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PROGRAMME

Installation of President & Team 2012-13

Rotaract Club of Chandigarh Midtown

Chief Guest: PDG Yoginder Diwan

Friday, August 17, 2012

Time: 7.00 p.m.

Venue: Hotel President, Sector 26, Chandigarh

Musical Evening for Independence Day Celebrations

Master of Ceremonies : Rtn. Dr. Anurag Sharma

Club meeting on August 10, 2012 was a patriotic musical evening to celebrate Independence Day. President Ritu Singal handed over the proceedings to MC Rtn. Dr. Anurag Sharma, a leading Cardiologist, who along with his wife, R'ann Dr. Manjushri, has won the hearts of Rotarians by entertaining us with thrilling musical evenings on number of occasions ever since he became a Rotarian in our club nearly three years ago! His patients and even Rotarians fondly call him, 'Dil ka Doctor - dil se!'

Dr. Anurag called the first singer of the evening to the dais, our Treasurer Rtn. Ravi Tulsi, who has a treasure of old hit songs,

and he entertained us with a 1948 song sung by Mohd. Rafi and Khan Mastana, Lyrics by Raja Mehdi Ali Khan, music by Ghulam Haidar, "Watan ki raah mein watan ke naujawan shaheed ho, pukaarte hain ye zameen-o-aasmaan shaheed ho....."

This was followed by 50 years old hit song, which is still fresh in our minds. "Aye mere watan ke logo, jara aankho main bhar lo pani....." sung by Lata Mangeshkar, music by C. Ramchandra and lyrics by Kavi Pradeep. This was melodiously sung by R'ann Neeru Khattar who received a big applause from the audience.



Rtn. Dr. Anurag Sharma



Rtn. RTPS Tulsi



R'ann Neeru Khattar



President Ritu and Secretary Ashok Puri join Dr. Anurag

Response to single word clue - The Prize Winners!



R'ann Shashi Gupta



R'ann Sudha Puri



Rtn. Dr. Rita Kalra



Rtn. Kanan Diwan



R'ann Kadam Bhambari



IPP R.K. Luther and PP Gurdip S. Deep



R'ann Ritu Bhatia and Rtn. Sanjay Bhatia



Rtn. Vinod K. Jawa



President Ritu Singal and Secretary Ashok Puri present a memento to Rtn. Dr. Anurag Sharma

Supported by his Karaoke audio visual music system, Dr. Anurag gave a solo Mohd. Rafi patriotic song, Lyrics by Kaifi Azmi, music by Madan Mohan, “Kar chale hum fida, jan-o-tan saathiyon, ab tumhare hawale watan saathiyon.....”

This was followed by another one with President Ritu and Secretary Ashok Puri joining Dr. Anurag, “Chhodo kal ki baatein, kal ki baat puraani, naye daur mein likhenge milkar nayi kahaani, hum hindustani, hum hindustani.....”

To involve wider participation, with time being the constraint, Dr. Anurag invited anyone from the audience to recite one line of a patriotic song, for which he gave a single word clue, and for each word there was instant response! For those who came to the mike, President Ritu was there to motivate them and also give them prizes.

The performances were very entertaining and inspiring. It was an eventful and enjoyable evening, with a great sense of patriotic feeling!



Rtn. Dr. Anurag Sharma, President Ritu Singal and Secretary Ashok Puri present birthday gift to PP B.L. Ramsisaria



President Ritu Singal, Secretary Ashok Puri and Rtn. Dr. Anurag Sharma present birthday gift to Rtn. Raj Kumar Khattar



Punctuality award is won by Rtn. RTPS Tuli



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Chandigarh Midtowners serving in District Committees

In the previous bulletin the name of PP Harish Sethi was inadvertently missed in the list of Chandigarh Midtowners serving in various capacities at the District.

PP Sethi is the Chairman of Rotary Friendship Exchange and we hope to have good programs, as in the past!

Rotary Action Groups

In the meeting on August 10, 2012, President Ritu Singal explained the functioning of Rotary Action Groups (RAG), which is to provide assistance and support to Rotary clubs and districts in planning and implementing service projects in their respective areas of expertise. They are autonomous groups organized by committed Rotarians, Rotarians' spouses and Rotaractors.

