

Rotary Club of Belvedere Gardens Calcutta

CLUB NO. 31255

R.I. DIST 3291



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R.I. THEME 2009-10

Rtn John Kenny
RI President 2009-10

Rtn Utpal Majumdar
Dist. Governor 2009-10

Rtn Debajit Choudhury
President 2009-10

Rtn Kishore Butta
Secretary 2009-10

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Editor

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MEETS EVERY SUNDAY : THE ASTOR HOTEL AT 11.00 AM

DATED 8TH FEB. 2010

We Welcome
DG Utpal Majumdar
and Ann Sunayana
on official visit to
our club
at Hotel Floatel
Kolkata



ROTARY'S BIRTHDAY

The Rotary Club of Chicago has big plans for celebrating Rotary's anniversary, 23 February, this year. As the first club established by Rotary founder Paul Harris, the Chicago club will be marking its 105th anniversary at the same time Rotary marks 25 years of work to eradicate polio. The club, Rotary International, and districts 6440 and 6450 have joined forces to light up the Wrigley Building in downtown Chicago with the End Polio Now logo on 23 February to celebrate Rotary's polio eradication efforts.

WE WELCOME MEMBERS OF ROTARY CLUB OF TIDAHOLMS, SWEDEN, DIST.2380

Rtn Gunilla Anlen	Rtn Maud Bengtzon	Rtn Mats Bengtzon
Rtn Per-Olof Graaf	Rtn Lisbeth Gothberg	Rtn Mary Liaback
Rtn Lena Lund	Rtn Nina Lundback	
Rtn PP Monioca Melen Beijer		Rtn Ulrika Fransen Ramos
Rtn Filipe de Oliveira Ramos		Rtn IPP Kerstin Thuvesson
Rtn. PDG Rune Astrom		

TO-DAYS PROGRAMME

JOINT INTERNATIONAL WEEKLY MEETING
WITH

ROTARY CLUB OF TIDAHOLMS, SWEDEN

Chief Guest : DG Utpal Majumdar

Guest of Honour : DGE Rajendra Khandelwal

Venue : Hotel Floatel, Kolkata

Time : 7 PM

FORTHCOMING DIST. PROGRAMME

23rd Feb : World Understanding &
Peace Day

27th - 28th Feb: RCC Conference

FORTHCOMING CLUB PROGRAMME

21st Feb : Shishukalyan - A Health Checkup
Programme for Children and MCH Clinic for
Women of Slum area of Chetla

The International Assembly

RI President 2010-11, Ray Klinginsmith
addresses District

Governors Elect at the 2010 International Assembly and announces RI Theme for the Year 2010-11 After taking the stage to the tune of "California, Here I Come," Ray Klinginsmith announced the 2010-11 RI theme, **Building Communities - Bridging Continents**, during the opening plenary session of the 2010 International Assembly. Klinginsmith said he arrived at the theme after reviewing RI themes of years past. He noticed that only a few spoke to non-Rotarians. "As a result, I decided to search for a briefly stated theme that would fulfill two objectives: the DGEs from India, Nepal and Sri Lanka demonstrate a traditional folk dance medley during the International Festival Talent Night at The International Assembly.



GLIMSES OF GSE TEAM FROM RI DIST. 6170 WITH ROTARY CLUB OF BELVEDERE GARDENS



PDG Linda Schuk Team Leader at our RWM on 24th Jan.'10



Thelton Hughes exchanging Club Flag with President Debajit at our RWM on 24th Jan.'10



Members of GSE Team attending our RWM on 24th Jan.'10 at Calcutta Rowing Club



GSE Team attending our Republic Day Celebration on 26th January, 2010



GSE Team at Eden Garden to view Cricket Match



PDG Linda Schuk presenting Power Presentation



GSE Team at Gupta Garden - attending a Picnic with RC Belvedere Gardens Calcutta members & family

GSE team Visited our RCC Shishukalyan at Chetla on 26th January 2010 morning. Food packets were distributed to Children. They had taken a tour of the slum area and impressed with the work done by the Club. PDG Linda has promised to send School Kit for Children

Messages February 2010

John Kenny

President, Rotary International



My fellow Rotarians,

Each of us has, at one time or another, been asked the question, what is Rotary? There are many ways to answer, depending on the questioner, the context, and the time available. The shortest and simplest answer is that Rotary is the world's oldest service club organization. This is, of course, an accurate but necessarily incomplete response, for any true understanding of Rotary must include an explanation of how we in Rotary strive through our service to achieve more than the goal of each individual project. By working together in our clubs, our districts, and internationally, we strive to establish the simple foundations of a better society: friendship, trust, honesty, and hope.

The structure of Rotary, along with our international club projects, helps make friendly connections between Rotarians in different countries. Our emphasis on ethical and honest behavior works to build strong and open relationships between people and nations. Our service projects in water, health and hunger, and literacy help eliminate many of the practical obstacles to peace. And our Rotary Foundation and Rotary Youth Exchange programs go a step beyond by training the leaders of tomorrow to be active builders of a more peaceful world.

These programs help shape responsible citizens of better communities — people who will have a broad and nuanced perspective, enhanced by opened eyes and open minds. They will be indelibly marked by their experiences, and throughout their lives — both now and in their later careers — they will not keep the benefits of these experiences to themselves. These are the people who will help build the kind of future that we as Rotarians strive to create through our every action.

