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INNER WHEEL CLUB OF CENTRAL CALCUTTA DISTRICT 329

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Dear Friends,

Wishing everyone a very happy 70th year of Independence! Flag hoisting at 'Apnalay' by our resident on Independence day was a very proud moment for us.

I welcome District Chairman Vinny Kandhari and District Secretary Dr Ruchi Gupta on their official visit to our club at Apnalay - a home for senior citizens.

IIW President Dr Kapila Gupta's theme for the year "Leave a lasting legacy", motivates us to have a meaningful life, serve mankind by doing projects that would be ongoing and outlast us, beyond the boundaries of countries, caste and creed. Friends, let's work together for a good cause and for the betterment of the society.

Several activities have taken place in this new Inner Wheel year. I thank Chairman PP Sunita Jalan for a smooth and successful Installation!

I congratulate Editor Archana Gupta for bringing

out a wonderful Souvenir.

Temptations went off with flying colours ! I thank Chairman PP Kamini and all members for their effort and hard work to make the event successful.

Under the TEACH Programme, on the occasion of Teacher's Day, the 'Nation Builders Award' was given to a teacher of Adarsh Hindi High School and the honour was done by DLCC PDC Sushmita Sarkar. Also under 'Mera Swachh Vidyalay' programme, we went to many schools to create awareness about cleanliness. This was done by organising drawing and poster competitions & a rally, planting trees and through a cleanliness drive.

Friends, you would be happy to know that 'Apnalay' now has quite a few confirmed bookings for long as well as short stay. We need to complete the interiors of the 2nd and 3rd floors as we are getting continuous enquiries. So, members keep putting in your efforts for Apnalay's publicity.

— **Riju Chamaria**, President

A very warm welcome to
District Chairman Vinny Kandhari
and **District Secretary Dr Ruchi Gupta**



Our next meeting will be on 3rd November. October is a closed month.

29TH INSTALLATION



6th July 2017: The 29th Installation meeting was held on 6th July at Bengal Club. The meeting started sharp at 4 pm in the perfect ambience and set up with Innerwheel flags hanging all around. The usual formal proceedings of meeting calling to order in a Innerwheel prayer and lighting of the lamp by the august dignitaries took place. Outgoing President Kavita Shah gave her departing speech as to how her tenure had enriched her and various projects had moved and touched her. She expressed her gratitude towards all those who gave her a rock like support. Outgoing Secretary Babita Moody showed a PPT of the projects done under the able leadership of President Kavita Shah. PP Sunita Jalan introduced our new President Riju Chamaria and then the exchange of col-

lar and badge took place. The reins were now taken over by the new President. PP Renu Bagrodia introduced Chief Guest District Chairman Vinny Kandhari. There after the District Chairman gave a very soulful speech encouraging all to do service to mankind. PAP Mamta Agarwal then gave an inspiring speech keeping the audience glued to her words. AC Jaysree Paul Chowdhury added a flavour of humour to the entire meeting making it light and funny with her anecdotes. In the end Club Business was conducted by the new Secretary Dipti Chamaria. With the national anthem the meeting was terminated by President Riju Chamaria, followed by tea and fellowship. The dedicated installation team made it into a flawless meeting with no glitch but just smooth sailing.

– PP Sunita Jalan, Installation Chairman



Temptations 2017

TEMPTATION 2017, our fund raising project was conceived and organized in a flawless manner and this is the Hallmark of our Club. All our club members are now well versed in this subject. This time also, proper efforts were made to keep the participants of Temptations abreast of the developments on the organization front and it was appreciated by all.

Adequate publicity, through print media, social media with teasers all over, hoardings and word of mouth, ensured that the consumers were well informed about this Exhibition cum Sale event, which is eagerly awaited by all consumers as it signals the arrival of the festive season. For the three days of 11th, 12th and 13th of July, 2017, the participants and the consumers had a great time with footfall of over 7000.



On the inaugural day, Chief Guest celebrity Ramanjit Kaur and Guest of Honour DC Vinny Kandhari, graced the event with President Riju and all the club members to usher in three days of joy. Everybody enjoyed the colourful ambience of the well decorated stalls and the venue. Our members were treated to gastronomic delights during the long hours of service. Kudos to all members, Team Temptations and to the omnipresent President Riju! To top it all, it was a smashing rocking Success!!!

Friends as I bid adieu to the Post of Temptations Chairman and take up the Post of Advisor, I feel satisfied for doing my bit for the noble cause and thank all the club members for working hard towards the cause of Temptations and the Club and also for taking this fundraising project to the highest level. I also welcome the incoming Chairman of Temptations, PP Renu Bagrodia and Co-chairman Mridu Somani, who will take this mission forward.

