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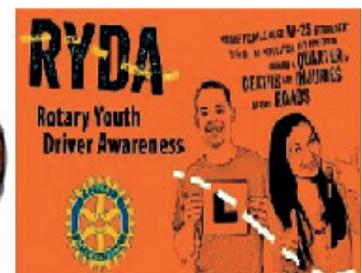
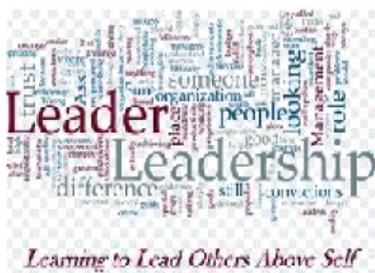
Light up Rotary Rotary

FORTNIGHTLY BULLETIN OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF GAUHATI SOUTH

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Editor's Column

Communication never occurs in a mismatched bandwidth . Response of the youth hinges on the quality and level of communication of the leaders. It speaks a volume about the foresight of Rotary leadership when they conceptualized Rotaract, Interact and RYLA as distinct arms of Rotary movement.

Rotary - a blazing symbol of 'Leadership'

With its rich and diverse pool of resources it ought not ever find itself wanting in facilitating professionalism in a structured delivery of service. It has always stood tall enduring any challenge it dared to confront. It continues to strive to remain a bench mark of quality leadership to stay relevant and remain ahead of time. The uniqueness of Rotary leadership lies in being able to craft an effective marshaling maneuver in leading a coalescence of leaders from a diverse field of vocations/professions. Here I am referring to each Rotarian as a leader in their own right. In each one of us who are in Rotary today there exists a simmering crave within to make a difference. Human civilization is in transition through several defining moments in its history. Positioning our youth appropriately while mapping the operational agenda will be critical to the quality of society that awaits us in the times ahead.

Considering the complexity of paradigm shift in several fronts , may be, Rotary leadership would do well to introspect seeking a migration of the thought process to a youth friendly platform.

Moulding youth leaders with right ethical and moral values, strength of character and unwavering credibility is a challenging role which Rotary has assumed with decisive commitment and conviction.

Providing them the multifaceted exposure to the emerging universal scenario through several youth leadership development opportunities is a prudent attempt to harness the youth energy. Sponsoring Rotary Clubs need to rise to the occasion and add impetus to the macro vision of Rotary, in action, on the ground. Perhaps much remains to be done in this regard. It may be an appropriate occasion in this New Generation Month to reawaken ourselves individually and collectively to the crying need of mobilizing our professionalism in sculpturing a distinctive leadership in the New Generation.

In Friedrich Nietzsche's words –

“The surest way to corrupt a youth is to instruct him to hold in higher esteem those who think alike than those who think differently.”

Tarun Ch Bordoloi

LAUGH TO A HEALTHY LIFE !

A mechanic was removing a cylinder head from the engine of a Harley Davidson motorcycle when he spotted a well-known heart surgeon in his shop.

The mechanic shouted across the garage, "Hey, Doc, can I ask you a question?"

The surgeon a bit surprised, walked over to the mechanic working on the motorcycle.

The mechanic straightened up, wiped his hands on a rag and asked, "So Doc, look at this engine. I open its heart, take the valves out, fix 'em, put 'em back in, and when I finish, it works just like new. So how come I get such a small salary and you get the really big bucks, when you and I are doing basically the same work?"

The surgeon paused, smiled and leaned over, and whispered to the mechanic... "Try doing it with the engine running"

(Source : Jocoe's Journal)

**WHY DO WOMEN LIVE
LONGER THAN MEN?**

Shopping never 
causes heart attacks,


BUT PAYING THE BILLS DOES. 

Minutes of the Weekly Meeting no. 1818 of RC Gauhati South held on 12th September 2014, at Hotel Rajdhani Regency

