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Club of Mohali Midtown
Rotary International District 3080




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"Rotary's strength lies in the sincerity of purpose of its members"

Shubh. Karman

Inspiring good deeds

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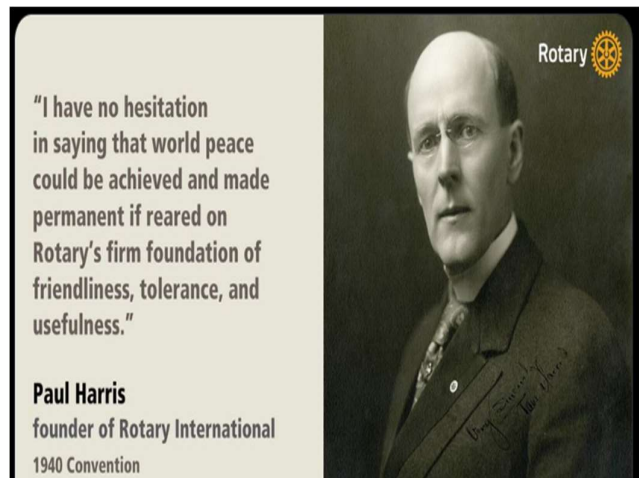
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The club meets on second and last Friday, if you are visiting the Tricity and intent to attend our meeting, pls call the President.

Club Stalwarts

2021-22 Rtn. Gurcharan Singh Arora (President)
Rtn. Amarjit Singh Virk(Secretary)
2022-23 Rtn. Ravijeet Singh (President)
Rtn. Dilpreet Singh Boparai (Secretary)
2023-24 Rtn. Amarjit Singh Virk (President)
Rtn. Ms Manjit Kaur (Secretary)

Rotary quotes inspire us.....



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PP Rtn.
Sukhpreet
Singh Giani

From Editor's Desk

Making projects sustainable

Last fortnight has been an eventual one for the club. The club handed over a deep freezer under Annapurna Project. Though most of the clubs prefer to

celebrate Annapurna day on July 1st, the endeavour of the club leadership was on making this project

sustainable, as done in last three years too. This deep freezer will remain in use for years in preserving food and ensuring its availability for those inmates at the Jyoti Saroop Kanya Asra Trust, Kharar.

Taking our "Drishti" project forward; and a gift of eye sight was presented to six patients. The dedication of the members and the friends of the Rotary towards this project gives our club a boost to the spirit behind this project. Engaging Rotary and Changing Lives for ever.

Rotarians appreciate that Rotary has no boundaries!

“Even small acts, when multiplied by true spirit of Rotary can transform the lives of the beneficiaries -for ever.

Rtn. Dr. Aditya Sharma, who conducts surgeries under the "Drishti" project, had the privilege of taking this good work beyond the club. Rtn Dr. Sharma was sought for his valuable counsel by District Governor of 3090, Rtn Ghanshyam Kansal for the upcoming Eye Hospital project in Sunam, Dist. Sangrur, Punjab. This counsel would help shape the future and provide essential eye care services to the community.

In yet another contributions under making projects sustainable the club has sponsored the medication for a needy patient suffering from cancer.

A club in just its fourth year of charter and in a second fortnight of the first month of the new Rotary Year creating a meaningful impact on the lives of many does speak volumes of the mottos of Rotary and their adaptation by the young club leadership.

The execution of these projects remind us that we don't have to engage in grand heroic actions to participate in change. Even small acts, when multiplied by true spirit of Rotary can transform the lives of the beneficiaries -for ever.

You are the wind beneath the wings!

To my fellow Rotarians, your gracious presence with your families at the installation on July 3^{1st}, was like a wind beneath the wing for your club team. Thank you for your unwavering support and encouragement. It is your collective passion and commitment that makes our club a beacon of hope and service in our community. Together, we have the power to make a significant impact, and I am excited to embark on this journey with you all.

