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<u>Today's Programme</u>: Classification Talk of Rtn. Yagya B. Shrestha <u>Forthcoming Programme</u>: 1 May - Business Meeting

8 May - Talk Programme on 'SPLASH' and its work on Water, Sanitation & Hygiene in Ktm. Valley public schools by Mr. Dhruba Karki, Director and Ms. Katelyn Galloway, Programme Manager

15 May-Talk Programme by Ms. Indira Shrestha, Founder President of Shtri Shakti on 'Women Empowerment in the context of Nepal'

Congratulatory Events Birthdays:

Date: 11 Baisakh 2073 / 24 April 2017

Rtn. Yagya B. Shrestha – 29 April *Wedding Anniversaries:*

Rtns. Lalita and Kiran Thapa – 29 Apr. Rtns. Padam L. and Kamala Maharjan – 29 Apr.

Minutes of Meetings No.1555 5th Club Assembly Date: 4 Baisakh 2073 /17 April 2017

- President Rtn. Bijaya Mallapaty called the meeting nos. 1555 to order with 15 seconds of 'Silent Invocation' for peace and happiness.
- 2. Guests welcomed by the President: AG Rtn. Surya M. Shakya, Rtn. Isabelle Buschulte, President Elect of RC Ruesselsheime/Mainspitze, Germany (Chepel Project Primary Contact), her daughter Leonie, Rotaract Peshal Bhattarai, IW Ms. Mithila Rajbhandary, and Abhinav & Pranav Khemka.
- 3. Rtn. Isabelle Buschulte introduced herself and her club, which has 60 members including 4 women. She mentioned how pleased she was to participate in the RC Patan weekly meeting after some 2 years, and she hoped for a successful collaboration with the RC Patan in the planned global grant project in Chepel, which would be the first to have a Government of Nepal subsidy.
- 4. The last meeting minutes were reviewed and adopted.
- 5. 'Happy News' Contributions:
 - Rtn. Jamuna K. Tamrakar for happy 'Wedding Anniversary'.
 - Rtn. Dr. Prakash R. Regmi for happy 'Wedding Anniversary' (NRs. 500).
 - Rtn. Dr. Aruna Uprety for 'Happy Landing' from the USA.
 - Rtn. Preeti Khemka for her induction today with the participation of her son Abhinav on holidays from his school in Bangalore, together with her younger son Pranav (NRs. 1,000).
 - Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha for very good attendance of members (28) in the meeting today.
 - Rtn. Gabriele and Bijaya Mallapaty for the participation of Rtn. Isabelle Buschulte and Leoni, and induction of Rtn. Preeti Khemka (NRs. 500).
 - Rtn. Chandralekha Kayastha for the induction of Rtn. Preeti Khemka by PDG Rtn. Tirtha M. Sakya.
 - Rtn. Nirmal K. Pradhanang for wishing a 'Happy New Year' 2074.
 - Rtn. Ganesh R. Shrestha for assisting in the 5th Club Assembly as the Joint Secretary.
 - Rtn. Matsyendra L. Kayastha for a 'Happy New Year 2074', progress on planned Chepel project and the induction of Rtn. Preeti Khemka (NRs. 500).
 - Rtn. Ramesh Maskay for celebrating the New Year at Palanchowk Bhagawati, Kalinchowk (NRs. 500).
 - Rtn. Pushkar Shakya for 'Happy Landing' from Bangkok that included 2 weeks on meditation (NRs. 500).
 - Rtn. Dr. Mukti Shrestha

 for 'Happy Landing' from New Delhi after attending Veterinary Conf. in Gurgaon.
 - Rtn. Shiv P. Khemka for 'Happy Landing' from Singapore and same as for Rtn. Preeti Khemka mentioned above (NRs. 1,000).
 - Rtn. Piyush B. Bajracharya for giving a lecture on practical issues of Ayurveda medicine.
- 6. The Induction Programme of Rtn. Preeti Khemka included the following:
 - Welcome of Rtn. Preeti Khemka and her family by the President and the Joint Secretary.
 - Rtn. Gabriele Mallapaty introduced the new member as a talented, youngest, female, and couple member to
 the RC Patan family and talked about the importance of 'Home Maker' classification of Rtn. Khemka. She
 had topped in the SLC examination at the District level, graduated in Business Studies, and has keen interest
 in dancing, singing and reading.
 - PDG Rtn. Tirtha M. Sakya gave a talk on the induction of new members, emphasizing key qualifications to become a Rotarian, and welcoming Rtn. Khemka to the RC Patan family as well as to the District and Rotary International. He also conducted the 'swearing-in' of the new member following Rotary practice.
 - AG Rtn Surya M. Shakya honoured Rtn. Preeti Khemka with a 'Rotary Pin' to welcome her as a Rotarian.

