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PROGRAMME

## Rotary Colloquium 2

Noted Scholar, Author and International Speaker

**Prof. Anil Kumar Kamaraju**

will speak on

**Ethics for Daily Living**

**Please note the change in date, time and venue of the meeting**

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Sunday, October 27, 2013

Time: 10.00 a.m.

Venue: Judicial Academy, Sector 43, Chandigarh

### Club Assembly

In the regular meeting of our club on October 18, 2013, President Deepak Sood said, "I would like to thank all the members of our club for being with me in the hour of my grief on the sad demise of my father."

project and WCS Hearing Aids project is under progress. Director Vocational Service Rtn. Ashok Puri accounted for Night School at Sarangpur, Vishnu Kumar Gupta Memorial Debate Competition, Home Care Nursing with 18 students, Tailoring Centre with 15 ladies



*Report by Directors: Rtn. Maj. Gen. Hardev Singh, PP Rtn. Harish Sethi, Rtn. Ashok Puri, Rtn. Salil Bali, Rtn. Dr. Anureet Kaur, Treasurer: PP Rtn. Prem Anand and Co-Chair Family of Rotary: R'ann Indu Anand*

President Deepak Sood shared a news in Hindustan Times in the column, 'know your community', stating that out of 25000 Keralites in Chandigarh six have been mentioned as prominent citizens, and one them is our PDG Shaju Peter. Being a Club Assembly for the Directors to give activity report and future plans, Deepak remarked, "I would like to thank all the board members, committee chairs and committee members for their whole hearted efforts to undertake the valuable projects, benefiting the society. I also thank all the members of our club and specially the spouses for their support."

and Adult Education Course with 12 women. Plumber Training Course and computer training is being planned. Director Youth Service Rtn. Salil Bali informed about meaningful activities of Rotaract Clubs and upcoming programs are new Rotaract Club, Toilet Project, Save the Girl child blueprint and visits to orphanage to distribute clothes. Director Community Services Rtn. Dr. Anureet Kaur talked of successful blood donation camps, polio campaigns, Aasra Sarai and coming up programs are artificial limbs project, medical camps, eye camps etc. Treasurer PP Prem Anand was pleased to present transparent computerized accounts. Co-Chair Family of Rotary R'ann Indu Anand emphasized on family involvement in club activities and would arrange programs on women and crime, current affairs, celebration of holi and inter school/college debates. PP B.L. Ramsisaria offered a trophy in the memory of his wife as an annual project of our club.

Director Club Service Rtn. Maj. Gen. Hardev Singh appreciated the board and committee booklet, weekly programmes, fund raising, weekly bulletin and its online accessibility. Club elections and attendance are to be focused on. Director International Service PP Harish Sethi spoke about the micro loan project, Nepal project and coming up are Rotary Friendship Exchange Program, global grant



*PDG Shaju Peter inducts new Rtn. Sundeep Singh Sawhney, who is accompanied by his wife Mrs. Simranpreet Kaur Sawhney, daughters Sanmeet and Jasmehar*



*President Deepak Sood presents micro loan cheques to Baljit Yadav - Rs. 20000, Mrs. Sheela Rawat - Rs. 30000 and Bir Singh - Rs. 30000. Looking on are Director International Service PP Harish Sethi, Chair Micro Loan PP B.L. Ramsisaria and Co-Chair Micro Loan PP Prem Anand*



President Deepak Sood and Secretary Dr. Rita Kalra present birthday gift to PP Rtn. Prem Anand, who also gets the punctuality award



President Deepak Sood presents wedding anniversary gift to R'ann Parveen & Rtn. Arjan Singh. Looking on is Secretary Dr. Rita Kalra



President Deepak Sood and Secretary Dr. Rita Kalra present birthday gift for R'ann Paramjeet Sihota to her husband Rtn. R.S. Sihota



