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PROGRAMME

Living One's Dreams
Chief Guest: Dr. Inderjit Singh Virdi
Cardiac Surgeon
MS, M.Ch, FRCS, FRACS

Friday, January 08, 2016

Time: 6.30 p.m.

Venue: Hotel President, Sector 26, Chandigarh

New Year Celebrations

Our regular meeting on January 01, 2016 started with a New Year message by President Rtn. Kanan Diwan who greeted all present by saying, "A very hearty welcome to the first meeting of the year 2016. May the New Year bring lot of joy, happiness, health, peace and prosperity for each one of you. May God bless us all, bless Rotary and enable us to do good work for the community and be a gift to the world."



Mr. D.S. Bali 'Daman'

We celebrated the New Year with Mr. D.S. Bali 'Daman', Sr. Advocate, who was at his best in shayarana andaaz. He was introduced by PP Rtn. Gurdip S. Deep. Born in a village of District Lahore now in Pakistan on September 17, 1938 Mr. Bali studied in DAV High School in Lahore. After partition the family shifted to Karnal where he did his graduation from Dyal Singh College Karnal. He did LL.B from Delhi University. He started his practice in Karnal as an advocate and was public prosecutor at Karnal and Hissar. He shifted to Punjab & Haryana High Court in 1972 and was designated as Senior Advocate in 1989. He is Charter President of Lions Club Chandigarh Central. He has been serving the community with dedication doing various projects for the upliftment of the poor and needy.

From his childhood he was fond of Urdu, and his uncle inspired him to write. Due to paucity of time and professional commitments he could not write

earlier. In November 2015 'Khayal-e-Daman', a book of Urdu poetry composed by Mr Bali, was released in the auditorium of manav mangal SMART SCHOOL, Mohali by Honourable Mr. Justice Amit Rawal, Judge, Punjab and Haryana High Court. The book comprises of beautiful and thought-provoking verses of poetry in Urdu. For the sake of the convenience of the non-Urdu reading persons he has provided the translation of each and every verse in Hindi.

He acknowledged the support of his family members, his wife Mrs. Simrat, his son Rtn. Salil Bali, daughter-in-law R'ann Parul, grandsons Jaiveer, Lakshya and others, and they also joined us for the New Year's celebrations.

Mr. Bali delighted us all with his Urdu poetry showing us the soft and harsh realities of life in a very practical and simple manner. His verses were amazing truth of living and loving one's life even if it offers thorns which should be accepted gracefully and not with grief. His poetic presentation was well applauded with great appreciation by all present.

On behalf of our club Rtn. Dr. Harinder Jit Kaur thanked Mr. D.S. Bali for entertaining us with high quality shayari and ghazal by bringing out the soft and harsh realities of life.



National anthem by Ranvir S/o PE Amarjit Singh, Yash Gs/o PP Vinod Jawa and Lakshya S/o Rtn. Salil Bali



Mr. D.S. Bali presents a cheque of Rs. 5100/- to President Kanan Diwan for the toilet project. Looking on are his son Rtn. Salil Bali and Secretary Rtn. Sanjay Bhatia



President Kanan Diwan presents a memento to Mr. D.S. Bali



PDG Shaju Peter presents a TRF pin with 2 rubies to PP Indrajeet Sengupta for donating US\$ 7000 to the Rotary Foundation



Already a member of Paul Harris Society, and by presenting a cheque of US\$ 3000 PP Indrajeet Gupta will become a major donor. Acknowledging his and Malabika's gesture are PDG Shaju Peter, President Kanan Diwan and Secretary Sanjay Bhatia



R'ann Neeru Khattar
Invocation



PP Gurdip S. Deep
Introduction



President Kanan Diwan and
Secretary Sanjay Bhatia



Rtn. Dr. Harinder Jit
Vote of thanks



PP Vinod Jawa
Introducing a friend



President Kanan Diwan presents birthday gift to R'ann Dr. Joginder Mukherjee. Looking on is PPRtn. Pallav Mukherjee



President Kanan Diwan presents punctuality award to Rtn. Ashok Puri. Looking on is Secretary Rtn. Sanjay Bhatia

