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South City Rotary Network



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Rtn. Holger Knaack

R I President 2020-21



Rtn. Holger Knaack President 2020-21- Presidential message August 2020

Holger Knaack, a member of the Rotary Club of Herzogtum Lauenburg-Mölln, Germany, is the President of Rotary International for 2020-21. The year 2020 has brought monumental changes that have already included a global pandemic and a renewed call for social justice. We are reminded that we live in a constantly changing world, and Rotary is a reflection of that world. We must be ready to listen and adapt, always drawing upon our core values of service, fellowship, diversity, integrity, and leadership. If we live these values and apply The Four-Way Test to all aspects of our lives, we will be prepared to lead at all times. I am proud of how we have proven our ability to adapt. Faced with a pandemic, Rotary has not stopped. We moved meetings online and found new ways to serve. We turned the canceled 2020 Rotary International Convention in Honolulu into our first virtual convention. Each week, we are proving that Rotary is a flexible gathering that happens anywhere — in traditional meetings, on cellphones, and on computers. Rotary offers a way to connect for everyone who wants to, at any time, and will continue to do so. Some have even told me that they enjoy Rotary's mix of online and in-person meetings more now than before! How can we build on this momentum and seize the opportunity to embrace change so that Rotary keeps thriving? For me, supporting new types of clubs is key. They are no longer just experiments but a real part of Rotary today. In addition to traditional clubs, we have e-clubs, Rotaract clubs, cause-based clubs, and passport clubs. These help make Rotary more inclusive, more flexible, and more attractive to new members. Visit these clubs, exchange ideas and partner with them, and promote them to one another and to our communities. We all agree that we need to grow Rotary, but sometimes we can get caught up in the numbers game and lose sight of the bigger picture. After all, an increase in membership is meaningless if next year, those new members leave our clubs. Let's grow Rotary sustainably. Rotary's flexible options for participation will engage members and show the community how we're different from any other club. Let's celebrate that Rotary is now less about rules and more about joining together in a variety of ways besides traditional meetings. I recommend that each club hold an annual strategy meeting to ask — and honestly answer — if we are doing all we can for our members and if our club reflects the community we serve. We are taking this approach at the international level, too. I am proud that six women are serving with me on the RI Board of Directors this year, the most we have ever had. Let's keep Rotary moving in this direction at every level. We need more perspectives, more diversity, for Rotary to thrive. It's fascinating to imagine how we will find new ways to adapt and stay nimble this year and beyond. But I am also inspired about what hasn't changed and never will in Rotary: the friendships, the networking, the ethics, and the service. Indeed, these are the values that make Rotary attractive to all. As Rotary's founder, Paul Harris, said, we have to be revolutionary from time to time. Now is such a time. Rotary Opens Opportunities — countless ones — for us to embrace change that will strengthen us even as we remain true to our core values.

Holger Knaack
 President 2020-21

Rotary International President Elect 2022-23



Jennifer E. Jones, a member of the Rotary Club of Windsor-Roseland, Ontario, Canada, has been nominated to become Rotary International's president for 2022-23, a groundbreaking selection that will make her the first woman to hold that office in the organization's 115-year history.

Jones will officially become president-nominee on 1 October if no other candidates challenge her.

Jones says she sees Rotary's Action Plan as a catalyst for increasing Rotary's impact.

"As we reflect upon our new strategic priorities, we could have never envisioned that our ability to adapt would become our North Star during what is inarguably the most profound time in recent history," Jones said in her vision statement. "Silver linings rise out of the most challenging circumstances. Using metric-driven goals, I will harness this historic landscape to innovate, educate, and communicate opportunities that reflect today's reality." As the first woman to be nominated to be president, Jones understands how important it is to follow through on Rotary's Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Statement. "I believe that diversity, equity, and inclusion ... begins at the top and for us to realize growth in female membership