What is Rotary? It is a network of people who care — people who are both realists and optimists. We recognize the challenges before us and our own limitations; we also recognize our abilities and our responsibility to use them to the fullest. If we are ever to realize Paul Harris' vision for Rotary as an organization that promotes goodwill among nations, then, as he wrote, "the hearts of men must be so touched and molded that mutual understanding and goodwill will take the place of fear and hatred." In this, World Understanding Month, we do well to remember these words — and to remember as well that in all of our service, we reach for the larger goal of fellowship, understanding, and peace.

John Kenny

President, Rotary International



The club organised a Free Eye check & Spectacles Distribution Camp at Kusumkumari Girls School in Tollygunge Area with three opticians in association with Kolkata Basti Federation, Total nos. of patients who attended the camp- 177. Spectacles ordered for 78 patients. Spectacles will be distributed to patients on 31.01.10. Nos. of patients who will require IOL- 15. Arrangements will be made for cataract surgery for 15 patients free of cost by the club.

**Minutes of 523Regular Weekly Meeting held on 31.02.2010
at Keertika Academy, Our Computer Training Centre at
Prince Anwar Shah Road, Kolkata**

- ◆ President Called 523rd RWM to order
- ◆ National Anthem was sung
- ◆ President thanked all the members and their family for hosting the GSE team brilliantly in terms of active participation and interest taken
- ◆ Special Recognition to be given to Anns for GSE hosting
- ◆ Special Recognition to Rtn Anand Gupta for organizing GSE team visit to RCGC for a session in Playing Golf followed by sumptuous breakfast followed by lunch at Calcutta Swimming Club
- ◆ Special Recognition to Rtn Deep Chandra and Rtn Alope Dey for hosting a Chinese Dinner for GSE team
- ◆ In light of our unpleasant experience in handing over GSE team, President will have a discussion with District Officials for better transparency in taking GSE team handover, transfer and the actual hosting itself
- ◆ Trust Draft Paper was submitted by Rtn Subhankar Patra and endorsed by President and Rtn R .D. Dubey. The paperwork is to be completed by February 2010.
- ◆ President observed that the club is developing a very good relationship with two large clubs:- Mahanagar and Metropolitan
- ◆ Rtn Subhankar Patra narrated his experience of attending a project at Piyali, South 24 Parganas on invitation from Metropolitan and proposed participation of our club in the Learning Centre Project through a matching grant. He will follow-up and brief our club in details around April 2010
- ◆ President discussed a offer from District Governor to get involved with a Vocational computer centre project organized at Belgachai by NABADISHA with active involvement of Kolkata Police. The project is to be inaugurated on 26th Feb 2010 by Hon. Chief Minister of WB. The project requires contribution of around Rs. 90,000/- with a matching grant from District. The club members are of the opinion that unless club gets a chance to play an active role in imparting Education, it will not just be a party in financial contribution. President was requested to follow it up with DG.
- ◆ President informed regarding holding a Joint International Weekly Meeting with **ROTARY CLUB OF TIDAHOLMS, SWEDEN, DIST.** on 8th February 2010 at Hotel Floatel, Kolkata from 7 pm was discussed and finalise the agenda. Chief Guest will be our Dist. Governor Utpal Majumdar & Guest of Honour will be Rajendra Khandelwal. A Cultural programme will be organise followed by Fellowship & Dinner.
- ◆ Programme of Swedish Delegation was discussed & finalise They will be coming on 8th February 2010 at 11.25 AM. In the evening there will be Joint International Meeting at Hotel Floatal.
- On 9th February 2010 at 9 AM they will Visit to Mother Teresa Centre
- 11 AM - They will Visit to our RCC Shishukalyan, Chetla
- Post Lunch they will Visit Belur Math
- In the Evening - Informal Meeting with President Rtn Debajit Choudhury
- ◆ Rtn R D Dubey proposed a Blood Donation Camp at Taki, South 24 Parganas in March 2010
- ◆ Sunshine Collection Rs. 180/-
- ◆ Meeting terminated with a Vote of thanks to the Chair

Project - KIRAN

(A Community Development initiative of Kolkata Police).



On 06.02.2010 The club donated 10 computers and 1 printer jointly with R.I. District 3291 to Project Kiran (A Community Development initiative of Kolkata Police). The inauguration of the Computer Centre at Belgachia under Ultadanga P.S. was done by Sri Debesh Das, MIC information Technology, Government of West Bengal in presence of Dr. Abdus Sattar, MOS, Minorities Dev & Welfare And Madrasha Education, Government of West Bengal. The program was hosted by Commissioner of Police, Sri Gautam Mohan Chakraborty. District Governor Rtn. Utpal Majumdar graced the occasion along with other district officials.

NID - 7th Feb.,2010 Poilio



On 7th Feb.2010 Club members Rtn Anirban Choudhury, Rtn Debajyoti Basu and Rtn Alope Dey distributed Food packets to 19 booths at Khidderpore 77 Ward. Till 12 Noon 1125 children have been administered oral vaccines.

HOSPITEX 2010

Rtn Dr. Nemani requested to participate in this program to held between 1st March - 5th March 2010 at Rabindrasadan Prangan. The club may put up a stall to showcase our work in Medical fields and also provide speakers on seminars related to Lifestyle, Communicable Disease, Health due to Environmental Change etc. With an approximate footfall of 1,50,000 per day the opportunity gives our club a unique chance to spread Rotary Awareness and do relevant Publicity.