

Voyage



A News Bulletin
June 2024



ROTARY CLUB OF KABITIRTHA, CALCUTTA

Rotary International District 3291
Club Charter No. 30920
Club Charter Date: 30th JUNE 1996

RI PRESIDENT: Rtn. Gordon R. McNally
DISTRICT GOVERNOR: Rtn. Hiralal Yadav
PRESIDENT : Rtn. Sanjay Mukherjee
SECRETARY: Rtn. Prasanta Dey
EDITOR: Rtn. Malabika Guha

May : *YOUTH SERVICE MONTH*
June : *THE FELLOWSHIP MONTH*



The Celebration of the Birthday of our Club



Every year we observe June 30 as the natal day of our club. Let us celebrate the auspicious occasion by remembering some of our flagship projects:

1. The celebration of the Independence Day
2. The celebration of the Teacher's day
3. The attendance of our club members--- Rtn. (Pdg and ARC) Jhulan Basu and Rtn. Rakhal Roy to the Charter Day Celebration of the Rotary Club of Rajsahi in Bangladesh----thus strengthening the International Understanding between two Rotary Districts-----3291 and 3281
4. The celebration of the children's day
5. The eye check up of the 500 inmates of the Dum Dum correctional home
6. The distribution of the water bottles to the street people
7. The distribution of the 400 spectacles for the inmates of the Dum Dum correctional home
8. The Celebration of the Birthday of Rtn. (Late) Kalyan Ranjan Guha when Santa had been empowered by enormous gifts and distributed those to the street children

Club news

Date : 4.5.2024

The distribution of water bottles to the street people

Our club members distributed water bottles to the passersby, traffic police and the drivers of auto, taxi and public bus.



Date : 12.6.2024



The distribution of 400 hundred spectacles to the inmates of the Dumdum Correctional Home

Our club members distributed 400 spectacles to the inmates of the Dumdum correctional Home. It had been a very joyous moment when the inmates received the spectacles as it will help them a lot to read books, magazines and newspapers to pass their leisure time.





The Report of the Secretary of the Club

Projects at a glance

Date	Project
7.7.2023	Distribution of plants and saplings
15.8.2023	The Celebration of the Independence Day by paying due Respect to our National Flag and standing beside the underprivileged people
5.9.2023	The Celebration of the Teacher's Day by paying proper respect to Dr. Sarvapalli Radhakrishnan
28.9.2023	The attendance of our club members--- Rtn. (Pdg and ARC) Jhulan Basu and Rtn. Rakhal Roy to the Charter Day Celebration of the Rotary Club of Rajsahi in Bangladesh----thus strengthening the International Understanding between two Rotary Districts-----3291 and 3281
14.11.2023	The celebration of Children's Day by standing beside the poor cancer stricken children at NRS Hospital
25.12.2023	The Celebration of the Birthday of Rtn. (Late) Kalyan Ranjan Guha when Santa had been empowered by enormous gifts and distributed those to the street children
21.1.2024	The Cataract operation of ten patients
9.3.2024	The eye check up of 400 inmates of the Dum Dum Correctional Home and the distribution of the spectacles to them
4.5.2024	The distribution of the water bottles to the street people
26.6.2024	The Distribution of the spectacles to the inmates of the Dum Dum Correctional Home

Anniversary Greetings

Happy Birthday

9th June – Rtn. Parijat Chakraborty
19th June – Rtn. Piu Halder
25th June – Rtn. Gopinath Adhikary
26th June – Rtn. (Dr.) Ayan Deb

Happy Wedding Anniversary

25th May – Rtn. Gopinath and Anjana Adhikary
18th June – Rtn. Raja and Arunima Adhikary

Know our Senior Member



Rtn. Saswati Chowdhury

Rtn. Saswati chowdhury is very polite, decent, soft spoken with a pleasing personality. She loves Rotary and works for Rotary.

She is trying her level best to attend in most of the club meetings, projects and family- get-together.

She never hesitates to make any extra donations if required by her home club.

Her deep concern for "Arpan"-----a hostel for the underprivileged students, studying in the Ramkrishna Mission School had been highly appreciated. She with Rtn. Ranjana Basu (another member of our club) collected donations for the students of Arpan and purchased different required materials (pen, pencils, exercise copies, erasers, chocolates, biscuits and fruits etc.)

Both Rtn. Ranjana and Rtn. Saswati managed to arrange the dress of the students during the Durga Puja Festival and some necessary items during the Saraswati Puja.

Reading books and listening music are two of her favourite hobbies. She is the lovable wife of Sree Amiendu Choudhury, lovable mother of Arindam Choudhury, lovable mother in law of Banasree and affectionate grand mother of Aiara.

Wishing her good health, prosperity and happiness with her family.

District News

Rotary District 3291

Stephanie A Urchick
RI President
2024 - 2025

Dr. Krishnendu Gupta
District Governor
2024 - 2025

THE MAGIC OF ROTARY

Welcome to
উদ্বোধন
UDBODHAN

Beginning of
Rotary Year
2024 - 2025

Registration:
Complimentary

1 JULY 2024
5.30 PM ONWARDS

DHONO DHANYO AUDITORIUM
Alipore, Kolkata

Please fill up the attached form to submit your details and food option

International News



Gavaskar's Third Innings – Saving Children's lives

Once the former cricketer Sunil Gavaskar got the chance to visit the famous Sai Sanjeevani Hospital at Visakhapatnam where the doctors used to operate the children suffering from congenital heart disease. The surgeries done at this hospital have a success rate almost 99.9% . at this hospital, Gavaskar watched the joy of the parents when they had been told by the doctors after surgery that their children would now be fully cured. Mr. Gavaskar was further struck by the fact that in these type of hospitals – there is no billing counter, no insurance claim – what is existing there – only love and compassion

Hence Rotary has decided to be partner with these hospitals under its caption, "Gift of Life Programme".

