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Meet and Greet our PRIP on 29th. July Monday Meeting



Rtn. Rajendra K Saboo

"Rotary is my teacher. It gave me the ability to look within me and look beyond myself. I was a self-centered individual, thinking of my business, my family, and my ambitions. Rotary made me a citizen of the world."

Rtn. Kalyan Banerjee



Kalyan Banerjee was the President of Rotary International on 1 July 2011, succeeding Ray Klinginsmith to lead a worldwide network of millions of individuals from

more than 200 countries. Mr. Banerjee belongs to the Rotary Club of Vapi, Gujarat, India. He earned a degree in chemical engineering from the Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur in 1964. He is Rotary International's third President from India, the third largest contributor to The Rotary Foundation. He is a director of United Phosphorus Limited, the largest agrochemical manufacturer in India, and the chairman of United Phosphorus (Bangladesh) Limited. He is a member of the Indian Institute of Chemical Engineers and the American Chemical Society. He has been president of Vapi Industries Association and chairman of the Gujarat chapter of the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII). Banerjee is based in Vapi.

Rtn. K R Ravindran



K.R. "Ravi" Ravindran, a business leader from Colombo, Sri Lanka, took office on 1 July 2015 as the 105th president of Rotary International. Ravindran is the founder and CEO of Printcare PLC, a publicly listed company and global

leader in the tea packaging industry. He also serves on the board of several other companies and charitable trusts. He is the founding president of the Sri Lanka Anti-Narcotics Association, the largest antinarcotics organization in Sri Lanka. A Rotarian since 1974, Ravindran has served Rotary as a director and treasurer of Rotary International and as a trustee of The Rotary Foundation.

Ravindran, a member of the Rotary Club of Colombo, led efforts to eradicate polio from Sri Lanka. His country became one of the first in Asia to become polio-free. The PolioPlus task force he headed consisted of representatives from Rotary, UNICEF, and the Sri Lankan government. He has been awarded The Rotary Foundation's Citation for Meritorious Service, Distinguished Service Award, and the Service Award for a Polio-Free World.

Challenges in Filmmaking

Last Monday, we had the privilege of hosting Mr. Ojaswwee Sharma, Film Director and National Award Winner, who shared his journey and challenges in filmmaking. He was accompanied by his team, including Abhinav Sharma, the lead actor of his recently released Hindi film, "Rabb di Awaaz." Mr. Sharma is widely acclaimed as a film director and recently received the 'Rajat Kamal' award from the President of India at the 68th National Film Awards. Alongside his recent film, he is also known for directing "Admitted," which won the Best Feature Documentary award at NIFF 2022 from the Films Division at the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting. He was honored with the Chanakya award by the Public Relations Council of India for 'Communicator of the Year' in films.

Mr. Sharma expressed his pride in being from Chandigarh and how he does most of his shooting within the city and region. He likes to address social issues by fostering a sense of awareness and responsibility among his audience. His work has significantly contributed to social change by highlighting marginalized voices and promoting inclusivity in all forms. He has produced numerous campaigns focusing on breakthrough stories from the region, aiming to revive and amplify the art of storytelling.



Although he was generally happy with the response to his film, "Rabb di Awaaz," India's first multi-inclusive film that has just completed its silver jubilee with six months of continuous running, he was a bit disappointed with the local city audience's response. He appealed to our members to watch the film and support his cast and crew. In the concluding session, Rtn. Upneet Lali delivered the vote of thanks on behalf of the club, commending Mr. Sharma's work and the presence of our city in the picture "Rabb di Awaaz." Rtn. Abha J Sharma hosted Fellowship on Monday Meeting.



NEXT MEETING

Mr. Bhavuk Chawla on
"Artificial Intelligence"

WE MEET EVERY MONDAY AT ROTARY HOUSE AT 6:00 PM

Installation Ceremony



PDG Praveen Goyal was the Chief Guest at the Silver Jubilee Installation Ceremony of Rotary Club of Pinjore Hills on 20 July 2024. He was accompanied by Ann Basu Goyal. Rtn. Tejinder Chawla was installed as the President and Rtn. Aruna Kanda took over as the Secretary. The Club was chartered in the year 1999-2000, and Rtn. Praveen had been closely associated with the Club as he was the Extension Chairman in the year 1999-2000. Congratulations to the new team of Pinjore Hills.

An Evening with Friends



Rotary Fellowship was hosted by Ann Harkiran & PP Rtn. Hassan Mejie. The fellowship was well attended by new and old members of the Rotary Club of Chandigarh, including Rajendra K Saboo, Past Rotary International President, Madhukar Malhotra, Past District Governor RID 3080, PP Rtn. Manmohan Singh Kohli, PP Rtn. Kewal Seth, IPP Rtn. Anil Chadda, PP Arvind Mehan, PP Rtn. Neenu Vij, Rtn. Partap Agarwal, and new members Rtn. Arun Agarwal & Rtn. J S Batra. Robin Gupta, General Manager of Mehar Baba Charitable Trust Bassi Pathana, gave a digital presentation of the activities of the NGO being carried out in 187 villages of District Fatehgarh Saheb for the past over two decades. PRIP Raja Saboo appreciated the service the trust was providing to the rural youth and elderly and commented that such dedicated service to the Rural Communities needs to be recognized by the State.