Congrats to Rtn. Salil Chopra, who gives an 'intimation' card to President Deepak Sood, requesting all of us to block 20.11.2013 for wedding of his son



Recently back from Australia, Rtn. Salil Chopra presents the flags of Rotary Clubs he exchanged there, to President Deepak Sood and Secretary Dr. Rita Kalra



Inspired by online access to our weekly bulletins in Australia, Rtn. Salil Chopra gets some bulletins from there for Editor PP Dr. V.J.S. Vohra

## Screening and awareness camp



Rotarians, Rotary Anns and Inner Wheel members

Breast cancer screening and awareness camp was organised by Rotary Club Chandigarh Midtown in collaboration with Inner Wheel Club Chandigarh Midtown, Inner Wheel Club Panchkula and Sahayata Sahyog at General Hospital Panchkula. Asha Jyoti van

from PGI, Chandigarh with a staff of 10 doctors/technicians were present to conduct the camp.

About 50 ladies were tested for osteoporosis and cervical cancer. Due to technical issues mammography will be done at PGI. The event was inaugurated by Dr. N. Khandelwal, HOD, Department of Radiology, PGI, Chandigarh, who discussed the importance of screening test for women. President Rama Gupta of Inner Wheel Chandigarh Midtown sponsored the trophies for guest and staff of Asha Jyoti. Tea and lunch were sponsored by Inner Wheel Panchkula and banners, bouquet etc. by Rotary Chandigarh Midtown.

Secretary Dr. Rita Kalra, R'ann Ranjana Tulsi, Rtn. Kanan Diwan, R'ann Sudha Puri, PP Saroj Jhawar, R'ann Indu Anand, President Deepak Sood, R'ann Indu Vohra, PP Dr. V.J.S. Vohra and members of all three NGOs were well represented, besides the staff of General Hospital, Panchkula.

## Adolescent seminar for students of Govt. School

A series of adolescent awareness seminars is being organised in various Govt. Schools of Chandigarh under the able guidance of Rtn. Kanan Diwan. One such seminar was held on 19.10.2013 at Vedic Girls Senior Secondary School, Manimajra. Rtn. Dr Shashi Jain and Rtn. Dr. Harinderjit Kaur have been tirelessly educating young boys and girls about the challenges of the adolescent period

and how to overcome them for a successful future. Secretary Dr. Rita Kalra discussed about health and hygiene issues. Students of classes 11-12 attended the session. The Principal thanked the efforts of Rotary Club Chandigarh Midtown towards this noble cause. Mrs. Sudershan Kalra the ex-Principal of the school also accompanied the team.

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Rtn. Dr. Harinderjit Kaur, Rtn. Kanan Diwan, Rtn. Dr. Shashi Jain, Secretary Rita Kalra and students



## Diwali celebrations in SOREM

Diwali is being celebrated with special students of SOREM, Sector 36, Chandigarh on November 01, 2013 at 5 p.m. Secretary Dr. Rita Kalra said, "For the cause of social rehabilitation of the special children of SOREM, where we have Interact Club, we request Rotarians of our club to be there and spend some time." The children have made beautiful candles to brighten our festivities. Please support them by buying candles and other products. We plan to have tambola, musical chair and dance program specially prepared for this occasion.



## Shaju speaks at Mohali

Invited by President Poonam Gandhoke, wife of PDG Manpreet Singh Gandhoke, PDG Shaju Peter was amidst Rotarians of Mohali at their weekly meeting on October 18, 2013 as their Guest of Honour. The club was celebrating vocational service month by recognizing 8 individuals for serving beyond their call of duty in their respective vocations. The Chief Guest on the occasion was Mr. Tejinder Pal Singh Sidhu, IAS. Deputy Commissioner of Mohali.



PDG Shaju Peter, DC T.P.S. Sidhu and President Poonam Gandhoke recognize one of the awardees

Introducing the Guest of Honour to the audience PP R.P. Sehgal, Master of Ceremony remarked that whatever assignment Shaju took up in his career in Rotary he always did the best.

