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Club of Mohali Midtown
District 3080

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Club Honours Community Leaders & Installation of Rotaract Club of Mohali City

THE 45TH MEETING

The meeting started with the collaring of the President Rtn. Amarjit Singh Virk by sergeant at Arms PP Rtn. HS Marwah. This was followed by the National Anthem and Four Way Test.

PP Rtn. Sukhpreet Singh Giani was called to carry out the installation of the Rotaract Club of Mohali City. President Manpreet Singh of the Rotaract Club of Mohali City was collared and shared his vision for the year. Rtr Avneet, Secretary of the Rotaract Club of Mohali City shared the presence that the club has made on the digital platform.

The board of directors of the Rotaract were pinned by the club president Rtn. Amarjit Singh Virk, club secretary Rtn. Ms Manjit Kaur, and Director Youth Service Rtn. Kuldeep Singh Dhody.



“The youth has an immense responsibility as not only they have to acquire their education but also have come forward to serve the society,” said Rtn. Kuldeep Singh Dhody. The club recalled the contribution of three community leaders who came forward on the request of the club to provide langar to the flood victims.

S. Gurvinder Singh- Committee Member and Jasveer Singh -Sewadar, both of Gurudwara Sri Kalgidhar Singh Sabha Phase IV, Mohali and S. Rajinder Singh, President -The Truck Union, Mohali were honored by the club. Later, President Rtn. Amarjit Singh Virk shared the projects accomplished in the month of July.

IPP Rtn. Ravijit Singh handed over the flag of Rotary Club of Seminyak District 3420 Indonesia.

PP Rtn. Harjit Singh proposed a vote of thanks.



Hunar Bhardwaj, installed as the President of Interact Club of St. Soldier International Convent School, Mohali

The installation was held on July 29th Saturday. The students of the school welcomed the Rtns with a welcome song. Hunar Bhardwaj of Class IX was collared as the President.



A dance drama by the students of class IV on the importance of tree plantation was well appreciated. President Rtn. Amarjit Singh Virk handed over books titled Grit Guts glory; The Battle of Longewala written by our Honory member Rtn. Gurjot Singh Kaler were handed over to school Library. Later a tree plantation was carried in the school premises.



Rtn. Amarjit Singh Virk
President (For Rotary Year 2023-2024)

Life Revisited

“Sometimes I think what is life, how it can be visualized. Then I realized that life is like replay telecast ball to ball of a late night played match, whose result we are not aware of. As even though the match had already been decided, but still we watch it with same curiosity with hoping at every exciting moment that the result will be otherwise than the real one as it had already been decided. Similarly, is our life. Even though everything is pre-destined, but at every step we think that it may turn otherwise in the manner we think it to happen, forgetting that it is already determined and now it is being re-telecasted as a match is re-telecasted, whose result we are not aware.”

The President Writes

“Realizing Oneself”

Often, I think that for what purpose we come to this earth or for what purpose we have been provided this life and whether we have been able to realize it. We are not even able to realize ourself as to WHO AM "I" we always confuse "I" with "MY" Whether this body is I? No. People know it as Amarjit.

Whether am I Amarjit? No, this is MY name.

Whether am I Advocate.? No, this is my Profession.

Whether am I a son, brother, husband or father? No, these are my relationships. Whether am I Sikh? No, this is my religion.

Whether am I Indian. No, this is my nationality.

However, whenever anyone think of me or remember me. He only thinks of me as I appear in this bodily shape, no one can perceive me by my soul. This can only & only be perceived by the person himself.

Very often a person spends his whole life without even thinking of it and rather felt satisfied in glorifying the body only and feeling pride of the same, whereas in reality the body has nothing to do with one's identity.

Body is only like a costume in which the real soul rests for the life journey. When the body gives up, it is not the soul dies but the body ceases to give any further shelter to the soul, so the soul travels to another abode leaving the body and the whole world considers the person to be dead.

Infact, body in itself is nothing it works till the soul resides in it, without which it is rather referred as dead. We should make full utilization of the time till the soul resides in this body. It is not only the end result matters here but the means also matter. So, the means to achieve the end result should also be pure and pious.

Know your Club Secretary

Rtn. Manjit Kaur, the first lady Club Secretary is a leading Advocate at Punjab & Haryana High Court, Chandigarh in the field of civil and criminal for last 29 years. Rtn. Manjit Kaur was born at Patiala to Sardar Dalbir Singh and Mrs Nasib Kaur and had her early education From SHGGS Khalsa School Sector 35, Chandigarh. She holds master's degrees in Political Science, Law and Management.

