### 'LALIT DHARA' Weekly Bulletin of the Rotary Club of Patan (Nepal)









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Today's Programme:

Regular weekly meeting

Forthcoming Programme:

28 July - Second Club Assembly

#### Congratulatory Events

Birthdays:

PDG Rtn. Tirtha M. Sakya – 21 July

**Wedding Anniversaries:** NIL

Date: 30 Aasadh 2071 / 14 July 2014

#### Minutes of Meeting No. 1417

- 1. President Khruschev Shrestha called the Meeting No. 1417 to order with 15 seconds of 'silent invocation' for peace and happiness.
- 2. Guests welcomed by President Shrestha: New Members to be inducted next week Mrs. Kalpana Pradhan, Kamala Maharjan and Mr. Gautam Shakya; former RCP member Mr. Mahendra Thapa; Mr. Grijesh Shrestha, grandson of Rtn. Siba B. Rajbhandary; and Rotaracts President Sudeep Sakya, Secretary Mohini Maharjan, Rubina Sakya, and Salim Sakya.
- 3. The last meeting's minutes were reviewed and adopted noting that Rtn. Matsyendra L. Kayastha had contributed NRs. 500 to the 'Sunshine' funds.
- 4. 'Happy News' Contributions:
  - Rtn. Dr. Prakash R. Regmi for approval of his visa to go to Ethiopia to help on 'Rheumatic Heart Diseases' as proposed during the World Congress of Cardiologists in Australia.
  - President Khruschev Shrestha for the 'World Cup Soccer' victory of Germany.
  - Rtn. Padam L. Maharjan for supporting Germany in the World Cup, meeting the Deputy Chief of Mission of Goethe Institute, govt's announcement to facilitate buses with more than 40 seats capacity to promote public transport, and the acceptance of spouse Mrs. Kamala Maharjan to join the RCP (NRs. 500).
  - Rtn. Kamal M. Dixit for being the Chief Guest in Bhanu Bhakta Jayanti celebrations, and speaking at the Budhanilkantha School.
  - Rtn. Dr. Nabal Pajiyar for a talk programme at Bandipur, another big programme forthcoming in Mumbai, and casting 'Slab' of his house.
  - Rtn. Lochan Gyawali for supporting Germany in the World Cup and receiving an American Express Card.
- 5. Other Contributions:

Rtn. Matsyendra L. Kayastha handed over the cheque for NRs. 30,000 contributed by his nephew and his wife Mr. and Mrs. Jitendra and Deepa Amatya to PEEF for one permanent scholarship. Rotary News/Information Sharing:

President Shrestha briefed on the Rotaract meeting that he and Rtn. Siba B. Rajbhandary attended last Saturday. This was the first meeting of the Rotaracts, which was very well conducted with good fellowship. He suggested that the RCP give time to have talent shows from the Rotaracts to appreciate them.

- 6. Salutation: By PP Rtn. Narayan G. Halwai Rotary Club of Lahore Midtown, Club ID 28069, Punjab, Pakistan; Chartered 1991; Members 36. District: 3272, Clubs: 81, and Members: 1749.
- 7. As the main programme of the meeting, President Khruschev Shrestha showed a video presentation of RI President Gary Huang's theme speech. A summary: "RI President Gary C.K. Huang chose *Light Up Rotary* as his theme for 2014-15. Huang is urging club members to *Light Up Rotary* by hosting a Rotary Day in their community, continuing our fight against polio, and increasing club membership. "*Light Up Rotary* is

more than our theme. It is how we make a difference — every day, in every club, and every country we serve."

In addition to the above programme, President Shrestha distributed Mango and Citrus Saplings to all members for its plantation at their homes.

8. Before the adjournment of the meeting by the President, the Joint Secretary announced: contributions to 'Sunshine' Fund: NRs. 2,600 attendance: members 24, guest 4, Rotaracts 4, and make-up 9.

## RI PRESIDENT GARY C.K. HUANG'S MESSAGE FOR JULY 2014

I find many traditional Chinese values reflected in Rotary: values of service and responsibility, of respect for family and for others. Sometimes I call Confucius the world's first Rotarian, because even though he died 2,500 years before Rotary was founded, his ideas are very much Rotary ideas. And one of the things he said was: 與其抱怨,不如改變.

In English, you say, "It is better to light a single candle than to sit and curse the darkness."

I think that one line sums up the way we in Rotary approach the problems of the world. There is so much difficulty. There are so many people who need help. Many people look at this and say, "There is nothing I can do." So they do nothing -- and nothing changes.

But this is not the Rotary way. The Rotary way is to light a candle. I light one candle, you light one candle -- and so do 1.2 million other Rotarians. Together, we can do so much more than we could ever do alone. Together, we can light up the world.

In 2014-15, I am asking each of you to light your own Rotary candle -- and Light Up Rotary together.

There are so many ways to *Light Up Rotary*. I hope many of you will choose to host a Rotary Day, to show your community what Rotary is and what we do. I hope you will involve your Rotaract and Interact clubs in your service, to bring the new generation of the Rotary family closer to Rotary membership. And I hope you will keep Rotary strong by inviting new members into Rotary – including your own spouse and family.

Perhaps the most important thing we can do to *Light Up Rotary* is to finish the job we've been working on for more than a quarter of a century: the eradication of polio. We are so close to our goal. But we will get there only if we keep up the fight, keep up the momentum, and close the funding gap for the polio endgame plan.

Light Up Rotary is our theme for this year, but it is more than just a. It is how we in Rotary see the theme world and our role in it. We believe that no one should sit alone in the darkness. Instead, we can come together, all 1.2 million of us, to Light Up Rotary. This is our goal -- and my challenge to you.



# May the Laugh Bug Bite You @ @ @ @ @

Albert Einstein used to go to dinners where he was invited to give a speech. One day, on his way to one of those dinners, he told his chauffeur (who looked exactly like him) that he was dead tired of giving the same speech, dinner after dinner.

"Well," said the chauffeur, "I've got a good idea. Why don't I give the speech since I've heard it so many times?" So Einstein's chauffeur gave the speech perfectly and even answered a few questions. Then, a professor stood up and asked him a really tough question about anti-matter which the chauffeur couldn't answer. He said: "Sir, the answer to your question is so easy that I'll let my chauffeur answer it!"