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SUSTAINABLE ARCHITECTURE: A STEP TOWARDS A GREENER FUTURE

President Abha Joshi Sharma provided updates on the various activities of the Rotary Club, including the upcoming Cyclothon and RYLA (Rotary Youth). The club sponsored RYLA Caps and Certificates for the participants, encouraging youth leadership and development.

After the regular club updates the stage for an insightful presentation by Ar. Savneet Kaur at Rotary House, Chandigarh.

Ar. Savneet Kaur was introduced by Rtn Shabana Azam, highlighting her expertise in sustainable architecture.

Ar. Savneet's talk, "Abodes in Adobe", focused on designing climate-responsive residences using natural materials like adobe, bamboo, and terracotta. She emphasized that the construction industry is a major contributor to environmental degradation, with 90% of new buildings in India being residential.

Ar. Savneet shared her case study project, "Maati Sirjana", a functional adobe house in Karnal that showcases sustainable building practices. The house is designed around existing trees, demonstrating sensitivity to site ecology. Built using locally sourced materials, it maintains comfortable indoor temperatures and reduces reliance on artificial cooling/heating.

Key features include solar passive design, natural ventilation, and renewable energy. The project proves that homes can be affordable, ecological, and beautiful without compromise. Ar. Savneet's concluding message was inspiring: "Revere the earth, design responsibly, and build



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Monday 3rd November
6 pm

SHIFTING IMMIGRATION POLICIES AND TRENDS

In-house discussion

Panelist

- PP Hasan Meiji
- PP Arvind Mehan
- Rtn Kiran Malhotra
- Rtn Irma Maini
- Mr Prakash Singh

Moderator

- PP Manmohan Kohli

Rotary House 107-a, Sector 18 a, Chandigarh

Monday 3rd November
6 pm

Fellowship Host



Rtn Lalita Grover

Rotary House 107a Sector 18 a Chandigarh

only what can return to the soil without causing harm."

The event was followed by a warm fellowship hosted by Rtn Vanita Talwar, fostering connections among the attendees. This presentation highlights the need for sustainable architecture in India, and Ar. Savneet's work serves as a great example of eco-friendly building practices. Her message resonates deeply, encouraging us to prioritize the environment in our construction practices.

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Sustainable Architecture: A Step Towards a Greener Future



CELEBRATIONS

Birthday Greetings:

3 Nov	Rtn Dr Meenu Singh	9814117152
5 Nov	Rtn Ashok Khanna	9814089930
5 Nov	Rtn Dr Dinesh Dua	9878190900
8 Nov	PP Rtn Neena Singh	9316032266
8 Nov	Rtn Anil Gakhar	9815510520

Anniversary Greetings:

1 Nov	PP Rtn Hassan Singh Mejie & Harkiran	9417010716
5 Nov	Rtn Dr S P S Grewal & Dr Sukhbir	9876116169

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Blood donation camp -11 Oct 2025

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to everyone who contributed to the success of the Blood Donation Camp held on 11th October 2025 at Gurukul Global School, Manimajra, organized by the Rotary Club Chandigarh.



A total of 40 volunteers registered, out of which 26 were found eligible and generously donated blood—a commendable act of compassion and The event was attended by Rtn Dr. Rosy Katyal and Rtn Dr. Manish Rai.

A special thanks to the team from RBBSRC, Sector 37 Chandigarh, for professionally managing the blood collection process and ensuring the smooth conduct of the camp.
Rtn Abha Sharma
President



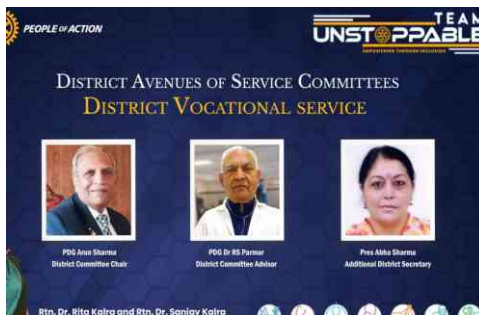
Summary of Blood Donations camps organised by our club.

An amazing part of RYLA by Enthusiastic Students of Bhawan Vidyalaya, New Chandigarh was flagged off at Leisure Valley stop by PDG Rtn. Praveen Goyal in the presence of PDG Rtn. Madhukar Malhotra. Also present were PP Rtn Vijay Wadhawan, Club Secretary Rtn. Arun Agarwal and Rotary President Partner Sanjay Sharma and Principal Inderpreet Kaur with her Team.

The happy energy of students was indeed infectious. We wish them a super duper event with cycling, Environment awareness and many more activities.



We are proud that our members have been assigned the responsibility in district 3080 for the Rotary year 2026-27 under the leadership of DGE Rtn Dr Rita Kalra. Wishing everyone a meaningful and purposeful journey. Congratulations 🎉👏



MEMBERS UPDATE

- PP Neena Singh poem won the First Prize (tie) in The Haiku Foundation, USA's Monthly Kukui Contest for October 2025, announced on November 1st.

Theme was "Eye".

First Prize (tie)

needle's eye ...
granny threads
another memory
— Neena Singh (64 points - 4;
6; 3; 4; 3)