As we look ahead to the coming year, I am filled with optimism and enthusiasm. Under **Community Outreach and Engagement**, we will strengthen our ties with the local community by organizing regular outreach programs, health camps, and educational workshops. Our aim is to address the pressing needs of our community and provide support where it is most needed. **Youth Empowerment** is another area so dear to us. I Believe, investing in our youth is investing in our future. We will launch mentorship programs, scholarships, and skill development workshops to empower young minds and help them realize their full potential. In line with Rotary's focus on **environmental**

sustainability, we will initiate projects aimed at promoting green practices, such as tree planting drives, waste management campaigns, and awareness programs on climate change. We have already done two tree plantations in the month of July.



Rtn. Dilpreet Singh
President
2024-25

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We will continue to prioritize **health and wellness** by organizing medical camps, blood donation drives, and awareness campaigns on critical health issues. Our goal is to ensure that everyone in our community has access to essential healthcare services. With the support of our club member Rtn Dr Aditya Sharma we will do 100 cataract surgeries in the year 2024-25 under the ongoing project DRISHTI. Any club grows by **Strengthening Rotary Bonds**. Building strong relationships within our club and with other Rotary Clubs is crucial. We will host fellowship events, joint

President's Message

projects, and networking opportunities to foster camaraderie and collaborations. Also; **Embracing innovation and technology** will be a key focus. We will leverage digital platforms to enhance our communication, streamline our operations, and reach a wider audience through use of social media tools. Under **Vocational Service**, the club intends to organize sessions where professionals from various fields provide guidance to students and job seekers; and offer **Skill Development Programs** like training in skills like coding, carpentry, or culinary arts.

Under **Conflict Resolution** we plan to Conduct workshops on mediation and conflict resolution techniques. Our focus will also remain on **Clean Water Projects**: Install water filtration systems in schools and communities, on such project **will be accomplished in the month of August itself**. We do need to focus on educating communities about proper hygiene practices to prevent diseases. Over the years the club has done wonderful work on **Maternal and Child Health** and we plan to carry on the legacy by organize health check-ups

and vaccination drives for mothers and children. Similarly, under **Basic Education and Literacy**, we have plans in place for **Sponsoring Education, Book Donation Drives, Literacy Classes**.

Other areas, that we would like to open doors for is on arranging **exchange programs with Rotary clubs in other countries**; organize job fairs to connect job seekers with potential employers.

I am excited about the possibilities that lie ahead, and I am sure you too are! With your support and dedication, I am confident that we can achieve great things together. Let us embark on this journey with a spirit of service, compassion, and unity. Together, let us make a difference and create a lasting impact in our community and beyond.

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Sailing forth in Rotary Year 2024-25



Rtn. Dilpreet Singh is installed as the President 2024-25

69th Meeting

Installation ceremony of “Team 2024-25” of Rotary Club of Mohali Midtown was organised on July 31’ 2024 at CII auditorium in Chandigarh. Rtn. Dilpreet Singh Boparai as the fourth President. Rtn. Dilpreet has been the secretary of the club in the year 2022-23. He brings with him a heart of gold, a passion for Rotary and excellent planning and execution skills and no wonder he was the best secretary of the zone in his year.

The installation started with the welcome of the Chief Guest Sardar DPS Kharbanda, IAS- CEO Invest Punjab and Secretary Industries and Commerce; and Guest of Honour and Dr. PJ Singh Director -Chairman Tynor Industries Mohali.

Rtn. Amarjit Singh President 2023-24 was collared by PP Rtn Marwah. He called the meeting to order. Master of Ceremony PP Rtn. Sukhpreet Singh Giani initiated the National Anthem which was sung by all. Blessings of



Almighty were also sought with the recitation of the Shadad-“ De Shiva Var mohe ehe, shubh Karman se kabo na ” .

Rotary 4-way test was also said by the gathering.

Chairperson for the Installation Ceremony PP Rtn. Harjit Singh in his welcome address apprised the august gathering of how in a short span of three years, the club has made a mark for itself in the district and made a lasting connect with the community.