Heartfelt Condolences

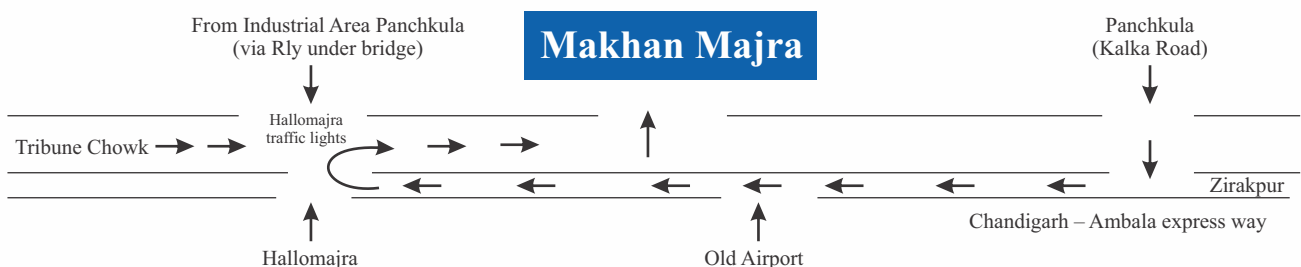
With deep sorrow this is to inform about the sad demise of Mr. Justice Jawahar Lal Gupta, former judge of Punjab and Haryana High Court and former Chief Justice Kerala High Court. Mr Justice J.L. Gupta was Charter Secretary and Past President of Rotary Chandigarh Midtown and brother of PP Dr. Balram K. Gupta.

With deep sorrow this is to inform about the sad demise of Mrs. Sudesh Sood, mother of PPRtn. Deepak Sood.

Our deepest condolences to the grieved families. May God give them strength to bear the irreparable loss.

Handing over of toilet block Makhan Majra

The Adviser to the Administrator Mr. Vijay Kumar Dev will be the Chief Guest for the function when the toilet block project will be opened for public use as it will formally be handed over to village panchayat on January 12, 2016 at 11 a.m., opposite Govt. Middle School, near Police Chowki of village Makhan Majra. President Kanan Diwan has requested all our members to be present for this important event, a signature project of our club. Route map/ directions is given below.



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Bon Voyage to DGE Raman Aneja



Wishing Bon Voyage to DGE Raman Aneja and R'ann Meenu L-R: R'ann Bir Gulati, PP Ajit Gulati, PP Gurdip S. Deep, R'ann Sunita, PE Amarjit Singh, PDG Shaju Peter, Rtn. Sundeep S. Sawhney, PP Dr. V.J.S. Vohra, PP Deepak Sood, President Kanan Diwan, Rtn. Salil Bali, Rtn. Dr. Rita Kalra and Rtn. Ashok K. Puri

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Bon Voyage to District Governor Elect Rtn. Raman Aneja and R'ann Meenu, hosted by College of Governors of District 3080 and Rotary Club of Panipat Midtown was held at Sing 'n' Swing Resort, Panipat on Sunday, January 03, 2016. It was a cold and cloudy morning when Rotarians and their spouses were pouring in from all over the District. By the time DGE Raman and R'ann Meenu arrived they were not only greeted by bright sunshine but also District Governor David Hilton and a galaxy of Past District Governors and their spouses. PRIP Raja Saboo and PRID Yash Das were also there to wish them bon voyage.

Present on the occasion were Raman's father Mr. Ravinder Aneja, mother Mrs. Kanta Aneja, and his brothers. Raman and Meenu were also accompanied by their children.

District Counsellor 2016-17 PDG Parmod Vij conducted the proceedings of the well organized event, backed up by District Trainer 2016-17 PDG Ranjit Bhatia and Rotarians of Panipat Midtown.

In their inspiring address to the delegates PRIP Raja Saboo, PRID Yash Das and DG David Hilton gave valuable advice to Raman and Meenu, giving them good wishes for the grand success in the coming year.

Glimpses of the week



Blankets donated by Rtn. Karanjeet Singh being distributed by him, R'ann Indu Vohra, PP Dr. V.J.S. Vohra, his brother Capt. C.S. Vohra and teacher Ms. Inderjit to students of Nevedac Literacy Centre, Zirakpur



Distribution of winter clothes at Ashiana orphanage by Rtn. Dr. Rita Kalra and her son Ruchir



3 boxes of clothes donated for the needy by 'SPAN Samarpan' handed over to Director Youth Service Rtn. Sundeep Singh Sawhney

Acknowledgement with thanks

Hosting the fellowship on January 01, 2016
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Donation for Toilet Project

Mr. D.S. Bali, Sr. Advocate
Rtn. Viney B. Aggarwal

Punctuality Award

Won by Rtn. Ashok K. Puri

Rs. 5100/-
300 litre water tank

Birthday of Spouses

R'ann Ritu Jindal

January 08

Birthday of Rotarians

PP Rtn. Gurdip S. Deep
Rtn. Lt. Comdr. A.S. Nagra
Rtn. Dr. Dinesh Sahajpal
Rtn. Salil Chopra



January 09
January 10
January 12
January 12



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