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## PROGRAMME

### QUIZ MASTER

**PP Rtn. Ar. Pallav Mukherjee**



**GR8 Prizes! Stay at Koti Resorts, Artificial Jewelry Set, Lunch/Dinner for two at Pal Dhaba, Conducting a class at Sarangpur Night School.**

Friday, May 25, 2012

Time: 7.00 p.m.

Venue: Hotel President, Sector 26, Chandigarh

## Rotary International Convention at Bangkok

The 103rd Rotary International Convention on 6-9 May 2012 was held at IMPACT Muang Thong Thani, a world class venue with state of art facilities with more than 140,000 sq. meters of conference and event floor space, located in the superb, away from traffic congestion, in Bangkok. Her Royal Highness Princess Chulabhorn represented His Majesty the King of Thailand at the opening ceremony on May 06, 2012, which was divided into two sessions, the first one being in the morning

session when the Impact Challenger Hall was full to its capacity of 22000 persons. For the remaining delegates the second session was held in the afternoon.

Rotary service and fellowship made the RI Convention a memorable event for all 18 members of our club who attended the convention, and they shared their life-enriching experience in our regular meeting on May 18, 2012. All of them attended the club meeting, wearing their convention badges.



*Her Royal Highness Princess Chulabhorn at opening ceremony*



*RI President Kalyan Banerjee and Rotary World First Lady Binota*



*R'ann Urmil and President R.K. Luther in Thai attire*



*Impact Muang Thong Thani, a world class venue*



*PDG Shaju Peter & other Sergeant At Arms*



*Rtn. Dr. Rita Kalra with RIP Kalyan Banerjee & Mrs. Binota*



*Interfaith Service*



*'Sawadee' - Dr. Sanjay Kalra and Rtn. Dr. Rita Kalra with Thai lady*



*Indian National Anthem*

# House of Friendship Challenger 3



The biggest attraction of the convention - House of Friendship

PDG Shaju Peter on duty in House of Friendship



Free entertainment shows of high cultural quality in House of Friendship

Internet Cafe in House of Friendship



PDG Yoginder Diwan, Rtn. Kanan Diwan and other Chandigarh Midtowners in the Registration hall

PDG Shaju Peter & R'ann Lovy Peter in House of Friendship

L-R: Rtn. Amarjit Singh, Sunita, DGE Manmohan Singh, Rtn. A.K. Puri, Sudha Puri, Pushpa Jawa and Rtn. Vinod Jawa in House of Friendship

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*R'ann Urmil & President  
R.K. Luther enjoying the RI Convention*



*R'ann Indu Vohra in House of  
Friendship*



*PP Dr. V.J.S. Vohra & R'ann Indu Vohra at  
dinner cruise with Rotarians from Pune*

*An Audio Visual Presentation by our Rotarians*



*PDG Shaju Peter*



*PP Dr. V.J.S. Vohra*



*Rtn. Amarjit Singh*



*Rtn. Dr. Rita Kalra*



*Rtn. Kanan Diwan*



*PP T.S. Anand*



*Rtn. A.K. Puri*



*Rtn. Vinod Jawa*



*President R.K. Luther*

For PDG Shaju Peter Bangkok was his 4<sup>th</sup> RI Convention. He said, "This was the 3<sup>rd</sup> largest convention in the history of Rotary with attendance of 36500 Rotarians from all over the world. Chicago had 45000 and the second was at Osaka, Japan with 38500." Shaju also talked about the pre-convention events which he had attended. He pointed out, "In the coming years Rotary will have tremendous emphasis on social media."

Facebook, Twitter and YouTube would become necessary tools to make Rotary more appealing to the new generation.

Shaju said, "RI President Kalyan Banerjee made a tremendous impression on the delegates. His inaugural speech was fantastic." Shaju highly appreciated the shuttle bus service for the Rotarians from their hotel to the venue and back.

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Back home from RI Convention. Sitting from left: Rtn. A.K. Puri, PDG Shaju Peter, President R.K. Luther, Secretary Amarjit Singh and PDG Yoginder Diwan. Standing from left: Rtn. Vinod Jawa, PP Dr. V.J.S. Vohra, Indu Vohra, Urmil Luther, Sunita, Rtn. Kanan Diwan, Rtn. Dr. Rita Kalra, Sudha Puri and Pushpa Jawa

PP Dr. V.J.S. Vohra wanted to explain how to excess the RI convention proceedings through online video but access to these sites had been blocked as per Court Orders. He however explained how to excess our club website and other Rotary sites, specially our weekly bulletin which goes online every Tuesday.

Secretary Amarjit Singh gave a presentation on Hospitality Night which was a gala dinner and Siam Niramit. Rtn. Dr. Mrs. Rita Kalra also gave a very interesting presentation and she also got herself clicked with RI President Kalyan Banerjee.

PP T.S. Anand talked about sessions regarding water, sanitation and health. Rotarians Kanan Diwan, A.K. Puri and Vinod Jawa also shared their memorable experiences. President Luther concluded the proceedings through a video presentation.



PDG Shaju Peter presents wedding anniversary gift to R'ann Gurinder & Rtn. Prof. I.S. Dua



PDG Shaju Peter presents wedding anniversary gift to R'ann Kiran & Rtn. Ashok K. Sharma



PDG Shaju Peter presents wedding anniversary gift to R'ann Indu Vohra & PP Rtn. Dr. V.J.S. Vohra



PDG Shaju Peter presents wedding anniversary gift to R'ann Indu Luthra & Rtn. Dr. Jawahar Luthra



PDG Shaju Peter presents birthday gift to R'ann Indu Anand. Looking on is IPP Prem Anand



Rtn. Sanjay Bhatia gets punctuality award from PDG Shaju Peter. Looking on are President R.K. Luther and Secretary Amarjit Singh

### Birthday of Spouses

R'ann Uneza Khandelia



May 30

### Wedding Anniversary

R'ann Rekha & PP Rtn. Anil Mehan

May 29

R'ann Indu & Rtn. Dr. Jawahar Luthra

May 30

### Birthday of Rotarians

PP Rtn. R.K. Goyal



May 25

### Punctuality Draw

Won by Rtn. Sanjay Bhatia

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