Health Camp

Rotary Club Chandigarh organized a medical camp with a team of doctors from AIMS Mohali at village BarMajra on 21 July 2024. This was the second camp in July at a different location. The purpose of the camp, along with health check-ups, was to spread awareness of waterborne diseases prevalent during the rainy season. About 150 people attended and benefited. Free medicines were distributed to the needy after medical check-ups. Doctors from General Medicine, Gynecology, and Pediatrics were present. It was attended by President Rtn. Jatinder Kapoor, Rtn. AP Singh, Rtn. Dr. Aman, Rtn. Arun Aggarwal, and Rtn. GS Saggi. We thank Dr. Amrit Virk and her team of doctors from AIMS for their dedicated support.



Education for Girls

In the Rotary year 2023-24, the club assisted in paying the tuition fee of Rs 18,000 for Ms. Harry Singh, a class 12 student at Gian Jyoti School. She had lost her father a few years ago, and her mother has been struggling with breast cancer. She and her sister are taking tuition to run household expenses. The club supported the girl, and the then-president promised her future assistance if she excelled. The girl not only secured 92% but also got the 'Student of the Year' award, standing second in the school. To further support her, the admission fee of Rs 29,473 was deposited for her to take admission in the 1st-year Medical B.Sc.



CELEBRATIONS

Birthday Greetings:

23 July
Rtn. Gurvinder S Saggi 9820079311

25 July
Rtn. P J Singh 9815330910

26 July
Rtn. Dr. Aman Bhatia 9041026212

Anniversary Greetings:

26 July
Rtn. Dr. Gautam Munjal 9872540550

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Know Your Member

Rtn. Shivya Sehgal

A practicing lawyer at the Hon'ble High Court for the States of Punjab and Haryana at Chandigarh and Reporter of India Law Reports (Punjab and Haryana High Court Chapter), Shivya Sehgal did her schooling at DAV Public School,



Ludhiana, and graduated in B.A. (Economics Hons.) from Government College for Women, Ludhiana. She was nominated as President of Rotaract Club, GCW,

Ludhiana for the year 2005-2006 and was later awarded "Best Rotaract" Award for the same year. She has participated in various RYLA events as a Rotaract. This is where she came into close contact with Rotary, its mission, and its working, and always wanted to be part of this fraternity. After getting married in 2012 to Advocate Vaibhav Sehgal, who is also a practicing lawyer at the Hon'ble Punjab and Haryana High Court, and being blessed with a son named Divyansh in 2015, she has been particularly captivated by the Human Milk Bank and Heartline project undertaken by the Rotary Club. Being a family-oriented person, she likes spending quality time with her son, traveling with him, and reading books.

Upcoming Events

25th July, 24 at 9 am

Tree Plantation at AKSIP-45 School

26th July, 24 10.30 am

Pay homage at War Memorial in Chandi Mandir on 25th Kargil Vijay Divas with Rotaract Club Legis Social

27th July, 24 9 am to 1 pm

RYLA for MDAV-22 School interactors on Mental Health

27th July, 24 11.30 am

Participating in the raising day of CRPF with rotaractors

29th July, 24 8 am

Tree Plantation with Interactors of Sacred Heart School.

29th July, 24 9 am

Distribution of Food Packets to T.B. Patients at Mauli Jagran and Daria

YOUTH SERVICES

Installation of Interact Club, Sacred Heart Senior Secondary School

The installation of the new board of the Interact Club, Sacred Heart Senior Secondary School, Sector 26, Chandigarh, was an invigorating morning of motivational songs, high-spirited dances, and inspirational speeches. Rotarians, including President Rtn. Jatinder Kapoor, Mentor Interact Committee PP Arvind Mehan, PE Abha Sharma, Teena Virk, Director Youth Services, and Dr. Upneet Lalli, Chairperson Interact Committee, were warmly welcomed by the school principal Sister Venita Joseph, Interact teacher in charge Ms. Manisha Sharma, and teacher Rajni, and led to the auditorium.

After the lighting of the lamp, the outgoing President of the Interact Club, Ojaswita Kaur, welcomed everyone and showcased her Club projects for her term 2023-24. She promised to uphold the high moral and ethical standards of the club and give her best to further the interests of the Interact club and carry forward the Rotary's objective. She said, "Since we will be the charter officers of our club, we will do our best to set an example for all those who follow in our footsteps and put every effort into fulfilling its motto of 'service above self.'" The projects showcased included the Save Water march to Sukhna Lake, Labour Day celebration in school, Tree Plantation Drive, and an awareness drive in school about the harmful impacts of plastic through nukkad natak.

President of Rotary Club Chandigarh, Rtn. Jatinder Kapoor, addressed the gathering with a motivational speech that was well applauded. He said, "Rotary, through Interact clubs, provides an opportunity for young students to make a real



difference through service and encourages them to become responsible global citizens. We need to learn beyond our academics and curriculums. Rotary's Interact club program provides opportunities to explore and develop your hidden talents, and we learn to grow and thrive together."

