DG

Our solar plants will also help save high electricity charges and

Diesel Generator cost for the NGO. Besides it's in line with "clean energy - green energy" mantra to reduce carbon footprint on the planet. Thanks to all the members for their support throughout the project period and turning out in large numbers for the function. Special thanks to Rtn Rajeev Goel, Rtn Kapil Pahuja and Rtn Reena Sawhney for helping in organising the function and making it a grand success.





Blood Donation Camp at Scottish High International School, Gurugram



Blood Donation Camp has been a regular annual feature at Scottish High International School, Sector 57, Gurugram. This year, it was organized on 4th February, on the day of Parent Teacher Meet and a PYP exhibition of independent projects and other work by Grade V students.



This opportunity was also utilized to make the children aware of the importance and benefits of Blood Donation who in turn involved their parents in this noble cause. There was tremendous enthusiasm among the parents and staff alike, necessitating additional beds to accommodate the regular inflow of donors.



Many children accompanied their parents for a firsthand understanding of the entire process, were able to answer some basic questions with the inputs given by the school earlier and then asked a few themselves too about what happens after donation.

62 units of blood were collected in under 5 hours. A super camp in all respects. Organization, arrangements, involvement of the administration, care and hospitality.... everything and above all, the dedication of Dr. Mahima and team from the Rotary Blood Centre who coped with the rush and a regular stream of donors so well.

Thanks to Project Lead Rtn Anil Bhatnagar for all his efforts in making the camp successful and President Arti, PE Wg Cdr Baljit Ahluwalia, Rtn J K Puri, R'Ann Anita and R'Anne Geeta for their presence and support in conducting the camp in a smooth manner.





Club Meeting – Speaker Session - 10th Feb 2023



Club meeting in progress with Prez Arti briefing the members about progress in ongoing projects and the upcoming events.



Fellowship break with light refreshment and chit chat



Speaker Session– “The SevenCircles of Dharma”-Rtn PP Ashok Thussu

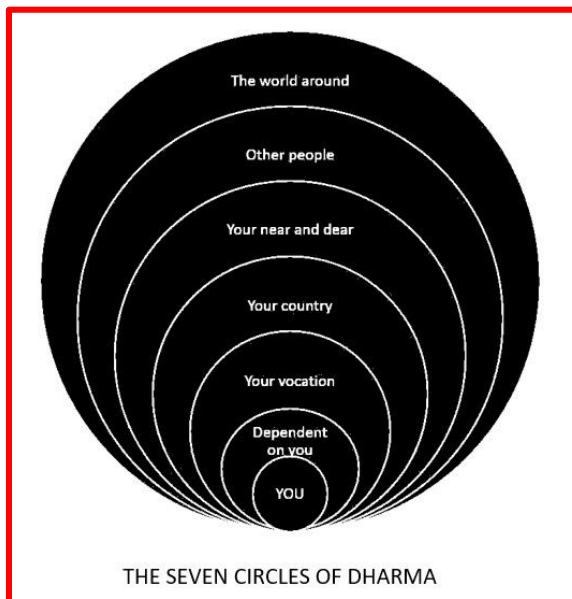


What followed after the Club meeting was a very enlightening and enriching session by our member Rtn PP Ashok Thussu who talked about his book

“The Seven Circles of Dharma” and how the philosophy behind **could be used to improve the quality of our lives by improving the correctness or quality of our decisions and actions.**



Rtn Thussu explained briefly that our day-to-day decisions and actions practically every moment of the day are based on what we feel is right at that particular moment. In India we often say, ***Dharam ka palan karo*** (inculcate and follow the way of Dharma). However, the dilemma is always to figure out the right actions as we strain to live or walk the correct path.



The “Seven Circles of Dharma” divides Dharma in seven circles with “SELF” as the first, innermost circle, surrounded by 6 more around it representing the degree of our priority or relationship with other factors or people. The last circle is the “WORLD”. It is a secure way for any person to live a worthwhile, ethical and fulfilling life and a powerful NEW method of **Personal Leadership** that allows us to be intuitively fair in our thoughts and actions.

The consequence of action is key and is often ignored in fast and complex environments as we do not have the right frame of reference to judge and don't know the method to do this quickly. Rtn Thussu's book will empower us with an amazingly easy to follow secret process that shows us how to do this and act with a guilt free mind.

It is Dharma – the correct way of thinking and resulting action that WE can master for greater mental peace.

How the interplay between the circles happen, the barriers within our mind and how to reach the correct decision / action are all explained in the book.

Vote of thanks



Rotary District Conference



Prez Arti Agarwal, Rtn Akhil Agarwal and Rtn Sanjeev Sawhney attended the two day District Conference on 11th-12th Feb representing our club at the district.

A very enjoyable conference - had a jam packed speaker lineup and excellent arrangements. Attendees Got to hear a very motivational story of Deep Kalra, founder "MakeMyTrip", enjoyed candid fireside chats with Satish Kaushik, Gaurav Gupta (designer), Neha Dhupia(Bollywood Actress), Pankaj Mahindroo, Akhil Gupta (MD Bharti Enterprises), Radhika Bhalla, Padam Bhushan Dr B K Rao, Sh Jitendra Singh, Minister Sc & Tech and many other portfolios.

One of the best sessions was with Padam Bhushan Rajat Sharma who talked very candidly about his show "AAP ki Adalat" and shared many inside stories and anecdotes.

The conference culminated with the election results being shared where PP Rtn Dr Ravinder Gugnani won as DG for year 25-26. PDG Rtn Vinay Bhatia won as the candidate for COL.



Eye and Dental Check Up Camp at IGT Solutions, Gurugram



An eye and Dental Check Up camp was organized, for the support staff of IGT Solutions, Gurugram on 23rd Feb 2023. Teams for eye check up came from Sight Avenue Hospital and for Dental check up from Clove Dental Organisation, Gurgaon. Spectacles for needy patients are being sponsored by IGT Solution Company.

It was a successful camp with **95 eye screenings and 34 dental screenings for the support staff**. Spectacles for 39 employees were prescribed. The arrangements were superb and response was very good. IGT staff was also happy.



This camp was made possible with Rtn Dr Dinesh Saxena and Dr Manju Saxena's efforts. Their consistent follow up and coordination with the teams and IGT till the culmination of the camp made it successful. Thanks to the doctor duo and Rtn J K Puri whose presence and support at such events is always a source of strength and motivation. Thanks to all the other members too who could not be there but have been a constant support and motivating force.

Last but not the least, thanks to Rtn Akhil Agarwal and his teams at IGT Solutions for taking care of all arrangements for the visiting teams and the Rotarians from the club.



GREETINGS

February	BIRTHDAYS
1st March	Reena Mittal
9th March	S Ratnam
15th March	J K Puri
23rd March	Kapil Pahuja
February	ANNIVERSARIES
9th March	K C Agarwal and Rajeshwari
10th March	Vijay and Shalini Chabbra
21st March	Nagi and S Ratnam



Club Calendar for March 2023

5th Mar	Sunday	HOLI Picnic at Aaramgarh, Gurugram
16th Mar	Thursday	Eye Camp At Chakkarpur School with VisionSpring
24th Mar	Friday	Speaker Meeting
31st Mar	Friday	Project