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Today's Programme: 5th Monday Entertainment Programme

Forthcoming Programme:

- 6 Oct. - No Meeting (Dashain Holidays)
- 10 Oct. - Board Meeting
- 13 Oct. - Business Meeting
- 20 Oct. - Vocational Award

Congratulatory Events

Birthdays:

Rtn. Narayan G. Halwai – 4 Oct.

Wedding Anniversaries: NIL

Minutes of Meeting No 1427

Date: 6 Aswin 2071 / 22 September 2014

1. President a.i. Matsyendra L. Kayastha called the Meeting No. 1427 to order with 15 seconds of 'silent invocation' for peace and happiness.
2. Guests welcomed by President a.i. Kayastha: Rtn. Janak P. Thapa and 3 Rotarians of RC of Patan, Durbar Square; Rotaract President Sudeep Shakya and 4 Rotaracts.
3. The last meeting's minutes were reviewed and adopted.
4. 'Happy News' Contributions:
 - Rtn. Som Paneru – for 'Safe Landing' from Nepalgunj attending a programme for Kamlaris' Empowerment.
 - Rtn. Dr. Prakash R. Regmi – for live TV interview on heart issues.
 - Rtn. Kamal M. Dixit – for a mini 'Madan Puraskar' award in Varanasi and its media coverage with photo.
 - Rtn. Nirmal Pradhananga – for 'Happy Birthday' of son and grandson on the same day.
5. Other Contributions: Rtn. Gautam Shakya contributed NRs. 10,000 to the Club Trust Fund.
6. Rotary News/Information Sharing:
 - Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha reminded all about the 5th Monday entertainment programme on the 29th of September and welcomed all, including interested spouses, to come with interesting poems, jokes, acts etc. to share and to have fun.
 - Rtn. Dr. Prakash R. Regmi requested all to join a tripartite MOU signing ceremony among Lalitpur District Office, Nepal Heart Foundation and the RCP at 2:30 p.m. on Friday 26 February at Nepal Heart Foundation Office in Jhamsikhel. This is the Rotary Global Grant on prevention of Rheumatic Heart Disease that was recently approved.
 - Rtn. Dr. Prakash R. Regmi also invited all to join (i) the 'World Heart Day' walk from the Stadium to the Ministry of Health (about 1 hour) at 6:30 a.m on Saturday, 27 September, and (ii) interaction programme (1 ½ to 2 hours) on 'World Heart Day' at 1:30 p.m. on Monday, 29 September at Annapurna Hotel.
 - President a.i. Matsyendra L. Kayastha informed about the invitation to the ICM on Total Knee and Hip replacement hosted by RC of Kathmandu West and RC of Tripureswor at 5 p.m. on Saturday, 27 September 2014 at Indreni Food Land, Baneshwor with a registration fee of NRs. 500.
 - President a.i. Kayastha also shared the invitation to all RCP Members by Rtn. Sharada Prasai from 12:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Soaltee Hotel on Saturday, 27 September 2014 to celebrate 'Gunnyu Cholo' given to her granddaughter Miss Sahira Prasai.

- Rtn. Janak P. Thapa of the RC of Patan Durbar Square shared an invitation to the RCP to join with its banner at a rally to celebrate 'World Cerebral Palsy Day' at Patan Durbar Square at 8.30 a.m. (programme till 10:45 a.m.) on Saturday, 27 September 2014.
7. Salutation: By PP Rtn. Pushkar M. Shakya - Rotary Club of Kuching, Sarawak, Malaysia; Club ID 16225; Chartered: 1936; Members 37. District: 3310, Clubs: 62, and Members: 1760.
 8. President a.i. Kayastha handed over a cheque of NRs. 10,000 to Rotaract Club of Patan President Sudeep Shakya as the RCP's contribution to the Rotaract Club's activities during the Rotary Year 2014-2015.
 9. Please see below for a summary of the session on 'New Generation' coordinated by Rtn. Siba B. Rajbhandary.
 10. Before the adjournment of the meeting by the President a.i., the Secretary announced: contributions to 'Sunshine' Fund: NRs. 2,000 (including the top-up of NRs. 50 by the President a.i.); Attendance: members 18, visiting Rotarians: 5, Rotaracts 5, and make-up 12.

Summary of the session on 'New Generation' coordinated by Rtn. Siba B. Rajbhandary

Rtn. Siba B. Rajbhandary, Director of Youth Services, started the session reminding about the month of September being Rotary's 'New Generation' month. 'New Generation' in Rotary became the 5th avenue of service since 2010, which focuses on youth from 12 to 30 year olds. Citing that currently only 11% of Rotarians are below 39 years of age, Rtn. Rajbhandary iterated Rotary's focus on youth as critical for it to thrive and strive. The New Generation covers Interact, Rotaract, RYLA and Rotary Youth Exchange programmes.

Interacts are 12 to 18 years of age, Rotaracts are 18 to 30, while RYLA is an intensive leadership training programme covering the age groups 12 to 18, 19 to 24, or 25 to 30. The Rotary Youth Exchange covers short term, long term exchanges, and also serves as Ambassadors. Rtn. Rajbhandary gave an overview of each of the above mentioned programmes with their goals, how they are organized in Rotary, and what we as a club could do to support these programmes. He also mentioned that in Nepal, there has not yet been the Rotary Youth Exchange programme at the District level due to insurance and security issues.

Rtn. Chandralekha Kayastha gave a brief on the Interact clubs sponsored by the RCP and the progress on a new one being opened at the Pragati School in Kupondole, Lalitpur.

Rotaract President Sudeep Shakya gave a summary presentation on the activities of the Rotaract Club of Patan and collaboration with the RCP being its sponsor club. The Rotaract Club of Patan was established on 30 June 1997 and awarded 'Best Club' title during 2007-2008 Rotary Year.

Speaking about 'Youth Exchange' programme Rtn. Som Paneru floated the possibility of Club to Club partnership with neighbouring countries.

The session was considered very useful as RCP plans to have these kinds of sessions to be coordinated by Chairpersons of each Committee to review its work, progress and improvement possibilities.

Rotary Information



The first baby is immunized with inactivated polio vaccine at the launch ceremony in Kathmandu, ©UNICEF/Chandra

This month Nepal introduced inactivated polio vaccine into its routine immunization programme, making it the first country to introduce the vaccine through support from Gavi and the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI). Nepal's introduction of the vaccine is a major landmark in the transition from oral polio vaccine to inactivated polio vaccine, crucial to efforts to secure a lasting polio-free world.

Plans are underway to introduce IPV into the immunization programmes of the 126 countries currently using only oral polio vaccine, ahead of a planned switch from trivalent OPV to bivalent OPV.