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Teej Colors and Vibrancy: A Joint Meeting to Remember!

n 28 July, Rotary Club of Chandigarh and Inner Wheel Club of Chandigarh came together for a vibrant joint meeting, immersing themselves in the festive spirit of Teej. The atmosphere was electric, with girls from Vidya Sadan applying mehndi on palms of the members, and the theme colors of green, red, and yellow adding to the vibrancy. The meeting was a celebration of unity, service, and community, showcasing the clubs' commitment to their shared values.

The meeting began with Sergeant-at-Arms, Rtn Rashi, calling the gathering to order and introducing the President, Abha J Sharma, Inner Wheel President Kavita Arora, and IW Club Secretary Poonam Sharma. The President welcomed all members of visited the club and shared updates on various projects, showcasing the club's commitment to service and community. This was followed by a special address by Rtn Dr Wassila Taha from RC Cario Nile Egypt, District 2451, who

visited for the fourth time. She was once again impressed by the warmth and love extended by the club. Rtn Dr. Taha's visit was

visit was significant, as she facilitated a twin club

exchange program between the two clubs. She exchanged flags with our club President and gifted a beautiful Egyptian painting, while also presenting a gift to the President.

Additionally, she gifted a pharaoh to PP Rtn AP Singh. Her enthusiasm and dedication to fostering international relationships were evident, and she extended an invitation for a reciprocal visit to her club.

Another highlight of the meeting was PPRtn Anil Chadha's sharing of his experiences from the Rotary Convention at Calgary and a recent vacation, where he exchanged flags with the Rotary Club of Drumheller. This



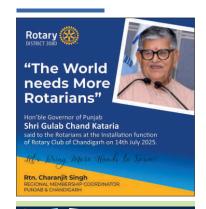
exchange showcased the global connections and camaraderie that Rotary embodies. Regular birthday greetings were sent by Rtn Lalita Grover, demonstrating the club's thoughtfulness and care for its members.

The evening took a cultural turn with Inner Wheel President Kavita Garg taking the stage. The ladies dazzled with a beautiful Punjabi tappa performance by Roma Malhotra and Poonam Sharma, followed by an energetic gidda performance that had everyone foot-tapping. The energy and enthusiasm of the performers were infectious, and the audience was thoroughly entertained.

The meeting concluded with tokens of appreciation handed out by R"nn Usha Saboojee to the participants, acknowledging their contributions to the evening's success. The Teej celebrations wouldn't have been complete without a delicious fellowship, expertly managed by Rtn Ruchi Singla and Inner Wheel members. The joint meeting was a resounding success, filled with camaraderie, cultural exchange, and joy.

A special mention must be made of the tireless efforts of PP Rtn Manmohan Kohli, Rtn Seema Gupta, Rtn Lalita Grover, and dear Rtn Babbijee,

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Are we Eating Right?

An interactive session with Renowned Nutritionist Ms. GAGAN ANAND on 4th August at Rotary House at 6 pm. fellowship host Rtn Rohit Seth CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

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who curated a truly beautiful program. Their dedication and hard work made the evening truly unforgettable. A heartfelt thank you to Inner Wheel President Kavita Arora and all members for making

the evening memorable. Your contributions to the success of the meeting were invaluable.

As the evening drew to a close, members departed with big smiles, having enjoyed the festivities and each other's company. The joint meeting of the Rotary Club of Chandigarh and Inner Wheel Club of Chandigarh was a testament to the power of collaboration and community.

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Inspiring a Brighter Future

District RYLA Chair PN Teena Virk inspires young minds and nurtures compassionate leaders through valuable life skills and community service. Her passion and dedication positively impact her community, setting an excellent example. With RYLA, she's shaping the next generation of changemakers, focusing on empathy and kindness. PN Teena Virk is a true role model, inspiring young individuals to make a difference and empowering them to become their best selves through her impactful work.





Pictures of RYLAs

CELEBRATIONS

Birthday Greetings:

29 July Rtn Nagina Bains 9814204840 30 July Rtn Brijesh Kumar 9878023500 31 July Rtn Rohit Seth 9814011898 Rtn Abhishek Verma 31 July 8146770044

Anniversary Greetings:

29 July Rtn Pawan Kumar Pahwa 8872799908 & Geetu

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Projects

Kargil Vijay Diwas

he Rotary Club of Chandigarh paid homage to the brave soldiers who sacrificed their lives during the Kargil War. On July 26, Kargil Vijay Diwas, a delegation led by Rtn. Abha J Sharma (President), Rtn. Jatinder Kapoor (IPP), Rtn. Arun Aggarwal (Secretary), Rtn. Rajender Kaur (Vice President), Rtn. Rashi Adlakha (Co-chair Rotaract Committee), Rtn. Shivya Sehgal





(Director Youth Services), Rtn. Prem Mahindru (Director Club Services), and Rtn. Manmohan Luthra (Chair Rotaract Committee) visited the Western Command Headquarters at Chandimandir. The visit aimed to honor the sacrifices made by Indian soldiers during the 1999 Kargil War. The delegation paid tribute to the bravery and dedication of the soldiers who defended the nation. This solemn occasion served as a reminder of the sacrifices made by the armed forces to protect the country. The Rotary Club of Chandigarh's tribute to the martyrs reflects its commitment to honoring the nation's heroes. The visit was a poignant reminder of the importance of remembering and honoring the bravery of those who served.

RYLA 29th July 2025 - PML SD Public School

The Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) was held on 29th July



2025 at PML SD Public School in collaboration with Rotary Club Chandigarh. 220 students attended, inspired by Rotarians Preaident Abha J Sharma Rtn Rajender Kaur Vice President. PN Teena Virk District Chair, RYLA, Hassan Meiji Chairman, RYLA, and Kumar Shray Co-Chair, Youth Exchange. Their motivational words left a lasting impression.