She is a standing counsel for various government institutions state Legal service & District State Legal Service Authority, UT Chandigarh. She is a Panelled Mediator and a Potential Trainor at ADR Centre Chandigarh & Panelled Mediator at State Consumer Dispute Redressal Commission UT Chandigarh. She was also assigned with special duty by Hon'ble High Court of Punjab and Haryana to handle helpline and women cell at UT Chandigarh to provide legal advice to women and child victims during the pandemic period of covid 19.

She has been a keen sportsperson and has represented university in Football, Gymnastic and Cricket at state level; and was a NCC cadet attendee at Republic Day Camp. Also, she has been a member of Asia Pacific Summit held at Delhi being delegate from Chandigarh as Mediator being deputed by Hon'ble High Court of Punjab and Haryana.



Happily married to Rotarian S. Parvinder Singh who is working as a Senior Legal Manager in IndusInd Bank Ltd and blessed with two children.



Daughter Avneet Kaur who is pursuing B. Com (Hons.) degree of final year from SD collage Chandigarh and is also the secretary of Rotaract Club of Mohali city and son Harsimar Singh Kotia is student of 10th class at Saint Anns Convent School Sector 32.

KNOW YOUR ROTARIANS



RTN. MANJIT SINGH KOHLI (FORMER BANKER)

Rtn. Manjit Singh Kohli was born on 17th July 1950 Delhi to Sardar Avtar Singh and Mrs Motia Kohli. Rtn. Manjit Singh had his earlier education from D.A.V. School, Chandigarh and later acquired Master of Arts in English from Guru Gobind Singh College, Chandigarh. He worked for Punjab & Sindh Bank till 2013, and took a voluntary retirement while holding the post of Chief Manager. Ann Ashpinder Kaur Kohli is a regular and vibrant attendee of the various club meetings. The “Kohli couple” celebrate their anniversary of Oct 26th. The couple is blessed with - Son Rajit Singh Kohli. Rajit is Working in senior position in multinational company in USA; and a daughter Simran Kohli Mandh. Simran is working in medical field in USA. Rtn. Kohli joined the club in the year 2021, and is presently Director Club Service.

RTN. ADITYA SHARMA (Dr.) OPHTHALMOLOGIST

Born on 20th of July 1984 at Chandigarh to Dr Alka Sharma & Dr Adarsh Kumar.

He acquired degrees in MBBS, MS OPHTHAL FELLOWSHIP CORNEA, CATARACT & REFRACTIVE SURGERY SNC CHITRAKOOT (MP), and founded Amar Shakti Eye and Gynae Clinic SCO-33 Sector-7C, Chandigarh where he is a medical director now.

He is happily married to Dr. Priyanka Sharma and the couple is blessed with a daughter -Ambika who is 6 years young.

Dr. Aditya Sharma is also associated with Confederation of Indian Industry, Indian Medical Association, All India Ophthalmological Society, Corneal Society of India, Delhi Ophthalmological Society. He joined Rotary Club of Mohali Midtown in the year 2022-23 and is presently the Director International Service.



KNOW YOUR ROTARIANS



RTN. MANPREET KAUR FINANCIAL CONSULTANT

Rtn. Manpreet Kaur was born to S. Isher Singh and Mrs Amarjeet Kaur at Saharanpur on July 26'1973. Later the family moved to Patiala where Rtn. Manpreet Kaur acquired education at Bikram College of Commerce.

She holds post graduate degrees in Commerce and Education. She is married to IPP Rtn. Ravijeet Singh and joined the club in the year 2021. The couple is blessed with a daughter Sukhmannat Kaur who is in the final year of MBBS at Govt Medical College, Amritsar; and son Rasneet Singh. Rasneet is studying at Chandigarh College of Architecture, Chandigarh.

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DID YOU KNOW?

Astronaut Neil Armstrong who was the 1st person to walk on the moon was also a Rotarian. He belonged to the Rotary Club of Wapakoneta, Ohio in the United States.



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Guest Column

True Leadership

By Rtn. Brig Daljit Dhillon (Retd).

PP Rtn Brig Daljit Dhillon (Retd) is a Veteran of 1971 Indo-Pak War and Kargil Conflict. A second-generation Rotarian of Rotary Chandigarh Shivalik, he is Multiple PHF and has been an Assistant Governor, Assistant Trainer and currently he is the Chairman of 2024 District Conference.

In his memoirs General Douglas MacArthur wrote about his first meeting with Emperor Hirohito after the end of the 2nd World War: "Shortly after my arrival in Tokyo, I was urged by members of my staff to summon the emperor to my headquarters as a show of power. I brushed the suggestions aside. "To do so," I explained, "would be to outrage the feelings of the Japanese people and make a martyr of the Emperor in their eyes". "No, I shall wait and in time the Emperor will voluntarily come to see me. In this case, the patience of the East rather than the haste of the West will best serve our purpose. The Emperor did indeed shortly requested an interview. In cutaway, striped trousers, and top hat, riding in his Daimler with the imperial grand chamberlain facing him on the jump seat, Hirohito arrived at the embassy. I had, from the start of the occupation, directed that there should be no derogation in his treatment. Every honor due a sovereign was to be his".

