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RI President's Message



Even as we face new and serious challenges, Rotary takes care of its members and those we serve, works to build lasting peace, and embeds belonging and inclusion in everything we do. That is why I am asking everyone in Rotary to Create Hope in the World.

This year, we're prioritizing projects to support mental health. This effort is deeply personal to me. I know what it's like to see someone suffer in silence. I have also witnessed the power of personal connections, the value of discussing

emotional and mental well-being, and the lifesaving impact of preventive care and treatment.

Research shows that performing acts of kindness is an effective step any of us can take to protect our well-being. And by building peace within, we become more capable of bringing peace to the world.

Building peace is the essence of Rotary. Many of our service projects foster the conditions for Positive Peace. We work tirelessly to overcome barriers and create new connections. This year, we'll promote virtual international exchanges for members to strengthen those vital connections.

Peace isn't a dream, and it's not passive. It's the result of working hard, earning trust, and having open conversations that may be difficult. Peace must be waged persistently — and bravely. Everything we do across our areas of focus has the potential to foster the hope that can make peace possible.

The spirit of connection and purpose should inspire every Rotary member. When club leaders focus on offering an excellent club experience, we retain more members and attract more prospective members. We must make our clubs as welcoming and as engaging as we can.

Our goal is to create a sense of belonging, from our club meetings to our service activities. We need to continue creating inclusive, welcoming environments where everyone can be their authentic selves. All people of action need to be able to imagine a place for themselves in Rotary — it's up to us to ensure they can do so.

Over the next year, I will be putting a focus on continuing our journey in diversity, equity, and inclusion — ensuring that Rotary reflects the communities we serve and continues to take significant steps toward accessing the full range of human talents and experiences, so that we can better serve humanity. And we will continue to empower women and girls by helping them unlock the potential already within them.

As we begin this journey together, I take inspiration from Scotland's national poet, Robert Burns, who in the 18th century spoke of all the world becoming kin, promoting "sense and worth, over all the earth." This has long been my call to action, and I share it now with you.

Let us build peace within and spread it freely. Let us create belonging and imagine the future of Rotary afresh. Let us work together joyously and Create Hope in the World.

R. Gordon R. McNally
President 2023-24

District Governor's Message



Rtn Pradip Shome
President 2023-24
Rotary Club of Salt Lake Central
RID 3291

Dear President Pradip,

I am joined by Deepali in congratulating you as you don the mantle of leadership of your Club. Taking up a new responsibility is always a challenge and I am sure

that you will rise to such a challenge!

I take the opportunity to thank your outgoing **President Rtn Subir Chatterjee**, outgoing **Secretary Rtn Priyanka Mukherjee** and all your Club members for the dedicated service rendered by your Club during **Rotary year 2022-23** as we Imagined Rotary!

Our world leader for 2023-24, Rtn. R. Gordon McNally has given us a dynamic theme "**CREATE HOPE IN THE WORLD**". His vision is that Rotary should exist everywhere in a style to suit everyone who has the desire to be part of Rotary and to help us Rotarians do good in the world. His goal is to restore hope to help the world heal from destructive conflicts and to help achieve lasting change, emphasizing the need for peace and continuity, including working toward diversity, equity and inclusion, while not neglecting our mission to end polio!

I consider myself **EXTREMELY** fortunate to have the opportunity of working with him! Continuing with the major initiative introduced by my GURU, our own **Rtn. Shekhar Mehta** and followed by his predecessor **Rtn. Jennifer Jones** — "**Empowering Girls**" will remain as his focus area also, his other two focus areas being **Mental Health and Building Peace Through Virtual Exchanges**.

Rotary, my friend is a unique journey! Rotary gives us colossal opportunities to make new friends, strengthen our bonding with existing friends and together - we get the opportunity to serve mankind to the best of our abilities!

The call to "**Create Hope in the World**" is there for you my friend! Let us capture the attention of the world and lead the way toward possibilities far beyond our current expectations to Create Hope in the lives of mankind!

Best regards,

Yours in Rotary Service

Hiralal Yadav
District Governor 2023-24
Rotary District 3291

Message from RI Director 2023-25



Dear Club Presidents,

Warm greetings to each and every one of you as we approach a momentous occasion – your appointment as **Club Presidents** for the upcoming Rotary year starting on July 1st. This new responsibility you are about to undertake is a testament to your dedication, passion, and commitment to service.

As leaders of our esteemed Rotary clubs, we have a unique opportunity to create hope in the world and make a lasting impact on the lives of those around us. Our collective efforts have the power to bring about positive change, and it is with great pride that I join you in this journey.

First and foremost, I urge you to focus on undertaking projects that serve the needs of our communities. By addressing the most pressing issues in our own surroundings, we can bring hope and joy to those who need it the most. Together, we can make a real difference in the lives of the less fortunate and create a ripple effect of compassion and kindness.

Furthermore, I encourage you to actively work towards strengthening Rotary International by increasing our membership. By welcoming new individuals into our Rotary family, we expand our network of like-minded individuals who share our values and vision. With their unique perspectives and expertise, we can broaden our reach and make an even greater impact.

Let us also remember the importance of supporting the Rotary Foundation. The Foundation plays a vital role in funding impactful projects, both locally and globally. I urge you to encourage your club members to make monetary contributions to the Foundation, enabling us to continue our vital work and transform lives.

In all our endeavors, it is crucial that we embody the qualities of a good Rotarian. Let us strive to be ambassadors of goodwill, integrity, and service. By upholding these principles, we not only improve the public image of Rotary in our neighborhoods but also inspire others to join us in our mission.

