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Today's Main Programme:

Business Meeting

Forthcoming Programme:

12 Feb. - Classification Talk by Rtn. Pushkar M. Shakya

19 Feb. - Talk Programme on 'Pranic Healing'

Congratulatory Events

<u>Birthdays</u>: NIL Wedding Anniversaries: NIL

Date: 15 Magh 2074 / 29 January 2018

Minutes of Meetings No.1595

- President Rtn. Chandralekha Kayastha called the Meeting No. 1594 to order with 15 seconds of 'Silent Invocation' for World Peace and Happiness.
- 2. Guests welcomed by the President: Rtn. Dr. Shail Rupakheti, MD, Star Hospital; Dr. Dev K. Neupane, Consultant Cardiologist, Star Hospital; and Rotaract Rujen Shakya.
- 3. The last meeting minutes were reviewed and adopted.
- 4. 'Happy News' Contributions:
 - Rtns. Dr. Bishwa B. Sharma & Dr. Aruna Uprety for 'Happy Wedding Anniversary' (NRs. 500).
 - Rtn. Lochan Gyawali for 'Happy Wedding Anniversary' in absentia (ha.ba.).
 - Rtn. Dr. Prakash R. Regmi for publication of the Training Manual on Rheumatic Heart Disease after 2 years of work, article in economic newspaper 'Abhiyan', and to welcome two friends in today's meeting (NRs. 1,000).
 - Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha for a successful party at his home on 27 January 2018 (NRs. 500).
 - Rtns. Nirmal Pradhanang, Matsyendra L. and Chandralekha Kayastha (NRs. 1,000), Piyush B. Bajracharya, and Ramesh Maskay for the RCP Team's win of the Rota Quiz Regional Round.
 - Rtns. Gabriele and Bijaya Mallapaty for the above and for publication of the Training Manual (NRs. 1000).
 - Rtn. Mahendra S. Rawal for the opportunity to represent RCP in the National Literacy & WASH Seminar of District 3292 being held in Biratnagar.
- 5. Other Contribution: On behalf of Rtn. Lochan Gyawali, Rtn. Gabriele Mallapaty briefed on an additional contribution of NRs. 240,709 to the RCP's Earthquake Fund received from Sinas Tea Company, Germany.
- 6. Rtn. Dr. Prakash R. Regmi thanked many individuals who helped him produce the important Training Manual on Rheumatic Heart Disease as mentioned in the acknowledgement page of the Manual. This was an outcome of the RCP's Global Grant in collaboration with Nepal Heart Foundation. The Manual can be used nationally and internationally as a first of its kind. He presented a copy each of the Manual to the RCP President Rtn. Chandralekha Kayastha, Cardiologist Dr. Dev K. Neupane, and Rtn. Gabriele Mallapaty.
- 7. Rtns. Chandralekha and Matsyendra L. Kayastha presented a SONA (Society of Nepalese Architects) Book published recently to Rtns. Gabriele and Bijaya Mallapaty in appreciation of their Rotary work. The book has select works of Nepalese architects including several designed by the couple Kayastha. The Mallapaty residence is also one of them.
- 8. Rotary News/Information:

President Rtn. Chandralekha Kayastha reminded on information already shared by emails: i. Rota Quiz semi-finals and final being held during the District Conference, ii. Invitation to RC Patan West's programme on 30 January, iii. National Literacy and WASH seminar being held in Biratnagar, iv. Rotary Show-Case video, v. New member presentation during the District Conference (RCP's candidate Rtn. Preeti Khemka), vi. A joint meeting of six generations of Rotary Clubs in Kathmandu being organized by RC Pashupati, and vii. the Board meeting of RCP followed by fellowship with RCP members and spouses being hosted by Rtns. Chandralekha and Matsyendra L. Kayastha.

- 9. Salutation: By PP Rtn. Dr. Prakash R. Regmi RC Bandung Selatan, West Java, Indonesia; Chartered: 1982, & Members: 24. District: 3400, Clubs: 89, & Members: 1617.
- 10. <u>5th Monday Entertainment Programme:</u> Fellowship Coordinator Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha conducted the 5th Monday entertainment programme to many rounds of applause by all present. Rtns. Dr. Mukti N. Shrestha, Mahendra S. Rawal, Dr. Prakash R. Regmi, Matsyendra L. Kayastha, and Dr. Aruna Upreti entertained with various jokes and experiences, while the final performance was by Rtn. Kiran Thapa who sang both English and Nepali songs as a one-man band with guitar and harmonica.
- 11. Before the closure of the meeting by the President, the Secretary announced: contribution of NRs. 7,250 (NRs. 2,400 for attendance and NRs. 4,850 for Sunshine Funds including for 1 mobile ring); attendance: 1 guest, 1 visiting Rotarian, 1 Rotaract, 20 members, and 7 make-ups.

Rotary Questions/Answers presented by Rtn. Dr. Aruna Uprety

- Q. How many members constitute the DG Nominating Committee for RID 3292? And how are they selected?
- **A.** 9 members. 7 selected by 7 zone groups and 2 PDGs by draw of lots.
- Q. First female Rotarian President in Nepal
 A. Rtn Ambica Shrestha, RC Kathmandu Mid-Town 1991-92.
- Q. Name of current French President
 A. Mr. Emmanuel Macron.

Rotary Information

The Rotary Foundation receives highest rating from Charity Navigator

For the 10th consecutive year, The Rotary Foundation has received the highest rating — four stars — from Charity Navigator, an independent evaluator of charities in the U.S.

In the most recent ratings, the Foundation earned the maximum of 100 points for demonstrating both strong financial health and commitment to accountability and transparency.

In a letter to the Foundation, Charity Navigator notes that "only 1 percent of the charities we evaluate have received at least 10 consecutive 4-star evaluations, indicating that The Rotary Foundation outperforms other charities in America. This exceptional designation from Charity Navigator sets The Rotary Foundation apart from its peers and demonstrates to the public its trustworthiness."

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