It was decided at PETS/SETS that RAGS will be started at club level, comprising of four members and one Past President or a senior Rotarian as the leader/coordinator for each RAG, with the objective of helping the Club leadership in all avenues of service.

District Governor Manmohan Singh has urged Club Presidents to form RAGS and send its details to the District Secretariat.

Award for one of 100 percenters – Aug. 2012



One of the Rotarians having 100 percent attendance in August 2012 will be awarded a ladies purse by President Ritu Singal

Tree Plantation in Ashiana Public School, Chandigarh



President Ritu Singal and Rtn. Kanan Diwan planting a tree



Rtn. Amarjit Singh, Secretary Ashok Puri and Rtn. Dr. I.S. Dua planting trees



Rotarians with teachers and students of the School



Rotarians of our club gathered in Ashiana Public School, Sector, 46-A, Chandigarh on 5th August 2012 for Tree plantation of different varieties. President Ritu Singal, Secretary Ashok Puri, PP B.L. Ramsisaria, PP Pallav Mukherjee, PPCapt. Manmohan S. Kahlon, IPP R.K. Luther & R'ann Urmil Luther, Treasurer R.T.P.S Tulsi & R'ann Ranjana, Director Community Service Rtn. Mrs. Kanan Diwan, VP Amarjit Singh, Joint Secretary Dr. I.S. Dua, Rtn. Vinod Jawa, Rtn. Sanjay Bhatia & R'ann Ritu Bhatia and Office Secretary V.P. Sharma were present on this

occasion for the tree plantation. PDG Yoginder Diwan of Rotary Club of Parwanoo was also present.

Director Lalita Parkash and her husband, along with the teachers and children of school joined the Rotarians for this event.

PP Pallav Mukherjee also played quiz games with children of school in front this gathering and everybody enjoyed and liked the game. (Report by Secretary Ashok K. Puri)

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Gary C K Huang is choice for 2014-15 RI President



Huang and his wife, Corinna Yao

Gary C.K. Huang, a member of the Rotary Club of Taipei, Taiwan, is the selection of the Nominating Committee for RI President 2014-15. Huang will become the President-nominee on 1 October if there are no challenging candidates.

A Rotarian since 1976, Huang has served as RI Vice President, Director, Rotary Foundation trustee, District Governor, International Assembly training leader, Regional session leader task force member and coordinator, and committee member and chair.

Huang says his vision for Rotary is to increase membership to more than 1.3 million. "To increase our membership, we must go beyond borders to wherever we see growth potential, such as the countries of China, Mongolia, and Vietnam. I will put an emphasis on increasing female and younger members," Huang says. "I will also encourage former Rotarians to once again be part of our Rotary family."

Membership Development Intercity

Sunday, August 26, 2012
Host: Rotary Club Yamuna Nagar
Venue: Sukhmani Resort
1 km from Buria Chowk
Buria Sahib Gurdwara Road
Jagadhri

Registration Charges:

Upto 15th August: Rs. 750/- Single. Rs. 1400/- Couple.
On the Spot: Rs. 800/- Single. Rs. 1500/- Couple.

Note: Rotarians who have paid Rs. 3150/- for single and 6200/- for double against Swift Registration are not required to pay, as they are issued a plastic card which enables them to attend 3 Intercities and the District Conference. This card is to save Rotarians from going through the registration procedure again and again.

Changes/addition in Committees

1. Interact Committee under New Generations (Director Rtn. Dr. Rita Kalra) - Rtn. Amarjit Singh has been appointed as Chairman in place of PP Indrajeet Sengupta, who expressed his inability due to personal issues.
2. Committee for Disability Empowerment and Rehabilitation under Community Service (Director Rtn. Kanan Diwan) was inadvertently not printed in the booklet :

Chairman PP Dr. V.J.S. Vohra, Co-Chairman PP Gurdip S. Deep. Members: Rtn. Dr. Anurag Sharma, Rtn. Karanjeet Singh and Rtn. Sanjay Bhatia

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Rtn. R.K. Khattar

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PDG Rtn. Shaju Peter



August 22
August 23

Birthday of Spouse

R'ann Amarjit Bajaj



August 18

Punctuality Draw

Won by Rtn. RTPS Tulsi

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