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"Improved maternal health benefits the whole of society"
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Attendance: 24

Birthday Greetings

Jul 4th IPP Shweta Bose Barua PP Prosenjit Barua
Jul 8th PP Tanu Roy Rtn. Abhijit Das

Greetings on Anniversary

Jul 8th Spouse Sagarika & PP Subir Singha Roy

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WEEKLY NEWS LETTER

EDITOR'S GREETINGS

Happy New Year fellow Rotarians! As we usher into the 2024-25 Rotary Year of Engagement, Fellowship & Service, we are ever more committed and engaged to change the lives of our communities. Congratulations to all the newly inducted Club Presidents. I am sure you are going to have a great year!

Our Club newsletter, "Light" invites you to a wonderful read packed with amazing club stories, messages from the RI President, special features, news and more. We focus on the impact Rotarians are making in using their skills to serve our communities giving you tips on how to take action. Urge all our Rotary Garden Reach family members to help us in contributing regularly with articles & works and request your cooperation to make this whole experience a success. Let's celebrate Rotary daily. Let's share our own two hands to make the world a better place. Vernon Cooper said, "These days people seek knowledge, not wisdom. Knowledge is of the past; wisdom is of the future." Let us be wise as we reflect and take action to ensure that the future of Rotary in our club is relevant.

*On behalf of our President and the members of our club, we invite you to enjoy this year's editions, and share amongst your family and friends as we continue to promote Rotary as we march together creating **The Magic of Rotary!!!***

Warm Rotary regards,
PP Tanu Roy
Club Editor, 2024-25





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RI President Stephanie A Urchick – July’s Message

Rotary is at its best when we foster a sense of inclusion and belonging in our clubs. In fact, I would go so far as to say that belonging is The Magic of Rotary itself.

With a focus on inclusivity and belonging, it is easier to be united in a common purpose. When we are committed to one another and focused on our goals, we are most effective.



Rotary’s Action Plan can help. The Action Plan comes with tools you can use to collect feedback, assess your club’s strengths and weaknesses, and address challenges.

The world is changing, and our clubs can’t afford to stand still. But the changes we make need to be consistent and strategic — building on one another toward a greater vision. The Action Plan can help you work toward that vision and create effective change within your club. Following the Action Plan and addressing suggestions from the community will go a long way to fostering the sense of belonging we want all Rotary members to feel in their clubs.

That’s why expanding our commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion is so important. Committing ourselves to each other’s well-being is the first step to expanding our reach, allowing us to spread Positive Peace in these troubled times.

Peacebuilding is one of our top priorities, and one of the most effective ways we can build peace is with our Rotary Peace Fellowships, through which peace and development professionals learn how to prevent and end conflict.

We offer the fellowships through our Rotary Peace Centres at leading universities around the globe, where more than 1,800 Rotary Peace Fellows have graduated. And thanks to a \$15.5 million gift from the Otto and Fran Walter Foundation, we can continue supporting peacebuilders in more regions with the next peace centre at Bahçeşehir University in Istanbul.

Opening another peace centre is a monumental achievement, and it is my great honour to invite you to celebrate at next year’s Rotary Presidential Peace Conference at the Istanbul centre. The three-day conference 20-22 February will highlight the many ways our family of Rotary advances peacebuilding. Registration for the conference is officially open. I hope to see you there.

The 2025 Rotary Presidential Peace Conference has great potential for our peacebuilding efforts — but only if we have your support.

The truth is, we’re not going to bring peace to the world, end polio, or grow membership by waving a wand and saying some funny words. It’s up to you. You create the magic with every project completed, every dollar donated, and every new member inducted.

I love my Rotary family and I know you do too. That’s why I know that together, we can make every club and district simply irresistible. This year, let us change the world by embracing The Magic of Rotary.





