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PROGRAMME

## The Assassination

Chief Guest: Ms. Chander Suta Dogra

Senior Assistant Editor, The Hindu

Friday, August 22, 2014

Time: 7.00 p.m.

Venue: Hotel President, Sector 26, Chandigarh

### Jashn - e - Azadi

Jashn - e - Azadi, that is the celebrations for the 68<sup>th</sup> Independence Day by our club started at 9.30 a.m. on August 15, 2014, when our President Rtn. R.T.P.S. Tulsi hoisted the Indian Tricolor Flag at the premises of Jeevan Mukh Nishulk Vidyalaya at Jagatpura in

to all the participants by our Club.

Rotarians of Rotary Chandigarh Shivalik were also present. Others from our club were PE Kanan Diwan, First Lady R'ann Ranjana Tulsi, Director Community Service Ashok Puri, Director International Service Prof. Dr. I.S. Dua and Secretary Salil Bali, accompanied by his son, Jaiveer.



President R.T.P.S. Tulsi hoists the flag



Presentation of a memento

presence of about 200 students, staff and management of the school, Rotarians and general public. After congratulating everybody for the Independence Day, President Tulsi spoke about our Signature project, 'Towards Total Literacy - More for Females'. Promoter of the School Mr. Prem Garg thanked our club for its association with the school. The flag hoisting was followed by a colourful cultural event performed by the students. Director Vocational Service PP Rtn. R.K. Luther, who was managing the program, motivated the students by dancing with them. Cash Prize of Rs.2000/- was given

At 12.30 p.m. our club celebrated Independence Day at Cheshire Homes, where Director Social Welfare, UT Chandigarh, Mr. Rajesh Jogpal was the Chief Guest. President Tulsi and other Rotarians of our club were present.

At 4 p.m. President Tulsi, along with VP Dr. Rita Kalra, PP R.K. Luther, Director Community Service Ashok Puri, Secretary Salil Bali distributed certificates to 21 girls of second batch who have successfully completed computer training at Khuda Alisher. President Tulsi, RCC President Bhupinder Singh, Youth Club President Gurpreet Singh Somail and Computer Instructor Rajwinder Kaur explained the importance of computer training to students.

At 7 p.m. in our regular meeting on August 15, 2014, President Tulsi read the message of RI President

Gary Huang from the Rotarian magazine, stressing on the involvement of family in Rotary. "RI President's wife had become a Rotarian last year, and in our club Urmil Luther has taken the lead as she is the first Rotary Ann to become a Rotarian", said our President.

Vice President Rtn. Dr. Rita Kalra organized a Talent Show and Tambola based on quiz which was through a powerpoint presentation. And when we talk of quiz program in our club, PP



Rotarians interacting with students



President Tulsi and PP R.K. Luther present certificate to successful student. Looking on is RCC President Bhupinder Singh



President Tulsi conveys message of RI President



Dr. Rita Kalra skilfully conducts the program



'Aye Mere Watan Ke Logo' by R'ann Neeru Khattar

Pallav Mukherjee has to be an active part of it!

In addition to President Tulsi, R'ann Neeru Khattar (IW PDC), others who participated to give an entertaining program were R'ann Parul Bali, Vivan Sawhney grandson of Rtn. Rekha Sawhney, Neha and Sidharth Krishnan granddaughter and grandson of Rtn. Ashok Puri, Sanmeet and Jasmehar Sawhney daughters of Rtn. Sundeep Sawhney, Rtr. Aparna and Rtr. Yajur (Rotaractors of Chandigarh Midtown).

Tambola winners were R'ann Parveen, R'ann Simranpreet Kaur, Ms. Nikita Krishnan daughter of Rtn. Ashok Puri, R'ann Parul Bali, Rtn. Raj Khattar, PPRitu Singal and Rtn. Sundeep S. Sawhney.



For Talent show and Tambola, children and grand children of Rotarians had active participation



Bhangra by Rotaractors from Rotaract Club of Vidya Jyoti, kind courtesy Rtn. Dev Jeet Singh



Performance by Rotaractors of Rotaract Club of Chandigarh Midtown

### Tambola Winners



PP Ritu Singal



R'ann Parul Bali



Ms. Nikita Krishnan



Rtn. Sundeep Sawhney



R'ann Parveen



President R.T.P.S. Tulsi presents birthday gift to Rtn. Raj Kumar Khattar



President Tulsi presents punctuality award to Rtn. R.P.S. Gulati. Looking on are Vice President Rtn. Dr. Rita Kalra and Secretary Rtn. Salil Bali



Independence Day Fellowship – high tea with colourful sweets, cold drinks and snacks

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## Independence Day Celebration at Home Care Nursing School



Rotarians celebrating Independence Day with nursing students

On 14<sup>th</sup> August 2014 our club celebrated Independence Day at Vocational Training Centre for Home Care Nursing, Sector 15 Chandigarh run by our Charter President Dr. B.D. Gupta in collaboration with Inner Wheel Chandigarh Midtown. The students, 18 of them presented melodious patriotic songs followed by chorus led by President R.T.P.S. Tulsi and Rtn.