- In her acceptance remarks, Rtn. Preeti Khemka appreciated being a member of the Rotary Club of Patan and
 the entire Rotary family. She emphasized her motivation to join Rotary, seeing the good service work of our
 club, particularly when she witnessed drinking water and school rebuilding support programme in Mirge village
 during a field trip there with the RCP group.
- 7. Salutation: By PP Rtn. Jamuna K. Tamrakar Rotary Club of San Jose, Costa Rica; Chartered: 1927; & Members: 37. District: 4240, Clubs: 53 & Members: 1239.
- 8. Please see below for a summary of the 5th Club Assembly.
- 9. Before the closure of meeting by the President, the Secretary announced: contribution of NRs. 10,100 (NRs. 4,000 for attendance and NRs. 6,100 for sunshine funds); attendance: 3 guests, 2 visiting Rotarians, 1 Rotaract, 1 spouse, 28 Members and 7 make-ups.

5th Club Assembly

Following oral presentations were made on the progress and plans of each committee. As the detailed achievements/plans are being updated in the RI's website - Rotary Club Central of My Rotary, they are not presented here comprehensively.

- 1. Club Administration by Chairperson Rtn. Mahendra Thapa Generally very good progress in all areas of club administration was reported. Sessions on 'Rotary Knowledge' during club meetings were much appreciated. In addition to the annual outing, an annual day-picnic was also added to RCP family activity.
- 2. Membership by Chairperson Rtn. Matsyendra L. Kayastha The membership has been good with currently 41 members, including 6 couple members. With the prospect of some reduction, need to increase the membership in specific classification areas were highlighted.
- 3. Public Image/Relations by Chairperson Rtn. Dr. Prakash R. Regmi Several public awareness-raising activities supported by global grant projects were accomplished. Some of the very successful ones were the training of mothers group, training of teachers and resources persons on prevention of RHD in children, video clip on prevention of RHD in two TV Channels and radio announcements were highlighted.
- 4. The Rotary Foundation by Chairperson Rtn. Siba B. Rajbhandary As of now, the RCP is on target to raise the funding target. As a member of the Bhaktapur Cancer Hospital Board of Directors, Rtn. Rajbhandary also reported on the handing-over ceremony of its expanded building facility, supported by several Rotary Clubs. PDG Rtn. Tirtha M. Sakya also participated in the ceremony attended by the Health Minister, where Rotary got a lot of praise for its support to this first Cancer Hospital started 20 years ago.
- Service Projects by Chairperson Rtn. Gabriele Mallapaty- Currently RCP has 6 ongoing global grants, 2
 planned global grants, 1 completed district grant, and 1 club owned programme on educational scholarships
 called PEEF.
- 6. Youth Service by Director Rtn. Nirmal K. Pradhanang Activities of a very well-functioning and active Rotaract Club of Patan were reported whereas Interact Clubs (3) needed to be more active. A District Interact conference during 1-3 April 2017 was supported by the RCP with the sponsorship of 3 Interacts.
- 7. Global Grants and Club Owned PEEF Programme: Update on latest status were made by each Primary Contact. Overall, we are doing extremely well see below:
 - i. Prevention of RHD in children with Nepal Heart Foundation Primary Contact Rtn. Gabriele Mallapaty. Very good progress with 2 progress reports accepted. Completion target by the end of the year.
 - ii. Vocational Education to former 'Kamlari' girls with Nepal Youth Foundation Primary Contact Rtn. Mahendra Thapa. Almost complete. Balance funds being utilized. Closure planned by June 2017.
 - iii. Support to Kirtipur Hospital Primary Contact Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha. Activity completed. Only monitoring continues before the target of being the first GG to be formally closed.
 - iv. Community Development for Chepang/Gurung Community, Chandibhanjyang Primary Contact Rtn. Dr. Mukti N Shrestha. Very good progress. Some financing issues due to exceptional arrangement of International partner in Singapore managing the bank account, instead of the host club. Planning 2nd field visit soon.
 - v. Drinking water to earthquake affected communities Primary Contact Rtn. Lochan Gyawali. Good progress with several planning visits done to finalize the technical details.
 - vi. Support in Education and Water Supply in Mirge Village, Dolakha Primary Contact Rtn. Nirmal K. Pradhanang. Implementation progress ahead of schedule. Planning for a 3rd monitoring field visit.
 - vii. Planned Global Grant on income opportunities for women, Khokana Primary Contact Rtn. Lochan Gyawali. Application formally sent. Awaiting confirmation of funding by Gov. of Canada.
- viii. Planned Global Grant on Micro-Hydro for community development, Chepel, Solukhumbu Primary Contact Rtn. Bijaya Mallapaty. Application complete. Awaiting Int'l Partner's o.k. to submit.
- ix. Club Owned 'PEEF' programme Policies revised and currently in good standing with preparations for this year's annual selection and distribution of scholarships.
- 8. President Rtn. Bijaya Mallapaty congratulated all the presenters of 16 different updates as well as the secondary contacts and members behind the scene supporting the RCP's service projects for a truly wonderful social service.
- 9. AG Rtn Surya M. Shakya congratulated the RCP President and his entire team for a very successful Club Assembly with excellent presentations of programmes carried out by the RCP. He complimented the RCP for the induction programme, which also helps in bringing down the average age of club membership.