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| <p><u>Today's Programme:</u> Talk programme by Dr. Umesh Shrestha from 'Prakriti Premi Samuha'</p> <p><u>Forthcoming Programme:</u> 2 December - Business Meeting</p> | <p><u>Congratulatory Events</u></p> <p><u>Birthdays:</u> Nil <u>Wedding Anniversaries:</u> Rtn. Mahendra S. and Ambika Rawal</p> |
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Minutes of Meeting No. 1684

Date: 2 Mangshir 2076 / 18 November 2019

1. President Rtn. Lalita C. Thapa called the RCP Meeting No. 1684 to order with 15 seconds of 'Silent Invocation' for World Peace and Happiness.
2. Guests welcomed by the President: Lubhu Secondary School Principal Ms. Prabha Laxmi Amatya, Rotaract Club of Patan IPP Rtr. Peshal Bhattarai and Secretary Kritika Sharma.
3. The last meeting minutes were reviewed and adopted.
4. 'Happy News'/Sunshine Contribution:
 - Rtn. Ganesh R. Shrestha – for 'Happy Birthday' and hiking with the RCP Hikers group (NRs. 700).
 - Rtn. Mukti N. Shrestha – for the publication of his article in 'Rajdhani' newspaper.
 - Rtn. Prakash R. Regmi – for having 5000 views within 17 hours of posting of his article in Facebook on 'Ghee' (NRs. 500).
 - Rtn. Lalita C. Thapa (NRs. 500) and Rtn. Mahendra S. Rawal – for the participation of Ms. Prabha L. Amatya in today's meeting. They thanked her again for her team's excellent support to the KEEA programme.
 - Rtns. Bijaya and Gabriele Mallapaty – for the establishment of the RCP Hikers group with Rtn. Madan R. Tamrakar as its coordinator (NRs. 500).
 - Ms. Prabha L. Amatya – for the success of KEEA programme at Lubhu Secondary School (NRs. 500).
 - Rtn. Kiran Thapa – for the establishment of the RCP Hikers group (NRs. 500).
 - Rtn. Lila B. Baniya – for 'Happy Landing' from the USA and his son Isha's success in finding work (NRs. 1,000).
 - Rtn Madan R. Tamrakar – for the first successful trip of the RCP Hikers group and being its coordinator.
5. Rotary News/Information:
 - President Rtn. Lalita C. Thapa shared the information received from the District on the nominating committee for the selection of the District Governor for 2022-2023. Qualified members from the RCP may propose his/her interest to be a member of the nominating committee to the President by Monday, 25 November 2019.
 - Rtn. Siba B. Rajbhandary registered his interest to be in the nominating committee.
 - President Rtn. Lalita C. Thapa shared information (e-mail shared already) received from the NRCL Chair on the planned Senior Citizens' Felicitations programme on 30 November 2019. It was noted that sponsorship from the RCP would require board approval.
 - Rtn. Bijaya Mallapaty briefed on the developments at the Board of Directors of the Nepal Orthopaedic Hospital (NOH) where he and Rtn. Chandralekha Kayastha are representing the RCP. Nepal Disabled Association's (NDA) Executive Committee is currently under investigation and is not operational. Since the NDA chairman is also the chairman of NOH Board, a special meeting of the remaining members of the NOH Board/Municipal authority is being held to manage any impact of this on NOH operation.
 - Rtn. Siba B. Rajbhandary briefed on the current situation of the Bhaktapur Cancer Hospital Board where he had been a member in his individual capacity as a Rotarian. The Board was dissolved and replaced by a new Board by the Municipal Authority of Bhaktapur. This decision has been contested and is currently sub judice.

- Rtn. Siba B. Rajbhandary also briefed on the request for opening a new Interact Club at St. Xavier's School in Godavari under RCP sponsorship. Rotaract Club of Patan IPP also informed on this development with a planned meeting at the school to review the proposal.
 - A trip to do a 'Needs Assessment' of the remaining activities of the RCP's GG project at Bhattedanda has been postponed. Suggested new dates are 6 to 7 December 2019.
 - Rotaract Club of Patan is having their club assembly on Saturday 23 November 2019 at 09:30 hrs. to which RCP members are invited.
6. Salutation: By PP Santa K. Shrestha – RC La Molina, Lima, Peru; Chartered: 1922; & Members: 36. District: 4450, Clubs: 57, & Members: 984.
7. Before the closure of the meeting by the President, the Secretary announced: total contribution of NRs. 7,000 (NRs. 2,100 for attendance and NRs. 4,900 for sunshine fund including a top-up of NRs. 100 by the President), attendance: 1 guest, 2 Rotaracts, 21 members and 9 make-ups.

Rotary Questions/Answers presented by Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha

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| Q. Date of first District Conference of District 3292 | A. 3-5 April 2009 |
| Q. Date of the last Polio case reported in Nepal | A. 30 August 2010 |
| Q. Venue of RI convention in 2012 | A. Bangkok, Thailand |

Rotary Information: Rotary and the UN Share a Historic Relationship

(Excerpts from RI President Mark Daniel Maloney's article in rotary.org)

Rotary Day at the United Nations, which we celebrate each November, is an important reminder of the historic relationship between our organisations. But this year's event is even more important than usual, because we are building up to the 75th anniversary of the signing of the UN Charter in June 2020.

You might ask, why celebrate this anniversary? For Rotary, it is entirely appropriate, because we played such a critical leadership role in the San Francisco Conference that formed the United Nations in 1945. Throughout World War II, Rotary published materials about the importance of forming such an organisation to preserve world peace.

Not only did Rotary help influence the formation of the UN, but *The Rotarian* also played a leading part in communicating its ideals. Rotary educated members about plans to create the UN through numerous articles in the magazine and through a booklet titled *From Here On!* When the time came to write the UN charter, Rotary was one of the 42 organisations the United States invited to serve as consultants to its delegation at the San Francisco Conference.

Each organisation had seats for three representatives, so Rotary International's 11 representatives served in rotation. The people officially representing Rotary included the general secretary, the current and several past presidents, and the editor of *The Rotarian*. In addition, Rotarians from Africa, Asia, Australia, Europe, and North and South America served as members of or consultants to their own nations' delegations.

We have a deep and lasting relationship with the UN that deserves to be celebrated and appreciated. To recognise this relationship, Rotary will host five special events between now and June: Rotary Day at the UN in New York on the 9th of this month; three presidential conferences next year in Santiago, Chile, in Paris, and in Rome; and a final celebration just before the Rotary International Convention in Honolulu.

The focus on the UN in the year ahead is not only about the past; it also lights a path to our future. There are so many parallels between the work we do through our areas of focus and the work of the UN Sustainable Development Goals. While those goals are indeed incredibly ambitious, they provide inspiration and direction — and are similar to many Rotary goals, which have proven to create lasting, positive change in our world. The goals can be achieved, but only if undertaken with the same long-term commitment and tenacity that Rotary understands so well. Alone, we cannot provide clean water for all, we cannot eliminate hunger, we cannot eradicate polio. But together with partners like the United Nations, of course we can.