

# Rotary Club of Sonarpur

Rotary District: 3291



PRESIDENT:

Rana Safui

SECRETARY: Gautam Ray COACH

**RI PRESIDENT:** 

Sakuji Tanaka

DISTRICT GOVERNOR:

Uttam Ganguli

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'Engage Rotary, Change Lives' is 2013-14 RI theme

Daniela Garcia, Rotary News -- 14 January 2013



"If we really want to take Rotary service forward, then we must make sure that every single Rotarian has the same feeling about Rotary that each one of us here has today," RI President elect Ron Burton said In the opening plenary session of the 2013 International Assembly in San Diego, California, USA. "We need to make sure that every Rotarian has a meaningful role to play, that they're all making a contribution,

and that their contribution is valued."

Burton said the July launch of The Rotary Foundation's new grant model, Future Vision, makes it an exciting time to be a Rotarian. He said the new grant model, which has been used by about 100 pilot districts since 2010, represents a new era for the Foundation, and will help Rotarians get excited about Rotary's ability to change lives.

"It takes everything that is wonderful about Rotary and raises it to a new level — by encouraging bigger, more sustainable projects while providing increased flexibility for local projects, both of which address the needs of the community being served," he said.

Burton asked the incoming district governors to take the lead in helping their clubs through the transition, with the assistance of their district Rotary Foundation chairs, who also attended the assembly this year. Before the assembly, Burton asked each of the incoming governors to make a donation in their name to The Rotary Foundation in order to demonstrate leadership by example. At the assembly, he announced that all 537 governors-elect had complied; along with donations from all RI Board members and Foundation Trustees, the contributions totaled US\$675.412.

"Now, I have to believe that some of this is money that The Rotary Foundation probably would not have received had I not asked. And I think that this is an important lesson" he said. "If you want somebody else to do something, you can just sit around and wait for them to get the idea, or you can ask."

Burton applied that lesson also to membership development, which he insisted is the responsibility of every Rotarian. "You have to ask," he said. But Burton emphasized that the job doesn't end when a new member joins: "It's not done until that new member is engaged in Rotary, inspired by Rotary, and uses the power of Rotary service to change lives."

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Founder of Indian Hadional army

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Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose, born in the year January 23, 1897, has left an important legacy of the freedom struggle in India inspiring the youth of the country. His dedication and devotion to attain complete Independence for India made him play an active role in politics.



Did You

Zeus from Michigan in the United States has entered into the Guinness World Records 2013 Book for World's Tallest Dog. The 3-year-old dog measures 44 inches from foot to shoulder. Standing on his hind legs, Zeus stretches to 7-foot-4 and towers over his owner, Denise Doorlag. Zeus eats an entire 14-

kilogram bag of food every day and weighs in at 70.3 kilograms.

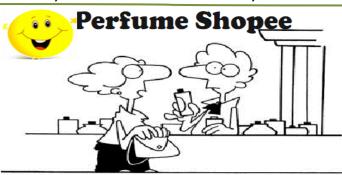




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## District Programme

20th January 2013 : National Immunization Day



'I want my husband to pay more attention to me. Got any perfume that smells like a computer?"

#### Minutes

#### Meeting no 1172

Dated 11.01.2013

President, Rtn. Rana Safui called meeting no. 1172 to order. National Anthem led by Rtn. Dipankar Sen. Minutes of the last meeting confirmed.

#### Discussions:

- o Club Secretary Rtn. Gautam Ray informed the members that the parents of Kid Syd. Sarifuddin & RCC Janakalyan Samity has contributed towards the heart surgery of the child. While Rtn. Gautam Ray made a donation in cash and Rtn Debasis Chakrabory submitted a sponsorship collected by him in the form of cheque for the purpose. members present appreciated and committed individual donations for the purpose.
- OMembers present discussed the the modus operandi to start functioning of the Rotary Club of Sonarpur welfare Trust and decided to open a bank account for the Trust.

President handed over the business to Secretary Rtn. Gautam Ray, who announced the receipt of bulletins from neighboring clubs, and upcoming District events. He requested all members to register for the District conference, 'Prashanti'. Secretary handed back the meeting to the President.

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Having no other business, President terminated the meeting. Sunshine Collected: Rs. 160/-Members Present: 8

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These foods have about e same amount of calcium as 1 cup of milk.

## Rtn. Ramesh Ferris, Canadian with Indian origin meets the last Polio victim of India

Rotarians form a big Smiley Face during the 2012 RI Convention in Bagkok

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US Rotarians use district grants to meet local, global

By Dan Nixon Rotary News -- 21 November 2012

From boosting the capacity to carry out searchand-rescue efforts in their own community to providing clean water for rural communities in South Sudan, Rotarians in District 5340 (California, USA) are using Rotary Foundation district grants to meet a variety of humanitarian needs.

The Rotary clubs of Brawley and Holtville found that the De Anza Rescue Unit's operations in

Imperial County's mountains and desert were hampered by a run-down command center: a converted 1970s school bus without modern equipment. a heating or cooling system, or toilet facilities.

Using funds from its 2010-11 district grant and outside donations, the club replaced the bus with a remodeled truck-driven trailer equipped with a satellite antenna, radio control room, and computer, as well as the other amenities the center had lacked.

Another project supported by the same district grant installed 20 water wells serving about 60,000 people in remote villages in South Sudan. The absence of paved roads and other infrastructure in the destitute region made it challenging to transport food, water, vehicle fuel, and other supplies, and pumping equipment to the drilling sites by truck. The project also had to take place during the dry season so the dirt roads would be passable, with temperatures often hitting 120 F (48 C).

The Rotary clubs of Rancho Bernardo Sunrise and Rancho Santa Fe teamed up with Water for South Sudan Inc. to implement the effort, which is helping to prevent cholera and other waterborne diseases.

So far this Rotary year, District 5340 has carried out 29 district grant projects sponsored by 31 clubs, with funding ranging from \$600 to \$65,000. District Foundation committee chair Pamela Russell says the grants offer several advantages, including a more streamlined application process and the flexibility to tailor projects to local and global needs.

"We had never used district grant money for local [projects] before, and that is so exciting for the clubs," says Russell, who is also a past district governor. "We're also seeing an increase in giving to the Foundation, because of the opportunities for Rotarians to use district grant money in their own communities."

## Thought of the day

Arguing with a fool only proves that there are Two

### Four Way Test

Of the things we think, say or do

- Is it the TRUTH?
- Is it FAIR to all concerned?
  - Will it build GOODWILL and better FRIENDSHIP?
- Will it be BENIFICIAL to all concerned?