

Hello friends,

RCKP is now 10 years old and I am with RCKP for last three years. There is one thing that I can vouch about RCKP is that, it is no less than an extended joint family, where everyone is so open and transparent and welcomes new ideas and experimentation.

A little over a year ago, when Rtn. Rathnakar was the President then, he had an idea to take out an annual issue of our bulletin covering the projects we executed in the year and the milestones we achieved in the process. Some new idea indeed ...!! So last week when Rtn. Ajaya asked me if we could have a special Installation Issue for our Bulletin, I said why not? So here it is ...!!

Rtn. Ajaya, who held the responsibility of the secretary last year, started addressing everyone affectionately as fam(ily) in his messages...!! That same Ajaya has now taken the responsibility of this big family as family head (aka President) for the new Rotary year 2023-24 ...!!

The Rotary Theme for 2023-24 is Create Hope in the World ...!! RI President, Rtn. Gordon R. McNally, in his message urges everyone to engage in conversations and earn each other's trust to work for peace and mental wellbeing. That is the only way left to Create Hope in the World...!!

It is so very true ...!! What with everyone engrossed 24x7 in social media interactions, the physical conversation has almost diminished. Everyone is falling in love with self and becoming a modern Narcissus. The world needs to come out of this state right away. People need to interact vocally, in meetings and celebrations, and work situations. In RCKP, fortunately, we interact in our weekly meetings, club excursions outside, in fellowships and sometimes during outstation trips as well. We are all peace loving people (except the dance floor time in fellowships), and we do focus and contribute towards sustaining the environment by distributing cloth bags and planting trees. So we are on the right path to fulfil most objectives set by the the RI President. And of course our new President Rtn. Ajaya is there to guide us ...!!

Let us all wish Rtn. Ajaya and his BoD all the very best to achieve all the various goals they have set for the new Rotary Year 2023-24 ...!!



Our President

The President and The First Lady

President Rtn. Ajaya Khullar, is a visionary whose leadership has impacted and transformed many lives in various domains.

A graduate of Indian Institute of Foreign Trade, Mr. Khullar began his professional journey with his solo venture KMAFICS India, which has helped him impact over 80 companies in the capacity of shareholder, promoter and director in India and overseas. Supporting underprivileged senior citizens during their sunset years has been a cause which is very close to his heart, which led him to establish Shri Madan Mohan Lal Khullar Dharmarth Sanstha (SMMLKDS), a charitable trust dedicated to this cause.

This feat could not be accomplished without the support of his wife Mrs. Anuradha Khullar, who juggles her role as an educator and a housewife, his daughter Chandrika Khullar Owens who is a well renowned hatted chef in New Zealand and his son Hanut Khullar, who is supporting him with his business and loves playing sports.

In his free time, you can often catch him humming to K.L. Sahgal or experimenting with his photography.

Even though Mr. Khullar's time at Rotary has been negligible compared to the Rotary stalwarts like everybody else in the club, he has made a deep impact already with his initiatives such as integrating Aji Ajoba Seva Kendra with Rotary, various blood donation drives et cetera and has ascended to the position of Rotary President for RCKP in a span of just 14 months ..!!



President's Vision

What the President wants to say ...!!

President Rtn. Ajaya Khullar, is very passionate and committed when it comes to speaking. His speech to the club, on the day of the installation was no exception. He talked about his vision for RY 2023-24 and discussed how he wants to navigate the club to achieve the overall objectives. He wants our club:



- ✓ To be an acknowledged community of sincere service provider, to the social causes, from the focus areas, through its honorable members, all too eager to serve humanity and in doing so bond as a family with common objective.
- ✓ To become one of the most attractive club, for the existing and for the potential members, giving them a wholesome experience of सेवा (Service), संतुष्टी (Satisfaction) and सद् भावना (Goodwill)
- ✓ To undertake projects which makes discernible difference in lives of the community in and to extend our commitment to the district focus areas.
- ✓ To encourage wider member participation, in service and in fellowship and to be a strong, effective, vibrant and inclusive club of helpful, generous and compassionate Rotarians.

Later DG Rtn. Manjoo Phadke, in her speech, acknowledged how some of RIP Rtn. Gordon's Macro vision has transformed into Ajaya's Micro vision already, either as work-in-progress or at drawing board stage ...!!



DG Rtn. Manjoo Phadke's Focus Areas ..!!

DG Rtn. Manjoo Phadke also addressed the club members and made following salient points about her focus areas for the RY 2023-24.

