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EDITORIAL

At the heart of Rotary lies a powerful foundation—friendship and fellowship. More than just a service organization, Rotary is a global family where relationships flourish through shared purpose and mutual respect. As Paul Harris, the founder of Rotary, once said, "Friendship was the foundation rock on which Rotary was built."

Rotary clubs foster a sense of belonging that transcends borders, cultures, and professions. Weekly meetings, service projects, and social gatherings aren't just about planning; they are opportunities to bond, share experiences, and grow together. It's in these connections that the spirit of Rotary thrives.

Fellowship strengthens service. When Rotarians unite with genuine camaraderie, their impact deepens. As one popular Rotary saying goes, "You make a living by what you get, but you make a life by what you give." Giving, when done together, builds not only communities but lifelong friendships.

In a world often divided, Rotary offers a space where people come together—not just to do good, but to be good to one another. Through friendship and fellowship, Rotarians live the motto, "Service Above Self," not as a duty, but as a shared joy.

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"Coffee, Rotary, and Friendship" - A Dialogue Scene: A quiet café, late afternoon. Two friends meeting after a few months apart.

Friend 1 : (sipping his coffee) It's been too long. You've been busy, huh?

Friend 2: Yeah, Rotary stuff has been taking a lot of my time lately. But in a good way. You know how it is.

Friend 2: Rotary? You mean the Rotary Club? I thought that was something retired people did in their free time.

Friend 2: (laughs) That's what I thought too, honestly. Until I joined. Turns out, it's more than just meetings and formal dinners. It's about friendship, service, and making real impact.

Friend 1: Interesting. But how does "friendship" tie into a service organization?

Friend 2: That's actually the core of it. The Rotary motto is "Service Above Self", but it thrives on friendship. Most projects succeed not just because of funds or plans—but because of the trust and bond between Rotarians. It's service built on friendship.

Friend 1: Hmm. So, not just volunteering—more like a community?

Friend 2: Exactly. You know that feeling of working on something meaningful with

people you genuinely like? That's Rotary. We do health camps, literacy drives, environment projects—but we also laugh together, support each other during tough times, celebrate birthdays, even travel together.

Friend 1: That actually sounds... kind of great. I always thought volunteering was more about giving than receiving.

Friend 2: True, but in Rotary, you receive in return—friendships that cross cities, countries, even continents. I've met people from different backgrounds, professions, and cultures, and we connect instantly through Rotary.

Friend 1: So it's kind of like a global friendship network with a purpose?

Friend 2: That's a perfect way to put it. In fact, the founder of Rotary, Paul Harris, started it in 1905 just to make friends in a new city. From that, it grew into one of the world's largest humanitarian networks. Friendship was the seed; service became the fruit.

Friend 1: That's poetic. But are the friendships really that deep? Or just professional networking?

Friend 2: You'd be surprised. Some of my closest friendships now are with Rotarians. We've stood by each other during personal crises, celebrated each other's successes. And because we work together for

causes, that shared purpose deepens the bond.

Friend 1: Sounds like it's helped you grow as a person, too.

Friend 2: Absolutely. It's like this: when you surround yourself with people who are committed to doing good, it rubs off on you. You grow through service, but also through friendship—because these people inspire you.

Friend 1: You know what? Maybe I'll come along to your next meeting. Just to see what it's like.

Friend 2: I was hoping you'd say that. First coffee, next... maybe a service project?

Friend 1: (grinning) One step at a time. But who knows? Maybe friendship is the best starting point after all.

Potluck Dinner

A potluck dinner holds cultural and social significance as it brings people together in a spirit of community and sharing. Each guest contributes a dish, creating a diverse and collaborative meal that reflects different tastes, backgrounds, and traditions. This collective effort fosters a sense of inclusion and equality, as everyone participates in both giving and receiving. Potluck dinners are often used to celebrate milestones, build relationships, or simply enjoy each other's company in an informal,

welcoming setting. They highlight the values of generosity, cooperation, and unity within a group. This year, to celebrate 'Friendship Day' our club has organised a Potluck dinner with the collective efforts of the Rotarians. Let food be one of the sources of strengthening the bond of friendship.

ROTARY CLUB OF CUTTACK

Minutes of Weekly Meeting No. 3800

Date: 29th July 2025

Venue: Cuttack Club Annex-1

Occasion: Felicitation Ceremony of Esteemed District Governor Rtn. Manoj Kumar Tripathy & First Lady Madhusmita Tripathy, along with the Presidents & Secretaries of Rotary Clubs of Cuttack and Choudwar (Zone 7, RI District 3262)

The meeting was called to order by President Rtn. Sujata Priyadarshini.

