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SURGICAL STRIKE - Col. Hariharan VSM - August 2, 2018.

A very informative and inspiring speech by Col. Hariharan on India's "surgical strikes" against Pakistan-based militants in late-2016 left us all in awe on the amount of planning that was done to make it a big success.

Col Hariharan, VSM mentioned that the Indian Army has special forces (called para forces) in all the military services. These special forces are trained to handle various critical situations like handling explosives, parachuting, attacking the targeted sites without causing any damage to the country and they are multi-skilled. The paramilitary forces undergo very hard and rigorous training to handle various critical situations and are highly motivated to complete their tasks at any cost. The main focus of the training is conditioning the mind to 'DO or DIE' for the sake of the nation and create an impact and take the enemy by surprise.

The word surgical borrowed from medical parlance, where a procedure helps to recover the patient from injuries / illness, whereas in military procedure, surgical strike involves "precision work" to attack the target.

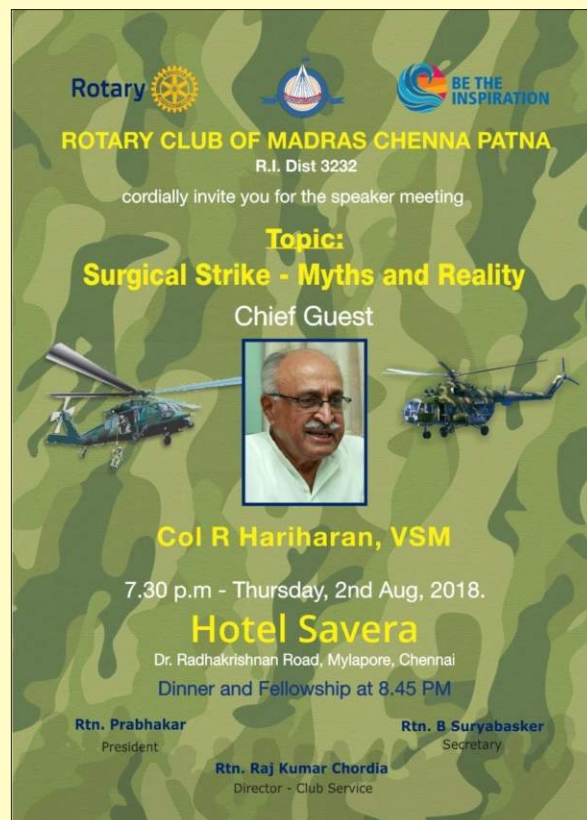
Col Hariharan said the need for surgical strikes were taken in the wake of increase in infiltration bids by terrorists who gathered in large numbers along the LoC with the objective of crossing the border and targeting locations in Jammu and Kashmir.



Surgical strikes are military operations undertaken by forces across the world to move on the offensive, hit enemy targets and installations, and return to primary positions, all with lightning speed and with the added precaution of suffering limited casualty.

Surgical strikes require not just detailed and exhaustive planning but need to be carried out with absolute precision to achieve the objective of taking down targets with either no or minimal collateral damage.

Nearly 11 days after the Uri attack that claimed 18



jawans, India carried out surgical strikes in Pakistan Occupied Kashmir, inflicting heavy casualties on terrorists and 'those protecting them' that indicated a change of stand on the rules of engagement on the disputed line of control. India has informed to Pakistan about the strikes and India has no intention of continuing the operations but is ready for any reaction from Pakistan side he mentioned.

Col Hariharan said that the response, the first of its kind across the Pakistani border during peace time, was based on specific intelligence to Indian Army. The operation took four hours to complete and the sequence was as follows.

The Operation began around 12.30 am on Wednesday. Commandos were air dropped at LoC, from where they crossed over to the Pakistan side.

Indian commandos entered three kilometers across the Line of Control to conduct the 'surgical strikes'. The strikes were carried out in Bhimber, Kel and Lipa sectors, on Pak's side of LoC.

Seven terror launch pads were destroyed during the Indian Army surgical strike and eight terrorists and two Pakistani soldiers were killed and there were no Indian casualties. Those killed included terrorists, their guides and handlers.

It was an interesting speaker meeting with a lot of interaction.

Rtn. Dr. Udhaya Kumar



DISTRICT WOMEN'S CAR RALLY **Aug 5th 2018.**

Highlighting the topic - 'Saying no to plastic and go Green'.