1. President Rtn Paramesh Dev Choudhury called the meeting to order at 0700PM, which was followed by the National Anthem.
2. At the outset the President welcomed all the Rotarians, Annes, Guests and the Rotarylets present.
3. President introduced the following guests- Dr. Promode Haloi, Principal, Eden Valley Academy; Mr. Biren Kumar Barman, Promoter of the Academy; Mr. Arabaiddin Ahmed, Teacher; Mr. Saidul Alam, Student of the Academy; Wing Commander (Retd.) Monoj Kumar Shrutikar; Miss.Chakraborty recipient of Late Kaushik Das Memorial Essay Competition Award.
4. On behalf of the members, the President wished Rtns. Bijay Ketan Baruah on the occasion of his Birthday (10Sept) & Rtn.Tamal Sen & Ann. Mandira on the occasion of their Marriage Anniversary (6th July). Dr. Promode Haloi, handed over the greeting cards to Rtn Bijay Ketan Baruah and Rtn Tarun Ch. Bordoloi did the honours for Rtn Tamal Sen.
5. President also announced the proposed Heart Checkup programme to be conducted by the GMC Doctors in Association with our Club. Members appreciated the initiative.
6. Presidential business : President shared the information that 2 New Rotary Clubs have been Chartered, namely, RC Siliguri Uttarayan and RC Bolpur Rangamati. These would make the total number the Clubs in the District 76 with a total membership of 2660.
Requested for members participation in large numbers, particularly the new members, in the District Seminar on New Generation at Dimapur on 19th September 2014 (Friday). So far 6 members have registered.
President appreciated the effort of Rtn Minoti Barthakur in releasing the Hindi Version of her book "Mor Asukhor Ebosor" on 6-9-14. All together 12 Rotarians & Anns participated in the event held at the Guwahati Press Club.
At the request of the President Rtn Vikash Bajaj briefed the members about the inauguration of the Adult Literacy Programme at SHED (Society for Human and Educational Development) on 8th September 2014 (Monday), at 4 PM on the World Adult Literacy Day. Members present were – Rtns. AG Jayabrata Banerjee, Rajkamal Bhuyan, Gayatri Bhattacharyya, Renu Goswami, Arman Ahmed, Tarun Ch Bordoloi, M C Deka, M N Bora, Sweta Pegu, Vikash Bajaj, R M Hazarika, Giti Bujarbaruah, P D Choudhury, & Anns. Purabee

Hazarika, Tultu Bora. Sri Pudu Doloi, Gaonburah, Mr. Lanu Imol & a number of guests, ladies, children including 5 Women students from the locality enrolled in the programme were present. Ceremonial Lamp was lighted by the Gaonburah, Pudu Doloi, AG, President and Rtn. Renu Goswami. Student & Teachers were introduced & each of the 5 students were given a Study Kit. Classes will be held for 5 days a week by 3 teachers. It was encouraging to note that 15 more women students enrolled subsequently, which would make it a total of 20 students in the first batch.

President also shared the information that Rotarians sponsoring new members, will be recognised by the RI President with a Special Pin . Blue Level: for sponsoring 1 member and similarly there will be Bronze2 Level, Bronze3Level, Silver4Level, Silver5Level, Gold6Level, Gold6+level. From our club Blue Level pin recipients are - Rtns Satinder, Minoti, Tarun, Prashanta, Dhiraj, Sweta and Dilip & Bronze3Level by Rtn Dr Mazumder. President informed that Rtn Subhasish Chatterjee of RC Siliguri sponsored 8 members in August 2014 & he will receive a Gold Becker Pin from RI President.

Rtn R M Hazarika, Secretary & Rtn Rajkamal Bhuryan appraised the progress of Vocational Training programme by ICICI Academy for Skills & Sewing Classes at AESOP's Garden School in association with M/s Usha Sewing Machine Corporation, respectively. President requested the members for the nomination of candidates for the Vocational Awards to be given in the month of October 2014.

At the request of the President, Rtn Gayatri Bhattacharyya briefed the members about the proposed New Generation Meeting on 26-9-2014. Rtn Abhishek Jitani & young talents are likely to participate.

It is planned that the first How To Face Interview(HTFI) workshop of the current Rotary Year is to be conducted in Gauhati Commerce College after the Durga Puja as indicated by Rtn Sweta Pegu. Rtn Swapan Jyoti Sarma is to initiate actions.

Quiz: Name RI President Nominee 2016-2017 ? Rtn. John Germ selected as 2016-17 Rotary President Nominee, USA: Correct answers were given by Rtns. Gayatri Bhattacharyya, MC Deka, Dr. RN Mazumder and Sweta Pegu.

President also requested the members to register for the District Conference to be held from 9- 11 January 2014 at Asansol. Till 30th Sept fee is Rs.1800, Oct.-15th Dec Rs. 2000, 16th Dec-9th Jan.2015 Rs. 2500.

On behalf of Rtn Hareswar Talukdar, President invited all the members to the Engineers Day Celebration by Sr. Engineer's forum at Rotary Multi Centre at 6PM on 13-9-2014.