PPKaminiMehta, Chairman, Temptation2017





Independence Day Celebrations

On 15th August, the country's 71st Independence Day was celebrated at Apnalay with great fervour, gaiety, exuberance and patriotism. The flag hoisted by our senior resident, Mr Purshottamjee Sureka was for him an emotional moment!! This was followed by a dance performance by the students of Khushi Kanchan, Mona, Ruchika and Sonam sang patriotic songs making the atmosphere jubilant and euphoric!! They ended it with Dhanna Dhannya song joined in by Jharna di our senior lady resident and all the members present. The students of Khushi were distributed goodies hamper sponsored by Monika Kejriwal.

Members present were PP Aruna Murarka, PP Ruchika Rajgarhia, President Riju Chamaria, President Elect Meghna Lohia, Gita Jhawar, Sangeeta Maroo, Babita Moody, Monika Kejriwal, Kanchan Somani, Mona Saraf, Archana Gupta and Sonam Parasrampur. PP Aruna Murarka's daughter Priyal Loyalka added ebullience and liveliness to the celebration and was the photographer and videographer of the day.

The programme was concluded by lunch at Wabi Sabi for all, a treat by PP Aruna Murarka.

Voila, District Rally

Voila, District Rally was held on 5th August at 27 Ballygunge Park Road. Pari-varikee, an NGO was given a stall sponsored by our club. It was attended by PAP Mamta Agarwal, President Riju Chamaria, IPP Kavita Shah, PP Aruna Murarka, PP Dipti Khaitan, PP Ruchika Rajgarhia, PP Shashi Khandelwal, President Elect



Meghna Lohia, Kalpana Mallya, Anushree Mundhra, Monika Kejriwal, Dipti Chamaria, Kanchan Somani, Archana Gupta and Seema Gupta. Our ISO Seema Gupta participated in a dance programme held on that day. PP Kamini Mehta won a prize in the lucky draw.

Footprints



Footprints, the East Zone Meet held at The HHI was hosted by Dist 329 on 19th and 20th August. Participating Districts were 302, 315, 324, 325, 326 and 329. IIW President Kapila Gupta and Association President Patricia Hilton graced the occasion.

On 19th August, we participated in a joint project of Dist 329 in which our club was the

Lead Club. Under the project 'Legacy'- for Posterity, a computer centre was set up at ASFI with 6 computers and 2 printers for Acid Attack Survivors and other Human Violations Survivors. It was inaugurated by Association President Patricia Hilton.

In the evening a dinner was hosted by IWCC Mahanagar, which was attended by PAP Mamta Agarwal, President Riju Chamaria and Secretary Dipti Chamaria. On 20th August, the event was attended by PAP Mamta Agarwal, PAT Mamta Gupta, President Riju Chamaria, Secretary Dipti Chamaria, PP Aruna Murarka, PP Dipti Khaitan, Editor Archana Gupta, ISO Seema Gupta, Kanchan Somani and Mona Saraf. Our ISO Seema Gupta exchanged flags with 3 Districts on that day.



Welcome New Members



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Meeting Attended

- Joint Installations of IWC Belur, IWC Calcutta South Suburban, IWC Jadavpur, IWC Jodhpur Park, IWC Joka, IWC Salt Lake Midtown attended by President Riju Chamaria and Secretary Dipti Chamaria.
- Club Installations of IWC Calcutta Mahanagar, IWC Calcutta Midtown, IWC Calcutta Metro Maidan and IWC Old City attended by President Riju Chamaria and Secretary Dipti Chamaria.
- Club Installation of Kolkata New Gen attended by IPP Kavita Shah, PP Sarla Badhani, Secretary Dipti Chamaria, Editor Archana Gupta, Babita Moody and Mona Saraf

Apnalay - an update

As you all know, our beloved Home Apnalay opened its doors to seniors in February this year. It was a culmination of our 10-year long dream. A dream that our Home shall serve the seniors of our society in a way that's uniquely ours. In their twilight years, if & when they are in need of an alternate home, Apnalay will step in. And will resolve to provide them not just comfort but also dignity.

We believe that while we still have miles to go, we have taken firm steps towards this objective.

A quick recap of all those who enquire over the phone, follow up with visits and follow up still further by taking up residence, is a testimony to this. Enquiries abound, visits abound too. Some are converted immediately, others need a while to think over.

In actuals, we have 3 full-time long-stay residents, Mr Sandip Sarkar, who has been with us from the start; Mrs Kanak Saha Roy, due to take up residence on 20th Sept and Mrs Mamta Ghosh, on 1st Oct.

