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President

Renu Lakhotia
Secretary

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President's Message

Dear friends,

Warm greetings to all of you.

Our new Inner Wheel Year 2009-10 had an excellent start that was reflected by the packed audience during the installation meeting, held at Bengal Club on 25th June. I would like to thank Chairman Kamini & all members for the success of the Installation Meeting.

Before we could take a breath after the installation meeting, we had to restart working for TEMPTATIONS. Stepping into its 20th year, **TEMPTATION 2009** was one of the last exhibitions being held in the season and needless to say, it proved to be one of the best, thanks to the vast experience of our club members. I would like to thank all my club members for their support, hard work & presence. The event was very well covered by our media partners "The Telegraph".

Our next major fund raiser **Fashion Quotient** is being held on 19th & 20th September, 2009 at Hyatt Regency. Let us all come together once again to make this venture another grand success.

As you all know, **Apnalay** is our dream project, construction work of which is in full swing. Let us renew the pledge to work for the needy and thereby achieve our goal that was so beautifully expressed by legendary Michael Jackson :-

*"Heal the world,
Make it a better place,
For you and for me,*

Yours in friendship
Sudha Choudhury

Thought of the Day

*"If I have any merit, it is getting along with individuals, according to their ways and characteristics....
At times it involves suppressing yourself, it is painful but necessary. To be a leader, you have got to lead
human beings with affection".*

- J. R. D. Tata

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20th Installation Meeting.....

A New Journey Begins

On Thursday, 25th June, though the weather was continuing with its dry spell, our installation drew a large crowd as it was the first installation in the New Year. It was the time to bid adieu to the old Inner Wheel year and welcome the new. By 4.30 p.m. the registration desk was humming with activity with an attendance in excess of 100 persons.



Handing over the responsibilities

Outgoing **President Geetika Khaitan** called the meeting to order and welcomed all. She specially welcomed the patrons of “**Apnalay**” **Mrs. Shamlu Dudheja** and **Sucheta Mehr**, after the Inner Wheel prayer was read by **Deepa Banka** and the ceremonious lighting of the lamp.

Geetika spoke elaborately about the activities undertaken last year followed by a report by outgoing **Secretary Deepa Banka**. **President Sudha Chowdhury** was installed amidst lot of cheers, introduced, and pinned by **Geetika Khaitan**

President Sudha at the outset welcomed the chief guest **District Chairman Mrs. Snigdha Barat**, **A. C Member Mrs. Sarmila Bose** and all the six District Officials present with flowers. She went on and welcomed **Past Assn. President Dr. Mrs. Lalita Seth**, **Past Assn. Secretaries Mrs. Vijaya Mohan** and **Dr. Mrs. Bhabani Dhar** along with eleven **Past District Chairmen** present. In her welcome address **Sudha** stressed on the need to work together and promised her support to the District whenever it would be needed. The Executive committee of the club was introduced though many of the members could not attend due to indisposition to a house full of 32 Presidents and 28 Secretaries of the neighboring clubs.



The team 2009-10



First installation in the District and it is housefull

Dr. Lalita Seth along with the **District Chairman Snigdha Barat** pinned the new members joining the club. In her short communiqué she went on to encourage the club members and said that once “**Apnalay**” comes up it will be a pride of the **District 329**.

PDC Mamta Agarwal announced to the audience of 135 persons the donations received for the construction of **4 rooms in Apnalay**, which came through our **President Sudha Chowdhury. Rs. 8 Lakhs** were raised single handedly by our **President, Kudos to her!!** The Patrons, Associates and the Supporters of “**Apnalay**” were specially recognized by flowers and at this juncture **Ms. Sucheta Mehr** came forward and committed for the construction of one room by paying **Rs. 2 Lakhs**.



New members being pinned up by PAP Dr. Lalitha Seth

PP Mamta Gupta introduced the **District Chairman Snigdha Barat** and in her address **Snigdha Barat** complimented all the members for working selflessly. She also released the club souvenir “**ECHO**” which was beautifully compiled by the club editor **Babita Moody. AC Member Sharmila Bose** gave away the mementoes to the **100% ers** of the last year and thanked outgoing **President Geetika Khaitan** for all the support to her. **Rtn. Sri Ratan Jhavar, President, RCCC** extended his unconditional support to our club while speaking to the house.

Club Secretary Renu Lakhotia conducted the club business and **Vice President Shanti Shah** proposed a formal vote of thanks followed by the termination of the **20th Installation meeting** and national anthem.

The club Kitty grew fatter by a Raffle draw conducted by **PP. Dipti Khaitan** and **Meghna Lohia**.

- Report by PP Kamini Mehta, Chairman Installation Committee.

12th TRIENNIAL CONFERENCE - Hosted by District 312

on 29th, 30th & 31st January, 2010 at Varanasi

Registration Fees : Rs. 1800 (upto 31st October), Rs. 2100 (upto 30th November), Rs. 2500 (upto 31st December, 2009)

No Registration after 31st December, 2009 and no spot registration.

