

NEWSLETTER OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF CALCUTTA INNER CITY

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PRESIDENT GEETA VENKADAKRISHNAN 2019-20



Geeta Venkadakrishnan is an award-winning civil society leader and social sector consultant with over 23 years' experience in India. Geeta is the Director of The Hope Foundation working with vulnerable children and women. She has been involved as a Social Expert to NGOs and Corporate CSR in designing, planning, monitoring and implementation of sustainable projects. She has facilitated strategic plan development, conducted feasibility and baseline studies, impact assessment, social audit and social perception research. Prior to founding Hope Foundation, she was involved with Child In Need Institute, GOAL Ireland and in Action aid India.

Geeta is also a representative in the Women's Grievance Cell for Indian Institute of Foreign Trade and a honorary member in the Women's Cell at Central Research Institute for Jute and Allied Fibres, a unit of Indian Council for Agriculture Research, West Bengal and in ESI Hospital Joka in Kolkata.

Received Inspiring Award in the year 2019 from Britt World Wide one of the largest worldwide companies spread across the world.

Received World CSR Award for implementing projects in Kolkata 8th December 2017.

2015 Humanitarian Award from The Hope Foundation Ireland, for creating impact in the lives of 30,000 children directly and 3 lakh population in setting up 9 protection children homes for boys and girls one hospital for the street people, 5 skill training centers, bringing positive impact in 34 wards in Kolkata & Howrah in 35 government schools for special need children, and 34 slums on Health and Education. For working in Bhuj for earthquake victims by providing relief assistance, earthquake resistant house which was funded by Govt. of Ireland for one lakh population and also during Tsunami disaster in rescuing and re building the livelihood of the people of Nagapattnam, Tamil Nadu for two lakh population.

For actively doing night rounds with her team in Kolkata for rescuing and rehabilitating children and women who are neglected or trafficked or victimized in the city till today.

Received Award from Rotary International District 3291 for Vocational skill for the underprivileged youth.

Received best service for Child Health from American Indian Foundation 2015.

2014 Bharat Udyog Ratan Award from Global Achievers, GOI New Delhi.

2012 Karmaveer Puraskar from International Confederation of NGOs on Life Long fight for Social Justice, New Delhi.

Good Samaritan Award from Commissioner of Kolkata Police in the year 2012. for rescuing and rehabilitating children through day and night rounds.

As an independent consultant, Geeta has conducted baseline, Impact assessment study for GAIL, Tata Housing, Indian Oil, Haldia Petrochem, RITES, STC, Cadbury India, ONGC, a Social return of investment for Sterilite Copper Ltd etc. and conducted feasibility study for Essar Group. She has also facilitated strategic planning for Glenmark Foundation for their social development programmes in India.

Geeta has participated and presented in a number of national and global events on social development, child trafficking, women's empowerment, sustainable livelihood etc. She holds a post-graduate degree in Social Work and Psychology and PG in Hospital Management, PG Management on People Living with STD/HIV/AIDS (International Health and Research center, Jaipur)

She graduated from Calcutta University and did her school education from Kendriya Vidyalaya Airforce, CBSE, New Delhi.

She volunteered for four years in her school and college years at one of the Asia's largest leprosy centres in Gandhi Prem Nivas, Titagarh, West Bengal under Saint Mother Teresa.

She is fluent in English, Bengali, Hindi, Malayalam and Tamil. She lives in Kolkata.

She is married to Mr H. Venkadakrishnan who is an MBA in Banking & Finance, working in BMW Industries. The couple has one son Harish Venkadakrishnan who is working in Deloitte.

DG RTN. AJAY AGARWAL DIST 3291, 2019-20



Hailing from the reputed Agarwal family of Kolkata which publishes Daily Vishwamitra, the oldest Hindi newspaper now in its 103rd year of publication, DG Ajay Agarwal is a journalist, newspaper publisher and printer with vast experience in the industry. In addition, he has interests in newsprint import and trade, and also in real estate development. He was educated in St Xaviers Collegiate School, Kolkata and St Xaviers College, Calcutta.

Having joined Rotary Club of Central Calcutta in 1988, he served as President with distinction in 1992-93, winning many laurels for the club, and went on to serve in numerous District, Zonal and International positions, such as: District Chairman, Dist. Directory, GML, Civic Affairs, Interact, Group Study Exchange, Inter City Meets; He was twice appointed Assistant Governor, and also chaired the District Conference in 2004.

At the Zonal and International levels, he published the background papers and proceedings for Peace Conference, Kathmandu, Zone Institute, Kolkata and Presidential Water Conference, Kolkata

He is presently a member of Rotary Club of Calcutta Millennium, which was chartered in 2016. In the course of his journey since 1988, he has introduced more than 65 members into Rotary.