**MY JOB TALK - Rtn. Dr. Ani Grace - Induction of New Member
9th August, 2018 - Presidency Club**



Dr Ani Grace was her graceful self talking to us about her profession, her role in the Tamilnadu Nurses and Midwives Council that is recognised as an Autonomous Statutory Registration Body under the Government of Tamil Nadu as a Registrar. The Council maintains standards of nursing education and practice, conduct of examinations and organising continuing education programs for Nursing Professionals. Mr. RC Srinivasan was inducted into the Pattinathar Family.



**BOARD MEETING
13th August 2018**

The Board Meeting for the month of July took place on 13 August 2018 at Rtn. Rajiv Reddy's Office. After the usual passing of Minutes and presenting the Admin and Trust Accounts, the Directors spelt out their plans and the various projects were discussed.

HAND WASH



RCMCP completes hand-wash project for Porur Panchayat Union Middle School

The Rotary Club of Madras Chenna Patna completed the hand wash project at Panchayat Union Middle School in Bhoothapedu near Porur on a record time.

It was inaugurated by Zone 14 Assistant Governor PP Rotarian Subramanian from Rotary Club of Chennai Presidency.

It was also the maiden project of RCMCP for the year 2018-19. It will benefit about 700 students.



VOCATIONAL TRAINING

Imran Khan a BCA graduate, 2018 passed out, comes from a BPL family. His father Akbar Ali is a fast track taxi driver. With a ailing mother at home, he was jobless and was willing to take up any menial job to make ends meet. Imran Khan initially approached Rotary club of Chenna Patna for A/C mechanic training. However since he was a computer science graduate our club decided not to waste his talent. Hence we approached ITK Academy which was willing to give him training in Deluge software in Zoho platform



for a month and subsequently absorb him in their company. The course fee is 12,000/-. But was willing to train him for Rs. 4,000/- Rotary club of Chenna Patna has sponsored Imran Khan and he has started to attend classes.

Mohammed Asick has joined A/C mechanic course on 27-8-2018. He is 12th drop out and was working as water can supplier. His father approached us for his better future. Rotary club of Chenna Patna has placed him in ICICI Training Academy in Ambattur for A/C and Refrigeration repairing training program. It's a three months free training program with job assurance. We wish him good luck.



MICRO-LOAN

RCMCP provides micro loan to first transgender couple

For the first time in the history of Rotary Club of Madras Chenna Patna in Rotary District 3232, a Micro loan of Rs.50,000/- was offered to a Transgender couple Mrs. Preetisha and Mr. Prem to start a organic oil store in Chennai. Prem and Preethisha are the first transgender couple to get legally married. They are living in Virugambakkam and doing menial jobs. Preethisha was acting in small roles in films and sometimes in Uber eats. Both of them hail from agriculture families, were cultivating groundnuts and were manufacturing groundnut oil. Both Preethisha and Prem were aware of the business and showed keen interest to start organic oil store. RCMCP Vocational Services Director Vidya Alagu Perumal met them through Periferry, a NGO which works for Transgender and offered timely help. This amount will be used for getting food licences, packaging, branding and selling. The story of Prem and Preethisha will inspire other transgender to come out and be a part of the society.



- Rtn. Vidya Alagu Perumal

MID SEA FELLOWSHIP & INDUCTION OF NEW MEMBER

The Rotary Club of Madras Chenna Patna (RCMCP) always conducts its fellowship in a style.

In the recent past, its members had scaled mountains (Tirumala fellowship), hopped from one island to another (Bali fellowship), played dice with fellow Rotarians (Casino fellowship) and danced with actors (Kollywood fellowship) and went on a treasure hunt (all women's car rally fellowship). If you think, it is the end of it, then the RCMCP fellowship chairman Satyanarayanan begs to differ.

This time, he suggested that we go on a mid-sea fellowship in and around Chennai. The offer was lapped up within hours. About 70 of us, including Rotarians, Anns and Annettes took part in the maiden voyage on August 18 from Chennai Port.

As a surprise pack, we also did a mid-sea induction of M. Raja Marthandan, a first of its kind at least in this part of the world, by deputy chair, membership development council, Rotarian N.S. Saravanan.

The vessel Shandavina, which was ferrying us was in red colour, so we chose to don red attire completely. After a shaky start, we settled down for a while and then let our hairs down to the jarring music. It was a time for special bonding with our friends and family members on the mid sea, as the sunset provided a perfect romantic background to the whole evening.

Those who preferred to sit silently, were given the choice to munch whatever was provided on the deck. Rotarian Satya and Rotarian Hari made excellent arrangement for food and fellowship. At the end of the voyage, the participants vouched that they had never enjoyed like this before and urged for more outing on the sea side.

Rotarian Satya is likely to surprise us with different type of fellowship during the year.

