







RI District 3292 Club No. 23126 Chartered: 29 August 1985

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### Today's Programme:

2<sup>nd</sup> Club Assembly

## Forthcoming Programme:

19 July – Talk programme on 'Practicing Chair Yoga and Pranayama for Immunity Boosting of Senior Citizens' by Guest Speaker Ms. Bharati Thapa, (Certified Professional Yoga Instructor)

Congratulatory Events

Birthdays: Nil

Wedding Anniversaries: Nil

Date: 21 Asadh 2078 / 5 July 2021

## Minutes of Meeting No. 1762

# Rotary Year 2021-2022 Installation Ceremony:

- Upon request of President Rtn. Mahendra B. Thapa, MC Rtn. Preeti Khemka started the first meeting of Rotary Year 2021-2022 & installation ceremony of the RCP held virtually. She requested the dignitaries to take their seats and called upon President Rtn. Mahendra B. Thapa and First Lady Lalita Thapa, Chief Guest PDG Rtn. Tirtha M. Sakya, Assistant Governor Rtn. Preeti R.L. Shah, IPP Rtn. Nirmal K. Pradhanang, Secretary Rtn. Kiran Thapa, all Board members, club members, spouses/Inner Wheels, and Rotaract Club of Patan President and members.
- 2. Charter Secretary Rtn. Matsyendra L. Kayastha gave a welcome address and briefed about the RCP as one of its charter members. Together with late Rtn. Kamalmani Dixit he had started the club under late Charter President Rtn. Surendra R. Sharma in 1985. He was pleased that the RCP still has four of its charter members continuing.
- 3. Chief Guest PDG Rtn. Tirtha M. Sakya welcomed President Rtn. Mahendra B. Thapa and installed him by administering the presidential 'Oath of Office', and verbally presenting the Charter Certificate, Presidential Collar, Gavel and Gong.
- 4. President Rtn. Mahendra B. Thapa gave an acceptance address thanking the RCP family for their confidence in him as its 36<sup>th</sup> President. He committed to do his best to service counting on the guidance and support of all members of the RCP, and emphasized teamwork and ownership by all in the activities of the RCP. The goals and targets for RY 2021-2022 will be presented in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Club Assembly on 12 July 2021 for further review. President Rtn. Mahendra B. Thapa then introduced all the Board members of 2021-2022 and administered the 'Oath of Office' to them.
- 5. On behalf of the RCP family, MC Rtn. Preeti Khemka congratulated the new team and requested the President to conduct the first regular meeting of the RCP.

## First regular meeting of RY 2021-2022:

- 6. First Lady Lalita Thapa honoured President Rtn. Mahendra B. Thapa with the RCP' presidential collar, and the President called meeting No. 1762 to order with 15 seconds of 'Silent Invocation' for 'World peace, health, and happiness'.
- 7. Guests welcomed by the President: All the participants mentioned under point 1 above.
- 8. The last meeting minutes were reviewed and adopted.
- 9. Pledges of 'Happy News/Sunshine' contribution and to the Operational Fund marked as 'OF':
  - Rtns. Pushkar M. Sakya (NRs. 1,000 including for his re-joining the Board), Kedar B. Shrestha (NRs. 1,000 including for today's good attendance), Shiva K. Pradhan (NRs.1,000), Matsyendra L. and Chandralekha Kayastha (NRs. 4,000 including for 'Happy Wedding Anniversary'), Lalita C. Thapa (NRs.2,000 including for Rtn. Kiran B. Thapa joining the Board), Rabendra R. Pandey (NRs. 1,000), Siba B. Rajbhandary (NRs. 1,000),

Prakash R. Regmi (NRs. 3,000 including for 'Happy Birthday'), Bijaya and Gabriele Mallapaty (NRs. 2,000), Nirmal K. Pradhanang (NRs. 1,000), Preeti Khemka (NRs. 1,000), Ganesh R. and Bijaya Shrestha (NRs. 1,000), Jeevan K. Shrestha (NRs. 500), Lila B. Baniya (NRs. 1,500 including for travel/vaccination in the USA), Krishna B. Basnyat (NRs. 2,000 including for 'Happy Birthday'), Mahendra S. Rawal (NRs. 500), Santa K. Shrestha (NRs. 1,000), Piyush B. Bajracharya (NRs. 1,000), Kiran Thapa (NRs. 1,000), Mahendra B. Thapa (NRs. 2,000) and AG Preeti R.L. Shah (NRs. 2,000) – with best wishes to the Rotary Year 2021-2022 team under President Rtn. Mahendra B. Thapa and successful completion of Rotary Year 2020-2021 under IPP Rtn. Nirmal K. Pradhanang.