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The Unexpected Cancellation of the Rotary International Convention in the Philippines

The Rotary International Convention, an event eagerly anticipated by Rotarians worldwide, was scheduled to be held in the Philippines. However, it has come as a significant surprise and disappointment to many that the convention has been abruptly cancelled. The official Rotary International Convention website, <https://convention.rotary.org/en-us/about/past-and-future-conventions>, now lists the 2028 Convention Schedule as TBA (To Be Announced), leaving a gap in what was once a firmly set calendar. This sudden change has left Zone 10A Rotarians, along with the global Rotary community, questioning the reasons behind this unexpected decision.

The Significance of the Rotary International Convention

The Rotary International Convention is more than just a gathering; it is a celebration of service, a platform for fellowship, and a forum for Rotarians to exchange ideas, gain inspiration, and work collaboratively towards Rotary's mission of advancing goodwill and peace around the world. The convention attracts thousands of Rotarians from various parts of the globe, making it a significant event for networking, training, and showcasing successful projects.

The Initial Announcement and Preparation

When the Philippines was announced as the host country for the 2028 convention, it was met with enthusiasm and pride. The Philippines, with its rich culture, warm hospitality, and vibrant Rotary community, seemed an ideal location for such a prestigious event. Rotarians in Zone 10A and beyond began preparing for what was expected to be an unforgettable convention, filled with unique cultural experiences and ground-breaking initiatives.

The Sudden Change: TBA Status

The abrupt shift to a TBA status for the 2028 convention has led to widespread speculation and concern. Many Rotarians are now left in a state of uncertainty, wondering about the reasons for this sudden cancellation. Various theories have emerged, but without an official statement from Rotary International, the true reasons remain speculative.

The Impact on Rotarians and Future Plans

The cancellation has undoubtedly affected Rotarians who were looking forward to the event. For Zone 10A Rotarians, this was an opportunity to showcase their commitment to service and their cultural heritage. The sudden change has left a void, but it also presents an opportunity for reflection and renewed determination.

Moving Forward: What's Next?

As the Rotary community awaits further information from Rotary International, it is essential to focus on the core values of the organization: fellowship, service, diversity, integrity, and leadership. The unexpected change serves as a reminder of the importance of flexibility and resilience.

Rotarians can continue to prepare for future conventions, wherever they may be held, with the same enthusiasm and commitment. The spirit of Rotary transcends locations, and the mission to create lasting change in communities around the world remains steadfast.

The unexpected cancellation of the Rotary International Convention in the Philippines has left many questions unanswered. As Rotarians look to the future, they must remain united and focused on their shared goals. The spirit of Rotary is one of perseverance, innovation, and unwavering dedication to service. While the reasons for the cancellation may be unclear, the commitment of Rotarians to make a positive impact in the world remains as strong as ever.

The Rotary community eagerly awaits further announcements and remains hopeful that future conventions will continue to inspire and bring together Rotarians from all corners of the globe.





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On June 30th, 2024 the last day of the Rotary Year 2023-24 Rotary Garden Reach in association with KPC Medical College & Hospital organised a Medical Camp at our RCC Joyipur at Amta. 100 beneficiaries were checked for ECG, Cardiology, Dermatology, Dental & for the women Gynaecology diagnosis were done.



9 Doctors attended the camp along with 8 members from the club. IWC PP Dr. Sharda Ray & Spouse Ishrat Jahan with PP Ashfaque were also present.





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Minutes of the 2270th RWM held on June 18th, 2024 at BNR Officers' Club, Garden Reach

1. President Rtn. Shweta called the online meeting to order.
2. The medical camp at RCC Joypur has been finally decided upon and it's on June 30th, 2024. Coordinator of the RCC, Mr. Animesh was briefed of the same and logistics were confirmed.
3. "Swikriti" the District Award Ceremony at GD Birla Sabhaghar on June 29th, 2024. President requested the members to attend.
4. MoU regarding the Bharatgarh Rotary School will be signed between Rotary Garden Reach & RCC Champa Mahila Samity at PP Kumud's office.
5. All members have cleared their dues for this Rotary Year.
6. The Club Secretary conducted the Club business.
7. On confirmation of the minutes of the last meeting, President Shweta terminated the meeting.



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