Now Gavaskar signed an MOU with Rotary and donated 5 crores for conducting paediatric heart surgeries.

Gavaskar had been confirmed Rotary's lifetime Achievement Award from RI Director Mahesh Kotbag in the presence of RI President Jennifer Jones and PRIP Shekhar Mehta. He had been further honoured for "being a sporting legend of our times who epitomised the elegance of the game of cricket on and off the field."

Gavaskar further added – "in my life, I have had my first innings as a cricketer, my second innings – which is being – part administrator, part media, doing commentary, writing about the game.

My third innings – is to stand beside the poor children suffering from congenital heart disease which has been the most fulfilling, most rewarding."

"in my life, there are so many partners – but my partnership with Rotary is something which is going to last and last – together we can save thousands and thousands of children's lives . he has further added "Our motto is simple – Only Dil and no Bill."

General News



Rtn. Nitish Lahiri

Rtn. Nitish Lahiri had been a lawyer, social worker and a cinematographer. He studied at New York Film Academy for the past four years of his career and specialized in creating incredible images – No matter what had been the camera.

He started his career as a Rotarian from the Rotary Club of Calcutta and had been the First Asian to be elected as the President of the Rotary International from 1962-63 for **his commendable service to the community. The Government of India awarded him the third Civilian Award of the Padma Bhushan in 1963 for his remarkable service to the society.**

Once he had asked – "What did Rotary teach you?" he answered – "Rotary has taught me how to tackle any critical or unpleasant situation with patience, sympathy and understanding."

Much sought, much admired Rtn. Nitish had been an inspiration to the Junior Rotarians for his unique philosophy – "Give yourselves away to maximize your efforts for a commendable service."

Helen Keller



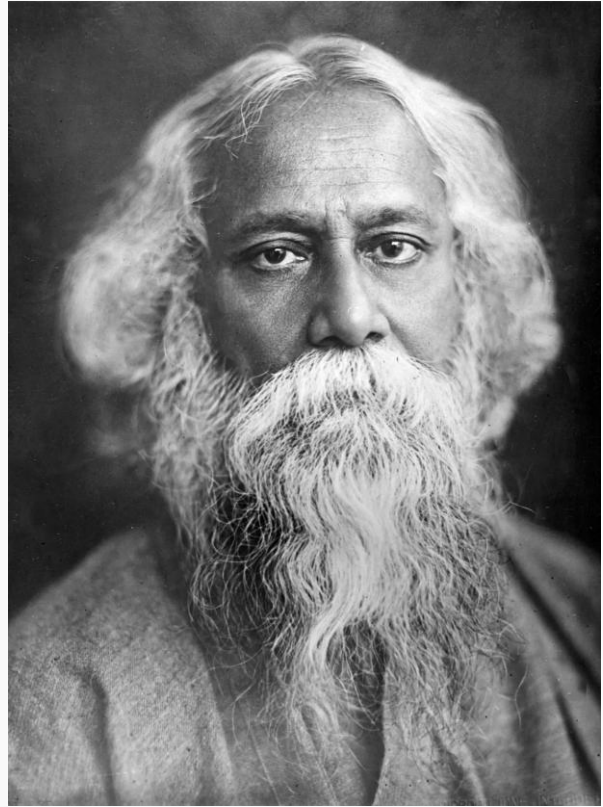
Helen Keller had been an eminent author, disability rights advocate and a lecturer. In her 19 years of age she had suffered from a severe unknown fever which made her deaf, dumb and blind, but fortunately nature helped her to get an expert and kind teacher – Anne Massfield Sullivan.

She helped Helen Keller a lot to communicate with the outer world by motivating Miss Helen Keller to touch her lips and throat to perceive the pronunciation of each letter and word. Gradually she learnt sign language by touch and Braille. Unfortunately her pronunciation had not been perfect. But she struggled a lot throughout her life to vocalize her words. Sometimes she had become a victim of acute depression, but at the same time she knew how to come out from the depression and to lead a positive life.

Helen Keller had a deep connection with plants, birds and animals. One day Madam Sullivan took Miss Helen to a nearest water pump and placed her hands on sprouts where very cold water had been flowing. She felt very soothed to get the cold touch of water – at the spur of the moment unknowingly she uttered the word – w – a – t – e – r, first slowly and then rapidly. She had the feeling that something cool and peaceful substance had been flowing over her head and mind, this incident had pushed Helen Keller to pronounce words – though those had not been very audible to others. Sometimes she suffered from depression, but at the same time she knew how to come out from depression and used to lead a positive life.

The famous message of Helen Keller – “Never bend your head and mind, hold them high, keep your face to the sunshine, then you can not see the shadows.”

Last but not the least



যেথায় থাকে সবার অধম দীনের হতে দীন,
সেইখানে যে চরন তোমার রাজে,
সবার নীচে সবার পিছে,
সব-হারাদের মাঝে----

Here is thy footstool and there is rest
thy feet.

Where live the poorest, lowliest and the
lost.

When I try to bow to thee,
My obeisance cannot reach down to the
depth
where thy feet rest down among the
poorest and lowliest and the lost.

■ Rabindranath Tagore

Voyage offers belated PRONAM to
our BELOVED poet Rabindranath
Tagore on his 163rd birth
anniversary on 9th May 2024.