Outgoing president Rtn. Amarjeet Singh presented his annual report. He shared project that not only made an impact but

“Debt Trap”, and Rotarians being catalyst of change can do a lot for evolving policies with the government of the day. He also shared his vision on making Punjab again a prosperous state.

Chief Guest for the evening S. DPS Kharbanda appreciated the work done by the club and asked the Rotarians to make a positive impact on the youth of Punjab. He apprised of certain schemes of the Department of Industries where by the youth can be given low interest loans and can be brought to the main stream.



Ankit Beri is inducted as a member. A seasoned director with expertise in mining, construction, and industrial machinery sales. Based in Sector 82, Mohali, he brings strategic vision and leadership to our Rotary Club. Residing in Gillco Towers, Kharar, he combines business acumen with community spirit.

also brought difference in the life of beneficiaries. From eye surgeries, providing bicycles, to providing disaster relief kits; and the club impacted lives of many.

Rtn. Dilpreet Singh presented his vision for the year, and even expressed special emphasis on member retention and involvement and spoke. He presented a broader outlook what the club intends to do in the year under the various avenues of the service.

The members of the board were pinned. Guest of Honour Dr. PJ Singh recalled how the state of Punjab was under a

Club Secretary Rtn. Prabhjot Kaur proposed a vote of thanks.



The club also celebrated the birthdays of

- Dir Vocational Service Rtn Manjit Singh Kohli (Aug 17)
 - Charter President Rtn Gurcharan Singh Arora (Aug 18)
 - Dr Aditya Sharma (Aug 20)
 - Rtn Manpreet Kaur (Aug 26)
- And Sardar Prithipal Singh Boparai, father of President Dilpreet Singh; who celebrates his birthday on July 31st.
for the Rotary Convention-2025.



Leading luminaries of the state that included Dr. DS Cheema former education minister of Punjab, S. Harjeet Singh Sabharwal of Tera Tera



mission; from Rotary PDG Madhukar Malhotra, PDG Manmohan Singh, PDG Praveen Goyal, Assistant governor Rtn. Ravijeet Singh graced the occasion.

Glances of the Installation









Prabhjot Kaur, Club Secretary was Born in the historic city of Amritsar and raised in the scenic town of Kullu, Prabhjot is the daughter of the esteemed Late Lt. S. Hardeep Singh and the dynamic Sarbjeet Kaur. Her younger sibling, Jasmeet, continues their father's business legacy with notable success.

Prabhjot earned her undergraduate and postgraduate degrees in Biotechnology from HMV College, Jalandhar, and Punjab University, Chandigarh, respectively. She is married to Rtn. Damandeep Singh, an industrialist and together they have two talented sons: Tavasees Singh, age 10, who excels in singing, and Harnameh Singh, age 7, who shines in badminton.

As a mindset coach, Prabhjot is dedicated to empowering women to overcome challenges and embrace their full potential. Her personal motto, 'Life is for once, live it every moment,' reflects her philosophy.

*"Zehmat e rabb di ,
Apne ghar mandar vich wasdi e
Zindgi di azmaahish vich v
Nazar aundi o hasdi e"*

Prabhjot is also a devoted mother, passionate learner, and gifted poet, known for her poignant Punjabi poetry and deep insights. Despite being raised in Himachal Pradesh, her heart remains deeply connected to Punjab and its cultural roots. She is also a firm believer in the power of gratitude.

*" Har vehle khyal aunda
Teri har nikki waddi nehmata*



*da
Meri aukhaad nalo wadh
bakshya,
shukran Teri har rehmat da
Bas hath fadd menu
chalaunda rahi,
kithe mahotaj na jawan soch
ton vi
Sabak Chete kardi rawaan
hathi kiti mehnat da"*

She channelises her emotions and attachments through her poetry, which she considers a vital part of her soul. Supported by her family and husband, Prabhjot is actively involved in community welfare initiatives and remains committed to

Know your Leader

uplifting women through her journey of self-evolution. She firmly believes that everything happens for a reason and is driven by a desire to make a positive impact.