Since the Chief Guest was a non-Rotarian and the audience had many guests, Shaju chose to speak on the mottoes of Rotary with special reference to the second avenue of service. Tracing the history of the first motto conceived by Arthur Frederick Sheldon in 1912 "He profits most who serves best" and the principal motto "Service above Self" proposed by B.F. Collins, Shaju said that both the mottoes even today are subjects of intense intellectual discussions.

"While all of us represent our vocations in Rotary, it is important that we represent Rotary in our vocations. Let us put Rotary to work in our work," he said concluding his remarks. Among the audience were PDG J.P.S. Sibia and PDG Manpreet Singh Gandhok.

## Know Your Project Herbal Garden at General Hospital, Panchkula Report by: Secretary Rtn. Dr. Rita Kalra

Herbal Garden at General Hospital Panchkula is the initiative of our club under project for Environment Protection, Chaired by PP Rtn. Dr. S.K. Sharma. Tree Plantation especially medicinal plants in the hospital campus ensures clean and pollution free environment for patients visiting the hospital. The herbal corner was set up under able guidance of Shri Om Prakash who is supporting the project with herbal saplings and planning of the garden, maintained by hospital authorities. The main objective is to encourage, promote and to introduce herbal garden concept to people, to inculcate a sense of

familiarity with surrounding biodiversity and its conservation, especially herbal plants, to educate people in identifying different types of herbs and their uses including growing them in a garden, to encourage use of herbs in food, to popularize the usefulness of commonly available and frequently used herbal plants and to conserve the associated traditional knowledge for future generations. The project is being variety of herbs plants, provided free of cost. The various other costs involved are: Manure, labeling of the plants, watering, de-weeding and fencing.

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## Bereavement

We are sorry to inform the sad and sudden demise of Rtn. Prof. Dr. S.P. Vij on 19 October 2013 at Delhi. His cremation was on 21 October 2013 at cremation ground, Sector 25, Chandigarh. Our deepest condolences to the grieved family.

### Acknowledgment with thanks

#### Donations to Rotary Foundation (India)

Rtn. Rajinder Rai – PHF Contribution	US \$ 500
President Rtn. Deepak Sood	US \$ 100
Secretary Rtn. Dr. Rita Kalra	US \$ 100
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Rtn. Mrs. Kanan Diwan	US \$ 100

*President Deepak Sood appeals to all Rotarians for more donations to The Rotary Foundation*

#### Punctuality Draw

Won by PP Rtn. Prem Anand

### Acknowledgment with thanks

#### Donations for Disaster Relief:

Collected by Rtn. Salil Chopra from Rotarians of Coimbatore	<b>Rs. 251000</b>
Rtn. Maj. Gen. A.S. Kahlon	Rs. 2500
PP Rtn. Gurdip S. Deep	Rs. 2500
Rtn. Dev Jeet Singh	Rs. 2500

#### Donations for Club Projects:

Nikita & Manish Krishnan, daughter & son-in-law of Rtn. Ashok Puri	<b>US \$ 900</b>
Response to appeal by Dr. Jawahar Luthra to help Deepak, son of a milk vendor Pappu, who got compound fractures in both legs and treated at PGI:	
President Rtn. Deepak Sood	Rs. 2000
Rtn. Dr. Jawahar Luthra	Rs. 1000
Rtn. Maj. Gen. A.S. Kahlon	Rs. 500
Rtn. Sundeeep Singh Sawhney - for orthopaedic implants	

#### Birthday of Spouses

R'ann Kadam Bhambri October 26

#### Birthday of Rotarians

Rtn. Balbir Singh Channi October 26  
Rtn. Dr. Anureet Kaur Bhatti October 31

#### Wedding Anniversary

R'ann Madhu & Rtn. Rajesh Vaidya October 26  
R'ann Hariti & Rtn. Chiranjiv Singh October 28



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