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<u>Today's Programme</u>: Sunday: Weekly Meeting with celebration of

'World Heart Day'

**Forthcoming Programme**:

30 September (Monday) - No meeting (In view of the above)
7 October (Monday) - No Meeting (Dashain Holidays)

14 October (Monday) - Business Meeting

Congratulatory Events

Birthdays: Nil
Wedding Anniversaries: Nil

## **Minutes of Meeting No.1678**

### Date: 6 Bhadra 2076 / 23 September 2019

- 1. President Rtn. Lalita Thapa called the RCP Meeting No. 1678 to order with 15 seconds of 'Silent Invocation' for World Peace and Happiness.
- 2. Guests welcomed by the President: Inner Wheel President Gunu Shrestha, Ms. Sajani Pradhan and Rotaract Club of Patan Secretary Rtr. Kritika Sharma.
- 3. The last meeting minutes were reviewed and adopted.
- 4. 'Happy News'/Sunshine Contribution:
  - Rtn. Padam L. & Kamala Maharjan for 'Happy Landing' of Rtn. Padam L. Maharjan from Bangalore, India, attending 25<sup>th</sup> Asia Pacific Social Service Conference 2019 (NRs. 500).
  - Rtns. Gabriele and Bijaya Mallapaty for the forthcoming wedding of their daughter (NRs. 1,000).
  - Rtn. Kiran Thapa for social work (NRs. 500).
  - Rtn. Mahendra B. Thapa for being 'very happy'.
  - Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha for good attendance today (NRs. 500).
  - Rtn. Ganesh R. Shrestha for being named 'Aid to Rtn. Rabishanker Dakoju' during his visit to Rotary in Nepal planned for January. Rabishanker contributed 100 crore Indian Rupees to Rotary last year (NRs. 500).
  - Rtn Lalita Thapa for having a new guest today & for completing the Rotary Walkathon of 15 km (NRs. 500).
  - Rtn. Prakash R. Regmi for acceptance of his paper for the Helsinki Conference (NRs. 500).
  - Rtn. Mukti N. Shrestha for 'Happy Wedding Anniversary' of last week.
  - Rtn. Piyush B. Bajracharya for social work.
  - Rtn. Jeevan K. Shrestha for 'Happy Landing' from Singapore and Indonesia (NRs. 500).
  - Rtn. Nirmal K. Pradhanang for grandson Arniko's 'Happy Birthday'.
  - Rtn. Bijaya Shrestha for participating in menstrual pad training of students in Bal Binod School and for having Ms. Sajani Pradhan as a guest today (NRs. 500).
  - PDG Rtn. Tirtha M. Sakya for 'Happy Landing' from Calcutta (NRs. 500).

#### 5. Other Contribution:

- IW President Gunu Shrestha presented a contribution of NRs. 10,000 from Ms. Munu Rajkarnikar to the RCP's PEEF programme fund.
- Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha pledged to contribute NRs. 50,000 every year to the RCP's KPAD Fund.
- 6. Rotary News/Information:
  - Rtns. Bijaya and Gabriele Mallapaty informed on the forthcoming wedding party of their daughter Smriti on Monday, 14 October 2019 and invited all the RCP members with their spouses to join.
  - Rtn. Ganesh R. Shrestha briefed on the PEEF scholarship distribution to grades 11 and 12, which is almost complete. Distribution in the remaining 3 schools is planned to be completed within a week.

- Rtn. Mahendra S. Rawal briefed on the status of WASH project in PEEF supported schools. Need reidentification to signing of MOUs has been done all the 12 schools. Work is continuing in 3 schools with verification of completed work being done in the other 9 schools.
- KEEA This year's award distribution ceremony could be done in Lubhu school. Rtn. Mahendra S. Rawal has confirmed with the school management already. He, together with the President, plans to visit the school.
- Rtn. Padam L. Maharjan briefed on the selection of students for KEEA interviews being done shortly.
- Rtn. Siba B. Rajbhandary briefed on the request from the Interact Club of Pragati School, Kopundole, for sponsorship for a feeding programme for HIV/AIDS affected persons. Rtn. Padam L. Maharjan pledged to contribute NRs. 5,000 for this activity. However, the RCP will not be able to sponsor this kind of ad hoc request.
- Rtn. Siba B. Raibhandary informed about the RCP's old cabinet that needs to be discarded. A committee of Rtns. Lalita Thapa, Piyush B. Bajracharya and Mahendra S. Rawal will have a look at the items in the cabinet on Thursday and decide what to retain. A box will be provided by Rtn. Bijaya Mallapaty to keep retained items like awards etc. The box will be retained with the President of the RCP and move to the next President every year.
- Rtn. Prakash R. Regmi briefed on the forthcoming 'World Heart Day' celebration as part of the RCP's regular weekly meeting which will be held to coincide with this day on Sunday, 29 September 2019. In order to allow adequate time for speakers, the meeting will be extended by half an hour, i.e. from 6 to 7:30 p.m. followed by a fellowship dinner. Spouses of all RCP members are invited for this celebration together with other guests being invited. The event will be sponsored through Rtn. Prakash R. Regmi.
- President Rtn. Lalita Thapa briefed on the excellent 'Madan Puraskar' award programme held annually, which she participated.
- Rtn. Bijaya Mallapaty briefed on the water tests done at the NAST, which was not reliable.
- Rtn. Siba B. Rajbhandary reminded on the planned blood pressure/diabetes measurements during weekly club meetings. It was agreed to have it monthly during each business meeting day.
- 7. Salutation: By PP Rtn. Jeevan K. Shrestha RC Cape of Good Hope, South Africa; Chartered: 1958; Members: 33. District: 9350, Clubs: 61, Members 1381.
- 8. Before the closure of the meeting by the President, the Secretary announced: total contribution of NRs. 9,000 (NRs. 2,700 for attendance and NRs. 6,300 for sunshine fund including for mobile rings and missing Rotary Pins), attendance: 1 guest, 1 Inner Wheel, 27 members, 1 Rotaract and 10 make-ups.

# Rotary Questions/Answers presented by Rtn. Gabriele Mallapaty

- Q. Year in which GPEI (Global Polio Eradication Initiative) was established.
- A. 1988. Same year as Rotary Friendship Exchange
- **Q.** Year in which Rotary launched the PolioPlus programme
- A. 1985 (In 1980 Rotary committed to eliminate Polio through immunization when Albert Sabin spoke at the convention)
- Q. First Rotaract Club of Nepal and its charter date. A. Rotaract Club of Birgunj chartered on 13 March 1991.



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## **Pilot and Control Tower:**

While taxiing to runway, the airliner abruptly stopped, turned around and returned to the gate. After an hour-long wait, it finally took off. A concerned passenger asked the flight attendant, "what was the problem?"

"The pilot was bothered by a noise he heard in the engine", explained the flight attendant, "and it took us a while to find a new pilot."