I am truly honoured to serve alongside each and every one of you as we embark on this incredible journey. Together, we can create a world filled with hope, love, and compassion. I have complete faith in your abilities and look forward to witnessing the remarkable achievements that await us.

Thank you for your unwavering commitment to Rotary and for the positive change you are about to bring to our communities & **create a hope in the world.**

Yours in service,

Anirudha Roychowdhury

Rotary International Director, Zone 5 & 6

Message from DGN



Dear President Rtn Pradip Shome

Hearty congratulations on assuming office as the **President of Rotary Club of Salt Lake Central** for **2023 – 2024** with Rotary International **President Rtn R Gordon R McNally** at the helm, taking over from the

first- ever lady **President of Rotary International Rtn Jennifer Jones**. A joyous moment indeed!!

Being “**people of action**”, we all are essentially in Rotary for hands-on service. I am sure that you will take up both meaningful and sustainable projects based on the seven “**Areas of Focus**”, in addition to stressing upon the three important verticals, namely, **Public Image, Membership and The Rotary Foundation.**

I am positive that you and your vibrant team will support our very able and hardworking **District Governor Rtn Hira Lal Yadav** throughout the Rotary Year, and “**Create Hope in the World**” and around our community, imagine Rotary the way you have never done before, and continue making a difference, being an inspiration to connect and open opportunities for others, and serve to change lives!!

It will be my unique pleasure to work with you and the members of your club in the coming years with the common goal of serving humanity.

Dr Simran joins me in wishing you and your esteemed members all the very best for a super successful Rotary Year 2023 – 2024.

Kind regards. Yours-in-Rotary

Dr Krishnendu Gupta
District Governor Elect, 2024–2025
Rotary International District 3291

Message from PDG Rajani Mukerji



Dear President 2023-24 Pradip,

Ballari joins me in congratulating you as you take up the responsibility of leading your Club in following the theme for the year, “**CREATE HOPE in the WORLD**”. District looks up to your club for some meaningful service to the mankind. I'm sure under your able leadership Rotary

Salt Lake Central would gift a memorable year to the district.

As we have stepped into the second century of Rotary Service, strengthening our Clubs, our very roots, has become the order of the day! To retain members and strengthen our clubs, we must keep in mind, every Rotarian joined Rotary to contribute something for a cause and has some expectations from the Rotary Club; to retain members, make sure that every member of the club is involved and satisfied. General Secretary of “**Rotary International**” & “**The Rotary Foundation**”, **John Hewko**, urged Rotarians to think out of box, embrace flexibility, and focus on engagement rather than attendance! We need to change!

You would have to device an innovative ways to run and manage the club; a new thought, how to take up Service Projects!

Ballari joins me in wishing you and your team a great happening year ahead.

With best regards,
Yours-in-Rotary Service,

Rajani Mukerji
District Governor 2013-14
District Rotary Public Image Chair 2023-24, D-3291
Member, National Advisory Committee, Rotary India Literacy Mission

30th Installation Ceremony

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Message from PDG



Rtn. Pradip Shome
President 23-24
Rotary Salt Lake Central District 3291
Dear President Pradip,

Rubena joins me in congratulating the respected and ever-enthusiastic **Rotary Salt Lake Central** family on this wonderful occasion.

I wish each one of your Club Member the same Joy and fulfillment that I have personally enjoyed over these many years as a Rotarian.

Pradip, you are selected by the members of your Rotary Club to guide its affairs during the year 2023-24 and as a President of your club, you need to be thinking ahead to the coming year(s) as well that will help and shape your Club's future.

I wish you all the best along with your **Rotary Salt Lake Central** Family Members for a meaningful Rotary year and assuring my unending support to **CREAT HOPE in the WORLD.**

With best regards

Prabir Chatterjee

Message from Charter President



Twenty Nine years ago when **Rotary Club of Salt Lake Central** started its dedicated journey to fulfill the Mission of Rotary. I was fortunate to be the First President. Rotary is an organization based on leaders and encourages leadership to achieve its humanitarian goals. Accordingly, it foster new ideas to meet new challenges in serving the community. During last two and half decades, under the inspirational leadership of so many Presidents, our club has blossomed and gone from strength to strength to reach new heights. Now is the turn of **Rtn. Pradip Shome** to take up the mantle to successfully lead the Club to a new era of humanitarian service. I convey my blessings and best wishes to the new President.

CP Arindam Nandy

Message from Club President



I, Pradip Shome, am deeply grateful to the **Rotary Club of Salt Lake Central** for electing me to be the **President** of this wonderful club for its **30th year.**

Its been an honor to take over as the President after how wonderfully the club was conducted on its 29th year by such a charismatic personality, **Rtn. Subir Chatterjee.**

I would strive towards making sure that I can live up to the wonderful work done till now and will pledge my utmost loyalty in upholding the meaning of **Rotary International.**

I believe **“There is nothing better on this earth than a soul that you can connect with on every level.”**

Message from IPP



A journey as a **President of RC Salt Lake Central** that began on **1st July 2022**, has come to an end. It has been a memorable and exciting journey and I am extremely glad to have served the community with various social welfare projects along with my team and fellow members. I as a president feel very proud to have been able to stand beside the underprivileged people and helped them. I wish all the best to the **New Team 2023-24** of RC Salt Lake Central lead by **Rtn Pradip Shome.**

Subir Chatterjee
President 202-23



Garlanding at
Dr. Bidhan Chandra Roy's statue



Fruits distribution amongst the inmates of our Old Age Home, Natun Ghar on 1st July 2023

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Induction of New Members



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Happy Anniversary



PP Rtn. Ranjit Kumar Mitra
&
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14th July 2021