We have had a number of short-stay residents over the last 7 months. Some of them are Mrs Jharna Pal – on her 3rd visit and currently still very happily with us; Ms Sapna Majumdar, Ms Sumita Sengupta & Ms Uma

Ghosh, the 3 friends who came together in a group, Mr & Mrs Tulsi Shah – stayed overnight and extended it as much as they could; Mrs Geeta Sengupta – stayed with us for almost a month and Mr Purushottam Sureka – stayed with us for almost a month & a half.

Friends, all the residents are routinely asked for their feedback during and at the end of their stay, and what is remarkable is that there isn't a single note of serious complaint from any of them! They are unequivocally appreciative of our Home, its ambience, its food and its hospitality.

Indeed this couldn't be achieved without our members who travel extra miles to ensure this satisfaction and this level of perfection. While Team Apnalay, no doubt, deserves kudos for its meticulous vigil, all the credit must go to our wonderful club IWCCC. It is here that we learn – the importance of perfection and the need to take that effort. It is here that every member is given an equal opportunity – to hone her skill and to contribute.

Apnalay and its working define us! Let us all work towards more definition and ever more perfection!!

– **PP Anjana Bhuwania**



Club in Action



■ **1st Jul:** A cheque of Rs 93,000 for a para monitor and a syringe pump was given to Marwari Relief Society. It was attended by President Riju Chamaria, IPP Kavita Shah, PP Sarla Badhani, Kiran Ganeriwala and Kanchan Somani.

■ **6th Jul:** A cheque of Rs 27,800 was given to Gandhi Vidyalay for 9 children under Ek Prayas, the Scholarship Programme. A cheque of Rs 10,000 was given to Manav Seva, an organisation comprising of senior citizens of the Gujarati community.



■ **4th Aug:** A cheque of Rs 20,000 was given to Aman Shaw, an engineering student, son of a taxi driver pursuing his 7th semester.

■ **19th Aug:** Our club was the lead host club of the Project Legacy for Prosperity held at Ballygunge Place. Under the project, a computer centre was set up at ASFI with



6 computers and 2 printers for Acid Attack Survivors and other Human Violations Survivors. It was inaugurated by Association President Patricia Hilton.



■ **24th Aug:** A cheque of Rs 10,000 was given to IWC Calcutta Midtown for construction of a Diagnostic Centre at Neempeeth, which will cater to 200 villages

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■ **5th Sep:** To commemorate Teachers'

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Club in Action

Day, the Club conferred the Nation Builder's Award to Anandita Dirghangi, a teacher of Adarsh Hindi High School, in the presence of DLCC Sushmita Sarkar. On this day, 23 other teachers of the school were also felicitated and cakes, sponsored by PP Renu Lakhota were distributed to 500 students. Members attended were President Riju Chamaria, Vice President Meghna Lohia, PP Aruna Murarka, PP Sarla Badhani, PP Shashi Khandelwal, PP Dipti Khaitan, Kanchan Somani, Secretary Dipti Chamaria, Editor Archana Gupta, ISO Seema Gupta, Geeta Jhawar, Sradha Rathi, Savita Nevatia and Sonam Parasrampururia.



■ **8th Sep:** World Literacy Day, we organized Essay Writing Competition in Kulti

Joint Projects

- Rs 1000 given to Greater Tollygunge for construction of tubewells.
- Rs 500 to IWC Calcutta South Suburban towards Breast Feeding Awareness.
- We are Co Hosts in Bijoya Diwali Meet on 1st November to be held at Gyan Manch

BSF School on Basanti Highway. The students were made aware of Swachh Bharat Swachh Vidyalay with the help of posters. They were distributed prizes, bananas and chips. We gave cleaning materials like brooms, bleaching powder and phenyle.

Members present were President Riju Chamaria, Editor Archana Gupta and ISO Seema Gupta.

Forthcoming Programmes

- We have short listed 2 schools for converting into Happy School. First is Gathi School in Kadihati near Airport. Second is Kulti School in Kantatala on Basanti Highway.
- On 25th September, Panchami, we will be taking 60 Senior Citizens of Dignity Foundation for Pandal Hopping and treating them to Brunch that day, sponsored by PP Dipti Khaitan.
- Adult Education Centre to be opened in Apnalay and Supriya Tea Estate in Doars with 30 adults.
- We are on the look out for schools where we can introduce E-Learning.

Bon Voyage

Members attending Swarn Manjari

11th & 12th November, 2017 • Banaras

Chairman: Shashi Khandelwal, Co Chairman: Seema Gupta. Members registered: Mamta Agarwal, Mamta Gupta, Shashi Khandelwal, Riju Chamaria, Kavita Shah, Anjana Bhuwania, Renu Lakhota, Monika Kejriwal, Mona Saraf, Babita Moody, Dipti Chamaria, Archana Gupta, Seema Gupta, Savita Nevatia and Sonam Parasrampururia.



