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<u>Congratulatory Events</u> <u>Birthdays</u>:

Rtn. Lila B. Bania - 22 Feb.

Wedding Anniversaries:

Rtn. Bharat N. & Meera Joshi – 25 Feb.

Rtn. Piyush & Ramita Bajracharya – 15 Falgun Rtn. Pushkar M. & Rita Shakya – 27 Feb.

<u>Today's Programme:</u> i. Feedback from District Conference ii. Talk Programme by Mr. Birat Simha on 'Mental Health in Nepal'.

Forthcoming Programme:

4 March - Business Meeting

Minutes of Meeting No.1648

Date: 6 Falgun 2075 / 18 February 2019

- 1. President Rtn. Gabriele Mallapaty called the Meeting No. 1648 to order recalling 'World Understanding and Peace Week' with 15 seconds of 'Silent Invocation' for World Peace and Happiness.
- 2. The last meeting minutes were reviewed and adopted.
- 3. 'Happy News' Contribution:
 - Rtns. Rtn. Jamuna K. Tamrakar (NRs. 500) and Nirmal K. Pradhanang (NRs. 1,000) for 'Happy Birthday'.
 - Rtn. Kedar B. and Shanta Shrestha for 'Happy Wedding Anniversary' and for good attendance in the meeting
 of today (NRs. 700).
 - Rtn. Yagya B. and Mary Shrestha for 'Happy Wedding Anniversary'.
 - Rtn. Kamal and Sulochana Nyachhyon, and Rtn. Rabendra R. and Chandra L. Pandey for 'Happy Wedding Anniversary' in absentia (ha.ba.)
 - Rtn. Padam L. Maharjan for participating in the 'Peace Hero Award' function in Bouddha on 16 February 2019 as announced last week (NRs. 500).
 - Rtn. Gabriele Mallapaty for 'World Understanding and Peace Week' (NRs. 500).
 - Rtn. Matsyendra L. Kayastha for winning the design competition for the construction of Himalayan Bank Branch in New Road (NRs. 1,000).
- 4. Other Contributions: As per 'TED' (Thirty Every Day) pledge, Rtns. Bijaya and Gabriele Mallapaty contributed NRs. 12,000 to the RCP Members' Fellowship Fund for the second half of the RY 2018-2019.
- 5. Rotary News/Information:
 - (i) Rtn. Shiva K. Pradhan updated on the final plan for the participation of RCP family in the forthcoming District Conference in Butwal. Departure gathering at 8:30 a.m. in front of St. Mary's school on 21 February with return on 24 February 2019. There will be 16 participants from the RCP.
 - (ii) HECAF and GIZ are jointly organizing a half day 'Networking Workshop on Menstrual Hygiene and Waste Management with Rotary' on Tuesday, 19 February 2019, at 2 p.m. in GIZ office in Sanepa. Rtns. Gabriele Mallapaty, Mahendra S. Rawal, IW Bijaya Shrestha and our partners from Prabhav/Splash Nepal would be participating.
 - (iii) District Stewardship Seminar is being held on 9 March 2019. Ms. Meredith Burlew, Head of Stewardship Department, TRF, Evanston, USA, and Mr. Rajesh Anand, Team Leader, Stewardship & Legal, RISAO will be the main speakers. Rtn. Nirmal K. Pradhanang is participating and other members, particularly new members, are encouraged to join.
 - (iv) PETS is planned in Chitwan for 5 March 2019. President Elect Rtn. Lalita Thapa would be joining.
 - (v) Two of our International Partners from Italy on WASH Global Grant Project are visiting Kathmandu during 8 to 10 March 2019 for project visits.
- 6. The video spot of Global Grant (GG 1637020) Micro-Hydro Power Plant for Community Development, Chepel, Solukhumbu was viewed. The 'House' gave a special 'Vote of Thanks' to Rtn. Nirmal K. Pradhanang and the Image Chanel Television, Nepal, for producing this excellent video free of cost for the RCP.

- 7. President Rtn. Gabriele Mallapaty made a PowerPoint presentation with two videos and briefed on Rotary's new initiative on 'Peace'. Please see the box below for a summary.
- Salutation: By PP Rtn. Yagya B. Shrestha RC Multan, Chenab, Punjab, Pakistan; Chartered: 2011; & Members 63. District: 3272, Clubs: 81, & Members 1749.
- 9. Before the closure of the meeting by the President, the Joint Secretary announced: total contribution of NRs. 7,000 (NRs. 2,400 for attendance and NRs. 4,600 for sunshine funds including NRs. 200 top-up by the President), attendance: 24 members and 8 make-ups.

Rotary Questions/Answers presented by Rtn. Ganesh R. Shrestha

Q. Theme of Rotary Centennial Year

- A. Celebrate Rotary
- **Q**. Name of the Rotary month of February **Q**. Name of the current Prime Minister of Australia
- A. Peace and Conflict Prevention/ResolutionA. Scott Morrison
- A.

Source: rotary.org/peace-fellowships)

Creating peace in the world An ambitious goal, put into action by Rotary

The spike in regional and local conflicts around the world has underscored the need for professionals skilled in creating peace. Rotary created the Rotary Peace Centres in 2002 to identify and train highly qualified professionals to become agents of peace. Six Rotary Peace Centres at seven prestigious universities throughout the world offer Rotary Peace Fellows a rigorous programme of study and applied field experience in areas relating to peace and conflict resolution. The Rotary Peace Centres draw from Rotary's long, unwavering commitment to peace, seen in projects that address the root causes of conflict. Rotary's 70-year collaboration with the United Nations and Rotary's peace symposiums and peace forums throughout the world further the cause of peace.

Rotary Peace Fellows are committed to the advancement of peace, serving as leaders in a range of international, national, and local organizations. They promote national and international cooperation, peace, and the successful resolution of conflict in their lives, in their careers, and through their service activities.

The Rotary Peace Centres programme is made possible through the generous support of a relatively small group of Rotarians and friends of Rotary whose major gifts and commitments will help endow the programme. A goal of \$150 million in gifts and commitments by 30 June 2017 will ensure the long-term success of the program.

New Initiative

Rotary is now working with the Institute for Economics and Peace (IEP) and linking the six focus areas of Rotary as pillars of positive peace and sponsoring scholarships for master's degree (15 to 24 months) and Professional Development certificate programme (3 months) in peace and development issues in the six Rotary Peace Centres. Rotary Clubs could propose qualified candidates to the District Level and Rotary International will be awarding up to 50 master's level and 50 certificate level scholarships annually to worldwide selected candidates. Detailed procedures are available in rotary.org website (peace fellowships web page). The picture below demonstrates the synergies between the Rotary's six areas of focus and the IEP's pillars of Positive Peace.