and members under the age of forty — these demographics need to see their own reflection in leadership,” Jones said. “I will champion double-digit growth in both categories while never losing sight of our entire family.” Jones is founder and president of Media Street Productions Inc., an award-winning media company in Windsor. She was chair of the board of governors of the University of Windsor and chair of the Windsor-Essex Regional Chamber of Commerce. She has been recognized for her service with the YMCA Peace Medallion, the Queen’s Diamond Jubilee Medal, and Wayne State University’s Peacemaker of the Year Award, a first for a Canadian. Jones holds a Doctor of Laws (LL.D.). A current Rotary Foundation trustee, Jones has been a Rotary member since 1997 and has served Rotary as RI vice president, director, training leader, committee chair, moderator, and district governor. She played a lead role in Rotary’s rebranding effort by serving as chair of the Strengthening Rotary’s Advisory Group. She is the co-chair of the End Polio Now Countdown to History Campaign Committee, which aims to raise \$150 million for polio eradication efforts. Jones recently led the successful #RotaryResponds telethon, which raised critical funds for COVID-19 relief and was viewed by more than 65,000. Jones has also received Rotary International’s Service Above Self Award and The Rotary Foundation Citation for Meritorious Service. She and her husband, Nick Krayacich, are members of The Rotary Foundation’s Arch Klumph Society, Paul Harris Society, and the Bequest Society.



Club Activities

COTS Meeting

Club Officer Training Seminar (COTS) meeting was organised on 3rd July 2020. AG Rtn. Asit Talukdar and ZS Rtn. Neeraj Agrawal was present in the meeting along with the members of our club. President C.L. Dhariwal welcomed all the members and our AG Rtn. Asit Talukdar and ZS Rtn. Neeraj Agrawal. Incoming President Rtn. Ajay Agarwal introduced AG Rtn. Asit Talukdar and Secretary Elect Rtn. Alok Bery introduced ZS Rtn. Neeraj Agrawal.



Rtn. Asit Talukdar laid the emphasis on our club to try and take up a Global Grant Project, upload projects on Rotary India App, set goals on Rotary Club Central. Rtn. Neeraj Agrawal laid emphasis on doing fund raising programs & projects, membership growth, family get-to-gathers, fellowship, focus on the new avenue – “Environment”. In this pandemonium time, club should focus on project in Environment, E-Learning, E-Clubs. They also informed the members that under the Covid – 19 pandemonium period any club can apply with a specific project to East India Rotary Welfare Trust for a grant upto 1 lac for the project, which will be 50% of the total cost of the project. Our club should look for CSR funding from various organizations.

Installation Ceremony

Our Club’s 8th Installation celebrations – 8th July 2020

Our club's 8th Installation was celebrated over a Zoom virtual meeting on 8th July, 2020. RIPE Shekhar Mehata, Rtn. Sudip Mukherjee, District Governor of RI District 3291 and other dignitaries of the district graced the occasion. PP Rtn. Falguni Sarkar and Rtn T Srinithi introduced Sudip Mukherjee and Rtn. Shekhar Mehta. Secretary Rtn. Rajesh Gupta presented the report of the Annual Club Activities under taken during the year 2019-20. President Rtn. C. L. Dhariwal gave his presidential Address. President Rtn. C. L. Dhariwal installed the incoming president Rtn. Ajay Agarwal by pinning him with the President's Pin and handed over the Gravel and Bell as a mark of authority alongwith the Club Charter and executed the Presidential Oath. President Rtn. Ajay Agarwal gave his acceptance speech. President Rtn. Ajay Agarwal introduced his team of office bearers for the 2020-21.



Message from District Governor



District Governor Rtn. Sudip Mukherjee addressed the august gathering and made a thrust to all members to concentrate on the projects of Focus Areas and the need for membership increase within the club, as well as to try to sponsor more new clubs.

Message from Rotary International President Elect, Rtn. Shekhar Mehta



RIPE Rtn. Shekhar Mehta addressed the august gathering. He emphasized on the need of membership growth, increase in number of clubs in the District and make full use of these pandemic times to work on the Areas of Focus of the District and Rotary International to serve the society.

Other Matters

The vocational awards to the best performing service staff members of South City Towers were presented by Rtn. Basudev Bhattacharya. The best Rotarian awards were presented to Rtn. Annapurna Shaw and Rtn. Syamal Kanti Bhattacharya.

Release of July Bulletin

Bulletin Editor, Rtn. Barun Kar presented the first issue of the bulletin for the year 2020-21 which was released during the Installation Meeting.