- Rtn. N. Anand



MADRAS WEEK CELEBRATIONS - JOINT MEETING -23rd August - Mr. Suresh Selthuraman

'MADRAS NALLA MADRAS'

Mr. Suresh of Intach got us into the celebratory mood of Chennai as the city celebrated her 376th birthday! It was an eye opener to us as he spoke about this varied city that makes a Chennaiite proud. The city has the best of geographical features, in the world. We have a coastline, a sea, the hills along the eastern ghats making it the best in the world. The city that had three Rivers, including Adyar, the Cooum.

The city was full of forests, but today left with only the Theosophical society, Raj Bhavan, IIT Madras, Guindy National Park (only National Park within the city in the world) and Nanmangalam forest.

Before Chennai was born in 1639, there were villages involved in agriculture, most of the present names comes from the type of crop cultivated in Chennai like Teynampet, Mambalam, Pulinhope, Vepery, Purasawalkam, Perambur, Triplicane, etc. Chennai was very famous for greens and paddy was a major crop.

The Buckingham Canal named after Duke of Buckingham is the longest man-made canal running within the limits of a city, the first of its kind anywhere in the world, which runs upto 800 kilometres, it goes up to Vijayawada in North and Marakanam in the south. Chennai had a very big population of snakes and Cobras, but today, the remaining ones are in the snake park. Mr. Suresh also said that there were full of tigers in the Pallavaram forest. The second longest beach in the world Marina, is within in the city of Chennai of next to Miami, Florida in USA.

The Palaeolithic period also called as stone Age, probably has had roots in Chennai because ancient rudimentary chipped stone tools have been found in Pallavaram, Chennai which proves that the inhabitation took place almost 40,000 years ago. According to archaeological and geological survey researchers, Stone Age man lived in the basins of Adyar, Kosasthalaiyar and Cooum rivers and used a typical type of stone for hunting, cutting of meat, vegetables and even for shaving.

The Madras industries is the only company in world which had the technique to sharpen the Palaeolithic stone and it this has been referred in the Oxford University and Harvard University libraries. This region has been constantly ruled by Cholas, Satavahana and Pallava dynasties alternatively.

Later, Chennai was ruled by Arcot Nawab, Mughals, French, British and Dutch. During these period, Greeks and Romans visited Chennai and Kerala to trade in spices like pepper, cardamom, Silk and cotton.

Chennai is a city of rich architecture, combining all styles of Indian and western architecture, and we still can see some of them in Chennai.

It was a very interactive and interesting speech that ended very well.



- Rtn. Dr. Udhaya Kumar

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FORTHCOMING EVENTS

02.09.2018	: District Annettes Workshop on Computer Graphics
07.09.2018	: Regular Meeting : 'Power of Conscious Living' - Mr Senthil Raj Hotel Savera - 7.30 p.m.
08.09.2018 & 09.09.2018	: Interact RYLA- World Tamil Research Institute - 9.30 a.m.
09.09.2018	: District New Member Orientation - Hotel Crown Plaza - 6.30 p.m.
11.09.2018	: Board Meeting - Rtn. Rajiv Reddy's Office - 7.00 p.m.
15.09.2018	: Presidents' Meet
20.09.2018	: Best Teacher Awards - Hotel Savera - 7.00 p.m.
29.09.2018	: First Closed Door Meeting - Hotel Savera - 7.30 p.m.

SUNSHINE

Ann Pooja Mehra	500/-
Rtn. Shankar Rao	500/-
Ann Divya Anand	500/-
Ann Anupama Rajiv	500/-
Annette Vaishnavi Rajiv	200/-
Annette Taman Kumar s/o Harikumar	500/-
Vallekannu and Kanna	500/-
Harikumar and Revathi	500/-
Rajiv and Anupama	500/-

BIRTHDAYS

Ann Jayanthi W/o Rtn. Chakravarthy	3
Annette Hari S/o Rtn. Narayanan	4
Ann Divya W/o Rtn. Anand	4
Ann Manisha W/o Rtn. Rajkumar Chordia	4
Rtn. Rajkumar Chordia	7
Annette Riodhi D/o Rtn. Navin	15
Rtn. Shankar Rao	18
Ann Anusha W/o Rtn. Naren	19
Ann Anitha W/o Rtn. Dileep Kumar	20
Ann Seema W/o Rtn. Deepak	20
Ann Gomathi W/o Rtn. Mohan Sidhan	21
Rtn. Senthana Amuthan	22
Annette Seshang S/o Rtn. Ramesh	23
Ann Latha W/o. Rtn. Chandrasekar	

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

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Rtn. Shankar & Ann Sumithra	9
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Rtn. Valle & Kanna	16