- ✓ Gift of Life: Paediatric Cardiac Surgeries
- ✓ Water Conservation
- ✓ Green Society / Green Factory
- ✓ Mission Friday
- ✓ Entrepreneurship Development
- ✓ Women Leadership
- ✓ Interact Clubs
- ✓ Happy Anganwadi's



Its not a coincidence that our club is already working in some of these focus areas, such as, Paediatrics, Entrepreneurship Development and Happy Anganwadi ..!!



RI President Rtn. Gordon R. McNally's Mantra ...!!

RI President Rtn. Gordon R. McNally has set the RY 2023-24 Theme as **Create Hope In The World**.



- President McNally calls for Rotary to create Hope In The World by working for Peace and Mental Wellbeing
- He Urges members to engage in tough conversations and earn the trust that's necessary to realise these values
- The goal is to restore Hope to help the world heal from destructive conflicts and to help achieve lasting change
- He emphasises the need for peace and continuity, including work to empower women, work toward diversity, equality, and inclusion, while not neglecting our mission to end polio.

He plans to achieve these goals through:

- ☑ Growing Rotary both by way of membership and in our ability to provide meaningful service
 - ☑ Growing membership by encouraging the use of the flexibility now available to establish new style clubs that would appeal to a different demographic.
 - ☑ By providing Sustaining the Environment as an area of focus to many younger people.
 - ☑ By providing due respect to all throughout the organisation
 - ☑ By promoting the importance of Peace, which is much more than the absence of conflict.



CREATE HOPE
in the **WORLD**



6th July: Installation - RY 2023-24 Board of Directors



Rtn. Ajaya Khullar
President



Rtn. Satish
Deshchougule
Immediate Past
President



Rtn. Navin Gupta
President Elect



Rtn. Shani Naushad
Hon. Secretary and
President Nominee



Rtn. Rajesh
Jethmalani
Hon. Treasurer



Rtn. Harry George
Director
Foundation



Rtn. Sudesh Hadke
Director
Membership



Rtn. Rathnakar
Shetty
Director New
Generation



Rtn. Niraj Mehta
Director Service
Projects: Non
Medical



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Rtn. Ujjwal
Kothawale
Director
Public Image



Rtn. Samir Shah
Director
International



Rtn. Sandesh Gupta
Service Projects:
Medical



Rtn. Mahesh Shah
Director Service
Projects: Literacy



6th July: The Installation Ceremony

The annual installation ceremony is something that every club member looks forward to. This year, the ceremony was held on Thursday 6th July. MoC Annettes Sanjana and Eshna welcomed the guests, the dignitaries and the audience. Proceedings began with Ganesh Vandan by Rtn. Ujjwal. President Rtn. Satish called the meeting to order followed by National Anthem and the 4-way test. He later welcomed the chief guest by offering Tulsi plant.

Outgoing Secretary, Rtn. Ajay Khullar, presented the report on all activities and achievements during the RY 2022-23. Annettes Sanjana and Eshna followed it by announcing the awards for the year in different categories, with big cheers from the members. We also felicitated charter members who have completed 10 years in RCKP and appreciated the donors contribution and awarded them the Plaques. The President then expressed his gratitude to all the members, BoD, Anns, Rotaractors and the District team for their wholehearted support in successfully completing the year.

Rtn. Satish then formally handed over the Presidential Collar and the bell to PE Rtn. Ajaya. Chief guest, DG Rtn. Manjoo then installed the new President Rtn. Ajaya by awarding the Rotary Pin. In his acceptance speech, the newly installed President, Ajaya Khullar, highlighted his vision for the club in line with RI President's focus areas.

DG Rtn. Manjoo later administered the installation of the BoD by awarding the Rotary Pin to each BoD member, starting with the President. AG Rtn. Rajesh Jain introduced the chief guest DG Rtn. Manjoo.

The Chief Guest, in her address, congratulated the outgoing President Satish for a successful year. She also remembered her long association with Rtn. Satish. She had a special appreciation for our incoming President Ajaya Khullar, being an accomplished businessman, and how humble he is in his attitude, and how studious he is in his approach. She commended some of the objectives in Ajaya's vision as they were in line with the macro vision of RI President Rtn. Gordon McNally. She wished him the best for the year and assured all support from the district. She highlighted the challenges ahead of us, what she wants to achieve during the year, particularly on child education and health. She elaborated on the Rotary theme for the year, Create hope in the world.

The ceremony ended with Vote of Thanks by Rtn. Rajesh Jethmalani. Annettes Eshna and Sanjana had taken up the responsibility of conducting the proceedings of the entire ceremony and did an excellent job. Kudos to them ...!!



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