

ललित धारा

RI District 3292

Club No. 23126

Chartered: 29 August 1985

President: Mahendra Thapa Past President & Editor: Bijaya Mallapaty Past President & Assistant Editor: Chandralekha Kayastha

Issue No. 1454**Date: 12 Baishakh 2079 / 25 April 2022****Today's Programme:**

Talk programme on public health and nutrition related issues by Dr. Aruna Uprety during this Rotary month of 'Maternal & Child Health'

Congratulatory Events

Birthdays: Nil
Wedding Anniversaries: Nil

Minutes of Meeting No. 1801**Date: 5 Baisakh 2079 / 18 April 2022**

1. President Rtn. Mahendra B. Thapa called the regular weekly meeting number 1801 via Zoom to order with 'Silent Invocation' of 15 seconds for world peace, health, and happiness.
2. The last meeting minutes were reviewed and adopted.
3. Contributions/pledges for 'Happy News':
 - Rtn. Prakash R. and Upasana Regmi – for 'Happy Wedding Anniversary' in absentia (ha.ba.)
 - Rtn. Jamuna K. and Meera Tamrakar – for 47th 'Happy Wedding Anniversary' (NRs 1,000).
 - Rtn. Siba B. Rajbhandary – for healthy recovery after 12 days in the hospital (NRs. 1,000). He also thanked the RCP family for their good wishes for his quick recovery.
 - Rtn. Yagya B. Shrestha – for annual health check-up at a very good new health centre named 'SOWA' in Lalitpur (NRs. 500).
 - Rtn. Ganesh R. Shrestha (NRs. 500), Rtn. Pushkar M. Shakya (NRs. 500), and Rtn. Siba B. Rajbhandary (NRs. 500) – for The Rotary Foundation's approval of the Global Grant Project of US \$43,000 for the Mirge Community Hospital.
 - Rtn. Nirmal K. Pradhanang (NRs. 1,000) and Rtn. Mahendra B. Thapa (NRs. 500) – for the above, and for the recovery of Rtn. Siba B. Rajbhandary's health.
4. Rotary News/Information:
 - President Rtn. Mahendra B. Thapa briefed on:
 - Planned environmental conservation award of NRs. 51,000 announced by the RC of Rajdhani from Rotary Year 2022-2023.
 - Confirmation of District Governor Nominee designated of Rtn. Rajendra M. Serchan without a challenge.
 - District award and recognition ceremony on 23 April 2022 with the participation of Indian Idol Pawan Deep postponed earlier (RY 2020-2021 programme).
 - The Rotary Foundation seminar & recognition programme on 20 April 2022 with RI Director Rtn. A.S. Venkatesh as Chief Guest and Senior Grant Coordinator from India Rtn. Roy John. While this is not the mandatory annual Grant Management Seminar, Rtn. Siba B. Rajbhandary encouraged members to participate.
 - The RI's Council on Legislation's (COL) seminar review of the proposals shared by PDG Rtn. Keshav Kunwar.
 - Rotary Community Corps (RCC) conference planned for 7 May 2022 at 4 p.m. via zoom with a request for participation by members.
 - President Elect Rtn. Shiva K. Pradhan informed about the District Training Assembly (DTA) being held on 21 May 2022 and requested all Club Officials and Directors to participate.

- Rtn. Khadak S. Bisht informed about the planned start of this year's 'Animal Welfare for Public Health' project sponsored by 'Dr. Mukti Narayan & Praveena Foundation' on 19 April 2022 with rabies vaccination of street dogs and awareness programme at schools. Details are being provided for participation of the RCP members.

5. Continuation of Past Presidents' revisit of significant issues during their presidency of the RCP:

Past President Rtn. Pushkar M. Shakya (President 2000-2001) highlighted the key events during his presidency of the RCP starting with the difficulties he faced due to the imposition for the position of an unwilling Secretary by the then Retaining Officer. During his tenure five matching grants totalling US \$ 93,114 were approved with another 5 worth US \$ 214,000 proposed for the next year. Other important achievements were: the inauguration of Senior Citizen's Home by the then Prime Minister late Girija Prasad Koirala, increase of PEEF endowment fund to 18.89 Lakh. establishment of a sister club relationship with a club of U.K., support to the hospitals in Gorkha and elsewhere, and distribution of computers in collaboration with RC Bellevue, USA. He also briefed on a scam with forged signature of him that was cleared after a thorough investigation called by the then RI President.

Past President Rtn. Ganesh R. Shrestha (President 2006-2007) highlighted the key events during his presidency starting with the implementation of distribution of computers planned during the Rtn. Yagya B. Shrestha's presidency and projects in Lamjung with an excellent trip there of the RCP. He also started a joint installation of three clubs of the then District 3290. The RCP also received '100% PHF club' certificate during his presidency. Other key achievements were: training of his spouse Rtn. Bijaya L. Shrestha on 'Internet', hosting of RYLA in Chitwan sponsored by Rtn. Umesh Shrestha, installation of Rtn. Nanda Ram Bhakta Mathema's statue at Nepal Orthopaedic Hospital, start of a preliminary survey for the 3H grant project, and establishment of the club's succession planning requiring 5 years to become the President, organization of a 'Heritage Walk' on the 50th wedding anniversary of PDG Rtn. Tirtha M. and Nani Shova Sakya, health camp with the provision of an ECG machine to Bandipur hospital, and '4 Way Test' signage in PEEF supported schools.

6. Salutation: By President Rtn. Mahendra B. Thapa - Rotary Club of Kanchanaburi, Thailand; Chartered: 1989; and Members: 43. District: 3330, Clubs: 81, and Members: 2143.
7. Before the adjournment of the meeting by the President, Joint Secretary Rtn. Khadak S. Bisht announced: contributions of NRs. 5,500 to the Sunshine Fund of the RCP, and the meeting attendance of 20 members.

Rotary Questions/Answers presented by Rtn. Shiva K. Pradhan

- **Q.** What is the Rotary Showcase? **A.** Rotary Showcase is an online application that allows Rotarians and Rotaractors to share stories of their clubs' successful projects with people around the world.
- **Q.** Who is the District-3292 Conference Committee Chair in the RY 2021-22. **A.** Rtn. Beni Gopal Mundara, RC Biratnagar
- **Q.** Does the Rotary Club of Patan have a Financial Management Plan and where can you find a copy?
A. Yes. The financial management plan of RC Patan was issued in the RY 2021-22 and a copy can be found in the Lalitdhara Annual Souvenir.

Rotary Information: Rotary's Council on Legislation, 10-14 April 2022, Chicago, USA

This year's Council reviewed and voted on more than 90 enactments that would change RI's constitutional documents. Key highlights are provided below.

- Amended Rotary bylaws now state that "each club or Rotaract club shall endeavour to build a well-balanced membership that celebrates diversity, equity, and inclusion." Rotary prohibits clubs from denying an individual membership due to gender, race, colour, creed, national origin, or sexual orientation. This legislation promotes diversity and builds a well-balanced Rotary membership.
- Representatives approved dues increase for each of the next three years. Dues that clubs pay to RI per member are set at \$35.50 per half year in 2022-23. Dues will increase to \$37.50 per half year in 2023-24, \$39.25 per half year in 2024-25, and US\$41.00 per half year in 2025-26.
- Delegates have also affirmed Rotary's bylaws that mandates magazine subscription for each member.

All the enactments by the Council on Legislation can be seen in my.rotary.org