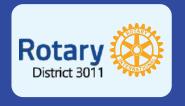
# **ROTARY CLUB OF DELHI WEST**



# Kalindi



Newsletter

**July 2024** 

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Rtn. Stephanie A. Urchick R.I. President Rtn. Dr. Mahesh P. Trikha Distt. Governor Rtn. Rohit Seth

## CLUB BLESSINGS



Rotary Club blessing function, also known as invocation is a tradition where a member offers blessing or words of inspiration. The Club Blessing ceremony took place on 13th July at Vasant Vihar Club. Rotary Club of Delhi West President Rtn. Rohit Seth took blessings from the Club senior members PDG Damanjit Singh, PDG Ramesh Chander, PDG Ashok Kantoor to name a few and many Past Presidents and members. With their blessings President Rohit Seth started his new Rotary year with vigour and new ideas.

Wishing President Rohit Seth all the very best!!







Dear President and Members,

At the outset allow me to Congratulate the Club on a fabulous and consistent performance year on year! The dedication of the Members to pursue their dream relentlessly and implement it with vision and clarity is truly admirable. It is my proud privilege to be able to write a message for you in your Club Magazine in the new RI Year and to wish you a year full of meaningful activity and engagement with the communities. As a club you have always maintained your position as one of the best Clubs of RI District 3011 and we are proud of the significant contribution you have made in your efforts to serve humanity over

several years. Your commitment to service to humanity through your Foundations is truly commendable. Today as you embark on yet another Rotary Year in the history of the club you will create more legacies for the future. You should be proud of realizing your dreams and ambitions over the years and we are sure you will emerge stronger and better with each year of serving communities with the zeal and passion that every member of your club has evidenced time and again. I would like to inform all Members that RI District 3011 are maintaining a clear focus on delivering social values and high ethical conduct throughout our masterplan for the year, embedding sustainable projects and activities to deliver a wider social impact and across communities and your objectives are aligned with the District's in all aspects.

It is time to take strategic steps to drive efficiencies. You must persevere with your intention to transform lives across different cross-segments and respond to the needs of vulnerable and unrepresented people like you have done before. We should also align activity across the District and beyond to help build the Public Image of Rotary. It is important at this juncture to sustain the tremendous body of work you have committed to in the past and build new ones that will have an indelible impact on the communities around us.

Sujata and I extend our best wishes to the President and Members of Rotary Club of Delhi West and hope you have a very successful and productive RI Year 2024-25. We look forward to many achievements, accolades and recognitions for you in the future.

# President Rtn. Rohit Seth Message



Dear members,

Warm Greetings for the new Rotary year. July in Rotary is the month of transition. The transition is smooth, full of enthusiasm, new ideas and great positive energy. New members join the club with excitement. The old members with their experience along with new members, take the initiative to take the club forward.

Our club has always been a beacon of unity and passion, bringing together individuals who share common love for club's focus and activities. Over the past year, we have

achieved remarkable milestones and faced lot of challenges too. It is the spirit of dedication, support and commitment the club could overcome challenges and succeed with running projects as well as new. Looking forward let us continue to uphold the values that make our club extraordinary.

Let us strive for excellence in all our endeavours. Together we can achieve new heights and create lasting memories. I encourage you all to actively participate, share ideas and engage with fellow members. The involvement as of all members amongst each other makes our club vibrant and dynamic. Let us make use of all the opportunities to learn , grow and celebrate our shared passion. This year's theme is the "Magic of Rotary" and I feel the magic has already begun.

Thank you for being part of this incredible journey. Here's to another fantastic year ahead.

## Know Your President Rtn. Rohit Seth

Rohit Seth was born on August 2, 1959, in Palampur, Himachal Pradesh. His father Late Mr. J.K. Seth founded the family business and his mother late Shrimati Usha Seth was a homemaker. He has two sisters; Rupa, who is married to Rtn. Anuj Khurana, past President Rotary Club of New Delhi, and Deepa, who is married to Mr. Sanjeev Nayyer. Rohit attended St. Xavier's School in Delhi and graduated from Bhagat Singh College, Delhi University. He is married to Ritu Seth, who has been a constant support throughout his journey. An entrepreneurial lady, whose current venture is Sarva that ventures into the space of jewellery redesign and fashion jewellery. They have three children. Their eldest daughter, Rajika Seth, is Director in one of Asia's largest media platforms for the social sector, India Development Review (IDR) and she is married to Vaibhav Gupta, a Senior Director in a venture capital fund called Prosus Ventures. Rajika, Vaibhav and their three-year-old son, Neev Seth Gupta are based in Bangalore. Their second daughter, Vartika is married to Gobind Kapur. While Vartika runs her own fashion brand – Neon Flamingo by Vartika Seth Kapur for women's western wear, Gobind runs a luxury interior design company Maison Du Luxe. Vartika and Gobind have a nine-year-old son, Kabir Kapur. Akshat Seth, Rohit and Ritu's son, is a corporate chef in Sydney, Australia.

