

#### The Board

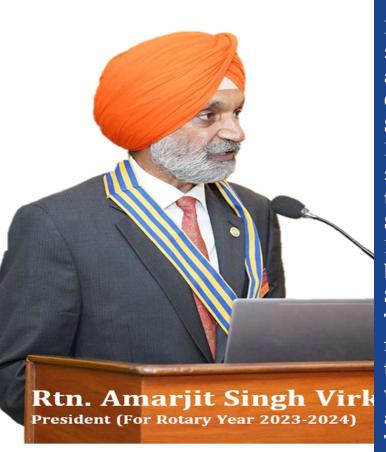
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# The President Writes Youth are the future of any club

The Club chartered its 4th Interact Club Brookfield International School, New Chandigarh on April 12, 2024. The Club performed exceptionally in the avenue of Youth leadership. Already there Interact Clubs namely Saint Soldiers International Public School, Phase 7, Mohali; Ajit Karam Singh School, Phase XI, Mohali; & Tribune Model School, Sector 29, Chandigarh are performing under the wings of the Club. The interact Club at Ajit Karam Singh School Celebrated Polio Day by organising Talk on Rotary's immense contribution in Polio eradication by PDG Rtn. Parveen Goyal. Interact Club at Saint Soldiers International Public School celebrated Teachers day by organising Nation Builders Award function. Tribune Model School Interact Club with their own efforts collected woollen clothes, sweaters, woollen jerseys, quilts etc. and distributed in slum areas in surrounding areas. Apart from this the Tribune Model School Interact club took initiative towards Adult literacy under Rotary India Literacy Mission (RILM) and as many as nine Interactors are undertaking Adult education programs to teach Nine Adult illiterates. Brookfield International School launched its Interact Club by organising Thalassemia Awareness talk.

Apart from 4 Interact Clubs, two Rotaract Clubs are also actively performing under the wings of the Club. Khalsa College of Engineering & Technology, Mohali, an Institutional Club successfully organized Blood Donation Camp. The other one Mohali City Rotaract Club is a community based Rotaract Club, which is one of the most vibrant club in the Tricity. The club has been able to perform exceptionally good in this avenue due to untiring efforts, support & guidance of Club Training Facilitator PP Rtn. Sukhpreet Singh Giani and Director, Youth Services Rtn. Kuldeep Singh Dhody. The Interactors and Rotaractors are the future of any Club, rather they are innovators to make any club a Vibrant Club.

# 62<sup>nd</sup> Meeting

- Charter of Interact Club at Brookfield International School
- Tree Plantation
- Talk on Thalassemia Awareness

The 62 <sup>nd</sup> meeting of Rotary Club of Mohali Midtown washeld on Friday, 12 April, 2024 at BROOKFIELD INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL, New Chandigarh, at 11:00 A.M. New Interact Club Brookfield International School was chartered by presenting Charter to Interact President Interactor Ashima Sachdeva and to the Principal of the school Ms. Vandana Aggarwal.

Sergeant at Arms, PP Rtn.

Harcharan Singh Marwah

collared the President. The

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Interactor Ashima

Sachdeva.



The President called the meeting to order. PP Sukhpreet Singh Giani, welcomed the guests including Dr. Manjeet Singh Trehan, Additional Director, Fortiscare, Chandigarh. PP Sukhpreet Singh Giani initiated the National Anthem which was sung by all, recited the 4 way Test.

Master of Ceremony, the students of the School invited the Interact President Interactor Ashima Sachdeva to address the House.

The Interactor President highlighted the significance of Rotary and assured the house that with the support of the school, Rotary Club of Mohali Midtown, will put the best foot forward in its service to the

BROOKFIELD INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL		
INTERACT CLUB-2024		
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PRESIDENT	Ashima Sachdeva	12 Commerce
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community.

Thereafter Rtn.

Kuldip Singh

Dhody, Director,

**Youth Services** 

addressed the

house and shared

with the young

students joining

the Interact Club on how to become a good human being.

11 Science

10 Alpha

10 Beta

Saksham Bhatia

Akshit Manhotra

Vinayak

The President in its address thanked the school for providing opportunity to the Club to associate with the school and start an Interact Club in the school.

Dr. Manjeet Singh Trehan, Additional Director, Fortiscare, Chandigarh, with his eloquence and professional expertise enlightened the young students, staff as well as Rotarians and made them aware through power presentation about the THALASSEMIA, its common symptoms, preventive measures and its treatment and



Dr. Manjeet Singh being felicitated by club secretary Rtn. Manjeet Kaur, school principal Ms. Vandana Aggarwal and Club President Rtn. Amarjit Singh Virk

the preventive and investigative tests to detect the same at an early stage. Dr. Trehan also emphasized to

make Brookfield International School as "Anemia Free School".

The Club felicitated the guest speaker, school principal and Interact president with potted plants.



The tiny tots of the school won the heart of everyone present with their exceptional gidha.

# Know your Interact Leader

# Ashima Sachdeva- President Interact Club of Brookfield International School



Ashima Sachdeva, an outstanding member of our community and the current President of the Interact Club at Brookfield International School.

She demonstrated academic excellence by securing the second position in her Tenth-grade board exams. Ashima's commitment to both scholastic and extracurricular pursuits is commendable.

