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MINUTES OF THE 2508TH RCM (REGULAR CLUB MEETING) OF ROTARY CLUB OF BELUR HELD AT HHI ON 9TH SEPTEMBER AT 4.30 PM.

The meeting was attended by 30 members with spouses and 5 guests.

President Amar Malhotra called the meeting to order requested all members to rise for the national anthem. This was followed by an invocation to God by PP Hare Krishna Prasad.

President Amar Malhotra welcomed the guests. The members who participated in the Janmashtami celebration were felicitated by Rtn R.K. Bubna.

Rtn Sundeep Choraria and Sec. Suresh Khunteta were handed over certificates and PHF (Paul Harris Fellow) pins for their contributions to TRF (The Rotary Foundation).

Secretary Suresh Khunteta provided updates on the forthcoming programs of the club and extended birthday wishes to club members and their spouses.

President Amar Malhotra requested Rtn Divishha Banthia to introduce the guest speaker, which she did exceptionally well. Dr. Kumra, an experienced and renowned gynecologist, spoke about the purpose of life being love. She emphasized the importance of self-care and shared simple yet effective tips for maintaining a healthy liver, kidneys, heart, and other organs. She conducted an interesting exercise where members created their own logos, and based on that, she predicted the nature of each member, which turned out to be surprisingly accurate. The members thoroughly enjoyed this fun activity. The guest speaker, Dr. Gauri Kumra, was felicitated by PP Rakesh Bhatia. Ann Minoo Seth delivered the vote of thanks.

A cake cutting ceremony was done to celebrate the birthday of PP Shashi Seth, PE Anand Agarwal and Ann Nivedita Mohan. President Amar concluded the meeting and invited everyone for fellowship

Rtn Amar Malhotra, *President*
Rtn Suresh Ch. Khunteta, *Secretary*



TODAY'S SPEAKER

SHOME MUKHERJEE, is a Senior Banking Professional, Leadership Mentor, Corporate & Sales Skills Trainer, Executive & Mental Fitness Coach, Keynote & Motivational Speaker (MBA — Insurance, Underwriting & Risk Management, FRPM — Fellow



Research Program in Management, Certified NLP Practitioner from NFNLP- USA) with 25 years of Experience & Expertise. He has held Senior Leadership Positions in India in Banks like Citibank N.A, HSB, ABN Amro, RBS, Socgen in Retail Banking Process, Collection & Risk.

Shome Mukherjee, has worked as a Senior Consultant & Project Head for Citibank and VP Bank — in Ho-Chi-Minh City, Vietnam, Senior Consultant & Leadership Coach for Mau Bank, Mauritius, Leadership Coach for Banks of Cambodia, Fiji, Dubai. He has Completed over 25000 Hours of Training & Facilitating Managing NPA & Debt Recovery Strategies with IFRS 9 for Cambodia and many others.

He has been actively associated with All India Radio as a Primetime Western Music & Talk Show Host for last 23 years. A Storyteller, Actor, Voice Over Artiste, Orator, Quizzard & Emcee of various Corporate & Institutional Events. Besides he has also been the Official Radio English Commentator for the Auspicious Puri Rathayatra aired worldwide in collaboration with All India Radio & BBC.





Empowering Through Adult Literacy

September is the Basic Education and Literacy Month. This dedicated period is a testament to our unwavering dedication to nurturing intellects, fostering growth, and instigating transformative change through education.

Across the globe, more than 775 million individuals over the age of 15 remain illiterate. This staggering statistic, which accounts for 17 percent of the world's population, compels us to broaden our perspective to recognize the significance of lifelong learning. Let us, therefore, champion adult literacy by bestowing upon adults the ability to read and write, which not only augments their personal growth but also fortifies the very fabric of our communities. A literate society is a society poised for progress.

By investing in education, we are investing in the future of our societies and the world at large. Let us stand united in our pursuit of a world where every child seizes the opportunity to learn, every adult gains the chance to grow, and every community thrives. Let's turn the page towards a brighter, more literate tomorrow. Together, we can reshape destinies, uplift lives, and create a lasting impact.

UMBRELLA Project



Visit to
BHATTANAGAR KULAKAMINI BALIKA VIDYAMANDIR and CHAKPARA SARADA DEVI HIGH SCHOOL
on 21st of September, 2023 to apprise the teachers of our project on Cervical Cancer vaccination.