DG Rtn. Manoj Kumar Tripathy, First Lady Madhusmita Tripathy, and AG Rtn. B.N. Mohanty were escorted to the dais by Sergeant-at-Arms Rtn. Lipsa Mohanty.

The National Anthem was recited, followed by a one-minute silence observed for World Peace and Better Understanding.

Another silence was observed in remembrance of the departed soul of PDG Rtn. Narayan Mishra's mother.

President Rtn. Sujata Priyadarshini warmly welcomed all esteemed Rotarians, Inner Wheel members,

and guests present for the evening.

The minutes of the previous meeting circulated via bulletin were read and confirmed.

Fellowship announcement was made by Rtn. Prasanta Kumar Panigrahi.

Secretary Rtn. Dr. Tasneem Dodia briefed the house on the Club's recent activities and permanent projects during the past week and the upcoming schedule.

Rtn. K.K.P. Subudhi and Rtn. Ajab Patel coordinated the dais arrangements.

President Rtn. Sujata Priyadarshini shared a few inspiring words and read out the Scroll of Honour, warmly welcoming the District Governor and First Lady. They were felicitated with mementos and a floral tribute.

AG Rtn. Dr. B.N. Mohanty was also honored and felicitated.

Rtn. Dr. Devanand Mohapatra was felicitated for his achievements.

All Presidents and Secretaries of Rotary Clubs from Cuttack and Choudwar were honoured.

The following dignitaries were felicitated too:

PDG PP Rtn. Ashok Bihari Mohapatra

Zonal Chair PP Rtn. Basant Kumar Sahoo

DSG Rtn. Suresh Sahoo

Executive Secretary Rtn. P.V. Vijay

AG Rtn. Dr. B.N. Mohanty was introduced by Rtn. Malaya Malla, followed by his address.

DG Rtn. Manoj Kumar Tripathy was introduced by Rtn. K.K.P. Subudhi, after which

he delivered an inspiring keynote address.

First Lady Madhusmita Tripathy addressed the house with a few gracious words.

Vote of thanks was delivered by President-Elect Rtn.P.V. Balakrishna.

Meeting statistics were presented by Sergeant-at-Arms Rtn. Lipsa Mohanty.

The meeting was formally adjourned by President Rtn. Sujata Priyadarshini, followed by fellowship dinner.

Rtn. Dr. Tasneem Dodia
Secretary

BIRTHDAYS

31st July

Rtn. Goutam Kumar
Acharya

4th August

Rtn. Er. Purna Chandra
Dash

5th August

Rtn. K.Bhaskar Rao

BARABATI felicitates members who have celebrated their birthdays.

August is designated as Membership and New Club Development Month.

Program for the Next Week

7th August Eye screening, ENT checkup, and Dental checkup at APB International School, CDA, Sec-7

9th August Gouseva at Gopinathpur

12th August Weekly Meeting & “Chai Pe Charcha” by PP Rtn. Basant Sahoo & PP Rtn. Satyabrata Kuna Tripathy

CONGRATULATIONS



Congratulations PP Rtn. Dipak Rathore for receiving the Exemplary Service for Development of Tourism for the State of Odisha.

Last Weekly Meeting





“Yoga” for Mother & Baby at JPM RCC Eye Hospital & RI on 30th July



DLTC Batch 12 medals & certificate distribution on 3rd August



EVENTS

Rotary Club of Choudwar
Invitation
 ROTARY CLUB
 OF
 CHOUDWAR
 RID - 3262

President & members cordially invite you to the
 25th Installation Ceremony of New Office bearers for
 the year 2025-26
 On Sunday, 10th August 2025 at 10 AM
 AT - TOWN HALL
 GANDHI CHAK, CHOUDWAR

DDG Rtn. Sagarika Das as Chief Guest
HON'BLE JUSTICE Rtn. Manoj Kumar Mohanty
 as Chief Speaker
 &
Rtn. Parthasarathi Chatterjee, M.
 as Guest of Honor
 will grace the Ceremony.

Rtn. Sagarika Das
 President 2025-26
Rtn. Narash Kumar Sahoo
 President 2024-25
Rtn. Bahadur Kumar Sahu
 Secretary 2025-26
Rtn. Palitra Mohan Sahoo
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Rtn. Larry Lungsford for being selected as the RI President for the year 2027-2028