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<p><u>Today's Programme:</u> Annual General Meeting and Business Meeting</p> <p><u>Forthcoming Programme:</u> Guest Speaker – 15 Sept. 5th Monday Entertainment Programme - 29 Sept.</p>	<p><u>Congratulatory Events</u></p> <p><u>Birthdays</u> Rtn. Som Paneru – 1 Sept. <u>Wedding Anniversaries</u> - NIL</p>
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Minutes of Meeting No. 1424

Date: 13 Bhadra 2071 / 29 August 2014

There were three meetings of 29 August 2014: (i) District Governor's Official Club Visit and meeting with Club Officials, (ii) 4th Club Assembly and (iii) Charter Day Meeting followed by a 'Fellowship Dinner'

- (i) **District Governor's Official Club Visit:** District Governor Rabindra K. Piya, together with Assistant Governor Maheswor B. Shrestha and District Secretary Nugal A. Vaidya, met the RCP President a.i. Matsyendra L. Kayastha, Secretary Gabriele Mallapaty and President Elect Piyush B. Bajracharya for about 1 & ½ hours. Many points discussed during the meeting were also shared during the 4th Club Assembly and Charter Day Meeting. President a.i. is planning to review key issues during the forthcoming RCP Board Meeting of 5 September.
- (ii) **4th Club Assembly:** President a.i. Matsyendra L. Kayastha welcomed the District Governor Rabindra K. Piya and District Secretary Rtn. Nugal Baidya to the dais and honoured the DG with the 'Khada'. First Lady a.i. Rtn. Chandralekha Kayastha honoured First Lady of District 3292 Premkali Shrestha with a flower bouquet. President a.i. welcomed the IPDG, PDGs, DGE, District Officials, Presidents of Rotary Clubs, President of the Rotaract Club of Patan, President of IW Club of Patan, Charter Members of the RCP, Members with over 25 years with the RCP, other guests, and the entire RCP family.

Following the lighting of the 'Panas' by the District Governor Rabindra K. Piya, President a.i. requested him to preside over the 4th Club Assembly of the RCP. DG Piya presided over the 4th Club Assembly of the Rotary Club of Patan. The following presentations were made (ppt being shared separately):

- Introduction of the structure of power-point presentations by Secretary Gabriele Mallapaty with each committee chair reporting on the 'goals' and 'progress' to date.
- Report on Club Administration by Chairperson Rtn. Dr. Bishwa B. Sharma
- Report on Membership by Chairperson Rtn. Matsyendra L. Kayastha
- Report on Public Relations by Rtn. Gabriele Mallapaty (for Chairperson Rtn. Dr. Prakash R. Regmi)
- Report on Service Projects by Chairperson Rtn. Lalita Thapa
- Report on Youth Service by Director Rtn. Siba B. Rajbhandary
- Report on TRF by Chairperson Rtn. Ganesh R. Shrestha. He also presented a cheque to the DG to contributing for an additional MPHF, which was announced earlier during a District Event.

AG Maheswor B. Shrestha presented his views. He was proud to be part of the RCP and had contributed to the presentations through his advice during the previous Club Assembly of the RCP. He greatly appreciated the contributions of the RCP in the leadership of the Rotary movement in Nepal.

DG Piya made comments and suggestions on each presentation. Overall he appreciated the quality of all the presentations. He emphasized the importance of project site visits, fellowships, involvement of spouses, IWs and Rotaracts in as many club activities as possible. Need for increases in advocacy, membership, and contributions to the Rotary Foundation were DG Piya's other strong suggestions.

(iii) Charter Day Meeting

1. President a.i. Matsyendra L. Kayastha called the Meeting No. 1424 to order with 15 seconds of 'silent invocation' for peace and happiness.
2. President a.i. Kayastha again welcomed all the dignitaries and guests to the RCP's Charter Day Meeting.
3. The last meeting's minutes were reviewed and adopted.