"I met him cordially, and recalled that I had at one time been received by his father at the close of the Russo-Japanese War. He was nervous and the stress of the past months showed plainly. I dismissed everyone but his own interpreter, and we sat down before an open fire at one end of the long reception hall. I tried to make it as easy for him as I could, but I knew how deep and dreadful must be his agony of humiliation. I had an uneasy feeling that he might plead his own cause against indictment as a war criminal. There had been considerable outcry from some of the Allies, notably the Russians & the British, to include him in this category. Realizing the tragic consequences that would follow such an unjust action, I had stoutly resisted such efforts. When Washington seemed to be veering toward the British point of view, I had advised that I would need at least one million reinforcements should such action be taken. I believed that if the Emperor were indicted, and perhaps hanged, as a war criminal, military government would have to be instituted throughout all Japan, and guerrilla warfare would probably break out".

The Emperor's name had then been stricken from the list. "But of all this he knew nothing". But my fears were groundless. What he said was this: 'I come to you, General, to offer myself to the judgment of the powers you represent as the one to bear sole responsibility for every political & military decision made and action taken by my people in the conduct of war'.

"A tremendous impression swept me. This courageous assumption of a responsibility implicit with death, a responsibility clearly belied by facts of which I was fully aware, moved me to the very marrow of my bones". He was an Emperor by inherent birth, but in that instant, I knew, I faced the First Gentleman of Japan in his own right."

A Leader must take full responsibility for their decisions whether they took that alone or consulted a thousand others to arrive at it. That is true leadership. "If there is not the war, you don't get the great general; if there is not a great occasion, you don't get the great statesman." At some point in our life, we all come across "watershed experiences."

It is important how we respond to the reversals. However, the ability to sustain ambition in the face of frustration and adversity is the key to reach the pinnacle of leadership.

Leadership is like moving a string. You cannot move it by pushing from behind, what you have to do is go ahead and pull. The word leader comes from "Lord" which means, in old Norse, the course or path of a Ship at Sea. The Leader was the captain, who in Viking Days was usually the steersman and Navigator as well.

As a Leader, don't expect others to listen to your advice and ignore your example. True leadership is about being magnanimous in victory & graceful in defeat. Taking ownership in a crisis or responsibility in case of failure and attributing positive results to the team are the hallmark of a true leader.

In Rotary be a 'True Leader' whatever the circumstance & stay blessed forever. Honestly, we need true leadership in Rotary more today than any other period. One which is compassionate, honest and noncompetitive.



Know our Rotaract Leaders



***Avneet Kaur, Secretary
Rotaract Club of Mohali City***



***Shaina, Secretary
Rotaract Club of Khalsa
College of Technology and
Business Studies***

- A Passionate B.Com honors student and community enthusiast!
- Skilled in Kathak dance, competitive debating, and a lover of thrilling books.
- She has consecutively won debates for five years with her persuasive intellect.
- Outside academics, Avneet explores her passion for classical dance, her love for literature drives her to immerse herself in thrilling mysteries and Greek mythology.
- Not only does Avneet excel in academics and arts, but she also extends her compassion to street dogs, actively volunteering to help them.

- Shaina is pursuing Bachelor's of Arts from Khalsa College Mohali of Technology & Business Studies.
- Reads poetry & literature.
- She loves to help other and has a passion for traveling.
- She also got many awards in sports.
- She joined Rotaract Club with a motive to serve

Know our Interact Leaders



***Hunar Bhardwaj
President,
Interact Club of St. Soldier
International Convent School***

- Hunar is a student of class IX.
- She has interest in dance, rather it is now her passion, as “It is not only a physical exercise but a way I clear my mind,” says Hunar.
- She aspires to be a professional choreographer.
- She says, “aim of my life is to keep learning, achieve and take the failure as the step one for success.”
- “Dance makes me feel free and alive. dancing has developed my character in many different ways ,it has built a self confidence and independent in me,” adds Hunar.

In the service of the Community

Projects Accomplished
(Between 16.07.2023 to 31.07.2023)

DRY RATION FOR FLOOD VICTIMS



The Rotarians from Rotary Club of Mohali Midtown on July 16th on the call of District Administration, handed over 100 packets of dry ration consisting of two types of pulses and Atta at The Office of Deputy Commissioner, Mohali for flood affected families.