Urmil Luther. PDG Yoginder Diwan shared his post independence experience with Mahatma Gandhi. The students were given snacks brought by Inner Wheel, sweets by PP R.K. Luther and juices by PE Kanan Diwan. First Lady R'ann Ranjana Tulsi, PDG Shaju Peter, PP B.L. Ramsisaria, VP Dr. Rita Kalra, IW President Uma and IW IPP Rama Gupta participated in the event.

## District Sergeant-at-Arms



PP Rtn. Prem Anand

## Bags distributed at Night School Sarangpur

Our Club distributed bags containing stationary items like copies, pencils, erasers, sharpeners etc. to 25 children of Night School, Sarangpur on 14<sup>th</sup> August 2014. Dictionaries and story books were also given to students to make their regular classes more interesting and educative. The stationary items were sponsored by PP Subhash Bindra, and dictionary and story books by PP Indrajeet Sengupta. PP Pallav Mukherjee had quiz program for the students. Ladoos, bananas, chocolates, biscuits etc. were also distributed. Our club was represented by President R.T.P.S. Tulsi, First Lady R'ann Ranjana Tulsi, PDG Shaju Peter, Secretary Salil Bali, PP Pallav Mukherjee, PP Dr. Vanita Gupta along with her daughter Shonali from USA, VP Dr. Rita Kalra, PP Indrajeet Sengupta, PP R.K. Luther, PP B.L. Ramsisaria, PP Vinod Jawa, R'ann Pushpa Jawa, Director Community Service Ashok Puri and R'ann Sudha Puri along with their daughter Nikita, granddaughter Neha and grandson Sidharth from USA.



President R.T.P.S. Tulsi distributing bags to students



Rotarians with teacher and students of Night School

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## Memorial Events

Counsellor PP Rtn. Prem Anand and Chair Rtn. Rekha Sawhney of Memorial Events Committee have planned to hold three events in the month of August, November 2014 and February 2015 to remember the elders/dear ones of Rotarians by partnering in this project with a contribution of Rs. 20000/- (Rs. Twenty thousand only) by cheque in favour of Rotary Club Chandigarh Midtown, to be paid in advance for booking the memorial event. Only three nominations are required on 'first come first serve basis'. Rotarians

who are interested in this unique project may contact above named Rotarians at the earliest so that they may not miss this opportunity to 'Light up Rotary' by paying tributes to their elders/dear ones.

These events would be like 'Vishnu Kumar Gupta Memorial Debate', in which the family of Rtn. Vijay Kumar Gupta are actively participating since last many years to remember their father, a Rotarian of our club.

## Literacy walk by Rotarians of Chandigarh Midtown at Nayagaon



*Literacy walk led by President Tulsi*

To spread awareness about importance of Literacy and introduce the concept of adult education, a rally was taken out carrying the slogans on literacy by students and teachers of Jeevan Mukta Nishulk Vidyalaya. The Rally went round the village and students raised slogans in Hindi and Punjabi. The centre on adult education has already registered 11 students. Classes have been started from 14<sup>th</sup> August. The school bags and stationery for the new students have been handed over to the principal. Public awareness initiative for benefit of people so that they can start going to school and become literate is a huge effort towards Total Literacy campaign taken up by Rotary.

## Corrections/changes in Roster of Members

1. Secretary Rtn. Salil Bali – page 16 : In place of Soorya (S), it is Jasveer (S).
2. Rtn. Dr. Col. V.K. Kapoor – page 66 : email is drcolvkkapoor@yahoo.in and not com.

### Acknowledgement with thanks

**For sponsoring Fellowship:**

Rtn. Raj Khattar  
Rtn. Dr. Rita Kalra

### Birthday of Spouses

R'ann Malabika Sengupta  
R'ann Kund Bala Goyal



August 26  
August 28

### Birthday of Rotarians

Rtn. Tejbans S. Jauhar  
PDG Rtn. Shaju Peter  
Rtn. Chiranjiv Singh  
Rtn. Sundeeep S. Sawhney  
Rtn. Rakesh Jain



August 22  
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August 27

### Punctuality Award

Won by Rtn. R.P.S. Gulati



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