Club Service – Speaker Meeting

Rotary Club of Calcutta South City Towers
in association with
South City Apartments Owners Association

We join hands to felicitate the COVID warriors of our complex

Please join us for an interactive session on COVID 19, its symptoms, how to deal with it & precautionary measures with COVID survivors and your doctors

Dr. Hrishikesh Kumar
MCh - Neurology & Visc. Chiro., Institute of Neurosciences

Dr. Paramita Trivedi
MCh - Intensive Care & Anaesthesiology, DGSU Hospital

Dr. P.K. Hazra
MCh - Gerontology, Advanced Medical Research Institute (AMRI)

Zoom Meeting ID: 845 428 0050
Password: RCCSCT

Date: 12th July, 2020 (Sunday)
Time: 10:30 am



Complexes involve resident experts and survivors to raise awareness

Jayanta Gupta & Tanayoua Sanyal | Two

SHARING INFORMATION

An interactive session in progress over video call at a complex

The interactive session at South City Towers was a major event. We had resident doctors Hrishikesh Kumar, Paramita Trivedi and P K Hazra answering questions. Some Covid survivors also spoke about their experiences.

Bishu Agrawal | AGENT, MEMBER, SOUTH CITY APARTMENT OWNERS' ASSOCIATION

putting unnecessary panic as they while informing residents of what steps they need to take to remain safe," said Bishu Agrawal, a board member of the welfare association and the Rotary Club of the complex that helped in organising the session.

The complex houses nearly 6,000 people. The doctors spoke from their experiences and instructions to prevent the virus from spreading. Videos and online material explaining procedures such as home isolation and quarantine are also shared. The large gatherings are forbidden. We regularly interact via WhatsApp or video calls. Everybody is involved in the decision-making process and we organised an online vote to decide whether domestic help should be allowed to re-enter."

Ashok Baid, a senior member of the residents' association.

Uttara has constituted a Covid vigilance team comprising residents and facility management representatives. The team meets regularly to chart out the 'do and don'ts' for residents to prevent spread of the virus. Which nearly eight persons from the complex suffering from the infection, social distancing and sanitation have turned into critical issues. "Residents are kept informed about the cases in the complex and how to be safe."

Debjani Mukherjee | CEO - FINANCIAL, FACILITY MANAGEMENT, SHARMA RESIDENTIAL COMPLEX

based on the need to maintain social distance and wear masks. Among other things, Trivedi spoke on how the concept of herd immunity is fraught with danger without a vaccine.

The residents' association at Silver Springs has been sending out regular advices and guidelines that have the latest government regulations and



South City Apartment Owners' Association along with the Rotary Club of South City Towers organised an interactive session on Covid-19 Pandemic. The session was held on Sunday, 12th of July 2020 at 10:30 AM over a Zoom video conferencing. Panel of Doctors, Dr. Hrishikesh Kumar, Dr. Paramita Trivedi and Dr. P.K. Hazra presented their views on the subject. The conference was attended by the members of RCCSCT, members of other clubs and the residents of the South City.

It was a great interactive session where the doctors had given a detailed information on the Covid 19 and the precaution to be taken during this pandemic. The session was very informative and the every one benefited from the intricate knowledge gained on the subject. Covid warrior and beloved Rtn. Raj Shrivastava had explained how he diagnosed himself being affected by the virus and what steps, medication and medical support he undertook to overcome it. Rtn. T. Srinithi felicitated the doctors and on the occasion our club planted 3 trees each in the name of the 3 doctors. Mr. Surjodipta Datta, Vice President of SCOA given the vote of thanks. The session was a great success since more than 100 people participated in the meeting. Post Webinar there was a discussion on the wellness of our South City Service Staff mainly Housekeeping, Security staff etc. Based on this the following points were evolved and Rotary Club of Calcutta South City Towers has committed to execute the same.

- Printing hand bills in Bengali language on awareness on Covid - 19 in Bengali and circulating to all service staff.
- Printing poster in Bengali language and displaying at prominent places in South City.
- Conduct a webinar for service staff of South City joining hands with JLL on a working day
- Providing Medical kits to the positive cases of our service staff free of cost. The cost per kit works out to approximately Rs.6800.00, which includes testing, medicines and basic equipment for isolation.