Inner Wheel Club
of Central Calcutta

In Aid of Charity

Temptations

A Fashion & Lifestyle Fair

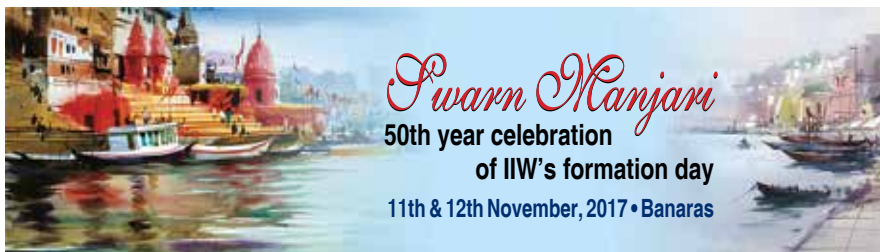
TRINITY

celebrating the season of light!



8/9/10
October 2017

10am-8pm
Calcutta Ice Skating Rink



Swarn Manjari

50th year celebration
of IIW's formation day

11th & 12th November, 2017 • Banaras



SAVE THE DATES!
11th - 14th April 2018
Melbourne Convention & Exhibition Centre



2018 MELBOURNE
17th
International
Inner Wheel Convention
Australia

Birthday Greetings

JULY

Madhu Bagri	12 Jul
Kavita Shah	20 Jul
Neelam Singhi	23 Jul
Archana Gupta	26 Jul
Rekha Saraogi	28 Jun
Mamta Saraf	28 Jul

AUGUST

Archana Salarpuria	7 Aug
Gita Jhawar	9 Aug
Shalini Bubna	9 Aug
Meeta Lakhotia	11 Aug
Aruna Murarka	17 Aug
Kalpana Mallya	17 Aug

SEPTEMBER

Mala Ganeriwalla	4 Sep
Riju chameraia	5 Sep
Ranjana Kajaria	6 Sep
Meenakshi Bhuwalka	11 Sep
Mala Bhargava	17 Sep
Shanti Shah	11 Sep
Sarla Badhani	20 Sep
Nisha Dhanuka	23 Sep
Babita Moody	23 Sep
Kiran Sanganerria	23 Sep



Flag Exchange



ISO Seema Gupta exchanged flag with clubs of district 323, 324, 325 & 326

Wedding Anniversary wishes

Sudha Choudhury	2 Jul
Babita Moody	3 Jul
Seema Kothari	4 Jul
Dipti Khaitan	5 Jul
Meenakshi Bhuwalka	6 Jul
Aruna Murarka	13 Jul
Neelam Singhi	16 Jul
Kanchan Somani	24 Jul

*IWC Central Calcutta wishes all our readers
a joyous Puja and happy Diwali*



From desk of Editor

Dear Friends,

Nice to be in touch once again through our first Newsletter of the season. It is with great elation, I present the first monthly round up, bulletin, ECHO.

The Festive season is round the corner, so here's wishing each one of you, a Happy, Joyous and Vibrant Durga Puja. May the Divine Light of Diwali spread Peace, Prosperity, Happiness and Good Health into your Life.

Archana Gupta

Editor 2017- 18

Committees

CLCC: Shashi Khandelwal

Coordinators: Meghna Lohia, Babita Moody, Dipti Chamaria, Kanchan Somani, Archana Gupta and Seema Gupta.

Asha Kiran Chairman: Babita Moody

Old Clothes Collection Drive Chairman: Monika Kejriwal

District Competitions Chairman: Seema Gupta

Thank you

To Mrs Shyamala Agarwal
for her donation of Rs 3000
towards Apnalay

For bulletins and souvenirs
received from other clubs

Congratulations!

- Mridu and Sunjay Somani on the birth of their grandson.
- Vinita and Subir Poddar on the birth of their granddaughter.
- Deepa and Dinesh Banka on their son's engagement.
- Meghna and Prasan Lohia on their son Abhiroop Lohia's graduation from Cornell University with a degree of Mechanical Engineering.
- Babita and Krishna Kumar Moody on their son Mayank Moody's graduation from

Nanyang Technological University, Singapore, with a degree of Electrical and Electronic Engineering.

- Dipti Khaitan for her father in law, Mr Girish Khaitan been honored by the award of the most Inspiring Educationist by the Times of India.

Condolences

We deeply mourn the sad demise of Vinita Poddar's father. May his soul rest in peace .