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<u>Today's Programme:</u> Business Meeting	<u>Congratulatory Events</u> <u>Birthdays:</u> Nil
<u>Forthcoming Programme:</u>	<u>Wedding Anniversaries:</u> Rtn. Ganesh R. Shrestha – 7 Jan.

Minutes of Meeting No 1440

Date: 14 Poush 2071 / 29 December 2014

1. President a.i. Matsyendra L. Kayastha was very pleased to welcome President Khrushchev Shrestha to the meeting for the first time since his illness, and called the Meeting No. 1440 to order with 15 seconds of 'silent invocation' for peace and happiness.
2. Guests welcomed by President a.i. Kayastha – Rtns. Khrushchev Shrestha and Kalpana Pradhan's family with sons Kasyap and Priyash; spouses of Rotarians; and Rtns. Dr. Bishwa B. Sharma and Dr. Aruna Uprety's daughter Dipti.
3. The last meeting's minutes were reviewed and adopted.
4. 'Happy News' Contributions:
 - The RCP family was very happy to welcome President Khrushchev Shrestha for the first time in the club after his illness. Following members contributed for this 'Happy News': Rtn. Som Paneru (also for 'Happy Landing' from the USA and UK, and the successful annual RCP Family Outing to Gorkha – NRs. 500); Rtn. Piyush B. Bajracharya; Rtn. Kamal M. Dixit; Rtn. Santa K. Shrestha; Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha; Rtn. Bijaya Mallapaty; Rtn. Gabriele Mallapaty (NRs. 500); Rtn. Matsyendra L. Kayastha; PDG Tirtha M. Sakya (also for Rtn. Kalpana Pradhan's induction); Rtn. Dr. Prakash R. Regmi (also for Rtn. Khrushchev's commitment to conduct the meetings as soon as possible - NRs. 500); Rtn. Dr. Bishwa B. Sharma (also for a good presence in the meeting, and for the family reunion with daughter Dipti on holidays from the USA – NRs. 500); Rtn. Chandralekha Kayastha (also for Kathmandu Municipality's selection of her on the Membership of the Jury Committee for large contracts – NRs. 400); Rtn. Pushkar M. Shakya (also for 'Happy Landing' from Dong Yang in China and Japan – NRs.500); Rtn. Satya Pradhan; Rtn. Kiran Shrestha (NRs. 500); Rtn. Padam L. Maharjan (also for the RCP having periodic yoga and national anthem next year); Rtn. Nirmal Pradhanang (NRs. 500); Rtn. Krishna B. Basnyat; Rtn. Siba B. Rajbhandary; Rtn. Gautam Shakya, and Rtn. Kalpana Pradhan (NRs. 1,000).
5. Other Contributions:
 - Rtn. Kamal M. Dixit announced a contribution of NRs. 10,000 to the Club Trust Fund and requested others to join in to bring this Fund to the targeted amount of NRs. 1 Million during this Rotary Year.
 - Rtn. Dr. Prakash R. Regmi joined in and announced a contribution of NRs. 10,000 to the Club Trust Fund.
6. Rotary News/Information Sharing:
 - Rtn. Mahendra Thapa briefed on the District TRF Seminar held on 27 December 2014 with participation of 5 RCP Members and presented the certificate received by the RCP as one of the Host Clubs.
 - President a.i. distributed the brochure and registration form to join the Rotary South Asia Conference on Peace being held during 6-9 February 2015 in Lumbini.

7. Salutation: By PP Rtn. Pushkar M. Shakya - Rotary Club of Lusaka, Zambia; Club ID 17296; Chartered: 1954; Members 23. District: 9210, Clubs: 62, and Members: 1398.
8. Please see 'Box' below for a summary of the Induction and 5th Monday Entertainment Programmes.
9. Before the adjournment of the meeting by the President a.i., the Secretary announced: contributions to Sunshine Fund: NRs. 8,700, attendance: guests 4, members 30, Spouses 6, and make-up 6.

Induction of Rtn. Kalpana Pradhan and 5th Monday of the Month Entertainment

Induction of Rtn. Kalpana Pradhan: Rtn. Kalpana Pradhan's induction was postponed earlier due to her spouse President Khrushchev Shrestha's illness. Rtn. Jeevan K. Shrestha introduced Rtn. Pradhan. She has three Masters level degrees (MA in Sociology, MBA and Post Graduate in 'Women Studies') and has been working with many social institutions on Gender and Women's participation issues. She has also been very active in the 'Bandipur Social Development Committee' in various capacities.

The induction was conducted by 'Guru' Rtn. Kamal M. Dixit, while 'pinning' was done by PDG Tirtha M. Sakya and welcoming by 'Khada' and presentation of the RCP's souvenir by President a.i. Matsyendra L. Kayastha.

In appreciation of her dedicated service towards her husband since his 'stroke' in August, Rtn. Kamal M. Dixit mentioned that it truly matched Rotary's ideals of service. Evoking the legendary 'Sabitri' who brought back her dead husband from 'Yamlok' with the strength of her 'Patibrata Dharma', Rtn. Dixit mentioned similar level of dedicated service by Rtn. Kalpana Pradhan towards her husband in caring and curing the effects of the deadly stroke.

Rtn. Kalpana Pradhan thanked all the RCP family for their help and encouragement. No words would suffice, but she truly appreciated all the support they received from the RCP family.

President Khrushchev Shrestha also spoke a few words and thanked everyone for making the adage 'the show must go on' true in the RCP. He was extremely moved with all the support and encouragement and mentioned being full of 'happy emotion' to be able to join this meeting. He also promised to be back soon.

5th Monday of the Month Entertainment: Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha conducted this session of 'entertainment programme' that is done every time there is a 5th Monday in a month. Spouses were also invited to join. Rtns. Kamal M. Dixit, Dr. Aruna Uprety, Keshab B. Mathema, Mahendra Thapa, Bijaya Mallapaty, Piyush B. Bajracharya, Padam L. Maharjan, Dr. Prakash R. Regmi, Nirmal Pradhanang, and Kedar B. Shrestha shared a variety of interesting song, poem, joke, and real life fun-filled anecdotes. Gabriele Mallapaty served warm 'Glühwein' and home baked Christmas cookies to add to the environment of the RCP family entertainment. The evening ended with President a.i. wishing everyone a Happy New Year 2015.



May the Laugh Bug Bite You 😊😊😊😊😊

A young college co-ed came running in tears to his father. "Dad, you gave me some terrible financial advice!"

"I did? What did I tell you?" said the dad.

"You told me to put my money in that big bank, and now that big bank is in trouble."

"What are you talking about? That's one of the largest banks in the Country," he said. "there must be some mistake."

"I don't think so," he sniffed. "They just returned one of my checks with a note saying, 'Insufficient Funds'."