She exhibits remarkable talent in Bhangra, sports, and actively engages in various social service initiatives organized by the school.

Ashima's leadership acumen shines through her role as President of the Interact Club, showcasing her dedication to service and community involvement.

#### Past President writes A Saint & Great Warrior Akali Phula Singh

By PP Rtn. Harcharan Singh Marwah This is first part of the article on Akali Phula Singh



Its a deceit on the part of historians of India that they have not brought forth the life history of great warriors who fought against enemies of Punjab region. One of them was Akali Phula Singh during the period of Mahaja Ranjit Singh. He was a great warrior and saint who fought and died for truth and welfare of down trodden. Akali Phula Singh Nihang (born Nihang Singh; 1 January 1761 – 14 March 1823) was an Akali Nihang Sikh leader. He was a saint soldier of the Khalsa Shaheedan Misl and head of the Budha Dal in the early 19th century. He was also a senior general in the Sikh Khalsa Army and commander of the irregular Nihang of the army. He played a role in uniting Sikh misls in Amritsar. He was not afraid of the British who at many times ordered for his arrest but were not successful. During his later years he served for the Sikh Empire as a direct adviser to Maharaja Ranjit Singh. He remained an army general in many famous Sikh battles up until his martyrdom in the battle of Nowshera. He was admired by the local people and had a great influence over the land and his settlement was always open to help the poor and helpless. He was well known and was a humble unique leader and prestigious warrior with high character. He was also known for his effort to maintain the values of Gurmat and the Khalsa panth.

Akali Phula Singh was born in 1761 in a Jat family, to father Sardar Ishar Singh. After his father's death Akali Phula Singh, who was still young, and his elder brother, Baba Sant Singh, were taken care of by Mahant Balram and under his mother's advice he would then later be taken under the apprentice of Akali Baba Naina Singh, the leader of the Shaheedan Misl, and his Nihang order at Anandpur Sahib. It was from Baba Naina Singh that he would receive initiation into the Khalsa. Akali Phula Singh memorized the Nitnem at a young age. As a child he would not eat until he completed memorizing a certain portion of the Sikh Guru's writings and in this way he had the AkalUstat, 33 Savaiye and other Sri Mukhwak

Bani memorized. Around the age of fourteen Akali Phula Singh's mother also passes away leaving him with

the dying wishes of being upholding dharma, helping the

virtuous,

unaffected by Moh, being a role model on the battlefield, and following the footsteps of his ancestors. This had a great impact on Akali Phula Singh who then gave away his land and his possessions to the poor[12] to start to live the life of a Soldier. Saint He became close Akali Naina Nihang verv to Singh's jatha at Anandpur Sahib where he completed his martial arts training and fought many battles. As he began to recite Gurbani with a near perfect pronunciation and began to display great dharmic strength he was made

the jathedar of the Shaheedan Misl. He did considerable Seva at Anandpur

Sahib which included protecting the Gurdwara from thieves and preparation

poor, serving the Panth, in the heart being at the refuge of the Guru, being

of langar until eventually the Gurdwara was reformed.

## In the Service of the Community



5 more Cataract Surgeries were performed by Fellow Rotarian Dr. Aditya Sharma on 12/04/2024 under Club's ongoing Project 'Drishti'

As of now total 22 Surgeries have been performed under Project 'Drishti'



Tree planatation was carrried out with the Interactors of Brookefiled Internatioanl School on April 12'2004.

#### Learners at Adult Literacy Centre add to their pride!

The Interact Club Tribune Model School has been successfully running Adult Literacy Programme under RILM and has shared the progress of adult learners who have participated in the DIKSHA (EACH ONE TEACH ONE) PROGRAM for the session 2023-2024. Their classes of a total of 60 days have been conducted smoothly by the students of the school along with the successful implementation of the final exam.

### **Incoming leaders at PET/SETS**



#### **Know Rotary Even Better**

#### What is Friendship Exchange?

Friendship Exchange is an international exchange program for Rotary members and friends that allows participants to take turns hosting one another in their homes and clubs.

Participants may travel as individuals, couples, families, or groups, and may be Rotary members or not.

#### Benefits of an exchange

- Broaden international understanding
- Explore a profession or job in a different context
- Build enduring friendships
- Gain opportunities for active project involvement and support
- Learn about a region's people, food, languages, customs, and history
- Find partners for grants
- Establish a foundation for peace and service. This can be done virtually or in person in a way that builds peace.

#### **Did You Know?**

Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) is an intensive leadership experience organized by Rotary clubs and districts where you develop your skills as a leader while having fun and making connections.

What are the benefits?

Connect with leaders in your community and around the world to:

- Build communication and problem-solving skills
- Discover strategies for becoming a dynamic leader in your school or community
- Learn from community leaders, inspirational speakers, and peer mentors
- Unlock your potential to turn motivation into action
- Have fun and form lasting friendships

#### Forth Coming Events

63rd Club meeting on Friday April 26 2024

Handing over the cheque for the treatment of a young boy at Tera hi Tera Mission Hospital on April 17 2024 at 1100 am

# Congratulations Birthday Wishes

Rtn. Kulwant Singh April 20

Anniversary Wishes

Rtn. Pawan Sachdeva & Ann Veena Raní Apríl 17

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