Rohit Seth manages his family business, Seth & Co., which specializes in legal publications and sales in the Delhi High Court, with branch offices in other courts. The business has been operational for over 69 years. Rohit is also a distinguished member of the Masonic Fraternity of New Delhi since 1984 and an Elected member of the management Committee for the last several years and has received several awards for his contributions.

Rohit's Rotary journey began in 1985 with the Rotary Club of Delhi West when PDG Damanjit Singh was the President. His initial inspiration came from his grandfather, late Shri W.M. Mehra, a senior Rotarian in Himachal Pradesh and his paternal uncle, Mr. J.K. Seth, who was a Rotary Governor in Allahabad (U.P.). Rohit has made significant contribution to the organization and has received numerous recognitions for his efforts.

As a person, Rohit Seth is cheerful, hardworking, determined and extremely hospitable. He is passionate about food, travelling and exploring new avenues and always eager to give back to society in whatever way he can.



# First Lady Ritu Seth Message

Dear Members and Friends,

I, first congratulate and thank our seniors for leaving a strong legacy for us. I am filled with gratitude to serve as First Lady of an elite club. Our club has always been a vibrant club, leader in service and excellence, bringing together individuals who share the same passion of keeping service above self.

In the coming months we look forward for stronger bonds and persue initiatives that will make positive impact in our community. I am sure together and as a Team we will achieve our goals. Let us celebrate our past achievements, take on challenges ahead and with our righteous values move forward.

I request all Partners to actively participate in Club projects, visit the projects regularly, personally encourage the children and all involved in the projects. The power of women can do wonders in changing the society and making it a better place.

We are not just members but together we are a family committed to create a difference with a magic wand as this year's Rotary Theme is "Magic of Rotary".

So lets all come together and with the power of dedication, determination create MAGIC!





Judge SUPREME COURT OF INDIA

#### MESSAGE

Rotary Club of Delhi West is a service organization with which my family and I have been closely associated for decades. My father, Late Shri S.N. Kohli was one of the Charter members of the Club that was established in the year 1971. While my father was an active member of the Rotary Club, my mother, Late Smt. Mohinder Kohli was equally active in the Inner Wheel Club. Many Club members still recall her contribution in several service initiatives of the Inner Wheel. She was invariably elected as the Treasurer of the Inner Wheel Club, being meticulous in keeping accounts for which the Club received several commendations, year after year.

I have fond memories of accompanying my parents to the Club's fellowship meetings along with my sister, Neelu Kohli. At that time, the meetings were held on a weekly basis at the iconic Ashoka Hotel. I remember how often my sister and I would accompany our parents for various functions organized by the Rotary Club right through our school days and well beyond. So, the bonding was not just between the parents who were members of the Club, but also between the children, many of whom were part of the youth wing of the Club, known as Interacts. The District level meetings of various Clubs of Rotary under District 3011 were major events on the Rotary calendar. A lot of camaraderie and fellowship was witnessed at these Conventions. The relationships that were forged during these meetings, continue to subsist even today. After my father's demise in early 90's, on my mother's encouragement, I had joined the Club and remained a member for almost a decade. On account of my professional preoccupation, my sister took over from me to be inducted as a member of the Club. Both of us were active participants in all the activities of the Club.

For several years, the Rotary Club had a "Men's Only" rule for membership. Things changed in the late 1980's when the Rules of the Charter were amended. Rotary is known to recognize inclusivity and diversity at every level. Women have joined Rotary Clubs in good numbers. I am delighted to learn that the Rotary International President elect for the year 2024-25 is a distinguished woman, who succeeds an eminent woman President for the preceding year 2023-24.

Rotary is not just a Club, but a way of life. Its emphasis on core values like service, fellowship, diversity, integrity and leadership makes it stand out in the global community. The theme of Rotary this year 'The Magic of Rotary', a magic that shall reach out to save precious lives and help ameliorate the world's pressing humanitarian challenges. The power of Rotary can be gauged by the fact that it connects 1.2 million members from over 200 countries worldwide. Rotary's collaboration with Governments across several continents to promote projects for uplifting the community, are well recognized. The month of July each year is considered as the first month of the Rotary year when the baton of leadership is passed on by the previous team to the newly elected team. No wonder, July is known as the "Transition Month". I am delighted to learn that Rotarian Rohit Seth is going to take over as the 54th President of the Rotary Club of Delhi West for the year 2024-25. He shall be heading the flagship projects in Sarvarth Foundation where students from the under-privileged families are imparted training in various skills and courses. It is heartening to know that students who have undergone the training, have been gainfully employed. Similarly, the Kalindi Foundation Programme established several years ago, is doing wonderful work in extending financial support through scholarships to students who are economically disadvantaged, right up to Class XIIIn. The new initiatives taken by the Club are equally significant. I understand that the Club has set up a first Skin Bank in Northern India in collaboration with All Indian Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi. The Club has also established a Skill Training Centre to train students in the telecom sector and over 90 per cent students who complete this training, are getting employed.