Rtn Dr R N Mazumder, IPP, introduced the student from Eden Valley Academy, who has received financial help from our Club . He was greeted with a gamocha by Rtn Minoti Barthakur. He also distributed Certificates for the winners of Late Kaushik Das Memorial Essay Competition to Miss Chakraborty & the Friends of District 3240 Foundation Certificate to Rtn Bhupen Barkataki.

7. Speaker of the evening Rtn S C Goswami made a presentation on his recently released book "Peerless Assam".

8. Secretarial report:

Rotarians	:	31
Annes	:	9
Visiting Rotarians	:	Nil
Rotarylets	:	2
Rotaract	:	Nil
Guests	:	6
TRF collection	:	Rs.430.00

9. Vote of Thanks was offered by Rtn. Col.(Retd.) Mano Ranjan Goswami

10. President adjourned the meeting at 0810PM.

(The excellent fellowship was offered by Rtn T C Bordoloi & Ann Kalpana . They are blessed with a Grandson)

Compiled by Rtn. Paramesh Dev Choudhury , President



Images from the weekly meeting of the 12th September 2014

One more feather in our cap ! AVENUES OF SERVICE CITATION

IPP Rtn. Dr. R.N. Mazumder

“Recognizing that the strength of the Rotary ideal is founded in the service carried out by club members worldwide, this citation program provides means for Rotary clubs to personally recognize a member of the club for outstanding efforts in the five Avenues of Service. The citation commends the service carried out by an individual Rotarian in the club, thereby reinforcing the importance which Rotary places on the personal involvement of each club member in Rotary service activities.”

Thus the purpose of Avenues of service Citation for individual Rotarian is cited in the Citation Nomination Form. The nominee must have consistently demonstrated support of the Object of Rotary through participation in service activities in each of the five Avenues of Service: Club, Vocational,

Community, International and New Generation. Any Rotarians other than the current club president, current, incoming and immediate past DGs , current, incoming and past RI directors, can be recommended by the club president , provided he/ she fulfills the criteria cited above. Only one nominee is eligible per club per Rotary year.

For RY 2013-14 PP Prashanta Goswami, a committed Rotarian was awarded Avenues of Service Citation by Rotary International in recognition of his service to Rotary. It is indeed a

matter of pride for both Rtn Goswami as well as Rotary Club of Gauhati South to receive this honour!

A Metallurgical Engineer from Regional Engineering College, Rourkela (presently NIT), Rtn Prashanta joined Assam Industrial Development Corporation, Assam as a Junior Engineer and then Assam Carbon Products Ltd as Project manager in 1974 , where he rose to the position of Manager, Quality Control & Engineering development but resigned in 1992. Thereafter he served as Secretary of Federation of Industries & Commerce of the North Eastern region for nearly 3 years.

Besides penning lot of articles in local news papers and authoring the book ` Presidents of India ` , his English translation of late Dr. Mamoni Raisom Goswami`s famous Assamese novel “Chinnamastar Manuhto” fetched him Hutch Crossword award , said to be the Indian equivalent of the Booker.

Besides `Ashes of Eternity`, his second work of translation, he has translated few other books. Ever beaming Rtn Prashanta is a happy man with his wife Anjana, two sons and a daughter in law.

Rtn Prashanta joined RC Gauhati South in 2006 and served as its Secretary for consecutive two terms, Vice President, President and lastly Director.

Hearty congratulation to Rtn Prashanta for this landmark achievement !



Images from the weekly meeting of 19th September, 2014

Minutes of the Weekly Meeting no.1819 held on 19th September at Hotel Rajdhani Regency

11. In the absence of the President Rtn. Paramesh Dev Choudhury who was away attending the New Generation Seminar alongwith with four more Rotarians of our club held on the same day at Dimapur, the Vice President Rtn Dilip Sarkar took the Chair and called meeting no 1819 to order at 0700PM which was followed by the National Anthem.
12. The Guest Speaker on the evening was Shri Bhupon Lahkar, a Film Scholar . He was introduced by PP Rtn. Tarun Bordoloi and felicitated by Rtn Mrs Anjana Buragohain with a phulam Gamocha. The subject of his talk was “ Challenges before the conventional cinema today and future of film tomorrow “
13. Giving an overview of Film Industry in General and that of Assam in particular Shri Lahkar has drawn a parallel between the Regional and Non regional Hindi films and pointed out that the success of the regional films is affected by distribution economy and the same is more biased towards non regional films largely based on economic considerations. Defining film is an art and the process of film making is both an art and an Industry. He pointed out that most contemporary films are now digital through the entire process of production, distribution and exhibition from start to finish. The art of film making is so well demonstrated in the Richard Attenborough's best biographical take on Gandhi which depicted Gandhi's life of more than 70yrs in about 3 hrs without, in his words, any jerk. He also referred to the legendary Film maker Satyajit Roy's Master piece like 'Pather Panchali' and goes to explain that it is not technology alone but the art of making film is more paramount in deciding the quality of the film. His talk on such an interesting topic was applauded by the house.
14. As a token of our love and affection PDG Rtn Dr, P K Baruah presented a small gift on behalf of our club to Shri Bhupon Lahkar and spoke a few words admiring the quality of his presentation and wished to hear him more often in near future.
15. Rtn Prasanta Goswami made an appeal to all present in the house to join on Sunday the 21st September at 9 AM at Latasil field to participate in a walkathon around Dighali pukhuri on the occasion of the World Alzheimer's Day to be followed by a 'Bator Naat' on behalf of ARD society of india ,Guwahati Chapter.
16. Secretarial Report:

