

# Utkraman

Weekly Bulletin



## Rotary Club of Calcutta Metro South, R.I. Dist. 3291

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### RI President's Message , August 2024

If we are to truly change the world with The Magic of Rotary, it's up to all of us to foster a sense of belonging in our clubs. But every club should take its own path to get there, and the Action Plan can help you find your way. What does that look like?

Take for instance the Rotary Club of Beveren-Waas in Belgium. It was chartered in 1974 but has evolved with the times, developing both a strategic plan and a membership plan. To find new members, the club analyzes the city's professions to help focus its search, and all new members are quickly assigned tasks and roles.

The club also mixes up meeting times, alternating between evening and afternoon sessions, making them accessible for all members.

Sometimes, circumstances force clubs to make changes. But as people of action, we know that behind every obstacle is an opportunity.

The Rotary Club of Holyoke in Massachusetts was forced from its meeting place because of rising costs after the COVID-19 pandemic, but members took this setback and turned it into a strength. The club started meeting in a library community room that was available for no charge and catering lunch from a nearby deli. Lunch costs \$10 per person but it's optional, so no one has to spend money to attend a meeting. What a great way to work toward being "fair to all concerned."

Since making this change, the Holyoke club has

gained 13 members. I suspect part of its membership growth is due to the club's sense of inclusivity — the first step toward belonging.

If you ask members what they expect from the club experience, you might find that your club doesn't meet expectations. Think of this as an opportunity to reshape your club in exciting ways, as alternative club models are making a positive impact.

For example, a Rotary Fellowship called Beers Rotarians Enjoy Worldwide, or BREW, has worked closely with the Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene Rotary Action Group for the past eight years to assist with clean water projects. In that time, BREW has funneled 25 percent of its dues to those initiatives.

BREW is one of many examples of members pursuing belonging to improve the world.

I can't stress enough the importance of belonging. Clubs become simply irresistible when all members feel that they are exactly where they need to be. To me, belonging is the spark that ignites The Magic of Rotary.

As you receive feedback from club members and the community you serve, I urge you to pursue that spark. The Action Plan can help you find the path to success, and if you light your way with the spirit of belonging, that path will lead to a bright future for your club, your community, and the world.

**Stephanie A. Urchick**

President 2024-25



## MINUTES OF 1263RD RM OF ROTARY CLUB OF CALCUTTA METRO SOUTH HELD ON 28 JULY, 2024

RWM was held on 28/07/2024 at AC Pavilion of Calcutta Club Limited from 11:30 hrs onward with Joint Installation Program of Zone 13 of Rotary District 3291.

Event : Installation Program in collaboration with other three clubs (RC of Calcutta Endeavour, RC of Calcutta Lansdowne & RC of Calcutta Metropolitan East) belonging to Rotary Zone 13 for the year 2024 -2024.



The program was scheduled and performed as below.

Rtn Madhumita called the Installation Chair Rtn Tapan Gooptu on the dais to initiate the program.

Following the above Rtn Madhumita called the dignitaries one by one starting from the District Governor (2024-25), District Governor (N), IPP of all the four clubs & Past Secretaries of 4 clubs on the dais.

The District Governor (Dr. Krishnendu Gupta), The District Governor Nominee (Rtn Tapas Bhattacharya) and The Installation Chair (Rtn Tapan Gooptu) were felicitated followed by the felicitation of other District officials.

All the IPP have called the meeting in order and Rtn Madhumita has requested ali in the hall to stand up for the National anthem.

After the national Anthem, Rtn Madhumita requested all the four Secretaries to present the Secretary Report for the year 2023-24. All the secretaries have placed the reports including the report of the last RM of individual club one by one.

IPPs were requested to deliver their farewell speech and they have performed the same.

Followed the above steps of the program, all the Secretaries for the year 2024-2025 have introduced their respective President for the year 2024-25.

Rtn Madhumita called the IPPs to exchange the Collars, Charter, gavel & hammer to the next President of the respective club in the presence of District Governor Rtn Krishnendu Gupta and DG (N) Rtn Tapas Bhattacharya and it was done successfully.



The newly chaired Presidents have read their focus on the expected performance for the year 2024 - 2025.



Some of the clubs have introduced the new members of their clubs.

The District Governor (2024-2025) and DG (N) have presented their speech which were really very much encouraging.

In continuation with the above members & guests of the clubs were felicitated according to their own schedule & choice.

After the above performance, Rtn Partha has given the Vote of thanks.

All the new Presidents for the year 2024 - 2025 have terminated the meeting and Rtn Madhumita requested all to have the lunch and enjoy.

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