His spouse Mamta is a senior Inner Wheel leader. She is the Charter President of Inner Wheel Club of Central Calcutta, and was President, Association of Inner Wheel Clubs in India (2015-2016). Both are Major Donors to TRF. They are blessed with a daughter, Aashika who is married to Sudhir, and a son, Atishay, who is married to Nidhi.

DG Ajay Agarwal enjoys socializing and conversing on Rotary and current affairs in company of friends, and is fond of music, reading and travelling. He is a member of Calcutta Swimming Club, Calcutta Cricket & Football Club, and Indian Life Saving Society.

Mark Daniel Maloney

President 2019-20 Rotary International

Rotary Club of Decatur Alabama, USA

Mark Daniel Maloney is a principal in the

law firm of Blackburn, Maloney, and Schuppert LLC, with a focus on taxation, estate planning, and agricultural law. He represents large farming operations in the Southeastern and Midwestern United States and has chaired the American Bar Association's Committee on Agriculture in the section of taxation. He is a member of the American Bar Association, Alabama State Bar Association, and the Alabama Law Institute.

He has been active in Decatur's religious community, chairing his church's finance council and a local Catholic school board. He has also served as president of the Community Foundation of Greater Decatur, chair of Morgan County Meals on Wheels, and director of the United Way of Morgan County and the Decatur-Morgan County Chamber of Commerce.

A Rotarian since 1980, Maloney has served as an RI director; Foundation trustee and vice chair; and aide to 2003-04 RI President Jonathan Majiyagbe. He also has participated in the Council on Legislation as chair, vice chair, parliamentarian, and trainer. He was an adviser to the 2004 Osaka Convention Committee and chaired the 2014 Sydney Convention Committee.

Prior to serving as a district governor, Maloney led a Group Study Exchange to Nigeria.

He also served as Future Vision Committee vice chair; regional Rotary Foundation coordinator; Foundation training institute moderator; Foundation permanent fund national adviser; member of the Peace Centers Committee; and adviser to the Foundation's Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene in Schools Target Challenge Committee.

2019-2020: ROTARY CONNECTS THE WORLD



RI President-elect Mark Daniel Maloney's theme for 2019-20, Rotary Connects the World, asks Rotarians to strengthen the many ways that Rotary Connects the World, building the connections that allow talented, thoughtful, and generous people to unite and take meaningful action through Rotary service.

CHARTER NITE CELEBRATIONS







23 JUNE 2019 MASONIC LODGE











DISTRICT AWARDS 28 JUNE 2019



RC INNER CITY TEAM RECEIVING AWARDS



OUTSTANDING PRESIDENT; CHILDREN AT RISK; 1ST IN ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

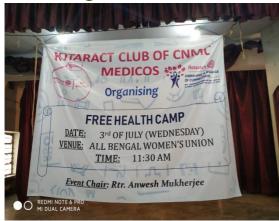


ROTARACT CLUB OF CNMC MEDICOS RECEIVING THEIR CHARTER FROM DG MUKUL SINHA

DOCTORS' DAY 1 JULY 2019



HEALTH CAMP BY ROTARACT CLUB 3 JULY 2019







1251 RWM: Sunday, 23 June, 2019 @ Masonic Lodge, at 8 pm. Minutes of the Meeting

1 President Subir calls meeting to order at 8 pm.

2 National anthem is led by Rtn Rita Sinha.

3 Confirmation of minutes of 1250 RWM.

4 President grants LOA to some members.

5 Inputs by President Subir about his journey in Rotary year 2018-19.

6 He enumerates projects and fellowship details of his Rotary year.

7. President Subir thanks all members for their unstinted support during his tenure.

8. President Subir says that over 50 projects and activities took place, especially the Healthy Heart Initiative in collaboration with HHI, Boston, USA.

9 He promises that the 2018-19 Board will help the incoming Board.

10. He states that all areas of service were attended to by the projects in 2018-19. He announces that the Rotaract Charter will be handed over to the CNMC Medicos at the District Awards Ceremony on 28 June, 2019.

11 He reviews the expenditure for his year, and announces that he is leaving a healthy surplus of funds for the next Board.

12 Announcements of Secretary Ayesha regarding birthdays and anniversaries in July. 13 President Subir thanks Secretary Ayesha, his Board and the Inner City family for their unstinted support during his tenure.

14 He says that once meeting is adjourned, gifts will be distributed to all members, followed by fellowship and dinner.

15 There being no other business, President Subir adjourns meeting.

Members: 30 Guests: 13

<u>29™ INSTALLATION MEETING</u>

FRIDAY, 5 JULY, 2019 CALCUTTA CLUB, AC PAVILION CHIEF GUEST: DG AJAY AGARWAL REGISTRATION 12.30-1 PM INSTALLATION MEETING 1 PM LUNCH 2 PM