



# Maitree



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## OFFICIAL BULLETIN OF ROTARY CLUB OF BEHALA - R.I. DISTRICT 3291

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TODAY'S PROGRAMME -2189<sup>TH</sup> RWM  
At club's usual venue and time.

NEXT MEETING ON SATURDAY JUNE 26  
Our 2190<sup>th</sup> RWM (Postponed from 24.06.10)  
AND INSTALLATION CEREMONY- 2010  
At HSBC Hall, Tolly Club. Reg. from 6 p.m.  
Meeting from 7 p.m. followed by dinner.

### DISTRICT PROGRAMS

- On June 18, 6.00 p.m., at Rotary Sadan. Intercity Meet on Eastern India Rotary Welfare Trust.
- On June 29, 6.00 p.m. District's Felicitations and Recognition Ceremony.
- On July 1, 6.00 p.m., at Swabhumi, felicitations of DG Rajendra Khandelwal. RIPE Kalyan Banerjee will be present. Registration Rs 700.

### CLUB PROGRAM

On July 3, 2010 from 9 a.m. at Nazrul Manch, Mega Blood Donation Camp organized by M/s RMP Infotec Pvt Ltd in association with RC Behala.

### END OF THE SEASON DINNER

On Sunday June 20, 7.30 p.m. on the Terrace of President Rtn Deepnath's residence at 15B, Mandeville Gardens, Kolkata - 700 019.

### FELICITATIONS

*Happy Birthday to You*

June 19: Rtn Pijush Ranjan Sen Gupta

### FAMILY NEWS

Following SMS received from Rtn Siddhartha on June 15 : "Returning home tomorrow evening after Bypass. Persisting problems restrict talking walking and other activities. Presently bedridden, but hope to recoup soon."

We wish Siddhartha an early recovery.

MINUTES OF 2188<sup>TH</sup> REGULAR WEEKLY MEETING  
ON JUNE 10, 2010 AT SEMINAR HALL, BIRLA PLANETARIUM, KOLKATA

1. President Rtn Deepnath called the meeting to order.
2. President Deepnath announced/advised as follows:
  - a. Being abroad he had missed earlier three RWMs.
  - b. PP Debidas Ganguly had recovered from his illness.
  - c. After heart surgery Rtn Dr Siddhartha Chakraborty was in ICCU. His condition was better than before.
  - d. H2H Project update. Nupur Manna had her heart surgery on May 20, and was released on May 25. Piu Das was scheduled for operation on June 14 or 15. Jeet Mondal being further treated before surgery.
  - e. Ensuing district programs (as detailed alongside).
  - f. Invitation received for Charter Presentation Ceremony of RC Calcutta Yuvis by DG Utpal Majumdar, on Saturday, June 12, at CTC Auditorium.
  - g. In modification to earlier program the Installation Ceremony of June 26 would be clubbed with RWM of June 24 postponed to June 26, instead of preponing the RWM of July 01, 2010.
3. Secretary Rtn Prasunjit conducted club business.
4. President Elect Indu asked for writings for publication in the Installation Souvenir. He requested members to expedite collection of pending advertisements.
5. President Deepnath spoke on his recent tour to Europe.
6. Minutes of 2187<sup>th</sup> RWM of RC Behala were confirmed.
7. The meeting was terminated by President Deepnath.

MEETING STATISTICS : Total Members 42  
Guests Present : 01 Members Present : 09

### QUOTABLE QUOTE

"One of the most wonderful things about Rotary is that it allows you to be part of something so much larger than yourself."

-RI President Glenn Estess Sr.

*(Opening plenary session at the Chicago Convention, 2005)*

We meet every Thursday at 6 PM at M.P. Birla Planetarium Auditorium - Visit us at [www.rotarybehala.org](http://www.rotarybehala.org)

'THANK YOU FOR BEING IN MY LIFE'  
-From Collection of Dr Ushashi Chattopadhyay

- Life is too short to wake up with regrets.  
So, love the people who treat you right.  
Forget about the ones who don't.  
Believe everything happens for a reason.
- Friends are like balloons; once you let them go, you might not get them back.  
Sometimes we get so busy with our own lives and problems that we may not even notice that we've let them fly away. Sometimes we are so caught up in who's right and who's wrong that we forget what's right and wrong. Sometimes we just don't realize what real friendship means until it is too late. I don't want to let that happen.  
Thank you for being in my life.