Rotarians	:	25
Annes	:	5
Guests	:	3
TRF Collection	:	Rs 315.00
17. Vote of thanks was offered by Rtn Prasanta Goswami.
18. Fellowship was offered by Rtn. Bijay Ketan Baruah

Compiled By Rtn. Ram Mohan Hazarika , Secretary

GROWING UP IN THE FAMILY OF ROTARY



Gabija Trimbel

Gabija Trimbel, a member of the Rotaract Club of Vilnius International

I have been around Rotary much of my life. My mother is a member of the Rotary Club of Vilnius International, Lithuania, and almost as early as I can remember, I have been helping with club projects.

with my Mexican friend when she was visiting Warsaw. Thanks to Youth Exchange, I now have friends all over the world !

This year, it became time to take on a new challenge and launch a Rotaract club that would help my friends and I who were getting too old for Interact to stay in the family of Rotary. We also

When I entered ninth grade in 2009, I convinced a bunch of my friends to help me form the Vilnius International Interact Club, of which I became the charter president. We kept in touch with my mother's Rotary club, which was our host club, and did many projects with them, including serving as counselors at an annual camp attended by orphans and children from day care centers that served the poor.

As an Interactor, I learned about Rotary Youth Exchange, and was given an opportunity of a lifetime to spend a year in Taiwan that next year. I chose that country as my destination because no one from Lithuania had ever gone on an exchange there before and I wanted to stretch myself. I had been to the United States and I wanted to go somewhere exotic.

Well, Taiwan was certainly that. It is half the size of Lithuania but ten times more crowded. Since I had traveled before, my culture shock was not too bad, but it was an awesome experience learning a new culture.

Lasting friendships

I made friends from all over the world, and became much more confident and outgoing. One of my favorite parts was a week-long trip around Taiwan with about 30 other exchange students being hosted by the same Rotary district. I met an exchange student from Sweden, and another from Mexico, who became one of my best friends. I have stayed in touch with both, meeting up with the Swedish student in Copenhagen, and linking up



Gabija Trimbel and other counselors of a summer camp run by the Rotary Club of Vilnius International.

recruited heavily from alumni of a mentoring program run by the Vilnius International Rotary Club for the past eight years. We are excited to grow as a club and reach our full potential helping our local community, and communities around the world.

This fall, I am spending a few months studying abroad at the University of Illinois at Chicago, pursuing a degree in International Business. It has given me an opportunity to visit Rotaract clubs in the Chicago area, and I am convinced the experience will help our still very young club back home.

I can definitely say that thanks to Rotary, and its youth programs, I have become more independent. I've learned how to contact important people, and I have a new found confidence networking with others.

Innovate Rotary !

A great club is all about energy -

Yes, I am back - and with new energy.

In fact, energy is a new theme, a new focus for me in Rotary. You can tell the difference between great clubs and others the moment you come in contact with them by their energy. Whether it is the first time you view the club web page, the first



time you walk in to a club meeting or when you have the opportunity to ask a member, "What is it like to be a member of this club?"

Great clubs have tremendous positive energy. They celebrate wins, recognize contributions, express gratitude for hard work and for financial support. They also laugh and smile a lot - usually for good reason. You don't need to look up membership reports to know whether a club is growing. You can tell the moment you walk in.

Great clubs also practice fair process. Fair process means giving members a chance to get involved in decisions, to shape the vision of the club and to put their stamp on programs and projects. Fair process means that even if a member's wishes are not part of the path that is chosen, so long as they feel they have been given a chance to offer their ideas, have been heard fairly and that the decision process is open and

honest, then they will be more likely to support the direction that IS chosen.