Interested members contact : **PP Mamta Gupta**



always hard to resist.....thats what TEMPTATIONS is all about....



Stepping into its 20th year this year **TEMPTATIONS 2009** was one of the last exhibitions being held in the season and needless to say it proved to be one of the best!

The **TEMPTATIONS** team started working since a few months back and things started rolling out on time at every stage. From stall allocations to printing of the entry tickets and the decoration of the venue everything being taken care of, leaving nothing to chance. The enthusiastic team was frantically in touch over mobile and at times being mobile themselves and meeting with reasons.

The beautiful stall booking brochure set the mood and the tone for **Temptations** followed by equally smart invites and the hoardings adorning the important locations in and around the city. This created enough stir for the visitors to make sure that they do not miss out on three important dates in **July, 21st, 22nd and 23rd**. A good crowd of **8000** visitors thronged the **Ice Skating Rink** on these three days.

It was inaugurated by none other than **Ms. June Maliah**, dressed in off white suit and looking very elegant. She was very happy to be with us once again (she had inaugurated the 2nd edition of Temptations Plus). She was accompanied by our own **District Chairman Ms. Snigdha Barat** and they lit the auspicious *pradeep* in the beautifully decorated lobby. After cutting the inaugural ribbon at the entry they went around admiring the exhibits, and encouraging the participants of **TEMPTATIONS**.



The energetic group

They were amazed at seeing a good crowd so early in the day and to their delight an equal number of Rotarians were also present from **RCCC** led by **President Sri Ratan Jhawar**. **District ISO Saswati Dutta** was also present to encourage the club members. The members of our club were all around enthusiastically helping the stall holders and visiting the stall themselves as early birds.

An event of this magnitude needs extensive planning and complete application. A load of thanks is due to our well wishers and sponsors for supporting us every time. It is their belief which brings out the best in us.

It is a matter of great pride for the members of **INNER WHEEL CLUB OF CENTRAL CALCUTTA** that year after year they emerge as a winner with greater aplomb.

- Report by PP Pushpa Agarwal

Feed back



Thank you very much for all your help and support and last minute consideration. We really had a very pleasant experience at the Temptations. We take this opportunity to compliment all the members of your club for a job well done. The show was really very well organised. Thank you and wish you all the best for all your effort in doing good to the community. May God be with you all and bless you.

Rekha and Sushil Poddar

Dream Export

Stall No. 30B



I feel proudly privileged to be a part of Temptations 2009. This is my second time over with this club; and would love to keep coming

back. Keep up the good work. All my best wishes and lots of love..

- June Malliah

All the Stalls are tempting; It is hard to resist yourself from buying.

- District Chairman Snigdha Barat



Glimpses of Stalls



Wel Done !! Team Temptations

Led by President Sudha Chowdhury

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| ■ Kamini Mehta | ■ Pushpa Agarwal | ■ Mamta Agarwal |
| ■ Renu Lakhotia | ■ Dipti Khaitan | ■ Aruna Murarka |
| ■ Vinita Poddar | ■ Smita Murarka | ■ Renu Bagrodia |

Supported by:

Shanti Shah, Meghna Lohia, Babita Moody, Shriti Jhawar,
Mona Saraf, Shruti Mundhra and Shashi Khandelwal

Temptation 2009 -

Certificate in Appreciation

Every year we mark our exhibition with something new. To earmark the **20th edition of TEMPTATIONS** we felicitated a few of our stall holders for their constant support and good wishes. A token of love and a certificate of appreciation were awarded to them who have been with us for more than 15 years in **TEMPTATIONS**. Their good wishes have only brought us so far. We thank each one of them but specially

Ms. Savitri Saraf
Ms Mridula Poddar
Ms. Mala Neotia

Ms. Kavita Phumbra
Ms. Suman Ganeriwalla
Ms. Madhuri Sureka
Ms. Suman Fatehpuria

Ms. Rachana Kejriwal
Ms. Nisha Shroff
Mr. C. P. Khaitan

We would like to thank **Ms. Kavita Phumbra of Kriti** and **Mr. Mridul Kotriwal of Spectrum** for their support.

Our sponsors

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Apnalay- adding life to years **a home for senior citizens**



Our Patron for Apnalaya - Ms. Sucheta Mehr



Our Interior Designer for Apnalaya
Ms. Kumkum & Neha Jain of W.B. Studio

In the **20th installation meeting** held on **Thursday 25th June 2009** at **Bengal Club, Kolkata**, we had the privilege of having with us the patrons, associates and supporters of Apnalay. Our Patrons **Ms. Shamlu Dudeja of Calcutta Foundations**, **Ms. Sucheta V. Mehr of Earthy Myth** and **Mr. Naresh Keyal VC & MD of Mortex Group** reached much before time. **Ms. Kumkum and Ms. Neha Jain of WB Studio** took out time to be with us. The supporters of Apnalay were also present in large numbers, who are mostly the Rotarians of **RCCC**. The house was informed of the support of **Rtn. Prem Lihala** who is solely looking into the construction of **Apnalay**.