Gaurav Dhiman, President Interact Club of Tribune School

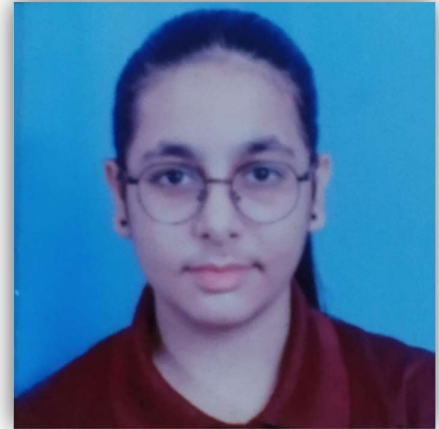


Gaurav Dhiman, President of Interact Club of Tribune School, Sector 29, Chandigarh is a student of class 9th, has a strong academic record and a heart for community service. He has always sought to make a positive impact on those around me.

Throughout his school journey, he has been actively involved in various extracurricular activities, especially related to the subject Information Technology. Gaurav has achieved many medals and certificates for his school.

Gaurav is excited to share his vision and collaborate with school community to make our school year unforgettable.

Ananya, the Secretary of the Interact Club at The Tribune School



Ananya, Secretary of the Interact Club at The Tribune School, Chandigarh, is currently studying in class 9th-B. She often takes time to form attachments, however she enjoys connecting with people she is comfortable with. Over past few years, she has achieved various accolades, including securing the second prize in a Punjabi storytelling competition and earning certificates for my academic and social activities. She has also taken on roles such as class monitor and notebook monitor.

As the Secretary of the Interact Club, she plans to organize and participate in activities that foster social communication, support the needy, and help her grow as an individual. She is committed to working hard to achieve these goals and make a positive impact on the community.

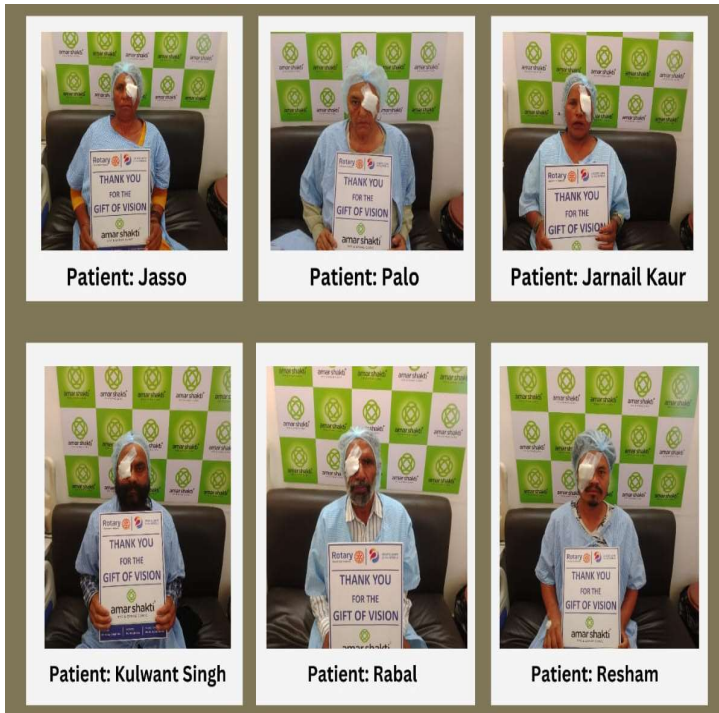


The Rotary Club of Mohali Midtown donated a deep freezer worth approximately ₹90,000 to the Jyoti Saroop Kanya Asra Trust, Kharar with the support of members. This initiative was part of the club's celebration of Annapurna Day, marking a commitment to sustainability and ensuring that every day can be Annapurna Day for the trust. This thoughtful contribution will help in preserving food and ensuring its availability for those in need. The centre houses 120 orphan girls. The fellow Rotarians accompanied and showed their support for the project, further strengthening the club's dedication to the welfare of the community. This deep freezer will support the trust's efforts to provide continuous and reliable nourishment to the girls in their care.