INDIA- BANGLADESH SADBHAVANA (GOODWILL CYCLE RALLY-2 - 2023

INDIA BANGLADESH

Estd. 1989

Bapu Bangabandhu

Let's Celebrate Unity in Diversity
Salute sacrifices, Connect hearts

Sadbhavana

INDIA-BANGLADESH GOODWILL CYCLE RALLY-2023

Sadbhavana, an initiative to promote ideals of Mahatma Gandhi, a rally of 60 cyclists from Ahmednagar Maharashtra was flagged off by Prof Sankar Kumar Sanyal at Gandhi bhawan Beliaghata. Rotary District Governor Hiralal Yadav, and IAS Sanjay Thade praised the efforts. Spreading the message of Peace and Goodwill is the motto of Snehalaya, a NGO working extensively for orphaned children. This India-Bangladesh Goodwill cycle rally is spearheaded, by Snehalaya and supported by Rotary club of Belur, District 3291 Kolkata.

Cyclists will move towards Krishnanagar, Malda, Rajshahi to reach Noakhali Gandhi ashram, Dacca in Bangladesh on 30th September.

~ PE Event Chair Anand Agarwal



सद्भावना साइकिल रैली को हरी झंडी

हावड़ा, 16 सितम्बर (नि.प्र.)। सद्भावना, महात्मा गांधी के आदर्शों को बढ़ावा देने की एक पहल, 60 साइकिल चालकों की एक रैली को अनुभवी स्वतंत्रता सेनानी प्रोफेसर शंकर कुमार सान्याल ने गांधी भवन बेलिवा-घाटा से हरी झंडी दिखाकर रवाना किया।

रोटरी डिस्ट्रिक्ट गवर्नर हिरालाल यादव, आईएस संजय ठाड़े और वरिष्ठ रोटैरियन उपस्थित रहे। शांति और सद्भाव का संदेश फैलाने हुए, इस भारत-बांग्लादेश सद्भावना साइकिल रैली का नेतृत्व स्नेहालय द्वारा किया जाता है और रोटरी क्लब ऑफ बेलूर, कोलकाता द्वारा समर्थित है। साइकिल



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My Dearest Amar and Swati,

In the radiant tapestry of our club, Swati shines like a brilliant Nakshatra, the youthful energy pulsating through our midst. In her early forties, she has managed to capture the hearts of every club member, leaving us all awe-inspired. We find ourselves encountering her vibrant presence even more frequently than that of you, dear venerable president.

What's truly remarkable, dear Amar and Swati, is that you've effortlessly delivered what we never thought possible, and you've magnified it by a staggering 200%. Swati's addition to our club has infused it with an astounding 300% more vigour, and we can't help but be thrilled by the electric energy you bring.

As you both continue to work in this remarkable manner, we have no doubt that our club will ascend to unprecedented heights under your joint leadership. The sky's the limit, and with you two at the helm, we're reaching for the stars!

With heartfelt affection for both of you,

Vishnu

End Cervical Cancer

"United to End Cervical Cancer" in Egypt, an initiative to reduce the number of cases while raising awareness and improving women's access to preventive care, is the recipient of Rotary's third annual Programs of Scale award.

The four-year program in and around Cairo will vaccinate more than 30,000 girls ages 9-15, provide cancer screenings for 10,000 women, and launch a public awareness campaign to reach 4 million people.

This program is further proof that Rotary is capable of creating large-scale, meaningful projects that create lasting change.

Cervical cancer is considered one of the most preventable cancers. It's caused primarily by the human papillomavirus (HPV), the most common viral infection of the reproductive tract. Ninety percent of deaths from cervical cancer occur in low- and middle-income countries, where cancer screenings and routine HPV vaccinations aren't available and cultural misconceptions may deter women from seeking care.

WHO's Cervical Cancer Elimination Initiative has set goals by 2030 to vaccinate 90% of girls, screen 70% of women, and treat 90% of women who have precancerous or cancerous cells.

The Rotary Foundation awards US\$2 million to one Scale grant each year to a program that aligns with at least one of Rotary's causes and is ready to be expanded to create larger-scale change.

Rotary Belur is taking an initiative to take up a global grant project this year, which would in its first phase vaccinate 2000 girls' from 9 to 15 years of age. The initiative is expected to continue into ongoing project activity year after year.

~ Complied by PP Vishnu Dhandhanian



23rd September :
Ann Minoo Seth

28th September :
Ann Geeta Bhatia

29th September : Ann Dr. Mithu Sharma

29th September : Manish Tibrewala

30th September : Tanuja Choraria

03rd October : Ann Preeti Garg

05th October : Dr. Sarbani Swaika

05th October : Ann Usha Agarwal



24th September : Madhyamgram
AASHIYANA NGO
visit 10 a.m.

29th September : "WORLD HEART DAY "
Walkathon in collaboration with
Charnock Hospital

2nd October : Gandhi Jayanti Celebration with
Interact MCKV

(Events subject to change)