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O C T O B E R I S V O C A T I O N A L S E R V I C E M O N T H

Kenny establishes membership goals

RI President John Kenny has established his membership goals. Districts that achieve these goals can earn a certificate signed by Kenny.

Clubs can earn a certificate signed by RI President John Kenny by meeting his membership goals for 2009-10.

The top 10 clubs and top 10 districts, as determined by RI, will also be acknowledged onstage at the 2010 convention in Montréal, Québec, Canada.

To meet Kenny's membership goals, clubs need to achieve the following:

- n A minimum net increase of one member
- n A minimum retention rate of 80 % and two of the items below:
 - a) Increased percentage of qualified women
 - b) Increased percentage of qualified

younger professionals (under age 50)

- n Induction of at least one RI or Rotary Foundation program alumna/alumnus
- n Increased diversity of membership (e.g., classification, gender, age, ethnicity)

Achievement of club goals will be certified by the district governor. Kenny's goals for districts are:

- n A minimum net increase of one member in each existing club
- n A minimum retention rate of 80 percent in each existing club
- n A minimum of one or two new clubs organized

Clubs should submit their results to their district governor by 15 May. Districts should certify the results and submit them to RI, along with their district results, by 22 May. Certification forms

will be available on www.rotary.org at a later date.

All clubs and districts that reach these membership goals will receive a certificate signed by Kenny. From this pool, RI will determine the top 10 clubs and top 10 districts (not more than one club or one district per zone) showing the highest percentage net increase in membership, to be acknowledged onstage at the Montréal convention.

Today's Programme

- Regular Weekly Meeting at 12:30 pm.
- Guest speaker Rtn Col M M Burman, Quiz programme – an Interactive Session

Birthday Greetings



Dr Sanjib K Mukherjee – 26th Oct
Yogesh Gupta – 29th Oct
PDG Kamal Seth – 30th Oct
Bhupesh Kapoor – 6th Nov
N Sitaraman – 8th Nov

Wedding Anniversary Greetings

S Ravi

&

Shobha

1st November



“ Things get better when enough people decide that they should get better. Things change when ordinary people come together in a common purpose. ”

Minutes of the 1649th Regular Weekly Meeting held at the Saturday Club, 7 Wood Street, Kolkata 700016 on Monday, 12th October, 2009 at 7:00 pm

- 1) The President Rtn Hardeep Singh declares the Regular Meeting open at 7:30 pm.
 - 2) National Anthem was sung by all present led by Rtn Rajni Khumbani.
 - 3) President welcomed today's speaker Rtn Prabir Chatterjee and requested Rtn Lal Hiranandani to escort him to the dais.
 - 4) President also welcomed all guests and annes and wished all happy dipawali.
 - 5) The minutes of the 1648th Regular Meeting was confirmed.
 - 6) The President makes the following announcements:
 - a) President announced with deepest regret the passing away of Swami Asaktanandaji Mahraj, the Secretary of Ramakrishna Mission Ashram, Narendrapur. He also announced the very sad untimely demise of a son of our ex-Rtn Ullas Banerjee and Anne Ratna Banerjee. All present observed a minute's silence in their memory.
 - b) PP Sudhir Chand and Rtn Paresh Rajda remembered Swamiji by highlighting our Club's association with Ramakrishna Mission Ashram, Narendrapur on various projects with very active involvement of Swami Asaktanandaji Mahraj. Among students remembered as a "strict but loving teacher of life science."
 - c) The next Project Hunger Health Care Camp will be held at Navanir Centre on 7th November, 2009. All Rotarians are requested to join the Camp.
 - d) A similar joint Camp will be held at Kennedy Centre on 8th November, 2009 along with RC Madhyamgram. All Rotarians are also requested to join the Camp.
 - e) Sit & draw art competition will be held on 7th November, 2009 at Vidhyanjali High School. Eminent painters as judges will select few paintings for preparing desk calendars to commemorate Mother Teresa Centenary year. These calendars, around 5000, will be sold as part of fund raising project of the club. All Rotarians are requested to attend this programe.
 - f) As part of Rotary Image Building exercise, a three member team comprising Rtn Samir Agarwal, Rtn Paresh Rajda & Rtn Rakesh Khanna are working on project wherein Rotary Club of Calcutta, Midtown's messages on the club projects will be displayed on a few hoardings.
 - g) Next Pulse Polio Camp will be held on Sunday, 8th November, 2009 at Park Circus area Ward no. 59 & 64. All Rotarians are requested to attend this Programe.
 - h) Four-Way-Test Award presentation function will be held on Saturday, 31st October, 2009 at 6.30 pm at G D Birla Sabhaghar, Kolkata. All Rotarians are requested to attend this Programe.
 - i) District Bijoy & Diwali Meet at Nalban has been organized on 1st November, 2009. Registration charge for the same is Rs 250, members are requested to attend.
 - j) Joint Meeting will be held on 7th November, 2009 at 7 pm at Rotary Sadan alongwith RC Inner City, RC Mahanagar, RC Central Calcutta and RC Calcutta Chowrenghee. All Rotarians are requested to attend this programe.
- 7) PDG Kamal Seth introduced today's speaker Rtn Prabir Chatterjee, Paul Haris Fellow and currently District Webmaster and Chairman, Rotary Web and E-correspondence. Rtn Prabir Chatterjee made an interesting power point presentation displaying beautiful photographs covering his recent visit to Srinagar and Amamath. Apart from the display of excellent photography skill, Rtn Prabir also correlated most photographs with detailed literature search providing historical/religious connectivity. All present highly appreciated the presentation and thoroughly enjoyed the question answer session. Rtn Bhupesh Kapoor gave a vote of thanks and handed over a memento to the speaker amidst loud applause.
- 8) The Secretary, Rtn Rakesh Khanna made the following announcements:
- i) The meeting was attended by 18 out of 42 and 9 being exempt; the attendance comes to 55 %
 - ii) The Sunshine Box Collection was Rs 300 over and above the usual.
 - iii) The President declared the meeting closed at 8:30 pm.



24th October: World Polio Day

This month marks the 95th anniversary of the birth of Jonas Salk, developer of the first safe and effective polio vaccine