The pinning and formal installation of the new Interact Board was conducted under the new Interact President Harmanpreet Kaur Jacob and the new secretary Ananya Gupta. In her speech, Harman expressed gratitude to the Rotary Club and her esteemed school for the incredible opportunity. She said, "As President, I pledge to uphold the values of our club, focusing on community service, leadership, and teamwork. In this role, I will ensure that we initiate and participate in impactful projects that address the needs of our community. We will support local causes, from environmental initiatives to educational outreach."

Blood Donation Camp



ROTARACT CLUB SGGGS COLLEGE, Sec. 26, and ROTARY CLUB CHANDIGARH collaborated with the Tent Dealers Association & RCW-42 to join a BLOOD DONATION CAMP, where the Rotary and Blood Bank Society Resource Center were the collection team. Forty-five people came forward to donate blood, and 37 units were collected.

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Developing an Effective Project

Well-planned projects are more likely to have positive and sustainable results. Every community has its own strengths and concerns, so the best approach is to work closely with people from various groups that have a stake in the outcome. Maintain effective and transparent communication with all involved.

- You can get advice from fellow Rotary members who have been through the process and understand what's needed. For local and international projects, ask your district international service chair to connect you with experts early in the process for guidance about planning your project. Through the district resource network, you'll connect with local and international Rotary experts, including members of Rotary Action Groups and The Rotary Foundation Cadre of Technical Advisers.

Work with the local community to identify a need, decide with residents how to address it, and find out what resources are available. Make sure that community members are actively involved in every step of the process, especially the assessment and project design. A Rotary Community Corps can help you build a relationship with people in the area who have a stake in the outcome.

- The goals you set for your project should be guided by the community's objectives and by the immediate results and short-term effects that you're seeking. Start by asking yourself what positive, lasting change you and your community partners hope will be the ultimate impact of your work. Then determine what activities will lead to that result. Decide how you'll gather data before the project starts and collect information throughout the project so you can measure your progress and know if you're meeting your goals.

Your partners can contribute expertise and resources that improve the project, expand your reach, and increase your impact. Consider working with fellow Rotary and Rotaract members through club collaborations, as well as with Rotary Action Groups, Rotary Community Corps, or Intercountry Committees. You can also collaborate with Interact clubs, Rotary Peace Fellows, and Rotary's strategic, service, and project partners.

- Developing a comprehensive project plan and budget will help you manage your resources, be ready for problems, and evaluate your project's success. As you plan the budget, seek

competitive prices for goods and services and set aside funding for unexpected expenses or cost increases. Get community members and other people who will benefit from the project involved to make the project sustainable. Make sure you and they understand the ongoing costs of operating or maintaining the project and have the funding arranged.

Remember to include the costs of data collection, analysis, and communication in your budget because these things allow you to measure the positive change from your project and share with others what you accomplished and what you learned. Review your implementation plans and timeline with stakeholders regularly and make adjustments as necessary.

- When you're ready to share your project plans and goals, post your project on Rotary Showcase to raise awareness within Rotary, tell people about your club's service, and find partners and funding. You can also publicize your project using social media, club newsletters, club websites, and other channels.

The Rotary Foundation supports projects across all our areas of focus, including District grants that fund small-scale, short-term activities that address community needs, Global grants that support large international service activities with sustainable, measurable outcomes, Disaster response grants that support communities affected by a natural disaster, and Programs of Scale awards that support longer-term, high-impact programs led by Rotary members that have already demonstrated their success on a smaller scale.

- Funding for your project can come from many sources, including individual donors, corporations or local businesses, other foundations, nonprofit or nongovernmental organizations, government agencies, and other clubs and districts.

As you carry out the project, be sure to keep people informed about its progress, work to raise awareness of it, and stay in contact with the experts who helped you develop your plan. Keep volunteers, community members, partners, funding organizations, and anyone else who has a stake in the project up to date. Ask people from all of these groups for feedback on how to improve the project implementation while remaining focused on your overall goal. Clear communication is an important part of

carrying out a project successfully.

- Use social media, messaging platforms, and your club website to let people who aren't involved in the project know about it and to find more volunteers, spur community support, and bring people to your fundraisers.

Your project isn't really complete until you've evaluated its outcomes, measured its successes, and reflected on its challenges. This can be useful to you and your club for future projects and can help people who are trying to design and implement similar projects. Using the data that you gathered throughout your project, measure the change that you've had on your community. Determine if you reached the goals that you set. If not, think about what you could do differently in the future. Sometimes we need to adapt and change our strategy to have a bigger impact. As people of action, we stay committed to making positive, lasting change.

- The better the data you collected, the better able you'll be to tell your story of service and positive change. Share how you overcame any challenges you faced, what lessons you learned, and tips for how other people can best approach similar projects. A good way to celebrate your success and inspire others is by using Rotary Showcase. Be sure to use photos and share the page on social media. Find more ways to promote your club's project. Remember to share a final report with your partners, supporters, and others who have been involved in the project.