It was decided to plan for minimum 50 kits for a start. The budgeted cost of 50 Medical kits, Hand Bills, Posters etc. will be approximately Rs.3,50,000.00. Rtn. Sunil Jhunjhunwala instantaneously committed to contribute Rs. 25,000.00 for this noble cause. Dr. Paramita Trivedi has agreed to provide free consultation to the service staff twice daily via Whatsapp.

Club Service – Speaker Meeting

Rotary Club of Calcutta South City Towers in association with South City Apartment Owners Association arranged a talk on “Covid 19 – Way forward for South Citizens, Paediatric and how to overcome panic” on 19th July, over Zoom. President Rtn. Ajay Agarwal welcomed the members, guests and the panel of doctors. Rtn. Ritesh Agarwal introduced the panel of Doctors, Dr. Hrishikesh Kumar, Dr. Paramita Trivedi and Dr. P.K. Hazra. Dr. Hrishikesh Kumar spoke about the Symptoms and Immediate Actions about Covid – 19. Dr. Paramita Trivedi explained How to deal with Covid – 19. Dr. P. K. Hazra explained How to take precautions and deal with friends & relatives under the circumstances till the pandemic lasts. We had an open forum session which was very interesting and the complete audience was involved in the program and with their various questions. It was a very informative session and all present benefitted immensely from the talks. Rtn. Ritesh Agarwal and Rtn. Nikhil Chokhani facilitated the question answer session very well. Rtn. T. Srinithi felicitated the doctors and on the occasion our club planted 3 trees each in the name of the 3 doctors. Mr. Surjodipta Datta, Vice President of SCOA given the vote of thanks.

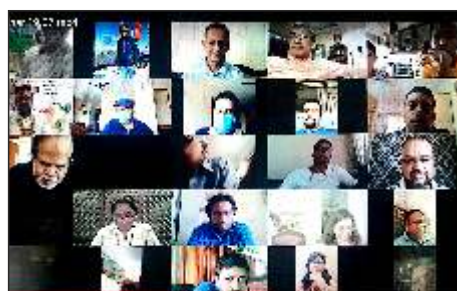
Message from the bulletin editor Rtn. Barun Kar

A very warm greeting to my dear fellow Rotarians. This bulletin gives you a synopsis of the events held in July 2020.

RCCSCT has completed a year of wonderful activities starting from arranging Medical camps, Vocational training, distribution of Food packets under 'Combat Hunger' programme, Rotary India Literary Mission, distribution of Clothes, Blankets, Mosquito nets etc. to the poor in Katla para, Gangasagar, Krisnangar and Indurai.

On behalf of all the club members I heartily congratulate the President Rtn. CL Dhariwal for his leadership, Rtn. Rajesh Gupta for his effective management of all the administrative affairs of the club. Also the huge contribution and efforts of the other team members that has contributed to the success.

I welcome new President Rtn. Ajay Agarwal, Secretary Rtn. Alok Bery, Treasurer Rtn Satish Tarway and other members. I request active involvement and support of every member for service above self. I believe, together we will make a meaningful 2020-21.

HAPPY birthday!

Annet Iphita Tripathi Daughter of
Rtn. Satyanarayan & Ann Sanghamitra Chakrabarti
06-Aug

Annet Bilal Faisal Son of Rtn. Faisal & Ann Nousheen
11-Aug

Annet Shreyansh Agarwal Son of Rtn. Ritesh &
Ann Nisha Agarwal 18-Aug

Ann Mina Jhunjhunwala 20-Aug

Rtn. Eakambaram S 20-Aug

Ann Nisha Agarwal 24-Aug

Avanti Iyer Daughter-in-law of Late Rtn. Amitava &
Ann Purnima Ghosh 25-Aug

Happy Anniversary

Rtn. Tapan & Ann Ishita Halder
01-Aug

Rtn. Biren & Ann Arati Mallick
04-Aug

Rtn. Syamal & Ann Susmita
Bhattacharya **04-Aug**

Mr. & Mrs. Sohini Halder Daughter
& Son-in-Law of Rtn. Tapan &
Ann Ishita Halder **08-Aug**

Rtn. M. J. Sultan & Ann Aneesa
Zaibab **09-Aug**

Anirban & Avanti Son & Daughter-
in-Law of Late Rtn. Amitava & Ann
Purnima Ghosh **24-Aug**