They were all felicitated for their unconditional support to the cause of senior citizens. The donors of the rooms were duly recognised and the club received a good sum of **Rs. 800,000/-** by the efforts of our **President Sudha Chowdhury**. **Ms. Sucheta Mehr** also very kindly has sponsored the construction of a room at **Apnalay** at the cost of **Rs. 200,000/-**.

We once again thank all who are attached with Apnalay for their support and encouragement to us.

News and Views

MEETINGS ATTENDED

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| 1st D. C. Meeting on 4th July | – President Sudha Choudhury |
| Treasurer's Meet on 11th July | – Vinita Poddar |
| Triennial Meeting on 11th July | – PP Mamta Gupta |
| Neighbouring club installations | – President Sudha Choudhury, Renu Lakhotia, Mona Saraf, Vinita Poddar, Mamta Gupta. |
| Community Service Meeting on 6th August | – President Sudha Choudhury |

MAIL BOX

Received

- Minutes of the First Association Council Meeting 2009-10.
- Minutes of the 3rd DC Meeting held on 2nd June 2009.
- Letter from Dist. Sec. for 1st DC Meeting of the year 2009-10.
- Letter from Dist. Vice Chairman Sumita Roy for Community Service Meeting.
- Letter regarding District dues from District Treasurer Rupa Mukherjee.
- Appeal letter from IWC of Calcutta Down Town to repair a Day Care Centre for special children. Total cost Rs. 22,000/-.
- Letter from IWC of South West Calcutta for the joint project of International Aid Day on 1st December, 2009. Participation fees Rs. 500/-.
- Many congratulatory letters from neighbouring clubs.

DISTRICT NEWS

- A Cookery book will be released during District Conference on 5th December, 2009. Members are requested to give original, tasty and low fat recipes for this book. **PP Smita Murarka** is a member of Cookery book publication committee. Please contact her for further details.

FORTHCOMING DISTRICT EVENTS

1st Intercity Meet "BODHODOY" on 8th August 2009, Saturday at 3.30 p.m. at Kala Kunj. Regn. Charges 35/- . **Sub : Transparency of Governance.**

District Rally - 29th August, 2009 at Thyagaraja Hall, P-530, Raja Basant Roy Road from 11 am to 8 pm.

CLUB NEWS

- 2nd EC Meeting held on 29th July at Renu Lakhotia's Residence.
- **Next Regular Meeting on 4th Sept. at Golden Park at 4.00 p.m.**

CLUB DUES

Members are requested to kindly pay their club dues to the club treasurer Vinita Poddar at the earliest.



Warm Birthday Greetings

Archana Salarpuria	-	7th August
Gita Jhwar	-	9th August
Meeta Lakhota	-	11th August
Suman Keyal	-	15th August
Aruna Murarka	-	17th August
Kalpna Mallya	-	17th August
Vanita Sethia	-	22nd August

BULLETINS RECEIVED

Antara	-	IWCC Mid-Town
Efforts	-	IWCC Old City
Chairantani	-	IWCC South West
Padakshep	-	IWC Jadavpur
Prattoy	-	IWC Cossipore
Pratidhwani	-	IWCC Metropolitan East
Angikar	-	IWC Tollygunge
Sahyog	-	IWC South East

Congratulations



To Archana & Rakesh Salarpuria
on the engagement of their
daughter Megha Salarpuria

Our Next Event



....where trend meets tradition

On Saturday & Sunday
19th & 20th September, 2009
at Hyatt Regency
Kolkata

PROJECTS DONE

- Donated Rs. 2,000/- to an ulcer patient for medicine.
- Our club is running a free homeopathic clinic at Lake Gardens. Dr. A. K. Halder visits the clinic twice a week. We provide free medicine throughout the year. Approximate project cost is Rs. 15,000/-.

FORTHCOMING PROJECT & EVENTS

- 15th August : Independence Day Celebrations at Rotary Shiksha Kendra, Bishnupur.
- 15th August : Lunch to be provided to a school at Barasat, sponsored by Archana Salarpuria.
- Mega Fund Raising event - Fashion Quotient on 19th - 20th, September '09 at Hyatt Regency.

Congratulations!!!

PDC Mamta Agarwal	-	Advisor to the District Chairman
PP Meeta Lakhota	-	Member of Assistance to the Clubs Committee.
PP Pushpa Agarwal	-	Member of Community Service & Polio Committee
PP Anjana Bhuwania	-	Member of the Fellowship Committee
PP Dipti Khaitan	-	Member Triennial Conference promotion committee
PP Smita Murarka	-	Cookery Book Publication committee

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