

# THE MID TOWNER

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## VISIT TO PROJECT NIGHT SCHOOL SARANGPUR

Please Note  
Change in  
Venue & Time

Venue: - Govt. School, Sarangpur

Time: - 5 PM

### COMMUNITY SERVICE : YOUTH PERSPECTIVE

A Panel discussion was held on Relevance of Community Service among the New Generation on September 21. The object of the discussion was to have the perspective of the Youth towards Community Service. The panelist were Irina Brar, the known Golfer and Youth Icon, a real Achiever. The other two panelist were Parmod Sharma, President, Yuv Satta and Harkirat Singh, District Rotaract Representative. Parmod is a firm believer in Gandhian Ideas of Constructive Program based on voluntary effort and individual and community action. Harkirat, on the other hand, is an active worker and is seriously engaged in carrying forward the Rotaract activities.



Youth Icon Irina Brar receiving appreciation from Ann Lovy Peter.



Exchange of Rotary Flag with Gladback Kirchhellen and Koblenz Ehrenbreitstein.

This mixture of youth was a perfect combination to have the Youth Perspective towards community service. PP Rtn. Inderjit Sen Gupta was the Moderator. The moderator initiated the discussion by focusing on the commitment of the youth to community service. Irina, in her initial short presentation wondered that even if she wanted to do something for the community, she actually did not know where to go. In the discussion that followed, the people did not know as to what all was being done by Rotary and its partners in service. It was necessary for Rotary to address itself as to how the public be made known of what all was being done by Rotary towards the community. The public

image of Rotary is not reflective of its role in the community. Parmod, on the other hand, felt that we did not have that serious concern for the people around us in the Community.

He elaborated this aspect particularly by making pointed reference to the animal kingdom. He was appreciative of the role, which was being played by the Rotary. He made particular reference to the Project of Rotary where heart surgeries were being performed particularly on children in order to give them second life. Under this project, children from Pakistan and other neighbouring countries have also been treated. Parmod made particular reference to the work, which is required to be done in the slums of the city beautiful. He also wanted cycling to be made popular. Harkirat was clear and specific that there was no shortage of

people who were willing and desirous of doing community service. He also expressed that there was no shortage of money. He felt that if this be so, a lot can be done for the community at large. The panelists felt that the youth should be involved and that they could contribute to the happiness of others.

A meaningful discussion followed after the presentation by the three panelists. We had German visitors in this meeting. They also participated in the discussion. Mickel from Germany also spoke on the theme of discussion. Many of our Rtms. also participated. District Governor, Shaju Peter was present in the meeting. He concluded the discussion by appreciating what the panelist had to say. He expressed that there was time when Rotary never wanted to publicise its role and activities. In the



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changed situation now, he was of the view that there is serious need to focus on the role and activities of Rotarians in public so that public is fully educated with regard to Rotary and its image. It is always a pleasure to have Shaju in meetings though sometime it is not possible for him to be present.

The German visitors exchanged their Club Flag with the Flag of our Club. We were happy to get the Flags of Gladback Kirchhellen and Koblenz Ehrenbreitstein. The mementos were presented by the First Lady of the District Lovy Peter to the panelist and the Gifts to the Birthday boys and the Wedding Anniversary couple.



*Parmod Sharma putting forth his views*



*Rtn. Harkirat Singh receiving appreciation*



*Parmod Sharma receiving appreciation*



*Anniversary Couple Col. Mrs. & Mr. Kapoor*



*Rtn. O.P. Malik punctual as ever*



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*Happy B'day PP Rtn. J.L. Mahajan*

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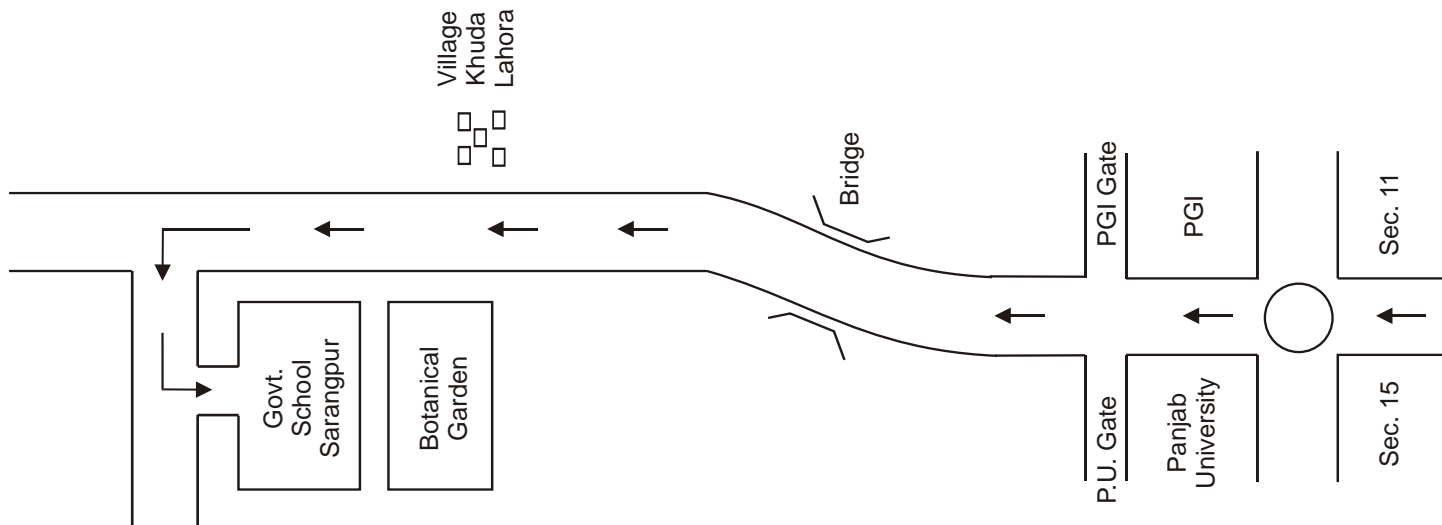
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As a part of the Project Night School Sarangpur, we are shifting our next weekly meeting to The Govt School Sarangpur. Please make note of the changed time and Venue. We have planned a Prize Distribution function for the deserving students and would also be distributing books & other stationery items to all the students. Special hampers are being made for all of the 35 students. Some members have come forth in adding tooth brushes/paste, Honey bottles etc to the hamper. If you want to contribute 35 pcs of any relevant item please contact President / Secretary. Meeting will be followed by refreshments for all students & members



#### BIRTHDAY GREETINGS :

Rtn. Arjan Singh	Sept. 28
Rtn. Parveen Khosla	Oct. 01
Rtn. Dr. Col. V.K. Kapoor	Oct. 03
PP rtn. Dr. S.K. Sharma	Oct. 03



#### DONATIONS FOR CLUB PROJECTS :

Rtn. Dr. Col. V.K. Kapoor	Rs. 2,000.00
Rtn. Surjit Kumar	Rs. 500.00
PP Rtn. J.L. Mahajan	Rs. 1,000.00
Rtn. Prem Anand	Rs. 500.00



#### WEDDING ANNIVERSARY :

R'anne Veena & PP Rtn. Subhash Bindra	Sept. 30
R'ann Ranjana & Rtn. R.T.P.S. Tulsi	Oct. 02



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Editor for the week : PP Rtn. Dr. Balram K. Gupta

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