I take this opportunity to wish Rotarian Rohit Seth and his entire team the very best for a successful tenure at the Club as well as for launching of the Souvenir which is being printed on this occasion to showcase the achievements of the Club in the field of community development. May the spirit of Rotary prevail.

Best wishes.

[HIMA KOHLI]

NEW DELHI; 10<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 2024

#### **CLUB ASSEMBLY**



Club Assembly of Rotary Club of Delhi West headed by President 2024-2025 Rtn. Rohit Seth, was held at Karmalakes, Manesar on May 18th and 19th. Seventeen families of RCD West got together. The First Lady Ritu Seth welcomed all the members. The atmosphere was welcoming, relaxed with a sense of camaraderie. Club Assembly kicked off with a formal meeting after lunch. Members were engaged in informal conversations, building relationships and sharing experiences. President Rohit Seth shared his vision of the new Rotary Year. The senior members of the clubs gave their suggestions and advice to plan and execute the Rotary vision of the President. The evenings were full of fun, music, singing, dancing, games and sumptuous dinner. Next day was time for swimming, cycling and a delightful breakfast. What a memorable Club Assembly it was!!

### **CLUB IN ACTION**



Rotary Club of Delhi West, with President Rtn Rohit Seth carried out a Mega Tree Plantation at SHO, Lodi Colony Police Station.



Rotary Club of Delhi West In association with Akshay Seva distributed food to underprivileged people at AIIMS on 1st July.



Rotary Club of Delhi West and Rotary Club of Delhi Khubsurat organised a Cancer Awareness and Detection Camp with Mammography at St Basil Church, Rohini.



Pragyata Foundation, Rotary Club of Delhi West and Rotary Club of Delhi South West Organised a Mega Health Camp at Dwarka Courts Bar Association. More than 500 Lawyers took the benefit of these Medical Facilities.

#### **CLUB IN ACTION**



Inaugurated the Medical Bed gifted to Maitreyi College by Rtn Ajit Dhar and discussed with their Core Committee including the Principal, various Projects to be undertaken by Rotary Club of Delhi West.



Rotary Club Of Delhi West, SATHI and DCWA in association with Apollo Hospitals organised an Orientation Program for Students of DHA, Digital Health Assistant at Apollo Hospitals...icing on the cake was a Meeting with PDG Rtn Dr Subra, Director, Apollo Hospital.



Rotary Club of Delhi West and Rotary Club of Faridabad Green organised a Cancer Awareness and Detection Camp with Mammography at Sector 9 Church.

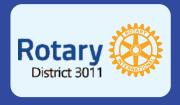


Rtn Sunil Anand member of Rotary Club of Delhi West sponsored 10 students for the whole year at Delhi Commonwealth Women's Association, DCWA.It was a phenomenal feeling to be amongst the Students and Members of DCWA.



Many Congratulations Rotary Club of Delhi West.
for inducting a new Interact Club at
R I School Gurugram
Also a new Rotaract Club at Laxmibai College,
Delhi University.

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#### WELCOME NEW MEMBERS AS ROTARIANS

Ashish Wadhawan | Arun Bajaj | Manoj Srivastava | Sarvadeep Sachdev | Anju Kakar | KM Bhalla



#### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

Sunil Gupta | Bhavya Sethi | Vivek Mahajan | Aditya Singh Bhati | Bharat Bhushan Sawhney



5th July - R'Anne Monica Kalra 10th July - R'Anne Mamta Matta 23rd July - Rtn. Bhavya Sethi



8th July - Rtn. Ashok Kantoor 22nd July - R'Anne Sangeeta Talwar 29th July- R'Anne Meeta Anand



#### THE BOARD

Rtn. Rohit Seth President

Rtn. Chirag Dayal Imm. Past President

Rtn. Arun Rekha Gogia V. Pres./President Elect

Rtn. Rakesh Talwar **Club Learning Facilitator Director-Skilling to Employment** 

Rtn. Gurbir S. Khera Hony. Secretary

Rtn. Sarvadeep Sachdev Jt. Secretary

Rtn. Gagan Kumar Treasurer

Rtn. Bidyut Tamuly Sgt-At-Arms & Director-**New Generations Services** 

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PDG Rtn. Ramesh Chander

PDG Rtn. Damanjit Singh

PDG Rtn. **Ashok Kantoor** 

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Rtn. Gurinder Kaur **International Service** 

Rtn. Deepak Bahl | Rtn. Vishesh Mathur **Club Services** 

Rtn. Anil Tayal **Community Service**  Rtn. Arun Roongta Vocational Service

Rtn. Ajay Kumar Gupta The Rotary Foundation

Rtn. Pradeep Agarwal Environment

### UP COMING MAJOR EVENTS



15th August Independence day Celebrations at Sarvarth Foundation and Building Renovation Club Visit



18th August **President Installation** Shubh Aarambh @ India Habitat Center

EDITORIAL TEAM 2024-25



PP Rtn. Rakesh Talwar Advisor



Rtn. Manoi Srivastava



R'Anne. Charu Srivastava Editor