'ATTITUDE IS WHAT LIFE IS ALL ABOUT'  
-From Collection of Ann Ranjana Khanna

1. Life is not about the people who act true to your face... It's about the people who remain true behind your back.
2. It is better to loose your ego to the one you love, than to lose the one you love ....  
because of ego.
3. A relationship doesn't shine by just shaking hands at the best of times, but it blossoms by holding firmly in critical situations.
4. When you trust someone trust him completely without any doubt..... At the end you would get one of the two: Either a lesson for your life or a very good person.
5. Why we have so many temples, if God is everywhere?  
A wise man has said: Air is everywhere, but we still need a fan to feel it.

A LETTER WITH A POEM FROM OINDREE  
-R'Let Oindree Banerjee from Ralrigh, North Carolina

Ganguly Uncle,

I wrote this one recently, thought I would share it with you.

This is short and well, bitter. It reflects the thought that we don't always get to appreciate the beauty around us as much as we probably should. Spring brings in such wonderful colors to the world around us, at least where I live right now, but we don't stop and notice.

However, this is not how I feel always, it is momentary.

Spring

The colors of spring are wasted on me.  
So the young leaves, flowers pink or cherry.  
The fragrance in the air  
Doesn't seem to dare  
Fill up my nostrils with intoxicating sweetness.

The warmth of the Sun is wasted on me.  
I don't let it purify, content and carefree.  
I don't soak it in, lap it up quick -  
The sky blue innocence doesn't do the trick.  
I continue to burn wrapped up in coldness.  
The playful squirrels don't fill me with joy  
My eyes don't look for the blue-green bird  
Their delightful chirp are but faded to my ear  
Chasing dreams leave me blurred, vision unclear.  
Spring is yet to bring me my happiness.

Thanks,

Oindree Banerjee

Our little poetess, R'Let Oindree Banerjee, daughter of Rtn Avijit Banerjee, is well-known to the readers through her poems and needs no introduction

## FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

We started the term with a fine poem written by R'Let Oindree. She has now moved to other end of the world to pursue her higher studies, but has remembered us by sending a poem "Spring", her third one for Maitree this year. We have pleasure in presenting it along with two more contributions out of their fine collections of words of wisdom on God, life and friendship from Inner Wheeler Dr Ushashi Chattopadhyay and Ann Ranjana Khanna that may lead to some serious pondering and introspection. Ann Anuradha Ganguly and R'Let Disha, daughter of Rtn Deepnath are the only other members of our family who responded to our invitation to write for Maitree.

President Deepnath, for reason best known to him, wanted me to be his bulletin editor. I agreed though knowing well that bulletin editor's job entailed publishing a bulletin every week barring a few and hence responsibility without respite for the entire year. The reason for my acceptance could be that I wanted to try out an idea that club bulletin could be more interesting with participation of members and their families by way of writing for it. Though this involved time and effort, I enjoyed a lot in the process. Whether the idea was any good, whether I succeeded or not, and if at all to what extent, is not for me to decide.

It was a pleasure to work with President Deepnath. As per good management practice he arranged for necessary logistic supports, allowed a totally freehand, yet was close enough to detect any slip and lend a hand when needed. I thank Bhaskar Goswami of M/s Gosain Brothers whose cooperation helped us to release all issues of the bulletin in time and reasonably free from error. I thank Ardhendu Banerjee for his untiring help in coordinating with the printers.

Thanks are due to our 9 members (10 including me) and 5 family members who in response to our request contributed their articles and collections for publication. They have made our Maitree richer. An index of contributed items published in the weekly bulletins during the year has been provided as an annexure to this issue for reference for those who were interested enough to retain the back copies of our bulletin. On the eve of leaving this desk, I thank all the readers for their patience. I welcome Rtn Jayanta Kumar Mitra who will now take charge of this Editor's Desk.

- Sumon Ganguly

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