### 10. Other Contributions:

- Rtns. Bijaya & Gabriele Mallapaty announced a contribution of NRs. 28,000 by their friends in Germany Mr. & Mrs. Johannes Schneider to the RCP's PEEF Trust Fund.
- Rtn. Lalita C. Thapa announced a pledge of NRs. 20,000 to the Rotaract Club of Patan for the annual blood donation programme (twice proposed this year).
- 11. Salutation: by PP Rtn. Gabriele Mallapaty Rotary Club of Tantzu, Taiwan; Chartered: 1997; and Members: 41. District: 3460, Clubs: 92, and Members: 3706.
- 12. PP Rtn. Kedar Bhakta Shrestha spoke a few words congratulating President Rtn. Mahendra B. Thapa and appreciating all the preparations and hard work he had already done to assume his presidency. He welcomed the strong new team including new Board members Rtn. Kiran Thapa and Rtn. Pushkar M. Shakya and thanked the departing Board members Rtn. Lalita C. Thapa and Rtn. Jeevan K. Shrestha. He also welcomed AG Rtn. Preeti R.L. Shah and remarked how pleased he was to have her as a 3<sup>rd</sup> generation Rotarian known personally.
- 13. IPP Rtn. Nirmal K. Pradhanang addressed the meeting congratulating the 2021-2022 team under the leadership of President Rtn. Mahendra B. Thapa. He also introduced President Rtn. Mahendra B. Thapa who has been an active member of the RCP for a total of ten years (2007 till now with a gap of 3 years). Rtn. Thapa did his B.Sc. in Agriculture Economics from Punjab, India, and M.Sc. in the same subject from the Philippines. He has been in Nepal government service for 20 years and for another 20 years as a consultant with various organizations like UNDP, USAID, ADB, World Bank and FAO in the agriculture field.
- 14. Assistant Governor Rtn. Preeti R.L. Shah (Charter President of RC Jawalakhel Manjushree) addressed the meeting congratulating IPP Rtn. Nirmal K. Pradhanang and his team for completing 2020-2021 successfully and receiving the RI Presidential Citation despite the Covid-19 pandemic. She welcomed President Mahendra B. Thapa and his team of 2021-2022 and mentioned how honoured and proud she felt being the AG for the RCP with so many senior Rotarians she knew. Emphasizing the theme of teamwork in the implementation of activities, she pledged to work as a 'bridge' between the RCP and the District.
- 15. Chief Guest PDG Rtn. Tirtha M. Sakya mentioned that as a member of the RCP, he would address it as such and not as the Chief Guest. He congratulated the 2020-2021 team under the leadership of IPP Rtn. Nirmal K. Pradhanang and welcomed the new team under the leadership of President Rtn. Mahendra B. Thapa. He welcomed AG Rtn. Preeti R.L. Shah to the RCP, and reminded all that the RCP is the 3<sup>rd</sup> oldest club (4<sup>th</sup> by charter date) with a strong history of achievements both at club and at the District levels. The RCP truly believed in action oriented service instead of publicity of its activities. He congratulated several key members for their outstanding work and iterated that while we need to bring more members, emphasis on quality members is very important.
- 16. President Elect Rtn. Shiva K. Pradhan gave a 'Vote of Thanks' to all for making the installation programme and the first club meeting of 2021-2022 as a grand success despite having to do it virtually.
- 17. Before the adjournment of the meeting by the President, the Secretary announced: total contribution pledges of NRs. 30,500 to the RCP's sunshine fund and attendance: 1 visiting Rotarian, 9 Rotaracts and 33 members and 4 spouses/Inner Wheels.

## **Rotary Information**

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