WATER BOTTLES FOR FLOOD VICTIMS



The Club on the call of District Administration, handed over 415 Boxes(12 Bottles each of one litre capacity) of Mineral Water at The Office of Deputy Commissioner, Mohali for flood affected families.

LANGER FOR FLOOD VICTIMS



Rotary Club of Mohali Midtown distributed Langer for 650/700 flood affected persons on the call of District Administration at Shelter Home, Phase 6, at Zila Parishad Office Jhujhar Nagar & Shiv Colony, Mohali. The cooked food items were provided for three consecutive days in association with Gurudwara Sahib Phase 4, Mohali.



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FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR SURGERY

Rotary Club of Mohali Midtown in order to help a 4 years old girl child Jaskirat Kaur d/o S. Hardeep Singh r/o Mehtotkalan, Rupnagar suffering from Chronic Budd Chiari Syndrome Pro Thrombotic provided financial help of Rs. 21000/- for her immediate surgery as recommended by doctors of PGI, Chandigarh.



ASSISTANCE FOR EDUCATION

The Rotary Club of Mohali Midtown having successfully organised ANNAPURNA Project at Institute for Blinds, the Club was approached for Admission of a Blind Student Lovepreet of the Institute in College. The Club immediately responded and sponsored admission Lovepreet in BA I in Post Graduate Govt College, Sector 11, Chandigarh.

LUNCH TO THE INMATES OF CHANDI KHUSHT ASHRAM



Rotary Club of Mohali Midtown organised a lunch for 160 inmates of Khust Ashram at Chandi Kusht Ashram Society, Leprosy Colony, Near 3 BRD Gate, Sector 47- D, Chandigarh on Saturday July 22nd. This project was accomplished with the effort of Ann Rabinder K Bhambra. The Bhambra family has been organising this every year.

TREE PLANTATION BY INTERACT CLUB



Rotary Club of Mohali Midtown along with the Interact club of St. Soldier International Convent School organized a tree plantation at the school premises. Interact President Ms. Hunar Bharwaj planted the first sapling of the drive followed by the Principal Ms. Anjali Sharma and the members of the board.

ASSISTANCE FOR SURGERY



The Rotary Club of Mohali Midtown handed over Rs 20000/- (Rs Twenty Thousand) to Mr. Amit aged 30 years and undergoing kidney replacement. His mother will donate kidney. His failed kidneys have been removed and is under process for treatment for transplant in about two months. We pray for his early recovery.

A rare distinction for Marwah Family

Sarab M Singh took over as the president of Rotary Club of Silvercity Mohali. There are three Rotary Clubs in Mohali. Rtn Jaspal Singh Sethi was the charter secretary of Rotary Club of Mohali in 1984, later he became the President too. He was also the President of Mohali Industries Association. Mr Sethi happens to be the brother in law of Rtn Harcharan Singh Marwah. Later Rtn HS Marwah became a member of the same club in year 2001 and was president in the year 2018 ~19. He and Mrs Swaranjit Marwah are now a charter members of Rotary Club of Mohali Midtown . Their daughter Sarab has now assumed leadership role in RC Silver city and she is a charter member. Hence, Marwah family has the unique distinction of charter of all the three clubs in the city of Mohali, and in service to Humanity.



Rtn. Sarab M Singh (second from right), with spouse Bhupinder Singh, Parents Rtn. HS Marwah & Rtn Swaranjit Kaur Marwah, with sister Harneet and daughter Sahiba, and son Sumeir Raj Singh

Forth Coming Events

- 46th meeting of the club on Aug 11, 2023
- Handing over umbrellas to the needy on Aug 7, 2023
- Kits for the flood affected
- Cycles for the girl students

Setting it Straight

Typographical error

Due to a typing error, the story concerning the flood relief project in the last issue, inadvertently mentioned the name of the Chief Minister wrong.

The Editorial Board regrets the error.

Congratulations !!

Birthday wishes to our members.

- July 18 : Rtn. Gurcharan Singh Arora
- July 20 : Rtn. Dr. Aditya Sharma
- July 26 : Rtn. Manpreet Kaur
- Aug 01 : Rtn. Pawan Sachdeva
- Aug 02 : Rtn. Isneet Kaur Bhatia
- Aug 07 : Rtn. Jashinder Bir Singh

Wedding Anniversary wishes to our members

- Aug 01 : Rtn. Poonam Gupta

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This newsletter is not to be used commercially or for any non-Rotary solicitation. This is for each member's private use, which intent to inform the events happening in the club.

Although the editorial board has done all efforts have been made to mention correct information in the present newsletter, however, the possibility of an error cannot be ruled out. We are regretful for same.

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