Great clubs make it easy for members to contribute their energy - their time, their talent, their money. And therefore, great club leaders know that their job is to help keep the energy going. They remove barriers. They make their mission and vision clear. They are focused on impact, not just keeping people busy.

Great clubs also capture the energy of the people they serve by bringing their stories of impact and gratitude back into the club. This is often when members get a bit wet in the eyes. They are touched to find that because of Rotary, the kids stop dying. Because of Rotary, I will graduate and will try to practice the values I learned from my Rotary mentor. Because of Rotary and ShelterBox, thousands more kids and their families do not have to sleep outside tonight.

And because great clubs tell their stories so well, they attract positive media attention, attract new members, attract new donors and sponsors. People like to be part of success.

What can you do as a Rotary leader to help people unleash their energy? If you notice people "voting their energy" elsewhere, are you a confident enough leader to ask them what's up - and then take the time to listen? Are you putting positive, energetic people in charge of your most important projects?

Are you courageous enough to talk directly to those who suck energy from your club and address the issues head on?

Who are the positive deviants in your club? Who are the people that other club leaders feel comfortable going to for advice? What are you doing to keep those people engaged ?

Great clubs are all about positive energy. And they know there is no energy shortage when important work needs to be done.

(Source : Innovate Rotary – Greg Krauska's Blog)

PDG Dr. Manoj Desai

Rotary International Director Nominee 2015-17

Dr. Manoj D. Desai is the Charter Member - Rotary Club of Baroda Metro since 1985-86. He became the President of RC Baroda Metro in 1988-89 and District Governor of RI Dist. 3060 in the year 1997-98. As DG, he made 140 Benefactors - 2nd highest in the world.

Dr. Manoj Desai is a well known Spine Surgeon at Vadodara since last 29 years. He completed his schooling from Experimental School, Vadodara and then D.N. High School, Anand. He did his MBBS from Government Medical College, Surat and M.S. (Orth.) from M.S. University, Baroda. He got his Spine Surgery experience at Sweden and USA. He has attended many National as well as International Conferences. He is one of the most sought after Speakers for Rotary in India. He is known for his innovative presentations like Muskaan, Aadat Se Ibadat Ki Aur, Pal (Moment), Kal, Aaj Aur Kal, Khayali Biryani, Neta, Life Line, etc. totaling to more than 96 power point presentations. He has visited nearly all the Indian Rotary Districts more than three times in the last 11 years.

His motivational skills can be judged by the following data:

He was chosen as Training Team Member for GETS - (Governors Elect) six times. He has motivated delegates in many Foundation Seminars and Membership Seminars, apart from many other speaking assignments on non-Rotary forum as well like SBI Officers, NIRMA University and other colleges. He was Chief Guest / Keynote Speaker for PETS - 103 times and District Assemblies & District Conferences - 105 times.

He has served with distinction on many RI and TRF assignments as follows:

1. RRFC - 2002-04
2. RRIMC - 2007-10
3. International Training Leader - 2009-10
4. Moderator - 2011 Rotary Coordinators Institute, Chicago.
5. Technical Coordinator-Disease Treatment and Prevention of the Humanitarian Grants Cadre of

Technical Advisors - 2011-2014.

6. He has also moderated workshops during New Orleans and Bangkok Convention.
7. He was Vice Chair - RI Membership Committee for 2011-12 and now Member till 2014.

8. Member - Permanent Fund Committee, India since 2011-13.

9. RIPR assignments (6 times)

He is recipient of the following RI & TRF recognitions:

1. Regional Service Award for Polio Free World at Singapore Institute,
2. Citation for Meritorious Services of TRF
3. Service Above Self Award
4. Distinguished Service Award of TRF.

He belongs to Doers' Tribe which can be judged by his service for Rotary in more than 3256 Polio Corrective Surgeries performed free of charge in the last 25 years. He created the successful Pulse Polio Model Baroda in 1995 before NID was started in India. He was the Chairman of BRHF Committee who have successfully relocated two villages - Nani Matli (173 homes) and Dhutarpar (239 homes). He is an example of excellent balancing between profession, family life & Rotary. His wife Sharmishtha is a Senior Radiologist with expertise in CT Scan, mammography and OPG. She is also a Rotarian, GSE Team Leader to Japan 2011-12, AG for 2011-12 and now RFE Chair for District 3060. His both sons Sapan and Neil are settled in USA. Manoj & Sharmishtha are Major Donors, BeQuest Society Members and Benefactors.

The entire family is Paul Harris Fellows.

(Source: RID 3240 mail

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