4. **Disaster Relief:** President a.i. Matsyendra L. Kayastha mentioned that in view of the scale of the 'National Calamity' due to recent landslides and floods, the Rotary Club of Patan family raised additional contribution to support the priority needs of the victims. Instead of presenting the usual 'Token of Appreciation' to DG Rabindra K. Piya, on behalf of the RCP, President a.i. Kayastha presented to him a cheque of NRs. 111,111.00 in support of the victims of this natural disaster. He also added that the RCP would appreciate its use by the District through the Disaster Management mechanism of the Government of Nepal.
5. As requested by the President a.i., District Governor Rabindra K. Piya released the '**Lalitdhara Souvenir Issue**' of the RCP.
6. President a.i. Matsyendra L. Kayastha recognised with 'Khada' the **Charter Members** Rtns. Bijaya Bajracharya, Kamal M. Dixit, (Chandra S. Gyawali, Lochan Gyawali – regretted), Matsyendra L. Kayastha (by DG), Kamal B. Nyachhyon and **Members with more than 25 years** Rtns. Narayan G. Halwai, Rabendra R. Pandey (regretted) & Tirtha M. Sakya.
7. District Governor Rabindra K. Piya honoured 10 members of the RCP family with various levels of **PHF/MPHF 'Rotary Pins'** for their latest contributions to the Rotary Foundation.
8. **Induction of New Members:** The RCP had planned to induct 3 new members. However, as Rtn. Kalpana Pradhan could not make it due to the illness of her spouse, President Khrushchev Shrestha, 2 new members Rtn. Kamala Maharjan and Rtn. Gautam Shakya were inducted. The new members were introduced by Rtn. Padam L. Maharjan and Rtn. Siba B. Rajbhandary respectively followed by 'Dikchhya' (Swearing-in) by 'Guru' Rtn. Kamal M. Dixit, pinning and welcome by DG Rabindra K. Piya, presentation of 'Reading Materials' by President a.i. Kayastha and welcoming by 'Khada' by PDG Tirtha M. Sakya.

During the 'Dikchhya', Rtn. Kamal M. Dixit welcomed the new members to the family of some 1.2. million Rotarians worldwide, and emphasized the characteristics expected of true Rotarians in 4 Nepali words, i.e. 'Satya', 'Dharma', 'Tyag' and 'Anushasan' meaning Honesty, Duty, Selflessness (Service above Self), and Discipline respectively.

9. **District Governor's address:** President Elect Rtn. Piyush B. Bajracharya introduced DG Rabindra K. Piya and his family.

Key points of DG Piya's address – DG Piya started with best wishes for a quick recovery of President Khrushchev Shrestha. He compared Rotary with a 'Pipal' tree and emphasized on its growth like the 'Pipal' tree. DG Piya had great respect for the RCP with many senior members, including Rtn. Kamal M. Dixit, and PDG Tirtha M. Sakya, who have been guiding the Rotary movement in Nepal. DG Piya noted that his club, Rotary Club of Chitwan, was sponsored by the RCP with Rtn. Chandra S. Gyawali as the GSR. He acknowledged the contribution of the RCP, which has sponsored 10 clubs from among which 5 DGs have been selected.

DG Piya particularly requested the RCP to add more new members to be 'a club with over 50 members', in line with the target of the District and the RI this year. DG Piya also encouraged the RCP to have a very good participation in the District Conference being held in Chitwan, and in the RI Convention being held in São Paulo, Brazil. He also requested for an active 'Rotary Day – 23 February' celebration, participation in the ICM being planned for November 2014, and the Peace Conference being held under the Chairmanship of PDG Tirtha M. Sakya during 6 to 8 February 2015 in Lumbini.

DG Piya concluded by thanking the President a.i. Matsyendra L. Kayastha, Secretary Gabriele Mallapaty, and all the members of the Rotary Club of Patan for a very successful organization of the Charter Day.

10. Sergeant-at-Arms Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha gave the 'Vote of Thanks' on behalf of the Rotary Club of Patan.
11. Secretary Gabriele Mallapaty announced the attendance of: Rotarian guests 14, District First Lady, RCP Members 31 & 11 spouses, make-up 6, Rotaracts 3, IW President, and other guests 3.
12. The following Toast proposals were made:
 - (i) for the Health and Happiness of President of Nepal Dr. Ram Baran Yadav and all the Nepalese, by President a.i. Matsyendra L. Kayastha; and
 - (ii) for the Health and Happiness of RI President Gary C.K. Huang and for the Rotary International by President Elect Piyush B. Bajracharya.
13. President a.i. Matsyendra L. Kayastha adjourned the meeting and invited all the guests and the RCP family to the 'Fellowship Dinner'.