Under Principal Mrs. Monica Sharma and Club Advisor Mrs. Rajni Kanwar's guidance, with support from Rotarian



Shivya Sehgal,
Director Youth
Services, the
event thrived.
Dr. Simi
Waraich's
session on
ADHD and
mental health
emphasized



self-awareness. Rtn. Geet Rao's emotional intelligence session resonated deeply. Mr. Jasjeet Suri shared stress-management acupressure tips through magic tricks. President Abha J Sharma's light-invoking meditation technique was powerful.

A stage play on mobile phone usage highlighted digital overuse, while a musical performance added emotional depth. RYLA 2025 was a transformative journey, empowering students to lead with purpose and embody the Solivagant spirit. With renewed determination, students are ready to walk their paths with confidence. The event was a tremendous success, thanks to the collaborative efforts of the Rotary Club Chandigarh and PML SD Public School. RYLA 2025 will be remembered as a day of growth, selfdiscovery, and inspiration.



Installation

On July 30, 2025, Delhi Public School, Chandigarh, hosted the Early Act and Interact Installation Ceremony. The event featured a Nritya Natika performance, "Aamrapali - the Awakening of a Soul, by Class XI students. Rotarians, including President Rtn. Abha J Sharma, Secretary Rtn. Arun Aggarwal, IPP Jatinder Kapur, PP Rtn. AP Singh, PP Rtn. Vinod Kapoor, District Chair RYLA Rtn. Teena Virk, Vice President Rtn. Rajender Kaur, Rtn. Kewal Seth, Director Youth Services Rtn. Shivya Sehgal, and Rtn. Rashi Adlakha, attended. School Director and Principal Mrs. Reema Dewan complimented achievers and appreciated participants' hard work. President Abha J Sharma encouraged students to develop life-skills and emphasized the power of service. The ceremony motivated students to make a difference and showcased the essence of Rotary's values.



HARI CHAYA"

The EarlyAet Club of AKSIPS 45 Smart School celebrated Van Mahotsav under the "HARI-CHAYA" programme. Students and staff planted trees, promoting environmental



awareness and sustainability. A green pledge wall was created, and School Principal Mrs. Pamila Kaur emphasized that planting trees is a responsibility towards future generations. The event aimed to instill environmental responsibility and promote a greener future. By participating in the tree plantation drive, students learned the importance of protecting the environment. The celebration was a success, with everyone contributing to the cause and taking a step towards a more sustainable tomorrow.

Open Hand Rotary CLUB CHANDIGARH

Message from DG Ravi Parkash



August is Membership Development Month in Rotary - a time to unite,inspire, and grow!

Let's rise together to showcase the incredible work Rotary is doing around the world. Every service project, every act of kindness, and every life touched is a testament to our

collecti vestrength.

This month, let's reach out with passion and purpose—spread the word about Rotary's impact, invite new members to join our mission of service, and inspire others to be part of something greater.

Together, we can expand our reach, amplify our impact, and create a brighter future. Let's make

this Membership Development Month a catalyst for growth and transformation!

Join hands, share the vision, and bring more hearts into Rotary. The time is now!









Two weeks ago, I was in my living room playing with my grandchildren. A few days later, I was on a plane to Calgary, suddenly carrying the responsibility of leading this incredible organization. Life comes fast, but so often, it brings us exactly where we're meant to be.

We begin this year with a clear message/; Unite for Good. It is a simple phrase, but a powerful one. Because behind every successful Rotary effort, every act of service, every new member welcomed, every global challenge met-there are two things that matter most: friendship and trust.

This is how we build strong clubs. It's how we create meaningful partnerships and transform global problems into local solutions. It's also how we lead-not through titles or applause, but with humility, humanity, and heart. But let me be honest with you-this kind of leadership is not always easy. We're human and yes, we make mistakes. We sometimes disagree, but in Rotary, we are called to something greater, let us reflect on the full vision of

action to create lasting change - across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves.

The last part is essential, because transformation doesn't start with strategy. It starts with character and the way we treat one another. It starts with how we listen, how we support, and how we serve.

This year, I ask you to lead with that spirit. To grow Rotary BOUNDLESS ROTARY FOR A BETTER TOMORROW

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through relationships. To make your clubs more welcoming, more flexible, more open to new ideas. To

think big-but also to think beyond one year. Our term is

short, but our impact can be lasting if we plan and act with continuity and vision.

Let us remember our key priorities: membership, polio

every youth exchange, every maternal health project is a

I joined Rotary as a young professional, eager to help but terrified of public speaking. My fellow Rotarians believed in me and encouraged me to take on new roles, and ir

doing so. Rotary changed my life. It gave me courage and

ourpose, but above all, it gave me you: my friends, my eam, my family around the world.

So now, my friends...lake out your dreams tucked away in a drawer, especially those you thought were too big or

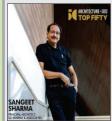
bold to achieve. Let's bring them into the light. Let's Unite for Good-for our clubs, our communities, and our world. And let's make this a year not only of service, but of joy, of connection, and of love.

and peace. We are closer than ever to ending police cannot stop now. We must keep the promise we made tot he children of the world. And as for peace Rotary has been building it for over a century. Every clean water system,









Heartiest congratulatio ns to Rtn Sangeet Sharma for this great achievement



summer solstice the busker plays a tune from home Neena Singh Chandigarh, India

Heartiest congratulations to PP Neena Singh for the well deserved award at the Japan Fair Haiku Contest 2025.

PRIP Rajendra K Saboo's article in Indian Express is an interesting