Sponsored the medication of a cancer patient

The Club has sponsored the medication for a needy patient Nisha Rani suffering from cancer. This initiative was made possible through the dedicated efforts of Rtn Harjeet Singh, whose commitment and hard work ensured that the patient received the necessary support.

In Service of the Community



The Rotary Club of Mohali Midtown conducted six free cataract surgeries on 18th July under our Project Drishti initiative.

This effort is part of our ongoing commitment to improving eye health and providing essential medical services to those in need.

The surgeries were performed successfully by Rtn Dr Aditya Sharma at Poly Clinic in Village Parch, bringing clearer vision and a better quality of life to the beneficiaries.



Rotary Club of Mohali Midtown provided 40 saplings to the management of Residents' Welfare Association of AWHO Harbhajan Vihar (HV), Sector 114, Mohali. The plantation was carried out jointly with the residents, under the leadership of President Rtn. Dilpreet Singh and Col RC Dhulia (Retd.) - President RWA HV.

Dr. Aditya Sharma to lend his expertise beyond 3080

Kansal in this endeavour is truly commendable.



Rtn Dr. Aditya Sharma, had the privilege of meeting the District Governor of 3090, Rtn Ghanshyam Kansal. Rtn Dr. Sharma was sought for his valuable counsel on the upcoming Eye Hospital project in Sunam, Dist. Sangrur, Punjab.

Rtn Dr. Sharma's involvement in this significant initiative, which aims to provide essential eye care services to the community, is a testament to his dedication and expertise. His commitment to supporting Governor

Accolades

Block your date(s) for

70th meeting

Aug 9th , Friday

Handing over of ROs

**When?,
Where? At?**

Details shall be shared at the
Club's What's app group

Installation Interact Club

Interact Club of St.
Soldier
International
Convent School,
Mohali.

When? on Thursday
Aug 15th 2024.

Where? St. Soldier
International Convent
School, Phase 7 Mohali.

At? Time shall be
informed at the Club's
What's app group

A Rotary International President who was also a deputy prime minister twice

Bhichai Rattakul, a past Rotary International president and an accomplished businessperson and politician who was Rotary's first president from Thailand. He rose from humble beginnings, which shaped his outlook on life. He joined Rotary in 1958 as a charter member of the Rotary Club of Dhonburi, Thailand's second club and the first to conduct its business in Thai. As 2002-03 RI president, Rattakul encouraged Rotary members to determine their own goals and programs, saying that grassroots members know what's best for their own clubs and communities. He had given the theme of the year – Sow the Seeds of Love.

Prior to becoming RI president, Rattakul had a distinguished career in government, **serving as Thailand's deputy prime minister twice**, from 1983 to 1990 and from 1997 to 2000, and as **foreign minister**. He was a member of the Thai parliament **for nine terms and held the posts of speaker of the House of Representatives and president of the National Assembly**. He retired from government in 2000.

During his years in politics, he served **as head of Thailand's Democratic**



Party. He led a number of Thai delegations to the United Nations. He held honorary degrees in law and political science. As chair of the organizing committee for the 13th Asian Games in 1998, Rattakul served as a mediator, bringing together several fractious groups to organize and host the competition in Bangkok.

Rattakul, who was the president of a pharmaceuticals manufacturing company in Bangkok, also served as president of the Thai Pharmaceuticals Manufacturers Association for more than 10 years. Rattakul and his wife, Charoye, were Rotary Foundation Major Donors and Benefactors.

Did you Know?

Greetings

Rtn. Pawan Sacheva
Aug 1

Rtn. Ishneet Kaur Bhatia
Aug 2

Rtn. Jashiinder Singh
Aug 7

Rtn. Manpreet Singh Chawala
Aug 30

Birthday

Happy wedding anniversary

Rtn. Gurmail Singh
Aug 28